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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Miss Agnes Macphail, M.P., gave a splendid speech in the House of Commons last week and her words were eagerly received, in fact the House gave its unanimous consent for her to continue after she had over-run the allotted time for her address. We have not been able to give her address the careful attention to make comment, but it dealt with subjects with which Miss Macphail had bent her efforts with considerable success — agriculture and the training of Canadian youth to occupy a useful place in the life of the country.

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The world awaited with some measure of dread, the speech of Adolph Hitler as to the future course of German action in world affairs. The speech was given Monday and was not as belligerant as was expected. He did give the world to understand that what Germany wanted she would take; whatever action she chose would be right, and for the world to keep its hands off and allow her to proceed without action being taken to prevent her in reaching her desires. It is a distinct threat to the democratic nations of the world and in the not distant future democracy will have to take a stand to protect its ideals and also the weaker nations that are being trampled under foot. It might mean war again and the bitter consequences of such action, but can any person advance any other course to prevent democracy from being subserviant to Nazism or Fascism?

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With this issue we chronicle the passing of one who had guided the the destiny of this paper for fifty years. During that time he has seen the village grow from a small hamlet to the flourishing village we have at the present. His interests were wrapped up in the welfare of his adopted village and he was proud of the progress it has made. He was particularly fond of flowers and was an authority on the flora and fauna of this district and when able each Sunday enjoyed walks through the woods communing with nature, as he loved the outdoors. His hobbies were hunting and fishing and even last summer after his first illness enjoyed two fishing trips to Meaford.

From early manhood his ambition was to own a newspaper and when he purchased The Advance it was the paper that seven years before he had regarded, when editor of the Owen Sound Tribune, as "another candidate for the poor house." His writings were always to the point and struck out without fear or favor when he considered it necessary to do so. The motto of the paper at that time was "Truth before favor; principles, not men," and he followed it throughout his career. His last writings in the issue of August 24th last were written with a full heart as he wished to tell his readers of his thankfulness for their continued support throughout the years. It was little realized the his "Au Revoir" would indeed be his last words written for his newspaper. It is our desire to carry on where he left off and continue the publication of a newspaper that will give the views of this district and be a power for good wherever it is read.

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EDUCATION WEEK

(J. M. Paton, Bloor Collegiate)

In a world heartily sick of propoganda, a special campaign for one week might possibly be viewed with suspicion. Canadian Education Week is not just another publicity stunt. It is, rather, an attempt, to acquaint the Canadian citizenship with its greatest responsibility.

Canadian Education Week is sponsored by the Canadian Teachers' Federation and is entering its fifth year of Dominion-wide celebration next February. It is promoted in each province by professional organizations of teachers, representing Elementary and Secondary School teachers. Since its inception it has had the support of Provincial Departments of Education, of school inspectors, of school trustees, and of innumerable organizations which are interested in the welfare of our schools.

Education Week in Canada aims to establish among the citizens of this land an intelligent and informed awareness of the problems of education in a democratic country. Educational reforms (and these will always be necessary if we are to progress in culture and skill) can come in a democracy only as quickly as the majority of the voters and taxpayers permit. The needs of the schools, therefore, must be made known.

One of the most important means to the ends just stated is the establishment of a strong three-way partnership between THE HOME, THE CHURCH and THE SCHOOL. That is why plans for the observance of Education Week always stress a Visitors' Day or Parents' Night at the school when parents and teachers may meet to exchange views and to discuss their mutual problems. And that is also the reason why the campaign week has always begun and ended on a Sunday. More and more are religious leaders taking that opportunity to stress the essential unity of religious and secular education, by means of special services on either of these two Sundays.

