

## MOTORIST SPED ON AFTER WRECKING CYCLE

William Knisley in Hospital With Badly Shattered Leg Sustained on Monday Night When Returning to Work at Clinton.

What is probably the first "in-human" act on the part of a motorist in this part of the country occurred last Monday night about 9:30 at a point about ten miles south of Durham on the Provincial Highway, near what is known as the long swamp.

William Knisley, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Knisley of Bentinck, was the unfortunate victim and now lies in the Durham hospital with a badly shattered leg, caused from having his motorcycle struck by a speeding Ford coupe, the driver of which, though he failed to stop, must have known that he left his victim in a serious condition when he struck his machine head-on with such force that it was hurled in to the fence, the rider knocked unconscious, and left in a helpless condition.

Mr. Knisley, who is in the employ of the Bell Telephone Company at Clinton as lineman, had visited his parents in Bentinck, a couple of miles south-west of the town, over the holiday, and left about nine o'clock for Clinton, where he was to resume work Tuesday morning.

In the neighborhood of the long swamp he encountered the Ford coupe coming north, and though he gave it his full share of the road, it side-swiped him, with the result that his left leg was badly broken between the knee and the ankle, and the machine he was riding, out of control, could not be stopped until it struck the fence, where Mr. Knisley lay for some time unconscious.

Recovering consciousness, later, he hailed two passing cars, but they evidently did not hear him and hurried on. Finally, in desperation, the injured man dragged himself to the side of the road, where he was seen by a party of motorists returning to Listowel, who stopped and gave him every attention possible.

Shortly afterward, an Owen Sound car came along and the injured man was taken to the Durham hospital, where Dr. D. B. Jamieson, his physician, found that about four inches of the bone of the leg had been reduced almost to a pulp by the impact. The injured limb was placed in a plaster cast, as setting infection, we are told that it will not be necessary to amputate.

At the present time, however, it is impossible to say just how badly Mr. Knisley is injured, or what the final result will be.

Though the rider was so seriously injured, the motorcycle had a miraculous escape from total destruction and was not particularly damaged, though too badly wrecked to be run to Durham on its own power. After several trials, it was loaded on one of the trucks of the Smith Bros. garage and brought to town.

Though Mr. Knisley has no idea of the identity of the car that hit him, the Listowel motorists referred to took the number of a suspicious-looking car encountered between the scene of the accident and Durham, and the Listowel Chief of Police has sent the number to Chief Falconer of town, who is already in touch with the Department and will know the owner's name in a few days, when a further investigation will follow.

Accidents of this kind have been almost negligible in this part of the country since motoring began, and it is the wish of every citizen that the miscreant who struck down Mr. Knisley and afterwards deserted him in such cowardly fashion may soon be brought to justice and adequately punished for his heartlessness.

## MARRIED AT MOUNT FOREST

A quiet wedding took place at Mount Forest on Friday, when William Pickering and Mrs. McLellan were united in matrimony by Rev. Mr. Fahey, pastor of the Methodist church. After the ceremony they left immediately for a trip to Chicago, and on their return will reside in the groom's home on King street.

## SCHOOL OPENED TUESDAY WITH GOOD ATTENDANCE

Teachers and Pupils Start Another Year With Bright Hopes and High Ambitions.

They're off again, and so far as the Durham schools are concerned, the attendance is up to normal.

In the high school, 99 pupils reported the first day, and while this is somewhat below the capacity of the school, more will start when the harvest rush is over, and before the present month is ended, it is expected the limit will have been reached. With the exception of Miss Cresswell the personnel of the teaching staff in the high school is the same as last year, and is as follows:

J. A. M. Robb, Principal; Miss J. Weir, English and Classics; Miss E. Redmond, Moderns and History; and Miss Jean Cresswell, Mathematics and Science.

