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EDITORIAL

Income Tax Time Coming

The time is fast drawing near when the annual contribution to the Government's funds must be made by those liable for income tax. This year that number will be anything smaller than last year and the changes in the tax will make the payments considerably lighter. The tax this year is on earnings over \$1,500 for single men and over \$3,000 for married men. The rate is two per cent on taxable amount less 10 per cent. That is, a single man earning \$2,000 must pay a tax of \$200 or \$10 less ten per cent, of \$1, leaving the tax to be paid, \$9. Returns must be filed by corporations or other employers of labor showing the list of salaries paid and also the interest and other information about the business of the corporation must be filed by March 31. Three different forms are used. Form T3 for executors, administrators, and assignees; Form T4 for lists of employees, including educational, charitable and religious institutions making a return of the amounts paid to all directors, officials or other employees; form T5 for corporations and joint companies making a return of all dividends and bonuses paid to shareholders and members.

Splendid Growth of Hydro

The figures presented to the Legislature last week in the Hydro Commission's annual report show a splendid record of the operations of the system during the past year. The Ontario Hydro Commission during the fiscal year which it recently closed increased its power development in the Province from 808,308 horse-power to 928,032 horse-power, this latter figure representing the peak of development which the enterprise has ever attained. Commission revenues from its power customers reached a total of \$20,555,170, which was a sum sufficient to meet all fixed charges, provide \$4,295,894 for sinking fund and contingencies, and leave a surplus of \$565,413. During the past year 750 miles of transmission lines were declared to have been added to the rural systems, representing the greatest growth which rural power distribution has ever undergone in any one year. The total rural mileage stands at 2,300, the number of rural customers reaches 10,000, and the investment in the rural lines totals \$4,750,000. "The operation of all the systems," the report states, "has been carried on very successfully and without serious trouble. The class of equipment provided in the Commission's generating plants and on its transmission networks, and the care with which it is maintained and operated, has enabled the Commission to provide a remarkable continuity of service. This is indicated by the fact that power was never entirely off the Niagara system for a single minute during the year."

Covered Skating Rinks

The question of building and maintaining covered skating rinks in towns of the size of Acton seems to offer quite a problem. Interested citizens in Acton have been studying the feasibility of the proposition for Acton and have secured interesting data. The project in most towns is usually very popular. Fergus is going to erect a new rink, and at a recent session of the Fergus Council, the Fergus Arena Company was given a twenty years' lease of the old brewery property, now belonging to the corporation, at a nominal rental of \$100 a year. It is now proposed to go ahead at once with the erection of a new rink, 130 feet by 205 feet, with an ice surface of 75 feet by 180 feet, two curling rinks, and space for 1,200 spectators. The estimated cost is \$20,000, of which over \$15,000 has already been subscribed. Fergus has never had a rink suitable for hockey, and all games in the local league have been played in Elora this winter. In Winchester, a village with a population of about twelve or thirteen hundred, they have a new rink assured for next year. In reference to the project the Winchester Press says: "Our covered skating rink proposition has gone through with a bang, and all being well next winter our young and old people will be able to enjoy the advantages of skating and curling, no matter how severe or stormy the weather. The large attendance of shareholders is an evidence of the enthusiasm of the people and the splendid community spirit in this section. The total vote represented a subscribed list of over \$9,000, and to date the amount subscribed, with a five per cent paid up, totals over \$10,000." The only discouraging note in the general trend of securing covered rinks for towns and villages seems to come from Warrton, where the municipally-owned rink is offered for sale and a buyer cannot be found to take the building at the low price of \$1,000. But there may be local conditions that being about this state of affairs that would not apply to most towns.

Municipalities Responsible for Care of Unused Cemeteries

By a recent amendment to the Cemetery Act, when the owner of a cemetery cannot be found, is unknown, or is unable to maintain it, the municipality in which such cemetery is situated shall be deemed to be the owner, and the Council shall be charged with the duty of keeping it in order. Every County Council shall have the power to appoint one or more inspectors to look after the cemeteries and to enforce the act. If a Township Council fails or neglects to properly care for a cemetery, the inspector may secure a court order directing the Council to do so. If this order is not obeyed, every member of such Council can be held liable for contempt of court and punished accordingly, unless they can prove to the satisfaction of the court, that they were not consenting parties to neglect. The rural cemeteries have, in the past, been saved from utter neglect, to a large extent, by the exertion of Women's Institutes. The amended act will at least assure such organizations of the co-operation and financial support of Municipal Councils.

