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WHEN IN DOUBT, STOP

Our sympathy is extended to Editor Frank Irwin of the Durham Chronicle who figured in a fatal accident last week when a small Durham child was killed and two others injured. The children were sleigh-riding after dark and ran into the car as it travelled along the street. The driver did not feel shock any more than the street was rough and the car would be bouncing around somewhat. One of the four occupants of the car thought he saw the shadow of a sleigh as it darted out. When they stopped the vehicle and stepped to the roadside they had no idea there had been an accident until they saw the little forms lying on the roadway. The driver of the car could have kept on travelling with a clear conscience—but he stopped. How fortunate he did was not realized until afterwards. He would no doubt have been a hit-and-run motorist unmindful of others and totally unfit to pilot a car on the streets. Would a judge have taken his evidence of innocence for the accident if he had not stopped? We doubt it. Frank has driven a car for many years and we believe this is his first accident — an accident which was caused through no fault of his. How easy it is for a person to become involved in an accident and unfavourable publicity received through no fault of his own. In this case the police would have had no other course but to have arrested the driver on a manslaughter charge, if he had not remained at the scene, and an entirely different aspect of the case would have been assumed by the public.

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Before this thing goes any farther we would like to draw Daddy Chamberlain's attention to the good old British motto: "What we have we hold." Canada does not wish to see this motto deleted from our standard of empire by the act of any foolish sentiment of charity for those who suffered loss of colonies in the great war. The loss was a just one but a light one considering the guilt.

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Three of the largest automobile manufasturing concerns on this continent will join in introducing a campaign on March 5 with a view to getting the used car congestion relieved in order to advance the manufacture of new cars, and start the wheels of industry turning at an increased speed. The work of producing new cars had reached the saturation point when the slump came, and it is difficult for the common man to see how the dumping of a few million old wrecks on the market can improve the situation. As a matter of fact the producing companies have in the past been working the market to so great an extent that absorption cannot keep pace with the activities of the producers. The slump was originally caused by an over-supply of new cars to take the place of the half-worn varieties, with the inevitable result that the trade in both classes of cars has received a staggering blow. In time it may work out its own salvation.

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Sabotage in the British air force, spies in the war department, loss of a secretly-built bomber, the hint of coming concessions to Italy and many other signs of the times give Canadians a rather disturbed feeling. The traitors would swiftly be ferreted out "eliminated" if such things should happen in Russia or almost any country except in England. There should be a tightening of British law enforcement.

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We "have it in" for Jim Hunter, who told us Saturday the weather for Sunday was to be "fair and mild". As a matter of fact Sunday saw one of the very worst storms of the season and Sunday night the thermometer dropped to ten below zero, as cold as anything we have seen this winter. Of course Jim may pass "the buck" but we want an apology and explanation.

Two Hydro Users To Mile Of Line

Provincial Secretary Nixon forecast in a recent address that "as revenues permit" the Ontario government hoped to revise the present "three subscribers per mile" provision for rural hydro service. The government, he said, would absorb the extra cost and service would be available where there were only two subscribers.

The provincial secretary's brief hydro reference came at the end of an address, defending the government's proposed compulsory milk pasteurization measure, before the Ontario Concentrated Milk Producers' League He spoke in the absence of Premier Hepburn, who had suffered a recurrence of bronchial trouble.

Mr. Nixon promised regulations under the compulsory milk pasteurization measure, to be introduced at the forthcoming legislature session "would not be unduly onerous and enough time will be allowed in which they can be carried out". He added "No undue expense will be imposed on anyone.

Horses In Demand

In nine breeding station districts in Canada, saddle and hunter horses, and horses for police, remount, and light delivery purposes, are being produced in considerable numbers. This type of horse is in keen demand in Canada and United States, and there is little likelihood of any decline in popularity. Horse breeding clubs among Canadian farmers increased from 125 in 1933 to 254 in 1937, while the number of purebred stallions qualifying for approval in 1937 showed an increase of 21per cent over 1936.

More and more towns are inventing the bucksaw method of keeping transients away. Municipal woodpiles and transients are soon parted.

James Fead, 27, of Shelburne was arrested at Windsor and brought back to Orangeville to answer a charge of embezzeling about $1500 from the Dufferin Mutual Insurance Co., in whose office he was employed as clerk.

Miss Macphail's Letter

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year." Mr. Bennett: "Star gazing?" Mr. Crerar: "No. When I wish to acquire proficiency in the art of star gazing, I shall take my Right Honorable friend along." Mr. Bennett: "He will be pleased to accompany you."

And, again, on the determination of time, the Minister confessed that he felt like a fish out of water, but Mr. Bennett comforted him by telling him that some of them survived, and Mr. Crerar hoped he would be one.

