

County and District

Action Taken by Authorities in Cobourg Boy's Death

PORT HOPE LAD LOSES LEG

Whitby Organises a Baseball League

GEN. WILLIAMS VISITS PETERBORO

Grand Trunk is Hauling Grain

The Grand Trunk Railway has been hauling the grain from this point during the past few weeks at a terrific rate. When the embargo was put on export grain a couple of months ago there was considerable speculation as to what would happen in the spring when vessels were anxious to move. A month ago the embargo was removed, however, and unloading commenced. The railway rushed their cars forward to this point with the result that today nearly all the grain has been released and this week will see all the vessels empty. —Midland Free Press.

Port Hope Boy Has Leg Severed

Port Hope, April 15.—While standing on the tracks of the Midland division waiting to the soldiers on a troop train, Stanley, the six-year-old son of Geo. Kernan, was knocked down by the shunter and his left leg was severed above the knee.

Cadet Inspection

It is expected that the annual inspection of the cadet corps of Brockville schools will take place early in May. The inspection will be made by Brig.-Gen. Williams and Colonel Gillespie.

An Innovation

According to one of our exchanges a minister of a nearby town and his wife were given a bottle shower. Lucky man! There are a number of people, not ministers, around here who would be tickled to death with a bottle shower. —Port Hope Guide.

Military Crosses to Mark Graves of Peterboro Men

In order that the proper respect may be paid to the men who died in connection with the war General Williams, after an inspection of the two cemeteries while in the city, offered at his own expense to furnish monuments for all who desire to have them. The monuments which were made in the form of a white cross braced on four sides are identical with those used in France to mark the graves and bear the names, military rank, number and place of death. General Williams will send a copy of the monument he suggested next week to Capt. Morrison and all who wish to secure one, whether for the Little Lake or St. Peter's Cemetery may do so by applying to Capt. Morrison at 190 Charlotte street. One gentleman who was to have erected a large monument to his boy changed his mind on seeing the military cross suggested, and said that "his boy died a soldier, he preferred to have his grave marked as a soldier." Gen. Williams wants a military plot set aside at both cemeteries for all the men who died in the service since 1914. This plot would be used for all who have no family plot or whose families wish their boys to rest with their comrades. —Peterboro Examiner.

Wallace J. Baker

Mr. Wallace J. Baker, formerly of Lindsay, has been elected president of the Holy Name Baseball League for the Diocese of Toronto. He is also president of the Sports Committee of the Holy Family branch of the Holy Name Society; councillor for the branch, and also on the Hospital Committee of the C.A.H.K. of C. war activities. He is at present travelling representative of the Canadian Feed Manufacturing Company, Fort William, Ont.—Lindsay Post.

Call to Chaplain

Rev. A. L. Phelps, B.A., of Adolphstown, Bay of Quinte Conference, has been invited to the pastorate of the Methodist Church at Chapleau in the Toronto Conference, to succeed Rev. Mr. Applebach, who has accepted an invitation to the pastorate of Fort Hope Methodist church. The call is subject to the will of the Transfer and Stationing Committee.

Veteran Clerk Honored

On the occasion of his eighty-sixth birthday Samuel McCammon, clerk of the town of Gananoque, was last night the guest at a banquet held in the International Hotel, en-

gineered by the Town Council and Board of Education, of which body Mr. McCammon is also secretary-treasurer. An address was read by Mayor Wilson and T. D. O'Connor presented the guest with a gold-headed cane. A feature of the evening was the reading of a letter from Judge McDonald recounting Mr. McCammon's services as an educationist, counties councillor, a soldier in the Fenian raids and as a municipal officer.

Town Property Sales

Whitby, April 15.—Property aggregating in value to \$25,000 has changed hands here within a brief period. Mr. R. N. Bassett has sold the last two of the stores comprising the Windsor Hotel block to the occupants. Mr. Bassett has bought from the T. H. McMillan estate, Oshawa, the three stores on bloc on the west side of Brock street north with the purpose of improvement.

Whitby Baseball League

The Town Baseball League has organized for the season with these officers: Hon. pres., W. H. Richardson; pres., Dr. J. P. Doger; sec.-treas., Frank T. Mathison; executive, Messrs. Chas. Barton, F. R. Graham and E. L. Odium.