A Town's Best Booster

A writer in a current magazine observes: "If the newspaper is just a little better than its town, the latter is the greater thereby." Towns and their newspapers usually lag or lead together. Progressive journalism is the unerring tonic of the lethargic community, but it is equally true that a lifeless newspaper seriously retards the development of its community. There is no better community asset than a home newspaper equal to the needs of the community. While a poor newspaper is better than none to the individual reader, that does not hold true for the town. What can a good newspaper do for its community? It can serve as the town's messenger to the outside world. It must take the leadership in all community projects if they are to be successful. It is the infallible line of communication between local government and citizen. It is to the newspaper that all organizations turn for assistance in public welfare movements and without the assistance they face failure. The newspaper reaps the reward of its initiative by sharing in the general improvement of business and community affairs if it has been instrumental in bringing about. The good newspaper does it a pleasure to serve its community and its readers and is fully aware that it is only through giving a full measure of service that it can progress.

C. N. E. Earnings Show Steady Increase

An increase in gross earnings of \$869,958.68 or 4.74 per cent; increase in net earnings of \$668.86, or 0.05 per cent, and a slightly increased operating ratio for the month of February, 1927, as compared with February, 1926, is shown by the statement issued by the Canadian National Railways. During February, gross earnings of the Canadian National System, including Grand Trunk lines in the United States, were \$10,207,035.00 against \$18,337,076.32 in February of last year. Working expenses for the period of 1927 were \$17,782,702.43 against \$16,913,502.61 in February, 1926, an increase of \$869,958.82 or 5.14 per cent. Net earnings for the month were \$1,424,242.57 against \$1,423,573.71, an increase of \$668.86 or 0.05 per cent. The operating ratio for February, 1927, was 92.58 per cent, against 92.24 per cent in February, 1926. For the period from January 1 to the end of February, 1927, gross earnings of the System were \$30,204.00, against \$37,038,230.81, an increase of \$2,337,083.10 or 6.21 per cent. Working expenses during January and February, 1927, were \$35,916,679.98 against \$33,886,275.40 in the corresponding period of 1926, an increase of \$2,030,422.49 or 5.99 per cent. Net earnings during the two-month period were \$3,458,506.02 in 1927, against \$3,151,955.32 in 1926, an increase of \$306,550.70, or 9.73 per cent. "The operating ratio for the two months shows a decrease in the 1927 period, the percentage of this being 91.22 per cent against 91.40 per cent in the first two months of 1926."

EDITORIAL NOTES

Those street signs that were ordered by the Council about six weeks ago and were to be in place in ten days have not yet made their appearance. It would be real nice to have them in place before the Dominion Day celebration.

The Mount Forest Confederate last week celebrated its sixtieth birthday and gave a fine illustrated article on the history of the paper. Mr. A. W. Wright, the present editor, has been in control since 1902, and under his able guardianship the Confederate had prospered.

The new Liquor Control Act has been passed by the Ontario Legislature, and has been given Royal assent by the Lieutenant-Governor. It will come into force on May 15. Until that date the Ontario Temperance Act will continue in force and be strictly administered.

Whether it's better to legislate so that a man can become drunk and abuse his wife and family in his own house, or allow him to get drunk at the public house where he can't afford to abuse anyone without the danger of getting hurt himself, is questionable. The new liquor act provides for the former.—Winchester Press.

It is proposed in North Dakota to revoke licenses of all motorists convicted of driving while intoxicated, and to give power to judges and magistrates to prohibit such persons from driving an automobile for a period of two years. This may sound strict, but it will be a long step toward fulfilling the slogan of "Safety First."