Perseverence is rewarded. Mr. Esling, Conservative (B.C.) proved that, when his Bill curtailing the powers of the Canadian Performing Right Society passed the Commons. For years, Mr. Esling has kept to this task, until, at last, he educated us all on the activities and iniquities of this Society. It purports to protect the authors and composers of songs, but, where a hotelkeeper set up a radio in the rotunda for the interests and amusement of his guests, he was liable to a fine if any of the countless numbers which they control came over the radio. The same thing would apply to a restaurant owner, service clubs, church societies, that used the radio for entertainment. The only way they could avoid a fine was to have a special license issued by this Society. In recent years, they have had spotters in such places as those named; as a result, many fines have been imposed. Mr. Esling's forever keeping at it and the increasing ruthlessness of the Society brought victory—and the Act passed unanimously.

The need of changing the rules of the House was the subject of an interesting and too-short debate. Suggestions were made for a closer tie-up between private members and the Cabinet, for allowing more scope to private members, for lessening the hours, shortening the speeches and referring much more work to committees. Mr. Bishop, who for a great many years has sat in the Press Gallery, in commenting on the length of day, says:

"The industrious member's day starts at nine o'clock in the morning and ends at eleven at night. Not all of them are on the ground so continuously, but many are very very faithful, and it is the business of the Cabinet and the leading members of the opposition to stick closely. Carry this on for five days a week and for five or six months of the year, and the inevitable toll is fatigue of body and mind and the lowered efficiency which accompanies it."

When I was first elected, we never knew when the House would adjourn at night and sometimes it didn't adjourn until breakfast time. After a great deal of agitation a definite stopping hour was set. Eventually, I believe the hours of debate in the Commons will be lessened and the time in committees increased. I find twelve hours a sufficiently exhausting day, but many times am not able to limit it to twelve.

The matter of boat space for export cattle to Britain was brought up again. In reply to a question, Mr. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, made quite a lengthy statement. He said he fully expects that further accommodation for export cattle will be made available. Apparently, wheat went in the holds of boats carrying cattle and there being little wheat exported this year, there is difficulty in getting freight for the holds and, without it, the cost of carrying cattle is exhorbitant or the loss to the shipping company substantial. The Minister said the shipping company was anxious to co-operate and had already effected changes making additional space available.

In 1937, the export of cattle to the United Kingdom totalled 9,610 head and the boat space already in service will accommodate 46,000 head. All space has been booked.

"The fact that there are such variations in the demand made on shipping space between Canada and Great Britain has considerable to do with the present situation."

My experience in the last two years of not consulting with any party or group has not been very happy or fruitful. The seven C.C.F. members are good parliamentarians and in many things I find myself in agreement with them. The other day, when they were discussing a subject of special interest to me, one of them asked if I would like to sit in for the discussion. I did, and enjoyed it, and felt I benefitted from it. The discussion was really their caucus. From now on, I will attend their caucus, observing the rules of secrecy and good intention, but will not vote nor be bound in any way by decisions at which they may arrive. This "group of seven" comes closer in ideas to the U.F.A. than any other in the House.

—AGNES C. MACPHAIL.

OTTAWA,
February 26, 1938.

Artemesia Council

Council met at the Council Chambers, Flesherton on the 14th day of February 1938, with all the members present, the reeve in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting and of a special meeting were read and on motion adopted.

Correspondence from Municipal association asking council to be enrolled as a member, from Department of Highways acknowledging receipt of certain by-laws, also regarding meeting of Good Roads Association.

Accounts presented and ordered paid were: Jas. Bachelor, work on town line Artemesia and Proton $8.75; A. Cameron, register-deed $5.00; L. McCracken, repairs to snow plow $3,05; the Clerk, registering births, marriages and deaths or 1937 13.00; Department of Health, insulin for indigent patients $2.28; County of Grey, hospital accounts $418.38; Insurance indemnity, insurance policy $150.00; Dever Bros., wire and work on snow fence $3.84.

By-law 638 providing estimates for 1938 was introduced and passed. The reeve was appointed a delegate to Good Roads association to be held in Toronto on February 23. The Clerk was instructed to advertise for crushing and placing 4,000 yards of gravel on roads, the same to be crushed in four different pits in the township. Other accounts ordered paid were: Miss Hewitt, $2.70; H. Shaw, repairing culvert $5.60; and Miss Hewitt refund $2.00. The Council adjourned.

Live Stock Report

(By Dunn & Levack, Toronto)

Monday's cattle market showed an improvement compared to recent weeks and while prices were not as high as they should be, gains were made on certain classes. There was a good demand for cattle suitable for overseas shipment and also some cattle of medium to good quality sold for export to the United States.