Whitby.—The funeral of an old Whitby boy, Fred Ray, occurred here the other day. The deceased lived in Peterboro. He was the son of the late Nathaniel Ray and uncle of the world-famous jockey, Nat Ray.

Chose Long March

Brockville, April 15.—Among Brockville soldiers returning was Pte. A. F. Kelly, for three years and a half a German prisoner of war. He tells a story of hardship and privations suffered while in the hands of the Germans. A number of the original 2nd Battalion formed in 1914, he was wounded in both legs at the second battle of Ypres, and when members of his company were forced to retire in face of overwhelming German attacks after the discharge of poison gas, he was left on the field and fell into the hands of the Huns. Three days after signing the armistice he and other British prisoners in camp were given the option of being liberated at once or remaining in Germany until transportation would be supplied. He and ten others started on foot to cover the 175 miles which separated them from the British lines. This they finally accomplished, after much hardship. He was one of four brothers to serve through the great war and his father was a Crimean veteran. Pte. Kelly passed through the Ottawa Dispersal Depot.

In Connection with Child's Death

The boat, in which Roy Franklin drifted across the lake, appears to be a real "mystery ship." It came to Cobourg last summer, being picked up in mid-lake by the ferry and brought to Cobourg. Though enquiry was made at the time it was not possible to discover where the boat came from, and it has since been used around the harbor. This was the second crossing of the lake with a real tragedy aboard. The coroner at Cobourg has ordered an inquest into the cause of the death of Roy Franklin, who drifted across Lake Ontario in an old punt. At the last meeting of the Cobourg Council the captain of the libbet crew was dismissed and there is going to be a regular shaking up in the eastern town. —Port Hope Guide.

Obituary

WILLIAM A. CHAPMAN

William A. Chapman, a well known farmer of Roslin died this morning at the age of 80 years. He was born in Roslin in the year 1839 and had lived there all his life. He was a widower and is survived by one son, Charles at home.

LATE ANNIE MAY LLOYD

The funeral of the late Annie May Lloyd took place on Saturday afternoon from the family residence, 31 Mill street, Rev. S. C. Moore officiating. Many were in attendance to pay their last tribute to a favorite young girl. The public's sympathy was expressed in numerous gifts of flowers. The bearers were R. Lloyd, A. Lloyd, H. Lloyd and D. McKinnon.

LATE MRS. CHRISTY

The funeral of the late Mrs. Ethel Maud Christy was held on Saturday from the family residence, Rev. S. C. Moore, officiating. The interment was made in Belleville cemetery, the bearers being Messrs. H. Doherty, W. Blecker, W. Aelstine, H. Hall, H. M. Bateman and Ald. Charles Hanna.

The Week in the Legislature

(Special to The Ontario)

Toronto, April 15.—Great efforts are being made to conclude the business of the session by Easter, and contrary to practice the House sat on Friday night to conclude a debate, initiated by Mr. Nelson, a Liberal farmer from Prince Edward County in which he demanded that a non-partisan commission, including representatives of agriculture and labor should be appointed by the Government to inquire into the conditions which are ordinarily responsible for the continuous decline in the rural population of the province.

Mr. Parliament was supported in his motion by other members of the Liberal Opposition and also by the two United Farmers, Mr. Ben Bowman (Mantoulin) and Mr. J. W. Wildfield (North Ontario). Mr. Bowman's interest went so far as to second the resolution. Mr. Parliament, after setting forth the position in regard to depopulation in the rural districts, touched on the problem of agricultural immigration and inducements to Ontario farmers to remain in Ontario. He emphasized the need for market roads rather than truck highways, advocated a rural banking system and the extension of Hydro radials. He also called the attention to the Government to the unwarranted spread between the prices received by the producer and the cost to the consumer. The Government amended the resolution and forced through their own amendment.

Government Liquor Announcement

The Government confirmed the rumors which had been current in the corridors during the previous week in reference to the details of the proposed liquor referendum. The actual questions, which will appear upon the ballot paper are as follows: (1) Are you in favor of the repeal of the Ontario Temperance Act? (2) Are you in favor of the sale of light beer containing not more than 2 1/2% alcohol weight measure through Government agencies and amendments to the Ontario Temperance Act to permit such sale? (3) Are you in favor of the sale of light beer containing not more than 2 1/2% alcohol weight measure in standard hotels in local municipalities that by majority vote favor such sale and amendments to the Ontario Temperance Act to permit such sale? (4) Are you in favor of the sale of spirituous and malt liquors through Government agencies and amendments to the Ontario Temperance Act to permit such sale?

