

Railway Baby



Born on the Canadian Pacific Railway Express Train "The Dominion" near Kanaka, British Columbia, recently, the smiling infant shown with her mother above has been christened Christina Patricia Rosalind, the names being arranged in the initials C.P.R., in honor of her railway birth. Little Miss C.P.R. is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Peterson, North Vancouver, B.C.

In Other Communities

Taken From Our Exchanges About People of Your Acquaintance.

Horse Falls Into Well

Mr. Alex. Macgowan, of Ravenna community, had the misfortune to lose through a peculiar accident, a valuable horse on Tuesday evening. The horse was in an adjoining field, but wandering to another enclosure, it slipped into a 45-foot excavation, a well dug by Mr. Iver Seymour. The well was covered with some planks and had been dislodged by the horse.—Thornbury Review-Herald.

Had Close Call in Factory

Miss Clara Subject of Elmwood, an employee of Allen Bros. Co. here, had a close call from serious injury or even death last Thursday. She was standing between two machines when her clothes caught in the belt of a machine and was torn off her body. Only the flimsiness of the material prevented her from being drawn into the pulley. Miss Subject escaped with a painful bruise on the leg, though she suffered considerably from shock. She took a holiday for the rest of the day but was back on the job on Friday morning.—Hanover Post.

Long Trip by Team

In this age of car transportation it is very seldom that any long trips are taken with teams of horses. On Monday evening Mr. Clifford Mahoney, of Heathcote, drove through town on his way home, after delivering a couple of sheep to a farmer at Alma, near Fergus. He made the trip of 60 miles to Flesherston that day and was continuing on his route to his home, another twenty miles. His team appeared to be in excellent condition after their long drive, and are big rangy fellows and an excellent road team.—Flesherston Advance.

Badly Lacerated Hand

While working at his accustomed place at the Bruce Woodworkers factory last Friday, Harvey Krueger suffered a painful injury which will keep him off work for some two months' time. His left hand was pulled into the bit in the boring machine which badly lacerated the hand between the thumb and forefinger, the wound requiring several stitches to close. Harvey is a snappy baseball infielder and turned in a good game at second base last year and it is hoped the injury will not prevent him again lining up with Chesley's 1930 Bruce League ball team.—Chesley Enterprise.

Not the Fire Whistle

In a local church last Sunday in the midst of the service what was thought to be the blowing of the siren caused several firemen to leave their seats hurriedly and hasten to the fire hall. There was no fire reported, however, and the sound of the whistle was a mystery. The mystery has been solved at last. A little boy, unknown to his parents at the time, had taken a toy whistle with him to church and he had taken this from his pocket during the service and covering it with his hand, gave it a long, gentle blow, which sounded like the fire siren at a distance. The firemen were on the job at any rate.—Kincardine Review-Reporter.

Leal Horses Capture Big Prizes

Dr. A. G. Fortune, the local vet., did well with his team of fancy roadsters at the Guelph Winter Fair, where the greatest showing of horses in the history of the exhibition was staged. Over 180 of the competing equines had to be stabled out in the city unable to get accommodation at the grounds, so great was the number contesting. "Bobby Canuck," the doctor's black driver, came second in the roadster class, being beaten by a stepper that cleaned up everything in this class at the Royal Fair at Toronto the week previous. "Rose Harvester," the doctor's handsome bay mare, came fifth in a class of nine, and captured second for the best standard bred mare exhibited at the Fair. Shown in double harness, being beaten by the pair that captured the red ticket at the Royal the week previous. Dr. Fortune hopes to have his team in such condition next year that he will visit the Royal and bring the premier honors to Walkerton, an achievement that nobody has ever yet accomplished in this neck of the woods.—Walkerton Herald-Times.

Fox Industry Here Makes Great Strides

The fox breeding industry in this district is expected to receive a great impetus from the organization of the Beaver Valley Silver Black Fox Association. From a small beginning in this locality several years ago, fox farming has greatly increased in recent years, until it has become a major industry here. It is claimed that the cold crisp weather of the winter months in this region has ideal conditions for producing the best pelts on these valuable little animals. As the membership of the new organization is only 24, though it is expected that before long, this number will be considerably increased, breeders from Flesherston and Priceville being also interested. The first president is Robert Conn. of Thornbury.

Some of the benefits to be derived from this co-operative movement will be the holding of fox fur auctions in this community several times each winter.

