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Thursday, May 7, 1925.

GREY COUNTY HISTORY

We had a conversation with Sheriff Wilson at Owen Sound on Monday afternoon during which the matter of the proposed history of the County of Grey became a topic. On our inquiry as to how it was coming through, Mr. Wilson said that some municipalities were taking a deep interest in it, while others were lying dormant so far as he could make out.

A history of the early years of Grey County should prove of great interest to the present generation and invaluable in years to come after all the old-time pioneers have passed to their reward and are no longer with us to recount the trials and hardships endured when the County was first opened up.

So far as we know, nothing much has as yet been done with Durham's share. If we ever knew, we have already forgotten even the personnel of the Committee, and we doubt if there are many in town who have any knowledge of it. If appointed, we have no doubt they are hard at work and even now may have their work done, but in any event, we trust that Durham's early history may not be neglected when the time for publication arrives.

BIG BUSINESS "NERVE"

We have before us a letter from the Canada Cycle and Motor Company, Weston, holding out an attractive offer whereby we might if desirable, procure a brand new bicycle with which to work off some of our surplus avoirdupois this summer.

They offer us any of their bicycles displayed in an accompanying catalogue at half cash, the balance to be taken out in advertising at our regular rates.

There is no fault to be found with this offer, but in the last paragraph of this letter, they say: "Please note particularly this arrangement will apply only to a bicycle purchased for your own use or for that of the newspaper, not for personal use of any member of your staff or of their family or friends. Nor under any circumstance is the bicycle to be offered for resale, as you can readily understand this would not be fair to our retail dealers."

We wonder what kind of fools the Canada Cycle and Motor Company takes the weekly newspaper proprietors to be? To offer the bicycle on the half cash half advertising scheme is all right, and no one could find any fault with it, but to attempt to tell us what we can and cannot do with it after we have paid for it, is going a little too far.

Personally, THE CHRONICLE has only ONE price for its advertising, dependent upon the amount of the contract, and should we accept the offer of the Canada Cycle and Motor Company, we will feel that we have given them full value whether we take it out in bicycles or they give us cash for it. In other words, whether we accept the advertising or pass over the money, we will feel that we have given them the cash.

We wonder what the Canada Cycle and Motor Company would think if we told them we would accept their offer on the condition that none of our cash was to ever pass out of their possession? We have heard quite a lot lately about the large percentage of business throughout the country that is being run mostly on nerve, but this is the first time we have had a first-hand dose of it. No, Sir! We may take up the offer of the company and spend the summer on one of their excellent machines, but when we do, we will take it on the assumption that we are at liberty to dispose of it as we see fit, when we see fit, just the same as any other member of the community.

THE NEW TRAIN SERVICE

The inauguration of the new train service between Walkerton and Owen Sound on the C. P. R. is as yet an untried experiment, and time only can tell as to its success or otherwise. From a business standpoint, to our mind the train arrives in Owen Sound rather late to permit of any shopping being done, especially by residents along the Walkerton branch. To those living on the main line north of the Junction, however, the new service will be of considerable benefit, as they can go to Owen Sound on the noon train and return on the one

leaving at 7.45. While this may be of considerable benefit to Owen Sound merchants, those doing business in the smaller towns may not see it this way, but, of course, the only argument to this is for the smaller town men to inject a little more pep into their industries, advertise, and in price and service, compete with the Owen Sound business men.

To those of this branch having business in the Grey County capital, the new service will be of benefit, but otherwise about the only benefit we can see might be derived by the towns on the Saugeen Branch is to petition the Government to restore the mail service on this line on the night train as far west as Walkerton.

So far as mail service from Preeceville, Owen Sound, Flesherton, Dundalk and other places is concerned, Durham was a whole lot better off in the old stage coach days with one mail a day coming into town from Flesherton and intermediate points and picking up the north and south C. P. R. mail at Ceylon. With the building of the Saugeen branch and the subsequent cancelling of the night train mail service, we may as well say we have no mail service at all with these points except in a roundabout way. A letter posted at Preeceville Monday evening, lies in Preeceville all day Tuesday until the afternoon train comes along, when it is taken south as far as Orangeville, thence up the Teeswater branch of the C. P. R., reaching Mount Forest Tuesday night. It lies in the Mount Forest post office until the noon C. N. R. train on Wednesday. In other words, a letter posted in Preeceville at 6 p. m. Monday does not reach Durham until 12 o'clock Wednesday noon, 42 hours on the road! In the old stage coach days, a letter posted at Preeceville the same hour would reach Durham at 12 o'clock the next day.

