

Former Candidate Linked Up With U.F.O.

Leader of Tory Party in Glenelg Township Signed on the Dotted Line Last Week and Is Now Full-Fledged One Hundred Per Cent United Farmer.—But Pigs Is Pigs and Hereby Hangs a Tale.

Well, well, and again, well! Newspaper editors are not generally excitable when news breaks, they are so used to it, but when the news flashed into this sanctum last week that Bob Edwards, he who only so recently had carried the Meighen Banner of Toryism throughout the length and breadth of South-East Grey, had definitely linked up with the United Farmers of Ontario, it caused a tremor of wonderment to flutter up and down our editorial spine. Enough was too much.

No more the Ruby Robert from the central portion of Grey's famous township would sit in caucus with the high-brows of the Tories; no more would we be able to find out if Mr. and Mrs. So-and-So are still voting the old ticket, and that Jack Tweedledee had shifted his allegiance to Miss Macphail because he hadn't been awarded the caretaking of the school. Life could never be the same, politically, now that Robert had fled to pastures new, and from our seat in the lonely sanctum we could see him sitting up near the U. F. O. throne of grace leading the vote canvassing gang and telling of all the old wrinkles the Tories used to resort to before they had been taught their lesson. We could even picture him, when Miss Macphail dramatically arose and exclaimed, "Now who will stand at my right hand and pull in votes for me?" arising and volunteering to be the political Horatius to protect the people's representative from Grit and Tory harm, and the people themselves from the rule of the Grit Etruscans and the Lars Porsena Tories.

A good many other pictures arose in our mind of the good old days that had gone by never to return, and for the life of us we could think of no cause why our once beloved candidate who went down in the barrage of the 1926 had so soon deserted the old party. We might have been wondering yet were it not for a mysterious little bird that whispered the explanation in our ear.

It seems that Mr. Edwards, who is one of Glenelg's leading agriculturists, raises a few pigs once in a while by way of exercise. Once they are in condition he likes to get rid of them, and with this purpose in view he loaded up a bunch one day last week and started for Markdale. Arriving there there were no buyers—save one, the U. F. O. buyer. Like other organizations of its kind the U. F. O. has rules, and in this instance, at least, stuck to them. The U. F. O. buyer would buy the Edwards's grunters but on one condition—no one but a member of the U. F. O. could sell to the organization.

The former Conservative standard bearer backed up a little at this, but the buyer was adamant. Finally, Mr. Edwards decided that "Pigs Is Pigs" Butler was right, that "Pigs Is Pigs" and that he would either have to shell out that membership fee or carry his pigs home, finally signing on the dotted line. So far, Edwards is but a buck private in the rear rank but he continues as fast as he started may some day get to be a lance corporal or even a battalion sergeant major in the organization.

In the meantime, but we are not telling any more.

BEAR SAW SHADOW, MORE WINTER COMING

Candlemas Day Was Bright in Spots and According to Old Saying At Least Six Weeks' More Winter Is Due.

Old Mr. Bruin emerged from his den last Saturday morning, wandered around a bit, looked on the ground, saw his shadow and immediately returned home to den up for another six weeks. According to the old tradition all our hopes for an early spring have gone, so we are preparing for another winter to follow the appearance of the sun on Candlemas Day, February 2.

The past week has been ideal, with just enough snow to make good sleighing, and while the country roads are reported rough from the last thaw, farmers we have talked to say the sleighing is good. Generally the snow is fairly well scattered but there are places along the roadway where the drifts have made it somewhat harder to navigate with heavy loads, but this is something that must be expected up in this part of the world and passes almost unnoticed.

The Chronicle lays no claim to being a Bowes or Sir Frederick Stupart, but we tip our readers off that there is little likelihood of being general mortoring around here before the end of March, thanks to the sun coming out last Saturday and showing the bear his shadow.



GOES TO ENGLAND
Adolphe Menjou, the world famous film star, is finishing his last film in the United States before settling permanently in London. It is understood that he will produce his own films in the Old Country.

HELD UP IN RETURN FOR HOSPITALITY

Recent Holdup in Saskatchewan Has Local Interest.—Bandit Escaped and Has Not Yet Been Found.

To be held up at the point of a revolver in return for a free meal and offer of a night's lodging was the experience of a westerner, whose name is not available, who is an employee of Robert Reid, of Webb, Sask., a son of Mrs. Peter Reid of Durham.

