

In Other Communities

Taken From Our Exchanges About People of Your Acquaintance

Owen Sound-Thornbury Survey

Following the announcement of the Provincial Highway Department last fall that the road between Owen Sound and Barrie would form part of the provincial system, surveying of a portion of it has already begun. For a month past, engineers and roadmen from the residency office at Durham, which has charge of the highway in Grey County, have been stationed at Thornbury in connection with the survey. The fine open weather this month has greatly aided the men in their work, so much so that they now have surveyed from the Simcoe Grey line to near Meaford.

In charge of the survey work are Engineers W. A. Logan and P. Keenan and five roadmen. A survey was run first, showing all fences, culverts, buildings, etc., in the proposed path of the highway, while a second survey records the various levels which will determine the grades, "fill-ins" etc. to be made. It is expected that this crew will have the course of the highway determined to Owen Sound by the end of April. In the near future it is expected that Mr. W. R. Alder, of Durham, chief residency engineer, will inspect the road.

The highway between Thornbury and Collingwood is likely to undergo changes in its course, which will eliminate four out of five level railroad crossings. Wherever possible, providing that the cost is not prohibitive, the Department aims to make the highways safe and thus have planned to do away with the two crossings of the C. N. R. at Campersdown and Craigleith. The roads will cross the railroad at the 8th line, just south of Thornbury, without any curve and will parallel the tracks until near Collingwood. At Craigleith the new highway will skirt to the very edge of Georgian Bay waters.

The course of the highway through the town of Thornbury has not finally been decided as yet, but it will, in all probability, follow the present County Road on Bruce and Alford Streets. The most direct route would have been to cross Bruce St. and follow Arthur Street out to the Meaford road, but a large gully would have to be bridged which would mean a considerable outlay of the people's money.—Thornbury Review-Herald.

Celebrated Diamond Wedding

One of those very rare family events, a diamond wedding, occurred here on Monday last when Mr. and Mrs. George Small celebrated their sixtieth anniversary of their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Small, two of our oldest and most respected citizens have been receiving the congratulations and good wishes of old friends and acquaintances on the auspicious occasion. Later on at some time during the summer, a family reunion commemorating the great event, will be held, all being well. The only members of the family that were able to be present this week were Mrs. J. R. Mercer and little daughter Jean, of Kenora, who arrived on Saturday. Mrs. Mercer assisted in receiving callers and tea and wedding cake were served.

Mr. Small was born in Somersetshire, England, on Feb. 11th, 1839, and is thus in his 88th year. Mrs. Small, who was Elizabeth Bedford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bedford, was born in Waterloo Township on Dec. 26, 1845, and is in her 82nd year. They were married in a little church not far from Fischer's Mills, near Hespeler on March 21, 1867, the year of Confederation. Seven or eight years later they removed to Mount Forest, where they have resided ever since, always on Sligo Street.

Their family consists of three daughters and one son: Annie, Mrs. J. R. Mercer, of Kenora, Ont.; Charlotte, Mrs. (Rev. Dr.) J. F. Johnstone, of Hartford, Conn.; Myrtle, Mrs. Walter Ellis, Wadena, Sask.; and L. J. Small, of Kelvington, Sask. There are 19 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.—Mount Forest Confederate.

The Dog Came Back

Several weeks ago Mr. Wes. Armstrong lost his dog, a part bred bull dog. He advertised in a couple of the local papers, but no word was received for three weeks and he supposed the animal had seen the last of this fair village. However on Thursday last he received word from the chief of police at Flora that a dog answering the description had been found there wandering about. Friday morning the dog returned home in a crate by train and his joy was unbounded when he lay beside his master. It is a mystery how the pup wandered so far away if he was not taken by somebody. Both master and dog are now happy through the reunion.—Flesherton Advance.

Train on Fire

When the oil-electric train, or "Spark-plug," as it has been humorously dubbed, rolled in here from Southampton on Wednesday morning last considerable excitement was rife when it was found that fire had broken out in the cabin as a result of an overheated exhaust pipe, and that the train was in a fair way to becoming a flaming chariot as it were. The chemical extinguishers carried for such an emergency having been all exhausted without quenching the blaze, the extinguishers from the station were used and a number from the Stevens-Hepner factory before the fire was gotten under control. Owing to the prompt action of the train men and others at the station who lent

assistance, and the availability of sufficient chemical, little damage was done and the train was able to get under way again after a delay of only about seventeen minutes. A couple of fire extinguishers from the Stevens-Hepner factory were given to the engineer to carry with him in case of further need.—Port Elgin Times.

WILL WOMEN WEAR TROUSERS AND THE MEN WEAR SKIRTS?

