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EDITORIAL

Canada Leads in Wheat and Flour Exports

Canada now leads the world as an exporter of both wheat and flour as shown in a recent statement issued by the Canadian Government Bureau of Statistics. In the twelve months ended July 31, 1926, the Dominion exported 275,464,100 bushels of wheat and 10,866,700 barrels of flour, as against 74,249,000 bushels of wheat and 9,570,000 barrels of flour by the United States, Canada's nearest competitor.

County Councils' Recommendation

Holding that the County Councils were receiving too much for their services, citizens of Arthur Village and adjacent townships presented a petition to Wellington County Council last week asking that the rates of mileage paid to the committee members be reduced. Dealt with by the Road and Bridge Committee, it was recommended that no action be taken on the matter. About three-quarters of an hour of warm discussion of the question followed, and prominent councillors asserted positively that the men were being underpaid as it was. The *Argus-News Record* has been reviewing this matter for some time. Some of the County Councils have been drawing from \$1,000 to \$2,000 per year for fees and mileage, and naturally the taxpayers are wondering if with so large a membership as much money is necessary to be expended. The position suggested smaller committees, but the Council evidently concluded that criticism is warranted.

The Highway Truck and the Express Companies

That the railways are feeling the competition of the motor truck is confessed by the action of the C. N. R. which has recently advised the Council of Whitby, Ont., that the Railway Express service to that town would be discontinued after February 1st, the business no longer being on a paying basis. This is due to the unfair competition of the railways in placing the use of the country's highways at the disposal of individuals with trucks to exploit at their own risk with practically no charge. Commenting upon this action the *Altona Herald* says: "If the gasoline carriers are making such profitable use of the business of the steam carriers it is time a thorough survey was made since it looks as if the truck lines were not paying nearly their share of the upkeep of the roads they use in their business." This is a self-evident fact, but the remedy? Surely it cannot be good business to allow a great national enterprise to be ruined by the unfair and unjustified competition to which it is now being subjected. If the truck lines want this business and can find it profitable under conditions fair to those who have built and maintain the roads, well and good—but they have got to go very much further than present legislation requires before that point will be reached.—*Beaverton Express*.

New Highway Legislation

According to instructions given by Hon. G. S. Henry, Minister of Highways in the Ontario Legislature, there will be some new and common sense legislation respecting the running of automobiles at the coming session. It is proposed to increase the speed limit on the highway from 24 to 28 miles per hour. That will be only bringing within the law what has been generally practiced for years back. For a 35 mile speed limit has not been observed by the out of every hundred cars that travel. If the government will make an honest effort to put in effect the 35 mile clause, it will be doing a great public service. New legislation will also require every driver of a car to have a permit. This will be very difficult of enforcement, and will not be generally observed unless the department is prepared to adopt a sort of "hold-up" system and stop every driver on the highway and ask to see their permit. Every car owner should be compelled to take out an occupancy liability policy. Thousands of owners of cars, if guilty through carelessness of causing previous injury or death to another, could not be recovered from even if ordered by the Courts. No man should own or drive a car who is not prepared to pay any damage he inflicts on another through his own carelessness. The insuring of all vehicles carrying lights is imperative if many accidents are to be avoided, and the farmer with a horse drawn vehicle travelling at night is in constant danger of being killed, and all through his own carelessness. The complicity of cars to cause railroad crossings is an impossibility, unless the Government is prepared to keep a watchman at every crossing. At most railroads crossings, particularly where there is much traffic, the track at either end should be under view for at least half a mile.

The Fate of the Bombastic

"Kansas Grows the Best Wheat in the World" is a slogan that folks out in that State see wherever they turn. In 1923 the words were placed on tags of the State motion-picture censors. But the Governor who ordered this bombastic slogan on films is no longer in power, and the censors have decided to banish the words. The State Attorney-General says the slogan never should have been placed on a tag. Furthermore, a millers' convention recently declared that Kansas wheat would soon be known as the poorest in the world if the black-hull variety was not dropped in favor of turkey red. We wonder if our Kansas friends ever heard of Canada's "No. 1 Hard". The Onward.