Do not be annoyed if your friends whom you trust are frank with you. It is a compliment to you if people are frank with you. If they dare to say what they think, it is a credit to your common sense. If no one is ever frank with you; if people evade and equivocate and come near falsehood rather than tell you the truth, the chances are that you are to blame.

It will now be in order for members of "The Ancient Order of United Froth Blowers" to meet in convention and condemn the O'Keefe Brewing Company for allowing books of sales to mysteriously disappear. Those who suspect the books contained booze orders made out to bootleggers may not be too far out in their surmises. The customs investigation has revealed among other facts that the brewers and distillers are no more trustworthy than Beezebug.—Chesley Enterprises.

Neighborhood News

BURLINGTON

Mr. James Richardson, of the Bank of Commerce street, has been transferred to Niagara Falls, Ont.

A number of local young people held a most enjoyable dance in the U. W. Y. A. hall on Friday evening last.

Miss Mary Campbell, who has been reading in English in visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. C. Campbell, about 20 members of Trinity United Church choir at her home on Friday night. A splendid evening's entertainment was provided, and duly profited hearts were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew T. Morrison arrived on Sunday from an extended trip to the coast and California. They visited the coast and California. They visited the coast and California. They visited the coast and California.

GEORGETOWN

Georgetown is going to have a lacrosse team this summer.

Mr. J. Hill, of Georgetown, who is still in hospital, has received a letter from his wife, who is in hospital in Toronto.

Mr. H. H. Kennedy of Owen Sound was in town on Tuesday.

Miss Mary Lawson returned home on Tuesday after spending two months in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Watson arrived home on Tuesday after spending the winter months in Florida.

Miss Whitmore, local manager of the Bell Telephone Co., has recovered from recent illness and resumed her duties.

MILTON

Wray Housefield lost a valuable horse last week.

Alan McCready has purchased John McMaster's farm on the mainline.

Mr. J. Baker, of Watford, formerly of Milton, has been spending a few days with his family in town.

Miss Fieda, Doney, professional nurse of Toronto, has been spending a few days at her home in town.

The price of eggs and milk in town is having a downward tendency.

Monty Kelly is delivering milk around town at 9 cents a quart.

It is rumored that the manager and his wife are looking for houses in the town. Negotiations are on foot for a new company to be formed, recently occupied by the Hudson Bay Company.

A great surprise was sprung at the United Presbyterian Church on Sunday last at the pastor, Rev. P. W. MacCormack had started the service. Cecil Henderson, a member of the choir and Head of Management, and attended the service. The church was full.

Miss Ford's many friends will all be glad to hear that she is recovering from her illness. She has been in hospital for some time, but is now home and well.

EHIN

Mrs. J. Bush and Mrs. Hoffman visited with friends in Toronto, last week.

Mr. John Murray, Hamilton, visited with her brother, Mr. J. Murray, last week.

Mr. C. Campbell, of Georgetown, called on old friends in the village on Tuesday.

Mrs. Harry McKinney and Mrs. Mary Kinney left for the West on Wednesday, March 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Austin left on Tuesday for Toronto, where they will be assisting agent with the C. E. R.

Mrs. J. E. Smith has returned home after a month's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Curtis House, at Neustownville. Mrs. House, who is convalescing from her recent illness, returned with her.

The Bush Hardware have an attractive display in one of their windows, in the form of a broad of children, hatched in the Queen Incubator and being mothered artificially by a brood.

The North Erin V. P. O. and U. P. W. O. were joyfully entertained to a social dance by Mrs. Anna Sibley and son, on Friday evening, March 21.

On Tuesday morning, Master Douglas G. Orr was driving in the snow in the mill race. Evidently he was being played at the water's edge and the little fellow floated down stream toward the mill and immediately rescued him, and the lad's grandfather, Dr. Gear, was soon on the job and after a time brought the little fellow ground. A minute or two more and resuscitation would have been of an avail.—Advocate.

