

**THE OFFICER WHO
DISARMED THE KAISER**

The man who disarmed the Kaiser now is a student in agriculture at the University of Alberta, Edmonton.

Fate, in a cynical mood, had decreed that the flying autocrat should surrender his arms to a strapping junior officer, and Peter Keyser—note the name—was that lad.

It was while posted as a guard at the border at Eysden that fateful November day, that Peter, a second lieutenant in the Dutch Motor Cycle Brigade, performed the duty of disarming, officially, the Emperor Wilhelm and the Crown Prince, when they fled into Holland a few days after the Armistice.

This duty, which every Allied soldier would have envied him, was not an easy one to perform, especially, if one is a lad just leaving his teens; it took some courage to ask this haughty leader of armies to hand over his sword and luger, and thereby to acknowledge his recognition of the neutrality of Holland. While it was a very great moment in the life of Peter Keyser, it was not one of un-mixed pleasure. Nevertheless, it is something to remember, that, what seems mere chance, he played a very important, though very little known, part in the ending of the great war.

Peter Keyser was brought up on his father's farm, near Utrecht, and the love of the soil is in his blood. His father for over thirty-five years was president of the Royal Farmers' Association of the Netherlands. When the Great War broke out, and Holland had to protect her frontiers, Peter had just finished his high school career. At seventeen he joined the cadets, and soon became second lieutenant in the Motor Cycle Brigade.

When the war ended, and he was de-mobbed in 1919, Peter was sent to college and received his B. A. in Political Economy at Frankfurt-am-Main. Still curbing his love of the land, he became secretary of a little Dutch town, but after his father had sold his farm and Peter's chance of becoming a farmer was gone, Fate again took a hand.

It was, apparently, only a chance meeting between Peter's father and the Hon. George Hoadley at Wembley, but it brought Peter to Canada in 1927 and it brought him entrance into the path of life of which he had dreamed. He spent twenty months working with a farmer at Saint Albert, near Edmonton, and then he went to Olds School of Agriculture where he took the two-years' course in one term. Then he spent a year working with the Alberta Provincial Government at the Raymond School of Agriculture. Last summer he managed a wheat

farm at McGrath, and now, an "aggie" at the University of Alberta, he is making his early dreams come true, and working toward success in the career of his choice. But he never can forget that memorable autumn day when the once proud and mighty sovereign surrendered his arms at the bidding of a second lieutenant in charge of a frontier guard.

Grey County's New Magistrate

The announcement on Thursday by Attorney-General, W. H. Price, of the appointment of Mr. E. C. Spereman, K. C., of this city, as the successor of the late Alfred D. Creasor as police Magistrate of the city of Owen Sound with jurisdiction over the entire county of Grey did not come as any great surprise to his friends here, in fact it was the general feeling that Mr. Spereman would receive the appointment, although several other names were prominently mentioned in connection with the vacancy.

For many years Mr. Spereman has been an active participant in the councils of the Conservative party in Owen Sound and throughout the county, and it was to be expected that when the opportunity presented itself, as it did in the regrettable death of the late Mr. Creasor, he would be rewarded for his faithfulness and fidelity. While the new appointee is a comparatively young man he is nevertheless eminently fitted for the position. He is well versed in the law, has the confidence and respect of his fellow members of the bar here and elsewhere, is broadminded in his general outlook on all matters which might affect the performance of his duties, is a good judge of human nature, a trait of character which will rapidly develop as he gains experience on the bench, and no doubt will bring with him in his new position that tolerant and generous minded spirit which is so necessary in carrying out the duties of his office. He has had many years' experience in the study and practice of the law and he will no doubt administer the law in his jurisdiction as fairly and impartially as did his predecessor for so many years.

The Daily Sun-Times, with his host of friends in Owen Sound and throughout Grey County, will extend their very hearty congratulations to Mr. Spereman, and at the same time commend the action of the Ontario Government on the prompt manner in which the vacancy was filled. Action of this kind has the effect of keeping the wheels of justice turning with as little delay as possible, and relieves the government of the responsibility of dealing with innumerable applications from persons who might be induced

to apply for such a position. May Police Magistrate Spereman long live to serve the people of Owen Sound and county of Grey and dispense justice fairly and honestly.—Owen Sound Sun-Times.

Warton Now a Model Town

Warton appears to be that a policeman seems to be an unnecessary fixture, there is so little for him to do. Loafing and time-killing is his main work outside of ringing the town bell, yet we must have him on the pay roll, as farmers have lightning rods on their barns, for possible emergency. Though we did not support the policy of the government control of liquor, in all fairness, we must admit that as far as the law and order are concerned, things have not gone to the devil as was anticipated by so many people. If anything there is an improvement in that respect, so much so, that in view of the fact that we have officer Widmeyer permanently in town as an official of the Attorney general's department it seems almost unnecessary for the town council to have a man to maintain the law and order at all.—Warton Canadian Echo.

