

In Other Communities

Taken From Our Exchanges About People of Your Acquaintance.

Car Drops Twenty Feet

On Sunday when Mr. Andy Duggan was motoring along the Fourth Line, his car, which contained several passengers, slid off the road near Robert Giffin's gate, and dropped about twenty feet into the ditch. By a miracle the car was only slightly damaged and the occupants escaped uninjured.—Collingwood Enterprise.

Out Early to Vote

"Aunt" Lizzie Webster, a venerable old lady of ninety years, was out to vote bright and early on election day and had the distinction of being the second lady to cast her vote at the southern polling subdivision, and possibly the oldest voter to do so. Miss Webster set a fine example of municipal interest by going to the polls to perform this duty.—Lucknow Sentinel.

A January Dip at Kincardine

Talking about winter resorts you might include Kincardine. Wednesday, January 6, 1932, was a mild, warm day with patches of sunshine. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Reggin, who live at the beach, took advantage of the Florida weather and enjoyed a swim in the lake below the picnic park. Feature that! Swimming in Lake Huron on January 6 and the water was warmer than on a good many days in the summer.—Kincardine Review-Reporter.

Will Receive Reward

For his services in bringing a chicken thief to justice, Mr. Henderson of Guelph Township, will receive from the Wellington County Council a reward of \$15. His claim was presented at the December session. A couple of days earlier a foreigner had been sen-

tenced to the penitentiary as a result of Henderson's effort when his chicken coop was raided, though the thief had struck the owner of the chickens over the head with a hammer and escaped temporarily.—Elora Express.

Orangeville Veteran Still Skates

John W. Aitken of west Broadway is an enthusiastic skater. In fact he has been skating for over 65 years and on Wednesday of last week he slung his skates over his shoulder and walked out to Caledon lake, a distance of three miles. He spent a couple of hours skimming over the ice and then walked home. Mr. Aitken is 73 years of age and he has been using the same spring skates for 40 years. His many friends wish he will continue to skate for many more years.—Orangeville Sun.

Elected 21 Years as Trustee

A person reaches his or her majority at the age of 21. Up till December 30, 1931, Fred Jacklin, who followed his late father as trustee in No. 12 Brant, had served 18 years. He was unanimously elected for the 7th term at the annual school meeting and if he is in the flesh and able to get around at the end of 3 years, will have attained his majority as a trustee. Fred Jacklin takes a great interest in educational affairs and it is a good thing for any section to have men of his type who give so much of their time to the promotion of both primary and secondary education.—Chesley Enterprise.

Oldest Engineer Retired

Last Wednesday was a big day at the station. When the afternoon train pulled in Engineer Alex. Edmiston completed fifty years of railroading. As he ran the engine into the yard it sounded like a war in China for the older railwaymen had lined the track with torpedoes to celebrate the occasion. Mr. Edmiston was the oldest engineer in the division and one of the oldest in Canada in service. His half-century was completed last October. For

the past 13 years the C.N.R. train from Kincardine to Palmerston has been piloted by him. To enjoy a well earned vacation Mr. Edmiston left Thursday morning for Niagara Falls, Detroit and other points and will be absent about a month.—Kincardine Review-Reporter.

Fergus Motorist Is Honest Man

Notwithstanding the scoffers there are yet lots of honest men in the world. We recently heard of a Kincardinite who was driving through Fergus, Ontario. A truck, without its driver putting out his hand, turned unexpectedly across the road, and though the motorist took to the ditch he could not avoid hitting the truck and damaged his car. He was annoyed at having his car damaged, but the truck owner, in a friendly way, acknowledged it was all his fault and told the automobile driver to have the damages repaired and send him the bill. This was done and a cheque came back for the amount of the bill and fifteen cents added for bank exchange charges.—Kincardine News.

Walked Off With Cash Register

The garage of Messrs. George Scott & Son, situated on the easterly limits of Main street, was entered some time after Monday midnight and the fine cash register, valued at \$300, together with its contents of \$22.40, was removed from the office and spirited away in a motor car. The thieves, thought to be a local pair are believed to have only wanted the coin, but finding the register locked, they corralled the outfit and took it along with the evident intention of breaking the machine open at a more convenient place and time. That one of the thieves at least was thoroughly familiar with the layout of the premises and knew how to manoeuvre about to the best advantage is demonstrated by the manner in which the burglary was staged.—Walkerton Herald-Times.

