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### EDITORIAL

Who is Eligible for Reeve or Councillor

A new form of declaration, passed at last session is now to be signed by a candidate for municipal office. This allows anyone who is owner or tenant of a dwelling, or owner of land, and entered on the votors' list, a British subject over 21 years of age with taxes paid up and living within two miles of the municipality, to hold office.

Encouraging Location of Factories Tillsonburg last week carried the by-law giving the Wilkle Products Company a free site, tax exemtion for ten years, except school taxes, and a bond guarantee for \$40,000. The vote was the largest ever polled. The majority was 420, only 32 voting against the bylaw. This by-law is similar to the one Acton ratepayers will vote on at the municipal elections, with the exception that no site is given the proposed company here.

Great Britain's Payments to the United States

Great Britain has just paid \$50,000,000 in gold into the New York Federal Reserve Bank as interest on loans made during the war. If the authorities of the great republic could be brought to realize that it was through Great Britain's army and navy that the United States was saved from becoming a colony of Germany, they might be more magnanimous and less exacting in the demand for interest or even for the loans themselves. And it cost Great Britain, to protect the United States from the inroads of the Germain militarists, hundreds of millions more than the loans she got from that country.

## Sonny and the Cigarette

A word to you, sonny-you little thirteen or fourteen-year-old boy who is smoking cigarettes on the sly, and we happen to know there are some such in Beaverton. What do you want to be when you grow up-a stalwart, healthy, vigorous, and broad-shouldered man or a little, puny, measly no 'count, weakminded dude? If you want to be a man, strong like a muscles in your limbs, you just let those cigarettes fellows, keep right on smoking and end your days in the insand esylum. Beaverton Express.

United States' Elections Not Very "Wet" After All The old adage, "He laughs best who laughs last is quite true in respect to the recent United States elections. As is usually the case—the cities being first heard from-the early returns of the election heralded defeat for the "dry" forces, so far as they had concern in the contest; but as the days passed by and the country districts were reported, the aspect was considerably changed. While in the Congress the "wets" made some slight gains they are still a long way from securing control of that body. In the Senate, however, there was a gain of five for the "dry" side. In California, a state law to make easier the enforcement of prohibition was carried by a majority of 60,000. In Ohio the attempt to bring in a reign of beer and wine failed by a majority of 187,000, and the state elected a Democrat "dry" The result will serve to nerve the prohibitionists for the further struggle which is inovitable.

Halton's Wardenship for 1923

The Milton Reformer nominates Reeve Hillmen of Oakville, for the Wardenship for next year, and prophesies his election. The Reformer says: regards Reeve Hillmer's chances for the Wardenahip next year, we don't think anything that happened rott. at the meeting of the County Council during the discussion on the high level bridge, has, in any way, injured Reever Hillmer's chances for election to that position. We thought he should have had it last year. and said so at the time, and we are of the opinion that he will have little or no opposition when the stand pledged to support legislation against gambling times comes for electing the Warden for 1923, Reeve Hillmer, by reason of his long experience as a muni- odds and tips. cipal councillor, and the number of years he has sat at the County Council board, has more than carned the honor Mr. Barber feels that his claim, if re-elect- alight in front of a swiftly moving automobile that red, will weigh with his fellow members.

What Government Control of Liquor Sales Means

Government "control" is a ludicrous misnomer for the system of government "sale" of liquor in British Columbia. That the Government there is not only ter's burn. selling but pushing the sale of liquor is absolutely proven by the liquor advertisements appearing in law. the programme of a recent political pic-nic held by the Government party and addressed by Premeier Oliver and other prominent politicians. The Province of British Columbia is disgraced by its booze policy and its politicians who scok to create, and punder to, the appetite for intoxicants. Ontario cortainly has no desire for such conditions, be the profits ever no great. The demoralization of citizens follows ago. He had heard that we were every dollar of profit.