Later on in the season the executive have plans for the securing of some well-known authority on silver-black for culture, to give a talk on the feeding, care and general ranching principles, so as to gain the most desired pelts. The importance of this industry from a monetary viewpoint, to this district, is seen in the cash returns to breeders last season, which a large rancher placed a value of \$25,000 as a fair estimate on the pelts of last year.—Thornbury Review-Herald.

Elmira Children Bitten by Rats Seriously bitten on their faces by a rat was the experience of the five-months-old twin sons of Mr. and Mrs.

George Reid who reside in the apartment over Mr. William H. Jackson's garage on Arthur street north in Elmira. On Saturday morning one of the children awoke with a number of marks on his face which could not be accounted for by the parents and who attributed them merely to the child having accidentally scratched his face. The following night, however, the parents were awakened by the screams of the twin brother and the little one was bleeding profusely from some eighteen wounds and it was plain to be seen that the child had been attacked by a rat, for his face, principally about the eyes, was a mass of cuts where the teeth of the ferocious rodent had entered the tender flesh. The first child bitten by the rat had some nine marks of the teeth on his face, and on the second night when the parents went to the cradle of their babies, they found the little tot's night clothing saturated with blood. Both children were quite ill after the attack but Dr. LeRoy Wagner does not consider that there will be any serious developments. Mr. and Mrs. Reid had not known that there was a rat about the place, but afterwards discovered where it had entered the premises and had the hole permanently sealed. The following night they heard the rat making some noise as if endeavoring to force an entrance at the same place. On the following night after the first child was bitten, the other twin was sleeping on the same side of the crib when the other had slept the previous night.—Elmira Signal.

After Ditching Stolen Car, Steal Horse When two visitors going to Bolton by way of the Bolton-Nobleton road, were nearing the tenth line, Albin township, the car in which they were travelling slid into the ditch. After attempting unsuccessfully to put the vehicle back on the road, the pair nonchalantly trooped in to the barn of Lyman Davis, a nearby farmer, and harnessed one of his horses. They proceeded across nearby fields to the scene of the mishap with the trusty animal, cut an opening in the fence through the road and used some of the fence wire with which to hitch the horse to pull the vehicle from the ditch. The car was abandoned where it pleased. As a result the horse was found, with its harness trailing, the following morning.

The intruders then went to Arnold Thompson's farm, and made an effort to start his car, parked in an outbuilding. After all efforts had failed, they took the key of the car and walked to Bolton. On arriving there they made an attempt to break into the store of E. A. Jaffray, but were thwarted by iron bars on the windows. Elliot's garage was the next port of call, but failed to gain an entrance, so stepped over to the garage of A. Barry, stole a car and started back along the Nobleton road.

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While a stiff wind blew steadily from the northeast and the mercury hovered around the zero mark Peter Peterson, one of Arthur's oldest citizens, on Wednesday last trudged along the highway almost the entire distance from Guelph to Arthur. He left Guelph about 8 o'clock and arrived in Arthur at four in the afternoon. When about three miles from Arthur, he was picked up by a farmer driving into town, after he had walked steadily for twenty-two miles. As the aged man is eighty-five years old, he probably established an endurance record never equaled in Wellington. When he arrived here he was in an almost exhausted condition. Fortunately for him, just as he alighted from the sleigh Postmaster W. S. Buschlen happened along. He was taken to Mr. Buschlen's home where Mrs. Buschlen soon provided a good hot meal. The old man rapidly revived after his terrible ordeal and in a day or so was about as usual.

Peterson had gone to Guelph on the previous day by C. P. R. to attend to business in connection with the securing of his old age pension. He is a native of Denmark and although he has resided in Ontario for forty-five years, he had never taken out any naturalization papers. This obstacle to his receiving support for his declining days, is now, we understand, being removed and he will shortly receive his \$20 per month.

Strangely enough, while he was making his great hike, he had all the time in his pocket, his return ticket from Guelph to Arthur over the C. P. R. Somehow or other the old man did not seem to understand this or to appreciate the value of the slip which the conductor returned him when he presented his ticket on his journey to the Royal City.

Peterson was born in Denmark and resided there until after his marriage and the death of his wife, and there he has one daughter still living. He has been a resident of Wellington for many years and now lives alone in Arthur, where ever since the pavement on George Street was put down, he has faithfully attended to the job of sweeping and keeping it clean during the summer months.—Arthur Enterprise.

