

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Interesting News of Nearby Towns Clipped From Local Exchanges.

Wingham Editor's Home Damaged
The home of A. G. Smith, editor and publisher of the Wingham Advance-Times, was badly damaged by fire on Wednesday morning of last week.

Five Sets of Twins

John Miller and sons of Maple Shade Stock Farm, Badjeros, had in addition of twenty-five calves in 1924. In this number there were five sets of twins. This is an unusual increase.

New Ranch Near Southampton

A new silver fox ranch has been started in this vicinity, located just east of Arran Lake on the farm of Mr. Charles Mullet. They have ten pair of silver foxes, and these are worth approximately \$10,000.

Thieving in Proton

Mr. Roy Irwin, Concession 6, Proton, had 30 bags of buckwheat stolen out of his house Monday night or early Tuesday day morning. It appears he stays at the home of his mother a mile away from his farm.

Get at the Source

From now on any pupil of the Milton Public School caught smoking cigarettes on his way to or from school will be handed over to Chief Constable Chapman, who will ascertain from the pupil the source of his supply of fags.

Carrick Abolishes Statute Labor

There was no shedding of tears at the ceremony of the abolition of statute labor which took place at the Carrick Council meeting on Monday afternoon. The old, discarded system has still quite a number of friends, however, in the township, who are waiting with rather critical interest to see how the new system, to be inaugurated shortly, will work out.

Scoring a Hit

Roy Henderson, driver of the Dominion Express rig, surprised the citizenry by appearing in a new uniform with brass buttons and a gilded hat that lends a decided touch of tone to the business. The charger that he drives about has

Annual Meeting South Grey Agricultural Society

The Annual Meeting of the South Grey Agricultural Society will be held in the

DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY
FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, '25
AT 2 P.M.

The business of the past year will be examined and passed and plans discussed and adopted for the present year. It is hoped that all the members within reach will endeavor to be present, and all others who are interested are cordially invited.

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J. W. BLYTH, President.
GEO. BINNIE, Secretary.
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also been decorated with a fine, brass-mounted harness and the rig painted up showing that the Express Company attaches some importance to style. As a combination, their Walkerton outfit promises to make a real hit.

Sleigh Bells Are Necessary

Two things are very manifest these days. One is that a number of drivers of sleighs and cutters are unaware of the fact that the high-sounding sleigh bells are as necessary when sleighs or cutters are driven as lights are when motor vehicles are using the highway, and that certain drivers of snow vehicles regard the law with contempt for a time just as certain drivers of motor cars do.

A Strange Coincidence

In the passing of Engineer John G. Huck and Engineer George McKenzie, whose deaths occurred in Regina on Thursday last within a few hours of each other from the same malady, hardening of the arteries, the careers of two men who followed the same calling and whose lives were largely entwined in each other. While home-staying in the West a quarter of a century ago, young Huck was per-joined by Engineer McKenzie to him as the C. P. R. and engage under the big steel mogul on a C. P. R. passenger train through the prairies, and for two decades both have been engineers on long passenger trains out of Regina.

Meaford Mill Had Close Call

Fire breaking out in the office of the Meaford Milling Company endangered one of Meaford's important industries, at about 8:30 on Sunday night last and gave the firemen a sharp run for their money in a frigid temperature.

A quick response was made to the alarm, firemen hauling the sleigh of hose and other equipment to the mill by hand. One line of hose was used, but the pressure was weak. By good fortune, the mill was saved, being built of heavy planking laid flat, through which the fire could not eat before the water came.