### Opportunities for Rural Young People

In last issue the opportunities open to the young even thousand dollars, five hundred people on the farms was impressed, and the desirability of arranging matters now so that when these offered for the coming winter they would be ready to embrace the privileges offered. The first of these for he has always had a pratty good trade it, young men, for two reasons," dethis community will open at Streetsville on November 27, and continue in session until March 2. This will be a very comprehensive School of Elementary Agriculture and Home Economics. It will be under the 'o us. Here Is a store right in our the second place the money will help management of the Ontario Department of Agriculture and Peel County Agricultural Representative. Many subjects of special interest to farm life in the field, and in the home will be given in the various West Parlah, a village a mile and a and I've been wanting it, but could courses. While this school will be conducted in Peel County any interested, in the neighboring counties, a little variety store. Mr. Andrews uny," said Bert, a nervous little laugh are invited to attend.

Canada's Leading Ports on the Atlantic and on the chances were that he would have replied har. Andrews. "I own Just a continued to carry on the store, had handsome apology. In fact I own him

Some surprising figures regarding trade through wards of a thousand dollars. It was own him wages for the time he's been the port of Vancouver are contained in a memorial recently prepared by the British Columbia Division of the Canadian Manufacturers Association, and other business organizations in Vancouver, for presentation to the Federal Government. The gross tonnage of vessels entering the port in 1921 was 10,204,401 tons. This may not appear extraordinary, but when it is stated that the figure for the port of Montreal was 0,735,451 tons, or 468,050 tons less, the growing importance of Vancouver as an ocean port is apparent, that I had an opportunity to put the to want to hire me, and I don't know Vessels entering the port numbered 11,779, against money in the safe. I knew Just where us I blume them much under the cir-5,541 entering the port of Montreal. Imports were reached for it I found it wone. I quesvalued at \$197,406,832, and exports at \$85,270,047, compared with \$101,379,484 and \$173,010,006 Montreal. Forty steamship lines are now using the " best. I talked with him for quite a like kings since handing over that roll port of Vancouver, compared with only thirteen ten of it. Finally, I called in the constable,

#### EDITORIAL NOTES

If chean money could make prosperity, Russia would now be the most prosperous country in the tures, paying five hundred dollars, the strike at a certain time, and another

The Presbyterian Synods of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan last week declared in favor of church union by very large majorities.

A comprehensive plan of immigration will recommended to the Government of Canada shortly by Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior. Let's begin right now." The Minister says Canada needs between 3,000,000 and 4,000,000 more citizens.

Games of chance of any form are a violation of the law. Thoughtful parents and all interested in the moral welfare of the young people will be glad of the order for the enforcement of the law prohibiting in fact he told me that if he had the the operation of punch boards and other such devices.

Business prospects appear to be improving. Brantford factory will add several hundred men to its implement plant and run almost full capacity. This is one of the many signs that much bigger start up again. I don't know as he things are to be expected industrially in the next would open a store here, but oftenlow months.

man with hair on your face, brains in your head and United States have not been realized after all. The a little money. I'm inclined to think drys hold a two-thirds majority in the new Congress, going out of business as she has, that alone. If you want to be a thing, pitied by your folks, Wets' hopes of 'amending the Volstead Act must tion to Jonathan in case he had the despised by the girls and held in contempt by the be deferred until after next election and they will cash to stock up a store." not very likely be realized then.

> Statistics show that 617,000 motor cars entered Canada last year from the United States. Of these 537,000 entered through "dry" Ontario: 43.000 entered through "wet" Ouchec, and 26,000 through wet" British Columbia. Booze is evidently losing its attraction for people of the United States.

Hon. Mr. Biggs is building good roads. There is pucked three deep and a double layer no denying the fact for a moment. They are better than any ever built before on the highways of Ontario, and because of this it is no wonder that men lose themselves in applauding them and the chief at a time and placed them on the promoter of good roads.-Guelph Mercury.

The lust for war certainly does not obtain in the back of the shelf and the wall. Canada and the United States, "The United States remarked, the while trying to work maintains a smaller army per capita strength than any other American country, except Canada," said the of his finger with the sharp edge, Secretary of War Weeks, in explaining his department's policies before the Boston Chamber of Commerce the other evening.