Mr. Reid has a farm a few miles from the village of Webb which is worked by this man who resides there alone with his dog. On the evening of January 16, which was particularly stormy, a stranger knocked at the door of the dwelling and was asked to supper, and on account of the storm, offered shelter for the night. The wayfarer, however, refused, and after eating, left, returning shortly and holding up his host at the point of a gun. As the householder raised his hands, the bandit hit him over the head with the gun barrel, knocking him unconscious. At this point the dog decided to take a hand in the proceedings and attacked the hold-up man to such advantage as to take all his attention, and leave his victim unobserved, who by this time recovered and was able to stagger to his feet and reach his rifle on the wall. On observing this the bandit fled into the night, helped on by a shot from the other's gun. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police were notified and searched the surrounding territory, but no further trace of the man was found.

HAD LEG FRACTURED IN SLEIGHING PARTY

Trio of Accidents Occurred Tuesday Evening in Glenelg When Tobogganists Came to Grief.

Tuesday evening was an unfortunate one for three Glenelg young residents, who were engaged in tobogganing on George Ritchie's hill near the Edge Hill school. First, Miss Hazel Beaton, the school teacher, received a sprained ankle and had to be taken home by Mr. Charles Robson. Mr. Robson returned and he and Mr. Thomas McNally again went to the hill for a ride. When coming down the hill something went wrong and the young men were spilled off the toboggan. Mr. Robson having his leg fractured, and Mr. McNally having his knee badly injured.

Dr. Jamieson was summoned from town, reduced the fracture, and attended the less seriously injured. We are pleased to know they are all doing well, though Robson will be confined to his bed for some weeks until the fractured leg gets strong again.

PENDER—MORLOCK

A quiet marriage was solemnized at high noon on February 2 at the Evangelical church parsonage, Toronto, when Rev. W. J. Zimmerman, the bride's cousin, united in marriage Jean Louise Morlock of Durham, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel P. Morlock, to Stuart Howard Pender, of Durham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Pender, of Palmerston. After the ceremony the happy couple left on a trip to the Pacific coast. On their return they will reside at Durham.

BAND AT RINK SATURDAY

Next Saturday night is Band Night at Durham Rink. This is one change that has been made in order that a country patrons may have a chance to skate to music. The admission is 25c. for adults and 15c. for children. It is the intention, we believe, to have the Band on Saturday nights on occasion although the regular night of music is Thursday.

Mary had a little lamb,
Given by a friend to keep.
It followed her around until
It died from loss of sleep.

Bunessan Debaters Defeated Edge Hill

Best Debate of Season Said to Have Taken Place at Edge Hill Last Wednesday Evening.—Rev. E. Hayes of Town Was Judge.

Rev. Ernest Hayes of town was the judge at the Bunessan-Edge Hill debate held in the Edge Hill school house on Wednesday evening of last week, and in talking to The Chronicle said it was the best debate he had heard for some years. As Mr. Hayes seems to be a popular judge for these affairs and has attended quite a number in the past couple of years, his opinion is worth a lot when he makes such a statement. Bunessan team was declared the winner.

The debate was, "Resolved that poverty has a greater influence on character than riches." The affirmative was taken by the Bunessan team, the exponents being Miss W. Binnie and Mr. N. McArthur. Edge Hill had the negative and were represented by Miss Hazel Beaton and Mr. Clarence Robinson. Each speaker was allowed fifteen minutes, with an additional five minutes for the first speaker on the affirmative.

Affirmative Was Good

The speakers had their points well arranged, and brought out many excellent points in the advancement of their argument. The affirmative based its debate on the fact that in speaking of poverty that kind known as "abject" poverty was not intended. A man may be an honest, decent citizen, earning a good livelihood for his family and still be considered poor. It was this, too, necessary that his family should not want, that developed character. Poverty strengthens the home life because of the interdependence of relationship in the home.

Riches generally meant indolence, a lack of ambition, and this could not build character. Character needed sacrifice to develop it fully. While the rich might contribute liberally on occasion to charitable and other schemes, this was done without sacrifice. The poor also contributed according to their means, and everything donated from a poor home meant a sacrifice. It was a case of giving from your surplus, and from what you needed yourself. In the former there was no sacrifice, in the latter self denial would have to be practiced. Patience fostered self denial and poverty produced patience and humility. The poor man was humble, sympathetic, more likely to see the need of his fellow-man than the rich, who were inclined to arrogance.

