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A DOUBTING THOMAS

The Advance has been wondering if all we see published in the newspapers can really be true? The editor of the Toronto Star is evidently a doubting Thomas, judging by the following editorial paragraph from its issue of Monday:

"Ravens are said to have "hovered like vultures" over three men who were caught in the storm near Great Bear Lake. As a rule ravens avoid human beings, and for that reason are seldom seen in the settled parts of Ontario where they were once common."

These three men were three weeks crossing this great ice-covered body of water and are said to have subsisted largely on stewed rabbits! What breed of rabbits could this be? In this country the rabbit is a denizen of dense forests. The Star is quite justified in raising the question of veracity in this harrowing narrative of adventure among the rabbits of Great Bear Lake.

GETTING AFTER SHEEP KILLERS

The slaying of sheep by marauding dogs continue to disturb the farming community, and calls have gone forth in nearby counties for drastic action to abate the expensive nuisance. The latest action has been taken by the Wellington County Game and Fish protective Association, the 500 members of which have offered to co-operate with all farmers to put an end to the activities of the slaughterers. It is recognized that there are many well-behaved dogs in town and country but it is clear also that ill-disciplined or vagrant curs, without even partial restraint, are too often permitted to roam at large and menace valuable sheep flocks. A drive to combat raiders would seem much more necessary than wholesale gunning after unwelcome birds.

OFF WITH THE SUGAR TAX

A big deficit will have to be provided for in the Canadian Budget this year, as in recent years of depression. But we are all hoping that times will soon show decided improvement, and that we may be able to return to an era of lowered taxation—especially of the necessities of life. One of the first taxes to go—imposed for the first time last year—is the tax on sugar. Two cents a pound is altogether too high to collect on an article of universal consumption, and it presses too severely on those least able to bear it—the common people.

The onerousness of the sugar price in Canada, compared with that in the United States, is shown by the fact that grocers in the United States are selling ten pounds for 47 cents, whereas the Canadian house is assessed 67 cents for the same quantity.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Wm. McDonald, proprietor and editor of the Chesley Enterprise suffered a paralytic stroke while playing checkers in his office on Saturday evening last. His condition is said to be critical. Should he be permanently disabled it would be a distinct loss to Bruce County Journalism.

Grey County Notes

The Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Co. has moved its offices and staff from Owen Sound to Toronto.

Farmers between Owen Sound and Chatsworth are complaining that too much snow has been taken off the road by the plows, making travel for sleighs difficult.

Sarawak township and the town of Orangeville were left off the revised election law when the changes were made last year. This error has now been corrected and the citizens will now have a chance to vote at the next Dominion election.

Joseph Essex of Osprey township died last week four days after he had attained his 93rd birthday. He is survived by four sons and two daughters.

Owen Sound fire brigade has had a busy time this year, an average of one call a day being received, but none of the alarms were of a serious nature.

A range in the home of Mrs. J. A. Rowland of Durham exploded last week without warning, when the water in the intake pipe beneath the floor had frozen. Mrs. Rowland escaped from being injured by the flying debris.

The Owen Sound band committee reports a successful year, under the leadership of J. A. Cowie.

S. D. Dick of Collingwood, veteran shipbuilder has celebrated his 90th birthday.

Mr. Geo. T. Stoddart of Calgary, Alta., formerly of Markdale, died recently at the age of 69 years. Three sisters and two brothers survive: Wm and Wesley and Mrs. Wm. Levi of Markdale, Mrs. Jas. Goodwill of Glenelg and Mrs. Geo. Goodwill of Toronto.

Three carloads of horses were recently shipped from Tara station.

The weigh scales at Hanover, municipally owned, showed earnings for last year of $287.50.

Grey Musical Festival

The first Musical Festival of Grey County was held in Meaford on June 6th, 1933, and it proved to be a very enjoyable and successful affair and it reflected great credit on the music teachers of the different centres taking part and on others who gave time and money to make the event a success. Much credit is due to Mr. T. Stewart Cooper, Agricultural Representative in Grey County, for his untiring efforts in promoting musical education in this district and for his inspiring leadership. Plans have now been completed for the holding of the Second Annual Musical Festival to be held in Meaford, June 5th, 6th, 7th.

The Syllabus which is now ready and which will be sent out in due time comprises two divisions:—Part I and Part II. In Part I, all events are open to competitors from the counties, Bruce, Dufferin, Grey, Simcoe and Wellington. In these counties, centres of 20,000 population or over are excluded.

The Executive is planning for a big event and expects to handle all details with smoothness and precision. Much thought has been given to the selection of the test pieces and it is hoped that the Syllabus will give general satisfaction throughout the counties and that it will be a means of advancing musical education in this part of the province.

Yours for success,
David Warner-Smith,
President.
Selkirk A. Morrison,
Sec'y.-Treas.
Grey County Musical Festival.

INTEREST RATES

(Country Guide)

Even a casual survey of federal and provincial finances and more especially in the four western provinces indicates the chief problem to be the crushing burden of interest on the public debt. It is very doubtful if all these debts can ever be paid in full, and the high interest rates render the possibility of final principal payment even more dubious. The way to avoid repudiation is to reduce the interest rates on public debts and at the same time adjust the national sacrifice more evenly.

ALFALFA TARIFF REDUCTION LIKELY FOR UNITED STATES

The Department is advised that in order that quantities of Turkestan alfalfa may be brought in from Russia, the United States Tariff Board has been considering reducing the tariff on alfalfa seed from eight cents to four cents a pound.

It is further reported that this type of alfalfa resists wilt which affects home-grown seed in certain states.

The larger alfalfa growers' organizations are strenuously attempting to prevent such a move, claiming that the United States grows sufficient alfalfa for her own needs.