Why Stick to the Old Dates?

Many municipalities in Ontario have changed the date for holding the municipal nominations and elections to a time that will not conflict with the Christmas festivities. Just why the last week in December and the first Monday in January were ever made fixed times in the Municipal Act for holding nominations and elections has always been a puzzle to many people who prefer to have the Christmas and New Year season unmolested by the excitement attending municipal elections. The period covering Christmas and New Year is a time when the spirit of friendliness, good will and cordial greeting should be exercised by all. The Municipal Act now gives municipalities the option of holding the municipal nominations and elections three weeks earlier, and already a number of rural municipalities have taken advantage of it. It is to be hoped that Drayton and adjoining townships will fall in line with the new dates next year. There is nothing to be gained by adhering to something that never should have been placed on the statute book. The Ontario Legislature should amend the Municipal Act by doing away with the old dates for holding municipal nominations and elections.—Drayton Advocate.

Lady (at fashionable ball)—"Do you know that ugly man sitting opposite to us?"
Partner—"That is my brother."
Lady (in confusion)—"Ah! I beg your pardon. I had not noticed the

Priceville

Presbyterian Guild

The young people of the Presbyterian church held a social in the Mackinnon hall on Wednesday of last week. The program consisted of readings by Misses Margaret MacDougall and Susie MacDonald, Messrs. Jack and Stuart Carson; recitation by Miss Marie MacLachlan; solo by Mrs. Andrew Hincks; instrumental by Miss Gladys Hincks; a quartette consisting of Mrs. A. Hincks, Miss Jean MacLean and Messrs. Braedy Irwin and Murray Nichol sang one number. Messrs. Archie MacCuaig and Angus MacLachlan gave violin solos, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. J. MacMeekin, Jr. Music was also given by the orchestra. A collection was taken up and lunch was served by the ladies. Messrs. Angus MacVicar and Angus MacArthur spent a couple of days in Toronto this week.

Mrs. Kate MacArthur has returned home after spending a month in Toronto.

Those who attended the funeral of Mr. Archie Ferguson were: Misses Esther and Nellie MacLean, Mr. and Mrs. E. Runciman, Mr. and Mrs. F. Runciman and daughter and Mr. Herbert Roberts, all of Toronto; also Mr. Hector MacLean of Orangeville.

Arch. Ferguson

Following an illness of about a month, the death occurred on Monday of last week of Mr. Archibald Ferguson, at his residence on the 19th line of Proton. Deceased was in his 79th year. He was married to Mary MacDonald of Proton, who predeceased him about a year and a half ago. He is survived by one son, Jack, on the home place, and four daughters, Sarah at home, Molly and Kate (Mrs. Fred Runciman) of Toronto, and Janet, Mrs. Colin F. MacLean of Priceville. The funeral took place on Tuesday from his late residence, the service being conducted by the Rev. M. Sullivan of St. Columba United Church of Priceville. Interment was made in MacNeil's Cemetery.

Glenmont

(Our Own Correspondent)

Mrs. James Tucker spent last week among friends around her old home on Concession 20.

Mrs. E. Ritchie and son John spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. C. Harrison, Swinton Park.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hooper and Miss Lucy Wells took in the play at Salem on Friday night.

Mr. Stanley Harrison and Miss Reta Wilson visited on Sunday at Mr. D. Hinck's, Artemesia.

General regret is felt at the passing of Mr. Archie Ferguson, one of the oldest residents of the community, at his home on Sunday night, after a few weeks' illness. The funeral is being held this Tuesday at McNeil's cemetery, Priceville. The sympathy of the community is extended to the son and daughters who are left to mourn.

Miss Molly Ferguson and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Runciman of Toronto have been at the parental home assisting in the care of their father.

Glenmont

(Our Own Correspondent)

Mrs. George Ostrander of Toronto is visiting with her brothers and sisters around here, and with other friends.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tucker on Sunday, December 16, a daughter. Congratulations!

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Tucker spent a day last week at Mr. James Best's, Proton. They also visited one day at Mr. George Binnie's, Glenelg.

Mr. Thomas Weir and sister, Mrs. Ritchie were in Holstein one day last week and visited at the home of Mr. John Stevenson.

Mr. Gordon Leith returned home recently from the West.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. T. Tucker is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Dixon.

Miss Parslow, teacher at Boothville and her pupils gave a very enjoyable concert to a full house, last Friday evening. The other schools in this district are having their concerts this week.

