

In Other Communities

Taken From Our Exchanges About People of Your Acquaintance.

A Dry Village

Water in the bed-rock upon which Arthur rests is not easy to locate and the drilling in quest of it has been rather difficult. The well for Arthur's waterworks system has now been put down a distance of about two hundred and eighty-five feet and the desired vein of water has not yet been struck. The drilling is going on steadily.—Arthur Enterprise.

Farmer Falls From Haymow

On Saturday last, Nelson Snider, a farmer who resides on the Melancthon-Mulmur townline, fell from the haymow to the floor, a distance of 14 feet. The injured man was found by his wife about two hours after the accident occurred. He was unconscious and later could not give a clear account of how the mishap took place. His condition is serious, but doctors held out hope of his recovery.—Orangeville Sun.

Meters Cause Lower Consumption

In its study of municipal statistics, the Fergus News-Record finds that the per capita consumption of water in Fergus of 35 gallons is bettered by Acton with but 20 gallons per head. In Acton we would say that the reason for the low consumption of water can be traced to the use of the metre for each service. We suppose the Fergus thrift can be traced farther back to the founders of the settlement and its Scotch thriftiness.—Acton Free Press.

Fire in Egrement

The old house, now used as a store house, on the former Tyndall farm, about three miles north of Mount Forest, now owned by Mr. Wes. Holliday, was discovered to be in fire early Monday morning, but the blaze was extinguished, with the help of neighbors, to whom Mr. Holliday is very grateful. There was a quantity of corn stored in it, and the only suggestion made as to the origin of the fire is that it was a case of spontaneous combustion.—Mount Forest Confederate.

Serious Shooting Accident

On Saturday afternoon Harry Gardiner, son of Mr. R. W. Gardiner, met with a serious and painful accident while out shooting rabbits just north of town. While getting over a wire fence the gun in some way discharged both barrels. One charge hit the upper part of his right arm, lacerating the muscle very badly, but not shattering the bone. The other charge skimmed the hand. Harry Greensides who was with him, a short distance away, bound up the arm tightly until surgical aid could be secured. The injured arm is now doing as well as can be expected.—Mount Forest Confederate.

How About 1932 Crops?

Mr. Louis Misch, whose farm is a short distance west of town, while in the Telescope office on Wednesday, was commenting on the absence of snow and the possible effect on this year's crops. There is an old saying among agriculturists to the effect that when there is no blanket of snow the crops suffer. This depends largely on the degree of moisture. To date, there is

no complaint on this score. The fall wheat is in excellent condition, but of course the quality and extent of this crop, as with others, is dependent upon moisture in the spring and summer.—Walkerton Telescope.

Old Insurance Policy

Back in 1861 Samuel P. Chapman took out a policy in England that amounted to £40 with what is today known as the Phoenix Assurance company.

Mr. Chapman came to Canada and settled at Tiverton, where he was a notary public. He died in 1879. With him passed the knowledge that this policy was in existence.

Recently a letter came to Ripley addressed to the Sheriff, Wm. Tattersall, chief of police of the village, was handed the letter and on opening found that insurance company named above were searching for the beneficiaries of the late S. P. Chapman.

The bonus additions to the policy amount to more than the policy itself, being £43, 10s.—Kincardine Review.

Mysterious Hen-House Blaze

Mr. Charles Habermehl's hen-house was destroyed by fire of mysterious origin about 3.15 o'clock Monday morning. The flames had made considerable headway before they were discovered by Mr. Charles Ashbury, night-watchman at the Allen-A silk mills. Adjoining buildings were in great danger from flying sparks, and only the arrival of the fire brigade prevented the flames spreading. Mr. Habermehl lost about twenty hens.

There were rumors that the fire may have been caused by chicken thieves, but this theory is discounted since eighteen carcasses were found in the ruins, out of nineteen chickens. Some ashes were put in the henhouse the day before, and it may have been live coals among them that set the straw on fire.—Hanover Post.