DELAY IS DANGEROUS

Reservations are being steadily received for the Keweenaw Tour and the available accommodation is being rapidly booked up. The Keweenaw Western Tour, which will travel to the Pacific Coast via the Canadian National Railway, returning through the United States, including in its itinerary the outstanding scenic attractions of the southwest, such as Jasper National Park, Mount Robson, and the Inland Passage of the North Pacific Coast, Yellowstone National Park, and the Grand Canyon of the Colorado River. The tour will include visits to many of the interesting spots which attract so prominently to the Keweenaw Western Tour, and will be conducted by the Canadian National Railway, Toronto, to Mr. Martin Kury, 4 Boulton Avenue, Hamilton, or to Mr. J. H. Brown, 41 Silverton Avenue, Toronto.

OAKVILLE

Mr. W. S. Davis is in South Carolina on a short trip.

Mr. P. H. Lightfoot, late editor of the Bank of Toronto here, was removed to Illinois this week.

Mrs. O. H. Garner, of Welland, visited this week with Mrs. J. H. Melvin at the Parsonage.

Mrs. C. E. M. Hodda is returning to their Oakville home on Park Avenue this week.

Mrs. J. H. Melvin, vice-president of the Postmaster's Association of Canada, was in Ottawa this week attending the bi-annual convention of the association.

Engineer George Fowler, who is in the domestic water supply, formerly of Oakville, at the Hotel Club in Toronto, was in town on Monday evening.

The Rev. Thomas Smith, a former pastor of St. John's Methodist Church, died Monday at his home in Toronto in his 71st year.

The residence lately occupied by W. H. Wales, of Bradford, on Church Street, has recently been sold to Mrs. A. G. Mead, of Oakville.

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LOW-YEA PRICE USUALLY DECEPTIVE

A low price for tea to-day means only a poor quality tea. A lot of poor quality tea are now being offered. The public should be advised not to buy them.

AN HEIR TO \$40,000

Blind Quebec Workman Believed to be Heir to Estate Left in Arizona

As a result of inquiries made by T. J. Manning, Secretary of the Quebec Chamber of Commerce, as to the whereabouts of George E. Jackson, who died intestate at Jerome, Arizona, last week, has been found in the person of a blind man, George E. Jackson, 77-year-old Quebec ship farmer, who has been afflicted with blindness for over a quarter of a century.

George E. Jackson left Quebec in 1902, and after wandering all over the United States, he settled in Jerome, where he made a fortune in real estate. Since leaving there he had communicated with his family only once, and that was many years ago. It was a letter to his brother Joseph, father of Mrs. John E. Anderson, of Ariz. In 1922. It was written from Dillon, Montana, and Mrs. Anderson still has it in her possession. Word that Jackson, who had never married, had died, was received at Quebec last week, but it was not believed at that time that he had any relatives residing there.

"A blind man named Jackson, living with his son and daughter, his wife having been dead many years. For 30 years he has lived in darkness, having lost his sight about 1894. The family lives quietly, and without a telephone. It is many years since the old man still had any relatives, but he has been found by the firm."

A NEW KNOT FOR THE PARSON

In his eye was a look of determination; his breath was coming in sobs; he had slugged him, but now his hour had come and his purpose was not to be thwarted again. He raised and threw his arms about her neck, half dragging, half carrying her to the parson's study. He kicked viciously upon the door and when the parson came he demanded: "Do you love me?" "Why, yes," said the parson. "Then is a good hard one on this heater half of you; she's about ruined my garden."

Latest Dr. said Tommie are diseased, MUST operate. Mrs. Rydell's child Tommie was applied, operation cancelled and tonsils healed. It's guaranteed. Try it.



Acton, England, to Acton, Canada

As a token of gratitude for the attention of Acton, England, through the generous kindness of Mr. Harry Brittain, the representative in the British House of Commons for Acton Borough, presented to the citizens of Acton, Ontario, a replica of the Arms of this ancient borough. The shield was formally handed over to H. P. Moore, Police Magistrate of Acton by T. E. McDunnell, Vice President and General Manager of the Canadian Pacific Express Company, on behalf of the Municipality of Acton.

Mr. Moore, a representative of Mr. Harry Brittain, and at his request, will present the beautiful shield with its traditional insignia of the Council as the legal representatives of the Municipality of Acton, at a public gathering shortly to be held in the Town Hall.

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