It is inevitable that many newspaper articles and radio addresses given in Education Week should emphasize reforms and ideas about education that are officially supported by teachers' organizations. That is usually accidental and only occasional by design. Teachers in this country do not spend large sums of money on publicity. A free press is sufficient to ensure that all sides of a question will be presented. But, as a matter of fact, the reforms in our educational system that have been emphasized by teachers in the past, and that will likely be emphasized continually in the future until they are achieved, are—almost without qualification—the same reform which Departments of Education, many trustees, and a large proportion of those people that have been at all vocal on the subject, have been advocating for years. Even a bare enumeration of the main ones will suffice to show that they are all in the interests of the child, that the child is the first consideration and the last, and that equality of opportunity for all Canadian children, irrespective of class, pocket-book, and geographical location, is the keynote—as it most emphatically should be if we are all to call our country an enlightened democracy.

1. Increased Federal and Provincial grants to schools, in order to relieve the municipalities and to remove inequalities between province and province, and between one municipality and another.

2. Provision of scholarships, travelling allowances, and living expenses for brilliant but needy students, to enable them to complete their education.

3. Larger administrative units for the control of education—to reduce administrative costs, to improve the personnel of both teaching staffs and School Boards, and to make possible schools with modern equipment and a full variety of courses in every section of the land.

4. Provincial minimum salary schedules for teachers, to attract the best people into the profession, and to distribute them in all parts of the country, rural as well as urban.

MUSIC FESTIVAL IN MAY

The following was received from Mr. Geo. E. Pentland, I.P.S. for South Grey:

"I am requested by the com- Music to be held at Owen Sound in May, to say that April 15th will be absolutely the last day for receiving entries for the events. Please have arrangements complete prior to that date."

Many farmers have reported serious raids on their woodlots for Christmas trees. Most objectionable is the practice of cutting down a large tree merely to secure a small portion of the top.

Priceville Go Into Tie For First Place With Dundalk

Friday night Priceville and Ceylon hooked up in a postponed Semi-Pro fixture that saw the former emerge with a 6-3 win. Priceville had the edge throughout, scoring two goals in each frame while Ceylon counted twice in the first period and once in the second. This win for Priceville shot them into a first place tie with the Dundalk Trappers.

In the first period E. Turnbull and Weir got two fast counters for the Pricevilleites with Teeter and Bob Plester notching for their teams. On the whole, play was quite fast with only a few penalties being handed out during the entire game. In the second perial E. Turnbull and McLean counted while Teeter kept his team in the running by tallying on a beautiful solo rush that saw him fight off several players before getting in the clear. Priceville made sure of the game in the third period when E. Turnbull sagged the strings twice, thus getting four goals in the game which isn't bad going in any hockey game. Ceylon made a good try to tie the score but the close checking of their opponents held them off until the final gong.

PRICEVILLE — Goal, McMeekin; defence, McLean, Frook; centre, Bell; wings, E. Turnbull, D. Turnbull; alternates, O'dell, Weir, Harrison and Burnett.

CEYLON — Goal, Stuart; defence, B. Plester, McKee; centre, Cairns; wings, Teeter, E. Plester; alternates, Muir, Mathewson and Skills.

REFEREE — R. Johnson.

Shelburne F. P. & E. Says Fleshertonians Good Sports

Following is an item taken from a recent edition of the Shelburne Free Press and Economist referring to the recent C.O.H.L. game held in Flesherton Arena between Shelburne and Flesherton which attributes good sportsmanship to Flesherton fans and players alike:

"The game was exceptionally clean and showed Shelburne with two forward lines that worked like a well-oiled, carefully built scoring machine. The best of feeling prevailed among the players, and to their credit it must be said that with the score mounting hopelessly against them, the Flesherton players fought every minute of the game, never letting up their efforts for a moment. The spectators, too, after the chances of their team winning had flown, applauded and even cheered the Shelburne display of hockey craft. This takes mighty good sportsmanship."

