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EDITORIAL

An Example, if Necessary

The Alliston Herald, last week, remarked that "ACTON FREE PRESS continues to expose the cause of a perpetual care plan and urges the perpetual care plan to achieve this end." If an object lesson will help the cause Acton proponents of perpetual care might bring a couple of carloads of their opposing friends up to Alliston. They will see a magnificent cemetery here, made so by adoption of the perpetual care plan.

A Misunderstanding Apparently

When the action of the School Board transpired last Tuesday evening, at which we were dismissed from the session of the Public School Board, our editorial pages were already in type and ready for the press. Comment on the action was, therefore, curtailed to a brief news report and any editorial reference necessarily had to be carried over to this week. We have made an honest effort to secure the happenings and report the meetings of this body. We felt that the activities of a body having charge in 1928 of the sum of \$18,935.80 was of sufficient interest to the contributors (or ratepayers) to require their being given to the contributors of the sum. That the ratepayers expected such reports has been manifested the past week by the comments that have been passed. As we said in our news item last week, we are content to let the public be the judges in the matter. The following letter was personally handed to the Secretary of the Board on Monday afternoon. It speaks for itself and no further comment is necessary on our part:

Acton, Ontario, May 27th, 1929.
The Public School Board,
Acton, Ontario.
Ladies and Gentlemen:
In view of the circumstances that attended the appearance of the editor of THE FREE PRESS at the special meeting of the School Board on Tuesday evening, May 21, it would seem necessary that some definite understanding be arrived at in regard to the reporting of Public School Board meetings.
Let us first point out that THE FREE PRESS was requested by the Board to attend the meetings of the Board and furnish the public with a report of the proceedings, year after year and so on. The public quite apparently expect an account of your activities of both major and minor importance. This we gather from the many remarks of ratepayers who have commended our actions in endeavoring to secure the news of the activities of your public body.
We will continue to attend your regular monthly sessions and will presume that they will be held at the same time and place as has been the practice recently. If any change is made we will, of course, expect notice from the Secretary so that we may attend at the proper time.
As special meetings are held at whatever time and place best suits the occasion, we will expect notice from your Secretary, such as members of the Board receive. Failing such notice we will presume that the matter to be discussed at such is not for the public and you do not desire a representative of the press.
Of such secret meetings we will endeavor to tell the public that they have transpired and when possible what members of the Board, were in attendance.
For your convenience our telephone numbers are 174 and 121, and in case of an emergency arising where it is found impossible to communicate by telephone with the office or editor's residence, the superintendent of THE FREE PRESS, Mr. E. H. Vincent, will arrange for representation at your meetings.
A copy of this letter will appear in the columns of THE FREE PRESS in the issue of May 30. We regret that this action has been made necessary on our part. We have never had to use such methods with any other public body in Acton and have invariably been made to feel welcome at their meetings.
Awaiting your reply intimating your decision in the matter which we will also presume to for publication, unless otherwise stated, we are,
Yours truly,
THE ACTON FREE PRESS,
(Signed) G. A. DILLS, Editor.

EDITORIAL NOTES

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THE ACTON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD,
1111 Street, Acton, Ontario.
Signed: R. M. McDonald, Secretary-Treasurer.

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Public Dividends

The announcement last week of the Hydro rebate of ten per cent. to Acton consumers on their 1928 account, and the further announcement this week of the reduction in rates are indeed welcome news to local patrons of the system. It is something that would scarcely happen if the system were owned by private interests. And just such things as are happening in Acton are happening throughout the Province in dozens of other municipalities. A total surplus of \$2,016,451.38 was accumulated last year by the Hydro. This represents an increase of more than 58 per cent. over the total surplus for 1927. The public ownership of Ontario's greatest asset is in the long run working out to the benefit of the public owners and giving them power factors such as private ownership would never attempt. The reaction will undoubtedly be the same as in the past—an increased consumption and use of this great convenience and a factor in building up Ontario commercially.

