

Odd Fellows' Hall Dedicated Thursday

Large Gathering of Odd Fellows, Rebekahs and Friends at Official Dedication Ceremony Last Thursday Evening—Grand Lodge Officials Present.

Last Thursday evening was without question the biggest night in local Odd Fellowship ever held in Durham, the occasion being the official dedication of the new Odd Fellows home into which the Grey Lodge No. 169 moved only a few weeks ago. It was the culmination of a wish of years—to own a home of their own, and with this desire gratified some months ago with the purchase of the McKee block, the refitting of the new premises for the requirements of the society and preparations for the dedication ceremony last Thursday have occupied the time of the members of the lodge for several weeks back. It is a satisfaction to the Oddfellows that the ceremony was everything hoped for and that the society is now located in its new home, free of debt, and with apparently a period of almost unlimited prosperity ahead of it.

Present at the ceremony from Grand Lodge were Deputy Master Rev. A. C. Cummer of London, who officially dedicated the building; Grand Marshal W. A. Thornton, Toronto, who took his official position; Major C. V. Kruspe of Stratford Cantonment, who acted as Chevalier. Numbers of other visiting brethren were also present from outside lodges, and, with nearly 250 of the members of the local Odd Fellows, members of the Rebekahs and their friends, the capacity of the building was taxed to the utmost.

An Impressive Ceremony
The dedication ceremony was a most impressive one, and besides the Grand Lodge members previously mentioned, those of the local lodge taking part were:

Grand Warden, D. McCallum; Grand Chaplain, A. C. Kinnee; Inner Guard, T. Whitmore; Herald of the North, W. Ritchie; Herald of the South, J. Ritchie; Herald of the East, T. V. Bell; Herald of the West, B. Stonehouse; Rebekah Matron, Miss B. Ritchie; Escorts, C. McGirr, L. McComb.

Members of quartette, which supplied the musical part of the ceremony, B. Saunders, C. Lang, C. Lauder, J. B. Duffield.
Pianist, Miss W. Blyth.

The programme was in charge of Rev. W. H. Smith, while to the sitting Noble Grand, Harry Falkingham, fell the duty of requesting the Grand Master to formally dedicate the building to the use of Odd Fellowship.
Briefly, the ceremony of dedicating the building was, first, to build the altar around which Odd Fellowship is built. This was the duty of the Heralds and Escorts, who commenced the foundation with the laying of the stone of Purity. Following came those of Friendship, Love, Truth, Faith, Hope, Charity, Fidelity and Universal Justice, the whole surmounted with the capstone and light that would guide the members of the Order and ever remind them of what their society stood for and what was expected of those who took the obligations and became brothers in this great fraternal institution.

The ceremony was both pretty and impressive the intricate floor work of the dedicating team showing up well and indicative of the fact they had been well and carefully trained in the work and had entered the ceremony with but one idea, that of making it the success of which they were capable. The music for the ceremony was supplied by Miss Winnie Blyth.

Short Programme Followed
After the dedication ceremony proper had been completed a short programme was given. There was a duet by Misses A. Ramage and Mrs. B. Stonehouse, a solo by Mr. C. Graff, and readings by Messrs. Joe Davison and E. D. McClocklin, the latter giving the trial scene in the Gilbert & Sullivan opera, "Trial by Jury."

A vote of thanks was proposed by J. A. Graham thanking the Grand Lodge officials for their help past and present, and expressing satisfaction that the local lodge was now in a home of its own, which was free from incumbrance of any kind. The motion was seconded by A. Bell.

The Grand Master's address was short, but to the point. He pointed out the duties of every good Odd Fellow, the aims of the society, and the duties of the members to practice what they learned in the lodge room in the world at large. "Had fraternal societies functioned during the past centuries according to their ideals, there would have been no Great War," said

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE HOLD SPECIAL MEETING

Met in Queen Street United Church on Tuesday.—Zion and Aberdeen Ladies Meet With Local Branch.

The summer series meeting of the Women's Institute met this year in Queen street United church basement, Aberdeen and Zion Institute branches meeting with the Durham members.

Miss Hopkins, of Aberdeen, gave an excellent paper on "Friendship," beginning with the famous friendships of history, Damon and Pythias, etc. A friend was defined as "one who knows all about you and loves you just the same." The way to have a friend is to be one. Old friends are best; friend forsake the old and tried friends for the new. Friendship was described as the golden thread that makes this world so fair. Miss Winnie Blyth entertained with a pleasing solo, and Mrs. Clifford Cook of Zion gave a humorous reading, "The White Sox Ball Game," which caused much merriment. Community singing was also enjoyed. Mrs. James Mather presided.

