

Overhead Bridge Building Delayed

But County Good Roads Commission Agrees to Sign Guarantee That Work Will Go Ahead When Roadway is Straightened and Assume Present Obligations.—Highway and County Engineers Present at Meeting on Tuesday.

There is to be no immediate action taken in the matter of extending the pavement on east Lambton street, completed by the county last summer as far east nearly as the overhead C. P. R. bridge. The work was delayed last year because of the sharp and dangerous turn at the C. P. R. bridge, and it was decided that no further work be done until the roadway was straightened, which cannot be done until there are some considerable changes made in the bridge, which was erected back in 1907 when present motor traffic was unheard of, and when traffic conditions were not so important as today.

Present at the meeting were the members of the Grey County Good Roads Commission comprising Reeves White of St. Vincent (Chairman), Warden Lemcke of Sullivan, Taylor of Osprey, Jack of Proton, and Fretter of Sydenham. County Engineer McKnight of Owen Sound, and Road Superintendent Johnston were also present, as well as R. C. Muir, Provincial Road Engineer, Toronto, J. Stevenson, Engineer of Bruce county, Engineer Poynton of Kincardine, and W. C. S. Robinson, Divisional Engineer of the C. P. R., Toronto. Reeve Bell represented Durham and was responsible for calling the meeting, the object being to safeguard the interest of the town in any future action which might be taken.

May Be Provincial Highway

It is the general consensus of opinion that the time is not far distant when the highway between here and Flesherton, and on through to Collingwood, will be taken over and become a part of the Provincial Highways system. When this takes place there will be little delay in having the necessary changes made in the bridge east of town that the highway may be straightened and remove a dangerous curve at which several accidents have already taken place. As the roadway stands at present Durham is paying for a pavement from Garafaxra street to the eastern boundary of the town on Lambton street. To secure this pavement the town entered into an agreement with the county that Durham should forego its county roads grant for ten years if the county would take over this road, and build and maintain it. The county has built only three-fifths so far, and, were conditions favorable, would not hesitate to fulfil its part of the contract. The rumored taking over of the roadway by the Provincial Department changed things, however, and in view of this it was deemed necessary to call a meeting and decide what should be done in case this change occurred.

County to Continue Contract

The net result of the meeting, so far as the town is concerned, is that a resolution is to be submitted to the County Council at its next session, this resolution being agreed to by the County Roads Commission, that in the event of the Province taking over the highway before the paving is completed, the county still assumes its obligation to the town and will see to it that the paving completed and paid for out of county funds.

While it is understood that the taking over of the highway and incorporating it with the Provincial system is a matter of only a short time, especially the road from here to Flesherton where it connects with Highway No. 10, there is nothing definite and under the circumstances it was felt better to allow the paving to go by the board for the time being until this is settled. It is felt the Provincial Department can deal with the changing of the bridge better and more advantageously than can the county.

Mr. Muir of the Provincial Department was of the opinion that the better way would be to leave the matter in abeyance for the time being, and at the same time petition the Railway Board for an estimate of the approximate percentage that will have to be borne by the C. P. R. and the County in the event of the bridge being ordered rebuilt.

There was little dissension in the opinion that something should be done. There is heavy traffic on this road and the roadway at the bridge is certainly a dangerous piece of highway. To make for the safety of the travelling public Mr. Muir advised and ordered the erection of "checkerboard" signs on both north and south sides of the bridge and these will be erected at once by the county.

The meeting was most harmonious in every way, and as a result the town is assured that so far as it is concerned the paving contract entered into will be completed with no further expense to the municipality, whether the work is completed by the county or by the province.

PATIENTS RECOVERING

Messrs. Robert Wilson and David Marshall, injured last week when their cars collided near Varney, are recovering nicely from their injuries, the latter being able to leave the hospital some days ago. While Wilson will be out any time now. In our report of the accident we stated that A. McCabe of Varney was the first on the scene after the crash but it seems we were in error. The first to arrive were Miss Winnie Blyth of Varney and Mr. George Baldock of Richmond Hill, though Mr. McCabe conveyed the injured men to the hospital.



