

In Other Communities

Hens Lay Outside in Winter Time
Mr. John H. Carson of Mountain Lake, discovered something unusual on Saturday Mr. Carson found in the bush a nest of hen's eggs numbering half a dozen, two of which Mr. Carson states were laid on Saturday morning and the others a day or two before.

Lovers of Flowers
C. N. Richardson, druggist, is a lover of flowers and always keeps a few in his store for the pleasure of his customers. At the present time he is the possessor of the handsomest cyclamen plant we have ever seen.

Extravagant Council Left Trouble
At the inaugural meeting of the Orillia town council the new members were alarmed upon making the discovery that not only had the Government declined to promise any further financial assistance to the municipality, due to the extravagance of the 1931 council in its handling of the unemployment relief grant, but also that there was an overdraft of \$31,002.50 in the town's current bank account.

New Store Manager
Mr. J. C. Sockett of Underwood has been engaged as manager of the Osprey and Artemesia Cooperative Co.'s store in Flesherton, succeeding Mr. Harold Spofford, who had resigned a month ago.

Petty Thieving Around Dundalk
Thieving is a sin, no matter what veil some people seek to throw over it, and this district we are sorry to say, has some individuals of this type. Last Thursday night two men visited Bob McPherson's farm on the 37th S. R., Proton, and carried off a can of cream.

and all.
Last Friday morning when W. J. Symington opened his shoe store a little surprise awaited him. On going to the back door he discovered that someone had been seeking to gain entrance to the store.

Grey County Council's January Session
The January session of the Grey County Council, which closed on Saturday, was one of the busiest in years. The members held the opening session on Tuesday evening, and they worked hard for the balance of the week in order to get their business completed.

One of the most important matters discussed by the council during the week was that of the salaries of county officials, and a cut of 15 per cent was made, but was not done without some vigorous opposition.

There will be a considerable reduction in the amount to be spent on the roads throughout the county this year, which will mean quite a saving, and curtailments will be made wherever possible.

The decision to have a thorough audit made of the books of the County Engineer, which was concurred in by Engineer McKnight himself, was a good move.

Probably Quite True
A young lady studying for a teacher at Stratford slipped away from the school one day without saying anything, to become secretly married.

News in Brief

It was a rare bird that deputy sheriff Willard Welsh, Michigan Sault, shot on Thursday of last week. What he first believed to be a hawk has been identified as a gyrfalcon.

A blaze of glory marked the demise of an unidentified cat at Paris, Ontario when it aspired to travel along high tension wires at a local sub-station.

Mr. Andrew Thomson, a native of Arran township, Bruce county, and a graduate of the Owen Sound Collegiate Institute, until recently aerologist for the government of New Zealand, has joined the staff at the Dominion Meteorological office at Toronto.

A spokesman for leading Wall Street banking interests has announced that neither Japan nor China could obtain a loan in New York or London to finance a Far Eastern war.

Some matter-of-fact advice was handed out to parents by Magistrate E. C. Spereman in police court on Saturday morning in Owen Sound when two boys were given suspended sentence on charges of theft.

Two Dummer Township men now look back upon a meeting with a black bear which gave them some excitement. The pair, John A. Crowe and Joseph Bretout, disturbed the animal in its winter retreat and it attacked them.

The standard of living in Canada continues on a high level, according to a report of the Department of Trade on the annual per capita consumption of food. The retail price of food, however, has greatly decreased in the past year, the report adds.

Lord Beaverbrook's Daily Express, London, England, said recently reports were current that the Dominions would receive no preference under proposed tariff measures to be paced before the House of Commons by the Government.

An expedition headed by Dr. Jotham Johnson, of Philadelphia, has uncovered an ancient market place said to be the most complete archaeological discovery of its kind.

Rare and odd watches, collected in a lifetime of watchmaking, will attest to the memory of John Sutcliffe Smith, who died at St. Catharines recently. Smith made a hobby of collecting unusual watches.

Despondent because he could not get work and had no money to pay for his board and lodging, George Irons, an able-bodied young man, decided he would do something that would land him in jail, where he would be sure of three meals a day and a place to lay his weary head at night.

Christopher (Bat) Battalino, former world champion featherweight, must pay a \$5,000 fine and go into indefinite retirement because of his "no contest" ring fiasco with Freddie Millar, Cincinnati challenger.

Dr. Walter in discussing social conditions generally in Russia, and touching upon the relation of the sexes, emphasized the utter disregard for ordinary sex differences by pointing out that it was no uncommon sight to see two soccer teams at play, one composed of six men and five women, the other of nine women and two men.

The minutes which elapse while waiting for the London street cars are being put to good use by one woman. She does not stand on the corner watching pedestrians go by, nor does she make strange mutterings about the street car service.

The story was told by a member of the London police force that he has watched the woman standing reading the Bible on downtown corners. He approached her and asked the reason.

Gar Wood, veteran United States speedboat racer, set a mark of 110.785 miles an hour in his Miss America IX, to claim the world's speedboat record.

Air Commodore Charles Kingsford-Smith, noted pilot, displayed coolness in the air Saturday to save his own life and the lives of fourteen passengers in his aeroplane Southern Cross.

Six months ago physicians told Harry Escol, 29, that he would have to be silent for six months or lose his voice. He was suffering from tuberculosis laryngitis and it was necessary to keep him silent to let two cavities in his right lung heal.

