

## District Veterans Attended Church

Heard Excellent Sermon in Presbyterian Church by Rev. B. D. Armstrong, Himself a Veteran—Were Headed by Band, and About Sixty Turned Out.

Numbering nearly sixty, the Great War Veterans of Durham and district attended church in a body last Sunday morning. Headed by the band, composed of old-time musicians about town, the gathering assembled at the Armories and marched in a body to the Presbyterian church where the Rev. B. D. Armstrong, also a companion in arms during the big struggle, delivered an excellent sermon appropriate to the occasion.

It is fitting that we should render thanks at this season when crops have been gathered in and preparations made for winter, said Mr. Armstrong. The custom of a thanksgiving festival and service originated with the Pilgrim Fathers who settled in New England and has spread widely since.

Originally it was a rendering of thanks for temporal blessings. Our conception of the festival has been broadened and deepened. We give thanks for spiritual blessings, for peace and freedom. Perhaps only ex-service men can appreciate how dearly these have been bought. We are saddened when we think of the price that has been paid. We honor those who have made the supreme sacrifice and we render thanks to God who has spared us.

The thought of the Armistice connected with Thanksgiving has given the occasion a sadder, but deeper significance. Friends at home have honored the fallen with memorials, realizing the truth of the words: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

We, who have been spared, know the horrors of war as no one else can. We have a duty to the rising generation to teach them that war is the last thing to be desired, while peace is to be sought as long as it can be had consistently with honor and virtue. Yet we would be the last to surrender our honor and that of our women and children. We would again rise to defend a just cause.

We have also the duty of living as we ought in peace time. We owe our whole conception of right living to Christ "who loved us and gave himself for us." His suffering and sacrifice surpasses that of any man. We feel this as we contemplate His death upon the cross. There is in His death atonement for our sin if we believe in Him.

Paul endured great hardships in serving Christ as many of you have done in active service. It was faith which enabled him to do so. We must have that same faith if we are to face the problems and difficulties of life. We can only overcome through Jesus Christ. He alone can lift us when fallen. Before him we are all on the same level. We are all in need of forgiveness. Let us trust in Him and so walk and so live that we shall not be afraid when we are called into His presence where so many of our friends have been called before and more are being called each year. Let us continue to fight the good fight of faith.

Following the sermon the veterans lined up in front of the church and, again headed by the band, returned to the Armories, where they were dismissed.



**JOHN CHARLES GAGE**  
Well known in the West of Canada as a grain king, who is now in England on business for more than twenty companies which he represents. Mr. Gage is President of the Alberta Pacific and the Federal Grain Companies.

## EUPHRASIA FARMERS WANT HYDRO EXTENDED

Last Week's Meaford Mirror Reports Enthusiastic Meeting.—Hydro Official Explains Procedure.

Euphrasia township farmers are making a concentrated effort to secure Hydro power in the very near future, and it is understood that quite a large percentage of them are heartily in favor of having the power brought to their farms as quickly as possible. A meeting was held on Wednesday night at Rocklyn which was attended by over 50 farmers and the whole matter was discussed at considerable length, and at the conclusion it was decided to appoint special committees to make a canvass of the situation and to sign up all who desire to connect up with the Hydro.

Mr. E. G. Gurnett, one of the assistant engineers of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, was present at the meeting, and he explained very fully and satisfactorily the various schemes under which hydro power could be installed, going very exhaustively into the plan for the farmers, giving estimates of the cost and his explanation of the uses to which hydro could be put on the farm was quite enlightening and instructive.

It was explained that there are three different methods by which hydro power might be brought into the township. One is to bring it direct from the Eugenia plant, another is to bring it from Meaford, and the third is to step the power down from the high tension power lines at a station to be erected, which will mean the erection of a small sub-station at Rocklyn.

Brief and interesting addresses were delivered during the evening by Mr. Victor Porteous, M.P. for North Grey, Mr. Wilfred Squire and Mr. George Scott of Derby and also Mr. T. Stewart Cooper, Agricultural Representative for Grey County, and his assistant, Mr. Langton, all of whom dealt with the many advantages which accrue to the farmer in the installation of hydro power.

It is expected that the special canvassing committee will be selected at once and as the necessary contract papers were left with Mr. N. L. Curry, township clerk, who presided at the meeting, there is not likely to be much delay in getting started with the signing up of those who desire to hook up.