There is no use in asking for the return of the old stage coach days, but we do think that if proper representation were made to the Government, we might have the mail service restored on the night C. P. R. train, especially with the new direct train service between here and Owen Sound. Even supposing that the new service is cancelled in the near future, we think we are entitled to a little better mail service with the people to the east of us than we have been getting.

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"Loyalty Day" was observed Thursday in Gatham by a parade of some 4,200 boys and a number of floats depicting various phases of boys' welfare work.

WESTERN ONTARIO NEWS IN BRIEF

Life in Western Portion of a Column's Banner Province Told in Canada.

Dr. D. M. Sutherland was on Saturday re-elected president of the Woodstock Rotary Club.

Six samples of the milk sold in Stratford were on Saturday found to be below the required standard in butterfat, and dealers were warned that further remission would result in prosecutions.

Three Russians are being held in London on a nominal charge, awaiting developments in the case of N. Neprovich, who was seriously injured in a fight, and who is not out of danger at the hospital. He has so far refused to divulge the names of his assailants.

The Ontario Government is offering a reward of \$500 for the body of Mrs. Eliza Pake of Chatham, missing from home since last September, and who is believed to have been murdered.

Organization of the Optimists club of Brantford has been completed with the election of officers. Bert James is president.

A car driven by H. A. Ruth of London was forced into the ditch on the highway south of the city and completely wrecked. The five occupants escaped with minor injuries and a shaking up.

Burglars at Hamilton some time early Sunday morning looted Harper's tobacco store on King Street and carried off 40,000 cigarettes in an auto. They had evidently been frightened away, as a carton containing 10,000 was found in the doorway.

The car of the Hamilton assistant fire chief collided with a sedan driven by J. G. Connor. The only casualty was Michael Kelly, whose injuries are not of a serious nature.

The provincial police are in charge of the investigation into the affairs of the Ontario Hospital at Hamilton.

High winds on the Erieau marshes have again blown some hundred acres of onion seed out of the ground and the growers will lose heavily.

Unless the power export tax is dropped, Chatham stands to lose some \$8,000 yearly, say officials.

Militia regulations have prevented the band of the Oxford Rifles at Woodstock from purchasing red and blue uniforms as projected. They must wear khaki or grey.

A reputation of Holstein Breeders waited on the Brantford Commission Monday and protested against the action of Police Chief Donnelly in stopping a sale to assure himself that the auctioneers had proper licenses.

Despite the expressed opposition by parents in a postcard plebiscite, London Education Board last evening voted by a majority of one to continue manual training in the collegiate.

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Marine City, Mich., was found in the river at Wallaceburg. He was looking for work, and had not been seen since a week ago last Wednesday. The production of a new witness by the Crown who saw the assault and robbery of Frank Utley, a Zurich farmer, in a house in London, resulted in the conviction of three colored men.

Rev. W. T. Mooney of Woodstock was elected president of the Ministerial Association of the city.

A letter indicating suicide was found in a lady's hand bag on the brink of the Niagara gorge. It was addressed to William Seavey, East Aurora, N. Y.

Chlorination of Hamilton's water was urged on the Board of Control by a deputation of the Medical Society. The controllers stated that they were already considering the question.

The Ontario Highways Department has approved the change in the road program of Kent County.

Windsor Council was informed by telegraph that the Federal Department of Works had approved the proposed new auto tariff on the Windsor-Detroit ferries.

Ingersoll Council has adopted the report of its Police Committee to the effect that no list of persons to be exempt from prosecution had been given to the chief, nor had he been instructed in any way to that effect.

Three armed hi-jackers aided an export liquor warehouse at Amherstburg, bound and gagged the watchman and carried off 129 cases of whisky in a launch.

The notorious rum runner, Acadia, was found stranded and deserted in the upper Niagara River with 56 cases of whisky on board.

Jack Easton of Chatham was sentenced to ten days in jail, a fine, and his license suspended for six months, on a charge of reckless driving.

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SCHOOL HONOR ROLLS FOR PAST MONTH

Durham Public School. Sr. IV.—Beatrice Miles, Ellen Marshall, Helen McAuliffe, Thomas Brown, Donald Smith.

Sr. III.—A—Evelyn Baird, Dorothy Pickering, Gertrude Glass, Gordon McGee, Violet McLean and Glen Rowe, equal.

Sr. III.—B—Moore McFadden, Ila Allan, Norman Becker, Ned Burnett, Wilma Smith.

