

Hon. Geo. H. Perley Dies in His Sleep

Noted Canadian Statesman Passes at Home at Ottawa at Age of 80 Years

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 4th.—Prime Minister Mackenzie King to-night offered a guard of honour of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for the funeral on Friday of Sir George H. Perley, Canadian statesman, who died in his sleep at his Ottawa home to-day in his eightieth year.

The Prime Minister, a full delegation of the Federal Cabinet and outstanding men in public, business and church life of the nation, together with a great number of personal friends, will be in attendance. Right Hon. R. B. Bennett, now in Calgary, will fly east for the funeral.

The King Sends Sympathy
Messages of sympathy from King George VI and Queen Mary and the Duke of Connaught were received to-day by Lady Perley. Hundreds of telegrams from men and women in Canada and the United States also reached here.

"The Queen and I are grieved to hear of the death of your husband, whose distinguished services to Canada and the Empire will long be remembered. We send you our deepest sympathy," cabled the King.

Death came suddenly and peacefully to Sir George. Always in good health, he made one of his rare calls on a physician late yesterday, but there was no apparent cause for immediate concern, and he retired at his customary hour. Early this morning members of his household discovered he had died during the night. It was believed the end came without warning about 3 o'clock from heart failure.

Sir George was first married in 1884 to Annie Hespeler, daughter of W. H. Bowley of Kitchener, Ont. She died in 1910, and in 1913 he married the present Lady Perley, daughter of Sir Thomas White. One child, Mrs. Irving Perley-Robertson, of Ottawa, and five grandchildren, also survive.

Funeral Friday
The funeral will be held here Friday afternoon, with a service at All Saints' Anglican Church, where Sir George worshipped, and burial at Bechwood Cemetery.

Prominent in Canada's political life since 1904, adviser to two great Conservative Prime Ministers, Sir Robert Borden and Right Hon. R. B. Bennett, Sir George laboured long and usefully for his adopted country both at home and abroad.

In an acting capacity Sir George had at various times played almost every role in government from acting prime minister down. He was Canadian high commissioner in London during the war years, was first overseas minister of defence, and was a member of the Imperial war cabinet.

Of medium height and build, Sir George's most striking physical characteristic was his heavy jet hair and well-trimmed beard which he had worn for many years. These were only slightly silvered by the years which in every way had dealt kindly with him.

A man of simple tastes and habits, Sir George preferred usually to walk to and from his office, the government buildings and his club which he visited almost daily. He was fond of bridge and billiards and proficient at both. During the summer he was a keen golfer and ardent fisherman.

As late as yesterday afternoon Sir George paid his customary visit to the Rideau Club and indulged in a game of bridge with friends there. Saturday he was among the throngs of Ottawa citizens paying New Year Day calls on the governor-general, Prime Minister Mackenzie King and foreign ministers.

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An outstanding characteristic of Sir George was his geniality. He had a ready smile and witty conversation for the hosts of friends who encountered him as he walked about the streets of Ottawa. He was a friend of the rich and poor alike and his disbursements among the needy were constant and liberal. Several charitable institutions in Ottawa stand as monuments to his generosity and that of his family.

Many Pay Tribute
Tributes from England came to-day from the King, the Duke of Connaught, Hon. Vincent Massey, Canadian High Commissioner, and numerous others. In Ottawa Prime Minister Mackenzie King paid a warm tribute to one who had been his friend since he came to Ottawa as Deputy Minister of Labour in 1904.

From Calgary former Prime Minister Bennett expressed his great sense of loss in the death of one who was "not only a former colleague in government, but one of my most beloved and intimate friends." Mr. Bennett left at once for Ottawa to attend the funeral.

Lookout, Soo! This is a Bear Story From Sioux Lookout

Sioux Lookout, Jan. 5.—A 150-pound bear invaded the camp of Alex Firchuk recently and Firchuk claims he captured the animal with his bare hands.

