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CHATHAM MERCHANTS AND EMPLOYEES HOLD SUCCESSFUL OUTING

Lengthy Sports Program at Erie Beach Enjoyed by Thousands.

CHATHAM, July 10.—The retail merchants and employees picnic was held at Erie Beach this afternoon, and was a marked success. The city was practically deserted, as every merchant and every employee who could possibly go away took advantage of the event and the city was practically deserted a day's outing and to create more community spirit between the boss and the hired help. If the good time at the beach is any criterion, the object of the event has been attained, as everybody, old and young, the boss and the hired help, from the head clerk down to the errand boy, romped and played to their heart's content. A good program of sports was run off, including races of all kinds, baseball games, croquet and swimming contests. Substantial prizes were offered, including four, silver-cased guns, coffee, etc., donated by the various merchants. The great war veterans' band was in attendance.

What might have been a serious accident occurred this afternoon on the fifth concession of Erie Beach. When an auto driven by Thomas Egan of this city, who was returning from Tilbury, and another car driven by Frank Lewis, collided at a turn in the road. Both cars were badly smashed up and Egan's car went to the bottom of a five-foot ditch, taking the occupants, who were Mr. and Mrs. Egan and baby. Fortunately all escaped with slight bruises.

MOTHER OF GEN. CURRIE IS AMONG THOSE HONORED BY STRATHROY WOMEN

STRATHROY, July 10.—A large number of ladies met in St. John's Hall recently, when the local chapter of the National Council of Women presented 24 mothers from the town and the Township of Metcalfe with badges in honor of sons who laid down their lives for their country. The president, Mrs. J. W. Cameron, opened the meeting, and called on Mrs. J. H. English to read the Scripture lesson.

The medals were given by Mrs. Pearce, Miss Mae Currie calling the names. Mrs. (Dr.) C. H. McDougall rendered a solo, "Nearer, My God, To Thee," beautifully. Dr. J. R. McCabe's little twin daughter, Theresa, presented Mrs. Pearce, who has given eight grandsons to the war, with a bouquet, and her other twin, Patricia, presented a bouquet to Miss Currie, on behalf of her mother, Mrs. Currie, who is the mother of Gen. Sir Arthur Currie.

Three mothers were present from Mount Brydges, but they will receive badges from Carleton Place.

While the medals were being presented, Miss Meekison played "O Canada."

LONDON, July 10.—Bolshevik troops have started on a rampage in the region of the northern Dvina River, southeast of Archangel, according to a wireless message received today, and have occupied Poshio, after fierce fighting. Two hundred prisoners and eight machine guns were captured. It is added that the Bolsheviks are pursuing the north Russian forces.

In the region of the Ingermanland Lakes, southwest of Petrograd, the Bolsheviks, the message says, are developing successfully their advance in the direction of Pskov and Narva.

Stratford Judge Gets Mail Brought by Dirigible R-34

Capt. Barron, R.A.F., Sent Letter From England to Father.

STRATFORD, July 10.—Among the letters brought from England by the British dirigible R-34 was one for Judge J. A. Barron from his son, Capt. John Barron, R.A.F. The envelope merely contained an English three-penny stamp. It was remailed from New York.

Capt. Barron, who has been on service since the outbreak of the war and has had a meritorious career, has been appointed one of the Allied officers of the R. A. F. to proceed into Germany on airship service.

JULY BEST MONTH TO DESTROY PESTS OF INSECT WORLD

WASHINGTON, July 9.—July is the best time to destroy insects, says a statement from the American Forestry Association. Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the association, estimates that this country loses \$500,000,000. To check this annual loss the association makes these suggestions for July:

Spray fruit trees with Bordeaux lead. Spray elms for elm leaf beetles with arsenate of lead, one pound to ten gallons of water. Spray for forest tent caterpillars with arsenate of lead (same proportion). Spray tussock moth and other leaf-eating insects with arsenate of lead (same proportion).

If woolly aphis is found on under side of beech tree leaves spray with whale oil soap, one pound to ten gallons of water. Use the same combination on the red spider that may be found on prostrate junipers, yew and box. The scale insect may be found on the under side of leaves, causing them to curl and wilt. Get the Bordeaux mixture in proportions of one pound to eight gallons of water.

A good way to destroy caterpillars is to drive carter's ticks part way into a long stick end. Catch your web at highest point and start turning in until you have the web, then plunge into it until that will kill them.