Poverty strengthens the home life, and it was from poverty that our great men had sprung. Toil develops strength of will. The poor labor and the rich do not. It is this labor that develops our character. Riches led to pleasure and too much pleasure was detrimental to character. Amusements were a good thing up to a certain point but beyond that were a menace. Poverty taught a man to play fair, something that riches would not do.

Negative Side Spoke Well

Miss Beaton was the first speaker for the negative and brought out a good many convincing points. There is no use denying that at the outset the Edge Hill team were hampered in that they had much the harder side of the argument. Miss Beaton brought out that the rich were not overbearing to the majority. They contributed liberally to all charitable schemes, endowed universities and made it possible for the families of the poorer classes to receive an education. Wealth was necessary to produce the advantages of education; education was necessary to produce character. Poverty tended to separate families in that the individual members were forced at an early age to get out and do for themselves. The privations of poverty made it impossible to develop character, as so much of one's time was taken up in wrestling an existence from the world. The charity of the world was provided by the rich, who also contributed most liberally to our churches, the country's greatest charitable institutions.

Mr. Robinson argued that poverty, forcing the people to live in improper localities, in improper houses, did not tend to develop character. The lack of proper ventilation and many of the necessities of life militated against this development, while the parents had working classes where the parents had to leave home to work, placing the care of younger children under the care of their brothers and sisters for long periods could scarcely be hoped to develop character. Poverty had been known to be the cause of premature death through unhealthy surroundings from which, owing to poverty, a family had been unable to escape; poverty was a breeder of crime. Christianity, on the other hand, was spread by the wealthy. There were many rich people who took a deep interest in church work, contributed liberally and did much good work.

In her reply Miss Binnie pointed out that the rich people who were actively identified with church work were in the minority. Wealth did not support education; this was done by taxes, and the rich and poor alike had to pay

HAD NARROW ESCAPE WHEN ICE GAVE WAY

Joe Snell, Local Ice Baron, Went Over Flume at McGowan Dam Tuesday When Cutting Ice.—Rescued When Help Came.

Durham's local iceman, Mr. Joe Snell evidently must have been thinking of that old song, "A-sailing I Will Go" when chipping ice at the McGowan outmeal dam Tuesday morning, and before he knew it, "a-sailing he had went" on a cake of ice that broke off the main pack and took him over the falls, down across the spillway, and out into deep water at the foot of the apron, where he was imprisoned and unable to make his way ashore. His predicament was soon noted and willing hands rescued him from his uncomfortable position, little the worse of the accident, but perfectly wet.

Mr. Snell gets his supply of ice off the McGowan dam, and during the winter part of his duty is to see that the ice does not encroach on the main dam sufficiently to push it out and wreck it. It was while engaged at this that the accident occurred.

Mr. Snell takes his "ducking" with good grace, and the chaffing of his friends good naturedly, but there very easily might have been a much more serious tale to tell. The drop over the falls on to the concrete spillway must be in the neighborhood of ten feet, and as the dam is constructed of solid concrete, he might have been stunned and drowned with no one being the wiser.

Hockey Teams Had Prosperous Week

Playing Good Hockey, They Have Annexed All League Games, The Junior Winning District Without Loss.—Walkertonians Very Surprised When Blue and Whites Trimmed Them Handily.

Durham's two hockey teams, senior and junior, have been going great guns during the past week, and barring the game at Markdale this Wednesday, which they hope to win, too, they have come through without a loss.

On Monday night the seniors stepped over into Walkerton for the first clash in the N. H. L. and surprised the hostesters by eating them up 6 to 2. Then had the Walkertonians 5 to 0 at the end of the second period. We haven't been able to get very much out of the players so far, but we will say that the fans who stayed at home didn't expect such a score. In fact, they would have been satisfied with a much smaller one and would not have been unduly shocked had the locals failed to make the grade. Walkerton have had a coach all year in the person of Trushinski of Kitchener who was refused a playing certificate by the O. H. A., but who evidently got one from the N. H. L. for he appeared on the ice Monday against Durham.

Last Thursday night the Durham O. H. A. intermediates trimmed Flesher-ton 7 to 1 in what is reported a good game. The Flesher-ton rink is small and the team gave a much better exhibition than when here. Durham scored seven times, and one of the players informed us that that is all they could score. There was little combination indulged in.