Property owners in town should understand that up the can and opened it. their property is liable for municipal Hydro bills, even though their houses are occupied by tenants. According to the law, if a tenant or owner does not pay his Hydro bills, the municipality can collect the two fists. same by placing the sum due on the tax collector's drews lost," interrupted Dan.

Ontario might well follow the lead of Michigan in their opposition to race track gambling. Seventy per cent, of all the Representatives and Senators. elected to the Michigan Legislature on November 7 on horse races and publication of race-track gambling any way that he could raise a thous-

An American paper says "hooking rides" is not the coveted position, and, if spared during 1923, will the sport it used to be. There was a time when a smiling grimly no doubt render the county good service. We know slowly moving grocery cart was fair game for alert Mr. Hartness presently went out and of no one who will be in a position to render better." youngsters, and there was little danger that they mon business. It was thout eight Mr. Hillmer will undoubtedly make a splendid would be run down by somebody's fast-stopping door on the inside and pulled down the Warden. But it looks as, if he will have to reckon trotter, when they hopped off Now it is different, shades. Well, Bert, it looks as though with Reeve Barber, of Acton, for the honor. As Not a week goes by in any of the large cities that we were going to fix things so that Oakville has had the Wardenship since Acton had some boy does not drop from the rear of a truck to business," remarked Dan, picking up cannot be stopped or turned aside.

CLEARING THE WAY FOR JOEL "Mave you heard the big news,

ils chum, Dan Cutler, out in the lating up from the harness he was mendbusiness," replied Bert.

. "You don't mean it!" excluimed Dan

driving his awl into a post. "Yes, I do, too. That money he had stolen from him came pretty near fulling him. A good many men would have fulled, but Mr. Andrews Thus squared up with all bls creditors, and now he is going to give up keeping dore. I was in there not un hour thinking of buying out a small store, and he asked me what I thought of his stand. I never was so surprised in my life. He told me that he would that money I lost?" gasped Mr. Ansell us the stock and fixtures for an drews, his face turning as white as tollars down and the balance one year from date. Of course he has let the replied liert. "The can was way stock run down quite a bit of late, but back on the cortes shelf, tipped over just the same he has got quite a deal on the side."

"This is our opportunity... Hert," declared Dan. "We've hunted the city because I am glad to know that Josh over for a little store, but haven't limbson is not the thief I have firmly 'ound a thing that really looked good believed him to be up to now. In none town that we know something the a great deal at this time, as I have about, in fact a good deal about. Let's been wanting to start in business

half out from the centre of Houshboro, not see my way clear to buy it." not proved to be a bonanza, he had son will be glad too." generally believed that a youth of the out of a job, and if I get that store over name of Joel Hudson had stolen the in Perkinsville, I shall surely give Joel money, but that point had not been work." proved. Hudson had been employed as

strangely disappeared. "My sufe not being very much good, put the money in an empty bound day that he dropped into Bert's and coffee can," Mr. Androws had declared. Dan's store after his day's work was "I had done the same thing hundreds of time. The can I placed on the shelf healds other ones of the same label. fellows, he said. "It's been pretty hard Monday morning I was pretty busy. and it was not until about ten o'clock inlased that money, for nobody seemed tioned Joel sharply, and if ever a for it." fellow looked gullty that fellow was for Joel Hudson. He grow just us red as "It cloured the way for us. We've fult spell, but could get no satisfaction out of bills."-Frederick M. Burnham. but he didn't get along any better than I did. One thing is sure and that

is that the money is gone, and the one Three days after learning that Mr and Bert purchased the stock and fixsame being payable one year from date. They found business good right a sound, the one who says he did hear from the start, so good that they post- is more likely to be tolling the truth. poned from week to week a thorough When a man tells me a thing lan't ab. cleaning of the store. It was early I ask him: "Then what are the factal"

apring when they bought out the store and with the coming of summer they decided to let things so us they were "We've simply got to olean und straighten things but here, Bert," de- when you know 'sit up' is what you clared Dan one morning. "While we're should say?" doing it we can take account of stock.

