

THE TOWN WATCHMAN

Tragedies seem to occur in bunches, for on the first page of The Whig on Friday were three that occurred in this district—a murder and suicide, a drowning and a death from a dynamite explosion. What struck the reader about them was that two of the tragedies were accidents, while the other resulted from anger and passion. The one murder and suicide recall the deed of the Raiton farm hand sixteen or seventeen years ago. This young man, through jealousy, shot his young wife and then cut his throat.

A high honor has again been conferred upon the member for Frontenac who has been re-elected grand master of the Orange Grand Lodge of British North America. It must be admitted that Dr. Edwards serves his party and his order well. What he does he does with marked enthusiasm and says what he thinks, even if we all do not agree with his views.

It was a great mistake when the Kingston authorities, away back in the eighties, acquiesced in the inauguration of a suburban train service into the city. There was no reason why the main line of the Grand Trunk railway at that time should not have been brought further into the city, to the site of the present fair grounds. Had that been done, conditions here might have been much better than they are today. Now the suburban line, insofar as it relates to passenger service, is to go, but of course the freight spur will remain. Now it costs only twenty-five cents for a taxi drive to the main line depot from your house, as against ten cents by the suburban to which you must walk or taxi, as only a portion of the people can get there by street car.

The school children are being royally entertained in these days. When the present grown-up generation were kids there were no Home and School clubs to give them picnics and concerts and buy pianos for the schools. Those were harder days than these.

Napanee has become famous this week over the broadcasting of the news of a white rose growing on a crab apple tree in that town. The Toronto horticulturists and botanists have added their comment on the matter, but they assure us that the appearance of the rose is not a miracle but just an ordinary growth from grafting. Other owners of apple trees are now bringing forth blossoms and claiming that they are white roses, but one the Watchman has seen was just a late apple blossom.

Few people would be so unkind as to believe that the Ku Klux Klan organization in Ontario would sanction such an outrage as the blowing up of a church. No body of respectable men in this province would countenance such a thing. The Watchman is satisfied that only persons who

have the principles of outlaws and desperadoes would stoop to the desecration of a holy temple. Advantage has been taken of the Klan by unscrupulous persons, and it is satisfactory to hear that the Klan authorities are going to see that those who do outrageous acts are punished.

Motorists must for another season at least suffer the inconveniences of bad stretches of roadway and long detours in order that the great provincial highway may be made what it is to be. But they can look ahead to the near future to having a splendid highway connecting the east and west. With the poet they can believe that "the best is yet to be."

Provincial Highway Conditions Described

Toronto to Quebec Boundary—300.3 miles—Pavement good, gravel sections fair throughout. Two detours—Colborne West, Brighton—Tarring operations Belleville to Deseronto and East of Cardinal. Pavement from Toronto to five miles east of Cobourg, except between Newcastle and Port Hope where there are short sections of gravel road in fair condition. From five miles east of Cobourg to Trenton the gravel road is now under construction. Detour at Colborne West, turn south at the Cramahoe-Haldimand townline one quarter of a mile to old Canadian National Railway roadbed; thence easterly to Colborne, length of detour 1 mile. Pavement operations are also in progress between Trenton and Brighton. Detour south at Brighton main corner across the canal through Carrying Place, right into Trenton, length of detour 14 miles—five miles longer than the Provincial Highway—Detour fair (first four miles not gravel) Trenton to Quebec Boundary pavement and surface-treated macadam in good condition throughout. Penetration macadam construction (no detours) proceeding west of Cardinal, Brockville, Lansdowne and Gananoque. Tarring operations are now in progress between Belleville and Deseronto and East of Cardinal.

Kingston to Ottawa via Rideau Lakes, Perth and Smith's—131 miles—fair condition throughout. No detours. Surface-treated macadam road from Kingston to Joyceville continued by a gravel road to Smith's Falls. Grading is proceeding north of Joyceville and east of Portland and short sections of the road will be done. No detours. From Smith's Falls to Ashton Post Office the surface-treated macadam road is in fair condition. Ashton to Stittsville the gravel road is in good shape and is continued from this point to Ottawa by an asphalt pavement. Road under construction through Stittsville village, drive slowly.

Ottawa to Prescott—62.3 miles—good throughout. No detour. Asphalt and concrete pavement to North Gower. From North Gower to Beckett's Landing road is under construction. No detour, drive slowly in this section. The road, consisting of concrete and gravel from Beckett's Landing to Prescott is in excellent condition. Approaches to C.P.R. overhead bridge at Bedford.

Traffic Signal Disobeyed. Harold Smith, Frankford, was fined \$20 and costs for not obeying the traffic signal at the corner of Bridge and Front street Belleville. Smith's excuse was that he did not know what the signal was for but the judge thought that a man living as close to Belleville as Frankford should at least have some idea and found accordingly that he was guilty of the offence charged.

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PRESENTATION MADE TO BELOVED TEACHER

Miss Lovick Recipient of Gifts From Louise Home and School Club, Teachers and Staff.

A teacher beloved by all her pupils and a very wide circle of friends, was honored at Louise school on Friday afternoon, when the members of the Louise Home and School Club presented Miss Charlotte E. Lovick with a three-piece silver tea service. An address, expressing the love and affection of the members of the club, accompanied the gift. Mrs. (Dr.) A. W. Richardson, the first president of the Louise Club, made the presentation and Fire Chief James Armstrong read the address. Louise school, as is well known, is to be used as an addition to the Collegiate Institute and Miss Lovick has been transferred to Sydenham school. The address presented to Miss Lovick reads as follows:

"Dear Miss Lovick: We, the members of the Home and School Club of Louise school are meeting to-day under circumstances that necessarily sadden our hearts. To us has come the hour to disband our club, to say farewell to you and the teachers of the school, since this meeting marks the final closing of the building as a public school.