The juniors, too, have been going strong and have won their N. H. L. district without a loss, though the game here Tuesday night was a close one and they were lucky to win from one of the Walkerton team. There are no excuses to offer. The juniors simply played the worst game so far this season, and now that they have got it out of their system will likely settle down to business. Hockey teams and players have their off nights and Tuesday was Durham's.

DURHAM WON THEIR DISTRICT

Following up the hockey news in this column, word has just been received at this office from Markdale that the full time score in the Markdale O.H.A. game played there tonight was 3-2 for the Durham team. There were no other particulars other than it was a good game and the locals deserved to win on the night's play. This game gives Durham the local O.H.A. district without a loss. The crowd invaded Markdale with special train.

The Aged Golf Ball

He was a very painstaking golfer and it took him three hours to reach the fifteenth hole, where he drove into the rough. After a long search the caddie located the ball which the player examined.

"No," he said, "this isn't mine. This is a very old ball."

"Yes," said the boy in exhausted tones, "but don't forget it's a long time since we started out, sir."

Father—"How is it, young man, that I find you kissing my daughter? How is it, young man?"

The young man—"Great! Great!"

taxes. It was the poor who helped the poor, not the rich.

Following the close of the debate lunch was served.

More Information Wanted Re Paving

Council Decides to Go Further Into Paving Proposition Before Committing Town to Outlay.—Alternative Plan of Pavement Met With General Approval and Will Likely Be One to Be Adopted.

The regular session of the Town Council last Monday night saw considerable discussion of the plan to pave our main street this spring, and while the general impression prevails that the paving will be gone ahead with, the Council went on record as wanting more information before any commitment was made. "Something has to be done" seemed the general belief, and that "something" can scarcely mean anything but pavement. Any other improvement would of necessity be a makeshift which would last for a few years, and in another decade the town would be back in a similar position so far as our front street is concerned.

Councillor Hunter started the ball rolling when he said he was not in favor of committing himself on the strength of what was at present before the Council. He thought the town should have some assurance "in black and white" from the Provincial Health Department that the contemplated disposal of the sewage was acceptable to them. He did not doubt the engineer's statement but thought the matter should be more fully gone into, as it would be poor policy to go ahead with this work and then find out that the Health Department would insist on something else.

To Interview Engineer

The net result of the Council discussion was that it was carried that Engineer Proctor be asked to come to Durham and interview the Council, explain some of the things that were as yet hazy to them, and straighten the whole matter out.

One pleasing note that was struck was that there was to be no delay in the proceedings. Either we were going to pave or we were not. The work would have to be started the first thing in the spring, finished around the first week in July, and no undue interference permitted with business or the tourist traffic.

Alternative Schedule

The paving is to be laid under a town-frontage tax plan, the town to assume the payment of \$20,890.35 and the property owners \$21,609.65, making a total of \$42,500.00. This was the plan most generally approved and will mean that residents will be called upon to pay the following frontage tax in the sections named:

From Durham Road to Chester St., 24.9c. per lineal foot.
Chester Street to C. P. R., 22.9c.
C. P. R. to River, 26.9c.
River to 175 feet south of Saddler street, 33.3c.

Saddler to South, 14.5c.

This, if paid for in one year, would mean a tax rate of 44 mills; spread over a period of 20 years, 3.8 mills.

The matter of the water mains was also gone into, but as there was no information and rather a lack of it, it is not necessary to take the time or space at this juncture to go into a matter that will be dealt with more fully when more facts are known.

Routine Business Conducted

Outside the discussion of the paving, mostly routine business occupied the greater part of the evening. The Finance Committee approved and passed the accounts amounting to \$596.36, and the usual bunch of communications were read. One from A. S. Hastie requested a reduction in his pool room license fee. This was higher than in any other neighboring town. The Council reduced the license \$25 and are having the bylaw changed to cover this. The request of the Salvation Army for a grant of \$50 toward the building of their Rescue and Children's Home at London was not entertained.

Councillor McLean told of the temporary repairs made to the roof of the fire hall, damaged by the wind a few days ago. He said that the local Hydro Commission had offered to go fifty-fifty on the repair bill for the roof. Repairs to the doors at the old weigh scales would have to be made, as it was their blowing in that let the wind under the roof. The Hydro would not pay anything toward this.