AGED RESIDENT IS DEAD IN MINTO TP. HARRISTON, July 10.—John Smith, an old resident of this community, passed away today at his residence on the eighth concession of Minto Township, at the age of 81 years. The deceased had been in poor health for the past three months. He will not only be missed in his home, but in the neighborhood.

He was always a helper to everyone, and his home was always a welcome place. He leaves four sisters and two brothers. Mr. Smith was a Presbyterian and a Liberal in politics.

PETITION SIGNED IN ST. CATHARINES FOR 'PEG STRIKERS'

Travelling Orators Address 300 in Meeting.

SPEECHES ARE SPIRITED Claim Made That Russian Prisoners are Unfairly Dealt With.

ST. CATHARINES, July 10.—That the basic principles of democracy were endangered by the recent amendment to the immigration act, permitting the deportation of members of certain organizations, was alleged by Ald. Queen and Pte. Dunn, two of the Winnipeg strike leaders, who were arrested and later allowed out on bail, at a mass meeting here today, which was attended by about 300 labor men and returned soldiers.

In requesting those present to sign a petition asking the minister of justice to allow the five Russians arrested at the same time as themselves the right to a trial, and the production of evidence against them in open court before deporting them, Ald. Queen said that the cases of these men were in the hands of a deportation committee of the immigration department which was not in the nature of a judicial body, did not inquire into the facts of the case and had administrative powers.

He said that the men were not even given the opportunity to attend the sitting of the board unless the board so desired, he stated. The court had no power over the board, and the habeas corpus act could be invoked for a man awaiting deportation.

The board, he declared, did not even have to demand facts before ordering the deportation of any person. Under the recent amendment to the immigration act, he asserted.

Referring to the five Russians who were arrested with him, he stated that if they were deported they would be handed over to the Kolchak army, which would mean that they would be shot.

Will Go To Privy Council. "These men are not going out of the country if we can prevent it in any possible way," he declared. "If necessary we will fight this case right to the privy council in London. We are not asking that these men should be liberated. We are asking that they should be given a fair and open trial before they are punished by deportation, or in any other way."

Believe that the public of Canada, when it hears the facts will be outraged. It is one of the principles of British justice that a man should have a trial on any charge and be considered innocent until he is proven guilty.

Alderman Queen repudiated any suggestion that there was any effort to establish a strike in London. He said that in Winnipeg, there had been no trouble in the city, he declared until the police force was locked out in the early morning, immediately removed to Stoney Point without trial and placed among convicts to be held for deportation.

Discrimination Here. Owing to the intervention of labor men of the Dominion, he said the Government had thought better of its action and had released seven British-born subjects, for trial.

No trial was to be allowed the five Russians arrested. The charges against one of them had been withdrawn, but still he was being held in the penitentiary. The speaker alleged that at the time of the arrest, women had been ordered from their beds by policemen, and annoyed by a search of their bedrooms for hidden literature. Methods were similar to those in Russia, he declared.

Private Dunn spoke at length from the view point of the returned soldier, declaring that ninety per cent of Winnipeg's returned soldiers took part in the demonstration in that city. In the parades, which had been declared to be composed of Bolsheviks, conscripts and defectors, every man had his discharge paper with him. Two of the foreigners who were held as undesirable aliens had been members of the Canadian expeditionary force. The arrest of these men with foreign names who had nothing to do with the strike was nothing but camouflage, in an effort to raise the alien question.

Practically all those present at the meeting signed the petition circulated and pledged themselves to write to the minister of justice asking that a fair trial should be given the men arrested in connection with the Winnipeg strike.

OLD BOYS OF BUFFALO AND GODERICH LINE MEET AT STRATFORD

Thomas E. Edison Wires Regrets—Dinner Followed by Motor Ride.

[Special to The Advertiser.] STRATFORD, July 10.—The third annual reunion of the Old Boys of Buffalo and Goderich Club was held at the Queen Hotel today and was attended by quite a number of the old railwaymen on the E. & G. run. After dinner the couples had the couple hours for exchange of reminiscences and then followed a motor ride about the city.

Since the last reunion three members have passed away, namely: J. D. Hamilton, Stratford; Evans, Brantford and A. Allan, Philadelphia.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Colquhoun, Brantford; H. McKay, Amherst; G. Hamilton, Stratford; M. Delan, Stratford; S. Buchanan, Windsor; C. Proste, Buffalo; J. H. Anderson, Chicago; H. Hollenrake, Brantford; T. Lubbock, Goderich; E. Hawkins, Fort Erie; T. Buchanan, Stratford; W. Douglass, Fort Erie; R. McIntosh, Stratford; J. Doerr, Mitchell; F. Laurence, Goderich; D. Marres, Stratford.

