

## Ask Completion of Road to Chatsworth

Owen Sound Council to Petition Government to Complete No. 6 Highway North to Chatsworth This Summer—Highways Department Reported Favorable to Project as Unemployment Measure.

Mayor Murdock, Reeve Bell and Councillor Stonehouse waited on the Owen Sound Council last week in an endeavor to have them petition the Government to complete the roadway from Tobermory to Chatsworth, and also the connecting link at the Rocky, left unfinished last year. According to Tuesday's Sun-Times, the city council will petition the government to have further work on Highway No. 6 during the coming summer season, in compliance with a request from the town of Durham. A delegation comprising Mayor Murdock, Reeve Allan Bell, and Councillor B. Stonehouse awaited on the Owen Sound council urging that that body should so petition the government. It was pointed out that but 15 miles remained to be paved to give Owen Sound a paved highway through the southern part of the province. Reeve Bell reported that, in interviewing the Highway Minister, that official had said the Department was favorable to doing a certain amount of road work in Grey county. The Department very much opposed a request that no further highway work should be done within the county.

The members of the delegation stressed the need for work in the county. Should not some such work be undertaken it would greatly add to the county's unemployment. Further, the construction company had its machinery on the spot, and thus the present was an opportune time to have the work done.

## ANNUAL MEETING SHOWS SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Glencol and Holland Telephone Company Appoint Officers—Financial Statement Also Presented.

On Thursday of last week the annual meeting of the Glencol and Holland Municipal Telephone was held at the home of Mr. John McCarthy.

The following officers were appointed: Chairman, Colin McArthur; commissioners, John Peart, Dougal McCormick; secretary-treasurer, T. J. Brodie; auditors, Wes. Bradey, John Fogarty.

This line has been operating for ten years and now has 31 miles of poles and 90 miles of wire. Number of subscribers 66. Total revenue for 1931, \$1,311, total expenditure \$1,293.69, surplus \$17.31. The total debenture principle paid December 31st, 1931, \$5,828.85, debenture principal unpaid December 31st, 1931, \$171.15. Total cost of telephone per subscriber in 1931, \$24.50. Total assets, \$871,826, liabilities, \$844,100, surplus, \$27,726.

## NEVER SURPLUS OF WORLD WHEAT, CLAIM

There never has been a world surplus of wheat, according to Dr. W. W. Swanson, Professor of Economics at the University of Saskatchewan. He expressed the opinion that the collapse of the international wheat market was from other factors, as the alleged surplus had "never existed."

For this reason the economist expressed the view that those who wailed that dollar wheat would never return were not taking into consideration that the price of wheat had been linked with the prices of other commodities, some of which had dropped to a greater degree than wheat.

-As a ray of hope to the grain growers and others involved he expressed the opinion that wheat prices are due to make a steady recovery. "from a standpoint of its strong statistical position."

Dr. Swanson qualified the statement when he said "the course of these prices, however, will be determined by an infinitely complex combination of factors, not the least of which will be the purchasing power of the pound sterling, the outcome of which no one can definitely forecast."

## TEMPERATURES FOR PAST WEEK

	8 a.m.	Max.	Min.	Snow
Thursday	24	34	15	—
Friday	36	46	34	—
Saturday	38	42	36	—
Sunday	37	44	33	—
Monday	38	39	33	—
Tuesday	28	36	27	—
Wednesday	31	40	27	—

## HOLSTEIN SHORT COURSE CLOSED ON THURSDAY

Ladies of Village Catered to Large Crowd at Banquet—Excellent Speeches on Agricultural Topics Given.

The closing exercises of the one month short course in Agriculture and Home Economics took the form of a banquet in the Holstein Agricultural Hall on Thursday evening, February 25th. The local Ladies' Aid of the United Church catered for the banquet and a very nutritious dinner was served.

With Mr. T. S. Cooper, Agricultural Representative, officiating as toastmaster, a very delightful program of toasts and addresses was indulged in. The special speaker of the evening was Professor R. G. Knox, O.A.C. Guelph. Dealing largely with present conditions Professor Knox interested the audience for almost an hour.

The presentation of prizes brought the banquet to a close. In the Domestic Science Class the following girls received prizes: Sewing, Marion Henderson; nursing, Ethel Hill; home economics, Edna Holliday; all-round girl, Nora Shortt.