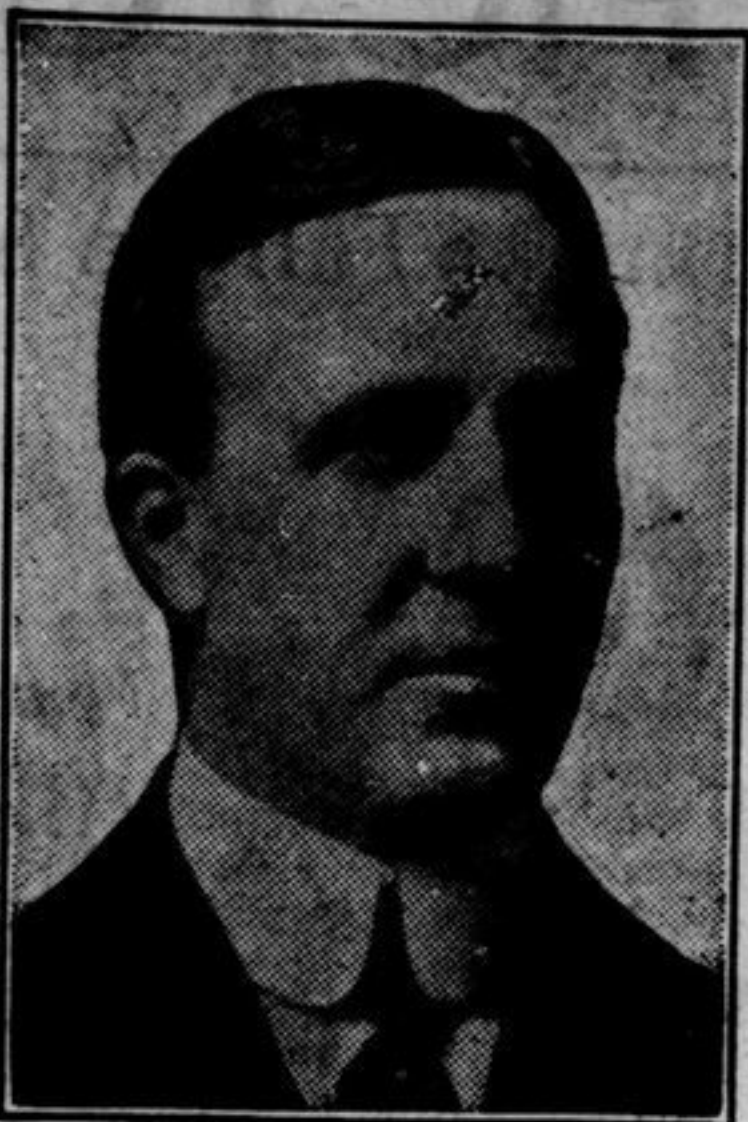
The fire brigade did good service and earned a number of colds—but the office was completely gutted and the outer wall of the mill next to the office badly burned with damage by water and smoke being considerable in the main building. The loss is well covered by insurance. The mill has resumed operations.

Lynx More Plentiful

That lynx are becoming more numerous in Fort William district was reported by John Penassie, a trapper, north of Raith, who came in on Friday with a fine batch of pelts. The increase in their number is said to be due to the fact that rabbits, upon which lynx live, are far more plentiful this year.

The milkman certainly gives great pleasure these cold mornings. He fills the bottles about an inch over the top.

Passenger Man Appointed to Railway Executive



W. B. HOWARD

W. B. Howard, whose appointment has been announced by E. W. Beatty, Chairman and President of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Mr. Howard, who has been Assistant General Passenger Agent, succeeds F. L. Wanklyn, whose retirement was announced at the end of the year.

HYDRO DECLARED A PAYING VENTURE

Statement of U.S. Investigator Reported at Toronto.—Figures Are Distorted.—Ferguson and Beck Make Reply to Wyer.

Premier G. Howard Ferguson and Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the Ontario Hydro Electric Power Commission, declared that the provincially owned hydro-electric system is and will continue to be a paying proposition despite the statement attributed to Samuel S. Wyer, associate in mineral technology in the United States Museum, to the effect that the system was in reality losing money.

Premier Ferguson points out that the auditors' report corroborates the hydro statement that all interest payments are being met and a sinking fund provided much sooner than had been expected.