To Close Fraxa Station

The C. P. R. has made application to the Board of Railway Commissioners for an order allowing the company to close Fraxa Junction station. The Board has communicated the application to the Amaranth Township Council and is now awaiting its actions and reply. In its application the railway company sets forth the total earnings of the station for the last three years as follows: 1929 \$547.83; 1930, \$917.19; 1931, \$6538.81. The figures for 1931 are for eleven months only. The marked increase in the earnings for that period is due to the construction of the Orangeville to Arthur highway, the station having earned some \$5200 on materials and machinery shipped in for the paving work. If the station is closed a caretaker will be placed in charge and the public will be given the same service as the C. P. R. is now giving at Caledon, Waldemar and a number of other small stations.—Grand Valley Star.

Ploughing Last Week

Our mild spring like weather came to a close on Sunday and several inches of snow covered the ground Monday evening. Last week Mr. John Porteous of town was ploughing on his lot here and the ground was turning over nicely. Caterpillars were seen on the ground and Mr. James Dargavel saw a large dew worm caving on top of the

earth shortly after a rain storm. Such occurrences at this time of the year were never known in this section and it is more than likely that it will be many years before we have such a mild winter again.—Flesherton Advance.

—This condition has been general in this section nearly all winter but Fleasherton being more in the snow belt, and usually with much more snow than falls in Durham, January ploughing in that section is a real news item.—Ed. Chronicle.

Practical Joke Fatal

It is alleged that the swallowing of a piece of rubber on New Year's Eve was the primary cause of the death of John W. Geiger, 83 Norman St., Waterloo. His death occurred in the Kitchener-Waterloo hospital, due, it is said to gas gangrene infection. During festivities, allegedly at the late Mr. Geiger's home, rubber (fake) weiners, were mixed with the digestible weiners and Mr. Geiger while eating, had a large piece of the rubber weiner lodge in his throat. In company with other men, he went to the doctor, but the particle was too far down to be brought up and the physician succeeded in moving it downward. The following day, Saturday, it is said, that Mr. Geiger suffered pains and was rushed to the hospital. An operation was performed and the rubber particle was expelled. It is said Mr. Geiger was then recovering nicely until the infection set in which caused his death.—Elmira Signal.

Delivered Hogs at Store Doorway

Some months ago, there was a story came from the West about a farmer who dumped a load of wheat into the local bank to pay off some of his indebtedness. On Monday afternoon, one of the local stores had a load of hogs dumped off at the door, but for rather a different reason.

A truck was coming down from St. David street, carrying a load of hogs. The driver seems to have been going rather fast, probably expecting to keep right on over the bridge. The road is closed just now between the corner and the bridge, and the driver attempted to turn on to St. Andrew street. The truck skidded around the corner, struck the curb and tipped over, dumping the whole load of hogs at Imlah's store.

It is said that not one of the hogs was injured, the truck was little the worse. The hogs were driven around to the market scale yard and loaded into the truck again, and it proceeded on its way.—Fergus News-Record.

"Star" Boarder Failed to Return

A stranger, giving his name as Jack Patterson, breezed into town last Thursday and took up his abode at McGuire's boarding house, where he stayed until Monday morning leaving without more adieu and with his board bill unpaid.

His disappearance leads him to be suspected of the robbery of between twenty-five and fifty dollars worth of gold from the dentist office of Dr. R. L. Treleaven, as well as a quantity of morphine and cocaine.

The so-called Jack Patterson claimed to be a well digger and on leaving the boarding house on Monday said he would be in the country for dinner, but asked Mrs. McGuire to keep supper for

News in Brief

Interesting Happenings Briefly Outlined for the Busy Readers

Commenting on the decision of the British cabinet to permit ministers differing from their colleagues to vote against the tariff proposals, the London Evening Star says: "Such a situation is without precedent in British history. It is comparable to the French and other continental 'bloc' ministries, which contain representatives of various schools of opinion. They usually agree on the principal aim; but our politicians differ on the principal aim."

The first steam vessel to be built at Sault Ste. Marie will be launched in St. Mary's river some time next month. The boat, a tug, is being built by T. B. McLean & Sons for R. J. Morrell of Collingwood.

Excavations at Ur, now being carried on by the British Museum and the University, have definitely established the authenticity of the stories of the flood and the Tower of Babel, and would seem to substantiate the Biblical beliefs of the fundamentalists, said Lt.-Col. W. P. Wilgar, D.S.O., in addressing the members of the Toronto branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada in Toronto recently.

