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BUILDING AT GALT SLUMPS DURING JULY

Permits Above Last Year in Spite of Slump in July

GALT, July 31.—While building returns show a slump this month with only 14 permits with a value of \$7,490 issued, so far this year the records show more activity than in 1924. To date 13 permits, value \$90,298, have been taken out, while in the same period of 1924 there were 123, value \$86,002.

COMMUNITY PICNIC

Everything is in readiness here for the third annual community picnic, to be held on Monday, civic holiday. It promises to be the biggest event of the kind ever held in Galt.

29 BIRTHS, 11 DEATHS
This city is growing. During July, 29 births were recorded, while there were only 11 deaths and eight marriages.

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OLD STRATFORD RAILROADER DIES

Walter Box Over Half Century in Railway Work

FIRST COAL FROM ALBERTA

Proves Popular With Consumers At \$13.50 Per Ton

STRATFORD, July 31.—The funeral of Walter Box, one of the oldest and best-known railroaders of the city, who died at his home, 131 Louise street, yesterday, will be held to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock. Rev. J. B. Denig will officiate and interment will be made in Avondale Cemetery.

Mr. Box saw over 50 years' service in railway work, retiring only last January from the employ of the C. N. R. He started with the old G. T. R. in 1875 and 47 years ago made his first run as an engineer to Goderich. Some years ago ill-health forced his retirement to the less arduous position of yard foreman for the G. T. R. shops here and still later to a post at the roundhouse.

He enjoyed several notable honors in his long period at the throttle. He was the engineer of the first train into Durham and of the first coal-burning locomotive to haul trains west of Stratford. He was never in an accident, not a falling loss of life or injuries to train crews or passengers.

Mr. Box is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Bruce Hyatt and Mrs. Sydney Vanstone, and two sons, Walter and George, all of this city.

FIRST ALBERTA COAL.
The first car of Alberta coal has been received in the city and sold by N. R. Floberg. According to the dealer the new fuel, called "domestic coal," went well with the purchasers, selling at \$13.50 a ton. The coal is \$2 a ton cheaper than anthracite and has splendid burning qualities, being comparatively smokeless.

There are other cars on the way to Stratford dealers. Although it will likely be popular, it is a consensus of opinion that it will have to be about \$1 a ton cheaper to successfully compete with the anthracite, which is going at \$15.50 a ton in the city.

OLD RESIDENT DIES.
Following an illness extending over the last two years, the death of George W. Box, 80, of 131 Louise street, Stratford, was announced yesterday.

Mr. Box was 53 years old last Monday. Born in Northamptonshire, England, he came to Canada, settling in Stratford at the age of 15 years. He was a member of the Perth Regiment Band, and also of the Salvation Army Band, in which he held the position of drum major. His Masters is survived by a brother, James, of Mitchell, and two brothers and two sisters in the old country. He is also survived by a son, Walter, of the city, and a daughter, Mrs. Annie Peake, also of Stratford. The funeral will be held at 4 o'clock to-morrow afternoon, with interment in Avondale Cemetery. Com'd J. T. Poole, of the Salvation Army, will officiate at the service.

FRANCO-BRITISH DEBT NEGOTIATIONS HALTED.

LONDON, July 31.—Wide divergence of views between British and French Government financial experts regarding settlement of France's war debt to Great Britain has resulted in at least a temporary breakdown in the preliminary negotiations which began here last week and the French commission will return to Paris to-day.

While complete reserve is maintained in official circles, it is understood that the French experts will report to the Quai d'Orsay that they found it impossible to reconcile the French and British viewpoints on the debt question.

The French delegates went to London with a schedule strictly limiting them in regard to minimum and maximum terms for a settlement, and it is thought that the maximum terms offered on behalf of France proved below British expectations.

At the treasury this morning it was explained that the situation has by no means reached a deadlock.

VIEW DIVERGENT.
PARIS, July 31.—The return of the French delegates from their debt-finding mission to England was referred to at this morning's meeting of the Cabinet by Finance Minister Caillaux, who, according to the official communiqué issued afterward, said that the French and British viewpoints were materially divergent.

EAST WILLIAMS OLD BOYS HAVE SURPLUS.

NAIRN, July 31.—At a business meeting of the East Williams Old Boys' Association, held at Nairn, the treasurer showed that the receipts from all sources totaled nearly \$2,100, and expenditures to about \$1,300. All bills are not in yet, but it is not thought that these figures will be changed very much. It was decided to place \$200 in the bank as a reserve fund to purchase a piano and install some kind of a lighting system in the new hall and a few more chairs.

