

Births and Deaths

Cards of Thanks, In Memoriams, Marriage Notices, Engagements Announcements

BORN

CLERMONT - Paul and Franchine are pleased to announce the birth of their first daughter Sabrina, 7 lbs. 1 1/2 oz., at the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown, Que. on January 5, 1985.

JAMIESON, Norman and Wanda Lee are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter Stacy Lee, 6 lbs. 13 oz. December 21, 1984 at the Barrie Memorial Hospital. Proud grandparents for the first time are Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ingram of Dunville, New Foundland and great grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Ingram of Little Harbor, New Foundland and fifth granddaughter for Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Jamieson.

CHARTRAND-McKELL - Andre and Agnes are happy to announce the arrival of Cindel Suzanne on January 10th 1985 at the Barrie Memorial Hospital. A sister for Sayard and a granddaughter for Mrs. Jennie McKell and Mrs. Jeannette Chartrand.

ENGLISH - Mr. and Mrs. Mac English are overjoyed to announce the arrival of their 6 lb. 10 oz. baby girl, Sarah Vanessa English on January 18, 1985 at the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown.

ENGAGED

Mr. and Mrs. R. Schlimmpeug of Hemmingford, Quebec are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Karen to Breen son of Mrs. P. Kennedy and the late Mr. B. Kennedy of Chateaugay, Quebec.

DIED

TUCKER, Jim - at the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown, Que. on Saturday, Jan. 19, 1985. James Ernest Tucker, aged 64 years, son of the late Ernest and Violet (Queenie) Tucker, dear brother of Glenna (Mrs. John Durkin), Lake Placid, N.Y. Funeral Service held from the J.M. Sharpe Funeral Home, Franklin on Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 11 a.m. Interment Christ Church Cemetery.

DIED

HEBERT, René - at the Barrie Memorial Hospital, Ormstown, Que. on Saturday, January 19, 1985. Joseph René Hébert, aged 78 years, beloved husband of Marie Claire Chartrand. Survived by one sister Flore (Mrs. Arthur Lamoureux). Survived by several nieces and nephews. Funeral was held from the J.M. Sharpe Funeral Home, 461 Champlain St., Hemmingford to St. Romain's Church for service Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 2 p.m. Interment St. Romain Cemetery.

NEVIL, Viola - at St. Lawrence Hospital, Ogdensburg, N.Y. on Jan. 16th, 1985. Viola Marion Helm age 81 years wife of the late George Nevil. Sister of Charles Helm. Funeral service was from Kelly Funeral Home, Huntingdon on Saturday, January 19th at 2 p.m. Interment Huntingdon Protestant Cemetery.

BRYSON, Philip James - at Ormstown, Que. on January 18th, 1985 age 16 months. Dear son of James & Robin Bryson, grandson of Mrs. Dorothy Wright and Mrs. Ruth Bryson. Funeral service was from St. Paul's Church, Ormstown on Tuesday, January 22nd at 3 p.m.

BEATON, John Archie - at the Miramichi Hospital, Newcastle, N.B. age 68 years, following a lengthy illness. He is survived by his wife Nora Coulter, two daughters Margery MacRae, Blackville and Joan Campbell, Doaktown also three grandsons, Donald Campbell, Fredericton, Lorne Campbell, Saint John and Ashley Campbell, Doaktown. Service was held at Adams' Funeral Home in Newcastle. Interment at Blackville, N.B.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our sincere thanks to firemen, family and friends who helped us the day of our fire. All the help was appreciated. George and Beverly Tannahill and family

Edith Rabideau and Phyllis Martin of Ormstown wish to express their sincere thanks to all those who sent mass cards and sympathy cards, during our time of grief at the loss of our dear sister Shirley Jackson, who passed away December 12, 1984 at the age of 48 of St. Johns, Newfoundland.

CARD OF THANKS

A thank you to all my friends who visited, phoned and sent cards and letters to me while I was a patient in the Montreal General Hospital and the Montreal Convalescent Hospital Centre.

Allan Cavers

The family of the late Paul Schirmer wish to sincerely thank all friends and neighbors for their kind expressions of sympathy. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

Bill and Beverley Watson

Mrs. Jeannette Janos, Mrs. Anita Bourassa, Miss Thérèse Picard would like to thank sincerely everyone who expressed sympathy at the death of their beloved brother, Armand Picard.

IN MEMORIAM

STEWART, Margaret - In loving memory of a dear lady, who passed away January 23, 1974. "Time may pass, memories will always remain."

Claude de Cosse

ELVIDGE - In memory of our dear parents, our Dad, Walter G. who departed this life Dec. 26, 1974 and our mom, Edith Mabel, Jan. 24, 1971.

Tenderly we treasure the past. With memories that will always last.