A great deal of controversy is taking place over the form of these questions. The temperance people are not finding it so difficult to answer the questions as other people who are not out-and-out prohibitionists, because anyone favoring prohibition merely has to answer all four questions in the negative, whereas it is difficult to see how it is going to work out in the other cases. For instance, one question has been raised that if a majority is in favor of the repeal of the Ontario Temperance Act how could the Government carry out the wishes of any subsequent majority on the other three questions by amendments to the Ontario Temperance Act which, it is pointed out, would not then exist if they were repealed under the first question?

Educational Matters

A feature of the week was the intellectual treat given to the members of the Legislature on the occasion of the first real address of the Hon. Dr. Cady, as Minister of Education. The Minister in a very full address, splendidly rendered made a survey of the whole educational system of the province. Two of his most important measures were to provide for consolidated schools in rural districts, and to change the method of enforcing school attendance. Some of the matters dealt with by the Minister were his intention to provide libraries in rural districts and to train teachers in the use of libraries. The training of teachers in connection with the technical and industrial education will in future be divided into two sections under separate superintendents. Grammar will be combined with composition so as to make the subject more attractive to the scholars. The Minister does not propose to do away with homework but intimated that the tasks set might be considerably lightened. Special secondary agricultural, commercial and technical schools are to be provided. Every assistance will be given to enable rural school boards to increase the salaries of the teachers.

Mr. Thos. Marshall, Liberal member for Lincoln, congratulated the Minister upon his able speech, but pointed out that all the various matters referred to by him had been urged upon the Government time after time by the Liberal Opposition. He assured the Minister that the Opposition would co-operate with the Government in carrying out these proposals. The member from Lincoln thought the curriculum at the present time was overloaded. He also criticized examinations. In his opinion isolated facts were of no use in themselves; the instructors should lead their pupils and not drive them. He thought the Minister would have been well advised to have appointed a committee of experts to go over the whole system of education in the province.

Reconstruction

Another lengthy debate took place during the week upon a motion introduced by Lt.-Col. T. R. Atkinson (Liberal member for N. Norfolk) relating to fair wages and fair prices for the products of the farm, encouraging men to return to the land, pensions for widows with dependent children, and, generally speaking, that the Government should take an advanced stand upon all social questions. After Allan Studholme, the Labor member for Hamilton, had given the House the viewpoint of labor, Mr. Hook of S.E. Toronto moved a ridiculously long amendment praising the acts of the Government, and Thos. Magladery, another Government supporter of Temiskaming added further words of commendation. The amendment was substituted for the motion.

Case of Incendiarism

Young Man Pleads Guilty to Setting Fire to Barn

Gananoque.—On Thursday morning about two o'clock, while Chief Chevies was making his rounds he was approached by William Welsh, who remarked, "Put the shackles on me and lock me up. Acton's barn is on fire and they'll blame me for it." The chief complied with the request and then visited the scene of the fire at the farm of W. H. Acton, just beyond the eastern limits of the town, and found the building then almost completely burned. The building was a large one, probably 40 by 60 feet, with a stable underneath. As soon as he was awakened by the blaze Mr. Acton rushed to the barn and threw open the doors of the stable, when most of the horses and cattle walked out. Two calves and two yearlings, together with a large number of fowl perished in the flames. Neighbors were summoned by telephone but were able to render little assistance. Fortunately the wind was blowing away from the residence or it would probably have gone too. The Cavannaugh house, on the opposite side of the highway, and several rods distant, was saved with difficulty. Mr. Acton estimates his loss at \$2,500 and carries insurance of \$1,800.

Welsh is a young man recognized as being of low mentality, and is reported to have threatened harm to Mr. Acton for some imaginary grievance. He lived with the late Jos. Acton when a boy. His overcoat was found in the Cavanaugh house, and he is believed to have slept there. He appeared before Police Magistrate Carroll yesterday and pleaded guilty to setting fire to the barn. He was committed for trial and was taken to Brockville last evening.