A committee of the following was appointed to purchase these: Charles P. Smith, Mrs. Archie Gillies, Arch. McDermid, Mrs. Dan McKenzie, John Morrison, Mrs. Angus Roy, Mrs. Trafford Campbell and Mrs. John Grey.

45 SUDDEN DEATHS IN TORONTO DURING JULY.

TORONTO, July 31.—Forty-five persons died suddenly in Toronto during July, as compared with 34 in June. Twenty-one of the 45 were suddenly stricken, or "found dead." Five died from injuries in automobile accidents; five committed suicide; three died from burns and scalds; three from alcoholism, and one was killed by a train.

INSTALLATION AT FLORENCE.
FLORENCE, July 31.—The officers of the Florence Lodge, No. 196, I. O. O. F., were installed on Monday evening by D. D. G. M. William Stewardson and staff. The officers are as follows: J. P. G. Stanley, Grand; N. G. Alex. Brown, V. G. Murray Logan, R. S. E. C. Laird, F. S. J. A. Webster, treasurer; James Beatty, warden; Walter Craig, conductor; H. Roberts, O. G.; William Milne, I. O. A. Vanclike; R. S. V. G. W. Button; L. S. N. G. Alonzo Butler; R. S. V. G. Lea Smith; L. S. V. G. L. Hartwick; L. S. S. William Sager; chaplain, Edwin Mills.

After the installation lunch was served and a social hour spent.

A Hint For Summer

Keep the stomach sweet and the bowels regular with "Fruit-a-tives"—the great fruit remedy for constipation and kidney and liver troubles.

"FRUIT-A-TIVES"

The Fruit tonic laxative

CHECK RECEIVED FOR UNPAID TAXES

Woodstock Secures Settlement From Defunct Firm

WOODSTOCK, July 31.—The city treasury of Woodstock, was to-day enriched by the receipt of a check for \$1,593.35 from the Toronto legal firm of Blake, Lash, Anglin & Cassels, representing the Ontario taxes and water and light bills of the now defunct Peerless Cereal Company. This check clears up the entire indebtedness of the former company to the city and removes all encumbrances from the building. Some time ago the Toronto firm asked the City Council to make some concessions in regard to the payment of this amount, but the city fathers were firm and stood out for payment of the entire amount.

RUN OVER BY CAR.
Leonard Sedgwick, six-year-old boy, was last night severely injured when an automobile ran over him just as he stepped out from behind his father's car.

The lad had just been in the car and was going across the street when another car struck him, the wheel going over his stomach. The medical examination showed that he was badly cut and bruised, but the injuries are not likely to prove fatal.

Don't miss an issue of The Free Press. Have it follow you on your vacation. Call the Circulation Department now.

KLAN FIERY CROSS BURNED AT DRESDEN

Oil-Soaked Burlap On Gas Pipe Supports Flares On Pickle Factory Site

DRESDEN, July 31.—The first appearance of the Ku Klux Klan in this district came last night, when a cross, consisting of two pieces of gas pipe wrapped in burlap and soaked in coal oil was burned on a pile of the old pickle factory. It is rumored that the Klan is organized in town and it is known that there is an organization of 200 members in Chatham. Although the cross was set up within the rays of an electric street lamp, as usual, no one saw the operation of putting up and lighting the cross.

MORE RAIN DURING JULY THAN FOR CORRESPONDING MONTH OF LAST YEAR.

Rainfall in London during July was half again as heavy as that of the corresponding month of 1924, according to the monthly report of the Government weather bureau. The thermometer also showed an increase in temperature of five points over the highest and lowest readings of July, 1924.

For July, 1925, the rainfall was 2.93 inches, showing an increase of .67 inches over that of July, 1924, which was 1.92.

The highest temperature for the month now ended was 83 degrees, reached on July 6. The highest for July, 1924, was 90. Lowest temperature was 47 degrees on July 29. Last year's rainfall figures for the month of July was 44 degrees.

CENTRALIA WHEAT GOOD YIELD; FINE IN QUALITY.

EXETER, July 31.—George Hicks, of Centralia, has threshed 340 bushels of wheat of six and a half acres and the wheat tested 64 pounds to the bushel. This is over 52 bushels to the acre.

The Sunday school and members of Trinity Memorial Church held their annual picnic at Grand Bend yesterday and a most enjoyable time was spent by all. The picnic was held on the grounds of the S. M. Sanders Manufacturing Company also held their annual picnic at Grand Bend.

Rev. E. Sheppard, pastor of James Street Church, was taken suddenly ill on Saturday last and is still confined to his bed, but his condition is improving daily. Rev. J. Redmond, of Toronto, supplied the pulpit last Sunday.

