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EDITORIAL

Canada's Exports of Dairy Products

For the first eight months of 1928 Canada exported milk and milk products to the value of \$18,482,518. The British Isles is Canada's best customer for cheese, the product which heads the export list with \$1,743,400 pounds, valued at \$11,300,448. The United States took all the cream and fresh milk exports amounting to 2,123,113 gallons of cream worth \$3,840,160, and 2,418,246 gallons of milk worth \$500,151. The other dairy exports were made up of butter, condensed milk, milk powder, evaporated milk and casein. This is an encouraging condition.

"What Has Prohibition Done?"

This question was asked recently at one of the popular congresses held in the United States. The answer was promptly answered, with a cogency which sent the great gathering wild with applause, as follows: "It has put the liquor business out of business with the Government; it has put the Government out of business with the liquor business. The liquor traffic control over governments, its influence in politics, in our courts and over the country at large is known to all. We've got out of business with it, and got it out of business with us, and will stay out."

October a High Record Month for Accidents

"The safeguarding of industries has been made a live topic by the press in the past few months," says R. B. Morley, general manager, Industrial Accident Prevention Association, "but hardly enough attention has been given to safeguarding of employees in industry." He states that October has established a new "high" for all time in total number of accidents reported to the Workmen's Compensation Board in one month. In October there were 8,278 accidents reported to the Board, 51 of which were fatal. This figure tops the total for October, 1927, by more than 1,600 reports. Benefits awarded last month, which included a number of heavy cost cases, totalled \$707,471.31, of which \$11,045.47 was for medical aid. Death cases have reached 466 in ten months of 1928 against 429 in the whole of 1927. Mr. Morley points out that there is every indication that the fatality experience of the classes of industry in the Industrial Accident Prevention Associations will show little if any change in 1928. Up to date the record of deaths in those classes, which represent about two-thirds of the payroll in Schedule 1, is 42 cases in 1928 again 38 in 1927.

Just Ten Years Ago

On Sunday and Monday next we will celebrate the eleventh Armistice Day. Ten years have passed since the armistice was signed that closed the Great War. Even the young men and women of to-day at twenty years of age will have but a dim recollection of that rejoicing that came when the great conflict, that had boomed destruction for four years, were silenced. If only for this reason alone, it is well to keep alive this remembrance day, with suitable memorial services, and recall all that that day of rejoicing meant to all these countries and peoples that were engaged in this world conflict. Acton was among the first municipalities to perpetuate by erecting their memorial, the memory of those who gave their lives in the great struggle. Since that time the annual memorial service has become a fixed feature in the calendar of events carried forth on the schedule of municipal activities. It is indeed fitting that this day should always be a day of remembrance. Coming as it does on Thanksgiving Day, however, when many are away from home, the question arose this year, when plans were being made for the observance, that possibly it would be best to transfer the armistice service to the Sunday previous to Thanksgiving Day, and observation of the day be made by holding the services on that day. This year, November 11 comes on Sunday, but it was felt advisable to continue the custom of former years. If the idea of changing the observance to Sunday finds favor with the citizens the services will, in all probability, be hereafter held on Sunday. Whatever the day chosen, may all loyal citizens join always in this day of remembrance. The years are rolling by and memory of that great day of rejoicing, ten years ago, is not as fresh to-day as it was then, but no matter how many years intervene, let us always pause to perpetuate by a special service all that the day meant to the world then, and its observance and recollection of the Great War in the present day will mean toward maintaining the peace and prosperity we are now experiencing.

Not Much Improved.

With nearly the whole of Canada under various forms of Government Control of intoxicating liquors, it is interesting to note how this system is not decreasing the consumption of intoxicants and a substantial increase in imports of these beverages is shown. From the United Kingdom, for the year ending September, the value of alcoholic beverages imported was \$30,755,033, compared with \$30,800,536 for the previous corresponding year. The report of the traffic in liquors as shown by the September record of imports from Great Britain, and exports to the United States also shows the considerable traffic that is being done under laws supposedly aimed to curtail this business. During September Canada imported from the United Kingdom brandy valued at \$21,728; gin at \$505,400; whiskey at \$2,475,001, and wines at \$8,057, a total of \$3,381,177. Exports to the United States of alcoholic beverages for the same month were, ale and beer valued at \$572,990; and whiskey at \$1,201,012, a total of \$1,823,930.

The Horses Will Get You, if You Don't Watch Out.

The announcement last week in the daily press of the voluntary assignment of J. K. L. Ross, with nearly half a million dollars claimed, would seem to bear out the statement often made, that the race horses finally "get" those who continue to play them and stay with the game. The action followed a petition in the Bankruptcy Court by the Baltimore Trust Company asking that he be adjudged a bankrupt. The Baltimore Trust Company stated Mr. Ross was indebted to them for \$432,833.63, with interest, from May 7, 1927. The debt arose, it was stated in the trust company's petition, from two drafts endorsed and guaranteed by the debtor and made by the Laurel Park Stud Company, which company, it was stated, was now insolvent. On one draft for \$215,000, an amount of \$5,800 had been paid on account, and on the other draft for \$225,000, an amount of \$1,368.37 had been paid on account. In support of the petition, the trust company pointed out that at a recent meeting of creditors, J. K. L. Ross presented a statement of his assets and liabilities, from which it appeared that he was insolvent and unable to meet his liabilities generally as they became due.