Marriage Bill Not Reported

Result of Sitting of Special Committee of the Legislature

While the special committee of the Legislature to consider amendments to the Marriage Act did not accept the somewhat drastic changes proposed by Dr. Forbes Godfrey to provide for medical examination of the contracting parties prior to the ceremony, the consideration given to the proposal has resulted in some good. The committee held another meeting yesterday and decided not to recommend his bill. The provincial treasurer, Hon. T. W. McGarry, stated that to change the system of issuing marriage licenses would, particularly in the northern sections of the province, be a virtual prevention of marriage on account of the long distance which would have to be travelled to secure the necessary documents. The committee accepted the suggestion of Mr. McGarry that the other features of Dr. Godfrey's bill should be left for the Government to consider. However, permission will be asked for the committee to sit again during recess, and also to widen its powers.

When the House met in the afternoon, however, Dr. Godfrey introduced a bill, which it is understood has the endorsement of the Government, to make a number of amendments to the Marriage Act. The bill places safeguards around minors by requiring the consent in writing of parent or guardian of parties under the legal age before a license can be obtained. It also provides that not only the issuer of marriage licenses but also ministers, clergymen, or others who may solemnize marriage, must satisfy themselves that the parent or guardian consents to the marriage of a minor. A penalty for violation of this section is provided of \$2,000, with imprisonment of not less than three months nor more than twelve months.

Opposition leader Proudfoot referred to several petitions which had been forwarded to him asking that regulations be put in the Marriage Act requiring that both parties have a clean bill of health before entering into marriage, and that a blood test be taken, and that there be centralization in the conducting of the examination and issuing of marriage permits. Chairman McGarry and Opposition Leader Proudfoot said that they could not support centralization. Medical men of the country cannot completely take a blood test; the blood would have to be sent to the provincial laboratory for analysis.

Will Contest Next Election

United Farmers of East Peterboro Hold Convention and Caucus at Norwood

The United Farmers' Association of East Peterboro met in convention in the Norwood town hall, last Wednesday. With one exception delegates were present from every Farmers' Club in the riding.

The officers of the County Organization, Messrs. E. McDonald, president and Wm. Barrie, secretary were in charge of the proceedings. The chief speaker was Mr. J. J. Morrison, of Toronto, secretary of the U.F.O. of Ontario. Mr. Morrison outlined the growth of the organization which has now 30,000 members and 1000 clubs. He enumerated the reasons for the farmers as a body in looking after their industry politically, criticizing some of the deals they had received in the past at the hands of partisan governments. He also administered counsel in regard to the conducting of election campaigns. He termed the defeat of the "Daylight Saving" bill as a moral victory for the farmer.

The convention then went into caucus. The report of the caucus as given out was that no definite selection of candidates was made; but it is assured that the organization will contest the next election.—Norwood Register.

Celebrated 92nd Birthday

Friends and Neighbors Congratulated Mrs. Caroline Lawrence

A very pleasant time was spent by a number of the friends and neighbors of Mrs. Caroline Lawrence, when they met on Friday afternoon, April 11th at her home to assist in celebrating her 92nd birthday. Mrs. Lawrence, whose hearing and eyesight are remarkable was in fine health and spirits.

The afternoon was spent in social chat and music. Mrs. Lawrence joined in the singing of a number of old hymns—"What a Friend we have in Jesus," "Sweet Bye and Bye," etc.; she also delighted those present by reciting several selections which she learned years ago.

A most delicious lunch was served at the close of the afternoon. The guests departed leaving all good wishes behind and feeling that they had celebrated a most unique event. Mrs. Lawrence was the recipient of a number of small remembrances.

A short preparatory course on foreign trade for business men and students has been suggested to every Dominion university by the Canadian Trade Commission.

Teetotaler: Stay my friend! Do you think that glass of vile filth will quench your thirst?

The Festive A. B. (fervently) Good heavens, mate! I jolly well 'ope not!

HUNGARY, A FAIR SAMPLE

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Naturally there was no sympathy in Paris for the Magyars when the peace conference assembled. Hungary was an enemy. She had been the oppressor of little peoples. There was no reason to consider her feelings or her fate. The conference was justified in giving first place to the interests of those subject races who had suffered much at Magyar hands.

