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## Editorial

### MISUNDERSTOOD

(Editorial from the Globe)

It was toward the end of last August that the Alberta electorate went to the polls and created a Social Credit Government. There were many inducements for doing so. Premier Aberhart, leader of the new party, had been graphically theorizing on its advantages for more than a year. All its advantages were in vivid contrast to the static conditions, the unemployment, the economic floundering of the Foothills Province. More than passing into a paltry \$25 certificate to every adult, the new party would reconstruct the Province financially and industrially.

Those were mighty promises. It would be safe to assume that, in addition to the short-sighted votes corralled by the cash offer, a good many were hoodwinked into voting Aberhart in the belief that they were contributing to the economic reorganization of their Province and their own affairs. They will be a little dismayed by Premier Aberhart's latest pronouncement: "I am at present wholly occupied with the establishment of the credit of the Province. I cannot consider a Social Credit plan at present."

Fancy that! Could all those voters—and the world beyond, for that matter—have misunderstood the school-teaching Premier? His platform promises, his pre-campaign criticism of the U.F.A. Government were lucid enough. They indicated quite clearly that Social Credit, and it alone, could save Alberta, and in fact Canada, from complete collapse.

On the latest statement—theories have bumped against hard realities in the meanwhile—Social Credit becomes a fair-weather creed. It is a veiled admission that Premier Aberhart's theory cannot do what he said it would do. On the face of it, it means that it cannot be employed until all those things it was to mysteriously cure have been cured, by Premier Aberhart or some one else. In his statement the Premier has swallowed a great deal in one gulp. More than that, it justifies the skepticism of his own abilities as a statesman and the practical possibilities of his theory.

### HARKAWAY

The Harkaway United Church Sunday School Christmas tree will be held Tuesday evening, Dec. 17th.

Mr. Will Ward has purchased a farm near Owen Sound and will be moving in the spring.

Those who attended the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto the past week were Messrs. D. L. Binns, E. Ptolemy and Herb. Patton.

Friday evening visitors with Mr. and Mrs. John Smith were Mr. and Mrs. Will Ward and Wallace, Mrs. L. McLaughlin, Shirley and Marshall.

Rev. C. C. and Mrs. Wellerman visited on this line on Friday last.

Mrs. Jack Taylor of Ebenezer spent the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Beard and baby, Josephine, of Markdale visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hawken.

Mr. and Mrs. Clive Dolan and Mary of Wodehouse were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. John Lawson.

Rev. and Mrs. Wellerman were Sunday evening visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thompson and family.

Mr. Wesley Littlejohns of Orange Valley spent the week-end with his cousin, Willis Coburn.

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rae were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dennison and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. Dennison of Markdale.

Mrs. L. McLaughlin, Shirley and Marshall, visited on Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Will Ward.

## Religious Forum

### The Fading Morality of Capitalism

Has anyone called attention to the inner break-down of our economic system—the breakdown of its morality? The two great moral virtues of the system are thrift and faithfulness to contract. Without these virtues capitalism cannot stand. People must have an incentive to save some of their income, and they must have a lively sense of honor in fulfilling their contractual obligations. But we are witnessing to-day the fading out of these personal virtues. The virtue of thrift is melting away in an orgy of spending. Why save? Investments are precarious. Hoarding is illegal. And besides, the only hope for a return of prosperity is for everybody to follow Uncle Sam's example and spend as much as he can. The virtue of spending is becoming a substitute for the virtue of thrift. The enormous increase in gambling and the change in the public attitude toward it reflects the disintegration of thrift. Instalment buying—a form of near-gambling—also reflects it: instead of laying aside a portion of one's income, one not only spends it all but mortgages one's future income. Hence the great prosperity of the automobile industry at the moment. Likewise the virtue of "business honor" is growing pale. Nobody thinks it strange for people to evade their debts—individuals, corporations, even churches. How could it be otherwise when the debt structure is over 200 billions, resting on an asset foundation of only 250 billions? Mortgage moratoria are the order of the day—forced by local public opinion where not provided by law. Collection of credit accounts was never so poor. It is becoming old-fashioned to rate a man as honest because "he pays his debts". Will these moralities of thrift and business honor be revitalized when prosperity sets in again? It is doubtful. The return of prosperity is more likely to be regarded as the supreme chance to spend more freely, to gamble more wantonly, to make a "killing", to pledge the future by mortgages and installment buying, thus heaping up another pyramid of debt until the system crashes in "the next great depression". This is the moral temper of the times to which the preacher must address his message. And yet there are those who say that the pulpit should have nothing to do with public affairs like economics! w2

