## THE FLESHERTON ADVANCE

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### POST OFFICE NEEDS

In a recent speech the Postmaster-General of Great Britain announced that he hoped before 1937, with the co-operation of the Dominions, that letters could be sent halfway around the world by air mail for three cents, taking a week, instead of a month, to reach their destination. Thus a correspondent in Canada would be able to obtain a reply from Australia in less than a week, and India and Australia would be brought nearer than continental European centres in point of postal convenience.

This is all very well for the mail users who are in a great hurry, but the wayfaring correspondent who is not ever "on the rush" would be better pleased if the postal managers would again think of the common people—the great majority—and establish universal penny postage, and again let us have the one cent post card, plain and pictorial. Such a reform, we feel assured, would not only result in greatly increasing the revenues of the Post Office, but would be of great convenience to the general public and by an enormous increase in the picture cards would stimulate manufacture, promote and popularize geography. Sir William Mulock, when Postmaster-General of Canada,, and there were deficits in revenue from the department, courageously established penny postage with Britain and the world and at the same time so increased the postal business that deficits ceased to be.

Could not some of our Canadian statesmen take a leaf out of the revered Sir William's book and once more give us a postal reform that will benefit the common people. The speed mongers should not have it all their own way, when it is invariably costly, while the Mulock plan was a revenue producer from the start.

### GAVE VALUED SERVICE

After 30 years of continuous activity as treasurer of the Township of Osprey, Mr. John A. Kernahan has been forced to relinquish his position due to ill health, which he has recently suffered. Mr. Kernahan, in his long service to the township has held the esteem and confidence of all with whom he had business dealings and his conduct as treasurer of the township has been beyond reproach. Mr. Kernahan was also secretary-treasurer of the Osprey Agricultural Society for many years, but gave it into younger hands a few years ago. His many friends are sorry to know he has been forced to give up the work of treasurer, to which he has given such splendid service and the hope is expressed that with the worries of office removed his health will improve to such an extent that he may enjoy many more years of comfort during the sunset of life.

### HEP! HEP! HURRAH!

The mail and Empire says that if Mr. Hepburn accepts our suggestion that he enter the lists of birth control advocates thus preventing the marriages of Conservatives in Ontario by special Act of the Legislature and do away with this bewhiskered old Gerrymander, he "would be acting true to form." When this scheme fully sinks into the brains of his cabinet ministers and its immense possibilities are fully realized, we fancy we can hear every last one of them shouting robustly, "Hep, Hep Hurrah!"

### EDITORIAL NOTES

No death sentences have been carried out in Finland for one hundred years, and there is now speculation as to whether or not the prisoners, recently sentenced to death, will be reprieved. Is Germany, with her recent beheading of two women spies to set the fashion in this, too?

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The smaller the Opposition in the Ontario Legislature, the greater the din. Such has been the record in the past, and the new Legislature, at its earliest opportunity, is apparently determined not to be behind. But it surely is not statesmanship.

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Whether or not the nations of the earth are foolish enough to permit their rulers to be hurrahed into war, there can be no doubt that the present Boss of Germany is determined to have the Facists keyed up for contingencies. Hitler appears not to have been idle when indoors recently with the "cold." His expressed determination to keep on smashing the provisions of the Versailles Treaty can have but one interpretation, no matter how much the German dictator protests. Time was when the "defy" would have meant nearly hostilities but now ——!

## Holidaying In South

St. Petersburg, Florida
March 9 1935

Mr. F. J. Thurston,
Flesherton, Ontario.

Dear Friend:

I thought the account of our trip to Florida this winter might be of interest to the editor of the "Advance" and to my good Flesherton friends so you can use all or part of it if you so desire. We have enjoyed it so much we wish all there could have shared it with us but a letter might do.