FIELD CROP WINNERS.
GODERICH, July 31.—The results of the competition for the combined field crop and grain as put on by the Goderich Industrial Society are given as follows for the 10 fields entered: Charles Bodow, Stanley, 92; Frank Young, Colborne, 90; Aaron Fisher, Colborne, 89; John Sowerby, Goderich, 88; C. M. Shoden, Stanley, 87; Charles Prouse, Goderich, 85; John Schwartz, Goderich, 84; G. V. Andrews, Goderich, 83; Walter Hick, Goderich, 82; R. J. Glen, Goderich, 79.

P. M. Overholt, of Toronto, was the inspector.

HEAR FORMER ORGANIST.
GLENCOE, July 31.—Miss Elma J. King, organist and choir leader of the United Church of Elora, who, with her mother, Mrs. Thomas King, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Poole, of this place, assisted the choir of the United Church here at last Sunday morning's service. Miss King sang as a solo "The Living God." Richard Singleton, organist, presided at the organ. Miss King, prior to going to Elora, was organist and choir leader of the Glencoe Presbyterian Church.

MANY GOING TO CLEVELAND.
The steamer City of St. Ignace, when it sails at noon to-day from Port Stanley for Cleveland, will carry from 700 to 800 passengers, who are crossing the lake to spend the holiday in the Ohio metropolis. The majority of these will leave Cleveland on Monday at mid-night on the return trip.

Port Stanley

THE CONEY ISLAND OF WESTERN ONTARIO

Great Interest Shown In The Big Program Arranged For Pt. Stanley For Civic Holiday

Thrills, Laughs and Novelties Will Be Provided On Monday; Prizes Valued At Over \$1,200 To Be Distributed If It Rains

London, St. Thomas and in fact the whole of Western Ontario are awaiting with eager interest the staging of the stupendous Civic Holiday program announced by the London and Port Stanley Railway for the celebration at Port Stanley on Monday.

Unrivaled in Western Ontario in thrills, laughs, novelties and sheer "newness," as it is in the lavishness of the wonderful prize list, this marvelous ranks as the finest ever offered the lovers of outdoor recreation in this part of the Dominion.

Best of all, the railway has made good its guarantee of "a good time rain or shine" by an electrifying list of rain prizes, exceeding \$1,200 in cash value. The distribution list includes the following major items: one of which is sure to bring a new thrill and profit to the winner:

\$215 Thor Electric Washer.
\$155 Simplex Electric Ironer.
\$138 Moffat's Electric Range.
\$125 Coffield Electric Washer.
\$129 Easy Electric Washer.
\$98 Kribs Miss Simplicity Electric Washer.
\$65 Eureka Vacuum Cleaner.
\$46 Canadian Beauty Rangette.
\$36 National Electric Water Heater.

All of these prizes are to be supplied by the London Hydro Shop, by which they are guaranteed and serviced just as if the purchaser had laid his full cash price upon the counter.

The distribution will be made on the usual conditions, if it rains even a passing shower between 2.30 and 5.30 p.m. The free lucky numbers will be distributed to L. & P. S. patrons at the railway ticket offices and at the Cafeteria and Bridge street restaurant in Port Stanley.

SOFT BALL.
Probably the greatest interest in the holiday program will center in the international championship girls' soft ball battle between the Cleveland, Ohio, Clothcraft team and the reinforced Cleveland team of all-stars, built up around the flashy McCormick crew of the London majors. The Clothcrafts won the invitation to the Port Stanley Civic Holiday celebration by virtue of their defeat of the famous Favorite Knits, two out of three in a championship series staged in Cleveland. The Clothcrafts have since been challenged for their honors by the Favorite Knits and a new series is to open in Cleveland on August 13. The Clothcrafts are now rated at top speed and are said to be the fastest girl athletes organization on the continent.

The Cleveland team will take the field with all of their stars, including Mary Gaughn, pitcher; Birdie Peterson, catcher; "Peanuts" Nagy, the sensational first base player, and Cap. Louise Brunner.

The McCormicks, too, are rearing to go. They earned the right to fight it out for the Canadian side by their defeat of the Toronto K. & S. team in Port Stanley on Dominion Day. The K. & S. girls have held the Dominion championship since last autumn by their victory in the Canadian National Exhibition tournament, in which they eliminated contenders from all parts of the country. But McCormicks will not rely solely upon their London Major League strength. They have been authorized to use the fastest material they can find, including imported stars who were barred from the majors this spring.

TREASURE HUNT.
Ranking next in interest is the Philadelphia Treasure Hunt, a new summer comicality that caused a crowd of 5,000 sedate Philadelphians to sweep the streets with traffic cops and that has had Atlantic City laughing yet. Forms for the treasure hunt, to be filled in with the code words from 19 clue stations, to spell a magic sentence, are printed on the reverse side of the rain contest tickets. Any one can hunt the treasure with an equal chance of winning the big prizes ranging up to a first of \$15 cash and a third of \$12.