In the Public school, Principal Graham reports a full house, over 300 reporting on the first day. During the first part of the term, that is, until Easter, it is the intention to run the school with a staff of seven teachers. This makes no change in the staff with the exception of Miss MacKenzie, resigned, who has, we understand, accepted a situation in Fairbanks school, Toronto. Miss Sadie F. MacDonald takes charge of the Fourth class pupils, and the other teachers move up one, with Miss McEachern taking in addition to the First class, a class of Primary pupils. The staff for 1924-25 is:

J. A. Graham, Principal; Miss Sadie F. MacDonald; Miss Edna Browning; Miss Anne Macdonald; Miss Mary E. Morton; Miss Donald McEachern, and Miss Lizzie Schaefer.

After the addition of new pupils at Easter it is the intention of the Board to engage an eighth teacher to assist in Primary work as last year. Besides the Durham schools, those in the surrounding district have engaged teachers as follows:

Miss Edna McHugh, Markdale, goes to Swinton Park.

Miss Augusta McAlister, to Klock in Northern Ontario.

Miss Lavina Mortley, to Richmond Hill.

Miss Ruby Morrison to Webbwood, in Algoma.

Mr. Morrow Riddel to Eau Claire, New Ontario.

Miss Merron McArthur, re-engaged at Conn.

Mr. Allan McInnis, to No. 1, Glenelg.

Miss Armetta McKechnie, re-engaged at No. 3, Glenelg.

Miss Elizabeth J. Allan, re-engaged at No. 5, Glenelg.

Miss Marietta Park, to No. 9, Glenelg.

Miss Esther Petty, to Hampden school, in Normanby.

Miss Rita Bailey, to Allan Park.

Miss Jessie Aitchison, to Listowel, to Latona.

Miss Katie L. Kerr to Flora.

Miss Florence Kerr, to Palmerston.

Miss Janette Kerr, to Clifford.

Mr. Erben Schutz, to Hutton Hill.

Miss Elizabeth Murdoch, to Washago, near Orillia.

Miss Nora Barr, re-engaged at the Varney school.

Miss Florence McIvride, to Orchardville.

Miss M. Davis, to No. 12, Egremont.

Miss Thuell, re-engaged in No. 1, Normanby.

Miss Mary Turnbull, to Clarendon, in Frontenac County.

Miss Mary Lamb, to Nestleton.

Miss Kathleen Firth, to the Rocky.

Miss Mary McQuarrie, to Latona.

Miss Esther McLean, to Dromore.

Miss M. Byers, re-engaged at Lam-lash.

Miss Helen Milligan, to Hamilton County.

Miss Jimima Lawrence, to Warrington school.

Miss Annie MacKenzie, to Fairbanks school, Toronto.

## UNDERWENT OPERATIONS

Recent operations at the Durham Hospital were undergone by Mrs. H. Allen of Glenelg, Mrs. J. N. Murdoch of Durham, and Mrs. Clark of Owen Sound. All patients are doing well.

## WEATHER SIGNS AND HOW TO READ THEM

Method of Foretelling Weather, as Used by Sailors, Told for Chronicle Readers by Capt. J. F. Wright.

Can you foretell the weather with any accuracy? A lot of people profess to, and in many instances no doubt their prognostications are nearly correct; in the great majority, though, we think the average amateur would not care to give any reasonable guarantee that his prophesy would be even fifty per cent correct.

To landlubbers generally, it has always seemed almost uncanny the manner in which men who follow the sea can nearly always foretell what the weather will be for the succeeding twenty-four hours. The correctness, as a general rule, of their predictions, can not be called "luck." Their method, though simple, is based on their own and others' experience and is the outcome of years of careful observation of winds, clouds, birds, etc.

This week through the kindness of Capt. J. F. Wright, of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, we are enabled to publish the method by which sailors foretell weather conditions, and which, we think, will be of interest and benefit to our readers. Capt. Wright is a sailor of many years' experience, both on salt and fresh water, and his method, if practiced, will enable anyone who observes the conditions carefully to prophesy with a good degree of success what the weather will be like during the succeeding twenty-four hours. Capt. Wright says:

"Weather clear or cloudy, a rosy sky at sunset, presages fine weather. A red sky in the morning, bad weather, or much wind, perhaps rain. A grey sky in the morning, fine weather. High dawn wind, fair weather.

