To the preacher life's a sermon,

To the loker life's a jest; To the miser life is money, To the loafer life is rest. To the lawyer life is trial. To the poet life's a song; To the doctor life's a patient Who needs treatment right along. To the soldier life's a battle. To the teacher life's a school;

Life's a great thing to the thinker But a failure to the fool. Life is just a long vacation To the man who loves his work, But it's constant dodging duty To the fellow who's a shirk. To the faithful, earnest worker

Lafe's a story, ever new.

Life is what we try to make it,

Brother, what is life to you?

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practically every resident of Ontario.

The Hydro Commission, It is learned, is prepared to place a flat rate electric tank insulation and all necessary wiring -will be installed free of cost to the landlord, house-owner or tenant. a "booster" water heater may be required will-be installed at no first cost and the user will pay a nominal monthly charge which may give him ownership of the

heater at the end of a five year period. Like every other industry and enterprise the Ontario Hydro Commission has been effected to some extent by the longcontinued depression. On account of its diversified markets for a product essential to modern community life, however, the Commission has felt the effects of the depression less than most organizations and it is in a relatively advantageous financial position.

Now due to a curtailment in the growth contract for him." of industrial power requirements, the Commission has at present a capacity for delivering power in excess of prevailing demands. The Commission is essentially a trustee of all consumers and it is obviously to their advantage that the spare capacity now available should, as quickly as possible, be put to beneficial use. When the machinery for generating electricity by the agency of water power is available but is not used, the power latent in the water which has flowed past the power house is, of course. not recoverable and is, therefore, an economic waste. .

Thus there is on hand a supply of power which must be paid for, and for which there is at present no market due brother's motor boat, and nodded coldly. to the slackening of industry. Under normal conditions this power would be boy, trying to be friendly. "How's Mark? absorbed. As it is, the Commission feels I just heard of the accident." that the funds spent in free installation of electric water heaters in Ontario Hydro homes will be justified by the additional revenue it would receive through increas- back was turned to him, and it was ed use of electric power. The power very uncompromising back. He cleared consumed will pay the entire cost of the his throat, and said finally, "I came over, plan. The project has been worked out Jean, to carry the mails to-day. I knew whereby the use of power for one year Mark was laid up and-". pays the entire cost of the plan. Another | The girl swung around and glared will enable the Hydro Commission to flashed. "Oh, you did!" she retorted. effect economies in its unit cost for power "You thought you could get the contract along. As the two-boats drew nearer to-

Ontario Hydro plan is to create more | brother is well!; That's, all!" in the Commission's decision to go ahead.

The decision of the Ontario Hydro his wits enough to explain, Jean was a "You'll have to transfer that mail to Commission to install free electric water quarter of a mile away. heaters in every Ontario home is an opportunity, the Commissioners believe, for post office signing up for the bags of jumped aboard the "Idlewild" and began every citizen. The convenience and com- mail which the postmaster had turned transferring the mail. Jean helped him fort of electric water heating is generally over to her for delivery to the summer in silence. The cause of the accident recognized and the fact that installation cottages and hotels on the islands. He was self-evident. In the fog she had entails no charge and that Ontario rates had no time to speak or protest, and run upon a half-submerged rock and for electric power are among the lowest Jean simply ignored him. in the world is a further advantage. The water heating. The heaters are abso- handle, everything all right until my "Jean," he said quietly, "you jump in lutely trouble-free - are automatically brother's well again." controlled, requiring no attention from To the postmaster and David looking have time to finish your route. I'll see

the householder. The plan, as outlined by the Ontario Hydro Commission, has no elaboration of detail for the home owner, landlord or tenant who receives free installation of "Idlewild." Some of them were heavy the water heater. When either of those indicates his desire to have a heater installed free, no matter were he is located in Ontario, a preliminary survey of his premises will be made by his local Hydro the postmaster. System. This survey will determine the conditions of the wiring in the house, the existing system of hot water supply and the requirements of the user as far as the hot water supply is concerned. islands, large and small, scattered along Conflicting emotions were stirring within On this survey the service of the Com- the coast, and each one was occupied her. Finally she took the steering mission will be based and installation of in the summer. A few had post offices wheel. "All right, Dave," she said, "I'll a flat rate heater or both a flat rate and on them where the mail was received do as you ask; but—but before I go I

size of the house and family. Commissioners state, will be given to the docks. The route in and out among David worked over the "Idlewild" for public from time to time and actual in- the islands was nearly twenty miles long, a couple of hours, stopping small leaks combat the strangency of world conditions the deep water channels that wound in Jean was already there waiting for

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## The Mail Contract

GEORGE ETHELBERT WALSH

will fall to me after all."

