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THE CASE OF HYDRO

Some members of the Walkerton Council desired to ask the Hydro people to tender on a service for their town, but the motion in Council was defeated. The friends of the Hydro were wise in defeating this motion, because Hydro does not tender for any service. It gives estimates instead, and we have yet to hear of a case where the estimate was not exceeded in actuality. There are a lot of municipalities in this district of Ontario who can bear evidence to the truth.

We would like to understand why it is that Hydro cannot grant a stated rate for its service. It is continualiy changing its rules and regulations and many people think that it is with the objec of adding a little to the cost of its service. Flesherton would be due for a reduction in face of the fact that we have a couple of thousand dollars surplus in the bank at the present moment. But there are many things in which Hydro might make its local plans plainer to the paying citizens. As it is, the truth is hidden by a mass of technical verbiage, which no one but an expert can explain. The proverbial Philadelphia lawyer is not in it with the modern Hydro engineer when it comes to the use of confusing electric terms.

At least one member of our new village Council has made it his plan to get after Hydro and try to discover the why of the wherefore in many respects. More power to him.

EDITORIAL NOTES

To do the right thing in the very best way to dodge the wrong.

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After being published for the past two years, The Chatsworth Banner has ceased publication.

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E. C. Drury, former Premier of Ontario, intends to run for Federal seat at the next general election. He has accepted a position on the Farm Loan Board.

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An inventor has perfected a gas engine which needs nothing but water for lubrication. This reminds the Arkansas Gazette editor that he owns stock in an oil well that can keep this new-fangled engine well greased.

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There was a big gain in deposits in savings bank clearings the past year, and some of our contemporaries trace this favorable result to the stockingless fad. But where is the profit when the fair creatures wear two pairs at once in the winter season?

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We are the engineers of our physical selves. et us remember that our body is a delicate machine that cannot be tampered with without injury to ourselves. Microbes do not find encouragement to assail well-managed bodies.

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If it were not made unlawful for men to drink bootleg whiskey there would be a rush for the consumption of "the real stuff." Here is a hint for the Ontario government's agents, wholesale and retail, when next they sell permits.

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The danger of handling any kind of a gun was demonstrated when a 15-year old boy was shot and killed by his chum with an old revolver. The boys were imitating western gambling scenes by playing cards, when to carry out tradition, they quarreled and the pistol was levelled at and the shot fired. It was a case of not knowing the gun was loaded.

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The Canadian Government has been contemplating to move Camp Borden aviation camp to some other location which has not yet been chosen. Delegates from Simcoe county have interviewed the authorities, and it is likely that the camp will be retained. If the field was changed it would be very seldom, indeed, that a plane would fly overhead in this district.

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A new world record was set by the Canadian Pacific Railway recently when a train of grain more than a mile long was operated between Stoughton and Arcola, in Saskatchewan. It was the longest and heaviest grain train in history, consisting of 135 loaded grain cars, each approximately 40 feet in length, a water car, a caboose and engine. The gross weight was 8,722 tons and the total contents of the cars were 202,200 bushels of grain.

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The Collingwood Bulletin recently remarked that the newspapers have become so dinstinctly part of the community that it would be difficult to conceive of any live community devoid of a local newspaper, and that not less inseparable and mutually dependent are the newspaper and business. It is virtually impossible to point out a business success within the last two decades which has been achieved without the aid of newspaper advertising. Under modern conditions any town without a good newspaper and active business enterprises soon becomes an actual reproduction of the poetical "Deserted Village," accepting whatever trade is left to it but ceasing to be a go-getter in attracting trade its way.

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HARDENING OF THE ARTERIES

The arteries are normally elastic. Control of blood pressure is exercised first of all, by the heart, or pump, through the force and frequency of its beat; second by the arteries, through their expansion or contraction, which abilities they possess as a result of their elasticity. Some of the arteries are very large, such as those in the abdomen, and if they relax, they are capable of holding all the blood in the body. Sometimes they do this, with the result that the person faints because all the blood is drained away from the brain.

As we get older, the elasticity of the arteries is gradually lost. It is said with much truth, that a man is as old as his arteries. Along with the loss of elasticity, there is a thickening and hardening of the walls of the arteries. They become more or less brittle, and break comparatively easily; the calibre becomes smaller, on account of the thickening, and this tends to raise the blood pressure. The result is a thickened and weakened artery with a blood pressure above normal.

