W IRWIN, Editor and Proprietor

Thursday, January 25, 1923.

BURNS' BIRTHDAY

Robert Burns, the great poet of Scotland, was born on the 25th of January, 1759, just 164 years ago today, and after a very chequered life he died in July, 1796, at the age of a little more than 37 years. But Robbie Burns still lives in the heart of every Scotsman and to-day the anniversary of his birth will be commemorated from hundreds of platforms throughout the civilized world. He was a bundle of eccentricities, a man of varied moods and his writings were as varied as his life. He wrote as he felt, and the transitions from the sublime to the ridiculous were governed by the mood in which the moment found him. Nothing can be more inspiring than 'The Cotter's Saturday Night," yet there are other productions that cannot be placed in the same class. Notwithstanding the weaknesses shown in some of his writings any admirer of the ill-fated genius must come to the conclusion that underneath the apparently rough exterior there was the character of a true man. Burns is dead, but Burns still lives in the hearts of his people and admirers.

Oh, wad some power the giftie gie us To see ourselves as others see us! It wad frae mony a blunder free us And foolish notion.

U.F.O. ASKS FOR RESIGNATIONS

A few weeks ago W. J. Hammill of Muskoka, elected by the U.F.O., signified his intention of going over to the Liberals, and a week or two later Joseph Binette of Prescott, another U.F.O. member, decided to pursue the same course and throw in his influence with the same party. The electors in both constituencies are naturally indignant at the actions of their respective members and have, in each case, asked for their resignations. It isn't at all likely that either of the two men were ever imbued with Progressive principles, but fell in with the enthusiasm of the group as an easy way to get into power. We are not at all surprised at the Progressives being peeved at the treachery shown by the members they elected. Were we one of the electors we would be in the same mood and our feelings of indignation would not end even with the resignation.

The members in question were Liberals before the election, Liberals after the election and Liberals at heart, no doubt, when the ballots were being cast. It is not the first time duplicity has been practiced to gain a point, and Muskoka and Prescott are not the only places. We respect a Grit, a Tory or a U. F. O.,, but we never had respect for a political trimmer whose object was to win by acting the part of a hypo- Field Crop Competition, the crop becrite. Let a man be something and let him stick to it till he changes on after threshing. There must be fifsome good principle. Good men have left one party to cast their lots in be taken. The prizes range from \$75 with another, but in the case of good to \$10. men changing they are actuated by some good principle. Instances may be quoted where Grits turned Tory, or where Tories turned Grits and were afterwards true to the parties U. F. O. Live Stock Shipping Asso- liberty of rest for each demands the solving all problems, and in the end with whom they cast in their alle- ciation was held in the Public Li- law of rest for all. One's own would succeed. It might take some giance. It isn't a crime for a man brary Saturday afternoon when the property or life is only safe because wears to do so, but they would do it, to change his mind if he has a good officers of last year were all re- all men's lives and property are pro- and most probably by co-operative sail to every breeze that blows and rence, Shipper. keep the public in doubt as to where to find him.

THE COAL EMBARGO SCARE

A report emanating from Toronto that the New York Central and Pennsylvania Railroads were to place an embarge on shipments of coal to Canada was emphatically denied by officials of both roads last week. No talk of an embargo had been heard in New York and no embargo was in contemplation. The report of the embargo that came from Toronto insinuated that it was being forced on the railroads by the people of the United States, especially some members of Congress who have been in the fight for a cessation of ceal exports to Canada. The denial of the H. C. R., assisted by Bro. J. S. McIlrailroads clears up the air in that raith, S. M. direction and now the public may first place? Was the wish father to the thought. Were there some of to stampede the public into buying Mount Forest on a charge of bank coal at exhorbitant prices? To us it robbery, was adjourned on Saturday templated any such action. The pub- cused have been identified as part lic will have to form its own conclu- of the loot taken from Mount Forest.

sions. The very best that can be said is that it sounds fishy.