ltert was agreeable, and about o'clock that morning they started work on the top shelves." While they were thus engaged in came Josiah Hartness, one of their oustomers. "Don' get down, boys, just dropped in to paus the time of day. I guess Jonathan is a bit sorry he sold out to you, hoys. He was telling me the other day hat li) misses the store tromondously. money he wouldn't be afruid to start in

all over again." for two stores," and Bert, the while brushing the dust from canned goods he had removed from the shelf. "That's true," roulled Mr. Hartness "It would hurt you a lot if he were to times it is done, unless there is some written agreement to the contrary. Jonathan is pretty shrowd. There's no knowing what he would do in case he the had it figured out that he could make

> "We would hate to have him do it." declared Bert. "We're doing a fall business now, but the population is too small for two stores to thrive." Business was protty brisk that day and us a rosult the work cleaning the shelves and taking account of stock was interrupted a good deal. It was that the two young storekeepers got to It was on that shelf that the pound cans of coffee stood. There was quite a stock of the coffee, the cans being of them. . Coffee was a good seller, and session of the store had additional stock been purchased. Bert removed the cans from the shelf, two or three counter. Last of all came an odd one! which had been tipped over and was lying in a two-inch opening between

the cover loose. The cover proved batinute, and finally, having out the rom that shelf having been dusted off and the shelf cleaned, the stock was - replaced. About that time Dan took

"What's in it?" usked Bort. "What's in it?" ejaculated Dan. 'What's in it! 'Look at this roll of greenbacks!" Then he drew forth a

some way it got pushed back on the

huckled, stepping up to the counter. "He's got a store on his mind I do believe. He told me that if there was and dollars he would go into business. The grocery business is the only thing he knows unything about, "Well, I see our linish if he starts

"It's pretty tough, isn't it?" grows

but out the lights and go over and hand the can to him. The sooner we get questioned liert Story, coming upon it out of our possession the better we'll

do. The money lan't our money. Let's

Dan stepped to the corner of the store, and putting on his list, took Bert's from the rack and hunded it to blio. "Come on," he said. "I guess we're saying good-bye to good bustness, but it's the only way."

Five minutes later Hert and Dan teached the Andrews' house, Mr. Andrews answered their summond and threy wide the door. "Come la," he world being you, boye?" "We're doing profty well," ruplied Hert. "We've been huny to-day tidy

ing up the shelves and taking account of stock. We found something on one of the shelves which belongs to youa roll of bills in this coffee can." "You don't mean that you've found

"Well, I am mighty glad you found of goods on hand now. We know that clared Mr. Andrews, removing the roll of bills from the can. "First of all

ugalu," . Then he chuckled. "Not here The store in question was a small but over in Perkinsville, There's grocery in what was known as the little store over there that is for sale There was but one other store there- ;"I guess that won't interfere with us had been in business for a dozen or murking his words. "We're awful glad more years, and while the store had that we found the money. Joel Hudmade a good living there, and the "There is no doubt about that part,"

clerk just a fortnight when the money Andrews purchased the store and very shortly theroufter Joel Hudson went to work for him. It was the following

"It seems mighty good to get to work for mother and me since Mr. Andrews way for me, and I want to thank you

"That's all right, Joel," replied Hert

THEN WHAT ARE THE FACTED

A man, says the Literary Digest, who who had the best opportunity to steal says things can't be done should bear In mind that his testimony is entirely negative. In court negative testimony nover gets an much weight as positive. If one witness says he heard a clock mun declares that he didn't hear such

A WABTE OF GOOD ENGLISH "Robby," said his mother, "why do you keep telling Rover to 'set up.'

"Oh, well, mother," wild Hobby, "o course I know lots of grammar, but I don't like to waste it on Hover when he doesn't know the difference, being

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