The Value of the Manufacturing Industry

The temporary closing of Cane's Factory is a severe blow to the town, as it throws about one hundred hands out of employment at a time of the year when work is scarce, and will seriously affect business of the town. It is sincerely hoped that the company may be able shortly to effect a reconstruction and continue as usual. Cane's Factory has been the great standby of Newmarket for over fifty years and the heads of the firm have been prominent in municipal life and parliamentary contests. The average payroll for the past nine years has been in the neighborhood of \$1,100,000.—*Newmarket Era*. It is through such experiences as this that the people of a community come face to face with the value of the regularly operating of the factories, and the prompt payment of the weekly wage roll, and learn to appreciate their true worth and influence to the community.

Compulsory Cutting of Weeds

Legislation providing for compulsory weeding in Ontario is now under consideration by the Government, and will likely be brought down at the next session of the Legislature. Hon. John S. Martin, Minister of Agriculture, admitted last week that the weed menace had assumed alarming proportions, and that a more drastic law toward checking it than exists at the present time is required. The new legislation, if passed, will apply not only to the highways of the Province, but to all farms. It will aim, primarily at the neglectful agriculturist. Leading agriculturists, cognizant of the danger involved in the steady growth and spread of the weed family, want general compulsory cutting, with municipalities still responsible for the cutting on their roads. Officials of the department point out that, under the contemplated legislation, municipalities would be required to appoint inspectors.

Accidents to Reduce Danger of Crossing

Resolutions were passed last week by the provincial legislative board of the Brotherhood of Railway Engineers recommending the passing of legislation to prevent loss of life at railway crossings. Next to those killed or maimed in crossing accidents there is no one so vitally interested in this matter of railway crossings as the railway engineer, said J. S. Crawford, chairman of the board. It is a terrible strain. Many an engineer after having been in one of these accidents has become a nervous wreck. With the great increase in vehicular traffic the danger of crossing accidents increases. We would like to see legislation passed that would compel all vehicles to stop before crossing railway tracks, or failing that, some other measure of prevention. The public generally should give their support to any measure which will tend to avert the numerous accidents which occur so frequently on the level crossings of the province.

The Cigarette

The Underwriters Investigation reports that it was possibly a cigarette thrown carelessly down which set fire to a theatre in Montreal. The fire, the panic, and the stampede causing the death of seventy-six children. Cigarettes are very modern, smoking in this way was not known to our forefathers. Although they had come into use before 1914 yet it was the Great War which popularized the smoking of cigarettes, and so popular and general has the habit become that the sales in cigarettes are something enormous. Without entering into any discussion whether they are, or are not, an improvement upon the pipe this much is beyond all controversy, that they are a source of danger and there are many manufacturing plants, warehouses, theatres, and other institutions where the practice of smoking cigarettes should be prohibited. They are a menace, and insurance companies might, with far more wisdom and safety, give a reduction in insurance of 25 per cent. in a plant where no cigarettes are allowed, more readily than they do on barns because they are produced by lightning rods.—*Pembroke Standard-Observer*.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Ontario has 720,436 families, and of these no less than 63.25 per cent. own their own homes. It would be interesting to know just what percentage of automobile owners in the province actually own the cars they drive.

The State of Connecticut is taking advanced grounds for the protection of its citizens by night. A bill is before the Legislature requiring each pedestrian on the highway between sunset and sunrise to carry a light visible at least fifty feet.

Germany has been declared disarmed by the Council of Ambassadors, and the First Allied Military Committee, known as the Foch Committee, will report, it is understood, that Germany has fulfilled the disarmament conditions imposed by the Treaty of Versailles.

There is every prospect that 1927 will be the greatest year in Canada's history, provided, of course, that we have a good agricultural year, without which a country like ours cannot do well at all. All the signs of the times are favorable. The presidents of the banks, in their annual addresses, have not for years spoken so unambiguously of the favorable nature of the immediate outlook.

To put the matter in its briefest form, a Canadian business or manufacturing business, not a diploma-proprietor, and the dividends that the Canadian people will expect from it will not be a lot of money about things, but some practical achievement of economic worth. The fact about the political state in their attitude upon the important issues until it has led an opportunity to function.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

THE PRACTICE OF CHRISTIANITY

Matthew 23: 23-24

Scripture Lesson—Matt. 23: 14-30.

