

In Other Communities

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A Swan At The Island

A beautiful large white swan has made its way to Pheasant Island from "Somewhere". It is quite at home—no wonder, because through the kindness of Manager H. Johnston and his assistants, the lovely bird receives its meals regularly. Perhaps it will continue to make his home there.—Flesherton Advance.

Barn Destroyed by Fire

When Joseph Berry, while doing the chores, slipped on the steps of Arthur Taylor's barn, Belwood, on Saturday evening, November 9, and fell in the straw with the lighted lantern which he was carrying, the lantern set fire to the straw and the barn was totally destroyed. Of the contents which included the season's crop, only three horses were saved. The loss is partially covered by insurance. Mr. Berry had leased the farm from Mr. Taylor, who resides in Fergus.—Enterprise News.

"Man's Inhumanity to Man"

Not long ago there was a collision on the Kingston Highway when the Rev. Mr. Maxwell, former Presbyterian minister of Berville, who was returning from Pembroke to Ottawa, was injured. The driver of the other car, a man by the name of Drysdale, received three months as a penalty for being intoxicated while in charge of a car. Not long before the collision he had picked up two travellers, was giving them a drive which, foot worn and weary, they appreciated. However, in the collision, they, too, were injured and now they have entered an action for damages.—Walkerton Herald-Times.

Elora Baker in Fatal Accident

A fatal automobile accident happened near the C. N. R. station in Elora about 2.20 last Wednesday afternoon, as a result of which R. G. Dobbie, the popular baker, lost his life.

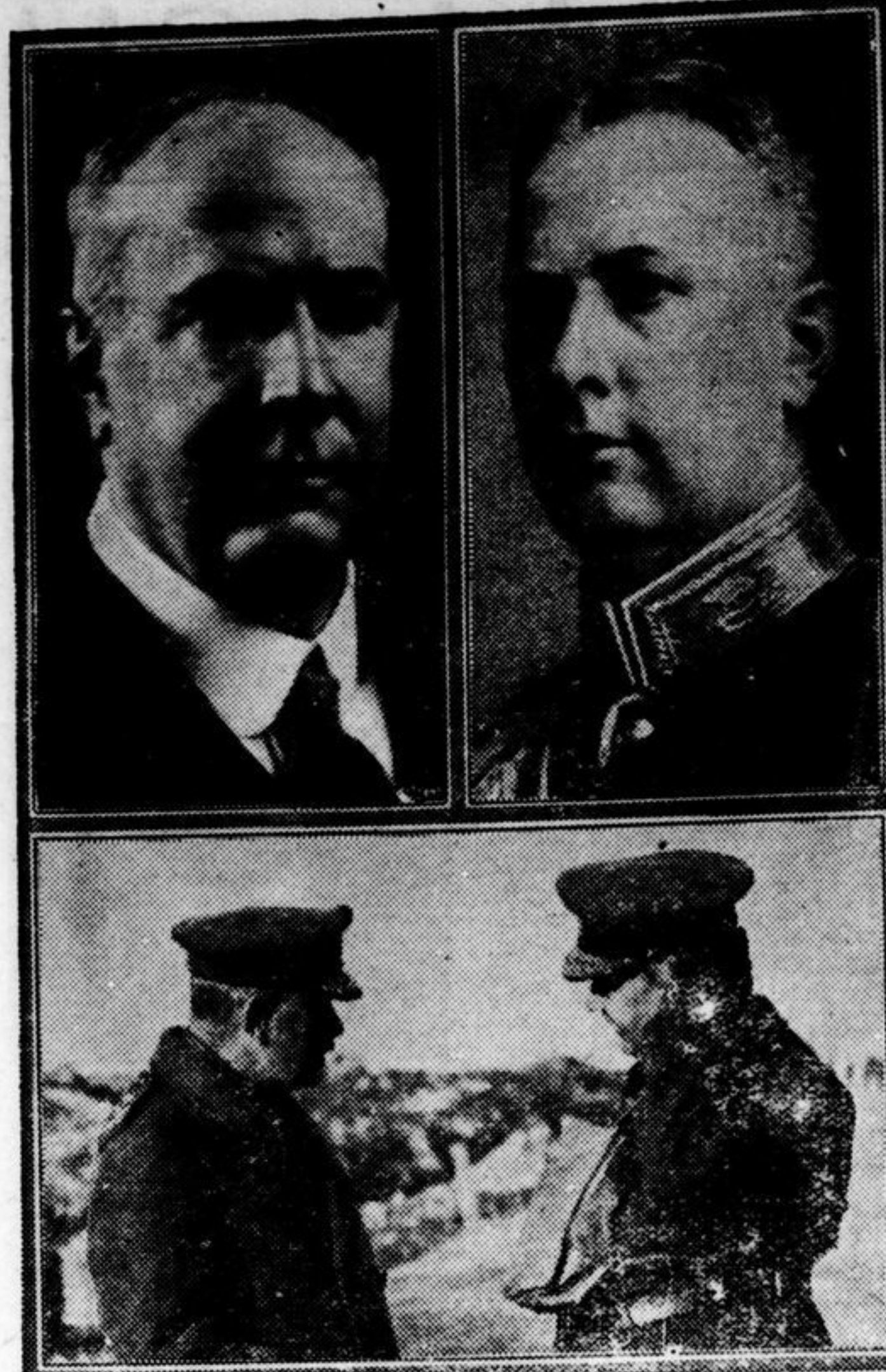
Mr. Dobbie was distributing the bread he had baked in the morning and was crossing the C. P. R. tracks two blocks east of the station, when he was struck by freight cars. His automobile delivery truck was skidded about two car lengths toward the station, when it was smashed to pieces under the end of a car. Mr. Dobbie was alone in the truck and was severely injured, dying almost immediately. Mr. Dobbie leaves a widow and two daughters.