"While Louise school has for years been one of the smallest schools in our city, yet, largely through your wise counsel and assistance, there has been created a genuine sympathy and understanding between the parents and the teachers of the school, which we believe has been largely brought about by the organization of what is known as the Home and School Club. Small though this club may have been, it has sought and obtained objects for the betterment of the school, and I believe unsurpassed by none, and we are not ungrateful of your guiding hand through it all.

"There is sincere regret in the closing of our school, and in the severance of ties that have bound us together as a club, teachers and parents, yet, we feel that in the new school and in Sydenham school the proud spirit of old Louise will still go on.

"To you personally we desire to express, if it is at all possible, our great love and esteem for you as a principal, as a teacher, and a wise and loving friend of our children, and to sincerely thank you for all the years of devoted service given in this school. To many of us this old building has been the school home of our entire family, and we have always felt that in its principal and teachers our children had always true friends, friends whose interest in their welfare extended away beyond the school building and school hours.

"We feel sure that if it were possible to prepare a complete roll of all those who have passed under your care since you first assumed the duties of principal of the school, there would be contained in that roll numerous names of many who in later years have served with high distinction in church and state, and in the public life of our city and country, and as those names crowd in on you may you be long spared to cherish the thought that you were permitted to train them in their earlier years for the great work they perform.

"Assuring you of our continued interest and assistance in your position as principal of Sydenham school, we ask that you will accept from us the token which accompanies this address."

On Thursday Miss Lovick was the recipient of an electric lamp from her pupils, and a desk set, in hammered brass, from the members of the staff.

Another very pleasing event took place at Louise school on Friday, when the members of the Louise Home and School Club presented an umbrella to the janitor, Mr. Hill. The presentation was made by Mrs. Langdon, the president of the club.

A splendid programme was enjoyed in which a song was rendered by Geraldine Murray, a ballet dance by Freda Elwood, recitation, "The Walrus and the Carpenter" by Winona Harpell and "You Are Old Father William" by Alice Day and Dorothy Dunlop. At the close of the programme refreshments were served, bringing the happy party to a close.

VAN DER SMISSEN AWARD

H. C. MacDougall Gains Honor at Royal Military College. The Van Der Smissem award for 1926 has been granted to C.S.M. H. C. MacDougall, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. MacDougall, Montreal.

It was instituted in memory of the late Captain Victor Van Der Smissem and his comrades of the R.M.C., graduating class of 1914 who gave their lives in the Great War. The award is won by the cadet who is selected by a special committee (guided by the votes of all the cadets in the college), who, by his personality and his efforts throughout the entire course is considered the most worthy recipient, the battalion sergeant-major being excluded.

FLAPPER FANNY SAYS



Half the things you think matter don't, while half those you think don't matter do.

MARINE

The Pat Doris, from Oswego, is unloading coal at Crawford's.

The Barge Davy is at Queen's power house unloading.

The Hattie Hat is at Portsmouth unloading coal.

The steamer Mapleleaf left the Collingwood dry dock yesterday.

The Turret Coat is tied up at the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company dry dock.

The Edward L. Strachan passed up yesterday.

The S. S. Toronto arrived this morning from Toronto.

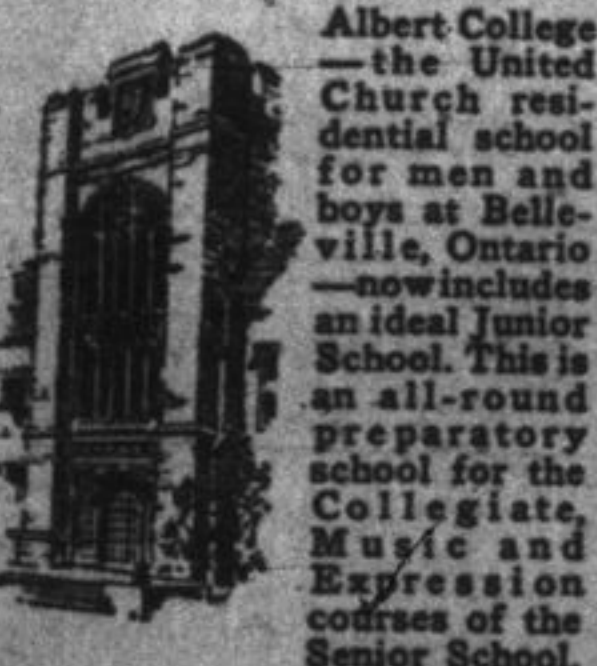
Pilot records show the following steamers passing Friday: Brulin, up 9.50 a.m.; Pillsbury, down, 12.45 p.m.; Metcalfe, up, 12.15 p.m.; Ill 104, up, 2.45 p.m.; Douglas, down, 3.05 p.m.; Rahane, down, 6.30 p.m. Saturday: Hanna, down, 2.30 a.m.



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Was Severely Injured. Charles Buskard, Belleville, is lying severely injured in the General Hospital there, the result of being struck by an auto owned by Elson Ward, Bloomfield, and driven at the time by his son, Cyril. He has several bones broken, a deep cut on the side of his head and his eye badly bruised, besides receiving a bad shaking up.

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