Leaving Toronto the middle of January, and bidding ice, and cold goodbye, we crossed at Niagara Falls, heading for sunny Florida. Through New York state and part of Pennsylvania, roads good, and no snow but second day out we ran into snow, banks higher than the car through Maryland and District of Columbia, more snow than we had seen in Toronto for many years. In Washington snow everywhere they say Washington is a beautiful place, everything white. It certainly was white with snow, it looked as though there were no garages, as cars parked along the streets were just covered. We drove on ice for two days but had no trouble. They don't need to tell me that all the snow is in Canada and "oh it must be terribly cold up there," just as cold in other States. Through Virginnia North and South Carolina, the weather was improving, so when we arrived in Georgia we could see a change, then as we neared Florida, what a difference! We drove down the east coast, through Jacksonville, Daytona Beach, West Palm Beach, Fort Lauderdale to Miami and what a beautiful drive! The royal palm trees, with their cement like trunks, so stately, and the cocoanut palms all over, roadsides, lawns, everywhere. The nuts are heavy and we are told they have fallen and gone through the top of a car, so no doubt one would feel it if they lit on their head. The drive down the east coast is on the Atlantic Ocean which is lovely to look at. While in Miami we visited the Healeah race track, I believe the most beautiful on the American continent, we also visited dog races (so the Houdens have gone to the dogs already,) which were very thrilling we also visited many beautiful new homes, which my husband was interested in. There is so much to see, the beautiful white sand beaches with tide out or in. There are so many flowers and hedges that sometimes I would pinch myself to see if I were awake, it seemed too wonderful to be true.

From Miami we crossed on Tamiami Trail to the west coast and up to St. Petersburg, where we have spent most of our time. We were greatly taken with the large playground. It seems increditable that just 1600 miles from Toronto, there should be a climate with temperature 70 to 85 above ,and sunshine every day. There is a newspaper published here called the "Independent," also called the sunshine paper, every day the sun does not shine, they give away a copy to everyone. During the 24¼ years the paper has been published there has been 162 days the sun has not shone; so you see St. Petersburg is well named the "Sunshine city".

On arriving we were glad to hear that our good friend, Will Hemphill, wife and daughter, Ellen, were holidaying at Coldwater Beach. We spent an afternoon with them, as they were leaving the next day, rather hard to pull away when you know it is not 85 in Toronto.

In spite of the fact that hotel and cottage rates have increased, living is still quite reasonable. Auto traffic is very heavy, but highways and streets are very wide. There is a constant coming and going of tourists. This year the registrations have gone over the top, the highest was 192,930, but this is the peak year

Green benches in front of the stores and on all streets, for which St. Petersburg is noted are very popular and it is here many friendships are formed, especially among widows and widowers, so you see they had no attraction for me. They are always occupied, some kniting, sewing, crocheting, reading or resting, and watching the passing throngs of people. One of the many stories of the green benches is told of a man from the north who brought his wife down for her health, they had only been here a short time when his wife died He did not want to go back north in the cold so had her body put in the vault, in the spring he started back his wife's body in the baggage car and his new wife with him in the parlor car. So you see how quickly they can get another down here.

Bok Tower is one of the highest spots of Florida, situated on one of the highest points 325 feet high, it is a sanctuary built by the late Edward Bok, constructed of pink marble and granite, surrounded by little lakes flowers birds, ducks, pink flamingoes and citrus groves. A drinking fountain, donated by the school children of that country, has the following verse inscribed.

"The kiss of the sun for pardon,
The song of the birds for mirth,
You are nearer God's heart in a garden
Than anywhere else on earth.

Tarpon Spring, which is a sponge industry, is also interesting. There a fleet of boats are unloading at all hours, the sponges are scraped squeezed out and hung up to dry It is not the sweetest smelling place in the world.

Hotels seem to vie with each other in palatial elegance and are outstanding, with highly colored stucco. The "Dow-Ce-Sar" about seven miles out at Pass-a Grille is perhaps the most outstanding. We had the pleasure of enjoying the view from the roof, with the Gulf of Mexico on the west with its white sand beach and wide stretches of water, lovely wide highways stretching north and south and east numerous small lakes of blue water beautiful homes nesting among green foliage, flowers, palms and pines with pleasure boats on the little lakes, a real picture. The fruit groves are a sight, oranges, grapefruit tangerines and many others. I had never even heard of. Packing houses are interesting. Here the fruit is washed and scrubbed before packing to prevent shrinkage, and from there it is shipped to all points.