Victim of Cut-In Driver

On his way to his home here Saturday night from Toronto, where he is employed, Earl Ridley sustained rather severe injuries and had his car, a Ford touring, reduced to scrap when the driver of a big Buick sedan cut in on him, striking the front wheel and sending the Ford into the ditch, a short distance this side of Brampton. Two fellow workmen who were accompanying Ridley as far as Guelph, escaped injury as did the occupants of the other car, which was also badly wrecked. Earl was taken to the Brampton Hospital to have his injuries attended to, and on Sunday morning his brother-in-law, Amos Atwood went down and brought him home. He expects to be able to return to work in a few days.—Fordwick Record.

Strange Trout Found in Net

D. McInnes & Sons, Wednesday, brought in a trout from their nets which is a stranger in Georgian Bay waters. Local authorities disagree as to his identity, but he seems more like a Rainbow Trout of the McLeod River variety than anything else although he has markings and general appearance in some respects of Sockeye. How a Sockeye could get from British Columbia down into Georgian Bay, however, is a question no one dares to answer. Then he might be an Atlantic trout which were one time found in lake Ontario, but never got to the other lakes because of the barrier at Niagara Falls. That he is a Rainbow seems to be the best yet made for identification. The fish is on view at Mr. Rows' butcher shop. Authorities in Toronto have been asked for positive identification.—Meaford Mirror.



NOTED SOLDIER ON HOSPITAL LIST  
General Sir Arthur Currie, Principal of McGill University and former Commander-in-Chief of Canada's forces overseas, is in hospital at Montreal with an illness that has not yet been diagnosed. On the upper left is Sir Arthur as he is today; upper right, the then Colonel Currie of Victoria, B.C., as he was at the outbreak of the war; below, Sir Arthur and Lord Byng at the unveiling of the Memorial to Artillerymen at Vimy Ridge.

Oil Truck and Sedan Collide

Mrs. Gertrude Wilson of R. R. No. 3, Singhampton, received severe cuts to her face, when about eleven o'clock Monday morning, the sedan she was driving, collided head-on with the Imperial Oil truck, in charge of Mr. William McDermid, just at the corner turning on to Singhampton's main thoroughfare. At the time the season's first snow storm was in progress, and the downfall was so heavy as to completely obscure the vision of both drivers. Mrs. Wilson was carried to Campbell's barber shop and Dr. Graham of Creemore called, who, after administering an anaesthetic, dressed the wounds. The driver of the truck escaped uninjured, but both vehicles were considerably damaged. Provincial Police Constable McDonough, upon investigation, decided the collision accidental.—Collingwood Enterprise.

Shooting Accident Claims Fergus Man  
Struck by a bullet from a rifle which accidentally discharged in the hands of a companion, Clayton Mallot, employee of Beatty Bros. Limited, was instantly killed in a driving shed at the rear of his home in Fergus. Mallot borrowed a weapon a few days ago from a friend, but only secured ammunition yesterday.

He was in the shed with David Moffat, who lives at the Mallot home. Mallot had possession of the gun. His wife came from the house to collect wood and Mallot turned to assist her handling the rifle to Moffat, with a remark to the effect that it was not loaded. What occurred is not known but as he turned the gun discharged and the bullet struck the young man in the stomach. He had only lived in Fergus a short while, having until recently been employed on a farm in Luther Township. He was not working yesterday because of the bad weather. His wife and three small children survive.

Ritchie Held on Manslaughter Charge  
A warrant, charging him with manslaughter, has been issued to Fred W. Ritchie, chief engineer of the Ontario Highway Department at Stratford, who was the driver of the truck in which Royal Todd, 21-year-old Stratford youth, was fatally injured at the level crossing at Atwood two months ago. Announcement to that effect was made in Stratford on Monday by Crown Attorney C. C. McPherson.

