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EDITORIAL

Do Your Part to Bring Results

The final examinations of the year are now over for numbers of young Canadian men and women. It now behoves all such to stir themselves into action and get settled into their future every day activities. The young people who continue to expect to be provided for now that their school or college days are over—without doing their part, who anticipate good fortune that they have not earned, and talk about their ship coming in when they sent none out, should not be regarded as optimists, but as simpletons. Optimism is not unreasonable nor senseless. The optimist takes it for granted that if he does his best he will succeed. Good fortune is naturally in store for him, because he has worked and planned for a rich cargo, because he has sent it out freighted with faith and personal effort.

Appreciation of the Weekly Newspaper

"I would rather have six weekly newspapers than all the dailies in Canada to champion the interests of a cause" was the welcome tendered the members of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association by Mayor Ralph H. Webb, of Winnipeg, at the opening of the 6th annual convention of the organization at the Royal Alexander Hotel. The Winnipeg Free Press in a leading editorial on the occasion of the newspapers convention said: "The editors of the weekly newspapers represent the country better than almost any other possible body of men could do, because each is so closely in touch with all phases of the life of his own community. That the greater part of the country is outside the large cities may not have occurred to some people who live in them and imagine that they largely constitute the country, while the towns and rural parts are of secondary consideration. The last few years have demonstrated rather forcefully that the cities do not stand up very well when anything happens to those other parts. The annual gatherings of the weekly men have a national significance. They should be a factor in spreading mutual understanding between different sections of the country and in bringing about more effective national unity."

Important Newspaper Changes

The announcement that E. Roy Sayles, the very efficient and popular manager of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association, had purchased the Renfrew Mercury, and that W. R. Davies, of the Mercury, had become owner of the Kingston Daily Whig, came to their hosts of friends last week as an unexpected surprise. That the double transaction is an important one all will admit. Mr. Sayles is an experienced, practical and judicious newspaperman, and is in every respect well qualified to conduct the reputable and influential journal he has been so fortunate as to acquire. His experience covers both daily and weekly newspapers, and his association with the weekly papers throughout the Dominion for the past six years has given him an insight into the best and the most successful methods in vogue. Mr. Sayles will conduct the Renfrew Mercury on the high moral and intellectual plane which has characterized it for the fifty-five years of its history. He is the fourth to possess this splendid journal. It was founded by Albert Smallfield. His successor was his son, W. E. Smallfield, whose ability is known throughout Canada, and he was succeeded by Mr. W. R. Davies, who for six years has conducted the paper with marked success and maintained its high character and ideals. The retirement of Mr. Sayles from the management of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association is a distinct loss to the weekly press of Canada. To his astute, intelligent efforts the association has been brought to completeness of organization which has made it an institution of real and constant benefit to the hundreds of members throughout the provinces of the Dominion. It will be difficult indeed to find as competent a man to fill the vacancy. Mr. Davies has come into possession of the oldest daily in Ontario, with a record honorable and successful. The Kingston Whig has been a journal of influence for a complete century. It has been conducted and edited by men of rare ability; men of experience and of vision, and is a valuable franchise for any man or company to have under control. Mr. Davies will be assisted by his two sons, and will undoubtedly maintain the Whig and its traditions as successfully as he has the journal from which he is retiring. The members of the weekly press will regret exceedingly his removal from their ranks.

Canada House at London

In opening Canada House, the new official headquarters for Canada in London, England, last week, His Majesty, the King, recalled with pleasure the associations of himself, the Queen and other members of the Royal Family with this Dominion, and added that it was right and necessary that its officials should be housed in a manner adequate for the discharge of their ever-growing and important duties. It has been felt for many years that Canada's various activities at the capital of the Empire ought to be assembled at a central point, and the Government appears to have made a satisfactory choice in acquiring the former home of the Union Club. This building is on Trafalgar Square, one of London's main thoroughfares, and its most famous open space.