Soft-looking, or delicate clouds, foretell fine weather, with moderate or light breezes. Hard-edged, oily-looking clouds, wind. A dark, gloomy, blue sky is wind, but a light bright blue sky indicates fine weather. Generally the softer the clouds look the less wind, but, perhaps, more rain may be expected, and the harder, more 'greasy,' rolled, tufted or ragged, the stronger the coming wind will prove. A bright yellow sky at sunset presages wind; a pale yellow, wet, and thus by the prevalence of red, yellow, or grey tints, the coming weather may be foretold very nearly. Indeed, if aided by instruments, almost exactly.

Small inky-looking clouds foretell rain. Light, scud clouds driving across heavy masses of very dark clouds show wind and rain, but if alone, may indicate wind only. High, upper clouds crossing the sun, moon, or stars, in a direction from that of the lower clouds, or the wind then felt below, foretell a change of the wind.

After fine, clear weather, the first signs in the sky of a coming change are usually light streaks, curls, wisps, or mottled patches of white, distant clouds, which increase and are followed by an overcasting of murky vapour that grows into cloudiness. This appearance, more or less oily, or watery, as wind or rain will prevail, is an infallible sign.

Light, delicate, quiet tints or colors, with soft, undefined forms of clouds, indicate and accompany fine weather, but gaudy or unusual hues with hard definitely outlined clouds foretell rain and possibly strong winds.

When seabirds fly out early and to seawards, moderate winds and fair weather may be expected. When they hang about the land, or over it, sometimes flying inwards, expect a strong wind with stormy weather. As many creatures besides birds are affected by the approach of rain or wind, such indications should not be slighted by an observer who wishes to foretell weather.

Remarkable clearness of atmosphere near the horizon, distant objects, such as hills usually visible or raised (by refraction), and what is called a "good hearing day" may be mentioned among signs of wet weather if not wind to be expected. More than usual twinkling of the stars, indistinctness, or apparent multiplication of the moon's horns, haloes, "wind dogs," fragments or pieces of rainbows, sometimes called wind galls, seen on detached clouds and the rainbow, are more or less significant of increasing wind, if not approaching rain with or without wind.

Lastly, the dryness or dampness of the air and its temperature (for the season) should always be considered with other indications of change or continuance of wind and weather."

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## America's Guest This Month



Eastern United States social circles were all agog this past week over the visit to that country of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales. The Prince landed at New York on Friday and was accorded a wonderful reception by the American people. He witnessed the polo match between the British and American teams at Meadowbrook Club, Westbury, L. I., and lunched with President Coolidge. The above picture of the popular young Prince shows him in rather democratic attire. It was made on his Canadian ranch near High River, Alberta, the time he forgot his many royal ceremonies and receptions and chose to live the carefree life of the cowboy for a brief period. His Royal Highness will shortly visit his ranch in Canada.

## ENJOYING TRIP TO BONNIE SCOTLAND

Mr. Thomas Henderson and Children Having Time of Their Lives in the Land o' Cakes and Heather.

We had a letter, from Mr. Thomas Henderson the first of the week, written from Dundee, Scotland, and though no mention is made of his homecoming, it will not be long until he will have to tear himself away and come back to Canada and business.

Tommy says the old city of Dundee has not changed much, except in the outskirts, where quite a lot of building is going on in erecting the workmen's houses under the direction of the government. The condition of the working class has improved very much since he was last there and now, instead of living in tenements of three or four stories, with three or four rooms to a family, the workingmen are having much better houses erected on the outskirts of the city. While quite a number of people are idle, the factories are all running. The biggest depression seems to be in the shipyards, the world's business depression evidently affecting the old land in much the same manner as Canada.