The bear walked into the shack while Firchuk was filling a saw. "I couldn't get out," the lumberman related, "so I tackled him with my bare hands. The bear was tough but I got him on his back with a wrestling hold and socked him on the snout."

"The bear started to raise a terrific din," Firchuk continued, "he tried to bite me. I kept away from his jaws but he ripped the front of my shirt and clawed my hands."

The fight ended, according to the victor's story, when Firchuk got a rope around the animal's neck and anchored it to the leg of a bench. While the bear howled, his captor claims, he made a wooden cage into which he enticed the animal with a piece of meat. Three days later he took it by horse team to Hudson, where he showed it to friends.

"Finally," said Firchuk, "the bear was eating so much that I took it to Port Arthur and sold it to a Chinese restaurant. The Chinese like bear. It makes nice soup. They had a bear party and all the Chinese in town turned up."

Sudbury Star: What to do with your old Christmas decorations? Give them to the missus to wear for a hat.

Ratepayers' Meeting Held at Schumacher

Other Local and Personal Items from Schumacher.

Schumacher, Jan. 4th, 1938.—(Special to The Advance)—Miss Dorothy Tucker, of Woodstock, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Eristow over the holiday.

Jean Wharton, of Kirkland Lake, is visiting her father this week.

Miss Rollins returned Sunday from a vacation in Montreal.

Miss Bessie Bergera, R.N., visited friends in Pembroke last week.

Born—In Grace hospital, Winnipeg, Man., on December 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Laurie, 58 Second avenue—a daughter ("Bonnie Mary").

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cooke left Sunday for a month's vacation in Bermuda.

Mrs. William Duncan, of Matacheewan, visited at the home of her nephew, Bill Mair, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Roy, and daughter, of New Liskeard, visited at the home of Mrs. Roy's sister, Mrs. J. Hamilton, last week.

Gerald Armstrong returned Saturday from two weeks' vacation at his home in Birdsall.

Mrs. Cawley, who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eyofofen for some time, left Friday for her home in Newmarket.

Francis ("Tup") Gilbert left Tuesday after spending his vacation with his parents, to continue his studies at Queen's University.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Langford returned Tuesday after spending the Christmas holidays in Toronto.

Born—Tuesday, January 4th, 1938, in St. Mary's hospital, Timmins, to Mr. and Mrs. Morvos Messecar (nee Claire Furlonge)—a daughter.

Mr. Dan Hannah was a visitor to Perth last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith, of St. Thomas, were guests of their niece Mrs. James Hamilton, last week.

Miss Delta Jaques left Saturday for her home in Sturgeon Falls, after spending two months with her sister, Miss Jean Jaques.

The Child Welfare Clinic will be held in the public school on Friday afternoon, January 7th, from three to five.

Mr. Osborne Orr, of Connaught, visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. H. Miller, on New Year's Day.

The annual ratepayers' meeting was held in the public school on Wednesday evening, December 22th, with the usual reports, accounts and receipts being read, and the election for trustee, which resulted in Mr. D. E. Keeley being re-elected by acclamation. The board of trustees includes: Mr. J. A. Hawkins, Mr. M. L. Urquhart and Mr. D. E. Keeley.

Born—Tuesday, January 4th, in St. Mary's hospital, Timmins, to Mr. and Mrs. Jos MacNeil, 110 Third avenue—a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Sherk, who have spent the past two weeks visiting in New Liskeard, returned home Sunday. Joe and Dominic Innerelli left Sunday for North Bay to continue their studies at Scollard Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards, who have been holidaying in Montreal, returned home last week.

Jim Keeley left Sunday for Michigan to continue his studies at the Mining College.

Mrs. V. Cripps announces the engagement of her daughter, Violet Lorraine, to Roland Axil, eldest son of Mr. Axil Wilson and the late Mrs. Wilson, the marriage to take place on January 15.