THE OARSMAN FROM "DOWN UNDER"

Bob Pearce, Olympian sculling champion and idol of his native Australia, has arrived in Hamilton to prepare for the British Empire Games. He is expected to clash with Jack Guest, the brilliant Canadian sculler, who recently captured the Diamond Sculls.

BENNETT WILL HAVE MAJORITY OF 29

Monday's Election Was Conservative Landslide With 'Solid Quebec' Broken and 25 Conservatives Elected From That Province.—South-East Grey Elected Miss Macphail, With a Decreased Majority.

When the smoke is all cleared away and everybody gets back to normal after Monday's election, Canada will be represented at Ottawa with a government composed of 138 Conservatives, 85 Liberals, and 19 others. In this list there are four doubtful seats but these can make no material change in the general result. Hon. R. B. Bennett, leader of the Conservatives, and Canada's next premier, will in any event have the clear majority over all other parties in the House. This in brief is the result of the balloting on Monday, and with so much space having been devoted in the daily press, there is little need of repetition in these columns.

Miss Macphail Won Out

In the local riding of South-East Grey there was little interest taken in results, as it was felt that Miss Macphail's 1926 majority of 1,728 was insurmountable. As a result of this there were many Conservative voters that did not come out, but at that, so vigorous was the campaign of a few of the party workers that it is now estimated the majority will not be above the 300 mark. Revised summaries give Miss Macphail a majority of 315. Other changes may take place in the figures already received but the majority, it is thought, will not be greatly changed.

The final result in this riding was a shock to both parties. Miss Macphail's supporters in Durham were shocked to think that for a very considerable part of the evening their favorite was behind and it was a long time before her election could be conceded. With her election could be heard from less than a dozen polls to hear from it Campbell was 150 to 175 ahead, and it was not until returns had been received from all points in the riding with the exception of Normanby and Sullivan that the Conservatives admitted they were beaten. An adverse vote in 1926 of 188 had been turned this year to 48 Conservative majority, but with Sullivan running true to form there was little hope of winning out among the Campbell ranks.

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OTTAWA REVIEWS CABINET MATERIAL

Many Possibilities For the New Bennett Government.—New Zealand Pact Is Regarded as Big Election Factor.

Ottawa awoke Tuesday to a realization of the fact that after nine years of office the Liberal Government of Mr. Mackenzie King has been defeated, to be replaced in due course by a Conservative ministry, under Hon. R. B. Bennett.

Different factors and influences entered into the defeat of the Government. Business depression, unemployment, the cry of hard times, the call for a change—all these played their part, but more conspicuous than the rest was the havoc wrought in rural Quebec and Ontario and elsewhere by the argument that the dairy industry is prejudiced and depressed by importations of New Zealand butter. Seemingly, if the greatest vital factor in the defeat of the Government is sought, it lies in this bitter question. Only in recent months did they give heed to an agitation long exploited in Parliament. They evidently minimized the force of this movement, at least till it was too late to repair the damage or neutralize the impression. The Government appears to have slipped and fallen on this avalanche of New Zealand butter more than on anything else. Conservatives come home with the cows. In the cities unemployment cut a figure, but, except for Montreal, Regina, part of Winnipeg and East Edmonton, these places were Conservative anyway.

The Budget Issue

There is no record in Canada of any Government, forced to encounter an election in a period of depression, being able to get away with it, and while the King ministry, playing most of the time in good luck, stressed the budget and intra-empire trade, the alternative issues raised by the Opposition cut a wider swath of influence.

Perhaps of Monday's doings nothing is quite so striking as the wedge driven into the Quebec block. Something, it is agreed, happened down there when Conservatives were able to win 25 seats, a few, perhaps, because of the inter-party divisions, but mostly on straight lines. And, moreover, it is considered to be better for the country to spread the Liberal support around in place of having such high concentration in this particular province.

Also very notable is the Conservative sweep in New Brunswick, the reversal of form in Prince Edward Island, the blocking of anticipated gains in Nova Scotia. In the Ontario result is seen the influence of the Ferguson Government, though some losses are checked up against gains and the Conservative net betterment is six seats. This is offset by Liberal gain in British Columbia.