Sir Adam Beck said that Mr. Wyer had distorted the facts and figures supplied him by the commission when he was here to investigate some time ago. One item of \$2,450,000 which Mr. Wyer classified as taken from the provincial treasury should not have been charged against the hydro operation at all, said Sir Adam. The people of Ontario had not put up in their taxes one five-cent piece to support the hydro, declared the chairman.

A Rare Gift

"Dear, we must make the honey-moon short."
"Why?"
"One of our wedding presents was a crate of fresh eggs."



How Many Objects in This Picture Start With the Letter "P"?

The above picture contains a number of objects beginning with the letter "P". Just take a good look at the picture—there are all sorts of things that begin with the letter "P"—"pumpkin", "paddle", "purse", etc. Nothing is hidden; you don't have to turn the picture upside down. Make a list of all the objects in the picture the names of which begin with the letter "P". Have the whole family join in—see who can find the most. Don't miss any. Fifty cash prizes will be awarded for the fifty best lists of words submitted. The answer having the largest and nearest correct list of visible objects shown in the picture starting with the letter "P" will be awarded first prize; second best, second prize, etc.

Young and Old Join in the Fun

The Mail and Empire announces to-day another puzzle game in which all can participate—from the tiniest child to grandfather and grandmother. No object is so small but that the poorest eyesight can see it. It is a test of skill. Your ability to find "P" words determines the prize you win. Right after supper this evening, gather all the members of your family together; give each of them a pencil and sheet of paper—and see who can find the most "P-words". You will be surprised to find how large a list of words you can get with a few minutes' study. Sit down NOW and try it!—Then, send in your list and try for the big prizes.

Observe These Rules

- 1. Any man, woman or child who lives in Canada, and is not a resident of Toronto, and who is not in the employ of The Mail and Empire, or a member of an employer's family, may submit an answer.
2. All answers must be mailed by February 7th, 1925, and addressed to G. A. Montgomery, Puzzle Manager, Mail and Empire.
3. All lists of names should be written on one side of the paper only and numbered consecutively 1, 2, 3, etc. Write your full name and address in the upper right hand corner. If you desire to write anything else, use a separate sheet which cannot be counted, and vice versa.
4. Only such words as appear in the English Dictionary will be acceptable. Do not use obsolete words, or words of other languages, or words of more than one syllable.
5. Words of the same spelling can be used only once, even though used to designate different objects or actions, or parts of objects or articles. An object or article can be named only once.
6. Do not use hyphenated or compound words, or any words formed by the combination of two or more complete words, where each word in itself is an object.
7. The answer having the largest and nearest correct list of names of visible objects and articles shown in the picture that begin with the letter "P" will be awarded First Prize, etc. Neatness, style or handwriting have no bearing upon deciding the winners.
8. Any number of people may co-operate in answering the puzzle, but only one prize will be awarded to any one household; nor will prizes be awarded to more than one of the group where two or more have been working together.
9. In the event of a tie for any prize offered, the full amount of such prize will be awarded to each tied participant.
10. Subscriptions (both new and renewal), payable in advance at \$5.00 per year by mail in Canada, or \$6.00 per year delivered by carrier boy in Hamilton, will be accepted. However, in qualifying for the \$1,000 Bonus Rewards, at least one new subscription must be sent in.
11. New subscribers in anyone who has not been receiving The Mail and Empire since January 15th.
12. All answers will receive the same consideration regardless of whether or not a subscription to The Mail and Empire is sent in.
13. All new subscriptions will be carefully verified by the Puzzle Manager, candidates marking aid subscriptions as new will positively forfeit the credit of such subscriptions as qualifying for the Maximum Bonus Rewards.
14. Three prominent Toronto citizens, having no connection with The Mail and Empire, will be selected to act as judges to decide the winners, and participants by sending in their lists agree to accept the decision of the judges as final and conclusive.
15. The judges will meet on February 15th, and announcement of the Prize Winners and correct list of words will be published in The Mail and Empire as quickly thereafter as possible.
EXTRA LARGE PICTURE PUZZLE SENT FREE ON REQUEST.