Mr. Henderson waxes warm over the public bowling greens, tennis courts, etc., where the greens are like a billiard table, and a nominal fee of 1d or 2d is charged for a game. After spending a time at Dundee, he visited his brother at Montrose, where he had a good time golfing, while Isobel and Jimmy spent a very pleasant recreation at the sea-shore. Mr. Henderson had intended visiting the Empire Exhibition at Wembley, but his brother had been there and told him he could see a better show any year at Toronto, so he did not take it.

The party were greatly taken with a motor bus trip to the Grampians, a visit to Loch Leven, and Mr. Henderson says both children had a great time climbing one of the mountains, where they were "up to their knees in heather." This place was not far from Balmoral Castle, the Scottish home of the British sovereigns. Not far from there they visited a well known as the Queen's Well, because of the fact that it was here that the late Queen Victoria stopped and had a drink of water on the way to Balmoral Castle by stage coach.

Mr. Henderson describes a visit to Scurdy Ness, a point across the river Esk that stands out to sea among the rocks. Here they visited the light house, and the workings of the huge warning beacon was fully explained by the keeper in charge. Leaving Montrose the party went back to Dundee, stopping off at Arbroath for a few days, and spending some time with Mrs. Henderson's relatives. While there they went through the old Abbey, and down by the cliffs where the different names attached to each was told the children, and the legend that went with them. Arriving back in Dundee, the party spent a week very quietly in seeing the sights of the city, including the museum and art galleries, the picture gallery and other points of interest. Going to Dundee from Glasgow, the party passed over Stirling bridge, saw Wallace's monument and while they planned visiting Edinburgh for a day, before returning, that part of the journey was still in the future and no descriptions could be given.

Mr. Henderson intends also visiting

## NEW PRODUCE BUSINESS TO BE OPENED HERE

George E. Harron of Listowel Comes to Town September 15.—Formerly Was in Business at Listowel.

Last week Mr. George E. Harron of Listowel, prominent for years in the business life of that town, concluded arrangements whereby he purchased the residence of Mrs. J. G. Hutton here, and will move to town about September 15th.

Mr. Harron is opening a wholesale produce business in the Middleagh House block, and will for a time deal exclusively in butter, eggs and other farm produce. We understand that later he may, if deemed advisable branch out into other lines, but at the present his intention is to deal in farm produce only, and establish a market here that will no doubt be a boon to the farming community in this vicinity.

Mr. Harron, before going overseas, where he did his bit in the big war, was the Listowel manager for three years for Gunn's Limited, Toronto, is a thoroughly experienced man in this line, and comes to Durham with the best of business recommendations. On returning to Listowel in 1919 he entered business for himself and continued there up to a few months ago when he disposed of his interests there and shortly afterward decided to locate here. He is holding a sale of his household furniture and effects next Wednesday and expects to move here about the middle of next month.

Referring to his intended departure, last week's Listowel Banner says:

"Mr. Harron was in business in Listowel for four years, having sold to Mr. Finlay last March. During his stay in Listowel he has built up a good trade, and was very popular with his customers. His removal from Listowel will cause a great deal of regret. He was a valued member of the Listowel Senior football team and will be greatly missed in sporting circles."

The Listowel Standard also voices its regret at the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Harron, and speaking of his business ability says: "Mr. Harron is an experienced and capable produce merchant and will no doubt meet with success in Durham."

On behalf of the business men and residents, The Chronicle extends Mr. and Mrs. Harron a welcome to the town and trusts that business will be such that he will have no reason to regret his move. Energetic business men are a town's best asset, and in opening a wholesale produce business we feel Mr. Harron has given Durham something she has needed for a long time, and is engaged in a business where the competition is not too crowded and where he will be well repaid for the service rendered. We wish him success.

## WORK COMMENCED ON HAMILTON-O. S. HIGHWAY

Road From Cummock to Arthur to Be Macadamized.—May Not Be Completed This Year.