THERIAULT (née Leblanc) - In loving memory of a dear daughter Shirley Ann, grandson Gaston and granddaughter Shirley all whose lives were taken by a tragic fire in Val D'Or on January 22, 1974.

It's such a helpless feeling when there is nothing one can do. To bring back all the yesterday's that were filled with you. They say time heals all sorrow and helps one to forget. But time has only shown how much we missed you yet. Our hearts still ached with sadness and silent tears still flow. For what it meant to lose you no one will ever know. Forever remembered so sadly missed by mom.

SCHIRMER, Freda - In loving memory of our dear mother and grandmother who passed away January 20, 1983. Treasured memories. Keep you near.

Sadly missed and never forgotten, Bill, Beverley, Ken, Michael and Patrick

BOYSE, Etheline (Moore) - In loving memory of my dear mother who passed away January 16, 1982. Always remembered

Eric

John Dickson was Ayrshire breeder and author

John K. Dickson of Ormstown, Que. died in Florida, on November 28th, 1984. He was 83 years old. John K. was born on the Outarde Road at Ormstown, the son of Peter Dickson and Agnes Kilgour. He attended the elementary school on the Outarde and the High School in Ormstown.

He became involved in general farming and breeder of Ayrshire cattle along with his father and brother Carlyle.

A row of balsam trees were along the roadside on the farm front, consequently the name "Balsam Lodge" was registered with the Canadian National Livestock Records.

John K. took a deep interest in endeavouring to secure better prices for the milk producers. He was president for several years of the local Ormstown Branch of the Montreal Milk Producers Association and he was elected a Director of the Montreal Milk Producers Association in 1937.

In 1937 Peter Dickson donated the farm to his two sons John and Carlyle. In 1939 there was a World's Fair in New York and the Borden Dairy Company promoted the "Dairy World of Tomorrow". The Company called for loans of milking cows of each dairy breed, thirty head from each breed was the requirement and 20 American Ayrshire breeders loaned a cow and 10 Canadian Ayrshire breeders loaned a cow from May 1 to Nov. 1. Local people who attended the Fair were quite startled to see the name of the owner of one of the cows as Peter Dickson & Sons, Ormstown, Que.

During the 40's, an outstanding producer, Balsam Lodge Lady of the Lake, was developed and she made over 600 lbs. of butterfat in three different lactations and had a



Photo: William Norman & Son

lifetime production of 104,000 lbs. milk testing over 4% butterfat. Her son Balsam Lodge Roderick Dlm was sold to Meredith Farm Topsfield, Mass. and later going to head an artificial unit in Ohio.

John K. was a director of the Montreal Milk Producers Association for 25 years and served as president for two different periods.

In 1958, following a vote of the Producers on the Montreal Market under the terms of the Quebec Agriculture Marketing Act, a Producers Board was formed in 1959. John K. was elected a director, a position he held until 1963 when the farm barns were lost by fire.

It was a daytime fire and the cattle were rescued and housed in stabling facilities about 4 miles away. The cattle were sold by auction and since no longer a producer, John K. resigned as a Director. At the Annual Meeting of Montreal Milk Producers Association he was specially honored in recognition of his 25 years of service as a director of the organization.

In 1945 Carlyle became involved in other interests and sold his interest in the farm and the herd to John K. That year John K. became a director of the Dairy Farmers of Canada and occupied this position until 1965.

In the 20 year period that he was connected with the Dairy Farmers of Canada, he was married to Edna May McPhillimy, a native of Crosby, Liverpool, England and had 26 years of happy married life. During the years 1962 and 1963 he served as president of the Dairy Farmers of Canada and in 1963 was the Canadian delegate to the meeting of the Federation of Agricultural Producers held in Bray Ireland.

During the 20 years with the Dairy Farmers of Canada he attended the Annual meeting in nearly every province in Canada. John K. became a director of Ormstown Exhibition in 1948 and served as president from 1966 to 1969 and resigned in 1972.

Following these activities and having been a rural inspector for a number of years he became active in drainage problems in the Parish of St. Malachie d'Ormstown, and to some extent in Hinchinbrooke and Godmanchester.

John K. became a member of the Board of Governors of the Barrie Memorial Hospital in 1944 and became Chairman of the Board in 1950 and held that position for 10 years.

John K.'s last major public contribution was in 1974 becoming the author of the book about the history of the Barrie Memorial Hospital from 1939 to 1973. He retired from the Board of Governors in 1974.

In 1972, he was given a gold medal by the Quebec Department of Agriculture for meritorious service to agriculture over a period of years in the Province of Quebec.

He and Edna sold the farm in 1968 and purchased a house in Ormstown. In the 1970's John K. was part of a committee that directed the use of the Walsh funds in the building of the Walshaven residence for senior citizens.

Cult leader Raymond Steele appears before coroner

The Valley was shocked to learn of the murders of a Huntingdon woman and an Ormstown child and the death of a man believed to have been involved in the Ormstown incident.

