

In Other Communities

Taken From Our Exchanges About People of Your Acquaintance.

Farmer Sets Record

A Dempsey, well-known Ellise Tp. farmer, regards with satisfaction a condition which has not existed on his farm at this time of the year during the nearly half-century that he has been farming. He is through haying, harvesting and threshing. That is a new mid-August record for his 250-acre farm. The returns from his grain crop were very satisfactory, according to Mr. Dempsey. Roots and corn also give promise of being good crops. What timothy has been threshed in the district, he says, has given a good yield.—Elora Express.

New Traffic Officer

Provincial Constable A. Bosworth, of the Dundas Highway Motorcycle Patrol has been transferred to No. 10 Highway with headquarters at Shelburne. Constable Bosworth will patrol No. 10 highway to Chatsworth and the Arthur-Orangeville highway to Grand Valley. Officer Bosworth was with the famous Coldstream Guards for three and a half years before coming to Canada three years ago. The new traffic officer has been busy stopping motorists and asking for permits. We would strongly advise local motorists to carry their permits with them.—Dundalk Herald.

Paving on No. 10

Eighty rods of pavement is the extent of the work done during the past week by the paving firm engaged to lay the 6.2 mile stretch from below Dundalk to the Melancthon corner. No pavement was laid on Tuesday, due to the fact that a vein of very coarse gravel was encountered at the Porter pit. Paving operations were resumed on Wednesday in front of Ted Wood's place. Quite a bit of difficulty has been experienced in getting material to make shoulders on the side of the road. When the big steam shovel gets a fair sized hole dug, the hole insists on filling with water. This has occurred on two or three farms between Corbetton and Melancthon.—Dundalk Herald.

Escapes Injury in Peculiar Accident

Struck down and dragged on the bumper of the car driven by Dr.

Simpson of Kintail, on Friday, Donald Carrick of Goderich had a harrowing experience from which he emerged without serious injury. The doctor was proceeding along St. Andrew street in Goderich when the incident occurred and was apparently unaware of the lad's predicament until shouts from eyewitnesses caused him to bring the car to a stop. The lad was thrown back on the bumper, with his head and shoulders forced down between it and the radiator, where he hung suspended by his knees and suffered bruises and abrasions in the course of a 200-foot ride in this fashion. An examination revealed no bones broken.—Lucknow Sentinel.

Stalk of Corn Over Twelve Feet

A stalk of corn was brought into the News-Record office on Saturday by George Hamilton, of R. R. No. 1, Orton, and if it doesn't hold some kind of a record, it is at least the largest that has ever been brought to this newspaper. The stalk was 12 feet 4 inches high last week and it was not yet out in tassel, so that it would probably have gone another nine or ten inches beyond that if left to mature. Mr. Hamilton has 3 1/2 acres of corn, all good, and the variety is Wisconsin No. 7. He used no fertilizer but the corn was planted in an old stubble field, plowed down. He is quite justified in thinking that the farmers of Erin township can grow as good corn and potatoes as anybody anywhere.—Fergus News-Record.

Fined At Hanover

Ed. Simons, a German immigrant, who has been in town for some years, came up before Magistrate Spereman in local police court last Friday on a charge of having secured aid from the town relief fund by means of false pretences. Constable Meyer, on being tipped off to the fact that Simons was said to have considerable money in the house, although also on the relief list, secured a warrant and searched his house, finding \$300 hid away therein. In court Simons produced his bank book and also had a credit balance there of \$74. After hearing the evidence the magistrate imposed a year's suspended sentence and ordered him to pay costs of the court, and also refund to the relief committee all aid secured from them. The town authorities felt very keenly that there must be no wrong-doing in securing relief and hope that the case against Simons

will serve as a warning to all that false pretences will not be tolerated.—Hanover Post.

Orangeville Barn Burns

At 9.30 o'clock Thursday morning the fine steel barn of William Passmore, on the Ryan farm just across the C.P.R. skew crossing on west Broadway, went up in smoke.

Mr. Passmore had all this season's crop in the barn and threshing operations had just got under way when a burst of blame shot up from the blower and soon the whole building was a mass of flames. Several horses were got out safely and none of the other livestock fell a prey to the flames.

Although we understand Mr. Passmore carried some insurance, it is said his loss will be considerable. The barn, which was of steel construction and was only erected a year ago, was of the most modern type and it will be difficult to replace it at anything like its real value.—Orangeville Sun.

OTHER PAPERS' OPINIONS

Newspapers and the Conference

Readers of the Toronto papers can not but wonder at the attitude of the Toronto Star to the Conference at Ottawa. After careful study of its reports and its editorials, one is forced to the conclusion that it hoped for failure, although no reason other than political can be attributed to such an attitude. The Imperial Conference is of greater importance than politics and the paper that plays peanut politics in reporting such an important event has not the proper perspective.

In direct contrast was the attitude displayed by the Globe, which paper constantly hoped for the best even in the face of disappointing news from Ottawa. No paper in Canada displayed a better attitude than did the Globe which constantly applauded the efforts of the Canadian premier.—Palmerston Spectator.

Hang On, Girlie

The lights in the crowded bus had failed and the passengers were thrown into confusion.

"Can I find you a strap?" the tall young man asked the young lady at his side.

"Thank you," she replied. "But I have just found one."

"Good," he replied, "then perhaps you wouldn't mind letting go of my tie?"