Golden Text—"You have been entrusted over a few things; will set the one over many things; will throw this the joy of the Lord—Matt. 23: 12.

Devotional Reading—John 14: 26, 12-17.

Lesson Themes—Talent. Talents are so much capital to be invested. Capital should yield returns. What is a reasonable return upon investment? Money placed at interest or invested in Victory Bonds and allowed to accumulate will double in a short time. At four per cent. it will take twenty years. At six per cent. (the usual legal rate) it will take twelve years. This rate can be secured as reasonably safe investment with practically no risk. It does not require effort. When time and effort are added the returns should be much greater. A ten or even twenty-fold return upon money may be fairly, according to the risk and work involved. If, however, the return is a small amount, it is a sign of a failing business. It might be possible to lose thirty, sixty, or even one hundred per cent. on an investment of the sort. It is a sign of a failing business. It might be possible to lose thirty, sixty, or even one hundred per cent. on an investment of the sort.

Men with Few Talents. Most of us have but few gifts. Michael Angelo was famous as an architect, a sculptor and a painter. He had many talents. Some people have two talents, some have only one. "We belong most of us to the common world of few talents." and because there are so many of us, we are inclined to feel that there is little opportunity for the individual in the group. We content ourselves, therefore, with the routine of the day. We do indifferently the work assigned to us, and we do it with our own personality. But we might take a different attitude toward it. We might set before us the ideal of doing something a little better than it has been done before. "I work like a slave," complained one woman to another. "But you might work like a queen," replied the other.

"I told if I behaved no man would turn his back on a man," having been faithful in the expression is apt to be doing some of the slow and plodding sort of work, which may be right and may be wrong. The man who travels along steadily pace like the tortoise instead of bounding away like the hare may be sustained in his effort by the thought of the goal to be attained. Though his progress be slow he may be making an amazing headway.

For millions of us, a goal of faith and faith in the goal is the secret of success. It means the use of the "I will" attitude. It is the attitude with which the Lord himself worked, and it is the attitude which has won the world for the Lord. In the words of Paul, in Romans 12: 4-7

WISDOM IN THEIR GENERATION

The climate of Bombay, said an inhabitant of that city, is so hot that it is better to be born there than to be born elsewhere. "I am a Bombay native," said another, "it is a sign that shows that you wish to appear to know more than you do."

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KNOW WHAT HE WANTED

A minister in Scotland in making his round of visits to his parishioners in the district called on Mrs. McQueen. As he was about to depart the good woman politely asked him to have a cup of tea. "Thank you," replied the minister. "Perhaps you would prefer a cup of coffee," said Mrs. McQueen. "No coffee, thank you," said the minister. "A little whisky and water, then?" continued the good woman. "No water, thank you," was the reply.

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Going West

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No. 27	11:45 a.m.
No. 25	1:30 p.m.
No. 24	2:00 p.m.
No. 23	2:30 p.m.
No. 22	3:00 p.m.
No. 21	3:30 p.m.
No. 20	4:00 p.m.
No. 19	4:30 p.m.
No. 18	5:00 p.m.

Going East

No. 24 Sunday Only	7:00 a.m.
No. 25	7:30 a.m.
No. 26	8:00 a.m.
No. 27	8:30 a.m.
No. 28	9:00 a.m.
No. 29	9:30 a.m.
No. 30	10:00 a.m.
No. 31	10:30 a.m.
No. 32	11:00 a.m.
No. 33	11:30 a.m.
No. 34	12:00 p.m.

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Westbound

Daily	7:55 a.m.
Daily	8:55 a.m.
Daily	11:55 a.m.
Daily	1:45 p.m.
Daily	2:55 p.m.
Daily	4:55 p.m.
Daily	6:55 p.m.
Daily	8:55 p.m.

Eastbound

Daily	6:25 a.m.
Daily	7:25 a.m.
Daily	11:25 a.m.
Daily	1:15 p.m.
Daily	2:25 p.m.
Daily	4:25 p.m.
Daily	6:25 p.m.
Daily	8:25 p.m.

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