Mrs. J. S. McIlraith introduced the speaker of the day in a few remarks. Mrs. Joan Hamilton Shearer of Pool, is a graduate of Macdonald Institute, Guelph, a woman of wide training and practical experience.

The speaker combined several topics in her address dealing largely with "Our Community and Our Responsibilities to it and to our boys and girls." The Institute has a wonderful opportunity offered in the short courses, and judging contests offered by the department for the asking. A building to hold the courses in is all that is asked from the Institutes. The courses on nutrition, which is so vitally important to our well-being, were well worth procuring and attending. The proper building up of our bodies from infancy is necessary to good health. The judging contests have many benefits and advantages for the boys and girls and give a splendid training. Mrs. Shearer showed how the Institute could help the young people as well as the older ones in their mental development by bringing these courses within their reach. Mrs. Shearer was well received by her audience who would enjoy hearing her again.

The local ladies served lunch and a social half hour was spent with the sister branches.

MRS. PADFIELD'S PUPILS IN SPLENDID RECITAL

Large Crowd Enjoyed a Varied Program.—Hear Interesting Talk by Mrs. A. R. Collins.

A most interesting time was spent in Queen Street United church on Tuesday evening when Mrs. G. R. Padfield presented her piano pupils in a lengthy and well-executed recital. Her class show careful training and indicate marked improvement from year to year. The guest artists were Mrs. A. R. Collins of Walkerton, who gave a splendid talk on "Thoughts from the Great Composers," and Miss Alberta Gibson, violinist, of Mount Forest, and her accompanist, Mrs. Gibson. Miss Gibson is a talented young lady and her portion of the program was enthusiastically received.

The program was as follows: "Le Secret," Leonard Gautier—Helen Gagnon, Margaret Sparling; "Song Without Words," L. Streabog—Betty McIntyre; "Skating," Cecil Klein—Edna Harrison; "Narcissus," David Dick Slater—Margaret Armstrong; "Evening Chimes," Carl Heins—Susie Bell; "Joys of Spring," Fritz Spindler—Gwynneth McGowan; "Adoration," Borowski—Alberta Gibson; "Valse Mignonne," Frederick Mullen—James Sloane; "Morceau en forme L'Etude," H. Wollenhaupt—Helen Gibson; "Sonatina in F," Beethoven—Catherine Rowland; "Tarentella," Gordon Borsch; "Will O'Wisp," Albert Jungmann—Jean McGirr; Talk, "Thoughts from the Composers," Mrs. A. R. Collins; "Woodland Revels," Frederick Keats—Mary Town; Pixies Waltz Song, Arthur L. Brown—Margaret L. Derby; "Rendezvous," W. Aelter—Essel McArthur; "Boy Scouts' Hike," Walter Rolfe—Philip Sparling; "Le Petit Rien," Francois Couperin; "Dance of the Tulips," Stewart B. Emerson—Vera Lauder; "Yellow Jonquils," Paul Johanning—Elizabeth Brown; "Menuet," J. J. Paderewski—Margaret Sparling; "Gypsy Rondó," J. Haydn—C. Rowland, B. McIntyre, M. Town; "Adagio Pathétique," B. Godard—Alberta Gibson; "God Save the King"—Margaret Derby.

Mrs. Padfield deserves much credit for her efforts which, judging from the exhibition on Tuesday evening are meeting with success.

Highway Deputation Well Received

Minister of Highways Sympathetic with Deputation Requests, But Could Do Nothing Without Sanction of Grey County Council.—Highway Work to Be Undertaken at Melancthon.

A deputation of Durham citizens waited on Hon. Leopold Macaulay at the Parliament Buildings, Toronto, last Friday, in an effort to have some consideration given the completion of No. 6 Highway from L. McLean's corner four miles north of town, to Chatsworth. The deputation was given a good hearing, but little hope was held out for the work, in fact, they were told it could not go ahead without the sanction of the Grey county council, which had already expressed their disapproval of the work being done.