Thanksgiving

If ever there was a year that gave cause for thanksgiving, it was 1928. From all over Canada, with very few exceptions, come the tidings of bounteous crops and general prosperity. The West has harvested a record-breaking crop and in the East general reports are of an abundance. And now we come to an especial day, in which we are called on, as a nation, to offer our thanks to the Giver of all things for His bounteousness with which we have been blessed. True often the day, in its holiday aspect, loses its true significance and we are apt to forget its purpose. Sometimes it would seem that the trials and troubles of the year just passed have outweighed the joys that the twelve months have contained, but a careful survey of the blessings that have been intermingled with the trials will usually divulge the fact that the trials have been but times which bring us to a fuller appreciation of the every-day joys with which we are surrounded and which we often come to regard as commonplace. Next Monday is the day which has been set apart by Royal proclamation to celebrate. Let the holiday spirit prevail, but let the thanksgiving spirit predominate throughout the day and throughout the days previous and following. We all have just cause to be continually giving thanks.

EDITORIAL NOTES

These church anniversaries and suppers seem to be gaining as attractions, judging by the crowds with which they are invariably attended.

Hanover has joined the ever-increasing column of municipalities that hold their municipal nominations and elections in November and early in December.

The constant intimations and denials that changes are contemplated in the Liquor Control Act would seem to point that the experiment was not exactly suiting either the wets or dries.

With last week the Milton Reformer started on its forty-fourth year of publication. On this birthday occasion we offer sincere birthday wishes to this virile weekly of the county town.

As the tax season approaches, brother, let us glean what comfort we can from the thought that the municipality which blows about a low tax rate seldom has anything else to blow about.—Shelbourne Free Press.

A Toronto man sued for \$20,000 damages for the loss of an eye, through an automobile accident. The judge awarded \$3,750. It would appear that it all depends on whose eye it is as to the value placed on an optic.

As a sequel to the slogan of a well-known firm selling condensed milk, "Milk From Contented Cows," a meat purveyor in a neighboring town comes out with this one: "Fresh Pork Sausages from Pleased Pigs that Made Perfect Hogs of Themselves."

While the present day is one in which the maintaining of good roads seems the most important civic item it is well to look to the day of the near future when the establishing and maintaining of a suitable landing field for airplanes will be the necessity of every town and city.

All municipal clerks are required, under revised act this year, to send, by registered mail to the Clerk of the County, six days previous to municipal nominations, a certificate as to the number of voters that may be legally counted as qualified to vote, to determine representation of each municipality to the County Council.—Barrie Examiner.

A noted author said: "That which is not local is not alive." That explains why the local plowing match, the fall fair, the school fair, the Sunday School picnic, and all community events are first in the people's hearts and minds. They are local, and, therefore, alive." Remarks The Farmer's Advocate. This also helps to explain why a good local newspaper occupies a place that cannot be taken by the big dailies or any other city publication from the viewpoint of either reader or advertiser.

Neighborhood News.

MILTON
Mr. O. J. Goodland's many friends are pleased to hear that he is able to be back to business, following an attack of appendicitis.
Miss A. Dow, of Toronto, was the guest of Miss Myrtle McInnes, over the week-end.
Dr. and Mrs. McKane and Miss daughter, of Toronto, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hull.
Mr. Geo. Harding, taken a position in the Milldale Furniture Factory at Elora, commenced duties on Monday. George will likely be on the move.
O. H. A. team during the coming winter. Now, that the new street is open to traffic and money is making a headway of it, we wish to drop the hint that speeded-up hands, intend making is the limit, with ten miles at intervals in the village, while thirty-five in the limit on the highway.—Advocate.

CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Met at Annual Meeting Held at Milton Last Saturday—Meeting Addressed by Hon. W. H. Price

The annual meeting of the Milton Liberal-Conservative Association was held at Milton Saturday, and was well attended, delegates being present from every part of the county. The following officers were elected: President, E. Hamilton, Trafalgar Township; 1st Vice-President, W. McKane, Campbellville; 2nd Vice-President, J. M. MacKenzie, Milton; 3rd Vice-President, J. Y. Little, Milton; Secretary, George Killoff, Milton.
W. H. Price, of Oakville, acted as chairman at the public meeting, which followed, and introduced the principal speaker, Hon. W. H. Price, Attorney-General of Ontario, who, after congratulating the association on its excellent organization, delivered an address on the record of the Ferguson Government. The speaker claimed the Ferguson Government policy was for the welfare of Ontario and its citizens.
Dr. R. Antonich, M. P., and Geo. Hillmer, M. P., also spoke. Mr. Antonich, endorsing Premier Ferguson's leadership and expressing confidence in his Government, was carried unanimously.

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