Elevator Fire and Explosion

Wednesday afternoon shortly after two o'clock the firemen were called to the Collingwood Terminal Elevator where an explosion, due, it is believed, to gas, followed by fire, occurred in one of the centre bins and an employee, Lindsay McClure was badly burned about the head and face. The explosion took place in a bin from which grain was being taken, the grain being quite cold at the time. Upon the first sound McClure threw himself on the rapidly moving transfer belt, above the bins, and was carried to the end of the building where he was thrown off and with much force struck the hard cement wall. He was quickly removed to the G. and M. Hospital where his injuries received attention. The explosion had great force as the floor on top of the bins was raised and broken, while windows were blown out in the upper part of the super-structure.—Collingwood Bulletin.

Revenue From Wolves

The wolf has done his bit this year to solve the unemployment problem. In 1931, to date 220 wolves have been taken by Algoma trappers, bringing them a revenue of about \$8,250 in bounty and pelt values. Each wolf brings in to the hunter \$25 bounty, and later he may sell the pelt and receive from \$6 to \$15 for it, depending on its size and condition. It is safe to say that the 220 wolves taken brought in \$1,760 to the trappers, in addition to the bounty, basing the sale price of the pelts at \$8 each. Today the wolf is the second highest priced fur bearing animal roaming the woods, and his pelt is much sought. The fisher is the highest priced of all the fur bearers, but he is becoming so scarce that the wolf actually leads the market, so far as the trapper is concerned.—Sault Ste. Marie Star.

Shot the Wrong Horse

A village horse had been summering in the country, and was to be brought to its winter home for service in a week or two; but the farmer in whose care the animal was, had a horse of his own that had completed the activities of life, and was to be given about eight feet by six feet of earth, in which to repose, less its outside skin or hide. To get the hide and bury the horse, a gun was brought into play, and the battle began and the horse side lost. The village horse was led behind the buggy, so as the former would have a means of transportation home, as the doomed horse would not lead.

The procession arrived before the gun, and the gun went off, but when the smoke cleared away the intended victim was licking his lips in anticipation of still another feed of oats. Mistakes will happen in the best of horse families.—Teeswater News.

House Furniture Stolen in Collingwood

The police made a clean-up over the week-end and landed a notorious gang of thieves in the toils until Friday, when they will appear in police court at Thornbury for trial. The Osler farm on Sixth street, long known for its valuable contents of antique furniture, has been the mecca for thieves for many years, every little while piece by piece disappearing. On December 18, however, a general clean-up was made, practically every article being removed. Mr. Clunis McKean, who lives quite close, left everything in first class condition on the evening of the 17th, but on being notified the next morning that truck marks were visible, leading to the old home, he investigated and discovered the loss. Police Officer Robinson was called and in the bush discovered a load ready to be moved. This was brought into Collingwood and a watchful eye kept for the thieves.

Saturday night Robinson and Constable Davidson, acting on a suspicion, called at the home of Frank Seymour, and there found rooms filled with walnut, oak and mahogany furniture. In the house were Albert (Shorty) Sample, Louis Schell, and Luther Rawn, and all were arrested. Seymour, who was also an accomplice, is at present serving a term in Barrie jail. Before being taken to the lock-up, the men were made load the goods on to a truck. Bruce McNabb was also arrested, charged with receiving stolen goods. Tables valued at \$50 had been sold by the parties for \$2 and \$3.

News in Brief

Interesting Happenings Briefly Outlined for the Busy Readers

Charged with shopbreaking, Edward Nolan, 21, is in jail nursing a sore head following his unsuccessful attempt to escape from a police constable early Sunday morning in Ottawa. Edward was brought down by a well aimed milk bottle, thrown by a Somerset street merchant. The bottle was full of milk.

The Senate at Washington have passed and sent to the House President Hoover's \$2,000,000,000 financial aid plan, designed to revive confidence in business. The Senate refused to authorize Government loans to financially embarrassed cities from the proposed reconstruction loan.

Revival of steam power for airplanes will be definitely started in Cleveland within the next 30 days. Small model working units, designed to use in modernized form the same power that took Professor S. P. Langley on his famous tryouts in the 1890's, will be carried into the air to check calculations with the actual performance.

Emil Sauer, American consul at Toronto, has been appointed consul-general of the United States for Ontario, and the Toronto office made the supervisory consulate general for the province.

The Chinese Government Monday completed its program for severance of diplomatic relations with Japan and a diplomatic appeal to the powers for action against Japan under the Nine-Power Pacific Treaty.