Huntingdon Gleaner: Chinese soldiers who capture a Japanese general receive a reward of \$14.50 which seems to be out of line with the reward of \$145 offered for capturing a tank, or tentimes the price put on a general's head. The reason for this great difference is not explained, but a very plausible theory is that a tank will fight just as effectively for the enemy while a captured general is a liability and can be replaced from lower ranks of the enemy ad infinitum.

Once a Section Foreman But Now Church Pastor

A reader of the Canadian National Magazine, in a letter published in the January issue, suggests a poll of railwaymen to find out how many of them are taking special courses in this and that. He himself, he says, is taking "a Liberal Arts Course from the American School at Chicago, embodying a study of The Humanities, Social Studies, The Sciences and Problems of Everyday Living."

There will not be many to equal the retired section foreman who attained the degree of B.A. and is now pastor of a United Church congregation in western Canada.

Year's Imprisonment for Threat With Gun

Kirkland Lake Man Who Flourished Gun Is Sentenced

(From Kirkland Lake Northern News)—A chain of events which started with a thoughtless threat Christmas Eve of "I'll shoot you if you don't see me," ended with a jail sentence of one year in police court Thursday for Percy T. Tennant.

A plea for leniency for the man because of his previous spotless record and his youth was put forward by his counsel, Ed Pearlman.

Tennant pleaded guilty to a charge of carrying an offensive weapon dangerous to the public.

Constable Richardson told the court the circumstances of the case as related to him by the recipient of the threat, Rita Lemay, of 41A Second street. In company with Constable Gibson he visited the house after a call had been put into the police station by the woman.

As they were questioning Miss Lemay a knock came to the door. Gibson opened it and ushered in Tennant. He was grasping a loaded revolver in his back pocket.

Counsel Pearlman asked to be allowed to say a few words on behalf of his client. He mentioned to Magistrate Atkinson that there was a background to the case which did not need airing. He then went on to plead for a lenient sentence for Tennant, pointing out that he was a young man who had never been in trouble before. Tennant, according to his counsel, was unemployed, having lost his job at a local mine because he could not pass a medical examination.

As to the happenings of Christmas Eve, Mr. Pearlman said Tennant could not remember having made the threat. The comparative sobriety of the prisoner at the time of his arrest was established by Chief of Police William Shane and Crown Attorney Robinson. They told the court he had been drinking but was not intoxicated.

Continuing his story, Mr. Pearlman told how Tennant had been searching for work here and in Timmins and that the woman in the case had been supplying him with money.

"Had he been living with her?" asked the magistrate.

"Yes, he had, but she had put him out and was living with another man. It was to scare this man and the woman that he went to the house that night," answered Pearlman.

He went on to ask for a sentence which would be a lesson to Tennant but which would not be too heavy.

The bench asked whether the revolver was loaded. Assured that it was, he said:

"This is a serious matter. We can't have people running around with loaded revolvers. I sentence you to one year in jail."

SYMPATHETIC JUDGE
Judge: "The sentence is 20 years penal servitude."
Prisoner (in tears): "My Lord, I will not live that long."
Judge: "Never mind, just do what you can."

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The hotel is fully licensed under the provisions of the Liquor Control Act and modern beverage rooms have been installed for both gentlemen and ladies.

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Marriage Event at Haileybury Monday