Dancers will have "the time of their lives" on Invererie Heights between 3 and 5 o'clock, when a big community dance will be held with the hottest 12-piece jazz band in the land. Half an hour before the ball game.

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Beach Movies, 8.45 p. m.
Vaudeville — Sing-Song

Cleveland Girls
Joseph & Feiss Clothcrafters, Conquerors of those Favorite Knits. The Favorite Crew in North Ohio. Vs. McCormick's All-Stars, of Vanhuysen & Co. of Toronto, K. & S. the Dominion Champions.
Note—Silver Collection Goes to the Teams' Expenses.

Philadelphia Treasure Hunt
The brand new outdoor novelty for young and old that woke up Philadelphia and pulled Atlantic City out by the roots. Entry forms and full directions with L. & P. S. tickets. Big prizes, including \$15 cash first. Go out and win. It's a scream!

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The London and Port Stanley Railway

ILLEGAL TO HAVE LIQUOR IN TENT

Brantford Magistrates Rule Tent Is Not Sickroom

MILK PRICE PROBE URGED

Mayor MacBride To Ask Provincial-Wide Inquiry

BRANTFORD, July 31.—Silas Taylor was fined \$50 and costs, with an option of two months, in police court this morning on a charge of having liquor in an illegal place. The case aroused much interest here, for the defendant alleged that he had been ordered by his doctor to sleep in a tent during the summer months and the liquor found there, he contended, was because of his illness.

A. H. Boddy prosecuted and William McEwen appeared for the defense. Acting Magistrates Bunnell and Buskard found against the defendant, holding that a tent was not a dwelling house within the meaning of the act, that the liquor was not procured legally, having been brought there by other parties, and that it was not kept in a sickroom.

FOUR-POUND BASS.
The best small-mouthed bass brought into Brantford this season was shown to-day in a specimen caught at Turkey Point weighing four pounds and four ounces.

FATHER DOGORSKI HONORED.
A purse of gold was the gift of the Brantford Knights of Columbus to Rev. Father Dogorski on the eve of his departure for Teeswater.

ENTER DRILL CONTEST.
The fancy drill competition at the Brantford three-day civic celebration has drawn entries by the Brantford Forest, Hamilton Canton, I. O. O. F., and Hamilton Knights of Pythias.

LATE APPLES AVERAGE.
Reports from the apple sections of Brant County are that, other than of the August varieties, there will be a normal apple crop this year. The unopened orchards show fewer stung apples and decidedly less wind loss than in recent years.

ASKS MILK PRICE PROBE.
Mayor M. M. MacBride announced to-day that he will call a special meeting of the City Council to inquire into the local situation and will ask the Legislature, of which he is a member, to institute a province-wide investigation of the entire milk problem, following the announcement of the Brantford District Milk Producers' Association of one cent a quart increase in the price of milk and the making of the retail price 12 cents a quart.

GUILLET-SCOTT.
A pretty rural wedding of more than passing interest was that celebrated at the home of the bride's father, Oakland Township, when Miss Mary Elizabeth Scott, only daughter of James B. Scott, became the bride of Edwin Clarence Guillet, B. A., only son of Edwin Guillet, of Cobourg. Patrick Lindsay assisted the groom, while the bride was attended by five intimate friends, namely, Miss Eva Allen, Miss Gladys Brown, Miss Marjorie Hutton, Miss Helen McLachlin and Miss Mae Dick. Master Donald Greengrass, nephew of the groom, acted as ringbearer. The ceremony was performed by Rev. William Carpenter, of Brantford. The wedding march was played by Miss Dorothy Passmore, of Toronto.

The bride and groom left by motor for Toronto and Stoney Lake, where they will remain until the end of September, after which they will reside in Toronto. Guests were present from Moose Jaw, Detroit, Toronto, Welland, Lindsay, Aylmer, Simcoe, Paris and Brantford.

MAJOR MCCONNELL TO BECOME MINISTER OF CHURCH AT TORONTO

WINNIPEG, July 29.—Rev. (Major) W. F. McConnell, Dominion organizer for the preservation of the Presbyterian Church, left on Tuesday for Toronto, where he will re-enter the regular ministry after two years as organizer. Major McConnell will take the pastorate of the Riverside Presbyterian Church, Toronto. A large number of his friends were at the station to see him off. A beautifully embossed address was read and presented to him by Rev. J. M. Niven.

Nearly six weeks ago a call to Major McConnell was extended by the Elmbrant Avenue Continuing Presbyterian Church. Major McConnell's answer has not yet been received by the congregation of the church.

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