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EDITORIAL

Church Union Compromise

The Church Union Bill was still before Committee when we went to press, and probably will not emerge before to-day or to-morrow. The fight has been not only keen, but bitter in the extreme, and in well-informed circles there has grown up the impression that the probable outcome will be an amendment acceptable to both sides; an amendment whereby the Bill will be reported, its principle carried and approved, with a provision whereby individual Presbyterian congregations so desiring may, within a period of six months or one year, register their desire not to be included in the proposed United Church of Canada and retain their present status and property rights.

Canada's Rich Resources of Fruit

Canada is well favored, not only in the products of the soil, usually considered the great food crops, such as wheat, barley, oats, rice, corn, potatoes, field roots and garden vegetables, but in the fruits which can be grown in great variety and of such high excellence. These fruits, while of a certain food value, serve another purpose, mainly in that they are used to give zest and relish to the chief food dishes of the people and thus, whetting the appetite and treating pleasurable sensations, the general health of the community is maintained and improved. It is, therefore, generally admitted that fruit is a very necessary part of our diet. While the settler, in time, grows the varieties of cultivated fruits which he needs, he does not have to wait until he develops his garden to obtain his fruit, because he has two other sources of supply, namely the woods and fields where he can obtain native fruit for the picking, and the markets where fruit is sold in great variety. The wild fruits of Canada are numerous and varied. They are found in abundance in practically every part of the Dominion where the settler is likely to go.

Property Owner's Moral Responsibility to Community

The churches to-day are emphasizing the idea of stewardship. They are striving to bring home to their members their responsibility as stewards for the proper use of money and property as they go through life. The same thought has an equally strong application for community life. The holding of a piece of property in a town entails certain moral as well as legal obligations upon the owner. If he is an unreasonable person and disregards the welfare of the community and of his neighbors to the extent of making his property a public nuisance, the municipality will take cognizance of the fact and send a man around for instance to cut the burdock off the boulevard at his expense. The Board of Health will force him to cleanse an unsanitary condition of his premises, while if he neglects to provide proper buildings to house his poultry, his neighbor may look for redress in the Police Court. Fortunately there are few citizens of any town that require to be dealt with in such a summary manner. The majority of people, we like to believe, are agreeable and considerate neighbors. Yet passing from the negative to the positive side of this question, how few property owners feel a personal and moral responsibility to benefit their neighborhood by maintaining at all times a course of action that has an eye to the welfare of their fellow citizens and to the advancement of the community as a whole. A single careless property owner, on an otherwise well-kept street, will mar the perfection of the whole, whereas a little extra care on his part might even add to the beauty of his property and spur on his neighbors to further effort, thereby improving the attractiveness of the street. Instead of interfering with the well-being of his neighbors, he would add to their prosperity as well as to his own. A good illustration of a map who feels his personal responsibility to the community for the right use of his property, is Mr. Jack Miner, the Kingsville birdman. Jack has made his farm near Kingsville a place of beauty and a delight to the neighborhood. A five acre field at the side of his house has been turned into a 'community' baseball diamond where the young folks of the neighborhood have the grandest times, reveling in innocent amusement. Other men have grasped opportunities in this line with conspicuous results. But the point we wish to emphasize here is that every citizen of a community, whether he be the humble owner of a garden patch, or whether he be a property-owner of means, has an opportunity to profit and advance his community if he is seized with the conviction that his ownership of property is attached to a moral responsibility to his neighbor and to his community.

Hoets of Women Organizing to Defeat Liquor Interests

The Ontario Women's Prohibition Committee was the name given at the inaugural meeting recently held in Walker Road Baptist Church, Toronto. Many women's societies were represented. Mrs. William Pugsley presided, and explained the purpose of the meeting, stating that they should recommend to all the local units a programme to acquaint them with the present prohibition situation, and should there be a plebiscite, to urge all women to go to the polls, and to pray that wrong policies be overturned and the right triumph. During the discussion it was stated that there were eleven million women in the United States who were federated in the same way.

League of Nations to Continue

Senator's Lodge's resolution, proposing establishment of a World Court of International Justice at The Hague as a substitute for the present World Court, which was created under authority of the League of Nations covenant, so far has caused little interest in Great Britain. Official quarters do not appear to treat the resolution as a question of practical interest. The only comment forthcoming is that it seems useless to scrap the World Court—already well organized and functioning satisfactorily—for a new one which seems to be practically identical with it in purpose. It is generally conceded that a formal request from the United States for a modification of the clause to which they take exception, would be readily accepted by the other members of the Court of the League of Nations.