Ontario Motor Vehicle Owners Paying More Than Costs of Highways

At the annual meeting of the Ontario Motor League, the President, Mr. T. N. Phelan, K.C., showed conclusively by his carefully prepared statement of official figures, that the motor vehicle owners of the province have contributed a million dollars more through license fees to the provincial government than all its expenditures on provincial highway construction. He argued very logically that the motorists were paying their share and more of the cost of highway construction before the gas tax, imposed a couple of months ago, was put on. It was vividly pointed out that in eight years on the present basis of taxation, the motorists of Ontario will contribute to the province sixty-eight millions of dollars, plus—plus due to the ever increasing number of cars and trucks. This amount exceeds by millions the total expenditure on road construction and maintenance, and the investment in road building materials, plants, pits and machinery in the province during the past seven years or since the inception of the provincial highway system, when admittedly expenditures have been at their peak. Expenditures are declining and will continue to do so as more and more of the system is completed. By far the most costly and permanent improvements have been completed—lands purchased and expropriated, the more important bridges, rock cuts and fills, etc., ditching, culverts, drainage tiling, grading, much of the permanent paving as well as a large part of the minor bridging and so forth. The license tax should have been reduced coincident with the imposition of the gas tax, said Mr. Phelan.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A wheat yield of 350,000,000 bushels for Canada which is now estimated by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for the present year, should go far toward putting financial conditions, especially in the west, in an excellent position.

The sugar crop in Cuba has broken all records for abundance of yield—but it is not expected to reduce prices much when the preserving season is on. It should, however, mean lower prices during the late autumn and winter months.

Canada's declining purchases in the United States—purchases which have dropped \$72,000,000 in the last twelve months—are shown by detailed official figures available this week. This ensures the balance of trade largely in Canada's favor.

Another newspaper has given up the struggle for existence. This time it is Canada's oldest daily, the Quebec Chronicle, first issued in 1764. It has been merged with the Quebec Telegraph and Quebec City has now but one English daily.

Apparently the four-point-four beer has failed to restrict the home brewing, particularly in Toronto. It is reported that since the new beer was put on sale there has been a gradual increase in the number of applications for home-brewing permits—Star.

The fourth session of the fourteenth Parliament of Canada began on the 5th of February and ended on the 27th of June. In the long period between these dates—almost five months—many speeches were made of which record is preserved in several bulging volumes of Hansard, and a number of important bills were negatived by the Senate.

Speaking in Edinburgh, Scotland, recently, before the Women's Christian Temperance Union, Lady Astor told her audience that Great Britain spent more in strong drink than for education and much more than before the war. What with drink and the demoralizing, pauperizing influence of "the dole" the outlook for Britain's future is not inviting.

Protests against horse racing declared to be developing the spirit of gambling, and detrimental to business in the province, have been made by the Manitoba Retail Merchants' Association. The same protest and declaration might justly be made in every province. The various states adjoining Canada has in effect made similar declarations and now prohibit horse racing.

For fifty-eight years the Georgetown Herald has been the worthy newspaper representative of Georgetown and district. The present editor and owner, Mr. Joe. M. Moore, has had a longer connection with the Herald than any predecessor. He has published a paper which the people appreciate and loyally support, and personally he stands high in the estimation of the community.

Exports of 462,632 gallons of whiskey from Canada to the United States during the twelve months ending May are shown in official trade returns just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The whiskey is valued at \$7,045,890. Ale and beer to the value of \$4,638,407 were exported to the United States during the same period. This is surely anything but a creditable showing for Canada.

The Kincaid Reporter came into the possession of John J. Hunter in July, 1905. For a score of years he has conducted the paper with consummate skill and success. The constituency has been ably represented. There is only one Jack Hunter, and the community is fortunate which has him as representative, from a journalistic standpoint. He has made a success of the past and has broad visions for the future, in which the town and county of his adoption largely share.

Promotions at the Public School

List of the Pupils who will be Promoted after the Summer Holidays

The following lists of Public School promotions will be read with interest by the pupils of Acton Public Schools in their homes.

PROMOTED TO SENIOR FOURTH
ISABEL LANTZ
JEAN SMITH
BETTY HOLMES
VIOLET CURRIE
REITA MCNEBB
ANNIE SMITH
MARGARET PRICE
EVELYN TUBMAN
JESSIE ATKINSON