The United States' Move Next

Hon. Mr. Euler's startling statements on the rum-running business between Canada and the United States would seem to point that authentic data had been secured to prove that the United States was not doing all in its power to curb the influx of liquor into that country. It would appear that in spite of all the acclaim regarding the rum warfare being waged by our neighbor, Canada has already made more endeavors to fill their part than the neighbor did when like circumstances prevailed. There seems to be some doubt as to whether our southern neighbors are really sincere in their endeavor to keep their country dry. Mr. Euler's statement would seem to intimate that more sincerity on the part of the United States would have to be shown before Canada will make any further moves to help. The revelations of Mr. Euler are startling to say the least, and would seem to justify, to a certain extent, the failure of Canada to pass more regulations to help in curbing the flow of rum across the border.

Compensation to Injured Workmen

The figures covering the reports by industry in Ontario for April to the Workmen's Compensation Board are available. During the month there were 7,200 accidents reported to the Compensation Board, of which 37 were fatal. This shows an increase of over 1,000 accidents reported by all classes of industry in Ontario. Fatalities in April were slightly lower than in March. The total benefits awarded by the Compensation Board in the month of April amounted to \$302,065.33 of which \$124,453.74 was for medical aid. The pay-roll in the past year shows the highest in the history of the Compensation Board in Ontario and this increased activity accounts in part for the greatly increased number of accidents. Certain classes of industry that are not now organized for accident prevention purposes are considering the desirability of taking up this phase of industrial activity and Mr. Morley, the manager, reports that good results should come from this. It has been the general experience of those classes organized for accident prevention work that it produces tangible and satisfactory results.

Steady Improvement

It would appear that another public ownership venture were coming out to clear sailing as time goes by. Increases in the gross and net earnings of the Canadian National Railways for the month of April last and the four-month period from January 1, including April, are recorded in the official financial statement issued last week from headquarters. The increase in net earnings for the month of April, 1928, reached the striking advance of 54.05 per cent. In April last the gross earnings of the Canadian National Railways were \$2,455,244 in comparison with \$1,911,399 for April, 1928, an increase in favor of April last of \$2,643,845, equivalent to 13.35 per cent. In the same month the operating expenses amounted to \$1,810,263.85, in comparison with working expenses of \$1,627,112.02 in April, 1928, an increase of \$1,084,950.83, or 6.41 per cent. These results produced in April last net earnings totalling \$4,443,180.15, as against net earnings in April, 1928, of \$2,884,286.08, an increase during April, 1929, of \$1,558,894.07, or 54.05 per cent. The operating ratio in April was reduced to 80.21 per cent., as against 85.44 per cent. in the similar month of last year.

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Neighborhood News

MIKON
Dr. and Mrs. H. A. McClean and little daughter, Harriet, of Toronto, were the guests of Steve and Miss Blah here on Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. H. MacLean, of Inglewood, are visiting with their parents here. Mr. and Mrs. Yearly and family, of London, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. Zelenka and family.

Mrs. L. Overland is in Toronto where she will undergo an operation on her leg. Mrs. Trust she may make a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Robert Hevelly and son Fred, of Toronto, were here on Tuesday last. Mr. and Mrs. James Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cooke attended the funeral of the late father, the late Mr. Cooper, at Owen Sound, on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Keitner, Mrs. Hollinger and Mrs. Blinn, of Acton, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Bligh on Sunday.

Mrs. Colla McMillan has returned home after spending several months with relatives at Vancouver, Edmonton and other points in the West.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hull, and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hull, and two children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. Franklin at Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Egle and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Egle were Sunday visitors at Harrison. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton at St. Catharines—Advocate.

OKAYVILLE
Frank J. Humphrey has returned to town from Vancouver. Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Lightburn are home again from their trip to Bermuda.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mahony have returned from their trip to the ocean holiday tour through southern waters.

The widening of the approaches to the bridge over the highway will assist in solving the road trouble and also add much to the improvement of the highway.