THE PRIZES

Winning Answers will receive the fifty cash prizes according to the table below:

Table with columns: Prize, No. of Prizes, Amount per Prize, Total Prize Value. Includes 1st Prize (\$1,000), 2nd Prize (\$500), 3rd Prize (\$500), 4th Prize (\$250), 5th Prize (\$200), 6th Prize (\$150), 7th Prize (\$100), 8th Prize (\$75), 9th Prize (\$50), 10th Prize (\$30), 11th Prize (\$20), 12th Prize (\$15), 13th to 20th Prizes inclusive (\$20), 21st to 50th Prizes inclusive (\$15).

YOU CAN WIN \$1,000 There Are Three \$1,000 Prizes

The "P-Word" Picture Puzzle Game is a campaign to increase the popularity of The Mail and Empire. It costs nothing to take part and you do not have to send in a single subscription to win a prize. If your list of "P-words" is awarded will win \$35; but if you would like to get more than \$35 we make the following special offer whereby you can win bigger cash prizes by sending in ONE or TWO subscriptions to The Mail and Empire.

HERE'S HOW: If your answer to the "P-Word" Picture Puzzle wins FIRST, SECOND OR THIRD Prize, and you have sent in one yearly subscription to The Mail and Empire (one new and one renewal or two new subscriptions), you will receive \$50, instead of \$35; fourth prize, \$25; fifth prize, \$15, and so forth. (See second column of figures in prize list.)

Or, if your answer wins FIRST, SECOND or THIRD Prize, and you have sent in two yearly subscriptions to The Mail and Empire (one new and one renewal or two new subscriptions), you will receive \$1,000 in place of \$35; fourth prize, \$500; fifth prize, \$200, and so forth. (See third column of figures in prize list.)

How is that for a liberal offer? But, LOOK, there are three \$1,000 prizes. Therefore, if you stand FIRST, SECOND or THIRD, and have sent in two yearly subscriptions at \$5.00 a year each by mail or \$6.00 delivered by carrier boy in Hamilton (one new and one renewal or two new), you will win \$1,000. It takes but two yearly subscriptions at \$5.00 a year each (one new and one renewal or two new) to qualify for the big \$1,000 rewards. Absolutely, that is the maximum. You can do this with little effort. Your own subscription can count. We can also take subscriptions to start at any future date. Just mark on your order when you want the paper to start and we will not commence delivery until you say.

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G. A. Montgomery, Puzzle Manager, Dept. 1. THE MAIL AND EMPIRE TORONTO CANADA

The following is a partial list of Prize Winners in our recent contest.

- Mrs. Angus Campbell, Forest, Ont., \$1,000; Mrs. Thos. Pattimore, Athens, Ont., \$1,000; Mrs. Joe Doyle, Marmora, Ont., \$1,000; Mrs. Emma Moore, Chesley, Ont., \$500; Clarence L. Merrick, Alliston, Ont., \$300; Mrs. (Rev.) Theo. A. Iseler, Williamsburg, Ont., \$500; Miss Grace Webb, Granville, Ont., \$250; Mrs. Geo. McIntosh, Monklands, Ont., \$200; Mrs. Herb. Bumstead, Meaford, Ont., \$150; Miss Freda Walls, Mount Forest, Ont., \$50; John Bird, Ferris, Ont., \$40; Mrs. D. M. McNaughton, Sudbury, Ont., \$20; Mrs. H. G. Gallhier, Owen Sound, Ont., \$20; Mrs. Hugh Warnock, Penetang, Ont., \$20; Mrs. T. A. Haggard, Thornbury, Ont., \$15; Mrs. Richard Haines, Richards Landing, Ont., \$15; Russell M. Best, Bracebridge, Ont., \$15.

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