### STRATHAVON

Miss Viola Torrie of Owen Sound spent the week-end at the home of her brother, Ian.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Cesar and Douglas spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Torrie.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wilson are staying at the home of Mr. George Ramage at present.

Visitors with the McKessock family on Sunday were Misses Murdoch of Windsor; Mr. Geo. James of Preston; Mr. John Murdoch and sons, Robert and Arthur, of Meaford.

Mrs. Arthur Torrie spent a day with Mrs. Carson McKessock.

Mr. Geo. Ramage is busy these days moving a house to his farm.

### EBENEZER

Mrs. Jack Taylor spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Thompson at Harkaway.

Rev. D. Bishop of Orangeville occupied the pulpit in the Church here on Sunday last.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Taylor were Mr. and Mrs. F. Brown of Feversham and Mrs. Fred Taylor of Owen Sound.

Officers and pupils of the Sunday School are busy practising for the Christmas concert to be held Friday evening, Dec. 13th.

Mrs. W. H. Heath returned home after receiving treatment in Markdale hospital.

Little Donald Brodie is visiting with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Brodie, in Markdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Knight and children spent a day in Owen Sound recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hutchinson and children spent a day in Owen Sound.

## GLENELG COUNCIL

Glenelg Council met on Nov. 9th instead of Nov. 15th, as the County Council was in session on the latter date. The members were all present and the minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

Council expressed themselves by resolution against the removal of cattle guards at railway crossings in the township, as petitioned for by the C.P.R.

The following accounts were paid as follows: Relief accounts, \$15.14; Taxes on township property in Priceville, \$3.78; Jas. Ellison, one sheep killed by dogs, \$5.00; Colin McArthur, inspecting Ellison sheep, \$1.00; Treasurer, on salary, \$40.00; Clerk, on salary, \$50.00; Frank Meagher, services as Weed Inspector and postage, \$7.62; Reeve, Clerk and Assessor, selecting jurors, \$2.00 each; Wm. Banks, ladder for use at township hall, \$2.00; Superintendent's Voucher No. 11 for work on roads, \$762.81.

The Reeve and Mr. Sullivan, committee appointed to investigate re application of Mrs. Armstrong to have part of her property in Markdale transferred to Glenelg, reported favorably. This report was accepted and members of committee were paid \$1.50 each for their services.

Council adjourned to meet Dec. 14th.

H. H. MacDonald, Clerk

## EUPHRASIA COUNCIL

Euphrasia Council met at the township hall in Rocklyn on Friday, Nov. 1st, with all of the members present and the Reeve in the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Applications were received for the position of Road Superintendent from the following: Cecil Williamson, M. Harvey, C. E. McLean, Frank Davis, W. T. Menary, A. E. Ellis, P. Doherty and Ernest Thompson.

Carruthers - Pottage—That Albert E. Ellis be appointed Road Superintendent at a salary of \$2.75 per day, he to furnish car and travelling expenses.—Carried.

Parker - Pottage—That the Treasurer pay to the County Treasurer \$35.00 to apply on taxes for west half lot 1, con. 3, as this amount has been paid to the Collector.—Carried.

Miller - Carruthers—That the Clerk write the County Treasurer to strike from the defaulters' list the following taxes for 1933, which have been paid to the Collector: on east half lot 2, con. 11, \$82.50; lot 9, con. 12 and south half lot 8, con. 12, \$84.01; west half lot 3, con. 5, \$44.22.—Carried.

Parker - Miller—That the County Treasurer be authorized to withdraw from the tax sale the north-east quarter lot 2, con. 4, as said taxes have been received and forwarded to him.—Carried.