## GROWS 29 BUSHELS OF POTATOES ON TENTH ACRE

Barney G. Smith, youthful farmer of Ekfrid Township, has astonished the experts by producing an average of 290 bushels of potatoes on an acre of land. The production is considered most exceptional by agricultural men. A crop of 29 bushels were produced on one-tenth of an acre this year in a contest sponsored by the department of agriculture and the Chamber of Commerce, and his production was the highest. They cost an average of 30c. a bushel.

## HELD THANKSGIVING DANCE

On Monday evening the members of the Independent Order of the Daughters of the Empire held a very successful dance in the town hall. This is an annual event and becoming quite popular with the public. The Wingham orchestra provided the music for the evening. The proceeds are to go towards paying part of the expenses assumed by that society in renovating the Town Hall building. As it now stands both the interior and exterior are a credit to the ladies of the organization and to the town.

## WON SILVER CUP

We congratulate the B. Y. P. U. of Mulock on winning the silver cup at the annual rally at Warton on Monday.

## Council Decide To Go Ahead With Work

Call for Tenders for Extension of Waterworks System, and Will Start Work at Once.—Estimated Cost to be \$50,000 for Which Debentures Will be Issued.

Durham Council at a special meeting Tuesday night decided to go ahead with the extension of the present waterworks system and with that end in view have instructed their engineers Messrs., James, Proctor & Redfern, the same company which had charge of the paving last summer, to call for tenders for the completion of the work before the end of March. The estimated cost of the whole work, including the purchase of the interests of Mr. H. J. Snell is approximately \$50,000. Of this, the Government pays half of \$25,000 for the laying of water mains, the balance being spent in acquiring the present system, erecting a tank and pump house and installing an adequate pumping outfit. It is expected the mains will be laid about the end of January and the whole work completed and in use before the middle of April.

The past few days have been rather hectic ones for the members of the Council. They have looked into the matter from all angles, and after due consideration have come to the conclusion that now is the opportune time. On Tuesday night the Council met Mr. Redfern and in a session that broke up about 11.30 took up nearly every angle of the question. On Wednesday morning they accompanied the engineer in an examination of the ground to be covered, looked over the contemplated water supply and are sure the new extension will not cost more than has been estimated.

## One Million Gallons Daily

An examination of the flowing well at the Stone & Sand Co. plant showed that it had a capacity of around 700 gallons a minute, or slightly over a million gallons a day, sufficient for the need of the town for years to come. As a basis for estimate they have computed the output at 650 gallons a minute. The pump house will be built at the well, the mains being of the eight- and six-inch diameters. The water tank will be erected in upper town near the northern boundary and the pressure in lower town by gravity feed has been computed at 80 pounds pressure. Upper town will receive about half this amount. In case of fire the pumps can be turned on and the pressure kept up to fire fighting standard.

There has been no definite programme laid out as to where the mains will be placed, but they will be built on the loop system, guaranteeing the maximum pressure in case of fire. In the engineers' plan the mains cover the town pretty well from northern to southern boundary, will run east to Lambton street for the protection of the school properties and residences, and west as far as the furniture factory. The plans as submitted by the engineer may be changed somewhat, but every part of the town will have reasonable fire protection and domestic service. Any parts not adequately served can be attended to later by extending the service.

The Council has requested a mandatory order from the Provincial Board of Health for the building of this extension and it will not be necessary to take a vote of the ratepayers.

## AMOS CHURCH SUPPER WELL ATTENDED

Big Crowd Enjoyed Bounteous Repast and Good Programme Last Monday Night.—Funds to Defray Cost of New Shed.

There was a full church and then some at the roast goose supper held at Amos church, Dromore, last Monday night. And after the supper there was a full congregation. As is the usual thing here, there was enough and to spare and anyone who left the table hungry had himself to blame.

The supper this year was put on to defray the expenses of the fine new shed erected near the church building and Monday night's attendance will go a long way toward paying the cost. Following the supper there was a good programme, the pastor, Rev. Mr. Honeyman, being in the chair. He welcomed the gathering to Amos and on behalf of the congregation extended thanks for the liberal patronage. The programme consisted of Mount Forest, Holstein and Dromore local talent and an excellent programme of music and song was provided.

Durham was represented by Revs. Armstrong of the Presbyterian church, and Hayes of the Anglican, and both appeared on the program in short addresses. The National Anthem brought the evening to a close.