Reports from Sioux Lookout state that a gold rush is under way throughout the district surrounding Island Lake, about 300 miles to the northwest. Several syndicates, backed by Winnipeg and Toronto men, have sent prospecting parties into the field around the lake and at Confederation Island, largest of the islands in the lake. Men were travelling into the area by dog-sled and afoot.

Yee Bon, a 26-year-old Toronto Chinese, one of whose two canvases, shown last year at the Ontario College of Art Exhibition, was shown at the exhibit of the National Gallery at Ottawa.

The report from coast to coast which the walls gave at the Canadian Exhibition of Art at the National Gallery in Ottawa, is probably the most cheerful statement of national affairs left by the year 1931, for "depression" is not written in the Dominion's art accomplishments. The standard might be described in this way. If one were drawing a graph of development of native art over a period of years, 1931 would not be represented by a very pointed peak, but by a firm line of upward trend.

Trans-Canada telephone calls can now be routed entirely through Canadian territory, affording more direct and rapid service with the highest quality of transmission. The trans-Canada line has 22 repeater stations and every modern scientific device to ensure the maximum of effective communication in clearness, speed and economy.

The revolutionary uprisings in Spain have been quelled by the government. The industrial towns of Manresa, Berga and others were again under the control of the government.

All freak attractions will be barred at future fairs and the organization will devote itself solely to agricultural interests, it was decided at the annual meeting of Woodbridge Agricultural Society on Saturday.

The Canadian destroyers, Skeena and Vancouver are standing off Alcajulia, El Salvador, Central America, for the protection of British and foreign interests imperilled by a communistic outbreak in that republic. The country has been put under military rule and all citizens are armed and warned to shoot Communists on sight.

"Old Pete" a famous grey mule that attained his 54th year, is dead at Halcyon Springs. Pete, with two other mules, Buckskin and Cataline, was employed on the Onderdonk contract of the Canadian Pacific Railway and then in freighting from the Arrow Lakes to Nelson. He is credited with packing 750 pounds on each trip. Since then he lived an easier life at Halcyon Springs, in British Columbia.

The 1932 Maple Ridge B.C. municipal council smoked the Calumet, or Pipe of Peace for the 22nd time when it held its inaugural meeting. The custom was introduced in 1910. It was remarked at the meeting that no councillors who had refused to smoke the Calumet during those years had ever sat for two successive terms.

Nova Scotians are going to eat more fish to aid one of their most important industries. A campaign opened in that province will put before the public hundreds of recipes for preparing the sea food in different and attractive forms.

Lytton Strachey, whose vivid blog-

him. He never returned. The suspected robber is a middle aged man, with grey hair combed straight back. He was fairly respectable looking, although his front teeth were badly in need of dental attention. He wore a brown felt hat, black overcoat, and a striped navy blue suit.—Lucknow Sentinel.

raphies recreated the pomp of Victorian England for a weary, post-war world, died Thursday at the age of fifty-two. The author of "Queen Victoria" and "Elizabeth and Essex" had been ill for many weeks.

The Sunday Express of London, England, recently published an article which said drawings were under preparation for a giant flying boat to be used on a three-and-a-half-day service between Great Britain and Canada via the Azores, Bermuda and the United States. An official of Imperial Airways said negotiations were being carried on between Imperial Airways and Pan-American Airways in connection with the proposed service. He said also that the flying boat would be the biggest ever known.

Negotiations will soon be concluded for the opening of direct telephone connection between Great Britain and Canada.

In connection with a business deal transacted six years ago, it is said, Charles Moore of Maynooth, was arrested recently on a warrant charging theft of \$476.31.

The lowest birth rate ever recorded in Great Britain was disclosed in provisional statistics for last year. It was 15.8 births per 1,000 of population.

It was announced that H. G. Watkins youthful leader of last year's Greenland exploration party, would head an expedition into the Antarctic next fall. The expedition, which will sail early in the autumn, will attempt to cross the Antarctic from Weddell Sea to Ross Sea and map the southwest coast of the Weddell Sea.

The Government of Soviet Russia appealed to Japan, through an editorial in the official newspaper Izvestia, to prevent a conflict which would involve the Communist state in a Far Eastern war.

Sir Eric Drummond, secretary-general of the League of Nations since the League was organized, tendered his resignation and was urged to stay on until the problems confronting the statesmen of the world are less pressing.

