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EDITORIAL

After the Preliminaries

The World Conference is well under way and if one is to judge by the reports emanating through the news sources, the preliminary sparring is all that has taken place of any great moment. Of course all representatives of all countries are assembled in this gathering with thoughts uppermost in their mind of securing the most benefits possible for their particular country. The people of that country expect it of their representatives. As politicians they must come home with a great accomplishment to their credit to use as propaganda in an election programme. Our representatives are not to blame. The people expect this for their own selfish ends. But if the individual grasping were to continue at the world conference until its conclusion, with each representative maintaining the points, nothing new or permanent will develop from this assembly to the common good of the world. Fortunately when men assemble and confer, after a period of banter, the viewpoint of the other chap is grasped in a measure. When this is done then a common ground is found for meeting half way. Then will the good of the meeting or conference be seen. It will not be a cure-all for all the troubles that we have brought upon ourselves, but the giving spirit will possibly be broadened to the detriment of the getting spirit and good will accrue from the gathering. We, as individuals, must realize this too, in the criticism of our representatives and their accomplishments.

Maintaining a Solvent Position

While there may be some criticism that Acton's tax rate was not lowered this year, the rate maintained the same as last will appeal to those who have made a careful study of the municipality's finances. It will be recalled that Acton's rate did not climb into the fifty odd mills levy of many other centres and therefore large millage cuts cannot be announced now. Savings have been made in many instances by public bodies, but these have largely been absorbed by the reduction of the usual provincial grants. It is not good business to neglect maintenance and proper repairs of municipal property. To do this funds must be provided. The tax collections and Acton's finances are all in good condition. With the usual careful administration and curtailment of new expeditures a lower rate may confidently be expected in the near future. Judging from the figures before us it would not require any great sense of deduction to predict a lower rate next year and a gradually lowering rate for future years, with a considerable relief four years hence. There is also the satisfaction of knowing that no debenture or bad accounts have been left following the depression which will have to be met in the future. While the going may have been strenuous, the depression has been weathered municipally with no bad after-effect on the treasury. Acton's every obligation has been met and provided for adequately and in maintaining this very solvent position citizens will appreciate the necessity of meeting obligations as promptly as possible and maintaining for this year of a tax rate sufficient to meet obligations.

A Commendible Work

The business-like procedure and methodical planning that is characterizing the re-establishment of the Pioneers' Cemetery is very gratifying to citizens generally and especially to those who have friends or relatives interred there and have been grieved at the neglect of the place. It is proposed to make a plan of the ground and position of the graves and then to level all the ground and have it so that it may be properly maintained. A cairn, erected from the stones, is also contemplated. The whole plan is toward permanency of maintenance and, while it may not entirely meet with individual sentiment, it must be conceded that such is the only logical course. A great deal of effort is ahead for those who have volunteered to plan this work but this and future generations will praise and laud their effort.

A Very Satisfactory Adjustment

It is a source of satisfaction to all interested in educational matters locally to know that competent staffs have been engaged in Acton's schools and the re-adjustments necessary accomplished without undue disturbances or friction. The downward trend in salaries is never as pleasant to inaugurate as the upward move. In the handling of the matter locally, both the Board and the teachers are to be congratulated on the fair and co-operative solution so readily arrived at. A common understanding of each other's position was quite evident. Only with such an understanding could the result have been accomplished. It has been our privilege to watch these negotiations very intimately and without hesitancy we endorse and congratulate the Board and teachers most heartily. Now Acton can anticipate a resumption of school duties after the holidays with a great deal of satisfaction for efficient conduct of the schools.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A newspaper heading reads: "How the Farmer is Bamboozled." Why confine it to the farmer?

Everyone loves a winner. If you don't believe it, just ask any of the baseball boys how popular the team is with the fans just now.

Export shipments of Canadian live cattle to Great Britain this year to May 25 totalled 15,800 as compared with 5,493 in the corresponding period in 1932.

Burlington, in spite of lack of funds, will, it is said, again try to erect a new water reservoir. The tenacity of some bodies to try to accomplish on little is truly wonderful.

Almost every variety of summer sport is available under excellent conditions to residents of this community. Tennis, bowling, baseball and swimming are all within reach.

The lack of a uniform standard of time can be termed a real nuisance locally and it would seem, according to rumor, that added confusion would be had about the end of the month.

