

HALLOWEEN

By Hal Cochran

WILL my life be filled with sorrow, or will happiness abound,
Is a bright career tomorrow to be that with which I'm crowned?
Will I be a peanut vendor, or will music be my forte,
Will I make my name at writing or upon a tennis court?
Fates of Halloween can answer, and I wait the best I can,
To let Mystic Mister Pumpkin be my Fortune Telling Man.

WILL I marry into happiness, or will I single me?
I wonder what the god of love has held in store for me?
Could I look into the future, would I see my ship come in,
Would it bring me satisfaction that I might hang my hat?
Will my home, sweet home be anywhere that I may hang my hat?
I have failed to wait my answer, so I will wait as best I can,
To let Mystic Mister Pumpkin be my Fortune Telling Man.

WILL I come to be a rover, will I sail a ship well manned?
Will I work to earn my living, or will I live upon the land?
Will the kings and queens salute me? Would the fates could tell me that?
Will my home, sweet home be anywhere that I may hang my hat?
I have failed to wait my answer, so I will wait as best I can,
To let Mystic Mister Pumpkin be my Fortune Telling Man.

L'ENVOI.
EVEN though the fates may tell me what my future life's to be,
Common sense keeps interrupting that my future's up to me!



Customs of Halloween Date Back Into Days of Antiquity

Young Canadians Urged To Refrain From Destruction and Observe Event as Ancestors Did by Aiding the Poor and Needy.

AS Halloween approaches Canadians, young and old, view the event in different lights. The younger element look forward to an evening of unrestricted frivolity, while the older folks anticipate certain things with trepidation. Halloween customs date back into remote antiquity. They are all that are left to remind people of the present day that their ancestors believed in goblins, banshees, ghouls and other evil spirits that were supposed to roam the earth in the darkness of night. In the early days of the Christian Church, the first of November was set aside as All Saints' Day, it being impossible to observe a separate day for each saint.

The night preceding All Saints' Day was known as Halloween. It was a fearful night, during which the evil spirits were believed to burst from their bonds and haunt the world, having a last fling prior to the sacred day. The property damages which they were supposed to inflict have been pictorially passed on through the centuries in Halloween customs of carrying away gates, tearing down fences and heaping old cabbages and trash on porches of the unpopular.

There was, however, a brighter side to Halloween, as celebrated by many of the ancient peoples. It marked the end of the harvest and the beginning of new terms of farm tenancy and lordship. Renewing his contracts with his tenants, or making arrangements with new ones, it was the Halloween custom of landlords to bring forth the flowing bowl, baskets of red apples and sacks of nuts. Landlords have changed.

Destruction of property has made Halloween a night to be regretted. This year, why not be sensible? Keep thoughtless frolics chained up and observe Halloween in the spirit of All Saints' Day—by distributing food and clothing to the needy.

Here Are Some Games For Halloween Party

FORTUNE TELLING.

The party won't be quite complete without its fortune telling device. This can be nicely arranged at the table. Have at each place a small shell from which the meat has been removed and a fortune written on white paper in milk put in its place. The slips must have been written and allowed to dry before they are put into the nut shells. The table should be lighted with candles. Tell each guest to hold his paper near enough to a candle to be

heated, but not scorched. The milk-written letters will become brown and the fortune should be read.

SHELL GAME.

When your guests arrive let the men take a walnut shell from one box and the girls take one from another box. Previously the nut meat must have been removed and various seeds, such as nasturtium, peas, beans and cloves put in instead. There should be only two of each kind and one of these should be put in the box for the girls and one in the box for the men. Thus when the men open the shell they have selected they will go in search of the girl who holds one with the same substance inside.

THREE DISHES

Put three small dishes on the table. One should be empty. One should contain clear water and the third should contain soapy water. Blindfold each guest, one at a time. Lead each to the table where the dishes are and tell him to put his finger in one of the dishes. If the finger goes into the empty dish the guest will live in single blessedness. If it goes into the soapy dish the guest will marry someone who has been wed before. But if it goes into the dish of clear water the future mate will be someone young and handsome and their lives will be happy.

SHELL SHIPS.

Have half of a walnut shell for each guest. In each shell put a small piece of colored candle, the more varied the colors the better. Let each guest name one of the candles for himself and then set it sailing on a wash tub sea. If two of the boats sail together, those to whom they belong will be life-long friends. If one sets out in the lead of the others that one will be a leader of his generation. And the one whose candle goes out first will be the last in the crowd to wed.

MAGIC STAIRS.

Let the magic stairs mate your guests for the Halloween supper. Send the girls to the top. One by one let them come down, walking backwards, each waiting until the other is all the way

City Is Merry For Halloween

Favors Varied, Amusing, Original,
Snapped Up by Party-Makers.