Henry Ford, Thomas A. Edison and Harvey Firestone were at one time touring in the west when an argument arose as to whether Ford or Firestone was the better salesman. Edison bet that neither of them could sell a product in the small town where they had stopped.

Staking his post as leader of the Progressive party on endorsement of his plan for a working arrangement with Mitchell Hepburn, Liberal Leader, H. C. Nixon, M.P.P. for Brant, has offered to resign if the policy does not meet with the wishes of the majority of the party.

"Canada's adverse trade balance, from which the country emerged a few months ago was alone caused by the recent Hawley-Smoot tariff policy of the United States," said Hon. H. H. Stevens, Minister of Trade and Commerce, in a press release.

Clyde White, 11, of Sault Ste. Marie, had one of his fingers torn off at the first joint by "Barney" the tame wolf at Bellevue Park, when the boy placed his mittened hand on the door of the animal's cage.

During the height of a spectacular blaze in the Bishop's Palace of Rt. Rev. R. A. O'Connor at Peterboro, His Lordship became agitated when he saw a fireman scrambling like a monkey along the cornice of the lofty blazing roof, with leaping flames on one side and a sheer drop on the other.

Fulfilling its announcement made on January 25, the Bank of England on February 1 repaid the \$150,000,000 balance of the credit advanced to it last August by the New York Federal Reserve banks and the Bank of France.

Constable E. Millen was shot and killed by Albert Johnson, demented trapper, at a point 30 miles up the Rat River, Alberta, Saturday morning. The killing occurred in the rolling barrens of the upper Rat River, about 30 miles from where the stream flows into the rushing Mackenzie.

Renewed confidence in the future of Western Canada, particularly as a live stock producing country, in the ability of Western people to overcome all obstacles and to benefit by the experience of the past three years, and in the

West's becoming a greater source of wealth than in even the most prosperous days of the past, was the background of a comprehensive survey of western conditions presented by Hon. Robert Weir, Federal Minister of Agriculture, to the Canadian Club luncheon at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, recently.

Fire believed to have been caused by a defective chimney, swept through the attic of Myrtle street school, St. Thomas, shortly after noon Monday and did several thousand dollars' worth of damage.

France, Italy, Great Britain and the United States were pledged to preserve a solid front at Shanghai in their effort to defend western interests and prevent the outbreak of a disastrous clash with Japan. It was admitted that the situation was growing more dangerous each hour.

Workmen digging in Ollman Bros. gravel pit at West Hamilton Saturday uncovered the antler of a prehistoric elk. Prof. W. H. McNairn of the geology department of McMaster University, said the antler probably belonged to an elk migrating north shortly after the glacial period about 25,000 years ago.

Although an attempt made last fall by some members of the Orillia council to pass a bylaw forbidding the sale of unpasteurized milk, failed, the issue has been revived and seems likely to become another thorn in the flesh of the 1932 council, already beset by unemployment relief problems.

Rev. Joseph Annand's death in Nova Scotia will be mourned in the New Hebrides, where he trained former cannibals as Christian pastors and teachers. Dr. Annand was almost the last survivor of the Canadian mission which gave martyrs to the faith shortly before his arrival in the islands.

The reforestation committee of Victoria County Council has purchased additional land—some 400 acres in Somerville Township—the price paid being six cents per acre. This is claimed to be the lowest price ever paid in the Dominion for reforestation purposes.

The king of all timber wolves, near Noelville, is no more. Oriand Seguin, a farmer there, now has his pelt, more than seven feet in length. Seguin snared the animal, but around its neck were two old snares it had previously broken.

State police laughed indulgently when Thomas Gordon, 102, of Grand Rapids, applied for an automobile driver's license. Finally they conceded his physical fitness to operate a car, issued his credentials and pronounced him the oldest licensed driver in the state.

When three men forced him with drawn guns to climb into a sedan at a secluded section of the street near his home, J. S. Oakley, manager of the Dominion Stores' branch, King street West, Oshawa, was taken into the country north of Bowmanville, relieved of \$175 and left to walk home. He was given a lift by a passing motorist.

Steel's Stores Limited, for sale under the Bankruptcy Act, have been sold to Morris Schneiderman, Montreal, chain store operator.

NEED MORE TIMOTHY SEED
Canadian production of timothy seed is still far short of domestic requirements, and in this connection Geo. H. Clark, Dominion Seed Commissioner, observes: "There is evidently room for material increase in the home production of timothy seed and there are large areas throughout the Dominion in which it might be produced profitably at present prices."

The 1931 commercial crop of timothy seed in Canada is estimated at 1,250,000 lbs. by returns filed with the Dominion Seed Branch. Records show further that commercial production in recent years has not exceeded 1,500,000 lbs., while the average domestic demand has been fully 9,000,000 lbs. annually.

At the present time timothy seed in Eastern Canada is bringing farmers around 9 cents per pound while the price in Western Canada is around 8 cents per pound. This price is of course controlled largely by the price at which United States exporters can lay their product down at Canadian points, and this price includes such items as the cost of the seed, transportation, insurance, handling charges, and customs duty.

Both the federal and provincial Departments of Agriculture are co-operating in crop and seed inspection services, in the supervision of threshing and cleaning operations, and in the inspection of home-grown seed for certification. At the present time the bulk of Canadian production comes from Quebec, Alberta and British Columbia.

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