In the class in Agriculture four members also received prizes, viz.: Douglas Johnston, highest score in stock and feed judging; Joseph Campbell, highest marks in examination and weed and weed seed naming; Harry Cowan, best kept note-book; Wallace Adams, for general proficiency.

## D. MCKINNON, CHESLEY, IS CHOSEN PRESIDENT

Will Head Grey and Bruce Insurance Company—Other Officers Elected.

The annual meeting of the Grey and Bruce Mutual Fire Insurance was held in the Company's office in Hanover on Friday with an unusually large attendance.

The auditors' report was given by the secretary-treasurer, Mr. Wm. Ruttle of Hanover, showed that, notwithstanding the fact that the fire losses were unusually heavy, last year the financial standing of the company was well maintained.

The following officers were elected: President, D. McKinnon, of Chesley; vice-president, A. McArthur, of Pricerville; secretary-treasurer, Wm. Ruttle, of Hanover; executive committee, President, vice-president, Mr. Wm. Glauser of Hanover and Mr. R. Parslow of Pricerville; directors, Messrs. A. McArthur and H. McLean of Durham, S. Nesbitt, Walkerton and N. McLeod, of Proton; manager, Wm. Ruttle; auditors, D. McLean of Durham and W. J. Ford of Neustadt.

Mr. E. P. Heaton, the fire marshal of Ontario, paid a visit to Mr. Wm. Ruttle, the manager this week.

## HORSES LOST WHEN ICE DROPS THEM IN POND

A costly accident occurred at Walter's Falls on Tuesday when Mr. Irving Marshall had the misfortune to lose a fine team of horses. Mr. Marshall was cutting ice on the mill pond at the Falls and Mansel Cook was driving the plow when the accident occurred. The ice, which was between 8 and 10 inches thick, suddenly gave away and the horses were plunged into the water. The depth of the pond at that point was some 20 feet and as the men had no means of getting the horses out they were lost. The men were nearly finished with their work when the accident happened.

## HYMENEAL

SMITH—MANN

The marriage of Miss Sybil Mann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy T. Mann, of Virgil, Ont., to Mr. John Clark Smith of Niagara Falls, N.Y. (formerly of Durham, Ont.) took place February 12th, in the Pierce Avenue Presbyterian manse in Niagara Falls, Rev. Croft officiating. The bride, who was attended by her sister, Miss Jean Mann, of Virgil, wore a gown of Merrill blue crepe, straw hat to match, and a corsage of Talisman roses. The bridesmaid's dress was Patou blue crepe with matching straw hat. She carried Johanna Hill roses. The groom was attended by Mr. John Young of Niagara Falls, N.Y. After the wedding supper at the Royal Connaught Hotel in Hamilton Mr. and Mrs. Smith left for Montreal and will live in Niagara Falls, N. Y.

There is nothing strange in the fact that the American tourist trade in Canada has taken a drop. It always did.—Philadelphia Enquirer.

## Judge Klein, Walkerton Passes In California

Former Senior Judge of Bruce County and Prominent Citizen of Walkerton Dies in California.

Judge Alphonse Basil Klein, of Walkerton, one of the prominent members of the legal profession, died at Santiago, California, Thursday of last week. Judge Klein had gone to California in the fall of 1931 accompanied by his wife and daughter, in an attempt to recover his health. His condition gradually became worse and he passed away Thursday morning.

Judge Klein commenced practicing his profession as an attorney in 1874 and was called to the Bar in 1879 and ten years later was appointed K.C. In April of 1893 he was appointed to the junior judgeship of Bruce county, succeeding Judge Barrett who became senior judge at the same time. In 1901 he advanced still further in his chosen profession when he was appointed as Local Master of the Supreme Court of Walkerton and a little later as Special Examiner of the Supreme Court. On the death of Judge Barrett he was appointed Senior Judge of the county of Bruce in 1915, an office which he held until his retirement in 1926.

Judge Klein was prominent in municipal affairs in Walkerton, having been both Mayor and Reeve. He was at one time a candidate for provincial honors, contesting on the Conservative ticket. During the war he was president of the Bruce County War Auxiliary and paymaster of the 32nd Bruce regiment with the rank of Major.

