

Personals

Miss Frances Kenney is holidaying in Detroit. Jack Cooney is visiting with relatives in Toronto. Mr. W. H. Speight, of Toronto, spent Saturday at "Moorecroft". Mrs. Joe Johnson, of Waterloo, visited friends in town yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Matthews spent the week-end in Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. C. J. Marsh, of Toronto, has been holidaying at Mr. Ed. Freeman's. Mrs. E. H. Vincent and Barbara are holidaying with relatives in Hamilton. Rev. W. I. Pindley, of Medina, N. Y., visited Acton friends over the week-end. Mr. Ray S. McDougall, of Homebush, visited at the home of Mr. Wm. Cooper. Mr. and Mrs. J. Scott and Jimmie, of Toronto, called on Acton friends last week. Mrs. Walter Wood and Kathleen, of Inlington, visited this week with Mr. and Mrs. John Wood. Mrs. John E. Kennedy and Miss M. E. Nelson visited Mrs. M. McLean at Ottawa last week. Mrs. Jennie Matthews and Mary Black, of Toronto, are holidaying at Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kenney's. Messrs. Roy and Harold Wansbrough, of Toronto, visited with their mother, Mrs. R. H. Wansbrough. Miss Nellie Hall has returned home after having a delightful cruise to the West Indies and South America. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Statham and Lois, of London, visited with Mr. and Mrs. George Edwards over the week-end. Mrs. Amos Mason was able to return on Saturday from the Hospital in Guelph and is convalescing at her home here. Miss Ada Clarke, of Toronto, visited during the Old Boys' Re-union with Mrs. Peter Smith and Miss Pearl Smith. Mr. and Mrs. John Frank, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Frank spent the week-end with friends in Mount Forest. Mr. Rosell, Mrs. Oles and family visited friends at Royal Oak, Mich., London and Ingersoll, Ontario, over Civic Holiday. Mac and Donald Hynds, of Toronto, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. MacPherson, and with other relatives and friends. Misses Bernice and Shirley Edwards, of Beaverton, who have been holidaying at Mr. and Mrs. George Edwards', returned home this week. Mrs. John Gibbons, of Rockwood, Miss Rosa McKivoy, of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hiltcock, of Caledon, spent the week-end at Mrs. Jennie Sayens'. Mrs. A. L. Hennebert received the sad news of the sudden death of her brother-in-law, Rev. D. M. Johnston, from a heart attack at his home, Rochester, Minn. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McCutcheon, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stewart and Jack visited over the week-end with Mrs. David McCutcheon—and family at the cottage at Wasaga Beach. Master Gordon McCutcheon was able this week to return home after undergoing treatment for the past seven weeks in the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto, and all will be glad to learn he is recovering nicely. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Greenaway, of Guelph, wish to announce the engagement of their only daughter, Hazel M., to Clarence O., only son of Mr. and Mrs. August Anderson, of Acton. The wedding to take place early in September. The engagement is announced of Ruth Elmyra, youngest daughter of Mrs. Gertrude Lilly, Toronto, and the late Mr. Robert Lilly, of Dauphin, Manitoba, to James William, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Cowie, of Acton. The marriage to take place early in September. Mr. and Mrs. Frank McEwen, of Campbellville, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Marion Eveline, to Clarence Vincent Mills, P.M. B., of Toronto, son of Mrs. Mills and the late Mr. William Mills, of Gault Sars, Marie, Ontario, the marriage to take place August 31st.

CHARACTER

Live your life while you have it. Life is a splendid gift. There is nothing small in it. For the greatest things grow by God's law out of the smallest. But to live your life you must discipline it. You must not fritter it away in "fair purpose, erring act, inconstant will"; but must make your thoughts, your words, your acts, all work to the same end, and that end not self, but God. That is what we call character. —Florence Nightingale.

BOY LIGHTNING CALCULATOR

Mohammed Ismail Turki El Attar, young son of a grocer in a village in the Delta of Egypt, and famous locally as a lightning calculator, has died in Cairo. As he could not write he was unable to put figures on paper, and had to work out all problems in his head. His simplest feat was to multiply, sums of three figures each, such as 684 and 369, and give the answer in eight seconds. He would work out the multiplication of any two figure number three times, such as 49 by 49 by 49, in less than three minutes. A number running to three millions would be multiplied another as many as ten figures, such as 9,804,321,567 and the right answer delivered in twenty minutes.