A telegram was read from the famous Thomas Edison, formerly a dispatcher at Stratford, St. Marys, and Farnham, extending good wishes and expressing regret at not being able to be present.

MARINE NEWS

SARNIA, July 10.—Up: Dunham 9:20, Lench 9:30, Mariposa 9:40, C. A. Black 12:20, Buffington 12:20 p.m., Eads and consort 12:30, Clement 1, Willis King 1, Canopus 2, Lagoda 2:20, Oakes 4, McLane 4:10, Venus 5:30, Schoonmaker 5:30, Miller 5:30, Schneider 5:30, Minch 8, Donaldson 8:40, Ford 9, Wm. Mather 9:30, Prentiss and consort 10:30, Dalton 11, Wotan 11:10, Verona 11:50, Vega 12, Nelson and consort 12:10 a.m., Allan Sullivan 1, Harriet B. 1:10, Huron 2, Turner 2:40, Hill 3, Paine 4, Wilson 5, Moll 6, Sam Mather and Richland Star 7, Princeton 7:10.

Down: Frick 5:50 a.m., Mitchell 10:40, Dunn Jr. 10:40, Paisley 11:30, Reed 12:20 p.m., Crescent City and Townsend 1:10, Dimmick 4:30, Morgan Jr. 4:50, Bower 5:50, Wyandotte 6, Shaugnessy 12:10 a.m., L. W. Hill 12:40, Mills 3, Ericson and consort 3:30, Wm. Crawford 4:20, Repliga 6, John Owen 6:20, Michigan 7:40, Pioneer 8:30, Carl Bradley 9.

MIDDLESEX JUNIOR FARMERS OBSERVE METHODS IN ESSEX

Interesting Visit Made to Several Farms By Party of Fifty.

ESSEX, July 10.—Essex County was recently visited by a delegation of 50 members of the Junior Farmers' Club, Middlesex County, who came to observe the methods of farming in Essex County. The young farmers were accompanied by the district representative for that county, R. A. Finn, and by W. J. Noble, district representative for South Essex, and escorted through the county, the trip being made in autos.

Starting at Leamington the party visited Bonnie Brook Farm, the home of Douglas Maynard. Mr. Maynard was impressed with the 21 acres of Irish "Cobler" potatoes, grown from imported seed, and the fine crop of Brunswick. The crop showed great uniformity and strength of growth and freedom from disease with over 90 per cent stand. The many acres of onions and tobacco also attracted great attention.

The next stop was at the Erie Co-operative Company's establishment. The young farmers were told that the company owned its own building, and was one of the largest co-operative associations in Ontario, comprising about 300 growers of vegetables, distributed from Leamington to Harrow, and the amount of business that will be done this year will probably reach one million dollars.

The John Aikin farm on the first concession was the next stop, and an examination made of the Skinner Irrigation system used with such great success as the wonderful growth of crops showed.

Immediately after dinner a stop was made at Jack Miner's Bird Farm, and this place came in for a great deal of commendation, and the visitors felt more than repaid for the visit. Although the geese were gone, the party was very much interested in the concrete ponds built for the geese and ducks, and the numerous bird houses, and specially prepared haunts for the different birds, as well as the basketball park for the community boys, and the hundreds of young pine trees which Mr. Miner has set out. The beautiful "rose walk" and grape arbor were also much admired.

The last stop was made at the farm of J. O. Duke at Othello, and here the party was shown 700 hogs feeding with self-feeding hoppers and drinking fountains.

A business change which has met with great favor in Essex is the one opened up by the Farmers' Club at Farbot and Victoria streets. The club formerly had a small business near their elevator, but as business grew so rapidly they were forced to seek larger quarters, so bought the building used by J. P. Warren as a carriage show room, and remodelled it. They have a fine stock of groceries on hand, and are serving the public with the best goods at the smallest possible price.

This club has grown to such a size that it is now the largest club of the kind in Ontario.

The movement known as the "Aldrick Evangelical Campaign," which is now in progress in Cottam, continues to draw immense crowds, and night after night, in spite of the intense heat, Rev. Mr. Aldrick speaks to capacity crowds.