Cabinet Material

The sequence of events will be awaited with that peculiar interest which attends a change of Government. It is customary for a defeated ministry to take two or three weeks to wind up and then resign, the premier-elect meantime busy himself with his Cabinet. Mr. Bennett need not be expected to do this, but he may well be expected to enter into such gossip on the names of Hon. Hugh Guthrie, Hon. R. J. Manion, Hon. E. B. Ryckman, Hon. J. D. Chaplin, and Gen. Ross of Ontario; C. H. Cahon, Sir George Perley and Arthur Sauve, in Quebec; R. B. Hanson, in New Brunswick; Premier Rhodes in Nova Scotia; F. R. McMillan, in Saskatchewan and Hon. H. H. Stevens, for whom a seat would be sought in British Columbia. George Black, M.P. for the Yukon, has often been considered a probable Conservative selection for the Speakership when the time came. If Mr. Bennett carries out his undertaking he will summon Parliament, which it is possible to have meet before the end of September, to deal with the problem of unemployment. To that end the premier-elect has promised to raise the tariff and do other things. There can be no question that he will implement his pledge of the immediate session, though it cannot be before 40 days at least. The fact that this assembly would synthesize with or overlap the imperial economic conference will give rise to speculation as to how the two can be made to fit in with each other. The domestic concerns, presumably, will be given precedence.

When the new fiscal policy to which the prospective Government is committed is enunciated, it will replace the Dunning budget. The new ministry will be in a position to say that it has failed of popular sanction.

ILL IN TORONTO

We have just received a letter through the mails informing us that Miss Annie C. MacKenzie, formerly of the Public school staff here, and well known in town, is a patient in Wellesley hospital, Toronto, where she underwent a serious nose and throat operation ten days ago. We are pleased to learn Miss MacKenzie is doing well and recovering from her operation.

HELD SOCIAL EVENING

The Catholic Women's Aid of St. Peter's church, Durham, held a social evening in Durham Town Hall on Friday evening, July 25, featuring the Paramount Blue Boys of Hamilton who provided excellent music. The hall was filled and a good time was reported by all. The ladies of the parish served lunch at midnight. The proceeds amounted to around \$95.

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Close Fights in Nearby Ridings

North Grey Again Joins Tory Ranks, With Both Bruses Remaining Under Liberal Banner.—Hon. Jas. Malcolm Had Close Call.

Up in this section of Ontario there were many surprises in the recent election, and out of the two ridings in Grey and the two in Bruce, Dr. Hal Liberal, in South Bruce, was the only candidate to romp home with the bacon in any decisive manner. Dr. Hal's majority is computed at between 500 and 700. In North Bruce the Hon. James Malcolm was elected with a majority of 92 votes, quite a drop from last time when he had 498. He was opposed by Mr. William Mitchell, manufacturer of Kincardine, and were it not that Mr. Malcolm was a member of the Cabinet, holding the portfolio of Minister of Trade and Commerce, it is likely he would have been defeated. In South Bruce Dr. Hall was opposed by Foster Moffat, who while unsuccessful in ousting him from office, succeeded in pulling down a majority of 1,546 in 1926, to between 500 and 600 on Monday.

In the two Greys, North Grey furnished the surprise of the balloting when W. P. Telford, Liberal, whose majority in 1926 was 564, was beaten by Victor Porteous, a young farmer of Derby township, with a majority now computed at 221. Porteous carried the eleven polling subdivisions of Owen Sound city, Telford's home town, by 207, while in Derby Telford held his opponent to a majority of 50 votes. Of the eleven polling subdivisions Porteous held majorities in Owen Sound, Derby, Meaford, Thornbury, St. Vincent, Shallow Lake, and Euphrasia, while Telford collected majorities in Collingwood, Sarawak, Sydenham and Kepke.

In South-East Grey, Miss Macphail's majority is unofficially computed at 315. Wednesday morning the Chronicle and Miss Macphail went over the majorities collected and agreed that 311 was about the nearest that could be arrived at until Returning Officer Murray made his official count next Monday. After Miss Macphail's departure from our office we learned that Hanover's majority for Campbell was 355 instead of 359, four less than in our former figures, and this added to the 311 will make the Macphail majority 315. This is the figure after all the polls in the riding had been heard from.

