

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths are inserted in this column without charge. In Memoriam Notices, see and see per line additional for poetry.

Obituary

BORN ALLAN—At the Guelph General Hospital, on Sunday, February 23rd, 1936, to Mr. and Mrs. John Allan, the gift of a daughter—Joyce Caroline.

MARRIED MACKENZIE-CARDNO—At Seaford, on Wednesday, February 19th, 1936, by Rev. A. P. Peck, Margaret Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell Cardno, of Seaford, to Mr. Samuel John Mackenzie, of George town.

DIED MCKEE—Suddenly, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, on Monday, February 24th, 1936, John Davidson McKee, aged 61 years.

MAJOR—At her late residence, Rockwood, Ontario, on Saturday, February 22nd, 1936, Isabella Weatherstone, beloved wife of Frank Major, in her 74th year.

HILTZ—Suddenly, on Wednesday, February 26th, 1936, at his residence, 822 Broadway Avenue, Toronto, William Hertz, dearly beloved husband of Annie E. Laidlaw, former Mayor of Toronto, in his 63rd year.

LOCALS

Success, it is said, comes in cans; and failures in cans.

Yesterday was Ash Wednesday and the first day of the Lenten season.

Saturday is the extra day—another one won't be available for four years.

A nice white coating of fresh snow covered the rather dirty piles left after the thaw.

Burlington is having a dispute with Nelson Township over arrangements for water rates.

The snow went quickly on Monday and Tuesday but a fresh stock came on Wednesday.

The snow and water got away pretty readily on Monday. There seems to be little frost in the ground.

Mrs. W. Poolitt was the successful contestant in the weight guessing contest on yarn at Miss K. Rozell's this week.

More than ever the need for careful driving should be considered with the roads in their present condition.

The shortage of water on the farms was partially amended when the thaw came on Monday. It had been quite serious.

The walls of the burned Kennedy Block got free from their coating of ice and fell down this week. Only the rear wall is now left standing.

Arrangements for functions about town were rather held in abeyance for a few days until play-off dates for hockey were finally arranged.

OFFICERS OF MANAGERS' BOARD ELECTED

At the February meeting of Knox Church Board of Managers, last week, the following officers were elected for the year: Chairman, Mr. P. B. Blow; Secretary, Mr. V. L. Wright; Assistant Secretary, Mr. V. B. Rumley; Treasurer, Mr. W. R. Kenney; Finance Committee, Mr. G. Smith, Dr. A. J. Buchanan, Messrs. A. J. Murray, E. E. Barr, W. R. Kenney and B. G. Arnold, Chairman; Property Committee, P. S. Blow, R. J. Wallace, Allan Smith, P. L. Wright and C. Hansen, Chairman; Supplies, Messrs. J. McGregor, D. McDougall, G. Somerville, V. B. Rumley and W. R. Kenney, Chairman; Envelope Secretary, Mr. H. Awey; Missionary Secretary, Mr. Allan Smith.

THE DRIFTS HAVE SHRUNK

If you failed to see the piles of snow that was piled high on the highways to the south of Acton before Sunday, the opportunity is gone. The second line and seventh line were indeed a slight and motoring on those roads was splendid. On the base line and near Hornby the drifts were over the height of the cars. At Lowville it was reported that drifts were fifteen feet in height. Main county roads were, however, in splendid condition and were ploughed out, but other roads were barely passable.

COMMUNITY ASSET

Ex-Governor Francis, of Missouri, is quoted as having said: "Each year the local paper gives from \$500 to \$1,000 in free lines to the community in which it is located. No other agent can or will do this."

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BEATY ILL



EARL BEATTY Anxiety was felt in London for health of Earl Beatty, British naval hero, who is suffering severe cold contracted at funeral of King George. Earl Beatty retired last Jan. 17 as admiral of the fleet.

A. Y. P. A. MEETING

The Chief has worked his way to be the head of the biggest precinct in New York. He has no use for sentiment or softness, not even on Christmas eve. His assistant has a wife in the hospital, and a little boy at home, who still believes in Santa Claus, but the Chief refuses to let him go early so that he can trim a Christmas tree for his son.

An old couple, who say that their names are Joseph and Mary, are brought to him, charged with vagrancy. This was the theme of an unusual play "The Blessed Vagrants," presented by the Tiger Group of St. Alban's A.Y.P.A., on Tuesday evening.