PROMOTED TO JUNIOR FOURTH
MARGORIE GARDEN
MELBA MCNEBB
HELEN STRANDER
ORAL CHALMERS
TOMMY GIBBONS
ALLEN MARSHALL
JACK REID
STEWART MALCOLM
LESLIE GIBBONS
ARTHUR GAMBLE
EDNA CHIPP
AUBREY GIBBONS
WILLIAM WILSON
ISABEL SMITH
ELEANOR CLIFFORD
GORDON COOPER
MELVIN LAMBERT
BERT HINTON
MELBA LOCKER
LELLIAN PERRY
CARNIE BYRNE
LONA GIBBONS
FRED WATERHOUSE
JIMMIE NOBLE (On trial)
ABBE PRICE (On trial)
LEWIS WATSON (On trial)
NEWTON HURST (On trial)
CLARICE MORTON (On trial)

PROMOTED TO SENIOR THIRD
ADABEL BROWN
TERRY MCNEBB
DORREN MABALES
GORDON BABCOCK
CHARLES HOLMES
KATHARINE STEWART
MARY GIBBONS
VELMA BLAIR
LESLIE GIBBONS
BILLIE WILLIAMS
HERBERT TAYLOR
LESLIE GIBBONS
FRANK WINTER
TERANCE O'BHEA
WOLY WATERHOUSE
EDITH WATSON
GLENN RYDER
OLIVE ROOKS
GLA BAIR
ERNEST BROUGHTON
IRENE CROSS
CHERYL GIBBONS
WILLA LASEY
HOWARD SWITZER
STUART LANTZ
GORDON HANSEN
JOB WOODS
LOIS ATKINSON (On trial)
JOHN HANSEN (On trial)
GORDON REID (On trial)
GORDON CURRIE (On trial)
BRYLL TUCKER (On trial)

PROMOTED TO JUNIOR THIRD
ANDREW BUCHANAN
CATHERINE MACKIE
DESSIE HAWKINGS
ISABEL SWITZER
LLOYD BRUCE
KATHLEEN COOK
BASIL MELLON
DORIS HOLLOWAY
AMELIA EVANS
ELLA WOODS
TOMMY NICOL
MURRAY SMITH
COLBY MURPHY
TEDDY ELLIOTT
JOE KELLY
LLOYD HANSEN
WILLIAM NEAR
MAX BRUCE
JOHN NICOL
FORD HILLMAN
EDITH BRACKEN
DELLIAN JOCKE
GORDON LAMBERT
DORIS ECCLESTONE
LENA MASSEY
JOE MCCANN
GORDON COOK
GEORGE HOLMES
JACK WATERHOUSE
GOREY WICKER
GEORGE TYLER
MARGUERITE ROZZELL
ELLA WOODS
ENID MCGILL
WILLIE HODGINS (On trial)
TOMMY ELLIOTT (On trial)
CHARLES WATERHOUSE (On trial)

PROMOTED TO SENIOR SECOND
TEDDY HANSEN
HARVEY HANSEN
LESLIE GIBBONS
EARL COLE
MEDINA PREJOINI
IRENE ELLIOTT
BETH HARRISON
VIOLETT MASSEY
HAROLD MOONEY
YER VICKERS
LELLIAN WOODHALL
MARRION HILLSON
FRANCES MACHIE
WALTER GIBBONS
NADENIA STUCKEY
CLARE GARDEN (On trial)
ELMER WHITE (On trial)

PROMOTED TO JUNIOR SECOND
VERA HAWKINGS
VIOLET WHITE
EDNA HINTON
ROBERT KERR
EDNA STUCKEY
ISABEL BRUCE
FRANCES JENNINGS
GEORGE SWITZER
HELEN REDBURN
MARGUERITE CURRIE
MURVY REID
HELEN CAMPBELL
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ELSI ANDERSON
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DOROTHY COCK
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JACK SMITH
GERTRUDE KERR
BURT CREWSON
DOROTHY BABCOCK
MRS. WATERHOUSE
JESSIE TROTTER
GRACE LANTZ
MARGORIE NEAR (On trial)

PROMOTED FROM PRIMER TO THE FIFTH CLASS
MARGARET ANNOID
LOIS CRIPS
HELEN EVANS
FRANCES JENNINGS
LEONARD TUBMAN
AGNES CHISHOLM
LORRAINE COOPER
WARREN TUBMAN
ANNIE HOLMER
GILL GIBBONS
MARGIE MANN
JACK MCGILL
MARY RYDER
ELMER BROWN
VIOLET ELLIOTT
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FRANCES KELL
AUDREY CHALMERS
KENNETH WATSON
LEONARD COCK
RODORICK RYDER
IRENE ELLIOTT
BARBARA TAYLOR
ETHEL WOODS

Names marked * have taken 75% during the year and were not required to write on the final examinations.