Dr. Campbell, Conservative, had majorities in Chatsworth, Dundalk, Durham, Flesherton, Hanover, Holland, Markdale, Neustadt, Osprey and Normanby. Miss Macphail's majorities were in Artemesia, Bentinck, Egremont, Glengie, Proton and Sullivan.

The surprise in South-East Grey was in the smallness of Miss Macphail's final majority, dropping from 1,728 in 1926 to 315 on Monday. This section of the province has been through a most strenuous election campaign, has listened to the different candidates and their assistants, and to Mackenzie King and R. B. Bennett as well. It was a wild, warm time while it lasted and nobody is feeling sorry that it is at last ended for the time, least of all the candidates who for the past two months have been holding forth at an average of ten meetings a week and spending the rest of the twenty-four hours canvassing the ridings.

It is a merry life, this seeking political honors, but there comes a time when enough is too much. None of the Dominion aspirants for office, successful or not, will need to be rocked to sleep for the next few nights, but with a four-year respite from campaign work will be all waiting for the starting gong when the government decides it is time to go to the people once more. And in the meantime, let us all get back to business.

POTATO CLUB HELD FIELD DAY IN DERBY

Potato Growers Attend Meeting on Farm of William Abra in Derby Township Last Week.

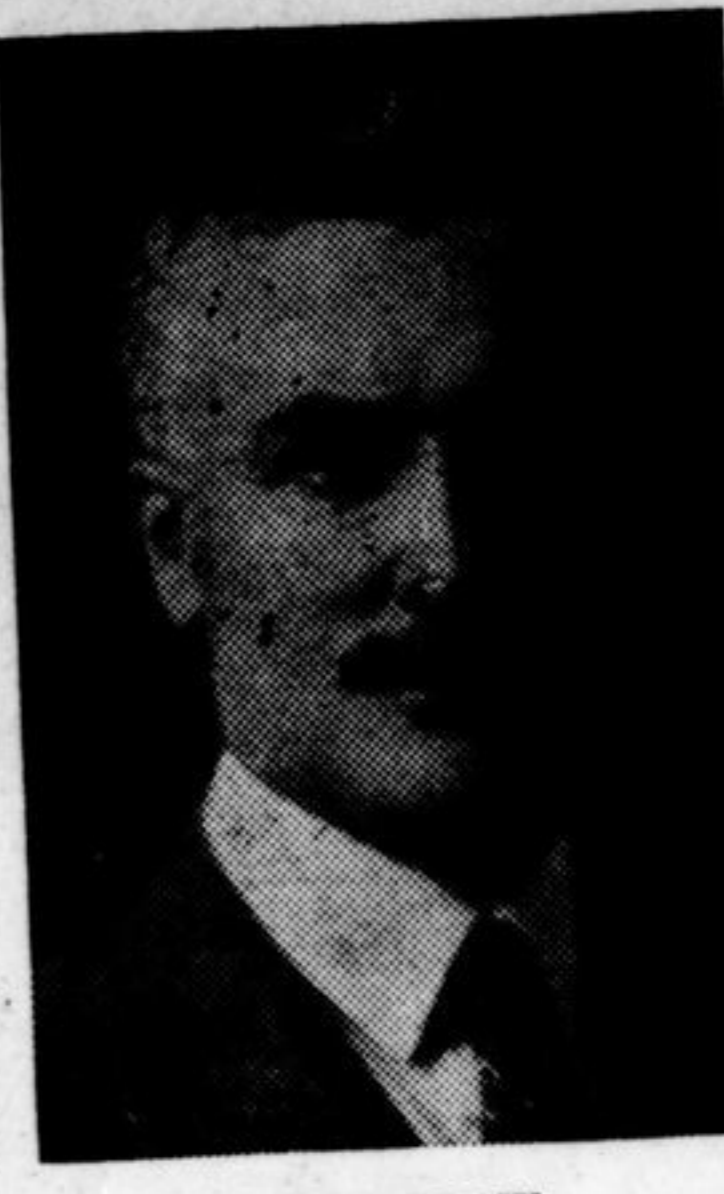
In spite of hot weather and hot politics, Mr. Bennett speaking in Owen Sound and Hon. MacKenzie King at Chesley, a field meeting of the Owen Sound Kiwanis Potato Club boys was attended by over fifty interested potato growers Wednesday evening.