## HELD SUCCESSFUL TEA

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church held a successful tea Wednesday afternoon of this week at the home of Mrs. J. H. Harding. There was a good crowd present and an enjoyable afternoon was spent.

## Army Veterans Held Annual "Get Together"

Over Sixty Participated in Decoration Services at Monument Armistice Night, Which Was Followed by Dinner in Red Cross Rooms.

Tuesday evening being the twelfth anniversary of the signing of the Armistice, was the occasion for many returned soldier reunions throughout the country and the Red Cross Rooms over McLachlan's store was the scene of one of them. The ladies of the Red Cross Society assisted by the I. O. O. E. and the Women's Institute, donated the eats and approximately 70 returned soldiers sat down and did justice to an excellent chicken supper.

After the inner man had been satisfied a short toast list was run through, J. A. Rowland proposing the toast to the King in his usual able manner and Jas. B. Duffield proposing the Toast to Our Fallen Comrades which was responded to by two minutes of silence. The toast to Absent Friends was proposed by C. H. Darling who remarked that as far as this district was concerned there were not many absentees tonight.

Community singing led by G. R. Padfield with Morrison Smith at the piano was indulged in quite freely, many of the old army songs being revived for the occasion. Several selections were rendered by a trio consisting of Bert Saunders, Chas. Lang and G. R. Padfield. Rev. B. D. Armstrong gave a very interesting talk on some of his adventures in China.

Humorous stories and reminiscences of the days in the Army were the chief topics of the conversation and of the various addresses, and a very satisfying evening was spent by all. At the close of the meeting Dan McCallum, who had been acting as Chairman of the evening, was elected to the Presidency of the local organization to succeed Dr. A. M. Bell who left town during the past year.

A voluntary collection was taken up during the evening and the proceeds, amounting to \$34.40, will be donated to the Red Cross Memorial Hospital. Everyone present voted the event a great success and expressed the hope that it would be repeated next year.

## Egremont Farmer Loses Teeth

Left Them on Fence in Corner of Field But When He Returned For Them They Were Gone.—Says He Knows Who Got Them, But Hates to Cause Trouble.

Bill Gordon of Egremont Township was in this office one day last week and related to us the tale of his missing teeth and asked our advice as to what he should do to get them back. He says he needs them in his business, knows who took them, but hated to cause any trouble for the party who lifted them. Mr. Gordon thinks that teeth are like a lot of other things—people should have them of their own and not be compelled to run after their neighbor's.

In case any of our readers get mixed up with the true facts of the case, we might say that the teeth Mr. Gordon lost were not the kind that ordinarily decorate the front of the human face and are used nowadays mostly for gum-chewing purposes and munching chocolates. They were some of the teeth from his cultivator that he had removed and left on the fence.

When he left our sanctum he had made up his mind that as he had sufficient evidence to prove his case, perhaps his best and least troublesome method would be to lay charges and have the culprit brought before the magistrate. We are waiting for this to happen. It will be an interesting trial.