He was born in Berlin, Ont., in September, 1851, a son of the late John Klein, and moved with them to Neustadt when a young lad and later moving to Walkerton where he had since resided. He was twice married, first to Sophia Morden in 1879 and then to Clara Elizabeth May in 1898. He leaves to mourn his loss, besides his wife, two daughters, Betty, who was with him in California at the time of his death, and Gertrude, Mrs. Beer of Toronto. There are also three brothers: I. A. Klein of New York city, T. E. Klein of Cleveland, O., and O. E. Klein, K. C., of Walkerton. One daughter by his second wife, predeceased him.

## WHALE TOWS SHIP, TIMBERS GET HOT

New Jersey Skipper Spins Weird Tale to Explain Anchor's Disappearance.

Captain Esse Boies, master of the fishing smack Sea Toy, and an alleged teetotaler and Methodist, has all the hardened salts of the local fishing colony groggy with his tale of a 90-foot whale that towed his boat "so fast the timbers got hot."

It's not surprising, they said, when a skipper turns up in August with a tale of an encounter with a deep sea monster—the heat and lack of news makes his story somewhat credible.

But here was Cap'n Boies, a sober, dues-paying church member, back in the dead of winter with a story that would make Baron Munchausen a Jersey skipper.

The news leaked out when the Cap'n went down to get a new anchor and cable.

"Got towed by a whale," he explained. "The critter caught his belly on a fluke of the anchor."

"Wall, sir, he lit out for the surface like he was annoyed, and hit the old schooner with his snout. He like to have thrown us all overboard."

"Then off he lit like a streak with the Sea Toy after him. He like to have drug us all down to Davy Jones' locker. That darned critter lit off so fast the timbers got hot."

"Wall, sir, there was only one thing to do. I grabbed an axe and chopped the cable. It parted like as if a cannon had went off."

"So we came back to get a new cable."

## ENGLISH OFFICIAL MARK

The "broad arrow," used as a distinguishing mark on British government property, was the "cognizance" or heraldic symbol of Henry, Viscount Sidney, who was master-general of the ordinance from 1693 to 1703, says an article in the Montreal Family Herald. In time it came to be used by other government departments besides the ordinance board (now the war office), with which it first was associated. Curiously enough, the "broad arrow," was a symbol of power and authority among the ancient Druids. It is felony to obliterate this official mark.

## OBITUARY

MRS. PETER MOUNTAIN

After an illness of two weeks, the last week of which she was confined to Durham hospital, Mrs. Peter Mountain of Bentinck, died on Thursday of last week from liver trouble and complications. While her illness was regarded as serious only for two weeks previous to her death, Mrs. Mountain had been unwell for some time. She was 63 years of age.

The deceased lady was born near Neustadt, in Normanby, her maiden name being Emma Schoen. She was twice married, first to the late George Braun, and, seven years ago to Mr. Peter Mountain. After a residence of some 40 years in Normanby, the deceased came to Glenelg about 20 years ago, residing on her farm seven miles north of Provincial Highway No. 6, until her marriage to Mr. Mountain, since when she has lived in Bentinck.

Surviving, besides her husband, are three sons and four daughters, Roy, John and George, in Glenelg; Mrs. John Keller (Matilda), Normanby; Mrs. Peter Mountain, jr. (Christena), and Mrs. Henry Munro (Julia), both in Bentinck, and Mrs. Victor Scheurman (Carrie), in Pricerville.

The funeral was held on Saturday from her late residence, interment being in the Rocky Saugeen cemetery. Rev. Mr. Galloway of Mulock Baptist church was the officiating clergyman.

MRS. JAMES PASSMORE

There passed away at the General hospital, Stratford, Gertrude Blanche Ingham, daughter of the late Elizabeth Jacques and beloved wife of James Passmore, on February 26th, after a lingering illness of several years.

She leaves to mourn her demise, her husband, one daughter Grace, her father, Geo. H. Ingham, of Stratford; one sister, (Hazel) Mrs. Ralph Durrant, of Detroit, and three brothers, William, of Wingham, Frank of Ingersoll, and Clarence, of Sarnia.

Interment took place in Ingersoll cemetery after services in Ontario Street Baptist church, Stratford, which were conducted by Rev. Stewart, assisted by city mission workers. A solo was beautifully rendered by Miss Marguerite Neff, also a duet by the workers.

The pallbearers were Geo. Fellow, Edward Elliot, Ephraim Theodore, Alfred Mason, Wm. Ford and Norman Young.