"Sposin' a hant
Appeared to you
An' an old black rooster
'Up and crew,
Well, sposin'?"

"Sposin' a pumpkin
Pumped hot flames
From a place
What nobody names,
Well, sposin'?"

Just "sposin'" such terrible "sposin'" grinned out at you in black lettering from the pumpkin-colored setting of a paper lantern, wouldn't you just naturally get into the Halloween spirit of festivity, enhanced by a suspicion of the weird and creepy?

Numbers of lanterns have been discovered in the city this year, bearing the foregoing and equally apt legends, as well as delectable pumpkin and black electric light shades with witches' heads, vampirish bats, black cats and the other emblems associated with the season.

Never before in all the history of Halloween has there been such an array of favors from which to choose in the local shops, and never before, so merchants say, has there been such demand for these.

From a special business standpoint in favors Halloween now ranks next to Christmas. The Advertiser was told by a Dundas street dealer, who drew attention to his still lively but rapidly disappearing stock.

From the merchant's standpoint, never before has such quantity and variety been available. Last year, so it's said, orders were put in early, but subsequent "jackings up," but securing of anything that looked like an adequate supply was simply out of the question.

Possibly it is because the Halloween tablecloths, hats, holders, lanterns, shades, fringed streamers are so artistic as well as suggestive of good times that young and old have been unable to look at them without thinking with appetite about Halloween. Never before, it seems, has there been so much Halloween entertaining and being entertained in London town.

True, tonight is the night of mystery, when the witches sweep the earth with their brooms, and black cats portend strange things, and fortunes are made or marred by the flutter of bats' wings. True, tonight, is the night of nights when the maiden, walking backwards down the cellar stairs in the dark, or around the house with her Dutch coat where her eyes should be, may peer into the mirror and behold, looking over her shoulder, the face of her own true love.

Tonight is the night in all the year when signs and portents are bound to come true, but, spite of this truth, whole truth and nothing but the truth, Halloween has taken to becoming a movable festival here celebrating the coming of the new year, either afternoon or evening, in clubs, class, church and "just social" affairs for a week or more. Tonight, consistently, is to be the grand Halloween night in London, when the kiddies will be masked from door to door, and perchance even the gate survivors will be obliged to look to their hinges. Like Jill, however, going up the hill, Halloween parties are scheduled to come "trickling after" the actual Oct. 31 for several days. And in this they resemble an orphan's home Christmas, censured a few days ago in London by a distinguished leader in Catholic charities.

Winter Gardens Tonight
Halloween Carnival, Fancy Dress.
Meet your friends there. —Adv.

"JESSIE" FAILS TO CLAIM BABES

Offer of Law's Protection Is
Extended Till Saturday.

WINDSOR, Oct. 30.—So far the inspector of the Children's Aid Society has received no response to his assurance to "Jessie," the alleged mother of the twins found on a ferryboat about a month ago, that she would have the full protection of the law if she claimed the babies.

Today the inspector announced that he would allow the writer of the letter alleging motherhood of the twins till next Saturday to accept his offer of protection.

In the meantime, it is stated, certain investigations are being carried on which will enable the authorities to take action if the "mother" still fails to claim her babies.

Monster Masquerade Dance

at the Winter Gardens tonight. Valuable prizes. Come in costume. —Adv.

BELIEVED TO HAVE FOUND HARD COAL IN N. ONTARIO

TORONTO, Oct. 30.—What is believed to be an extensive deposit of hard coal has recently been discovered at Latchford, Northern Ontario, about 25 miles northwest of Sudbury, and development work on the property is already under way. A Toronto syndicate has leased 20,000 acres surrounding the discovery and already a party of miners are on the ground and boring and sinking test holes to determine the exact extent of the find.

Reports from the property are exceedingly optimistic. A twelve-foot vein has been uncovered and samples sent to the Toronto testing laboratories prove the coal superior to a majority of the hard coals now being shipped into Canada.

From a report received by the Toronto interests it is expected that a carload of this coal will be shipped to Toronto next week.

YANKIES ARE BUYING DIAMONDS IN CANADA

Many Americans are waking up to the fact that there is a wonderful saving in buying diamonds in Canada. As a result just lately several diamonds, ranging in prices from \$50 to \$700 have been sold to American tourists going through London. They wanted Perfect Blue-White Diamonds, so purchased them from John A. Nash, My Jeweller, 132 Dundas street, where you will eventually buy.

KING CHARGES 'BIG INTERESTS' RULE CANADA

Declares "Organized Greed"
Kept Meighen Government
in Power.