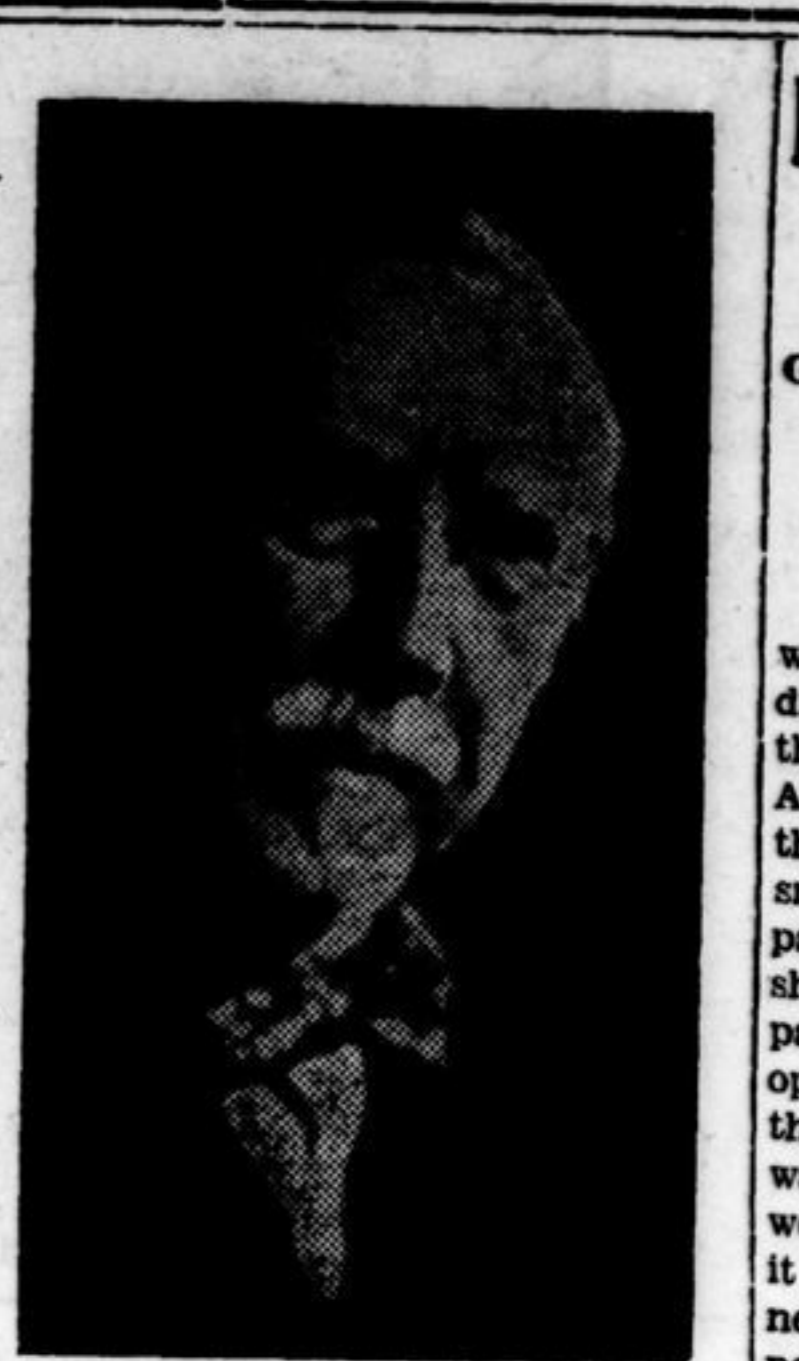
## CANVASSING THE TOWN

Miss Pope, Deaconess of the Upper Canada Tract Society Mission to Sailors is in town soliciting funds for this work. The society is in its 98th year circulating the good literature, evangelical leaflets, etc., where they feel there is a need. They minister to the sailors on the Great Lakes, the missionary meeting the boats at the Welland Canal, the colporteur circulating good literature in the lumber camps and the isolated homes in the West, sending books to the soldiers' hospitals, Sick Children's Hospitals, Children's Shelter, Homes for the Aged, and to the Mounted Police.

Last year Durham gave \$57.85 to the good work and it is the hope of Miss Pope that the citizens will do their utmost to help along this good work this year also.

## TEMPERATURES FOR PAST WEEK

	8 a.m.	Max.	Min.	Snow
Thursday	20	28	18	1
Friday	25	34	11	—
Saturday	31	44	20	—
Sunday	42	40	30	—
Monday	34	37	28	—
Tuesday	37	53	30	—
Wednesday	44	53	44	—



**SIR GEORGE E. FOSTER**  
Canada's grand old man, and the dean of Canadian politicians, who is still a power in the life of the country. Sir George has represented Canada at the League of Nations and for the past half century or more has served his country faithfully and well.

## Armistice Services Were Well Attended

Three Days This Week Devoted to Thanksgiving and Armistice Day.—Special Services in Churches Sunday Followed by Memorial Services on Tuesday Night.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of this week were devoted mostly to Thanksgiving and Armistice Day. On Sunday there were special services in the Durham churches in commemoration of both days, Monday was observed as Thanksgiving, while on Tuesday, so far as Durham was concerned, the regular Armistice Day services were held. As in past years, wreaths were laid on the monument by the Red Cross, the Daughters of the Empire, and the Veterans in commemoration of those who had fallen. It was the twelfth year since the signing of the armistice, and in our opinion the service at the monument Tuesday night was the best yet held. It was conducted by Rev. B. D. Armstrong of the Presbyterian church who opened the meeting with prayer, and was assisted by Rev. H. S. Fiddes of Queen Street church reading the scripture lesson and by Rev. W. H. Smith of Knox United church delivering the address. Rev. Mr. Smith reviewed briefly the causes of war, the horrors of it, and the means that should be taken to prevent its recurrence. His address was listened to intently by nearly 70 returned men, while the square and the street was crowded with interested spectators who took part in the service. Rev. J. T. Priest of the Baptist church was absent through illness, while Rev. Mr. Hayes, Anglican, was out of town.