There had been sharp competition be- would cause her. All Ontario to Benefit By New Hydro tween the two boys. Both were anxious A sweeping policy was announced last like character of both contestants. David with a fump, and was soon rounding week by the Ontario Hydro-Electric was positive that Mark had tricked him another island in a sharp curve. As she Power Commission that will benefit by tampering with his motor boat, for took the turn, a pile of parcel post developed troubles, and as a consequence overboard. he had lost the race. In the heat of water heater in Hydro homes throughout the moment he had voiced his suspicions hear. Starting his own boat, he was the province where facilities exist. All which, when they reached his ears, soon salvaging the packages which were nent—heater element, thermostat, angered Mark so that he made some floating away on the tide. Fortunately radely fashion, as the two walked along, sportsman and a cheap skate.

plan, Commissioners state, will apply leg. The mails had to be carried, and dresses on them. "I guess I'll deliver only where such electric hot water heaters there was no one better equipped for these myself," he said, grinning. He are not already installed. Included in it than David Manners, Indeed, the paused to wonder which was the right the plan is a provision for homes where policy of the Government had always thing to do-hold them for Jean, or been to give the contract to the second deliver them in person. He decided on to all women who appreciate charm and in addition to the flat rate heater. In highest applicant on the list if the first the latter, explaining to the secipient of elegance. Its use keeps the complexion these circumstances a "booster" heater for any reason failed to live-up to the each package that the mail was extra- always clear and beautiful. Tonic in

"I can surely get the contract now if bringing up the few left-overs. I apply for it." agued David. He was gliding along in his motor boat, the His services were not only not wanted, is equally invaluable to men as an exengine of which was running smoothly but his offers were misinterpreted. Jean and rhythmically, until he came abreast was convinced that because of his of Dart's Island where Mark lived. Here quarrel with Mark he wanted to steal he slowed down, and after a moment's the mail contract. "If Jean gets an hesitation he steered toward the island idea into her head, you can't knock it instead of to Portsworth on the main- out," he declared. "Well, anyway, I land. 'I won't do it." he murmured have other things to do." aloud. "I would be a poor sportsman and a cheap skate if I did. I'll help a few more lobster traps to make all he Mark out by carrying the mails until he could before the summer closed. Both gets around again. That will save the he and Mark were planning to take a

had completely changed his attitude, spring, and their eagerness to make Instead of seing glad that his old friend little extra money was thus explained. had broken a leg, he was sorry, and the loud clattering, staccato sounds of a giving up. motor-boat's exhaust. For a moment he wondered if Mark had risen fror a sick bed to attempt the impossible. Hello, in there!" he called, peering through the doorway of the boathouse.

Jean Worden raised her tousled head above the edge of the cockpit of her "Tuning her up, Jean?" continued the

'He's doing as well as can be expect-

ed." came the short answer. David hesitated a second, for Jean

away from him, and- Well, you can't! gether, he stopped oftener. Finally the While the primary reason for the new I'm going to carry the mail until my other whistle sounded so near that he

The implication of the words stunz. set thousands of Ontario residents to David knew that she had misinterpreted Oh. help me!" For just a second David work again has been a contributory agent his motive in calling, and it made him was too surprised to speak. He recogangry that she had not given him a nized the voice. It was Jean calling. chance to explain. Even while he paus- "I'm sinking!" cried Jean. "I've run With a conservative estimate that ed for a suitable answer, she backed the on a rock. Oh, help me with the meil predicts a release of \$100,000 into circu- "Idlewild" out of the boathouse, and quick!" lation for every 5,000 electric water heat- without another glance, swung her nose David pushed the "Spitfire" close and ers installed, the stimulus to wages and out into mid-stream and headed for surveyed the scene with quick, appraisindustrial employment may be imagined. Portsworth. Before he could gather ing eyes.

When David arrived, Jean was in the Jean nodded miserably. The boy

new low flat water heater rates will cost to the postmaster. "Oh, I know the ferred the "Idlewild" floated easier. A the user less than any other means of route thoroughly, Mr. Dickerson. I can wind began blowing, and the fog lifted.

> on, it did not seem like a girl's job. and what I can do about getting the 'Idledoubt assailed both of them. It was the wild off the rocks." beginning of the season and the mail was heavy. The parcel post packages mail. I've failed!" alone more than filled the cockpit of the and awkward, requiring considerable take the mail. It's your boat, and-" strength to lift in and out of the boat.