European reaction to Germany's declaration of inability to pay reparations took definite form Monday when France declared the Reich's attitude unacceptable. The Italian Government took a more sympathetic position, suggesting drastic action to solve the reparations and war debts problems, and implying that Italy would not be unfriendly to proposals for readjustment or cancellation. The British viewpoint, although not yet announced by the Cabinet, was expected to be conciliatory, depending upon the possibility of a reduction of war debts owed the United States. In the viewpoint of most European nations, the outcome of Germany's demands for reparations relief will depend directly upon the willingness of the United States to reduce war debts. Directors of the International Bank at Basle, in the face of reported opposition from France, renewed the bank's one-fourth share in the \$100,000,000 short-term credit to Germany.

Search warrants on which police raided publication quarters of the Workers' Vanguard on an information charging criminal libel laid by A. A. Heap, Labor member of parliament, were quashed by the Manitoba Court of appeal. Mr. Heap claimed he had been libelled in the paper and his charge led to the arrest of Charles Marriott and John Naxizowski. When the defendants appeared in police court their counsel contended the documents seized in the raid could not be offered in evidence as the search warrants authorizing the raid did not specifically describe the offence charged. The effect of the judgment is that the documents now in possession of the police must be returned to Marriott and Navizowski.

Taking cognizance of those potent forces of good—or of evil—the press, the moving picture, and the radio, Sir Robert Falconer last night asserted that "undermining of morality in the lives and opinions of millions of folk in all grades of society and among all nations, is at the root of the most of the present economic trouble." His address was the first of a series of 15-minute talks, to be broadcast.

Two buildings were completely destroyed when fire broke out Monday, swept through the officers' mess and spread to a small adjoining building, at the Royal Canadian Air Force headquarters at Camp Borden. The loss is believed to exceed \$10,000. Potatoes Monday sold for \$70 a ton at Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Leicester, England—an increase of 100 per cent over prices paid a fortnight ago. Farmers of the Isle of Ely, Cambridgeshire, issued a protest against reports that growers were hoarding potatoes in order to raise the price. They declared farmers' stocks of potatoes were from 30 to 40 per cent lower than for many years past. The government has declined to raise the embargo on Canadian potatoes.

Moosonee is the new name for Ontario's only tidewater port, the T. and N.O. Railway Commission has decided. This replaces the present name, Moose Harbor, which has distinguished it from Moose Factory, the original Hudson Bay Company post on an island opposite the new railway terminal at James Bay. It has come to light, however, that despite the public not having been invited to assist in choosing the new name, the commission was pestered with suggestions. The last straw was a suggestion that, since Quebec had a northern town named Amos, publicity might be gained by calling Ontario's new port Andy.

Mrs. Mohandas K. Gandhi, wife of Mahatma Gandhi was arrested Monday in a village in the Surat district. When her husband was arrested a week ago Mrs. Gandhi pleaded to be taken with him.

Mrs. Edward Byers, Derby Township, passed away at the General and Marine Hospital, as the result of burns received when her home was destroyed by fire on December 9. Mrs. Byers had suffered intensely from very severe burns. She was in her 33rd year. Deceased was a daughter of the late Peter Hodgson and Mrs. Hodgson of Sarawak. She is survived by her husband, four children, her mother, and one sister, Mrs. Norman White, Owen Sound.

James Benson of Niagara Falls, Sunday, sneezed so violently that he cracked a rib.

Sir Howard Frank, famous auctioneer who sold the British war surplus stores and made deals worth over \$300,000,000 died suddenly early Monday morning. He was 60 years old.

The foreign office announced yesterday that Great Britain will not follow the United States by invoking the Nine-Power Treaty in the Manchurian conflict. The Government took the position that Japan has pledged the open door and equal opportunity for all nations in Manchuria, and that, therefore, there is no need for London to send a note to Tokio similar to the one despatched by the United States.

Agreement of numerous matters affecting trade relations between Canada and New Zealand have been announced by representatives of those countries, who withheld details.

General Charles Gates Dawer, United States ambassador to London, announced Thursday he would resign as ambassador to Great Britain following his work as chairman of the American delegation to the Geneva disarmament conference. He made his announcement in a formal statement before leaving for his home in Chicago.

Ely Culbertson, shrewd young proponent of the approach-forcing system in contract bridge bidding Thursday won his 150 rubber match with Sidney S. Lenx, thus ending what was perhaps the most famous card game in history. The Culbertson's lead when the match ended was 8,980 points. The rubber standing was 77 for Culbertson and 73 for Lenx.

Commencing next Monday students at British Columbia schools will be required to salute the flag and sing a verse of "God Save the King" under an order of Hon. Joshua Hinchcliffe, Minister of Education.