GEORGETOWN

Mrs. R. J. Verth and son Bruce, of Edinburgh, Scotland, have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Poulos during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Willoughby and family have taken up their residence at the Golf Links for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Matthew and son Roy, of New Mexico, are visiting with Mr. D. J. Matthey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dick and their daughter, Marion, and Miss Frances Hone left on Thursday for a visit to Mr. Charles Dick, of Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kennedy were at London last week attending the funeral of Mrs. Kennedy's brother, the late G. G. Jones, of the Civil Service Department, Ottawa.

Miss S. Pugh and Miss M. Russell have returned to Glenwilliams from Belleville, Saskatchewan, where they have been living for some 10 years. They intend to remain here.

Sixty-five guests availed themselves of the opportunity of visiting the Armonia Boys' Farm at Georgetown on Saturday afternoon, when the 4th of July was celebrated in a most auspicious of the Toronto Women's League of the Armenian Relief Association.

At the recent examinations at Toronto Conservatory of Music the following pupils of Miss Matthews were successful: Mrs. Anson Thurston, Primary Theory, first-class honors; Miss Alice Moore, Primary Theory, first-class honors; Miss Frances Kennedy, Primary Theory, first-class honors.

The congregation of the United Church has secured for Rev. Dr. Dick their new associate minister, the house of Mr. W. A. Main, on Durham Street, and Mr. Dick's new young man, George, who has been spending the past year with relatives in South Devon, England, arrived in town on Thursday, July 8, and the family have taken up their new home.

BURLINGTON
Burlington Orangemen will celebrate the Twelfth at Kitchener on Saturday.

Mayor J. S. Allen enjoyed a trip down the Thousand Islands over the holiday.

St. Luke's Sunday School picnic and congregational outing to Driving Rock, Dundas, will be held on Saturday, July 11.

A garden party, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society of the United Church, will be held on the school grounds, Appleby, on Thursday evening, July 17th.

Burlington's Big Banner Garden Party will be held under the auspices of St. Luke's Church, on the rear lawn of Mr. Ed. Holby's home, on Water Street, on Wednesday evening, July 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Langlois visited their daughter at Toronto Island, over the holiday. On Sunday they celebrated the 57th anniversary of their wedding.

Miss Mabel Brecken, who has been nursing in Cleveland, spent a few days at her home here, and left on Friday for a holiday trip to Scotland.

Last week, Mr. Frank Johnson, appeared before Magistrate Barr on charge of assaulting Mr. F. Felletterio. He was allowed out on suspended sentence, but had to pay \$100 costs.

A letter was read from the Fire Brigade, asking the Council to fix Wednesday August 12th as a civic holiday, so as to enable the Brigade and citizens to attend the Firemen's Convention. The matter will be considered at the next meeting.

This year the Drummers' Snack Outing is to be one big day gathering here on Friday, July 10th, and all the roads to Burlington should be main lines for travellers and their families and friends on that day.

On Monday afternoon several members of the entrance class at the Central School paid a surprise visit to the home of Principals, and presented him with a \$10.00 gold-plate on behalf of the class as a slight token of their appreciation of his kindness during the year—Gazette.

OUR ANNUAL JOURNEY

Every year we travel far and view a large area in space without realizing it and yet a moment's consideration is sufficient to convince us of this. We say that the diameter of the earth is 8,000 miles, and that the distance round the earth at the equator is 24,000 miles. That would seem to be the maximum measurement attainable by man, the longest distance measurable on earth. Yet there is an actual line that is straight which, instead of being only 24,000 miles long, is 185,000,000 miles long! That, in fact, is man's longest measuring rod—and he can use it. He uses it to measure our distance from the stars. He takes a geometrical observation of a certain star, say, at the vernal equinox, March 21, and another one at the autumnal equinox; or he may choose instead, the summer and winter solstices. In either case, in the intervening months the earth has done "half a lap" round the sun. In other words, it has just travelled, at an average speed of 18 miles a second, 231,600,000 miles, and the distance between the points where the observer finds himself at any portion of the year is, in round numbers, one hundred and eighty-six millions of miles distant from the place he was in, in space, six months before.

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