During the service the Veterans placed their wreath at the foot of the monument, stood at attention while the names of the fallen were read by C. H. Darling, and gave the salute before falling in and marching in a body to the Red Cross hall where the annual banquet was being held, and which is reported in another column. It was a most inspiring service and shows that the memory of those who fell is still green in the memory of their comrades in arms and the citizens generally.

## Held Service at Priceville

The decoration of the Soldiers' Monument at Priceville took place on Monday afternoon last and was one of the best attended ever held in the village. There was an extensive programme presided over by the Rev. B. D. Armstrong of Durham, and consisted of the placing of the wreath at the foot of the monument and the dedication of the new flag pole recently erected. Rev. Mr. Armstrong opened the meeting with a short address and gave the dedicatory prayer. Then followed the raising of the flag by Mrs. D. G. McLean, roll call by J. M. McGillivray, and the placing of the wreath by Rev. A. Sutherland, James Weir and Robert McConkey. Sgt.-Major Manning sounded the Last Post.

Following the ceremony outside, the gathering repaired to the church, where a programme of invocation, prayer, the reading of the scriptures, and the singing of suitable hymns took place, while the address of the day was given by the Rev. W. H. Barrett. The National Anthem and the benediction by the chairman closed the meeting.

## GRADUATED IN NEW YORK

We extend congratulations to Miss Margaret L. MacDonald, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Dan. MacDonald of this town, who was on Thursday of last week graduated from the Westchester School of Nursing, Grasslands Hospital, New York. Since leaving Durham Miss MacDonald has been nurse-in-training in this hospital and was one of a class of twelve to graduate.

## Rink Co. Held Annual Meeting

George Smith Elevated to the Presidency, and Strong Executive Board Elected.—Cold Weather and Ice Now All Needed for Successful Season

If there was any doubt at all that winter was not approaching, it was dispelled last Thursday evening when the annual meeting of the Durham Amusement Company was held. While the finances of the company showed a small surplus, last year was not a particularly good one, and the surplus shown is at the expense of needed repair to the building. There was real optimism expressed at the meeting, but the hard fact was faced that the time was coming when extensive repairs would have to be made. Not only will it require approximately \$1,000 for a new roof, but there are inside repairs needed as well, and the shareholders in attendance could see at least \$1,500 needed to put the rink in good condition.

The following officers were elected for the season of 1930-31:

President, George Smith; Vice-President, J. A. Rowland; Secretary, W. S. Hunter; Treas., P. Ramage. Executive Board: J. A. McLachlan, W. J. McFadden, T. Henderson, J. N. Murdock, H. Whitmore.

Messrs. J. B. Duffield and W. Snell, on behalf of the hockey club, met the rink shareholders present asking for a larger amount for hockey this winter. They explained their position fully and said they were in a bad way financially every winter and felt that the rink should give them a larger percentage on the hockey gates. The rink company countered that the receipts would not permit of this and that they were in even a worse plight financially than the hockey teams. Nothing definite was done, however, and the question will be handled by the new executive.

## STOP HIT-AND-RUN BY BRIGHT PLATES

Luminous Numbers on Auto License Markers.—Scheme Also Gives All Cars Same Numbers.

The hit-and-run automobile driver in Pennsylvania may be largely eliminated through experiments being conducted by Benjamin G. Eynon, state commissioner of motor vehicles.

Pennsylvania license plates may be nickel-plated next year, for the experiments now being made by Commissioner Eynon to make the way of the hit-and-run driver harder includes license plates with large, luminous, nickel-plated numerals, which stand out in bold relief during daylight and need a minimum amount of light to see them in the dark.

Commissioner Eynon and his assistants last year devised a system of numbering license tags which give comparatively small "numbers" to all motorists this year. Under the present system no plate has more than five characters on it, despite the fact that upwards of 2,000,000 plates are issued annually.