Miller - Carruthers—That the Treasurer pay the County Treasurer the sum of \$42.88, Euphrasia's share for maintenance of Rose Fawcett in the general hospital.—Cd.

Pottage - Parker—That this Council bond the Collector for \$7000 with the London & Lancashire Co.—Cd.

Parker - Miller—That the bond of the Treasurer be renewed.—Cd.

By-Laws No. 12, amending No. 59 reducing the penalty on uncollected taxes; No. 13, arranging nomination, and No. 14, appointing a Road Superintendent, were passed and filed.

The following accounts were ordered to be paid: A. E. Brown, file for Treasurer, \$0 cents; Russell Ellis, refund re error in assessment, \$10.70; J. A. Dales, valuing sheep, \$1.25; V. Wales, grant to Walters Falls Fair, \$15.00; John Clark, sheep killed by dogs, \$8.50; John Yeadeil, sheep killed by dogs, \$24.50; Angus McInnis, lamb killed by dogs, \$3.00; Pay Sheet No. 96, road work, \$22.40; No. 97, \$151.30; No. 98, \$43.91; No. 99, \$17.40; No. 100, \$1.80; No. 101, \$6.97; No. 102, \$60.00; No. 103, \$23.60.

The Council adjourned until Dec. 16th.

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## NORTH GLENELG

Winter has made another call. Wonder if it is here to stay?

We are sorry to report that Mr. Bill Ellison has not been enjoying the best of health.

Don't forget our Christmas concert at the Church on Dec. 18th, also the Townsend Lake School concert on Dec. 20th. These are two dates to be remembered and taken in.

Mr. Gordon Trafford spent Sunday at his home here.

We congratulate Mr. C. Shaefer, sr., on the arrival of his little grandson and namesake.

Mr. Jos. McNally had his shed moved onto the barn foundation last week.

Mr. Nelson Shaefer accompanied by Mr. Davey have begun cutting logs on the furniture company's bush.

We are sorry Mrs. Kenny, sr., is not improving very fast.

Messrs. Thos. and Robt. Laughlin spent a day recently moving their winter headquarters over to the bush owned by Mr. Berringer, where they are busy cutting cord wood.

The annual meeting of the North Glenelg Baptist Ladies' Aid will be held at the Church on Thursday of this week. New officers are to be elected at this meeting.

## DORNOCH

The ladies of St. Paul's R. C. Church, Dornoch, held a euchre and dance in the Community Hall at Williamsford on Tuesday evening, Nov. 19th. The first prizes, which were \$1.00 each, were awarded to Clarence Adlam, who took a lady's place, and the gent's prize to Bryce Dargavel. The consolation prizes went to Margaret Moran and Reuben Pritchard. Lunch was served at the close.

Miss Monica Vasey spent the week-end at her home here.

Mrs. Bernard Coffield of Detroit is spending some time with her mother, Mrs. John Barry, sr.

Mr. Dougald McDonald of Durham is visiting with his daughter, Mrs. J. L. Corlett.

Miss Helen Kenniff of Holland Centre spent last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. T. Vasey.

Miss Vera Bolen spent the week-end at her home in Kenilworth.

On Wednesday evening the friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clark for a miscellaneous shower in honor of their eldest daughter, Eula Jean, who was united in marriage recently to Mr. Hugh Munro of Elderslie Township. The evening was spent in dancing, after which a dainty lunch was served by the ladies.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Grahman spent Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Lister.

The sincere sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. William Priel, in the sad loss of their loving daughter, Camilla, who died on Friday, November 29th.

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A. F. & A. M.—Hiram Lodge No. 490, G.R.C., Markdale, meets in the Masonic Hall, Reburn Block, at 8 o'clock p.m., on the second Thursday in each month. Visiting brethren cordially invited. W. J. Messenger, W.M.; A. E. Colgan, Secretary.

R. B. K.—Victoria Preceptory No. 282 meets in the Orange Hall, Markdale, at 8 o'clock p.m., the third Thursday in each month. Visiting brethren always cordially welcome. H. E. Parker, W.P.; A. E. Colgan, Registrar.

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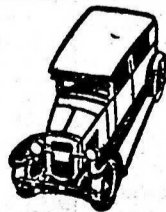
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