Sr. III.—C—Jean Collinson, Marjorie Noble, George Noble, Nelson Lowe, Myrtle Watson.

Sr. III.—D—Gladys Whyte, Margaret Storey, Doris Taylor, Alma Kress, Velma Noble.

Sr. II.—A—Helen Young, Annie Campbell, Norma Allan, Elsie Falkingham, Maudie Storey.

Sr. II.—B—Alice Nicholson, Gerald Falconer, Louise Jamieson, Annie Walker, Orval Macdonald.

Sr. II.—C—George Ashley, Elsie Pinkerton, Percy Greenwood, Lorne Prew, Frances Hay.

Sr. II.—D—Vernon Collinson, Bessie Atkinson, Alice Pinkerton, Percy Montgomery, Arthur Watson.

Sr. I.—Arthur Koch, Nathan Ritchie, Florence Havens, Gladys Ritchie, Carman Allan.

Sr. I.—Nora Baird, Clara Falkingham, Gordon McGirr, Eldon Whitmore, John Greenwood and Leah Griff, equal.

Sr. I.—Essel McArthur, Victor Goodchild, Jean Rowe, Ross Wilson, Orlia Hahn.

Sr. I.—Bert Trafford, Elizabeth Nicholls, Winnifred Osborne, Jean McLean, George Hulme.

Sr. I.—Edith Miles, Alex. Wells, Jack Lloyd, Thornton Snell, Clark Saunders.

Sr. I.—Gordon Kennedy, Elmer Glenholme, Dorothy Ashley, James Storey, Esther Bourne.

Sr. I.—Gertrude Holmes, Robbie Milne, Irene Whitmore, Sarah Dyer, Helen Lawrence.

S. S. No. 1, Glenelg. Sr. III.—Annie McArthur, Beth McGillivray, Amelia Legate, Douglas McArthur.

Sr. III.—Iza Trafford, William Trafford.

Sr. II.—Mary Moore, Malcolm McArthur, Teddy Moore, Jean McGillivray, Jean McArthur, Ferol Legate, James Trafford.

Sr. I.—Mary McArthur, Glen Moore, Laura McArthur, Gordon McGillivray, Elizabeth Brown.

S. S. No. 2, Egremont. Sr. IV.—Edith Kerr, Margaret Wilson, Katie Davis, Carmen Queen, Jean Aberdeen.

Sr. III.—Vera Robbins, Mary Campbell, Evelyn Robbins (absent for some examinations).

Sr. III.—Eileen Aberdeen, Lucy Robbins, Joseph Campbell.

Sr. II.—Pearl Gordon, Thomas Davis.

Sr. II.—Vera Johnston, Norma Ferguson, Sadie Davis.

Sr. I.—Norman Gordon, Douglas Johnston.

Sr. I.—James Ferguson, Melville Robbins, William Campbell.

Sr. I.—Ivan Johnston, Milford Robbins.

S. S. No. 3, Glenelg. Sr. IV.—Armonell Glenelg.

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renee, Margaret McLean. Jr. III.—Myrtle McLean. Jr. II.—Herbert Miller and Clarence Ritchie, equal.

Sr. I.—Muriel Brown, Rena Clark, Chester Miller.

Sr. Pr.—Archie McLean and John Vessie, equal.

Pr.—B—Campbell Ewen. Pr.—A—Ewen Ritchie, Glenna Lawrence.

Varney. IV.—Mae Noble, Jessie Grant, Irene Grashy.

Sr. III.—Dorothy Caldwell, Douglas Grant.

Jr. III.—Evelyn Grant, Billie Caldwell, Clements Patterson.

Jr. II.—Dorothy Bogle, Velma Blyth, Norman Grant, Marjorie Kerr, Elgin Blyth.

Primer—Caldwell Kerr. Jr. Primer—Vernon Noble.

S. S. No. 11, Bentinck. Sr. IV.—Carmen Roseborough, Alleen Picken.

Jr. IV.—Maple Armstrong, Lawrence Hopkins.

Sr. III.—Pearlo Roseborough, Thomas Milligan, Violet Armstrong.

Jr. III.—Bela Vollett, Sicily Hopkins, Maudie Picken, Elvin Vollett.

Jr. II.—Raymond Hopkins, James Armstrong, Clarence Ritchie, Allie Hopkins, Erving Webber.

Jr. I.—Fred Roseborough, Dawson Vollett.

Sr. Primer.—Irvin Mountain, Minnie Manto.

Jr. Primer.—Daniel Armstrong, Freda Ritchie, Sam Hopkins.