APPRECIATION

The Commissioners of the House of Refuge, Brampton, wish, through the columns of the local press of the Counties of Halton and Peel, to express their appreciation and thanks to the editors of the said papers, who are donating the subscription of their papers to the House of Refuge, and all those who, by their donations to the said Home and Innards during the year 1935, and especially at Christmas, helped to brighten the lives of the inmates.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners, J. J. JAMIESON, Secretary-Treasurer.

Open Meeting

Will be held in the Y. M. C. A. under auspices of Acton Women's Institute, on MONDAY, MAR. 2nd, at 12:15 Mrs. R. W. Witherspoon, B. A., of Russell St.-Kelley Ltd., Hamilton, will speak on "Canadian Industries." Lucky Number door prizes exceeding \$10 will be given away. Everybody Welcome—No Admission.

Notice to Creditors

All parties having claims against the Estate of David M. Wilson, late of the Township of Erin, Farmer, who died on the first day of February, 1936, are required to send particulars and proofs of such claims to the undersigned solicitor before the thirtieth day of March, 1936, when the assets will be distributed among the parties legally entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims which shall have been filed as aforesaid, pursuant to Section 51, of the Trustee Act, R.S.O. 1927, Chapter 150.

Dated this thirtieth day of February, 1936. JOHN EDWARD PEARREN, ALEXANDER McCAGG, Executors. By H. N. Farmer, Acton, Ontario, their Solicitor.

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The LETTER BOX

SOME OBSERVATIONS

Dear FREE PRESS:

The issue of 13th to hand to-day had several features of interest. The letter of Mr. Johnson, from the North, is a series increasing in interest, contained the sad intimation of physical weakness. His graphic portrayal of life in the new land are, it seems, produced under some health handicap. He, however, is sharing in a common Canadian experience—cold weather.

The fine pictures, by Mr. A. T. Brown, of the results of the fire, reveal a great scene of desolation. What changes in a few minutes may occur!

Mr. Brown may be counted on to be on the spot for a camera shot where there is a matter of interest to transmit to others, or to preserve, if desired. I saw, just recently, a photo of his taken at the throwing of the tall brick chimney at the old "Storey Tannery," on Main Street, by the track. He, I learned, waited on the railway some twenty minutes or more, while the foundation was being cut into, and caught it about midway in its fall, quite clear of any "trail" in falling, so instantaneously was it secured. What a marvel of preserving interesting incidents is the camera.

The saddest of the items is the recorded death of Mr. Frank Kennedy. Another old-time acquaintance is added to the list, with H. P. Moore, A. E. Nicklin, John R. Kennedy, and others, since Acton was the writer's home.

The "Old Man" does not go far enough back into the film recesses of the past to place the moving of the big stocks of sugar from the warehouse to Symon Bros. store at half a century ago, when he suggests that Jack Meitae probably was one of the several boys to hand-it-out to others. My personal recollection of "Jack" seems to be that several years before the half century he was an active partner in the Nelson & Meitae Co., in the Henderson building. "Old Man" says that in 1873 the Christie-Henderson firm succeeded the Symon business, who were, in turn, succeeded by Nelson & Meitae, and "Cold" was the word for a couple of weeks recently, in the West as well as Acton. 53 below one morning. "But of course you don't feel it"—if you are keeping the stove warm. However, Saturday, 8th, it rose 70 degrees, from 35 below to 35 above. But the Chinook soon passed off. But we are about one-third on the way to the long day, with the consequent withdrawal of the sun toward the south. But, like the rural mail man, the "fruit rider" has kept his "appointments," even when many people were too much afraid for their own safety.

Respectfully, J. S. COLEMAN.

Dear FREE PRESS:

I had almost decided not to write this week, due to occupations requiring my time; also to weather conditions which detained our courier on Monday. But, after thinking it over again, I decided a letter might still have time. The thermometer started upward Sunday afternoon, and by night stood at 10 above. By 8:00 p. m. it was 20 above, and by 4:00 a. m. rain and sleet was falling so fast that a crust had formed on the snow and was coating everything. The rain only lasted till noon, but it continued mild till the thermometer got up to just freezing point, where it has stayed all day long, so we are enjoying the first mild spell since winter began. It will put the snow down, to make room for more, I suppose, because it's quite a while till spring in this country.