St. Petersburg is a tourist city and everything possible is done for tourists of all ages, band concerts held every day, bowling on greens, shuffleboard with a membership of almost 3000, the million dollar pier where hundreds are bathing or sunning themselves every day. We have had the pleasure of attending two Canadian nights at Tourists Centre, also one Canadian afternoon in the park. At present the Boston Braves are practicing here with Babe Ruth starring. Anyone can watch them morning or afternoon, and also the Three-quarter Centuery Club, with all members 75 years or over. They have a softball club with men 75 years; one young man, 85, made a home run Tuesday, They play twice a week. One old man who used to play and never misses a game is 104 years old. They call them the "Kids" and the "Kubs" they are as nimble and can run like children.

Florida, to me, is a revelation; so many places to go, so much to do and so much to see with never a dull moment.

Sincerely,
—Alva (Petch) Houden

### Cheer for the Chicken-hearted

"I'm afraid of my wife," the timid citizen complained to his lawyer, "Why she's even threatened to attack me with an axe."

"Huh! Why worry. Did you ever see a womon try to chop a stick of wood?"

Spring seems to be looked on with some suspicion when she arrives too early.

### ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Trustee Boards and Ratepayers of the Township of Artemesia will be held in the town hall, Flesherton, on Saturday afternoon of this week, March 23 at 2 o'clock p.m. Mr. M. A. Campbell, Provincial Secretary of the O.E.A., will address the meeting, along with other speakers. Everybody welcome.

—J. A. DAVIS, Chairman.

## CONCERT

The Wareham young people will present a play entitled
"SAFETY FIRST"
- in -
**Mount Zion Church**
**Tuesday, March 26, 1935**
Music will be supplied by the Fourth Line Orchestra.
Admission: 10 and 15c

## AUCTION SALE

Credit auction sale of farm stock, implements, etc., will be held by Densmore Watson on Lots 75-76, Con 1, S.D.R., Artemesia, on Tuesday, March 26th. See posters for list.—Geo. E. Duncan, auctioneer.

## Auction Sale

Farm Stock, Implements, Etc.
**Wed., March 27**
Commencing at one o'clock sharp
**Jos. H. Dowsett**
**Lot 115-116, Range 3, Artemesia**

West of Highway and three miles south of Markdale has instructed the undersigned Auctioneer to sell by public auction the following:

HORSES — Bay mare, Bay horse.

CATTLE — Red cow, 6 years old, due March 28th; white cow 4 years old, calf at foot; red cow 5 years old, due Sept. 30th; grey heifer 3 years old, due May 2nd; grey heifer 2 years old, due April 21st; white heifer 3 years old, due April 24th.
(All above cows and heifers supposed in calf.)

Grey steer rising 3 years old, grey steer rising 2 years old; roan heifer rising 2 years old; 2 calves rising one year old.

FOWL — 23 Barred Rock Hens.

IMPLEMENTS, ETC. — Massey-Harris binder, 5 ft. cut, nearly new; McCormick mower, 5 ft. cut, nearly new; International Cultivator, 13 tooth; Massey-Harris seed drill, 10-hoe; Turnip sower; Scuffler; Set Iron Harrows; Set Spring Tooth Harrows; single plow; turnip pulper; fanning mill; Melotte cream separator; set 2000 lb. scales; stoneboat; grindstone; 2 McLaughlin buggies; cutter, wagon; set sleighs; wagon; wagon box; hay rack; set team harness; set plow harness; 2 sets single harness; goat skin robe; forks; shovels; chains and other articles too numerous to mention.

HAY, GRAIN, ETC. — About 70 tons good hay; about 300 bushels oats; about 10 bushels buckwheat; about 30 bags potatoes.