CARNIVAL ON TUESDAY WAS A SUCCESS

The Ice Carnival on the local rink last Tuesday night was a gratifying success to the rink management, and the program run off was interesting to those who patronized the first ice festival of the year. The crowd, although not so large as at the two carnivals last winter, was, considering the sickness now prevalent in pated. Durham Band was in attendance and played at intervals during the evening. Plans for the next carnival, we understand, will be commenced at once and the carnival held in the early part of next month. Following are the awards as distributed by the judges, Miss Weir, Mrs. prohibition law. I. S. McIlraith and H. Koch .:

Historic or National.

and Mrs. J. F. Irwin. Girl-Ellen Hay.

Boy-Earl McEachnie, Jack Lau-

Lady-Katie McAuliffe, Frances the lawbreaker himself? Fancy.

Hopkins. Gent .-- Harry Kress.

Girl-Florence McDonald. Boy-Don. Knight, George Hahn.

Comic. Lady⊣Rebecca Levine. Gent.-George Hugill, F. Saunders.

Boy-Norman McIntyre, Wallace Thompson. Best Dressed Boy-George Hay, V.

The Races.

Hind.

Couple Race-Clarence McGirr and Nellie McGirr, Harper McGirr and May McGirr.

Ladies' Race-May McGirr, Nellie McGirr.

Men's Race-Sherwood Rowe, Clarence McGirr.

Girls' Race-Lizzie Hind, May

Boys' Race-F. Vollett, L. McComb. Human Wheelbarrow Race-Mac Saunders and Steinocher, Ernest Mc-Donald and S. Rowe.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY HELD

and general business.

for the ensuing year:

Archie Park, 2nd Vice Pres.

The following Directors were elected:

Bentinck-Robert Brierson, James Mather.

Barber.

Glenelg-John McGirr, Thos. Bell. drew Hunter.

Durham-Thomas Petty. Ramage.

It was decided to hold a combined personal liberty. ing judged first in the field and again teen competitors before action can

U. F. O. SHIPPING ASSOCIATION

reason for doing so, but it is a de- elected. J. G. Firth is President, W. tected by law. Law is always jus- effort. cided crime for a man to trim his J. Ritchie, Secretary and James Law- tified if it is for the general good, no

I. O. F. ELECT OFFICERS

At the regular meeting of the LO.F. held on Thursday evening of last week, the following officers were

duly installed: C. D., Bro. W. H. Moffet.

P.C.R., Bro. J. W. McKechnie.

C. R., J. McQueen. V.C.R., Bro. William Hewitt.

Rec. Secy.-J. Morrison. Fin. Seey., J. G. Hutton, M.D.

Orator-H. Murdock. S.W., S. Wilson.

J.W., T. Whitmore.

S.B., M. McClyment.

J.B., J. McDonald. The ceremony of installation was good as painted.

conducted by Bro. J. Morrison, D. D.

well wonder why it started in the Extradition Proceedings Adjourned. stall and you stall alone. The examination in the extradition proceedings in the case of Lewis | the only thing that will scare a horse the Canadian coal ring who sought Austin and Floyd Nolan, wanted in will be to see another horse. looks as though the Canadian Fue! to yesterday on account of the ab-Controller has a man's size job. Not sence of witnesses who had been only has he to fight the operators summoned from New Orleans. The and miners of the United States and alleged robbers claim to have been a wing of the United States Congress, in New Orleans at the time of the but Canadian "profiteers" as well. robbery at Mount Forest on the 15th A report, started at Toronto, says the of December and are endeavoring to United States railroads had placed get the witnesses to prove an alibi. an embargo on coal coming into It is said the witnesses failed to ar-Canada; the railroads now say they rive on account of winter storms. knew nothing of it and never con- Some of the bonds found on the ac-

PERSONAL RIGHTS

(Written by Dr. J. G. Shearer for the Social Service Council of Canada.)

A young man, intelligent and prosperous-looking, sitting opposite at dining car table, said to the Writer "I like a glass of beer at luncheon or dinner and if I want it, I'm going to have it, wouldn't you?"

"Would you feel justified in jointhe country, larger than was antici- ing a bootlegger in a violation of the law in order to get it?" -

"Yes. I would."