Industrial and Agricultural Conditions

The reports of business conditions prevailing vary considerably from those of the political speech-makers. A prominent financial institution says: The announcement of the Government's fiscal policy has, at least, put an end to the uncertainty and apprehension on the part of the business world which generally precedes the delivery of the Budget speech, and which was this year greater than usual on account of the predominance of the tariff question. Farmers and manufacturers alike are now more disposed than ever before to work out their own salvation, and to depend upon their own efforts rather than the vague hope of a political panacea. One sign of this is to be found in the attention now being given to mixed farming, especially in the Prairie Provinces. Business in the manufacturing districts cannot be said to be at present very active. It is reported from certain points that spring orders are coming in hand in satisfactory volume, but on the other hand there have been a number of disappointments. Taking employment as an index, however, there can be no serious complaint, as the number of hands at work compares well with that of previous years.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Legislation to make permanent the cost of living bonus to permanently disabled veterans will probably be brought down in the House of Commons this session. At least the Government's policy follows this line, it was stated in the House on Friday by the Prime Minister.

When will the Ontario Educational Association be in a position to establish a system to settle the Rural School question? Sixteen trustees for 75,000 pupils in Toronto, and 50 trustees required for 400 pupils in only one township in Ontario seems a great contrast.—Huntsville Forester.

The Grain Growers' Guide evidently thinks Mr. Meighen was blowing on dead ashes when he talked of the Budget as a step toward the United States. "It is doubtful," it says, "if the annexation bogey will ever stampede the electors of Canada again as it did in 1911."—Farmers' Sun.

There seems to be no limit to the presumption of German militarism. A German firm asked a well-known British arms manufacturer a few days ago to quote a price on one million rifles, equipped with bayonets, and a billion cartridges, delivered at a German port. The manufacturer at once notified the British Government, and took no steps to secure the order.

The Fair Pass is pleased to observe the evidence of prosperity manifested by the Erin Advocate, in the installation of a type-setting machine. In the hands of Mr. R. W. Hull, the editor and publisher, the Advocate has attained a wide prestige as a well-conducted weekly newspaper. The addition of a type-setting machine will greatly facilitate the work of the office.

Three years ago the International Typographical Union went on strike for a 44-hour week. This strike, according to a statement made by Jas. Lynch, a former president of the organization, has cost the Union over \$17,000,000 and has resulted in over 6,000 union printers losing their positions. Notwithstanding the protracted and costly fight the strike has not been won, admits Mr. Lynch.

The Council of Forest evidently misunderstood the feeling of the people, when they opposed the installation of a waterworks system for the town. In the vote for Reeves to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the former Reeve, Peter Campbell, who favored proceeding at once to carry out the order of the Provincial Board of Health to put in waterworks, was elected by over 200 majority.

Canada's agricultural area is growing broader year by year. Bread made from wheat grown and ground within seven miles of Dawson, Yukon Territory, is now on sale in all the restaurants of that city. Dawson is at latitude 65 and consequently well up to the Arctic circle, is thus the most northerly wheat producing point in the Empire. Last season's yield at Governmental Farm at Sydeco Creek was 30 bushels to the acre.

Canada has already far outdistanced the United States as an exporter of wheat. In March the U. S. exported 2,957,710 bushels of wheat, as compared with 4,200,944 for the same month last year. Canada in March exported 43,440,100 bushels, as against 6,619,612 bushels in March last year. In the same month as compared with 1923 the U. S. exports of wheat have decreased 4,000 barrels, while Canada's increased 177,000 barrels.

Neighborhood News—Town and Country

MILTON
A session of the Court of Revision will be held at Milton on Friday afternoon, May 16.

GEORGETOWN
An additional grant of \$150 was made to the Free Library Board by the Board of Trustees on Thursday evening, Mr. E. Cotling, who has been an esteemed resident of our town for the past two years, left last week for Montreal, where he will reside in the Canadian Merchant marine as engineer.

CLARK'S
Clark J. A. Tracy, of Essexburg, celebrated his birthday yesterday. His mind how old, he is looking well and feeling fine.

AT THE CONCLUSION
of their practice at the Methodist Church last Thursday evening, Mrs. Irenne, a valued member of the choir, who is leaving for a holiday in Scotland, was presented with a box of beautiful silk handkerchiefs.

ON MONDAY EVENING
at 8 o'clock, a fair audience in the Old Boys and Girls who visit us this summer, in the Green and White. The Salvation Army will hold a tag day next Saturday.

ONE OF THE FIRST
forward moves of the Bank of Montreal after Confederation, when banks and banking passed under the jurisdiction of the Federal Parliament, was to extend its facilities and stabilizing influence to the Maritime Provinces. The first branch at Halifax was established in 1868. With this extension the Bank marked its 50th anniversary.

ERIN
The directors for the school fair met at Coningsby on Thursday last and made arrangements for the school fair to be held in September next.

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Notice of all appeals must be received by the Clerk on or before the fourth day of May, 1924.

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