We wish the Editor and staff and all the readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Crawford

(Our Own Correspondent)

Mr. and Mrs. John Penner and daughter, Catherine of Desboro, also Mr. Spencer of Chatsworth were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hastie.

Miss Mary McKechnie was the guest on Sunday of friends in Hanover.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Boyce and sons accompanied by the former's sisters, Misses Blanche and Elsie, visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. William McDonald, near Owen Sound.

The regular meeting of the C. Y. P. S. was held in the church on Thursday last. The meeting was under the leadership of Miss Myrtle McDonald and Miss Irene Sherman. The meeting opened by singing "Silent Night, Holy Night" followed with prayer by Rev. Mr. Young. The Scripture lesson which was that well-known passage dealing with the birth of Christ was read by Miss Irene Sherman. Miss Myrtle McDonald presided over the remainder of the meeting. The explanation of the Scripture lesson was given by Miss Laura Kaufman.

A letter from a missionary in China who was formerly a young lady from Holland Centre, was read by Miss Mildred Henderson.

A chorus consisting of six young ladies who sang "Dwelling in Beulah Land" was a pleasing feature of the programme.

Miss Jessie Twamley gave a fine paper on "Canada's Destiny" which was much enjoyed by all. Miss B. Boyce then rendered a pleasing solo. The meeting closed by all repeating the Lord's Prayer.

A contest was enjoyed at the close of the programme. The next meeting will be taken by Mr. Wilbur Anderson and Mrs. William Campbell. The date of the next meeting is December 27.

It will pay you to advertise in The Chronicle.

Mulock

(Our Own Correspondent)

The December meeting of the Ladies' Aid was held on Thursday afternoon at the cheery home of Mrs. Ben Coult with the president, Miss McDonald in the chair and Rev. H. Crickington assisting in the opening exercises. There was an attendance of 30 ladies including a number of visitors who were very cordially welcomed. After the reading of the minutes of the November meeting a business session followed. The meeting closed by singing and repeating the Lord's prayer in unison. Lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Misses Laura Armstrong, Jean Coult, Lenora Reay and Gladys Alexander also two kinds of delicious home made candy was passed around.

Listen! Don't forget the date of our annual Christmas tree and Sunday School entertainment Monday evening, December 24.

Pleased to report Miss May McCallum is now progressing nicely after several serious operations in Hamilton Hospital.

Miss Millie Mighton has been assisting at the home of Mrs. Anthony Lawrence, Durham, the past week.

Miss Lena Reay was the guest of her friend, Miss Ulva McDonald over the week-end.

Miss Mary McGillivray left Monday of this week to visit her many friends in Toronto for the winter months.

We wish Ye Editor, staff and all the readers a Merry Christmas and happy and prosperous New Year.

Swinton Park

(Our Own Correspondent)

The sleighing here was excellent last week but has disappeared again and we are down to mud.

Mr. A. Ferguson, an old and respected farmer of the 19th concession of Proton, passed away last Sunday evening being sick only a few weeks with heart trouble. The funeral was held on Tuesday to McNeil's cemetery and was largely attended by friends and neighbors. Rev. Sullivan of Priceville United Church officiated at the house and grave. Mr. Ferguson leaves to mourn four daughters, Mrs. F. Runciman and Mary of Toronto, Mrs. C. McLean, Priceville, and Sarah at home, also one son, John, at home.

A good number from here attended Mr. Lloyd Moodie's sale at Bethel last Wednesday and report very high prices paid for all live stock.

Mr. Thomas Laughlin resigned the Clerkship of Proton and Mr. H. Watson was appointed on Saturday last by the Council to fulfil the office.

A good many from here attended the school concert at Boothville on Friday night and report a good time.

Miss Smith and pupils are hard at practice here and will put their concert on on the 19th instant in the L. C. L. Hall.

Mr. J. Porter had a radio installed at his home here. Mr. L. Watson put it up on Saturday.

The McLean family spent Sunday

with Mr. and Mrs. Stewart. Mr. and Mrs. Peter McMurdo of Bracebridge are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Sam McMurdo for the winter. Pete was in Barrie hospital for some time and is here to take a needed rest. Wishing the Editor, staff and the readers of The Chronicle a Merry Christmas and very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

THE KING'S FAITHFUL DOG

One of the most pathetic figures in Buckingham Palace is the King's cairn terrier, who has spent most of the time since his Royal master became ill crouching in the corridor leading to the royal apartment.

Only Princess Mary has been able to coax the terrier to take a little food. The dog makes dashes for the King's room when anyone emerges but is always captured before reaching an electric door screen which prevents drafts.



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