C.O.H.L. JUVENILE STANDING

	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Shelburne	3	3	0	0	16	2	6
Dundalk	4	3	1	0	20	7	6
Chatsworth	2	1	1	0	19	10	2
Flesherton	3	1	2	0	7	15	2
Markdale	4	0	4	0	8	36	0

Scores For Past Week

Shelburne 5, Flesherton 0.
Dundalk 6, Markdale 0.
Flesherton7, Markdale 3.

Games This Week

Feb. 1—Dundalk at Chatsworth
Feb. 3—Dundalk at Shelburne
Feb. 6—Dundalk at Markdale
Feb. 6—Chatsworth at Flesherton

SEMI-PRO LEAGUE STANDING

	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Priceville	5	4	1	0	28	20	8
Dundalk	6	4	2	0	28	21	8
Flesherton	5	2	2	1	23	19	5
Ceylon	5	2	3	0	16	23	4
Proton	5	0	4	1	8	20	1

Scores For Past Week

Dundalk 4, Proton 0.
Priceville 6, Ceylon 3.

Games This Week

Feb. 1—Ceylon at Dundalk
Feb. 2—Flesherton at Priceville.

CENTRAL ONTARIO LEAGUE

	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Shelburne	7	6	1	0	74	26	12
Dundalk	6	4	1	1	20	12	9
Flesherton	7	4	2	1	40	39	9
Markdale	7	1	6	0	21	43	2
Chatsworth	5	0	5	0	27	62	0

GAMES PLAYED THIS WEEK:

Shelburne 13, Chatsworth 5.
Flesherton 18, Chatsworth 6
Shelburne 13, Markdale 3.
Chatsworth at Dundalk postponed

GAMES FOR COMING WEEK:

Feb. 3—Markdale at Chatsworth
Feb. 3—Dundalk at Shelburne

Along The Highway : of Local Sports :

(By Delbert Smith)

What's the matter with Flesherton? They're all right now! After suffering a 17-3 setback by Shelburne, the locals tried to give some of the other teams a taste of the medicine they got. This was partially handed out to Dundalk when our village dix defeated the town to the south of us 2-1.

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Not content with just forcing the first defeat of the season on Dundalk, the locals stepped into Chatsworth and really handed it out to the tune of 18-6. This is the third severe trouncing Chatsworth has received and as yet have not been able to get a game in the win column. The example mentioned should be ample proof that the local lads are able "to give it as well as take it."

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Shelburne really thought they did something that no other team could do when they scored seventeen goals in a game (and that really is something). However, the locals took that honor away from them when they scored eighteen goals in a single game. Shelburne still has the distinction of making seventeen goals in two successive games but Flesherton yet has a chance of repeating that very thing. Our next game is also with Chatsworth probably this week.

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Prior to the Monday night games the standing finds Shelburne leading the parade with ten points. Flesherton and Dundalk are tied in second place with nine points each, one point behind the leader. In fourth place Markdale trails with two points and Chatsworth have no points as yet.

The positions that the teams will have when the schedule winds up on February 3rd is very uncertain as yet because the first three teams are so closely bunched. Shelburne and Dundalk have two games each to play while Flesherton has only one. Markdale has two games and Chatsworth still has three. It can easily be seen that anything may hapepn in the league standings yet. It will be between Markdale and Chatsworth as to who will be watching from the side lines when the play-offs start next week.

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If Shelburne intends remaining in first place they will have to defeat Markdale on January 30, while Dundalk should defeat Chatsworth the same evening. On February 3 Markdale will have to defeat Chatsworth on the latter's ice to be sure of a berth, while the game between Shelburne and Dundalk on the former's ice will be a natural. If Dundalk wins this game along with the previously mentioned "ifs" they will take over the group leadership and will have the right to play the third place team which would be Flesherton in that case.

If. however, Shelburne defeats Dundalk, the former will retain the leadership and that will leave Flesherton and Dundalk tied for second place with eleven points each providing Flesherton can defeat Chatsworth again. If there is a tie, either one of two ways may be used to decide which will take second place and the right to meet the fourth team in the semi-finals.