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt Replies to French Designer, M. Paul Poiret, In the Forum; Rebellion of Women Is Coming, She Says.

A prophecy in the January number of The Forum by M. Paul Poiret that women will be wearing trousers in thirty years is wittily answered by Carrie Chapman Catt in the March issue of this same magazine. Mrs. Catt, in reply, points out that trousers were originally a feminine garment and, without apology, were deliberately stolen by men.

"As late as 1914," she writes, "there were more women in the world who wore trousers than skirts, and also more men who wore skirts than trousers. If, having exhausted other sources of variety, the French Fashion Trust now decides to put women back into their own trousers for a while, there is nothing shocking about it. Panties peeping beneath short skirts already indicate the trend and certainly trousers would be far less offensive to the sense of propriety than bare knees, garters and stray underthings now unintentionally exposed to the public view by one's friends." Continuing Mrs. Catt writes:

"A more exciting question is: Will the London Trust put men back into their own skirts? There is reason to think it may try. The faster the changes in fashion's whirl the more money finds its way into banks and the treasury of nations. The trade has shown signs of resentment at the stability of the dress of men. In December the London Trust, not to be outdone by the French, astonished the world with a tea, complete with speeches and a parade of male mannequins wearing the latest and most correct styles for men. The advertisement of spring styles for men announced 'lavishness and colors ranging from horizon blue to bois de rose.' One advertiser states that the wisdom of Egypt, the art and culture of Greece, the power and glory of Rome, 'are combined in the coming styles for men. It may be difficult to get men into skirts, but there is the appeal of art and beauty yet untried, and clearly the big industry is hoping for a profitable fashion stir among men. The toga is exceedingly becoming to marble statemen—why not to live ones?"

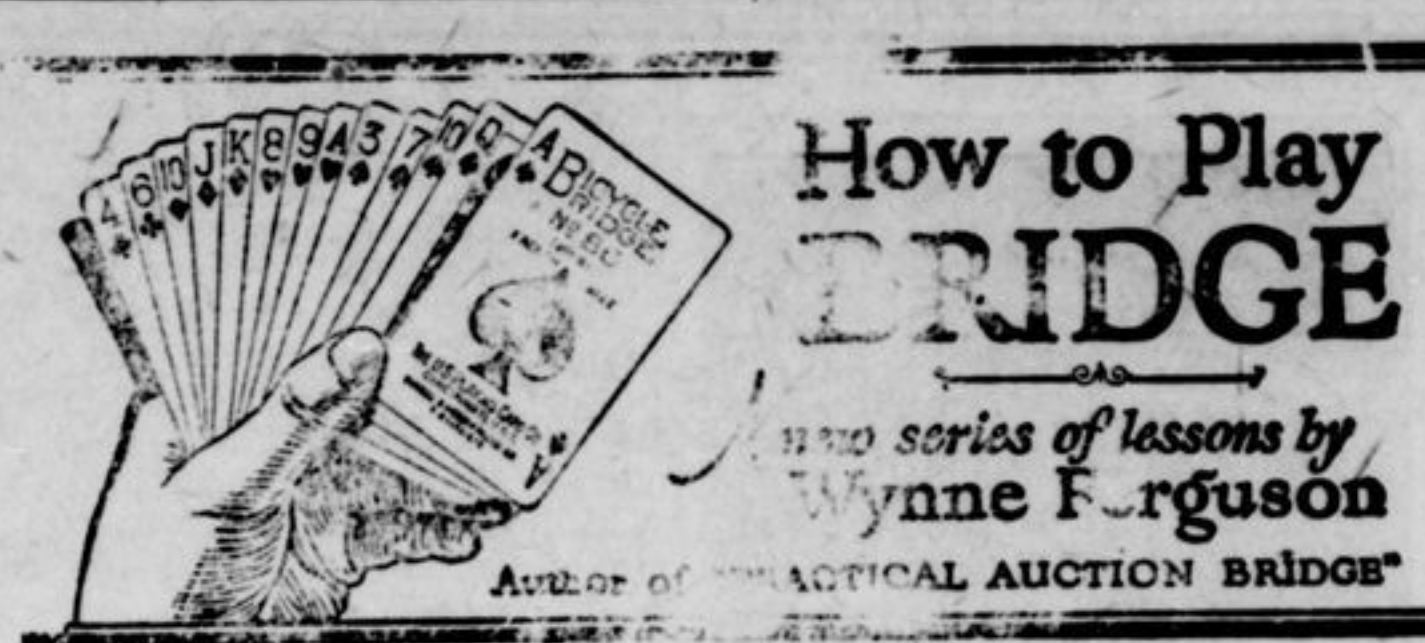
After reviewing the vagaries of styles through the centuries, Mrs. Catt protests against the frequent changes and believes women will rebel against the inaptness of styles it is now proposed to adopt. "No relief from the silly, slavish custom known as fashion is promised by the Trust. Trousers are not even a way station. They are to be ruffled, embroidered and chiffoned with a little blown in upon every passing zephyr. The mother, M. Poiret's climax of womanhood in 1957, is garbed in trousers, wears pinching high-heeled shoes which prevent her from using the leg freedom the trousers give, and she is crowned with a top-heavy hat three feet across, formed of spun glass! In this combination, trousers are an unforfeitable offense.