Raymond Steele will appear today (Wednesday, Jan. 23) before Gilles Perron, coroner for the Beauharnois Judiciary District, as an important witness in the case of the violent death of Linda Quinn.

Steele, aged 33, is presently detained at the Parthenais Detention Centre in Montreal, following a warrant issued by the coroner. Steele was arrested at his residence, at 4329, Route 138 in the municipality of Godmanchester, around midnight, January 17. The Huntingdon and Ste-Martine detachments of the Sûreté du Québec joined forces with a special squad of the Montreal SQ to make the arrest.

After taking Steele into custody, the police found the frozen body of Linda Quinn in a wooden chest, outside the residence of the suspect.

The victim had not been heard of since she left for Steele's house to run an errand last week. It has not been possible to determine whether this was Tuesday or Wednesday. After two days without any news, Suzanne Quinn, who happened to be Steele's girlfriend, went to the suspect's house, looking for her sister.

Around 4 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 17, Suzanne ran to a neighbor's to call the police, saying her sister had been murdered.

While waiting for the police to arrive, Suzanne apparently told the neighbor about what happened at the house. It seems the suspect and prime witness in this tragedy told Suzanne that her sister Linda had gone to Ottawa on business. Later on, he told her that Linda had been killed by his helper.

When Suzanne found Linda's engagement ring and coat in Steele's house, she knew something was wrong.

It has been learned that around 6 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 17, Steele came out of a taxi at the entrance to 4329 Route 138. Linda's car, which had been seen there a few hours before, was not there anymore.

It's around 6 p.m. also on the same day, that the Huntingdon SQ called for the help of the unit for crimes against persons of the Montreal SQ.

It's only around midnight that the SWAT team of the "Sûreté du Québec", after being forced to kill one of the suspect's dogs, a black pitbull, was able to enter the residence through the back door. Around one in the morning, the policemen arrested the suspect and took him to the SQ office in Huntingdon.

The body of the victim was discovered around 1:30 a.m. After the usual.....the body of the victim was taken to the morgue of the

"Institut Médico-légal" in Montreal where an autopsy was performed the next day.

According to police findings, the time of death would be 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 16. More precise fact will be given on this at the coroner's inquest when the pathologists give their report.

One police source revealed the victim was beaten, tortured, then killed with a knife. The body bore many marks of violent treatment.

As mentioned before, the prime witness in this murder case is Raymond Steele who was celebrating his 33rd birthday on January 17. He was a director and minister of a religious sect known as the "Universal Life Church of Enlightened Reason Canada."

Steele moved to the Huntingdon area from Pierrefonds barely a year ago.

Last January 7 he appeared at a preliminary inquest before Judge Barrette at the Valleyfield Court. He was then remanded for trial on March 26 under two counts of assault taking place last September 1, and under one count of assault with bodily harm, taking place on or around September 2.

Officers of the Special Unit for crimes against persons are still investigating the circumstances of the murder. The coroner's inquest will also shed more light into the tragic events that took place last week.

Suspect in infant killing found dead in pond

Officers of the Ste-Martine detachment of the Quebec Provincial Police, together with the Unit for crimes against persons of the Montreal office, were called in to investigate the circumstances surrounding the death of a 16-month-old infant, which took place around 2 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 18 in Ormstown.

The victim was Philipp James Bryson, son of James and Robin Bryson of Ormstown.

Soon after the tragic incident, police were able to identify the baby's uncle, Randolph Wright of 96 Adele Street, Ormstown as a suspect in the case.

However, this young man, aged 20, was found dead on the same day in the area of Godmanchester Township.

According to reliable sources, Mrs. Robin (née Wright) Bryson went to her mother's house at 96 Adele Street with her baby son. Her brother Randolph was there.

Around 2 p.m. Randolph jumped on his sister Robin, pushed her down on the floor, hitting her with his fists and kicking her. Apparently overtaken by madness, he then grabbed the infant and stabbed him. Meanwhile, the

child's mother was able to escape from the house.

Randolph Wright left the premises in a Ford pickup truck. The police launched Operation 100 soon after, in order to find the vehicle and hopefully the suspect.

The vehicle was found in the evening, opposite no. 4343, Carr Front Road, in the Township of Godmanchester. It seems the suspect went into the ditch with the truck and then abandoned the vehicle on the side of the road. He then got undressed and started running in the woods.

At some point it seems he fell, probably from exhaustion, face down into a pond not yet frozen over. He apparently died by drowning and freezing, according to the police report. His body was found not far from where he had abandoned the vehicle around 1:30 a.m. Friday.

The police investigation has been able to determine that the young man was overcome by a fit of raving madness, which caused him to do what he did. According to elements discovered by police soon after the incident, this was a case of premeditated murder, and not just an act committed on impulse.