Hence the plans were laid for partitioning the Magyar domain among those nations or races whose claims to parts of it were based upon preponderating population. Rumania and Serbia advanced into Transylvania and the Banat. The Czechoslovaks crowded down upon Hungary's northern mountain frontier. It was fair enough. Out of the 22,000,000 population of the old Kingdom of Hungary only 10,000,000 were Magyar. The other 12,000,000 were largely unwilling wearers of the Magyar yoke.

The 12,000,000 should be freed. There is no room for argument on that subject. Rumanians and Serbians and Croats and Slovaks and Slovenes should not be required to remain the bondsmen of 10,000,000 Magyars.

The peace conference, in permitting the Rumanians to advance into Transylvania was rightly and reasonably translating the geographical and political fact the meaning of the Allied victory.

But it involved another fact—the living of the 10,000,000 racially proud and arrogant Magyars in a small circumscribed territory, shut off from the sea coast or direct contact with any friendly people. This was the penalty of defeat—the penalty, indeed, for many years of cruel oppression of others. A just penalty, we think. We are asking no sympathy for Hungary.

But the fact suddenly demanded

consideration in a most disquieting manner. When the Rumanians continued their advance into Transylvania and occupied the whole of the territory to which on a population basis they could make reasonable claim, Count Karolyi threw up his hands and turned the government over to the Bolsheviks.

The interesting and significant point is that Karolyi employed Bolshevism as a last defense of Hungarian nationalism. It is a new use of Bolshevism, but a very suggestive one.

If there had been no Bolshevik movement, Karolyi would have had no weapon to use in defense of Magyar existence. Submission to the inevitable consequences of defeat would have been the only course possible to a people militarily helpless. A mere revolution, a mere conversion to Socialism, would have meant nothing.

But with Russia behind her, and with under lying loose all about her and ready for the Bolshevik spark, when Hungary turned Bolshevik she struck a serious blow at the Allies. They awakened at once the apprehension that Austria might follow her example if the peace conference pressed a settlement threatening Austrian existence; the apprehension was intensified that Germany might adopt the Magyar expedient if the peace terms are more exacting than she feels she need accept.

That is the situation created by Hungary's action. It illustrates well the delicacy and extreme difficulty of the problems that Paris is trying to handle, and it demonstrates how Lenin and Trotsky have introduced into world politics a factor that threatens to upset all calculations and programs that were based upon the conception of victory for democracy interpreted in terms of punishment for the guilty and justice to the oppressed.

Have New School Attendance Act

MAY RAISE AGE LIMIT Measure Now Being Drafted by Hon. R. J. Cady

Toronto, April 15.—A vigorous fight for increasing the compulsory school age limit from 14 to 16 was waged in the Legislature by Allan Studholme, East Hamilton, and Sam Carter, South Wellington, without success. Hon. Dr. Cady, minister of Education, promised that the question would be fully dealt with in the Adolescent School Attendance Bill, which is now being drafted, and upon this understanding the House voted down amendments by Mr. Studholme and Mr. Carter, to the School Attendance Act. Several opposition members questioned the minister of Education as to whether the new bill would be brought in during the present session, but he was unable to give a definite reply, owing, he explained, to the necessity for careful consideration of every phase of the subject. He indicated, however, that the bill, when introduced, might make the age limit 16, and might even provide for part time attendance after that age.

The debate occurred when the House was in committee on Dr. Cady's bill respecting school attendance. Mr. Studholme moved an amendment raising the age limit to 16. Mr. Carter supported this, but affirmed his intention, in case it was defeated, of suggesting 15 years.

Major the Rev. J. G. Tolmie, of Windsor, considered that such amendments would embarrass the minister of Education in drafting his bill, and asked that they be withdrawn. Hartley Dewar, and others pressed for a vote, however, and the amendments were defeated.

Thomas Marshall, of Lincoln, suggested that the compulsory attendance age be lowered from 8 to 6 years. Dr. Cady replied that he hesitated to make such a measure compulsory, although many children under eight now attend. He promised, however, that under the act now being considered, they would be compelled to attend regularly or not at all.

"Medicated Booze"

West York M.P.P. Objects to Manufacture of a Patent Medicine

At the opening of the Legislature, Dr. Godfrey referred to a fine of \$10 imposed on a man at Stratford for having a prescription whereby he put a "kick" into certain medicine by the use of ether and alcohol, contrasting

it with allowing the manufacture of a certain proprietary medicine, which he termed "medicated booze," which had 18 per cent of alcohol, and 8,000 bottles of which are turned out daily in Ontario.