Friends from a distance were Mrs. Ralph Durrant and son Ralph, and Mrs. J. C. Harrison, from Detroit; Mr. William Ingham, Wingham; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ingham and daughter, Ingersoll; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ingham, Sarnia; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fellow, Woodstock; Mr. Wm. Jacques and daughter, Louise, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harrison, sr., of Durham.

The following floral tributes showed the esteem in which the deceased was held: Husband and daughter, father, sisters and brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Durrant and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ingham and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jacques, Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. Banks and Geo. Jacques, of Spokane, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fellow, Mr. and Mrs. T. Harrison, sr., Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Harrison, Mrs. Susan Kloss, City Mission, City Mission Young People, Independent Order of Foresters, Stratford Chair Co., Mueziel Family, Metropolitan staff of Sarnia, Mr. and Mrs. Harmer and son, Mr. and Mrs. Neff, Emmaus Bible Class, St. John's United church, Miss L. Staples, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Staples and Gladys, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Austee, Mr. and Mrs. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Binkley, Mr. and Mrs. Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon, Inez and Ethel Doherty, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Sinclair, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Goguen, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ford, Miss Miller's Sunday School class, Avon Home and School Association, Mrs. W. G. Barr, of Drumbo.

## SANG OVER RADIO

Listeners in on the afternoon radio broadcast of the Annette Street Baptist church, Toronto, last Sunday afternoon were treated to a couple of fine solos by Mr. W. Harding, of Hamilton, brother of J. H. Harding, here, and a former resident of this town. Mrs. Harding was formerly Miss Ada Browne, a native of Durham, and the broadcast over CPEB was therefore particularly interesting to residents here. The program was heard by a great number of people, and the telephone line of Mr. Harding here was kept busy at the commencement of the broadcast by friends calling up to tell him to tune in on the Toronto station and hear the broadcast. The reception here was good Sunday afternoon and the service much enjoyed.

## Harriston Wins Group Title In O.H.A.

Defeats Durham in Sudden Death Game Wednesday Night by 1-0.

Just as we go to press Wednesday night word comes from Walkerton that Harriston won the sudden death game there tonight by a 1-0 score. Four 15-minute periods were played but no other details were available.

## Harriston 2 - Durham 0

Harriston intermediates won from the local squad in that town last Thursday evening 2-0, tying the score on the round 4-4, and necessitating a play-off. The game was played on soft ice—during the last period water was lying on the surface in spots—and the play was slow and ragged. After part of the first period combination play was next to impossible and individual efforts made up the most of the game. Harriston's goals were both scored on this style of play, Tilker getting the first one on the ankle-high shot from the blue line with a minute and a half to go in the second period and Pritchard scoring the tying goal on a rush through the entire Durham team with only a minute to play in the final session. It was a fine piece of work, and a well-earned goal but it can be chalked up against the locals' style of play. For the major portion of the last period they contented themselves with shooting the puck down the ice and laying back of centre almost to their blue line, and letting their opponents bring the play to them. In this case Pritchard brought it so fast, none of the local players could effectively check him, although three or four tried it.

Early in the last period Durham scored a goal, but it was not allowed on account of a penalty. Elvidge carried the puck down the boards, and Burrows tried hard to board him. "Irvie," however, outstepped him and "Doc" crashed into the fence, while Elvidge went on and scored. The referee however rang the bell for the attempted foul, gave Burrows a two-minute rest, and disallowed the goal.

## Playoff Set for Monday

The O. H. A. ordered the deciding game played in Walkerton on Monday night, but soft weather continuing made that impossible owing to ice conditions.

## Junior Game Postponed

The local junior team was ordered to meet Listowel in the N. H. L. semi-final playoffs on Saturday night, but this game also was postponed owing to ice conditions.

## Compensation Act To Be Amended

Suggested Recommendation Would Allow Workman Compensation After Three Days—Mr. Justice Middleton Heads Royal Commission Making Recommendation.

Containing recommendations for amendment of the Ontario Workmen's Compensation Act to make the lot of the injured workman an easier one, the report of a Royal Commission headed by Mr. Justice W. E. Middleton was tabled in the Legislature Monday. The Commission, appointed in January, 1931, held a series of public hearings last summer. A bill embodying the suggested amendments will probably be before the present session of the Legislature closes.