Cameron Abra had some very interesting tests of potatoes showing the effect of different fertilizer treatment.

Henry C. Bell, Associate Professor of Chemistry, Ontario Agricultural College, commended the Kiwanis Club for the exceedingly valuable piece of work they are doing in the vicinity of Owen Sound through just such work as the Potato Club. "Boys' Club Work" said he, "on the part of service organizations, is capable of contributing in a large way to the better understanding between city and country. Boys' Club members catching a glimpse of the science and business of modern farming and its relation to the business of the cities and towns of this province, will do a lot toward straightening out the industrial and commercial tangles of the day." Mr. Bell dealt with the principles of soil fertility management in a most interesting and informing manner.

Mr. E. J. Brydon, B. S. A., a field man of the Department of Chemistry, outlined the extension work in soil fertility being carried on by Ontario Agricultural College. Others who contributed to this interesting program were: A. V. Langton, Assistant Agricultural Representative, Markdale, E. K. Hampson, Hamilton, and Major Briggs, Toronto.

The meeting was in charge of Mr. Brown, Chairman of the Boys' Potato Club Work of Owen Sound, Kiwanis Club.



DEAN SHAW
Professor A. M. Shaw, one of Canada's outstanding authorities on agriculture, who has been appointed to succeed the late W. J. Rutherford as Dean of the College of Agriculture of the University of Saskatchewan.

OBITUARY

ROBERT MACFARLANE

One of the best-known residents and business men of Durham passed away last Sunday evening in the person of Mr. Robert Macfarlane, druggist, who died at his home on Bruce street after an illness of only three days' duration. He was in his 68th year, having passed his 67th birthday only a couple of weeks ago.

The late Mr. Macfarlane was a true native of Durham. He was born here, grew up and continued in the drug business founded by his father, the late Robert Macfarlane, and retired from business ten years next September when he disposed of his interests to Mr. T. M. McPadden. Mr. Macfarlane had been in failing health for the past several months, being a sufferer from heart trouble. On Thursday evening of last week he contracted pneumonia and in his weakened condition was unable successfully to combat the attack, passing away Sunday evening.

Mr. Macfarlane was one of the best-known men in this vicinity, his long business career having thrown him in contact with residents over a wide area. Besides his drug business he was interested in other business activities. He was Vice-President of the Durham Furniture Company, President of the Durham Cemetery Company, for 40 years was town C. P. R. agent, and was an active worker in Knox United church, in which he had filled nearly all the offices, and where his assistance and advice will be much missed. He was also an active and enthusiastic bowler, and for a number of years was president and secretary of the local club. He will be missed in a good many circles in town.

About 20 years ago Mr. Macfarlane was married to Miss Annie MacMillan of Antigonish, Nova Scotia, who survives, together with one sister, Mrs. A. H. Jackson, in Durham, and one brother, Mr. G. C. Macfarlane of Toronto. The funeral, which was private, was held from his late residence on Bruce street on Tuesday afternoon, the service being taken by his pastor, Rev. W. H. Smith, who preached a comforting sermon to the family and relatives. Interment was made in Durham cemetery.

The pall bearers were Messrs. J. J. Smith, Dr. Grant, W. R. Alder, T. M. McPadden, Dr. D. B. Jamieson, all of Durham, William Taylor of Owen Sound, and Mr. Hesse of Detroit, Mich. The latter with Mrs. Hesse, being present from Detroit to pay a last tribute sent from a friendship of many years, first formed at St. Petersburg, Florida, where they and Mr. and Mrs. Macfarlane went each year to spend the winter months. Amongst others from a distance at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. C. Cowan and Miss Marion Macfarlane of Can- nington and Mrs. Shaw of Hamilton.

The floral offerings laid on the casket by friends and relatives were very beautiful and were a fitting tribute to the esteem in which the deceased was held. As a tribute to the memory of one who had so long been associated with them, the town's business places were closed during the time the funeral was being held, and the Durham Furniture Company closed their plant for the afternoon.

HORSE STEPPED ON FOOT

On Tuesday afternoon a painful accident befell Mr. H. Aitken, blacksmith, who is employed at P. J. McLean's, who is shoeing a horse and the animal moved to one side stepping on his right ankle. His foot was so severely injured that Mr. Aitken will be laid up for a couple of weeks.