"BLEEDING THE PEOPLE"
Profiteering "To Tune of Mil-
lions" With "Connivance
of Authorities."

BOLTON, Oct. 30.—(By Staff Correspondent Canadian Press.)—"Organized Greed" was what had kept Mr. Meighen at the head of affairs for the last sixteen months in the absence of any authority from the people of Canada, said Hon. W. L. MacKenzie King yesterday afternoon, speaking in the skating rink here.

It would have been impossible for the prime minister to have carried on without some powerful influence behind him, said Mr. King. Disclosures which had resulted from the activities of the board of commerce proved that business firms, with the connivance of the authorities, were bleeding the people to the tune of millions of dollars. But said the Liberal leader, when the board of commerce would have brought these multi-millionaires to task members of the Government gently but firmly restrained them.

"Invisible Government."
"Big interests," said Mr. King, "had been the invisible government of Canada and it was absolutely necessary that all who were in favor of government by the people and for the people should unite to overthrow their common enemy."

Once again Mr. King assured his hearers that there was no essential difference between the aims of the Farmers and those of the Liberals. That which would benefit the agricultural interests throughout the Dominion must inevitably rebound to the benefit of the dwellers of the town and cities. It was well to remember that the Conservatives were infinitely pleased to have Farmer candidates placed in the field. More votes for the Liberals, and it would be a sorry result if Mr. Meighen were once again returned to power because the friends of progress and self-government were divided among themselves.

The fine traditions of the old Liberal party were a thing to be proud of and a great asset not lightly to be thrown overboard for the sake of a new name.

Charges Needless Division.
Mr. King accused R. W. E. Burnaby, the U. F. O. candidate, of coming into North York with the intention of dividing the forces which were supporting him. There was no real issue between the farmers, as farmers, and the Liberal party. Mr. Burnaby did not represent the farmers as a whole, but only a section of them which was in favor of class legislation.

For long, said the Liberal leader, Germany and Austria, arrayed against the forces of peace and justice, strove to triumph. England was right, and France, as were also Belgium and Italy, but unified effort was lacking. When this was at last secured the forces of evil went down to defeat. In the present political conflict the forces of freedom and right would triumph if they would only join in one concerted effort.

ARREST 4 FOR LAPEER WRECK

Police Believe Derailment
Planned by Discharged
Employee.

LAPEER, Mich., Oct. 30.—With four suspects being held as the result of an all-day investigation, officials believe that they are nearing a solution of the wreck here Friday night of a Grand Trunk express train.

Henry Gates of Huntington, Kentucky, one of the suspects, is thought to be the tramp who was seen in the vicinity of Elba, three miles from here, where a loosened rail caused the derailment of the train and as a consequence the injury of Thomas Simpson, the fireman.

Gates said to have been lettering about Elba for three or four days. Other men held are Clyde Smith, 18, and Russell Allen, 18, of Marine City, Mich., who were found sleeping in the Elba station not long after the wreck, and Harry Dendo, who was arrested while he was on the train at Oxford. Very little evidence was secured to hold Smith, Allen and Dendo, but Gates admitted that he once worked for the Grand Trunk and would have known how to get the rail. He was taken to Elba for further questioning.

Believe Wreck Planned.
Trainmen believed that the wreck was deliberately planned and think that it was the result of a belief of an ex-employee that the Grand Trunk had "wronged" him and his desire for revenge. The report of the threatened railroad strike, it is believed, have had the effect of goading him to carry out his plan.

Lapeer County officials and special railroad detectives spent all Saturday running down clues and scouring the countryside for suspicious characters. Although the engine turned over on its side, only three persons were injured, namely, the fireman, and Richard Grant of Hamilton and John Davenport, an easterner. These latter two were in charge of race horses. They were only badly bruised. Simpson, the fireman, is in Detroit Hospital.

FIFTY-GALLON STILL AND MASH DISCOVERED

WINDSOR, Oct. 30.—A still with a capacity for making 50 gallons of whiskey was uncovered by Windsor police officers in a raid Friday night on a house at Hamilton and John Davenport, an easterner. These latter two were in charge of race horses. They were only badly bruised. Simpson, the fireman, is in Detroit Hospital.

Behind the organ in the parlor of the house the officers discovered a large boiler containing several gallons of mash. The still was found hidden between the double flooring of a shed adjoining.

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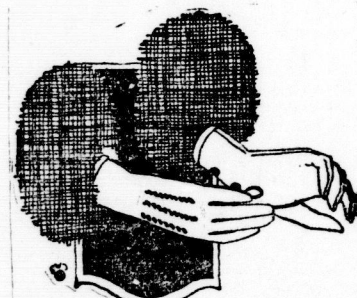
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