> replied David, a little surprised at him- won't be delivered, and that may cost

self for upholding the girl. There were more than a score of Jean watched him a moment in silence. 'booster' heater made, according to the and distributed, but others had no such want to say I'm-I'm ashamed of myconveniences and the motor boat carrier self." Details of the new plan's progress, the had to throw the mail off on private

stallation is expected to be under way in and in bad weather when the sea was and plugging up one big hole. As the a very short time. Ontario thus will be- rough and the tides strong, it required a tide rose and lifted the craft off the If the foremost states or pro- full day to make the trip and back. rocks, he piloted her slowly back to The boy wondered if Jean knew all Hart's Island.

venturous type, and had never run her said, "but I see you didn't need me. brother's motor boat except when Mark Is the !Idlewild' seriously injured?" was with her. There were treacherous "No, a little patching will fix her up rocks and sand bars, and at several all right. But, I say," he added, peering points the channels were so narrow that into the cockpit of his own boat, "where a slight swerve either way might carry are my lobsters? I had a big catch. one on submerged rocks. "Guess I'll You didn't deliver them with the mail; follow her at a distance," he decided did you?" finally.

accident to Mark Worden .his he almost ran into the other boat The first reaction was unworthy of motor had gone wrong, for she him, and he immediately regretted it. fussing with it when David drew along-"That means Mark can't carry out his side. "Anything I can do to help, mail contract this summer, and the job Jean?" he asked awkwardly, conscious of

to carry the mail to the islands during flung back at him. At that moment the the summer months, and hard feelings dead motor suddenly took to spark again, had developed in spite of the sportsman- and she was off. Jean started the boat on two separate trips his engine had packages in back toppled down and fell-

David shouted to her, but she did not flery remark about David being a poor they had not been in the water long enough to harm them, and when hauled David so that he did not dare look at Now Mark was laid up with a broken aboard David could easily read the adordinarily heavy that day and he was effect. Stimulates the skin and makes

One of these other things was to set post-graduate course in science that Within the space of half an hour he winter, having finished college

Lobsters had not been very plentiful instead of trying to take advantage of that season, and a great many of the the other's accident, he was offering his regular fishermen had abandoned their services. When David drew into the lines of traps. David figured that prices private dock of the Wordens with this would soar as a result, and the time to resolve in mfid, he was surprised to hear catch them was when everybody else was

On one trip to his new line of traps, David had unexpected luck. Every trap held a good size crustacean, and when he had finished, he was jubilant over his catch. For the first time then he noticed that a for was sweeping in from the sea. "I must hurry or I'll be caught out here." he exclaimed. "It's a race with the fog for home."

Before he reached the outer fringe of islands, however, the fog encompassed him. "It's ticklish work, but I guess I can do it." Running at slow speed, he navigated the channels blowing his whistle at short intervals. He knew the channels by heart, but the fog was extremely confusing, and more than once he stopped to pick up a landmark. at At this point another whistle cut through the fog, warning him that another boat was feeling her way carefully call, a voice cut through the fog. "Help!

my boat, or it will get soaked."

wrecked her boat. The two worked in "I'll be on time," he heard her say silence, and when the mail was all transmy boat. The fog's lifted, and you'll

"Thank you, Dave, but you deliver the

"Nonsense! You do as I tell-you!" "No. Dave," she began again, "you Dave jumped aboard the "Idlewild." "I'm not sure it's according to regula- "I'm going to stay here," he said stubtions to let her carry them." murmured bornly. "I'm better at salvaging a wrecked boat than delivering mail. "Oh, Jean will handle it all right," know my job. If you stay, too, the mail Mark his contract."

and around the islands, for she was more him, having finished delivering the mail. of a home body than the outdoor, ad- "I was coming after you, Dave," she

"No. Dave, I sold them for a big The "Idlewild" was already lost to price," Jean replied. "The Lake Hotel view behind the first group of islands, offered me last week a commission if I but David knew he could overtake her could buy some extra fine lobsters for on account of the frequent stops Jean their big shore dinner to-morrow. would have to make. Nevertheless, he didn't tell you, Dave, for I was going was a little surprised and not a little to give the order to some one in Ports-HEN David Manners heard of the disturbed when, upon rounding a point, worth. Here's the money, with my com-

"Guess you can keep the commission. Jean," stammered the boy, his eyes opening at the sight of the roll of bills "No. Dave, the commission goes to the annoyance his sudden appearance you, after all my meanness and suspicion. I was ashamed when you picked "Nothing, except to keep away!" she up the parcel post packages and delivered them right after me without saying how you fished them out of the water.

> "Who told you that?" he interrupted "Never mind. I know more than you think I do. and can guess more than that. But say, Dave, Mark wants to see you. Won't you come up to the house?" "Sure! I want to see him, too. We'll

> go up together." She took his arm in intimate, com-

it wonderfully soft-textured. He made no further effort to help, and whitens the hands. Persian Balm cellent hair fixative and cooling shaving lotion. Splendid also to protect the tender skin of the child.

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