IRREGULARITIES IN S.-E. GREY

Apparently there have been many irregularities pro and con. Will all those who were deprived of their franchise or were informed wrongly kindly communicate at once, with full particulars, to George H. Brigham, Box 275, Assistant-Secretary Conservative Committee Rooms, Hanover, Ontario?

UNITED PICNIC LAST THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Knox and Queen Street United churches held a union picnic in Greenwood's grove on Thursday last. A large crowd gathered and it was an ideal day to spend out of doors. Baseball and quoits with games and races for the children, were enjoyed. After the usual beautiful picnic supper a treat of ice cream was given to all. A most enjoyable afternoon's fun was spent by old and young.

VISITED ITALY, FRANCE AND SWITZERLAND

Miss Florabel Nichol is Having Most Interesting Trip in Britain and Europe.—Writes From Carlisle, in England, Under Date of July 11.

Durham friends are more than ordinarily interested in Britain and the continent this year from the fact that there are some three or four of her citizens touring through these lands, visiting the battle-fields, and taking in the points of interest in this historic land. Writing from Carlisle, England, under date of July 11, Miss Florabel Nichol describes her trip very fully in a letter to her mother here. As we have received numerous inquiries as to the progress of Durham's tourists, we give Miss Nichol's letter in full. It says:

"So far I have been sending cards, describing places, and perhaps you would want to know where we are. We have gone from Chester up to Windermere, the centre of the English Lake district. There are about 12 lovely lakes about and we took a '12 lake tour' which was beautiful. If the Troasachs are lovelier I don't expect to see anything lovelier ever."

Today we left Windermere and arrived at Carlisle to stay all night. Tomorrow we leave for Glasgow, where we are meeting three girls who went to Ireland. On Sunday we are going through the Troasachs to Edinburgh. I am going to see as much of Edinburgh as I can Monday because we are leaving Monday night, going back to London. The girls do not want to go to Italy, so while I go on to Italy, they are staying in Switzerland then we are going back to Paris together. I am leaving for Paris on July 15 so any letters you send from now on, send in care of "The Canadian High Commissioner," Paris, France.

"I have not bought anything much yet, as I am expecting things to be cheaper in Italy, and more unusual. Here, though, wages are lower than in Canada, prices are high, and are going to continue to be so. The English feel hard hit from the war, and the stock crash, and feel prosperity will not be forthcoming quickly, with such a heavy war debt to pay to the States. We have stayed at many nice places, other than hotels, and all have friends or relatives in Canada some place. They all feel we are lucky and come from a prosperous country—and I almost agree with them. In every place so far, where we have stayed, the bed linen is snowy white, and I have marvelled at the way it is so general.

"We have travelled so much by bus, so that we can see more. It takes us longer, but I guess we feel more satisfied."

REV. J. T. PRIEST IS RECOVERING

Pastor of Baptist Church Here Underwent Serious Operation in Toronto Hospital Over Week Ago.—Returns to Town End of August.

Members of the Baptist congregation here, as well as the other residents of the town, read with alarm the news item in last week's Chronicle that Rev. J. T. Priest of this town had been taken from his summer cottage at Colborne to a Toronto hospital and had undergone an operation. The absence of particulars was disquieting to his friends here and we are pleased to announce this week that the operation was successful in every way and that Mr. Priest will return to town about the end of August. The following news dispatch from Toronto to the Chronicle will be welcomed by Mr. Priest's friends here:

Rev. J. T. Priest, B.A., had to take a hurried trip to town from his summer camp at Victoria Beach, Colborne, to St. Michael's hospital, Toronto, for the purpose of removing his appendix and also his gall bladder. The operation was performed on Monday, July 21, by Dr. Lockwood of the Lockwood Clinic and though very serious because of heart trouble, was successful. Mr. Priest is rapidly recovering and as soon as he is able will return to Durham. It is thought about the end of August. During his absence his pulpit will be supplied by Assistant Finance Secretary W. C. Senior and others."



MISS BEATRICE BRIDGEN
Defeated Farm-Labor candidate in the Brandon, Manitoba, federal constituency in the election on Monday.