Mrs. C. P. Chisholm and party arrived home from California on Tuesday. Mrs. James Turner and daughter, Miss Marie, arrived home on Tuesday from their three months' visit with relatives in Manchester and other points in England.

An auto didn't make the turn from Bay to Colborne Street on Sunday morning; it very successfully smashed down several of the guard posts.

A reception was held at the A. M. E. church on Wednesday evening last in honor of Mrs. Perry, wife of the pastor, who with her two children, have come from Halifax to reside here. Mrs. Perry's father, W. B. Thomas, has also come to reside here.

BURLINGTON

W. C. Campbell shipped a carload of pure bred Holstein milk cows to Medina, N. Y. last week.

D. Hyslop, Dr. C. C. Burnett, Fred W. Taylor, and P. C. Virtue, are away on a week's fishing trip.

Sam Clark, Herb Dyson and Vickers spent the week-end on a fishing trip north of Ottawa.

Miss Hilda Harvey, of the local Bell Telephone staff, has resigned her position here to accept a position on the staff of the New Royal York hotel at Toronto.

The many friends of Wm. Abbe will be pleased to hear he has returned from the Hamilton hospital after his operation, and is progressing nicely.

Waterworks Superintendent Wm. Loves has repaired the King Edward Memorial fountain on Water Street, and has made the fine job of it stand out and improve its appearance for the summer season.

Reeve Breckon has received word that representatives from the cities and towns will form a delegation to meet the Minister of Highways, Toronto in regard to a rebate on the gas tax for the maintenance of streets within the municipalities, on Thursday, May 30th.

The delegation will meet at the King Edward hotel at 10 o'clock, and prepare the report on this matter up to the meeting of the County Council, and it was left in his hands to have delegates present from all the towns of the county. Reeve Breckon and Mayor Holby will represent Burlington, and it is hoped every town in the county will send a delegate to this important conference.

GEORGETOWN

Rev. Charles and Mrs. McDonald, of Lucknow were guests at the Manor, Edith Street last Thursday and Friday. Our local radio fans were delighted to hear Mrs. Josephine Wilson-McLay, of Fort Credit render vocal selections over C. N. R. T. last Thursday night.

Mr. L. Wilson, of the Bank of Montreal staff, who was operated on at Toronto General Hospital some days ago, is reported slightly improved to-day.

Chief Marshall was authorized by the Council to secure a new uniform for himself at a cost not to exceed \$35.

Mr. J. A. Balastrine has returned home from the General Hospital at Guelph, after a very serious operation five weeks ago, although he is doing fine, he is not able to look after business until further notice.

Two local men, one driving a truck and the other a sedan, collided on the curve at the foot of Mill Street last Saturday afternoon. Considerable damage was done to both vehicles but neither of the drivers were injured.

The greatest gathering of Masons ever held in Georgetown took place at the Arena last evening when the members of Wellington District A. P. & A. M. No. 1025 tendered a reception to Most Worshipful Bro. Hon. John B. Martin, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Over five hundred members of the craft consisting of Grand Lodge Officers and representatives of the Lodges of the district sat down to bountiful laden tables, tastefully arranged in the large Arena, which was beautifully decorated with evergreens and large Union Jacks. It was the occasion of the 60th Anniversary of the founding of Grand Lodge A. P. & A. M. No. 219 in Georgetown and local members of the craft appreciated the honor of having the reception to the Grand Master by Wellington District held in Georgetown for the first time in the history of the town.—Herald.

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Striking evidence of the increasing popularity of Durant automobiles is contained in the fact that during the first four months of this year, the production exceeded that of the entire year of 1925 by nearly 50 per cent. In the month, April, production equaled approximately one-half the entire output for 1925.

During winter a new administrative building was erected to house the executive and office staffs and the space made available by this change was immediately taken over by the production department to increase its production facilities. Even with this additional space and equipment, it has required the best of concentrated effort to keep pace with demand, so fast has the popularity of Durant cars spread throughout the Dominion.

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BY
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Guelph, Ontario

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