The request that the work be gone ahead with was made solely in the interests of employment, as it was hoped the completion of the highway would mean the operation of the Durham plant of the Consolidated Sand & Gravel Co. The deputation was informed, however, the decision rested with the county council for two reasons, first, because the Highways Department would not go ahead with work against the wishes of the council, and second, that last year the additional eight miles of construction had been built on the 1932 programme. The Department, however, was willing to go ahead with the work providing the council approved, and in the event the roadwork was ordered, Durham stone would be used.

There will be some seven miles constructed in the vicinity of Melancthon this year on Highway No. 10, as the road here is in a deplorable condition and something would have to be done. It was promised that Durham stone would be used on this work also.

Hope of the completion of Highway No. 10 has not been altogether abandoned, however, as conditions have changed since the last meeting of the county council. Since this meeting the direct relief programme has been adopted by Ontario, and in the event of unemployment becoming acute, and workmen and their families in need of help, this method will be adopted. It is felt locally that if this is properly explained to the members of the council at their meeting this month they may see it is to their advantage to supply employment and have roads built rather than supply relief for those out of work and get nothing in return.

A new departure this year in any road building undertaken is that local labor must be employed wherever possible. Local truck drivers, and local trucks will be given preference over outside men and machines. In adopting this plan the greater part of the money expended for roadways will be left in the municipalities in which the roads are built.

CAR WAS SEIZED WHILE AT DANCE

Walkerton Man Thought His Car Stolen But Learns It Was Seized and Liquor Found.

While Gladstone McIntyre was enjoying himself in the street dance on Tuesday night last week which marked the conclusion of the Victoria Day celebration at Walkerton, Balliff A. Ferguson was placing his car under seizure for debt, and had his official curiosity piqued by the presence of a partly-filled bottle of liquor in the back seat.

Summoning Provincial Officer McClevis he had the latter take charge of the booze while he seized the car.

When McIntyre later came to get his car and found it had disappeared from where it was parked, he surmised that it had been stolen and reported it to Nightwatchman Crawford, who explained what had happened to it. However, Mr. McIntyre will have to do some explaining about the bottle of liquor.

UNDERWENT OPERATION

Mrs. T. G. Hutton is a patient in Durham hospital, where last Thursday night she underwent an operation for appendicitis. Though her condition was serious for a time, Mrs. Hutton is now progressing favorably.

SUCCESSFUL TEA

The ladies of Knox United church held a very successful lilac tea at the church yesterday afternoon at which a large crowd was present.

Sunday Fishing May Be Stopped

Old-time Act of 1845 to Be Enforced by Lord's Day Act Officials Is Possibility in Ontario.—Society Will Have Lots of Work on Hands.

To fish or not to fish—on Sunday. This is the question that is occupying the minds of the Ontario Anglers' Association since one of their number was threatened with prosecution at Eugenia Falls recently, as told in Tuesday's issue of the Toronto Mail and Empire. The story runs as follows:

"Out of the misty past have come a few printed words to bar Ontario sportsmen from fishing on the Sabbath day, and if the 87-year-old section of an Ontario Act were still further enforced, bathing or swimming on the Lord's Day would result in the arrest and fine of all offenders.

"While there is little possibility of Toronto's police receiving instructions to arrest the thousands of bathers who disport themselves in the waters of Lake Ontario on the day of rest, there apparently is a danger, according to local club officers, of anglers finding themselves deprived of their Sunday recreation by the waters' side.

John Sutton, a prominent member of the Ontario Anglers' Association, is the fisherman who found himself to be a victim of a "blue" law which apparently most people had forgotten was ever placed on the statute books. Last Sunday while fishing at Eugenia Falls, Sutton was prevented from continuing his sport by a game warden and a provincial constable who told him it was "against the law."

"The upshot is that local anglers and the Ontario association are up in arms to wage war against the law, which, like a bolt from the blue, threatens to put an end to the peaceful Sunday sport. They assert that if the authorities take any action against Sutton as a result of the incident at Eugenia Falls, they will take the matter to the courts and make a test case of it to determine whether or not Sabbath fishing shall be allowed to continue in the future.

"As far as can be determined, the action of the two officers at Eugenia Falls was based solely on an Act entitled: "Ontario Lord's Day Laws," which is Chapter 104 of the Act of 1845, Consolidated Statutes of Upper Canada, Relating to the Sabbath, the Act says: "It is unlawful for any person to go out fishing, or to take, kill or destroy any fish, or to take any gun, fishing rod, net or other engine for that purpose."