"Women are just awaking to the inaptness of the styles you provide, M. Poiret, and if you will listen you will hear the far-off rumble of coming rebellion. Where it will break, or when, or who will lead it, no one knows. It is bound to be supported by the masses of women who think. The world has other uses for them than that of mannequins. Doctors, lawyers, legislators, judges, mothers, housewives will swell the gathering army. They will plead that the abolition of artificial fashion will bring to the average family economy and calm; to the average woman a costume comfortable, healthful, becoming and adapted to her work; to all women, an emancipation of brain, conscience, arms legs, and feet; to all the people a dress of beauty and elegance combined with utility and comfort, to business, a stability heretofore unknown; and to the world at large the removal of a distracting, artificial and menacing factor.

This rebellion will come with the force and fury of all movements long overdue. It will be ruthless and thorough. It may precipitate the world into bankruptcy, close factories, turn millions into unemployment. No one has ever asked the price of liberty, and we shall not then. Meanwhile, M. Poiret, the rebellion is not yet here. By all means, put women into trousers and men into skirts if you can. Pray give us one superlative demonstration of absurdity before the age-old folly called fashion goes down in a final crash.

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How to Play BRIDGE

Wynne Ferguson

One of the most difficult problems that comes up at the bridge table is the proper lead when partner has not made a bid. Many a game and rubber is won or lost by the opening lead, so whenever possible try to add to your store of knowledge of sound opening leads. Here is an example hand that was played in a recent duplicate match:

Hearts — 10, 8
Clubs — 8, 6, 4, 2
Diamonds — K, Q, 2
Spades — A, Q, 7, 3

Z dealt and passed. A bid one diamond. Y passed. B bid one heart and all passed. What is Z's proper opening lead? Z should lead the deuce of clubs. The diamond opening is bad because of A's bid. Never lead an opponent's declared suit unless you have a sure trick in trumps. The spade opening is bad because Z holds the ace, queen and should wait for a spade lead to him. The trump lead is bad because A-B may have a set up diamond suit and thus be able to discard their losing cards before Y-Z gain the lead. Never lead trumps against a declared suit unless you hold a sure stopper in the other three suits. Otherwise it is a very risky proposition. As a matter of fact, the sound lead, the deuce of clubs, is the only lead that will save the game.

Answer to Problem No. 25

Hearts — K, 10, 7, 2
Clubs — K, Q
Diamonds — Q, J, 4
Spades — A, J, 8, 3

No score, rubber game. If Z dealt, bid one trump and A bid two diamonds, what would you bid with Y's hand? Y has the choice of several bids. He may double two diamonds and feel fairly

TOWN RESPONSIBLE FOR CONDITIONS OF WALKS

Recent Decision Holds Urban Municipalities Wholly Responsible for Slipping on Dangerous Sidewalks.

The following from the February number of The Municipal World is of interest to all residents of Durham and it might be well were the citizens to "read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" it. Some of the Durham sidewalks are not in the best of condition and it is quite possible that were an accident to occur the town would be liable. The World article says:

"Action by a widow, about sixty years of age, for damages for injuries resulting from a fall on an icy sidewalk in the city of Belleville, was tried without jury in Belleville, on March 13th 1926. Justice Grant, in a written judgment, said that he could not find on the evidence that the plaintiff's condition resulting from the fall had been jeopardized by anything done by her after the accident.

"By the evidence given by various witnesses, including officials or employees of the defendant corporation, it was shown beyond any shadow of a doubt that, either from original faulty construction or from a settlement or sinking of the sidewalk, the sidewalk at the place where the plaintiff fell was not in a safe or proper condition. The surface of the ground along the sides of the walk was higher than the walk itself. In consequence of this the water ran off the adjoining land and found an outlet upon or along the sidewalk. As appeared from the evidence of the city engineer, the sidewalk was laid twenty years or more ago, and ought to have been renewed or materially repaired or replaced two or three years or more ago. He had known of the dangerous condition of this sidewalk for two or more years, and had brought the matter directly to the attention of the city council and city officials and in his reports had recommended repairs or renewal, but nothing was done. One of the hollow places in the sidewalk had been there for several years, and it was at or near there that the plaintiff fell—the hollow place being filled with water and the water having frozen, presenting a 'glary' surface.