We do not know how hardening of the arteries can be completely controlled. We do know, however, what, in many cases, will check the development of the condition. We know that the absorption of poisons from diseased teeth, tonsils or other parts of the body must be stopped. We know that overstrain, both physical and mental, must be avoided. We know that the condition of all systems of the body must be watched and remedied when necessary, because if one part of the body is diseased or is not functioning properly, a strain is thrown thereby upon all the other parts, including the arteries and other parts of the arterial system.

Questions concerning health addressed to the Canadian Medical Association, 84 College St., Toronto will be answered by letter. Questions as to diagnosis and treatment will not be answered.

AN OLD FRIEND WRITES FROM LADNER, B.C.

In writing to The Advance renewing his subscription, Mr. W. H. Sloan of Ladner, B.C., says that he looks forward to the paper every week and sees so many changes in the few years he and his family have been away from Flesherton. "So many of our old acquaintances have passed on. Mrs. Geo. Myers was my school mate at the Galloway school in Osprey township." He also says that where he is now residing is a fine country for old people, it is so nice and mild. They have not had a speck of snow this winter, but there generally are frosty nights with clear days. We were pleased to hear from Mr. Sloan again and wish him many years of health and happiness.

MAKE A START

It's easy quite to loll about
Beneath the summer sky,
To watch the roses coming out,
The river rolling by;
It's easy quite to murmur low;
"This idleness won't pay!
I'd better stir myself, and so
Make something of the day."
It's rather nice to tell a friend
Our projects for success;
It's capital to quite intend
A war on idleness;
It's beautiful to look ahead
At all that we might win,
But courage scorns the dream, instead
Of rising to begin.
Don't wait for Chance to lend a hand
Nor talk in boastful strain
Of schemes that, once maturely planned,
Will bring you golden gain;
But leave the talking till, at last,
The guerdon you have won.
Fame cannot blow a triumph blast
Before the race is run.

—John Lea.

Patrons of the Standard branch of the Bank of Commerce at Orangeville have been notified that this branch will be closed at the end of the month and that on Feb. 2nd the business will be transferred to the Bank of Commerce premises.

The Warden's Address

Allow me to extend to you my sincere thanks and appreciation for the very high honor you have conferred upon me, and also the Municipality which I represent, in electing me to the highest position which is in your power to give to one of your Members, that being the Wardenship of Grey. I assure you that I will strive to the best of my ability to merit the confidence you have thus shown by doing my best to uphold the dignity and standing of our County, one of the largest and best in the Province.

We are all glad to note that the Royal Family are well on the road to recovery, and we trust it will not be long before both our beloved King and Queen will be fully restored to their good health.

AGRICULTURE

Agriculture being our principal industry, it is only natural that I should speak of it first in my address. During the past year the heavy rainfall caused much damage and loss to what would have been a bountiful crop. However, we are thankful to the Almighty, the Giver of all good, for what we have received and will look forward to greater prosperity for our County during the coming year.

We must keep in mind our request to the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa for a tuberculin test for the County of Grey, for it will not take long for two more years to pass when we may expect such a test for this County.

FINANCES

Our finances are in very good shape, even if we did have a small deficit of about $1500.00. I would advise the Chairman of the several Committees to keep within bounds of their allotment, so that when the year is passed we may have a credit balance instead of a deficit.

BRIDGES

We are gradually replacing the old narrow bridges with new ones of the regulation width now necessary for the increased traffic caused by the general use of the auto and truck as a means of transportation. At present I know of no extraordinary expenditure for bridges during the current year.

COUNTY ROADS

Although considerable money is being spent each year on our County Roads and Provincial Roads, I believe we are getting value for the money spent and in the end the expenditure will be justified. I understand the Province will require this year about $56,000.00 for Provincial Roads within the County. Therefore we will have to be careful in the amount of new work we assume always remembering we require a certain amount for maintaining what we have already built, as well as ordinary maintenance.

HOUSE OF REFUGE

There will be a report of the House of Refuge Committee on the remodelling of the House of Refuge. The fireproofing of the stairway, so as to make possible the use of the third story in our home, is costing about $2050.00, including the lighting. This will give us accommodation for about twenty-four more inmates or over thirty-five per cent. more room. This, I believe, is money well spent.

In conclusion I wish to say to you that I will endeavor to be courteous to one and all during my term of office, and I trust when 1929 reaches its close you may say of me "Well don, good and faithful servant."

All of which is respectfully submiteed.

HECTOR C. MOODY,

OSPREY COUNCIL

Osprey Council met in Maxwell on January 14th. Members present were as follows: W. L. Taylor, Reeve; John Lockhart, Deputy-Reeve; Sylvester Clarke, Councillor; John Grummett, Councillor; R. J. Morrison, Councillor.