I had a new experience on Saturday. Attending the open market, as I have mentioned in some of my previous letters, is a popular means of disposing of most of the surplus produce. I decided, after some thought and considerable hunting after information, to try my hand at it. Took some vegetables, well selected and washed, and two baskets of butter that I had a large hand in preparing. We have a choice of markets, as a special train for Kirkland Lake leaves New Lismore at 4 p. m. The distance is farther and the expense greater, but a great many go there. But I decided to try another market, as it was a shorter distance, leaving and less expense. Our train leaves Ennagh at 6 a. m. due at our station at 7:20; the ticket 75c return, and arriving at market about 9:00 a. m. I was really surprised to see such a crowd attending, with all sorts of produce; meat composing the bulk, but a lot of butter, cream, buttermilk, carrots, beets, parsnips, peas for soup, turnips, potatoes, sauer kraut, and home baking were on sale. I felt strange and, of course, the buyers all knew I was a stranger. But one need think they can start a new job or undertaking and know all about it.

Well, the consequence was, I stood for quite a long time and sold only a small part of my product. But a neighbor, who had disposed of all she had taken, offered to help for a few minutes. Between us mine didn't last long. My turnips brought 3 to 5 cents each; carrots, a cent each, or 20c a small basket; potatoes, 20c for a quart basket; 35c a large one, or \$1.25 a bag; butter started at 28c and finished at 25c; beef sold from 10c to 16c, according to cut; and pork, 8c to 16c. Pay day, I find, regulates the buying. Every other week is good or poor, according to pay day. Last week was the poor week and a lot of stuff was unsold.

But I am more than ever convinced this is one of the best ways of bartering—from the farmer or producer direct to consumer, with no added profits. Apart from the business, a lot of en-

Legion Carnival Popular Event Last Night

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Best Costume—Margaret McDonald, Dorothy Dunn.

Then Frenchy Leveque, of Guelph, entertained with his barrel jumping. The ice was in poor condition by this time and it was impossible to put on a top-notch exhibition. Frenchy started with three barrels and finished off with clearing six barrels. The barrels were of pretty good size, well over two feet high and six of them meant a clearance of about 14' or 15 feet. It was a good performance and pleased the crowd.

The races, of course, were a feature and had plenty of entries. Winners were as follows: Boys, under 14 years—Melvin Hall, Harry Slavage. Girls under 14 years—Mae Roney, Dorothy Poolitt. Ladies' Race over 14 years—Helen Mooney, Kay Chapman. Men's Race, over 14 years—Bob Brush and H. Mooney.

This race was keenly contested between these two. Mooney led all the way until the finish, when Brush noed out. Mooney, who fell at the finish line. This race had 14 entries. Rural League Race—H. Barden, H. Price.

The potato race had so many entries that it was run in four squads of twelve entries each. The final heat was won by G. Riddall and J. Ford. Frenchy Leveque gave another exhibition of jumping over boxes. He placed 10 boxes, which it was claimed was the equal of 12 barrels such as are usually used in giving these exhibitions. These he cleared quite readily and he received a good hand from the crowd.

The final event was the Musical Chairs. Only skaters in costume were permitted in this event. It was a lively scramble. The winners were Hector Lambert and Vernon Agnew.

The event was in charge of Mr. E. E. Barr and his helpers from the Legion, and was quite successful. It is to be hoped it is but the forerunner of such an annual event and that next year the weather man will give better consideration.

JUST NOTES

That a carnival is popular was evidenced by the crowd that last night attended the one here in spite of the weather prevailing.

The decorations in the Arena added some color and made the event quite attractive.

It was a considerable effort to stage the event but ought to be a source of satisfaction to the Legion on the success attended.

We still think the Arena approach could be improved by a temporary sidewalk, built in sections, and removed in the summer.

BALDY

Convict 54: "Why are you so bald?" Convict 61: "My mucker used to pat me on the head so much for being a good boy."

Joyment is also to be had by folk who are away out in the country all week. They meet their neighbors, exchange views on many subjects, get all the gossip of the whole countryside, who are going to be married and who have been, who are going to call them; and, in fact, everything that goes to make a person satisfied, as far as news is concerned. Many of these folk don't even take a newspaper. They depend on their market trip for all the news. More next week. Cordially, R. W. JOHNSON.

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