CANADIAN HONEY GAINS

Canada is a land of honey, having a wealth of nectar and pollen-producing plants, and apiculture is carried on in all the provinces. Honey production during 1934 amounted to 24,269,760 pounds, valued at \$2,244,814 compared with 22,915,794 pounds, valued at \$2,099,969 in 1933, an increase in production of 1,353,966 pounds, or 5.9 per cent., and in value of \$144,845 or 11.7 per cent. The average price of honey per pound during 1934 was 92 cents compared with 88 cents in 1933. Exports of Canadian honey during the year dropped to 1,837,000 pounds, valued at \$174,865 compared with 2,806,770 pounds valued at \$281,657 in 1933. Imports of honey were relatively small, amounting to 28,770 pounds with a value of \$3,141 in 1933 and 24,874 pounds, valued at \$2,899, in 1934. While Ontario leads the provinces in honey production, great gains in beekeeping have taken place in the Prairie Provinces—Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta—during recent years. In 1921 honey production in Manitoba totaled 603,000 pounds; in 1934 it was 4,669,158 pounds. In Saskatchewan and Alberta honey production in 1934 amounted to 77,000 pounds and 55,000 pounds respectively, compared with 647,232 pounds from Saskatchewan and 1,500,000 pounds from Alberta in 1934. Honey is one of nature's best foods and has always stood for superlative sweetness. Before the introduction of cane sugar, honey was apparently the only sweet available for human use. In ancient days the bee was looked upon as a special creation of the gods and honey as being endowed with wonderful virtues, one supposition being that to eat honey brought strength, wealth, knowledge, and offspring to man. Such claims, however, may be discounted at the present time, but its food value is generally recognized, and the great increase in Canadian production is a healthful sign.

DRUG STORES IN CANADA

In Canada a most popular shopping centre is the drug store, but when the total sales of drug stores are compared with the total sales of drugs, patent medicines and compounds, etc., the impression is created that a drug store is more than the name implies. According to a recent census of merchandising and service establishments, there were 3,559 drug stores operating in Canada during 1930 and these had total sales amounting to \$76,848,900. Sales of drugs, patent medicines and compounds, etc., during the same year through all merchandising establishments amounted to \$51,178,000 and of this amount, 85.3 per cent. may be attributed to drug stores and 14.7 per cent. to other retail stores. This sales figure does not include estimates for the value of medicines sold by physicians from their own dispensaries or by hospitals or other institutions. Drug stores formed 3.85 per cent. of the total number of retail trading establishments in Canada. In 1930, and the sales of these stores formed 2.79 per cent. of the total retail trade of the country. Some interesting facts regarding drug stores are revealed. Per capita drug store sales for the country as a whole in 1930 amounted to \$7.41 and varied from a minimum of \$4.01 in Prince Edward Island to a maximum of \$10.28 in Ontario. If, rather than the total sales made by drug stores, the sales of drug and drug sundries through all retail establishments are considered, it is found that the per capita sales of these commodities for the Dominion amounted to \$4.93 and varied from a minimum of \$2.73 in Prince Edward Island to a maximum of \$6.17 in British Columbia. Only 61 per cent. of all drug store sales were made on credit; 42 per cent. of the stores indicated that they sold for cash only. Only 20 per cent. of the stores had been under the same ownership for more than 20 years. The average capital investment was over \$9,000. Only 8 out of every 100 were chain stores. During the year under review drug stores provided employment for 7,325 full-time employees and 1,674 part-time employees. Stocks on hand at the end of the year at cost or replacement value amounted to \$23,268,400 or 30.4 per cent. of the value of sales.