MAJOR JACK MAYNARD, RUGBY STAR, RETURNS

STRATFORD, July 10.—Pte. William Ewart is home from the front. He went overseas with the 31st Battalion four years ago and spent three years in France.

Major Jack Maynard, M.D. of the A. M. C., is also home, visiting his parents. Mr. and Mrs. William Maynard, Jack is widely known for his work on the rugby field and hockey arena. He won his promotion from captain to major for his splendid work.

MANAGER OF KENT PRODUCE CO. RESIGNS

BLENHEIM, July 10.—Dr. F. McKinley, who was a few months ago appointed manager of the Kent Farmers' Produce Company here, found that his personal business required more of his time than could be given, so he resigned, and left for his home in Ridgetown last night.

The directors held a meeting last evening, and appointed Gormet Muckle, who has been bookkeeper for the company for a long time, to the position of manager.

Mr. Muckle is a Blenheim boy, and his many friends are pleased to hear of his promotion to this responsible position.

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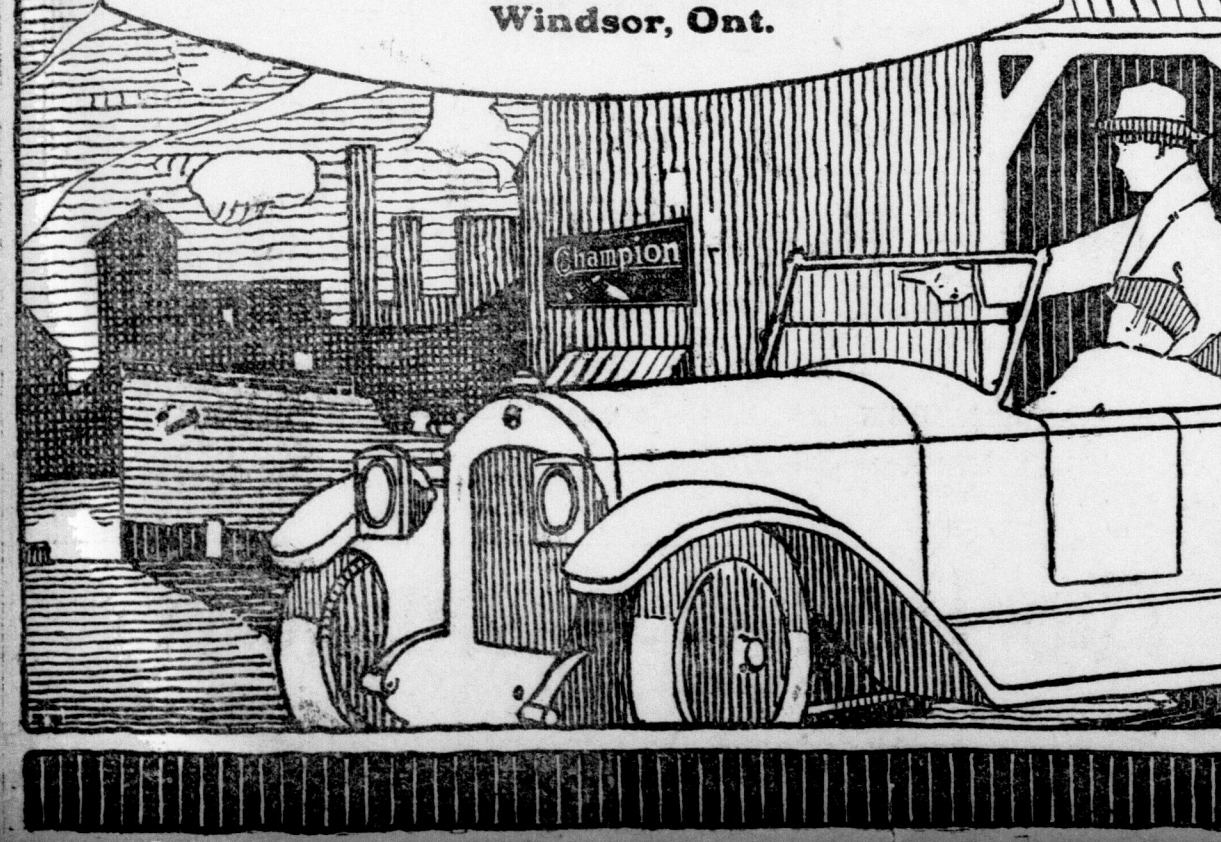
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