The first alternative is that the two teams concerned could play a sudden-death game on neutral ice; the other is that the team with the better scoring average during the season would receive the second berth. In case the latter alternative should be chosen, the scoring statistics show Dundalk to have scored nineteen goals and have thirteen against them, while Flesherton, on the other hand, have scored forty with thirty-nine against them.

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These results are prior to January 30 and give Dundalk a slight advantage. If, however, the game in Shelburne results in a tie, Shelburne would be first, Dundalk second and Flesherton third. If this latter case happens we all hope that history of two seasons ago repeats itself when Flesherton defeated Shelburne 19-8 on the round in the semi-finals.

Be seeing you next week.

They are having trouble with an ice carnival in Pontiac, Mich. They need a good-looking girl as queen, one who can skate, and they also need some ice.

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Curling Play-offs

The first schedule of the Flesherton Curling Club was completed Monday evening with the result that G. A. McTavish and Dr. A. E. Little are tied for first place with five wins and one defeat. Following is the list of rinks in the competition with the number of games won and lost:

	Won	Lost
Dr. Little	5	1
G. A. McTavish	5	1
W. I. Henry	4	2
J. O. Dargavel	4	2
C. McTavish	4	2
R. Piper	3	3
W. Welton	3	3
J. A. Richards	3	3
R. B. Heard	2	4
F. W. Duncan	2	4
H. A. McCauley	2	4
K. Betts	1	5
M. Wilson	1	5

The play-offs to decide the winners of the schedule will be commenced immediately.

Flesherton Won 7-3

Flesherton Juveniles broke into the win column last night when they took the Markdale kids to camp to the tune of 7-3. This was Markdale's fourth defeat in as many starts and leaves them firmly planted in the cellar. Flesherton is now tied with Chatsworth for third place with two point although the Chatsworth lads have one game in hand. The local team was strengthened defensively last night by the use of Ted McTavish as a rearguard. Previously they had been blanked twice in succession but now since they have started to click we hope they continue to do so and eventually wind up hanging on to the top rung of the ladder. Flesherton goals were scored as follows: McTavish 2, McConkey 2, Graham 1, Phillips 1 and Plester 1.

FLESHERTON — Goal, O'dell; defence, Graham, McTavish; centre, McConkey; wings, R. Banks, J. Banks; alternates, Phillips, Plester, Thurston, Marshall and Best.

"Oh well" said the stylish girl, as she heard a loud snap in the vicinity of her new reducing girdle. "They said it would reduce the hips or bust."

Must Have The Press

(Durham Chronicle)

At the recent Newmarket elections a needed extension to the school was defeated at the polls and the reason given is that the matter had not been properly explained to the electors. The school board had tried to exclude the press from its meetings, reconsidered the matter, and then met at its own convenience without notifying the local newspapers.

In Quebec province the council of a certain town decided to exclude the press from its debates, was sued by the press, and the legal information brought to light that the press as the representative of the people was entitled to sit in at all council meetings. It was further stated in the court finding that the fact a body of men is elected to the council does not give them the privilege of becoming demagogues or taking unto themselves authority which they do not possess.

In our own humble opinion a council that would want to do such a thing is either very foolish, or has something it does not want the public to know.

Generally speaking, the press is fair to all public bodies, and perhaps the best friend a council has. It can correct rumors that have no foundation in fact, but which seem to get out on the street, are not usually flattering, and cause unnecessary trouble.

A council that is afraid of having its meetings reported is not to be trusted. And it isn't.

TO REPRESENT GREY AT COUNTY COUNCIL MEET

Reeve D. J. McDonald of Bentinck was named by the Grey County Council to represent them at the Ontario County Council Association convention in February, along with Reeve W. S. Hunter of Durham and ex-Warden H. A. McCauley of Flesherton. If the convention names a delegation to interview the Ontario Government, then Reeve Hunter will be representative for Grey.

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