Miss Madeleine Rosemary Clemens and Harvey Wilbert Hutchins United in Marriage

Haileybury, Jan. 6.—(Special to The Advance)—Given in marriage by her uncle, Joseph F. Clemens, of Timmins, Madeleine Rosemary Clemens, daughter of Mrs. Clemens and the late Frank Clemens of Haileybury, on Monday became the bride of Harvey Wilbert Hutchins, son of Mrs. Hutchins and the late Charles E. Hutchins, of Burlington, Ont. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Lasalle in the bishop's palace. The bride was gowned in white satin, fashioned on Princess lines, with a coat of lace and Queen Anne collar, and with a Juliet cap of sequins. She carried a shower bouquet of red roses and lilies-of-the-valley. Her attendant, Miss Iola McDonnell, wore Wallis blue taffeta, with a corsage bouquet of Johanna Hill roses. Joseph Lee, of Burk's Falls, was groomsmen. A reception followed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. H. Little, after which Mr. and Mrs. Hutchins left on a wedding trip to Toronto and Burlington, the bride traveling in a hand-knitted suit of powder blue boucle, with wine-coloured accessories and cinnamon broadtail coat. On their return, Mr. and Mrs. Hutchins will reside in Haileybury, where the groom is accountant at the branch of the Royal Bank.

Four Tie for Place in Bucke Council

Unprecedented in History of This North. Clerk Gives Casting Vote

North Cobalt, Jan. 6.—(Special to The Advance)—In circumstances believed to have been without precedent in the municipal history of Temiskaming district, Councillor Fred Radley on Tuesday afternoon was re-elected to the Bucke township council after he had finished in a four-way tie on election day for the fifth seat at the board for 1938. Nine candidates contested the council, and when all figures were in late Monday evening it was found that Councillor Radley, and Thomas Fenton, Jr., John Finnerty and Olaf Nelson had deadlocked with 63 votes apiece for the last council chair at stake.

The next day, after Frank Mountford, township clerk, had taken legal advice on the matter, Councillor Radley received the clerk's casting vote. The

member of the 1937 body, with Messrs. Fenton and Nelson, agreed to accept the clerk's ruling, and Mr. Finnerty notified Mr. Mountford he was dropping out of the running. Mr. Mountford, after checking the returns following the arrival of the ballot box from Clover Valley school (telephone returns only had been available Monday night) declared he would vote for Councillor Radley, explaining he was following precedent to the extent of breaking a tie by favouring the sitting member.

Other members of the council this year will be Reeve Alex McRae, back for a sixth term, who defeated Councillor James Phillips, 107 to 72, and Councillor R. R. Heard and Charles Pirie and Thomas Duhaime, the two latter newcomers to the board. O. Ayotte and L. Dube were other defeated candidates.

Representative of Conklin's Shows on Visit to Town

Frank Bickford of Victoria, B.C., representative of the Conklin Shows, is in town this week, with the idea of having Timmins on the route of Conklin Shows again this year. This year, Mr. Bickford says, the Conklin Shows will be bigger and better than ever, but will only play the larger centres. Conklins this year again have an engagement with the Canadian National Exhibition at Toronto. Mr. Bickford was not with the Conklin Shows in the last two or three years, but previous to that represented the Shows for a number of years and paid several visits to Timmins in his capacity of representative and made many friends here.

Keeps Getting Harder to Spear Free Drinks Now

They say there was a time when a smart young man could get quite a few free drinks—if he were smart enough. But to-day it is not so easy—if it ever was. At least in Kirkland Lake, at Kirkland Lake a young man, who afterwards claimed he had enough, anyway, before he started, attempted to spear the odd drink in the odd way. He visited a number of places in Kirkland Lake, asking for a drink. When there was question of the reason why he should be given a drink, or even ask for a drink, he represented that he was a police officer. Even that, however, not even in Kirkland Lake—didn't win the free drinks. In the first couple of places he visited he was ordered out. In the next couple he was thrown out. Then came one place where he was stalled along. While he was waiting in the hopes that there might be a drink for him, the police arrived. The police

had been called while the "stalling" was in progress. Instead of getting the drink, the young gentleman was hurried to the cells. Last week he was before Magistrate Atkinson on the charge of impersonating a police officer. He pleaded guilty to the charge. The fine was a heavy one—\$100 and costs—with the alternate penalty of thirty days.

Blairmore Enterprise: This story may not be true. It is about a woman who phoned to the Fidelity Insurance Company and wanted her husband's fidelity insured.



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