Farmers and agricultural experts were interested in a demonstration of a new mechanical rotary plow which plows and cultivates the land in one operation which was shown at Chobham, Surrey, England. The machine works on the principle of the action of a rabbit or mole, instead of bursting the ground open with a wedge-shaped instrument, as in the case of the horse-drawn or mechanically-drawn plow.

Herbert H. Slack, president of the Wentworth Radio and Auto Supply Company, Limited, founder of CKOC, and one of Hamilton's most prominent and active business men, died Monday following an operation, aged 37 years.

The Senate voted a direct appropriation of \$500,000,000 to the finance reconstruction corporation after defeating a half dozen amendment which would have limited the activities of the huge fiscal agency.

Rt. Rev. Charles A. Seager, M.A., D.D., LL.D., fifth Bishop of Huron, was with simple and impressive ceremony Monday, installed and enthroned in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, Ont.

Warning was issued by a Sudbury bank that a counterfeiter is again active. A one dollar United States note that had been raised to \$20 was discovered by a teller, one of the bank's clients having been victimized. Last summer banks were also warned against an epidemic of counterfeiting.

Gypsies are migrating by the hundreds to New York, attracted by an unprecedented boom in fortune-telling. The depression has caused a boom in phrenology and kindred arts and along Broadway and Sixth Avenue the gypsies have set themselves to make a killing.

WAR TANK SWIMS RIVERS OR SPEEDS OVER LAND

Water offers no obstacles to an amphibian war tank recently tested in England, for it can speed over the ground at 40 miles an hour, then plunge into and swim across any river in its path. It is virtually a combined land and water battleship, for when in the water a steel turret containing small guns protrudes above the surface, so it can attack as it swims. A small propeller gives the tank a speed of about seven miles an hour in the water, while on land it can lumber over five-foot ditches with vertical banks, climb a steep grade at six miles an hour, or race across flat country at 40 miles. The land-water tank was evolved after a satisfactory method was found for making elastic water-tight joints. Several years ago, says Popular Mechanics Magazine, an amphibian tank was tried out, but it sank, due to the development of leaks in its non-elastic joints after rough cross-country travel. In actual warfare, such weapons may revolutionize defence tactics, since forces guarding river banks and bridge heads are robbed of the temporary security offered by deep streams, as the tanks can span such obstacles quickly and are proof against armor-piercing bullets, even at 150 yards. In the water, only the turret and two floating mudguards are visible, while on land its appearance is similar to that of the ordinary army tank.

BUCKWHEAT CAKES AS BREAKFAST DISH

Served Hot From the Griddle and Covered With Syrup or Butter Make Appealing Dish.

What's it going to be for breakfast, is the first question. Of course there are always the old standbys of plain bacon and eggs, toast and coffee, which can fill the bill, but few people want this same assortment of food every morning. One could follow in the footsteps of country cooks and serve up a full fledged breakfast of fried chicken and fried potatoes, but such a meal does not appeal to most city folk early in the morning.

Why not make buckwheat cakes? The cakes served hot from the griddle, covered with syrup or butter and flanked by slices of crisp bacon and accompanied by a cup of steaming hot coffee will make excellent fare for a cold weather breakfast.

The flour and all the ingredients can be purchased in packages already mixed. Making the cakes is just a question of adding the milk or water to the mixture, and pouring the batter on the hot, greased griddle. It's all done in a jiffy and by the time the coffee has boiled you'll have a platter full of the buckwheat cakes ready to serve.

Or better still, why not prepare the regular old fashioned buckwheat cakes like mother used to make. Of course, making the home made bread requires more work, but if you feel up to the task you can use this recipe contributed by a southern mammy:

- 3 cups buckwheat flour,
- 2 cups lukewarm water,
- 1 tablespoon molasses,
- 1/2 yeast cake,
- 1 teaspoon salt,
- 2 eggs.

Dissolve the yeast in the lukewarm water and stir in buckwheat. Mix well and set in a warm place to raise overnight. In the morning add the salt, molasses and well beaten eggs and bake on well greased griddle. In case having the molasses and eggs in your cake does not appeal to you, you might follow the suggestion of a northern cook and substitute 1-3 cup of sour milk or buttermilk for these ingredients.

Household Hint
Green paint may be removed from the seat of a pair of white duck tennis trousers with a bottle of ordinary turpentine, a stiff brush and a pair of scissors.

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