Acton Eliminated from Play-offs

Acton eliminated from the play-offs from the game for them. Walters and Morton were the opposing throwers, and "Pat" either had an exceptionally good night, or Acton batters had an off night. We have our own ideas about that. He held the locals to four safeties. Norm pitched good enough ball, but no pitcher can win a game with no hitting behind him. He drove one of Acton's runs in with a triple, and also had a single to his credit. In the first frame Acton loaded the bases, with none out, but one run was all they could score. Georgetown had enough errors in the infield to lose any ball game, but Acton couldn't capitalize on the break. The main cause of Georgetown's victory was the batters coming through with the necessary hits when they had men on base, and they fully deserved their win. Acton scored one in the first frame when they loaded the bases on a passed ball and two errors, but no hits were available and a double play brought the inning to an abrupt ending. Georgetown didn't tally in the first, nor did Acton in the second. However, this was Georgetown's starting point. Ward, the first man up, hit one to right field, but an error allowed him to get to third base. Walters then singled, scoring Ward. Another single by Benham scored "Pat" with the second run. Acton tied it up in the fourth when Bob Anderson got on through an error and Morton scored him with a triple to left field. Georgetown went one up in the sixth on successive hits by Beaumont and Ward; and scored their last tally in the eighth, when Woods singled and scored on Ward's triple. Acton got two men on bases in the sixth, but they were left stranded in the seventh. Acton got as far as second, with only one out, and in the eighth and ninth they had runners as far as second and third, but "Pat" was a little too good for them, and they couldn't get a safety at all. Georgetown proved good measure for their win, and if they play ball against Guelph like they have the last few games they will make it interesting for the Peacocks.

READY FOR TOURISTS

In keeping with the policy of the Canadian Government to "smooth the path" for tourists, adequate arrangements have been made to handle the incoming and outgoing travel at Windsor, Port Erie, and Niagara Falls. These ports led the other ports of the Dominion last year in the volume of tourist travel handled. Customs regulations have been revised with a view to making the movement of bona fide tourists crossing the border into Canada just as free of "red tape" and restriction as possible, and many expressions of appreciation of the simplicity of the regulations are voiced by incoming tourists. At Windsor, which has been in recent years Canada's principal point of entry and exit for automobiles tourist travel, is prepared to handle a big increase of traffic this season compared with last year when a total of 914,407 United States automobiles entered and 35,175 Canadian cars were exported for touring purposes. From April 1st to May 15th, sixty-day touring permits issued at this point numbered 14,465, travellers' vehicle permits 903, permits issued to commuters 1,018, and touring permits issued for Canadian cars leaving Canada numbered 6,619. On Jubilee Day, May 6th, over 6,000 passengers were handled at the tunnel, and about 4,000 at the ferry. Thirty-eight Customs and Excise Officers are stationed at the Windsor-Detroit tunnel, 29 officers at the ferry and 28 at Ambassador Bridge. On Sundays two extra officers are stationed at the tunnel and one extra at both the bridge and ferry, while during the summer months a total of 13 extra officers are on duty at these points. At Port Erie, the second largest point of entry and exit for tourist traffic, the entry of automobile tourists into Canada this year gives promise of a banner year for this port. During April this year 4,628 sixty-day permits were issued for United States automobiles compared with 3,371 in April, 1934. No less than 38 states were represented by April tourists. Twenty-eight officers are on duty at the Peace Bridge from June 1st to September 1st, with twenty-four hour service. Port Erie is kept busy during for local conditions. It is estimated that thirty thousand people from the United States have summer residences along the Canadian shore of Lake Erie and the Niagara River, and the ferry receives its share of this traffic. Eleven Customs officers handle the traffic at this point over a period of eighteen hours. According to present indications automobile tourist traffic through the port of Niagara Falls will be heavier this year than last. Twenty officers are stationed at the Falls View bridge, 19 at the Lower Arch, and at the Queenston-Leviston bridge. In addition to these, staffs will be augmented week-ends and holidays as occasion requires. The Department of Immigration has made provision for a number of seasonal officers in order that they may be in a position to handle tourists with the utmost despatch.

Table with columns: GEOGETOWN, AB, B, H, PO, A, E. Rows include Ritchie, McMahon, Woods, Beaumont, Ward, Walters, Chaplin, Benham, Turk, Hoare, ACTON, Terry, Walters, Holloway, W. Waterhouse, P. Anderson, Waterhouse, Morton, Tyler, Klotz, Waterhouse.

LAUNDRYING AT 3.50 A MINUTE

There is one railway department where every day is a Monday. In the railway laundries, big machines wash, dry and iron over 20,000,000 articles a year, and use nearly 100 tons of soap. There are washing machines which deal with 2,000 serviettes or 120 bed sheets at a single operation; others which dry, perfectly, 1,000 bath towels or 50 blankets; or iron dry air and fold 4,500 table napkins in an hour; and still others that darn and repair at the amazing speed of 3,500 stitches per minute. High-speed work is essential, as, frequently, as many as 5,000 pieces of linen have to be laundered between the time a railway steamship berth and departs, a matter of six to seven hours at the most.