"An attempt was made to show

"The Latest See what they're doing now? Putting beads on Foris to make them look like Lincolns!"

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SMALLPOX VS. CUPID IN "SEVEN DAYS"

Serious Situations As Ridiculous as Comed One.

Marital troubles are bad enough by themselves when they are not sailing on a smooth course, but when there's a bad case of small-pox in addition—then it's time to worry.

Scott Sidney, who directs the Al Christie presentation, "Seven Days," which appears at the Veterans' Star Theatre, on Friday and Saturday, April 1 and 2, makes it uproariously funny. In fact he even makes the worried expressions of Lillian Rich and Greighton Hale, who play the leading roles, objects of side-splitting mirth.

All the same, such a combination in any home, without Mr. Sidney to direct it to the successful and happy ending which terminates the two hours of laughter to be derived out of this screen comedy, would be a near catastrophe.

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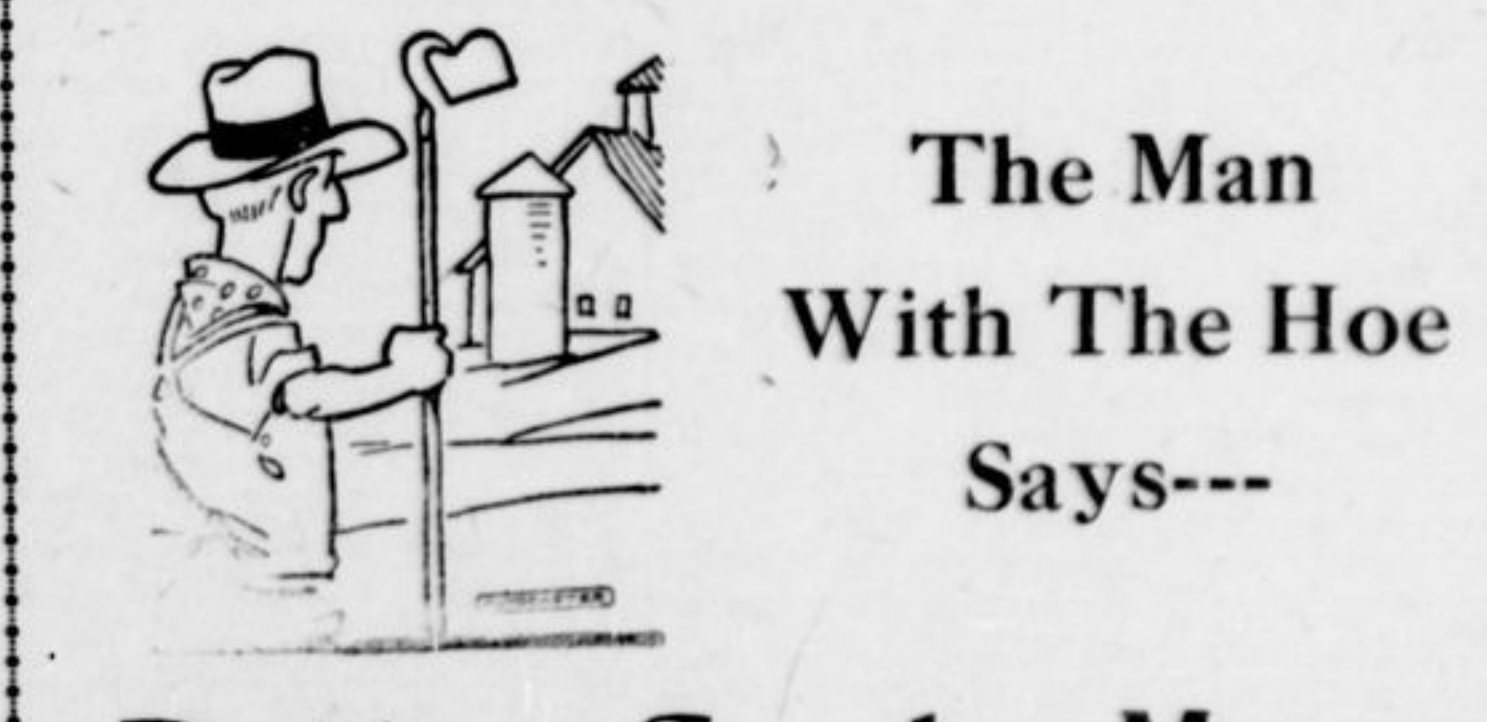
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