News in Brief

Interesting Happenings Briefly Outlined for the Busy Readers

Over the three prairie provinces the 1932 grain crop is more than half harvested according to the estimates made by the C.P.R. agricultural department. Wheat already cut has reached 64 per cent, oats 48 per cent and barley 47 per cent of the total crop.

Stanley Balitsky, Kitchener young man, learned at Goderich that he cannot drive with one arm round a young lady, even if the lady happens to be his bride of one day, as was the case.

Stanley faced a reckless driving charge perferred by Traffic Officer Lever. In traffic court the officer at first refused to be swayed by sentimental piffle about newlyweds, but the magistrate softened. He fined Balitsky \$5 and costs on a reduced charge, told him to get along with his honeymooning, saved his driver's permit from cancellation and the situation generally.

A bee caused the death of Frederick C. Jackson, 55, of Ottawa, on Thursday. Five minutes after he had been bitten by the insect, and before medical aid arrived, Jackson was dead, dying from a sudden seizure engendered by shock. Two years ago Jackson was stung by a bee and rendered unconscious for several hours.

Claiming that with every fly killed six more appear to mourn its death, exasperated members of the summer colony at Point Pelee have sent an SOS call to the entomological bureau at Chatham to do something about the pests. Swatters, sticky paper and poison pads have failed to eradicate the flies, some of which the cottagers claim, carry two-edged swords.

Before the early winter sends the ice floes charging down to block the passage through the Hudson Straits, more than 2,000,000 bushels of grain will have moved out of the new seaport of Fort Churchill on Hudson Bay, to the markets of Great Britain and Europe. Two grain laden ships are already on the high seas after loading there.

Pioneer in the field of bicycle trade, and a former publisher, Robert M. Jaffray, died in hospital in Windsor on Sunday. Mr. Jaffray, who was 73 years of age, was born in Galt, and became the owner of the Norwich Gazette at the age of 19. He afterwards, in partnership with his brothers, acquired the Brant Union, which they named the Brantford Telegram. James P. Jaffray, a former publisher of the Galt Reporter, is a brother.

Owing to the fact that the Southampton Continuation School will carry only two teachers for the coming term no upper school subjects will be taught. Those pupils who have several subjects left of their upper school course will have to attend high school at Port Elgin. About ten or twelve pupils are in this position.

Unemployment has brought a new complication in its wake. The Montreal city hall reports that toes, fingers and hands en masse are suffering in the carrying out of city works this year, claims for compensation for injury are rolling in upon the city in record numbers. The reason is the large proportion of men unaccustomed to manual work, now handling pick shovel and crowbar.

Five men standing in a service station at Gravenhurst on Friday to escape a heavy downpour of rain escaped with a scratch when a cyclonic burst of wind wrecked the building and threw the roof 100 feet away. At the time of the blast a motorist had driven into the station to refuel but he stepped on the gas and dodged the falling roof.

Silas Richard Parsons, chairman of the board of the British American Oil Company, Ltd., died in Toronto on Saturday. He was 78 years old and had been ill for some months.

Alfred Casselton of Toronto, by his prompt action and efficiency rescued 15 persons from drowning when a motor launch in which they were riding crashed into a submerged reef and hurled all the occupants into the Severn River at Orillia on Friday.

This fish story comes from August Simion of Pittsburgh: At Lake Cherokee he saw a small bird alight on a willow branch overlying the water. Suddenly there was a swish and a three-pound bass shot from the water and narrowly missed catching the bird. It wasn't the fish that got away that time.

Tattooing of chickens and hens has been adopted by the Carolina, U.S. Poultry Association as a means of com-

batting fowl thieving, which has increased recently. Each poultry raiser is being assigned a different brand which will be registered.

Frank Farmer and Bill Neapolitan, both Philadelphia auto racing drivers, were killed Sunday during the season's first racing program at Woodbridge, N.J. Farmer, nationally known, was trailing Neapolitan and crashed into him when he attempted to pass on the inside.

Canada's Parliament will open in October, about the same time as the British House and Parliaments of several other Dominions. This was the intimation of high authority at Ottawa last Thursday.

John A. Machray, K.C., prominent in religious and educational circles in Western Canada, chairman of the Board of Governors of the University of Manitoba, was placed under arrest in Winnipeg last Thursday and charged with theft of \$47,451.37 of the University's funds. Arrest of Machray followed the disclosure that shortages of several hundred thousand dollars had been found to exist in the endowment funds of the University.

NOTED EDUCATOR

William H. McGuffey, author of McGuffey's school reader, was born in Washington county, Pa., in 1800, and graduated at Washington college, Pa., in 1825. He was professor, first, of ancient languages and later of moral philosophy in Miami university in 1830-1839, president of Ohio university in 1839-1843 and professor of moral philosophy in the University of Virginia from 1845 until his death, in 1873. He compiled the so-called "Eclectic Series" of readers and other school books, of which immense numbers were sold.

BIG WESTERN WHITE PINE TREE IN NATIONAL PARK

A grand old western white pine tree, believed to be one of the largest of its kind in the world and estimated at more than one thousand years of age, is in Crater Lake National park, Oregon. It is 23 feet, 2 inches in circumference, the measurements being taken breast high in accordance with the Spalding rules of measurements. Its height is 140 feet. The pine is located in a canyon on the middle fork of Anna creek, two and a half miles south of government camp. The east side of the gorge has been subject to heavy erosion, causing the roots of trees in that section to become almost trunks in their own right. But this great tree, growing on the west side of the canyon, has never suffered from the effects of such action. The great size of this giant tree is particularly amazing because Idaho, and not Oregon, is recognized as the real home of the western white pine.

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