NO SYMPATHY NEEDED

A newly-made widow called at the office of an insurance company for the money due on her husband's policy. The manager said: "I am truly sorry, madam, to hear of your loss." "That's always the way with you men," she said, "you are always sorry when a poor woman gets a chance to make a little money."

BEAT FOR CHAPLIN IN 9th.

Beating for Chaplin in 9th. Battered for Tyler in 9th. 3 base hits, Morton, Ward; 2 base hit, Beaumont; stolen bases, Morton, Woods; struck out by Walters 7, by Morton 4; sacrifice hits, Holloway, Turk; double play, Woods to Beaumont; left on bases, Acton 8, Georgetown 6. Batteries—Walters and Ward; Morton and Anderson. Score—R. H. E. Georgetown 020 001 010-4 9 3 Acton 100 100 000-2 4 5 Umpires—Leeds, Preston; Hewer, Guelph. Well, good luck, Georgetown. The better team won and we have no ill will to offer. In the field both teams were pretty loose, but at bat Georgetown was far superior. Norm Morton did his part to win, out he got no help from his team mates. He had two hits, one a triple, and stole a base. Sure! He wears The Free Press uniform. Beaumont pretty nearly pulled a boner when he ran for a glove on the diamond instead of second base; but he got back in time. Now we can sit back and cheer for some other team to win the league. Most people will pick Guelph. We still have a chance to see more baseball yet, as the Juventus play a deciding game with Milton in front to-night. We hope they don't go into the discard.

Obituary

MRS. JOHN CULVER, Kirkland Lake. Friends of the deceased and her family learned with deep sorrow of the death, in Kirkland Lake, of Mrs. John Culver (nee Evelyn Symon) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Symon. Mrs. Culver, who was 32 years of age, passed away on Sunday, five days' old. The funeral was held on Wednesday from Trinity United Church, the Rev. W. A. Earlson D.D. officiating. Pallbearers were Messrs. Percy Shippens, Walter Selnes, Walter Haviland, Walter Wees, W. G. Ritchie and Ernest Boughton. Family mourners were the parents and husband; an aunt, Mrs. Elizabeth Symon, and Miss Marguerite Symon, Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Symon Toronto; and Mr. J. A. McGill, of Ottawa, an uncle.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The following is a statement of receipts and expenditures in connection with the three day celebration, sponsored by the Acton Citizens' Band and the Baseball Club. It is gratifying to all to learn that the event was not only successful to all who attended but that both these organizations will as a result receive financial assistance.

Table with columns: RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURES. RECEIPTS: Advertising, Donations, Ribbons, Dog, Programs, Sunday Collection, Council Grant, Gate, both and dance. EXPENDITURES: Printing, Acton Public Utilities, Ribbon, Mercury, advertising, Bands, Blue Bird Soft Ball, Fireworks, Loud Speaker, Booth Supplies, Pylon Motorcycles, Canadian Cowboys, Guelph and Brampton, softball Provincial Government, to relief account, Sunday Collection, Gullthumphins and General Expenses, Cash in bank.

SPOT FISHING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

British Columbia salmon are so important commercially that perhaps there are those who do not realize that two of the five species taken, the Spring and the Coho, offer the angler tip-top sport. The Spring (or Tyee), which is known in Oregon as the Chinook or Columbia and in California as the Quinnet, is one of the noblest of game fishes. It takes the troll freely and occasionally the fly, and ranges in weight from a few pounds to as high as 80 pounds. The Coho is smaller and makes numerous, repeated, regular to spon or fly, and fights with vigor. Good catches make satisfied fishermen, and, according to a recent report made to the Department of Fisheries by one of its Pacific Coast Inspectors, the sport fishing at Saanich Arm is decidedly good for spring salmon up to 35 pounds. Bigger fish are sometimes taken, but a 35-pound salmon will satisfy most anglers. Saanich is only one place among a number where anglers find good sport fishing for Pacific salmon. On several parts of the British Columbia coast the fishing is so good that organized competitions are held and awards given those who land big fish under strict specified conditions as to the weight of tackle, etc. At Campbell River, where, in the angling world, the Indian name "Tyee" rather than the more common-place Anglo-Saxon word is applied to the Spring salmon, bronze, silver, gold and diamond buttons are awarded under private auspices for the capture of fish within certain weight limits, by means of wooden rods measuring at least six feet over all, with the tip in each case not less than five feet in length or more than six ounces in weight. The diamond buttons go only to those lucky people who catch Tyees weighing 60 pounds or more. The gold button is the prize for a fish weighing over 50 pounds, the silver button for a 40-pounder, and the bronze button for a 30-pounder or better.