Sacred Indian Ceremony Performed A most unusual event took place before a crowded hall of citizen spectators of Creemore and many others from neighboring towns last Saturday evening, December 7th, when Larry O'Brien was made an Honorary Chief of the Six Nations Tribe of Indians whose reservations known through America as the "Big Fire" is situated at Tonawanda, N. Y.

The coveted honor was bestowed upon him in full Six Nation Indian Tribal tongue by the widely known Chief Running Elk and Princess Beppa of Tonawanda in recognition of O'Brien's untiring and appreciable work and services rendered to the Indian cause as their Representative Benefactor of Public Health to mankind.

Captain O'Brien was also one of the first to join the ranks of Overseas Forces and won his Medallie Militaire and Captaincy in the field when but a mere boy. His military sternness still shows its color when impression and determination are necessary yet perceptive more often his cheerful smile and personality have won the approval of thousands throughout the width and breadth of lands.

The Indian title of "Chief Split Sky" will be his to have and hold. The title was last held by a Grand and Gratefully Honored Chief, who lived to be one hundred and twenty-four years of age. The ceremony was most interesting—an event that will be long remembered not only as the first of its kind known to have taken place here, but inasmuch as unique honor of it having taken place in Creemore.

Immediately after his escorted retirement from the ceremony the new Chief Split Sky again made appearance garbed in regalia of blanket, beads, long feathered War Bonnet and wearing the beautiful beaded badge of honor by which he will be recognized and replied in well chosen and pleasing spoken words of thanks to Chief Running Elk and Princess Beppa, in earning appreciation of the consideration that had been shown to him by the Six Nations American Indians.

Bruce Objects to Cost of Grey Cases Last June, after the sessions here, the Telescope drew attention to the unfairness of Bruce ratepayers having to pay to the extent of over \$300 toward the cost of a trial of an action which arose from a motor accident in the County of Grey. It had no connection whatever with Bruce County. At the time we knew that procedures of this kind were not entirely unusual, but nevertheless, it struck us and others as never being a fair deal for Bruce.

Two days of the time of the Sessions court here last week, was devoted to hearing two actions which rightly belong to Grey. This, the second, levy on Bruce's treasury in six months' time amounted to approximately \$400. The Grand Jury last week cost \$271.87 and the Petit Jury \$1,037.65. Of the latter sum, the assessment on Bruce incurred in disposing of the neighboring County's cases—26 jurymen for two days and other costs, including constables' allowance—was nearly \$400.

As this sort of thing appears to be becoming chronic His Honor Judge Owens commented upon it. One of the suits arose from the same accident which formed the ground for the trial last June. The Judge said that these cases rightly belonged to Grey, and they should have been tried there. The accident occurred on the highways of that County, and in one case all of the witnesses came from Grey.

His Honor added: "If there is no amendment to the Statute, which I am expecting there will be. In intent to ask the County Council to pass a resolution and send it the Attorney-General, because it is unfair that the County of Bruce should be charged with the expense of having a jury here two days to try actions for the County of Grey."

Judge Owens said it was quite probable all other cases entered for trial at these Sessions would have been disposed of by Saturday afternoon, and adjournment until January of hearings of three criminal cases would have been unnecessary, had it not been for the Grey County cases. He suggested to local members of the legal profession that they exert their best efforts to see that actions are commenced where their causes arise.

As an indication that he has no personal objection to sitting on cases which rightly belong to another County, His Honor said he is quite satisfied to act when a trial is set down for hearing before a judge without a jury, when there would be practically no additional expense to Bruce County.—Walkerton Telescope.

TRAVEL HEAVIER THIS YEAR THAN LAST YEAR In spite of the stock market crash and the flurry of misgivings, officers of the Canadian National Railways are confident that business prospects for 1930 are definitely better than those held at this time last year for 1929.

This is well reflected in the receipts of the New York offices of the receipts for the month of November, they were 35 per cent greater than in November 1928, according to F. A. Young, General Eastern Passenger Agent.

The pronounced increase in bookings made through the New York headquarters of the National System is attributed to the steady growth in rail traffic between New York, Montreal and Toronto. Most of this travel at this season, Mr. Young says, is for business, but week-end and holiday traffic is heavy and the new service of the Canadian National Steamships to the West Indies has had a stimulating effect as well.

There is no indication that the Christmas and winter sports business to Canada during the next few months will show any decrease in comparison with 1928.

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