Laura Secord, left out of both the new public and high school histories of Canada, will shortly make her re-appearance in the school books but not in the histories, a statement issued by Premier Henry, Minister of Education, indicated. The story of the heroine will be included when the third reader is revised, if present plans are carried out.

Floods have been reported from many areas owing to the swollen condition of the rivers and the breaking of dams. Crushed in the wreckage of their big white plane, the bodies of Mrs. Ruth Stewart of St. Louis, and Mrs. Debbie Stanford, of Guelph, Ont., wealthy amateur aviators, were found Thursday in the storm-swept woods of Sherman Mountain.

London's record spell for trifling fire losses, extending over nearly a year and a half, came to a spectacular finish Thursday when a million-dollar conflagration burned over most of the West Dundas street retail district—the same frontage as was razed in 1911.

Sir William Mills, inventor of the Mills hand-grenade, a weapon used extensively in the great war, died suddenly Thursday at the age of 76.

The first indication of wolves existing in the Chapleau game preserve was shown when John Solomon, Chapleau Indian, was arrested on a charge of trapping on the preserve. He had two wolf skins, together with other pelts. The skins were confiscated by the crown and Solomon was sentenced to three months in jail.

It has been reported to the agricultural committee of Hloroganshire that after lectures on horticulture had been delivered in the Cardiff and Swansea prisons some of the prisoners protested to the governors that such lectures were not included in their sentences.

Andre Maginot, Minister of War of France, died early Thursday morning at a clinic where he had undergone treatment for typhoid fever with hepatic complications. The end came unexpectedly for the 54-year-old Cabinet member.

Few men can equal Charles Ray's record of bowling two perfect ten-pin games. Ray rolled his 300 scores on successive nights. Tuesday night he scored 300 in an informal game. Wednesday night he duplicated it in a city league contest.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Coleman and two sons, Sidney and Clarence of Meaford, left for St. Petersburg, Florida, early Thursday morning via Niagara Falls. Mr. and Mrs. Coleman will remain in the south for three months when they will return to Meaford. During the summer months Mr. Coleman and his sons have been busy engaged

in the building of a large van in which they will travel. The van is neatly built, with beds, easy chairs, folding seats and small tables. It is also equipped with a radio and wired for electric lights, so when the party arrive in the south they will be able to hook up with the electric power and have everything very comfortable.

Publicity is quite all right in its place, but too many calendars are a nuisance. A few days ago Magistrate S. B. Arnold of Chatham deplored the lack of a calendar in the local court. The newspapers took up the tale and soon from all quarters came calendars for the worried magistrate who sends this reply: "To all my friends out of jail who have sent me calendars, I wish to express thanks for giving me the year's time. I hope soon to be able to return the compliment."

Washington Crossing the Delaware has come down from the Metropolitan Museum walls—temporarily, the officials say—for "lack of space". Actually, there has been such a row over the painting, what with art connoisseurs and historians pointing out its defects, and good patriots praising its spirit, that his decision is purely makeshift. The whole trouble was caused by meticulous folks who point out that George Washington ought not to be standing up in the boat—a bad example for children—and that the flag beside him wasn't adopted until six months after the famous crossing.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Irvin of the East backline received on Monday a letter from their daughter, Dell, Mrs. Richard Walter Fitch, which corroborated the news received by radio and press that R. W. Fitch of Dunkirk, Sask., had been shot by his farm helper. A despatch from Markdale announces the above. Until receiving the letter, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin held some hope that the murdered man must be some other than their son-in-law.

Dr. Forbes Elliott Godfrey, who held a seat in the Provincial Legislature for a longer continuous period than any other member, held the portfolio of Health and Labor in the Ferguson administration, and pioneered the enactment of anti-tuberculosis and industrial health legislation, died Wednesday night of last week at his home in Mimico.

From January 16 to January 31 inclusive, the average value of the pound sterling, declared by the Department of National Revenue, for special duty purposes, will be \$4.09.

A hitch-hiker stranded at Kansas City, Montana, without funds, pawned his left leg for bus fare to his home at Cleveland, Ohio. The leg was a wooden one. "I loaned him \$16 for the leg," said Pawnbroker Jake Witte. "Then I gave him a pair of crutches so he could get around."

Among the numerous resolutions to be presented at the United Farmers of Alberta annual convention in Edmonton, January 17, is one proposing a radical change in farmer life—a half-holiday each week for the tillers of the soil during the summer months. This resolution will be presented by the representatives from the Federal Constituency Association of the U.F.A., at Wetaskiwin.

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