"And in the same Act swimming on the Lord's Day is declared illegal in the following words: "It is not legal for any person on that day to bathe in any exposed condition, in any water within the limits of any incorporated city or town, or within view of any place of public worship, or private residence."

Rev. Dr. H. C. Huestis, general secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, said yesterday that his organization seldom took action in such matters. The main object, he said, was to prevent commercialized sport on Sunday.

It was "rather strange" to J. Barrington, assistant to the Deputy Minister of Game and Fisheries, that a game warden should attempt to stop Mr. Sutton fishing, on the ground that it was against the law. The officers in the department merely enforced the regulations in the Game and Fisheries Act but did not enforce the provisions of the Lord's Day Act, he declared.

It may all be a tempest in a teapot, but ardent anglers are answering the call to battle the ancient law which would deprive many of them of their one opportunity in the week to cast their lines in lake and stream."

GRADUATES TOMORROW

Miss Frances MacArthur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. F. MacArthur, of town, who has been in the Groves Memorial Hospital, Fergus, in training, will graduate as one of the 1932 class, from this School of Training for nurses on June 3, 1932. Announcement of the Graduation Exercises have just been received by the parents and will be functioned at Melville Hall, Fergus. Her many Durham friends offer congratulations at her achievement, and best wishes are extended to her for success in this noble calling of administering to the sick and afflicted.

TEMPERATURES FOR PAST WEEK

	8 a.m.	Max.	Min.	Rain
Thursday	66	81	62	.17
Friday	63	74	63	.14
Saturday	45	56	45	.02
Sunday	46	68	32	—
Monday	58	72	41	—
Tuesday	60	76	50	—
Wednesday	70	79	55	—

BOARD OF TRADE TO MEET TOMORROW

Meeting Called for 8 O'clock in Town Hall Tomorrow Evening to Discuss Matters of Importance to the Town.

The Board of Trade is to meet tomorrow (Friday) night in the town hall, the call having come from President McFadden that there is important business in the air and that the citizens should gather to discuss it.

To some this may appear rather amusing—the Board of Trade is to meet—after being in a comatose condition for the past year or two. It may as well be explained that the Board of Trade has not been functioning as it should for some time. This condition, naturally, will be blamed on the officers who were catapulted into the position and then left to sink or swim. When rejuvenated in February, 1930, and new officers elected, it was thought some interest would be taken, but with the calling of meetings ignored by the rank and file of the membership, the officials decided not sufficient interest was shown to warrant carrying on.

The present meeting has been called as an emergent to discuss some subjects over which the citizens have little control, but are considered sufficiently important to call a meeting. It is hoped those interested in the town will be able to spare the time tomorrow to go over to the hall, as we have been assured the matters to be taken up are important and call for united action of every resident. The meeting is called for 8 o'clock sharp.

OBITUARY

JAMES HAMILTON

Mr. James Hamilton, a former resident of Egremont, but for the past forty years living in Western Canada, died at his home at Saskatoon last Thursday after an illness of some years, and for which he underwent an operation a year ago last January. He was 70 years of age, and since his operation has received constant care in his home, never showing much sign of improvement.

The late Mr. Hamilton was born in 1862 in Egremont, on the farm now occupied by Mr. Farr Lawrence near Wilder's Lake, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hamilton. Of a family of eleven, only four survive: Messrs. David Hamilton of Durham; William, of Regina, Sask.; Mrs. Robert Baird (Maggie) St. Thomas, N.D.; and Mrs. Harry Vollett (Kate), Rose-town, Sask.

Mr. Hamilton was married twice, first to Miss Mary Brown, sister of Mr. Thomas Brown of Durham, to whom was born one son, James Thomas, now living near Saskatoon. Mrs. Hamilton died shortly after the birth of her son and some years later Mr. Hamilton was married to Miss Mary Mack, formerly of Egremont, and sister of the late James Mack, who died a year ago last March.

Since leaving Durham some 40 years ago Mr. Hamilton has made his home in North Dakota and Saskatchewan, where he engaged in farming, retiring some years ago to Saskatoon. With Mrs. Hamilton he visited here on different occasions, being last here about seven years ago. He was well known by the older residents of the township, and friends in Durham, who will regret to learn of his demise.

JOHN W. IRWIN

A former resident of Durham in the person of Mr. John Weston Irwin died at his home, 81 Marion street, Toronto, on Thursday last, interment being made at Shelburne on Sunday. On Saturday night a service was held at the home in Toronto, the cortage proceeding to Shelburne the next morning by motor.