FURNITURE, ETC. — Bell organ; cook stove; 2 heating stoves; coal oil stove; daisy churn; sewing machine; bed room and kitchen furniture; parlor suite.

TERMS OF SALE:—Hay, Grain, Potatoes, Fowl and all sums of $10.00 and under, cash; on larger amounts eight months' credit will be given on joint notes, approved by the Bank of Montreal and bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

The farm, consisting of 100 acres, will be offered for sale or rent at the same time and place. Terms made known at sale.

—GEO. E. DUNCAN, Auctioneer.


# TAX NOTICE

## Municipality of Flesherton

**Ratepayers are reminded that the final instalment of Taxes for 1934 is payable not later than April 1st next to the Treasurer, F. H. W. Hickling.**

**Amounts not so paid will be returned to the County Treasurer to be registered against the properties assessed.**

# SAP AND SYRUP SUPPLIES

**GALVANIZED and TIN SAP BUCKETS**
**No. 12, No. 14 and No. 16 GALVANIZED PAILS**
**Syrup Cans, Sap Spouts, Dippers, Auger Bits, Braces, Axes, etc**

**This is the time to give your stock a spring tonic: Royal Purple Stock Specific, Hog Tonic, Calf Meal, Poultry Specific, Lice Killer, Coopers' Dri-Kill Roup Cure, Zenoleum, Cough Powders**

**BUCKERE BROODERS AND SUPPLIES**

**How about doing a little inside painting before the Spring Work starts?**
**Sherwin-Williams Paints, Varnishes and Enamels**
**Turpentine, Paint Oil, Wax and Polishes**

**ROGERS MYSTERY TUBE RADIOS**
**Special Prices.**

## Frank W. Duncan

**HARDWARE -:- Phone 54, Flesherton**
**FLESHERTON**

## Property For Sale

FRAME HOUSE AND GOOD LOT FOR SALE IN FLESHERTON; FIRST REASONABLE CASH OFFER WILL BE ACCEPTED TO WIND UP THE ESTATE. NUMEROUS PIECES OF FURNITURE FOR PRIVATE SALE:—
APPLY TO **H. A. McCAULEY,**
**Administer of Estate.**

# OPENING APRIL 1st

in premises formerly occupied by W. A. Armstrong

# Wm. F. Potter

**Watchmaker and Jeweller**

## FLESHERTON

We will carry a stock of
**Watches - Clocks - Diamonds - Silverware**
**Jewellery and Gift Lines**

Repairing of Watches, Clocks, Jewellery and optical goods a specialty.
All Watch and Clock repairs guaranteed 1 year.

**SPECIAL**

**1st quality Mainsprings $1, guaranteed 1 year**

Over 20 years experience in all branches of the trade.

Arrangements are being made for a first class optician to be at my store once each month.

YOUR PATRONAGE SOLICITED

# March Specialties

**House Dresses**
An entirely new range for spring; all sizes up to 50.
**98c, $1.19, $1.29, $1.49**

**New Prints**
Yard wide, tubfast and sunfast; all new spring pattersn. yard ..... **19c, 25c, 29c**

**"Sparva" Broadc'th**
Guaranteed fadeless and tubfast; yard wide.
Plain colors ..... **37c**
Printed Patterns ..... **49c**

**Rubber Goloshes**
for wet days.
Women's Sizes ..... **$1.19**
Misses' Sizes ..... **$1.10**

**RUBBER BOOTS**
Men's, Boys', Women's and Children's sizes.

**PULLOVER AND V-NECK SWEATERS**
New designs in all-wool garments. Specially priced.

FLANNELETTE BLANKETS, SHEETINGS, PILLOW COTTONS, GREY COTTONS, WHITE COTTONS, PLAIN BROADCLOTHS, New stock at popular prices.

## NEW WALLPAPERS

**The new Spring Selection is now in stock and includes the best range of Wall Papers we have ever shown. "Sunworthy" qualities from 12½c per single roll.**
A few odd lots of last season's patterns still available at Bargain Prices.

# F. H. W. HICKLING

**FLESHERTON ONTARIO**