One of the most important amendments, from the workman's point of view, would provide for payment of compensation after three days. At present the act provides that a worker absent from his employment for one week as the result of an injury, would be paid compensation. Where a worker is absent for less than that period, he is usually forced to stand the loss of time. The three-day provision would materially assist the man who is paid by the day.

Mr. Justice Middleton points out that it is doubtful whether in any community save the Soviet states, social legislation has been carried any further than in Ontario. Not more than 300,000 of the Province's 3,000,000 population bear the burden of taxation, and of Ontario's \$46,000,000 of ordinary expenditure in 1931—aside from debt-interest—\$31,000,000 was spent by the provincial government in carrying out legislation of a purely social character.

The investigation carried on by the commission had particularly in view recommendations made by the Trade and Labor Congress of Canada in 1927, together with suggestions from labor and employers and from the National Labor Council.

## "THE RIVAL GHOST" MUCH ENJOYED

Three-act Play Presented by Varney "Wide Awake" Community Club—Under Auspices of Agriculture Society.

Wednesday evening of last week the "Wide Awake" Community Club of Varney presented an excellent play, "The Rival Ghost," in the town hall. The play was under the auspices of the Agriculture Society.

The play was interesting and entertaining and was well presented. The cast was as follows: Mary Bell (Cynthia Rankin); Dorothy Ritchie (Clementina); Charlotte Patterson (Patricia); Marjorie Wilton (Evelyn Gibbs); Cecil Barber (Professor Gibbs); Norman McIlvride (Colin Rankin); Kenneth McIlvride (Jasper, a colored servant); John Marshall (Gill Hawkins); Ronald Smith (Vincent Langley); Harold Watson (Donald Gibbs) and Arthur Petty (Bert Miller, real estate agent).

Mrs. C. McAlister coached the players and was assisted by Miss Mary Ford.

The Rahn Orchestra supplied excellent music between the acts and at the beginning of the program. Mr. John A. McGirr, president of the Agriculture Society, opened the program with a short address.

## FATHER AND SON BANQUET ON FRIDAY

Local Tuxis and Trail Ranger Organizations Holding Their Annual Banquet Tomorrow Evening.

The Tuxis and Trail Ranger groups of the local churches are holding their annual Father and Son Banquet in the basement of the Queen Street church tomorrow (Friday) evening. This is the event when the fathers are asked to attend with their boys and gain some idea of the aims and accomplishments of this work among the boys.

Mr. C. F. Flewman, executive secretary of the Ontario Boys' Work Board, is to be the guest speaker. Mr. Flewman needs no introduction to Durham people, as he headed the Boys' Conference held here last November and spoke in several of the churches at that time.

Another feature of the program will be the presentation of medals won by local boys in the recent Bond Selling Campaign. These medals are awarded by the Older Boys' Parliament to boys selling specified amounts, and will be presented by Alex. Sim, member for South East Grey, and Minister of Education in the Boys' Parliament.

## LIFE'S PRIME, THE YEARS BETWEEN YOUTH AND AGE

At what age is the average man or woman in his or her prime of life? Is often asked, and what is the average length of life?

The prime of life, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer, is the period of full vigor and power, that which succeeds youth and precedes age.

The average length of life in the United States, according to estimates made by the United States public health service, is fifty-six years. Statistics indicating the expectation of life place Australia at the head of the list with an average length of sixty-one years. New Zealand comes second, with an average expectation of sixty years. The average expectation of life at birth in various countries, according to the United States bureau of the census, is as follows: Denmark, Norway and Sweden, fifty-seven years; England, fifty-three years; Holland, fifty-two; Switzerland, fifty-one; France, fifty; Germany, forty-six; Japan, forty-four and India, twenty-three. Statistics also show that females have a greater expectation of life at birth than males.

## SHOULD APPEAL TO TOURISTS

The Baltic Republics of Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Finland, formed from territories of the old Russian Empire as a result of the World War, offer the tourist a region of great interest and beauty for exploration. Scenes of natural splendor abound along the winding coastline and amid the dense northern forests of all these countries and about the vast and innumerable lakes of Finland. What is not generally known is that each of these peoples boasts of long centuries of independent civilizations and that in many of the cities relics of unspoiled and charming medieval beauty remain.

The mercury keeps going up and down because there is so much spring to the winter.—Kitchener Record.