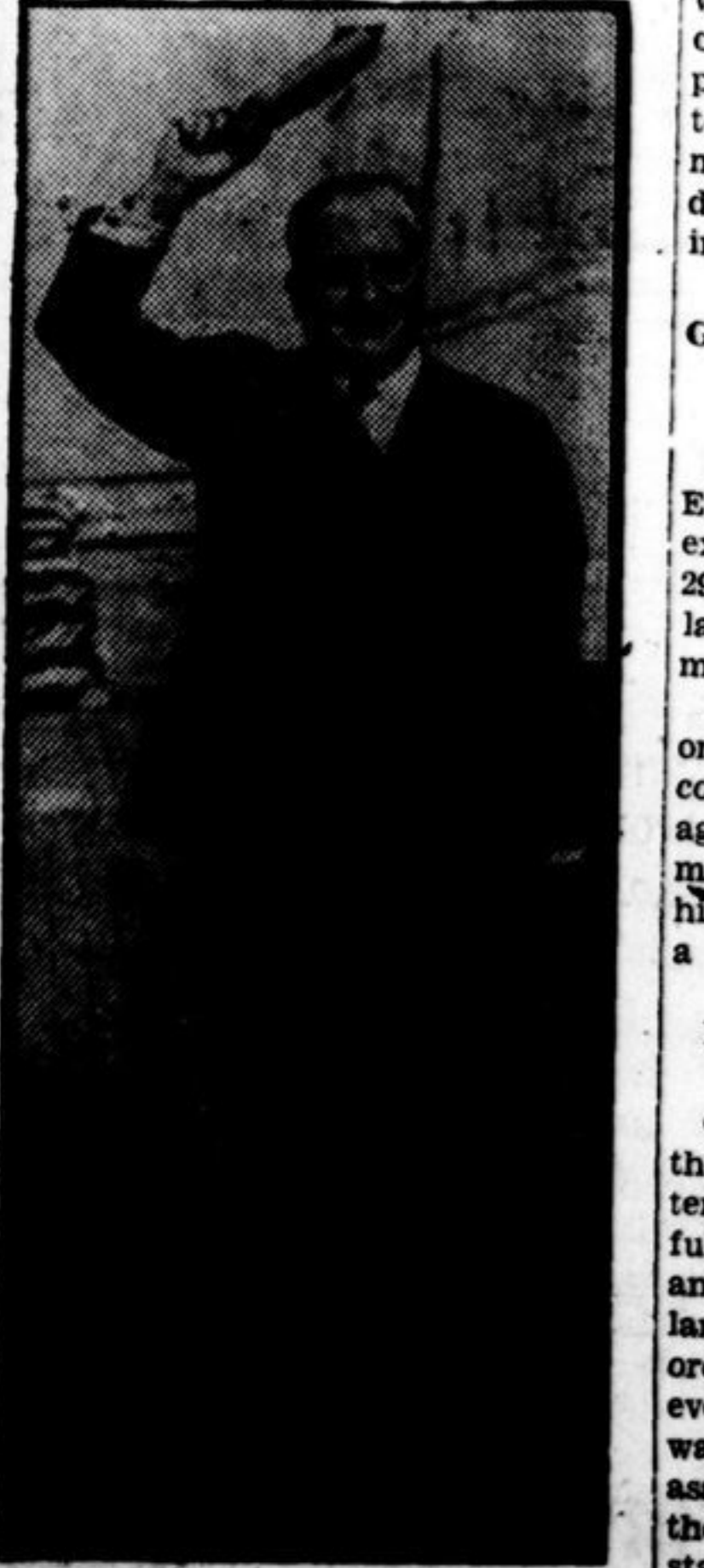
It was also this department that devised the Pennsylvania title regulations, which has virtually stopped the trafficking of stolen automobiles in Pennsylvania.

## STATISTICS SHOW INCREASE IN DAIRY PRODUCTION

"Statistics of dairy production at the present time indicate that there is an appreciable increase in milk and cream production all over Canada at the present time," observes Dr. J. A. Ruddick, Dairy Commissioner of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. With respect to butter production Ontario and Alberta show a 15 per cent increase for the first six months of the production year. Cheese production, of which 97 per cent is centered in Ontario and Quebec, was 30,000 boxes behind last year as at October 11. One of the interesting features in the dairy industry at the present time is the increasing demand for dairy stock in the Prairie Provinces.



**MRS. GIDEON ROBERTSON**  
Wife of Hon. Gideon Robertson, Minister of Labor in the Dominion Cabinet.



**THE SPORTING DUKE**  
The Duke of Canchester, known as England's sporting Duke, waxes to his friends as he reaches New York prior to spending a New World holiday. The titled visitor has a wide circle of friends on this continent.