Communications—Municipal World, soliciting subscriptions; Ontario Good Roads Assoc., re annual meeting; Ont. Municipal Assoc., re annual meeting; Hospital for Sick Children, requesting donation; Dept. of Highways, re Road Superintendent.

Wm. Findlay waited on the Council re McMaster Ditch.

Lockhart — Clarke — That the Clerk be instructed to subscribe to the Municipal World for each member of the Council, the Clerk, Treasurer, Superintendent and Assessor.

Lockhart — Grummett — That the Reeve and Clerk be instructed to consult the Township solicitor in regard to the Engineer's award on the McMaster Ditch.

Lockhart — Morrison — That the Superintendent be instructed to notify the Township of Melancthon to render their account for townline work as soon as possible, this Township's account to be forwarded with said notification.

The following By-laws were read the required number of times, signed and sealed: By-Law No. 1, appointing Dougald Stephens, Assessor; By-Law No. 2, appointing Alex. McIntyre and J. A. Davidson, Auditors; By-Law No. 3, appointing John Lockhart a member of the Board of Health; By-Law No. 4, appointing School Attendance Officers as follows: Archie McInnis S. S. Nos. 8, 10 and 14; S. A. Arnott, Nos. 3, 4, 9 and 11: G. H. Burke, Nos. 5, 6 and 7; Wm. Norman, Nos. 1, 2 and 12; By-Law No. 5, appointing Commissioners as follows: Div. No. 1, John Grummett; Div. No. 2, R. J. Morrison; Div. No. 3, John Lockhart; Div. No. 4, W. L. Taylor; Div. No. 5, Sylvester Clarke; By-Law No. 6, appointing Sub-Overseers; By-Law No. 7, authorizing the borrowing of $15,000.

Miscellaneous accounts, $164.32; Road accounts, $55.90.

Council adjourned to meet at Feversham on Saturday, February 16th at 10 a.m.

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The Bell Telephone Company and its financial policy

IF given authority by parliament, the Bell Telephone Company will issue new shares of stock over a period of years, at intervals and in amounts depending on the expansion required to serve public demand.

The new shares will be offered for purchase by shareholders and the price will depend on the management's judgment of conditions.

This method is the exact procedure by which the company has built the present telephone system in Ontario and Quebec.

In forty-eight years the telephone company has neither suggested nor received a government subsidy.

In forty-eight years it has never split its stock, nor issued shares that were not fully paid for at par or more.

In forty-eight years it has never been exploited for the benefit of either individuals or groups, although it is now one of the largest institutions in the country.

has met double obligation

IN choosing and following this financial policy the management of the company has had constantly in mind the double obligation of those who operate a public utility.

There is, first, the obligation to the users of the telephone system to give them proper service at lowest possible cost. And, secondly, there is the obligation to the owners to protect their property and pay them a fair return on the money they advance to build the system.

These two obligations have been scrupulously fulfilled.

Service has been given by steadily extending the system from a few hundred telephones in 1880 to over 700,000 now in use. The company is spending over $27,000,000 this year to extend and improve the system further and has made plans to spend over $120,000,000 in the next five years.

And this service has been given at low cost. The rates paid by telephone subscribers in Ontario and Quebec are the lowest in the world for comparable service. The Board of Railway Commissioners has officially acknowledged that they are more reasonable than other rates in Canada.

The 15,300 owners of the system receive a fair return, but not more than a fair return. The company's policy has handed out no "melons" nor extra dividends.

A test of this is the actual experience of a shareholder who bought Bell Telephone stock on the market fifteen years ago at $145 and has since taken advantage of every opportunity to buy new shares as they have been offered.

His annual return today, on the money he has paid for his shares, is less than seven per cent. To be exact it is 6.9 per cent.

in the national interest

THE management does not favor any change in its policy, because:

1. the record of the company's policy in efficiently fulfilling the obligations to both users and owners justifies its continuance.
2. if, however, the financial policy of public utility companies is to be fixed by parliament it should be made applicable to all such companies rather than to single out one company which does not deserve special restrictions.
3. a change in policy is not in the national interest; it means that Canadian investors will be attracted to put their money into numerous American utility companies with which the telephone company is now competing for new capital and where it is the recognized practice to offer new shares to stockholders.

The present policy of the company safeguards future expansion of the telephone system by retaining support of reliable investors, and promotes the national interest of Canadians in Canadian development.

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