Attorney-General Evans said that, so long as the preparation was sufficiently medicated, it came under the control of the Dominion Government. Mr. Dewar then enquired if the Provincial Board of Health had not been empowered to make an inquiry.

Germans, Start War on Titles of Nobility

Soldiers' Section of Soviet Congress Introduced Drastic Resolution at Session Today

Berlin, April 15.—A resolution adopted at the opening session of the Soviet Congress here peremptorily demanding the release of George Ledebour, Independent Socialist Leader, arrested during the Spartacist outbreak, has placed the Prussian and National Government in an awkward predicament. Prussian ministry of state is said to be opposed to setting Ledebour free but independent propose to press the issue to the extreme limit and hurry a decision. Among the resolutions introduced in Congress is one calling upon the Government to appoint five delegates of Congress as members of the German Peace delegation. Twenty-four mentions were announced on the printed calendar, covering a wide range of subjects, including governmental military measures in connection with strikes, amnesty for political prisoners, food problems, ranking of officers and status of volunteer regiments that have been employed for the past few months in throttling insurrectionary movements. The soldiers' factions submitted a resolution calling for the abolition of all insignia of rank and of honor medals with the exception of a badge for wounded men and the cancellation of patents of nobility. Another resolution calls upon the state to assume the functions of an undertaker in that it assume charge of all burials.

A Remedy for Millions Headache.—To those subject to bilious headache, Parolee's Vegetable Pills are recommended as the way to speedy relief. Taken according to directions they will subdue irregularities of the stomach and so act upon the nerves and blood vessels that the pains in the head will cease. There are few who are not at some time subject to biliousness and familiar with its attendant evils. Yet some need suffer with these evils at hand.

FULL

Mud, rain and roads are in a few more places utter cars, owing to the

Much sympathy Mr. and Mrs. Geo. and hereafter, been called upon again in the death daughter. The York Belleville hospital ago.

Mr. Archie Reid, Gen. eldest daughter Mrs. J. M. Geen wed on Wednesday to Mr. Geen being from a fractured arm immediate friends witness the ceremony. In Picton, where they chased a farm.

Pte. Willie Brown on Tuesday after France nearly two

There are days a great deal about the question what it is Mr. H. Burke gathered evening this week, one measuring 8 by ing 4 ozs. This is egg of nearly this hen is a white rock, reminding us of sometimes hear, out a good moral, that cackles that is egg.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray day with Crookston

Mrs. M. J. Haller McCanley spent W noon at Mrs. Brown

Fuller certainly n tive place. More w ing.

A business meeti the Glen Cheese fa afternoon and Mr. and Mr. Will Dean mittee to go ahead the work. A new c ing laid. They hav a new steel milk va and they tank. That everything will working order on tions by May 1st.

Guess sap weathe Some of the farmer the land, while the house cleaning.

NAPANE

The streets of the ceiving their annual the winter's accum and dirt is being the improvement of

Rev. Arthur Ph Adolphstown, Pa. station to Chapleau salary \$1,600, subje the Transfer Commi Mr. W. S. Herrin anee, has been appo of the Royal Socie recognition of the Herrington has don of Canadian Histori congratulate Mr. E new honors.

Mr. E. W. Grange in Napanee on Mon He was returning to three week's tour cities, including York, Philadelphia, investigating and re conditions there for Commerce Departme special mission was les of special articl ing done in the Uni gard to application. dustry.—Napane Ex

STOCKD

Mr. Enos Fitzgerald took dinner at Mr. one day last week.

Mrs. Maggie McC spent the week-end here.

The annual meeti was held at the hon Wood on Tuesday l owing officers were dent. Mrs. (Rev.) R secretary, Mrs. A sec., Mrs. James B Mrs. Annie Davidson

The services on will be in charge of Mr. Chas. Chase his home here after one year on Preston Mrs. Daniel Pres daughter, Mrs. Chas. week.

We are pleased to sh White somewhat health.

Mrs. Ida McMurte Morley Davidson's a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ly tained a few friends ening.

Our prayer meeti day evening are bei