Reeve Bell thought the Hydro had a right to go half way with the town in the whole repair bill. They were getting the building cheap enough. He went further and stated that he thought that the town would have been a good deal better off if they had this building for themselves.

To Interview Highways Dept.

The Reeve was appointed a delegate to meet with the County Engineer, the engineer of the C.P.R., and Mr. Muir of the Highways Department regarding the straightening of the road under the C. P. R. bridge east of town. This is a dangerous place and as the county is putting a pavement through here this spring they wanted the road straightened. While it is the desire of the county to settle this difference amicably we understand they are prepared to take the matter to the Railway Board if necessary.



AGED EX-PREMIER STRICKEN
Hon. John H. Bell, aged 80, former Premier of Prince Edward Island, who suffered a fractured skull when he was struck by an automobile while attempting to cross a Los Angeles thoroughfare. Mr. Bell died Tuesday of his injuries. Presenting the Tiny Print for Late

JUNIORS WIN GROUP WITHOUT A LOSS

Locals Beat Walkerton 2-1, Winning Their Group Without Losing a Game.—Probably Meet Southampton Next.

The local juniors came through Tuesday night with another win, when they handed the fast Walkerton sextet the short end of a 2-1 score, thus winning their N. H. L. group without losing a game.

The game was all a junior game could be. It had the crowd on their feet 90 per cent of the time, and while perhaps the play lacked the smoothness of senior hockey, the kids certainly made up for it in aggressiveness and willingness to give all they had. Body checking was the vogue all through the game on both sides although Durham seemed to have slightly the better of it. Lavelle in goal proved a tower of strength for the locals, handling shots, long and short, that would keep any net minder guessing. The one that did beat him was a close in shot from a mix-up close to the net, and he had no chance whatsoever.

The game opened a trifle slowly as though the teams were feeling each other out. Seven minutes from the face-off Churcott netted the rubber for Durham's first center. Two minutes later the same player beat the Walkerton goalie with another, this time a shot from the boards. This ended the scoring for this period, and though the teams battled hard neither could count again, although both goalers were tested time and again.

The second period was the most hectic of the game, both teams pressing hard, at times throwing four men up the ice, in an effort to net the puck. However the period closed scoreless, the count still standing at 2-0 for Durham. In the third period both teams slowed down, the body-checking and the pace of the second period telling. Four minutes from the face-off, Walkerton secured their only counter from a scramble in front of the Durham nets, Lavelle having no chance to clear.

The game was hard fought and the players got away with lot to which Referee Murphy of Mount Forest, evidently turned his blind eye, although he did award Walkerton five penalties for flagrant trips. However the fans were well satisfied and when the next team plays here, which will probably be Southampton juniors, we expect to see a larger crowd than ever.

The teams lined up as follows:

| Durham | Goalie | Walkerton |
|-----------|---------|--------------|
| Lavelle | goal | Glennings |
| Dean | l. def. | Jackson |
| Wilson | r. def. | Ellinghausen |
| McGirr | centre | VanHorne |
| McIlraith | l. wing | Bruder |
| Churcott | r. wing | McCue |
| Schutz | subs. | Becker |
| Murdoch | | Truax |

The goals were scored as follows:

| 1st period—3:00 | 2nd period—3:25 | 3rd period—9:10 |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Durham—Churcott | - | 8:07 |
| Durham—Churcott | - | 8:09 |

Walkerton (Wednesday) the O. H. A. Intermediates are playing in Markdale, and at the time of writing indications point to a large crowd accompanying them on the special train.

A retail dealer in leather goods wrote to a firm in Massachusetts ordering a carload of merchandise. The Massachusetts firm wired: "Cannot ship your order until the last consignment is paid for." "Unable to wait," telegraphed the leather merchant. "Cancel the order."—Lippincott's.

TEMPERATURES FOR PAST WEEK

| | 8 a.m. | Max. | Min. |
|-----------|--------|------|------|
| Thursday | 18 | 28 | 18 |
| Friday | 16 | 23 | 0 |
| Saturday | 12 | 18 | 12 |
| Sunday | 4 | 20 | -3 |
| Monday | 20 | 29 | 18 |
| Tuesday | 12 | 30 | 6 |
| Wednesday | 20 | 38 | 15 |