A gentleman of high standing in a certain church said recently that he sympathized with the poor bootlegger and considered it outrageous to put any man in jail for violation of a vears.

Lady-M. R. Kress, Mrs. Moorhead repeal of any law of which he perlawbreaking? Is he any better than

> laws and outcasts!" Was not The government. Star justified? Is not the deliberate if not in theory, an anarchist?

posed liberty.

rights that are "divine" or "inalienable"? Are not the great majority Grey Agricultural Society was held of the Declaration of Independence, on Friday afternoon in the Public Viz. "to life, liberty and the pursuit prices. Library, for the election of officers of happiness." Are these rights inalienable? They were suddenly re- Ontario were in competition with The following officers were elected moved for millions during the war. each other, and the rest of the world. and may be so again for a similar That had to be stopped, and would bald spot. Dan, Edge, Hon. Pres.; J. W. Blyth, reason. Society gave. Society can be, through the U.F. clubs. These Pres.; George Ritchie, 1st Vice Pres.; take away. But even in peace and clubs had complete local autonomy, in normal times the individual can- and were in no sense political. If he not use either life or liberty as he thought for a moment the clubs were pleases, nor pursue happiness any to be utilized for the purpose of the old way he chooses. He must res- formation of a new political party pect his neighbors' rights. He must on the same lines as the old political Normanby-Wilbert Blyth, Harold respect, moreover, the will of Socie- parties, he would guit immediately. ty expressed in law. Law is essen- The old parties had been tried and Egremont-Sterling Williams, An- is necessarily limited by every law. now looking to groups. They hoped Auditors-Thomas Lauder, Peter of civilization. The more advanced brains in each would get together

Sunday laws, laws for the protection fronting the country. of lift and property and all civil Mr. Morrison expressed the opinrights involve invasions of the ion that the women and young peoal liberty and individual rights. And They were now full partners with all these limitations of liberty are the men in politics, in business and imposed in order to effect the con- in the homes. The women would RE-ELECTED OFFICERS servation of liberty. The Sunday struggle on against all odds with a The annual meeting of the Durham law is built on the principle that grim determination to find a way of matter what limitations of personal liberty or trampling on personal opinions or desires may be involved.

Can any man who does not recognize this fact and will not respect laws whether they are pleasing to him or not be rightly regarded as a good citizen? Can democracy be safe on any other basis?

SOME "AUTOSUGGESTIONS"

The auto has come to stay, yet it

has come to go. Auto thieves have put many a man

on his feet. A telephone pole never hits an automobile except in self-defense. Second-hand cars are never as

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J. N. MURDOCK

POWER NOT AIM OF THE U.F.O. SAYS J. J. MORRISON

Belief that the United Farmer members of the Legislature would be in a position to wield greater power as a strong, independent group without the responsibilities of government than when they actually held the reins of office, was expressed by Mr. J. J. Morrison, secretary of whom Wally Reid was working and the U.F.O., in an address on the aims then plan to visit a dozen other stuand progress of that movement, be- dies for conferences with a view to fore the Independent Labor party's forum meeting at the Toronto Labor stamping out the evil. Temple Sunday night. He believed A drive to purge Hollywood of the the U.F.O. would have been in a drug traffic has already been launchstronger position to-day had some ed. Half a dozen peddlers who are other party been in charge of pro- known to have been operating there vincial affairs during the last three have been jailed and along the Mexi-

Of course it is legitimate for any on "broadening out." The U.F.O., he ing the last ten days. citizen to advocate and work for the declared, were not in politics for "Dozens of Hollywood peddlers power. All they wanted was fair who hounded Wally Reid day and sonally disapproves. Is it lawful for representation. As an independent night to sell him dope, each had a him to wink at or encourage the vio- group they could exercise a strong hand in his death," according to lation of such a law? If he does, influence in support of good legisla- Camera, the official magazine of the does he not become an abettor of tion, no matter from what source it studios. "The death penalty for

That breezy Western daily, the said, however, that if the U.F.O. stiffer laws against dope peddlers." Saskatoon Star, recently numbered should find themselves a stronger such violators and abetters of the group than the others, as red-bloodviolation of the liquor laws among ed Canadians they would have to "Pariahs, prostitutes, etc., as out- again assume the responsibilities of