The bulk of good to choice heavy steers sold from 5.50 to 6.00, with some of extra choice quality up to 6.25; fair to good from 4.75 to 5.25. Choice butcher steers and heifers ranged from 4.75 to 5.25; fair to good from 4.25 to 4.75; common to medium 3.75 to 4.15. Choice baby beeves sold at from 6.00 to 7.00 and the balance at from 5.50 to 6.25 according to quality. Stockers and feeders were slow of sale, excepting for a few of select quality, which brought from 4.00 to 4.25. Choice butcher cows sold at from 3.75 to 4.25; fair to good from 3.00 to 3.50; common to medium 2.50 to 3.00; canners and cutters 2.00 to 2.50. Tested milch cows sold at from $40.00 to $75.00 each. The bull trade was slightly improved, choice light weight from 4.00 to 4.25, heavy bulls from 3.75 to 4.00; bolognas mostly 3.50.

The lamb market showed considerable strength, some very choice Alberta feed lot lambs selling at 9.00, with local Ontario shipments from 8.50 to 9.00. Choice butcher sheep brought from 5.00 to 5.50. The calf market held steady, choice from 9.50 to 10.00 with a few fancy up to 10.50; fair to good from 8.50 to 9.50; common to medium 5.50 to 7.50.

Following last week's improved hog market, Monday's sales were made on the basis of 9.50 to 9.65 for truck deliveries. The market for the rest of the week will depend entirely upon supplies.

Fertilizer Contents

Chemical fertilizers sold in Canada are required by law to contain the amounts of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash guaranteed by the manufacturer of importer. For example, a 2-12-6 fertilizer must contain 2 per cent. of nitrogen, 12 per cent. of available phosphoric acid and 6 per cent. of potash. This is required so that farmers and other buyers may be sure of good value for their money outlay. Each year hundreds of samples are analysed by the official analysts and the results published so that the public may see for itself the record of each of the fertilizer companies in meeting their guarantees.

The results of 1937 are now available and when carefully studied few failures to meet the required guarantee are to be found. There has been a substantial increase in the consumption of fertilizers in recent years and this may be attributed largely to increased public confidence, due to good results from their use. Every purchase of fertilizer should be based on a guaranteed analysis and every buyer of fertilizers should consult first the annual Report of Analyses, which may be obtained free from the Publicity and Extention Branch, Dominion Department of Agricuture, Ottawa.

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Freeing 300 Elk

Nearly 300 wapiti are being set free in the wooded lakelands of northwestern Alberta. Not that these fortunate elk have been in very severe confinement,for their lifetime home has been Eik Island National Park, 25 miles east of Edmonton. This game preserve, though fenced, is 51 square miles in extent, large enough to give its inmates every opportunity to follow their natural ways of life free from every dangerous foe.

At last reports the Eik Island range was supporting over 2,000 elk about the same number of buffalo, nearly 1,000 moose and several hundred deer. The available pasturage being overtaxed by the rapid growth of the herds, many of the surplus animals must be transferred or otherwise disposed of. The elks' new home is in the Whitecourt area north of the Athabaska River. Though unconfined, the liberated animals will, of course, be carefully watched and guarded from both human and four-footed killers as much as possible. A guardian will see that they have ample food in winter time.

A generation ago the magnificent North American wapiti, stateliest of all the deer people, was threatened with extinction. Now his numbers have been increasing again in strictly protected areas. This Alberta venture seeking to build an elk herd in an area outside the confines of the national parks will be watched with interest by game conservationists. Some of the surplus moose may be set loose also.

Chicago may be stealing the water from the Great Lakes but there still seems to be enough coming down the Niagara River to cause trouble in that neighbourhood.

BABY'S FATHER HIS UNCLE

Wm. Robb of Kelty, Fife, is his own cousin. His father is also his uncle and his mother is his aunt.

William does not know all this, because he is only a few days old, but he has a strange family puzzle he will have to solve later.

It started when a Kelty man, Alex. Fotheringham, a widower with a family, married Mrs. Robb, a widow, also having a family. Then Mrs. Robb's son, William, (baby William's father) married Fotheringham's daughter, Agnes, and Fotheringham's son, Andrew, married Mrs. Robb's daughter, Bessie.

Alex. Fotheringham, Jr., was born to find himself the half-brother to all the other members of the family and brother-in-law to two of them. He is at the same time uncle on both sides of the family to the four children of Mr. and Mrs. William Robb.

Alex's. father is, of course, father, stepfather and father-in-law to various members of the family, besides being a grandfather.

Japan plans to send 500,000 boys to Manchuria in the next ten years to learn to become farmers and develop the country.

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