Erben Schutz, teacher.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Editor Chronicle. Owing to stories being circulated, especially in the country, that Unionist ministers have to get a salary of \$2,200 per annum after June 10, I wrote to Rev. R. J. Wilson, D.D., Secretary of the Joint Committee on Church Union, Toronto. Following is the reply received under date of April 29:

"Replying to yours of April 28, there is absolutely no foundation whatever for the statement that Unionist ministers will have to receive a salary of \$2,200 per annum after June 10. The minimum stipend in the Presbyterian Church is \$1,800, and at the present time, a number of our ministers are not receiving that.

"There is not the slightest shadow of truth in the suggestion that any such thing is planned either by the Unionist Committee or by the General Council, or by the General Assembly, or by any of the Presbyteries in the Church. You are at liberty to give the rumor an absolute and unqualified denial. It must have been circulated by some mischievous person who does not love either the truth or the peace of the church."

Thanking you for your space, I am, Yours truly, Thomas Allan.

DURHAM MARKET Corrected May 7, 1925.

Table with market prices for various goods including Live Hogs, Wheat, Oats, Barley, Buckwheat, Peas, Mixed Grain, Eggs, Butter, Potatoes, Hides, and Sheepskins.

Our Prices on Flour and Feeds

AT McKECHNIE'S MILL We will pay highest market price for Wheat, Oats, Barley and Mixed Grain. J. W. EWEN & SON Phone 114 Box 62, Durham

Cross-Canada Happ

News From Halifax to Vancouver

Rideau canal transportation for 1925 is now open. Letting water into the canal has now been completed.

Manitoba's equalized assessment for 1925 has been set at \$667,563 according to returns filed with Municipal Commissioner at Winnipeg. This is a reduction of \$32,500 from the 1924 figure. The cost of Winnipeg assessment was reduced by \$2,190,000.

Progressives will meet in tomorrow to consider differences which are understood to have arisen in their ranks as a result of the budget on Friday morning. There have been rumors of the resignation of J. Fred Johnston as Progressive whip, but the rumors are officially denied.

Grain loadings for the week ending April 30 at country elevators along the lines of the Canadian National Railways amounted to 1,244,000 bushels according to information received from the head-quarters of the National system on Saturday. This represents an increase of 3,487,000 bushels and brings the season's loadings up to 84,543 cars with 114,000 bushels.

Seeding is in full swing in parts of Alberta. In the south part of the province, and over 40 per cent is completed, and at other points, the land has been sown for an amount of wheat but with the splendid weather the past few days, the soil is fast, and work has been rapid. All points report plenty of seed and no lack of labor. Indications are that there will be an increase of wheat this season.

The large pillar bell of the St. Ann's church in Ottawa, which fell from its belfry in the 1921 and was damaged, was on Wednesday for the first time taken to the Van Aerschold foundry in Louvain, Belgium, for repairs. Time ago, the bell was returned to place. It was rung by Father Leleerc, cure of the church. The bell bears the inscription: 'Bore formerly, and produce same tone.'

From present indications, the quiet to be held at Chateau Lake Ontario, on Wednesday evening, the 11th of May, will be a quiet one. The Liberal-Conservative Association at which Hon. G. Howard Meighen and Hon. G. Howard Ross will be the speakers, was passed on the banquet given by the association last year. Reservations have been received by letter from a large number of prominent figures from Toronto having tickets, as well as from all the Kings surrounding Ottawa. Quebec will attend.

As a sequel to the collapse of Hearst Music Publishers, the last winter, a committee, headed by the trail of G. W. Rogers, organizer of the Hearst stock campaign, Rogers, for whom there has been some charge, is alleged to have followed footsteps of Hearst stock, spreading the news that the stock was worthless and offered those who were duped that their money returned on a basis of one dollar for every dollar in sound investment. It is believed that thousands of dollars were trusted to him in this way.

W. G. McArthur, General member of New Westminster, has given notice of a motion House of Commons calling for exclusion of Asiatic immigration. The fifth session of the Legislative Assembly of the province of New Brunswick is resumed after a session of weeks Thursday afternoon usual ceremonies.

Captain F. E. Storey of the Limer Anandale, a factory progress toward St. John's, Nfld., which was diverted when he was while on the bridge, with of diabetes.

Orlando Bush, a prominent member of the Hospital Board, had previously been on Council. Before going to the had sat in the Ontario legislature.

The alcoholic content of orange crush, lemon crush, aerated waters is under investigation, according to an order by Hon. T. A. Low, Minister and Commerce in the Commons.