H. T. Routly has secured the contract for the macadamizing of that section of the Owen Sound-Hamilton highway from Cummock to Arthur. Judging from the preparations now being made, says The Arthur Enterprise-News a first class job can be expected. The material to be used is crushed stone. This will be obtained on Mrs. Loudon's farm about half way between Arthur and Cummock. Here there are about thirty acres covered with large, hard stones, which it is claimed will make excellent road metal. The stone crusher for the job arrived last week. The crusher is reported to weigh ten tons and is mounted on a seven ton truck. The truck is equipped with no less than seven gear shifts so that it can travel at any speed. The truck and crusher left Hamilton on Monday morning of last week and reached its destination on the following afternoon. Last week a car load of equipment for the work arrived at the Arthur depot. This equipment included a powerful engine, sprinklers, tracks, scrapers, etc.

Already, the Loudon farm is a busy place, over twenty men being at work getting ready to commence the crushing. This work it is expected will be started next Monday, and from then on about fifty men will be required. The big stone will be blasted before being fed to the crusher. A large truck load of dynamite has arrived. The work we understand, will be rushed along as rapidly as possible, but it is not likely that it will be finished this year.

On the Arthur-Kincardine highway, a large amount of graveling has been done. From O'Neill's corner to the Peel and Maryborough town line, a distance of over four miles, the road has received a generous coat of good gravel. Under the direction of Road Superintendent A. Cole, this work was finished on Saturday and now graveling has commenced at the ninth concession of Arthur township and will be carried on west to Mallo's bridge a distance of something over two miles.

Work is also going on, on the highway north of Arthur. A large amount of crushed stone from the Petherton siding has been placed on the road, and much of it is now in splendid shape.

The County Council is doing a good job on the Luther Garafra line from Arthur east, where a mile is being graded, widened and gravelled.

## TOOK HONOR STANDING IN WESTERN SCHOOL

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sirrs, Former Durhamite, is Brilliant Scholar.

We have before us a copy of The Unity (Sask.) Courier, and note with pleasure the success of Miss Hazel Sirrs, the thirteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sirrs, former residents of Durham, in passing her Entrance examinations, held recently. The Courier says:

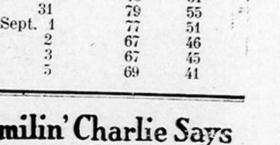
"Miss Sirrs tried her entrance examinations at Unity school and was the only one in her grade to pass with honors. 'Hazel also got 421 marks in elementary piano playing. She was a pupil of Mrs. Shepley. 'She is only thirteen years of age and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sirrs of the Belton district and they are to be congratulated upon the success of their daughter.'"

## TEMPERATURES FOR LAST WEEK

Thermometer readings made each morning at 8 a.m., and are for the preceding 24 hours. The following are the maximum-minimum temperatures for the week:

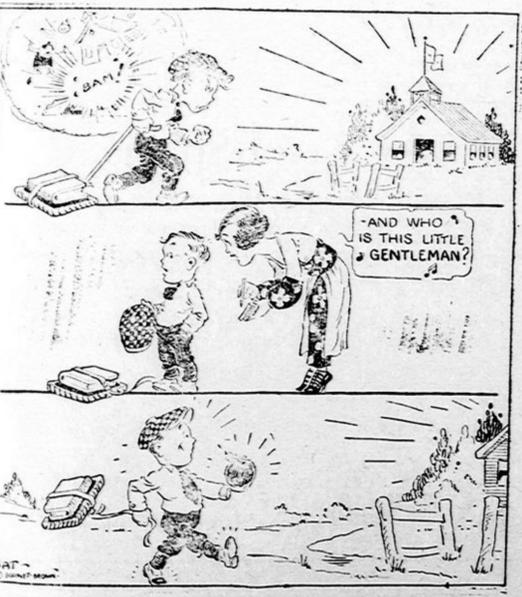
	Max.	Min.
Aug. 29	72	50
30	73	51
31	79	55
Sept. 1	77	51
2	67	46
3	67	45
4	69	41

## Smilin' Charlie Says



Dye ever think t' drop in on yr home town editor fr a little friendly chat? Y'ought t' try it; specially if it's anywhere near time your subscription is due -

## School Days



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