The LETTER BOX

Dear Free Press: It must have been fine to be there— at the re-union. Last issue is very interesting. Many familiar names are among the visitors. The Sunday parade was a change from a one-time condition, but it depends on how a thing is done and evidently there was a serious effort to turn to good account. It was well that in the celebration the veteran bandman, Wm. Williams, received special honor. The induction of the new pastor brings in assistance from Guelph and Preston, places arising great personal interest along with Acton. The output of the Mason Knitting works is astonishing, both as a business fact, and as showing what boys may do when they become men. The Ginger Farm Chronicles are increasingly interesting. I often wonder where that farm is, or is it only typical? It was fine that the new public building was ready for visitation and appreciation. It was a pity that the liquor had to get in its inoperable work. "My, how the days are shortening!" This paper will be sent to a far-away former Acton boy. Respectfully, J. S. COLEMAN, Montreal.

ANIMALS AT PLAY

Animals play games of their own invention, as children do. Most young animals are exceedingly fond of "tag-of-war." Young foxes are particularly addicted to this form of sport, pulling against one another with might and main, and every dog lover has seen terriers doing the same thing. Others are fond of "shooting the chute" down a slope already well worn by generations of "shooters." Naturalists say that badgers play "King of the Castle" by moonlight. One of them mounts to the summit of a hillock and holds it against all comers, the badger who drives him off taking his place until he, too, is dispossessed. They play in perfect good temper for hours at a stretch. Lambs are often observed to play a similar game. Both cats and dogs play hide and seek. A dog and a cat in the same house will thus play together, but the cat always hides and the dog finds.

SCOTCH HUMOR

MacTavish: "There's a fine building for ye. What dae ye think of it?" American (visiting Scotland): "Say, that's nothing. We've got hundreds like that but bigger and better." MacTavish: "Ay, I expect ye have. That's an asylum."

IT ALL HAPPENED BY BORROWING A PAPER

The following was sent to us by a reader to serve as a warning to people who have the habit of borrowing their neighbor's copy of The Free Press: There was once a man who was too avaricious to buy a newspaper, so he sent his boy to one of the neighbors to borrow a newspaper. When the boy was hurrying he tripped over a bee-hive worth \$4 and in less than ten minutes his face looked as if he had warts all over it. The man heard the boy squeal and went to help him. He didn't notice the barb wire fence until he ran against it and tore a big gill in his leg and spoiled a pair of pants worth over \$5. The old cow noticed the hole in the fence and got into the meadow and died from eating too much green corn. His wife heard the racket and started to the door; she tripped over a churn which had four gallons of cream in it—all went into a bucket in which there were four chickens. They were all drowned. The youngest child got into the cream, crept into the parlor and spoiled a rug worth \$20. When the woman went to the door she lost a pair of false teeth, worth \$15. Under all this trouble the daughter ran away with the hired man and the dog chased 11 hens off the nests where they were setting on eggs. The calf got loose and ate a pair of trousers and a night dress. Moral: Don't borrow your neighbor's paper. Buy your own.

GREGORY THEATRE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16th Special Matinee "OUR LITTLE GIRL" She played at being happy to rebuild a shattered dream, starring SHIRLEY TEMPLE. Comedy, "Treasure Blues." Cartoon, "Buddy's Pony Express." Melody Master, "Don Redman & Orchestra." Chapter 5 of "The Law of the Wild." SATURDAY, AUGUST 17th "CLIVE OF INDIA" It tells the story of Clive, who won a nation for a country that had exiled him in disgrace, co-starring Ronald Colman and Loretta Young. Cartoon, "Flying Off." FOX NEWS. MONDAY, AUGUST 19th "OUR DAILY BREAD" We live, we love, we fight, we hate, for our daily bread, starring Karen Morley. Comedy, "I Surrender, Dear." Oddity, "Fighting Fish." Novelty, "Vaudeville Act No. 3."

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