The U.F.O. movement was of lawbreaker a rebel, and in practice, threefold character, social, economic and political. By organization and But what is the psychology stand- education they hoped to bring about ing back of such lawbreaking on the intelligent massed action. They had part of otherwise respectable people. been trying out co-operation, but as some of them are? It is a mistak- it had not yet proved a success, still, en idea about personal rights. They it was a move in the right direction, think a man has a divine right to do and he was convinced co-operative as he pleases and that the majority effort would in the end solve most, if have no right to limit this his sup- not all, their economic problems. The big trouble with the farmers was What about these personal rights? they had no voice in the fixing or Have we as individuals many if any regulation of prices of any of their products.

In the urban districts the reverse of personal rights simply social was the case. Labor, through its orprivileges—O.K-ed by Society? And ganization, could restrict production if bestowed by society then are they and force up prices for everything not liable rightly at any time to be it produced. The farmer had to limited or removed by society? Take work and toil from early morn till any more. ANNUAL MEETING FRIDAY the so-called constitutional rights late at night to increase production. The annual meeting of the South guaranteed to Americans in terms knowing all the time the more he produced the lower would be the

Two hundred thousand farmers in

tial to personal liberty, and liberty found wanting, and the people were That is the price the individual pays by having the various interests repfor the privilege of living in a state resented in the Legislatures the best the cvilization, the more limited is and endeavor to evolve ways and means for the solution of the great Health laws, laws of sanitation, social and economical problems con-

sphere, the sacred sphere, of person- ple were the hope of the future.

Some unfortunate men speak their last words on the way to the scaffold and others on the way to the

Woman spends half her life wondering how to eatch a man and the other half wandering what to have for dinner.

A St. Thomas court is to decide whether or not a horse is dead. If the court can't decide the matter. The Chronicle would advise that it leave it to the horse.

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BOOZE AND NARCOTICS

MUST LEAVE HOLLYWOOD A dispatch Wednesday from Los Angeles, California, says that Federal Prohibition Commissioner Roy A. Haynes and Colonel L. G. Nutt, chief of the anti-narcotic division, arrived there yesterday to look into the "booze" and "dope" situation in Hollywood. The officials will have a conference with Jesse L. Lasky, for securing the fullest co-operation in

can border narcotics valued at more Mr. Morrison looked with no favor that \$100,000 have been seized dur-

such men would be none too good and Replying to a question, the speaker Hollywood will back any fight for

A LITTLE OF THIS AND THAT

A wife is a person who makes five trips back into the house when you are ready to go somewhere.

When a man looks back and thinks of what a fool he was, he is glad at Grand Valley on Wednesday there were no monkey glands to last week attending the funeral of prolong his youth.

Still, parents are permitted to see their daughter's beau at intervals when he stops in front of the house visit in Florida. and honks the horn.

There is no particular virtue in loving your enemy if you allow yourself the privilege of licking him

Well, why shouldn't the bride

have lots of clothes? It will probably be a long time before she gets

Some girls are like that, and some have sensible mothers.

When dad finishes condemning his daughter's rouge he turns to the mirror and combs his hair over the Durham.

A domestic science course will teach a girl to cook almost all the things a man doesn't care for.

You can't be proud of your ancestors. Adam was a poor sport who told on a woman when he got in a tight place.

Exercise won't reduce your weight Butter unless you take less exercise at the Eggs



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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. John Sharp of Hampden spent a few days with her mother. Mrs. John Backus, here, who is ill at present.

Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Backus returned to Leader, Sask., after spending a few weeks with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Allan were Mrs. Allan's sister, Mrs. Thomas Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Macfarlane left Tuesday to spend a few months

Mrs. W. A. McGowan, who has been visiting with Arthur friends for the past couple of months, returned to her home here on Satur-

Mr. O. S. Hunter was in Toronto yesterday to meet his brother and sister, whe were returning from Vancouver with the remains of their mother.

Reeve Currey is in Owen Sound this week at the County Council.

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