On Parliament Hill

With AGNES C. MACPHAIL, M.P.

So much has happened since I last wrote that we will never be able to catch up in one article. I am just brimming with things to say to you, which is almost as bad a plight as having too little to say. After my visit to Halifax last November, I planned to tell you some of the interesting things about that splendid old Province of Nova Scotia, but my illness prevented.

For some years the students of Maritime Universities have been conducting a model assembly of the League of Nations Society at which the different students represented the member nations of the League and argued from that position. This year they departed from that practice and while keeping the form of the assembly, discussed subjects of vital interest to Canadian students, such as, the N. R. A. and its affect on Canada; recent changes in the British Commonwealth in trade, outlook, etc. They very kindly asked me to address one of the plenary sessions. I also sat in at some of the committees and I thought the students a keen lot.

The following night I addressed a large meeting in the city of Halifax and to my surprise found a ready acceptance for my views on banking and financial reform, or possibly I had better be careful and say a ready sympathy. Nova Scotia has been weathering heavy seas in the 67 years since Confederation. The fiscal policy of Canada has been detrimental to the trade of Nova Scotia. She has the advantage of open harbors all the year around, making foreign trade easy, if it were by law allowed. The greater manufacturing concerns of central Canada have injured materially the smaller factories of Nova Scotia and with a lessening of their industrial population, it has been more difficult to find markets for agricultural products at home. According to the Superintendent of Education, who sat by me at a faculty luncheon, farmers in Nova Scotia come closer to being self-sufficient than in any other part of Canada. No inhabited part of the province is more than twenty-five miles from the sea and for the most part not farther from a deposit of coal. This makes it easy for the farmer to provide himself and family with food and fuel, but it leaves him in just as difficult a position in regard to debt and luxuries as the farmer of any other part of Canada.

The whole water-front in the port of Halifax, and indeed much of the city, has been rebuilt since the terrific explosion of a British boat in the harbor during the war. At that time 1,700 people were killed and 10,000 injured. I could scarcely believe it when the Mayor of that day gave me the figures. "It was," he said, "the greatest civilian disaster during those awful four years of slaughter."

It was on the way home from Halifax that I admitted to myself that I was seriously ill. I consulted a specialist in Montreal and really intended to go back to Montreal for the operation, which he told me was necessary, but after getting home I felt I wanted to stay near there and to be with people whom I had long known. Emerson was right when he said, "Everything has its compensations." At any rate, an operation has. After the first four days of intense suffering were over, I experienced a feeling of such great joy that it could, I think, be called exaltation. In my little room in the Markdale hospital I lay and watched the snow softly falling and was glad, glad to be alive. For the first time in a long long while I had no responsibilities, no ambition and no worry. I couldn't read, I didn't even want to, living was enough. Then, too, an illness reveals the great kindness of human beings and causes one to know again, that underneath the prejudices and little meannesses which we all have there is a great well of good-will, which in the dark days will not fail us. Last, but certainly not least, there is the skill and devotion of doctors and nurses which we possibly too often take for granted. Taking it all in all I can say that the last weeks spent in the Markdale hospital are among the happiest of my life.

The weatherman put on a special show for me the morning I arrived in Ottawa, 35 below zero and a brilliant sun. Parliament Hill was a sight, with the white snow piled high on the many drives leading in to the beautiful Gothic structure carried out in gray stone powdered with white snow with a cold and brilliant sun over all.

The session is getting under way. I didn't hear, but I dutifully read, the four hour speeches made by the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition. When I finished reading the speech of the Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King I was convinced that there was nothing right with the Government; and when I finished with the speech of the Prime Minister I was convinced there was nothing right with the Opposition. It would be a tragedy for Canada should both the honorable gentlemen be correct in his estimation of the party of the other. If anything I thought the Prime Minister had the edge on the Leader of the Opposition. A cartoon in the Toronto Daily Star of February 7th expresses my opinion exactly, it is called "Pillow Cases" and shows Mr. Bennett and Mr. King boxing with huge gloves on, labelled "Four Hours and Twenty-five Minutes" in one case and "Four Hours and Twenty-three Minutes" in the other and underneath "They fight hard enough, but the gloves are too big to be effective."

Two resolutions of great interest have been debated, the first asking for the Government to assume full responsibility for credit and finance to be controlled in the interest of the people and under the jurisdiction of the Federal Parliament. And the other that a large scale program of public works be inaugurated to be financed, not by borrowed money, but by a direct issue of non-interest bearing notes. I will give a review of these debates next week.

Saturday, Feb. 10, 1934.

—AGNES C. MACPHAIL.

Ice 19 Inches Thick

The harvest of ice at McCauley's pond still continues. Only half of the amount required has been cut by Mr. Fred Mathewson and his helper and work is still proceeding. Two or three inches were added to the thickness of the ice by the recent cold weather and the blocks stored on Monday were slightly over 19 inches in thickness, and this year it enjoys a record.

WE KNOW, WE TRIED THAT ONCE

There isn't a newspaperman in the country who would not live longer and be happier if he could do a strictly cash business with those who patronize him. But only the big city papers would dare to cut your name off their mailing lists when your subscription expired. They can do that and it is quite all right. Out here in the country where Bill knows Jack and Jack calls Jim by his first name, we do things a bit differently. We know one another personally and we soon learn who to trust. If we were to cut your name off our subscription list just because you might allow your subscription to expire in a few weeks, many of you would not like it. And about the first thing you would say to us would be, "So you can't trust me for a couple of dollars, eh?" We know. We tried that once.—Trenton Courier Advocate.

The ice cream man may be down but he is not out—recall this next August.

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