The late Mr. Irwin was married to Mrs. Cordelia Middaugh, who passed away some years ago, and was a resident of Durham for several years, when he conducted the Middaugh House here, and for a time was in partnership with his brother-in-law, the late James Gunn. He has not been a resident here for over a quarter of a century. He would be about 75 years of age.

Lacking particulars, it is not possible to say anything of his last illness, or give further information.

SUCCESSFUL IN CONTEST

Master Alex. McDonnell, young son of Mr. and Mrs. W. McDonnell, received word yesterday that he had been successful in capturing a prize in the first of the Old Chum tobacco picture title contests now being run by the Imperial Tobacco Co. As a result of his efforts, Master Alex. received a cheque for two dollars and is naturally quite elated with his success.

World Recovery Awaits Parleys

Lausanne and Ottawa May Change Trend of Era.—Loans Falling Off.

(From George Hambleton, Canadian Press staff writer in London comes the following):

World trade recovery waits on the Ottawa Imperial Economic Conference and the Lausanne Conference on reparations and inter-governmental debts.

Since the break-up of the Danubian Conference in which the four great powers—Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy—attempted to aid the Danubian country conditions in Central Europe have grown steadily worse. Hungary, Greece and Bulgaria have either defaulted or suspended payments on their loans. Austria has made public her intention of defaulting payments on loans as from next Saturday.

The principal loans the International Bank floated to help the stricken countries have fallen steadily in value during the last few months. Since June the Austrian reconstruction loan has dropped from 104 to 81. In less than a year the Hungarian loan has decreased from 90 to 32. The Greek refugee loan, since June has slipped from 100 to 31 and the Bulgarian refugee loan has shrunk from 66 to 20.

Evidently alarmed over the situation the British Government has declined to guarantee any further loans to Austria and Greece.

Difficulties Accumulate

As the Lausanne conference approaches, difficulties seem to accumulate. The new French Government will scarcely have time to formulate its policy before the conference assembles on June 16. Wild storms in the Prussian Diet are accompanied by almost daily rumors that Germany is on the verge of dictatorship. An Autumn budget that will wield a resolute axe over public expenditures is expected in parliamentary lobbies at Westminster.

Since the economic crisis last Summer Britain has gone far to lift herself out of the morass. It is frankly recognized, however, she still has far to go. Optimism which accompanied the first stages of recovery has been somewhat tempered. Government critics are daily urging negotiations with foreign countries for mutual tariff reductions. Against this is the Government's repeatedly declared intention of going to Ottawa unhampered by previous commitments. Tariff "feelers" from foreign countries have been set aside until the British Commonwealth of Nations has had its say.

AUTO ACCIDENT PROVES FATAL

C. W. Cole, Teller in Bank of Montreal, Chesley, Succumbs to Injuries.—Ran Into Ditch North of Chesley.

On Thursday, May 19, shortly after 9 p.m., Clarence W. Cole, teller in the Bank of Montreal, Chesley, since last January, and Ernest Fusee, junior in the same bank, went for a spin northward in the former's roadster. All went well till their light car, travelling at a high rate of speed, according to those they passed on the county road, hit the bump on Snake Creek bridge, which threw the car off its course and after passing the posts at the north end of the bridge the car, which had got beyond control, took to the ditch at the left side of the road and after travelling about 50 feet with one side in a ditch nearly 5 feet deep both occupants were thrown out and the car ran into Pryor Hardman's fence, smashing two fence posts and badly damaging the car. Robt. Bell, who drives the truck for the Tara Creamery, was the first on the scene of the accident. Both Cole and Fusee were unconscious. Bell telephoned for help to Chesley and Dr. Rannie, the coroner, Dr. Dawson and others were soon on the scene and the injured men were conveyed to Hanover Hospital where Cole passed away the next afternoon. Fusee is still in the hospital. The body of Cole was brought to Wright's undertaking parlors where a post-mortem examination revealed that his death was due to concussion of the brain. On Friday evening the mother, two brothers and other relatives in Picton and Toronto arrived and after viewing the body decided to have the remains shipped to Picton, the home of deceased, where interment took place on Monday afternoon. Mr. Cole was a clever and likeable young man and his sudden death in such a tragic manner cast a gloom over a community where there have been so many removals by the grim reaper this spring.