The warrant is in the hands of Provincial Constable Robert Beatle, and it will be served as soon as Ritchie returns from a holiday in Pittsburg. The accident at the Atwood crossing occurred at noon on September 8, and Royal Todd, who was preparing to return to Queen's University to resume his studies, died from his injuries a few hours later in the hospital at Listowel. Ritchie was also injured, as was John Killier, another Stratford youth and the latter two were in the Stratford General Hospital for some time. At the inquest held in Listowel, the jury did not attach any blame in connection with the fatality, so that the statement from the Crown causes considerable surprise.—Listowel Banner.

Lad Escaped from Reformatory Caught  
Ard Watt, 18 years of age, who escaped from Mimico Reformatory, was arrested at Southampton last Saturday. He was brought to Walkerton and held on a vagrancy charge until Monday when an official arrived from Mimico and escorted him back to the institution to which he was assigned a few years ago.

Constable Murray of Southampton captured the youth after a chase. Watt later admitted having escaped from Mimico. Records show that he was dealt with once, if not twice, by the late Magistrate McNab of Walkerton, and within the past year, without the knowledge that Watt was wanted by other author-

ities, Magistrate Walker was called upon to handle him. That time he was drunk for which he served five days in jail here.

Ard's story, from what can be learned, is one of a wayward youth who cannot run straight. Every consideration is given offenders so young in years, but eventually the courts realize that they are forced in justice to the public and in the best interests of the accused, to have them taken care of in a school of correction.

Culprit Attacking School

A culprit who seems to have a grudge against Johnston's Corner School, a few miles west of Walkerton, has been deliberately attacking this rural seat of learning and doing much wanton damage to the property. Smashing windows seems to be one of his pet diversions and for the second time this year the Board had sixteen panes replaced Thanksgiving day, and as it was also Armistice day it was hoped that a truce might be declared and the lad lay off his rough stuff, when no further notice would be taken of the affair. But the glass had not been in a week, when on Saturday last the third and most violent onslaught was staged not only shattered the panes but carried all the partitions in the sash away with it. An entire new window, together with all the lights, has had to be installed, and, as patience has ceased to be a virtue in this matter, the school board have not only placed the matter in the hands of the police, but are offering a reward for information that will lead to the conviction of the culprit. A certain chap, who, it is thought, may have an accomplice, has been under suspicion of doing this stuff, but whether the authorities can secure enough evidence to pinch him is a matter to be determined.—Walkerton Herald-Time.

Thanksgiving Service Halted by Death

What promised to be one of the most successful Thanksgiving services among the different churches of the town was that in the Baptist church last Wednesday evening, but which was brought to a sad ending by the sudden affliction and death of the late Alfred Ireland. Before the regular program, over which Mr. D. R. McPhail was to be the chairman, a short sing-song was led by Mr. Ad Miller. Mr. McPhail on finishing his opening remarks called on Rev. Mr. King, the pastor for a reading of scripture. The male quartette, consisting of Messrs. Miller, McPhail, Hopkins and Rev. King rendered a number and Mrs. Clark a reading when Mr. Ireland was called on for an address. He had just about completed what he had to say, in which he gave thanks to the Almighty for all the blessings he and his family had enjoyed, when he reached over to Mr. McPhail and remarked, "Am I keeping you too long." On being informed to go ahead, Mr. Ireland put his hands on the back of the chairman's chair, and leaning over, said, "I have just a short story to tell you." Waiting to hear him proceed and getting no response, Mr. McPhail turned around only to find he had expired during the interval. The shock to the congregation and his wife and daughter, Mrs. Collins, who were present was terrible.—Kincardine News.

Ford Ditches Royal Mail

Mr. Robert Walsh, collector of His Majesty's Mail in Kincardine, was the victim of a motor accident last Wednesday night that makes his friends wonder how he came through so fortunately. While he received a severe shaking up along with several bad cuts, which confined him to bed for several days, it is marvellous how a man of his age came through as well as he did. For a time he was unconscious of what had happened. Mr. Walsh was making his night rounds collecting from the boxes about 8:30 and the accident occurred on Princess street near Knox church. He was com-

ing south and noticed the lights of a car approaching from the south. He pulled to his own side of the road, and as the car came closer he thought it too close to him for safety. In a moment he was hit near the left front wheel. This is all he remembers. The buggy was badly damaged and Mr. Walsh thrown on the curb. The driver of the Ford was Mr. D. Rowan, who immediately gave all assistance possible until residents living on the street who heard the impact came on the scene and summoned Dr. Ferguson, who had the injured man removed to his home. Mr. Rowan, in conversation, feels very keenly the accident and blames nobody but himself. His lights were in good condition, but says he never saw the approaching vehicle until right on to it, when it was too late to avert a collision. Mr. Walsh is over eighty years of age and this is his second accident, his horse having to be shot following the breaking of a leg a year ago.—Kincardine News.

Professor Albert Einstein gave recently what he considered the best formula for success in life: "If A is success in life, I should say the formula is: A equals X plus Y plus Z; X being work and Y being play." "And what is Z?" inquired the interviewer. "That," he answered, "is keeping your mouth shut."

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