The usual polite political way of side-stepping an issue seems to be by indefinite deferred action. That is now the method in vogue in provincial matters and quite widely copied in other circles.

Many School Boards in their salary cuts are just as foolish in the amounts offered as they were in the increases given a few years ago when the law of supply and demand was in adverse operation to to-day.

We have heard no complaint from pupils or teachers that the summer vacation is only a week distant. No one else would complain at the prospects of a two months' vacation, and the assuranec of a position at the end of that time.

Father's Day was last Sunday. A few stores, who wanted to capitalize on sales, observed the event by displaying streamers, but the flow of eloquence that entwines about Mother's Day was lacking and even the dads weren't sure of the day, or how it should be observed.

A new marriage act recently passed by the legislature of the Province of Saskatchewan, which comes into force on July 1 next, will require a health certificate from the male applicant for a marriage license. Saskatchewan is the first province in Canada to introduce such a measure.

In order to be of greatest value to its community a newspaper must be prosperous; it must earn by legitimate support from subscribers, advertisers and users of printed matter a sufficient amount to be able to put out a paper worth while. The better supported your home paper is, the more able it is to serve the community.—Bowmanville Statesman.

Hon. Charles McCrea has accepted the challenge of Mr. Mitchell Hepburn to debate the Georgian Bay canal charter question, the development of the St. Lawrence waterway, and the matter of the Beauharnois graft. Why not promote the event as a six-day debating marathon and include the Ontario Power Service bond deal? But let's not have Toronto gobble up this attraction.

Chronicles of Ginger Farm

Written Specially for The Free Press by GWENDOLINE F. CLARKE

It is nice to sit where I am sitting now—behind the front screen door. Flies, mosquitoes, and bumble bees on the outside, myself safely on the inside. And the view leaves little to be desired. In the background is the "Mountain"—densely wooded—with here and there a clearing, soft green fields making a pleasing contrast to the sombre tones of the pines and spruces. Right on the very top of the mountain, where there appears to be no land, stands a barn, a little further down a house nestles among the trees. This mountain is a continual fascination to me, and it has been ever since we have been here—I am sure it has more moods than a modern maid. Never for two consecutive days does it look twice the same and for that reason I never tire of watching it. There are times when trees look black as night and times again when every leaf seems silver tipped. I love to watch the clouds as they go scurrying by—sometimes the sun is hidden, making a perfect study of light and shade. In the spring, when fields are freshly ploughed, the warm, brown color of the soil is very restful. From here, there are not any roads to be seen, but further south a winding road is plainly visible—going up, up—cutting through the trees like a silver streak. The road looks almost impossible to climb but I know that road, and—like so many of our troubles in life—it is less difficult to climb and surmount than one might at first suppose, judging from appearances.

When I started to write, the mountain was bathed in sunlight but now the sun is sinking and the mountain has caught the reflection of its vivid rays and stands enveloped, as it were, in soft folds of crimson, purple and blue. This is its quiet evening mood. To-morrow when I am washing the separator outside I shall be able to see the mountain as I work. It will, I am sure, present quite a different picture, but whatever it be, I know that just a glance at it now and then will help me tremendously in my monotonous task of washing the cream separator and no less than eight dairy pails.

In the foreground of the picture in front of me are fields green with promise—but what work that greenness represents and what work it will entail before the fields are bare once more. Nearer still is the road and cars are speeding up and down. One after another they go, up and down, some fast, some slow—where they are going, I wonder, and why? What a panorama of life goes on even in front of one's own doorstep. These people that go by, carried along in modern cars—each individual living his own life or her life, how little we know about them. From a distance one could not recognize them, even if they were people one knew—they are just like so many ants running about near an ant hill, each one busy upon their own affairs. In some of these cars there are men I am sure, whose days are filled with work and worry. And women, possibly on their way to shop, thinking, not of what they want but of how much they can do without. Many of them are probably tired and discouraged with the continual problem of trying to make ends meet. There may be a crate of eggs in the back of the car—what money they get for the eggs must pay for their shopping in town to-night. Sugar, perhaps, is needed and a bag of flour, besides a block of salt for the cows and special feed for the chicks. And then there are Juntor's shoes—his old ones have burst out again, and there is a hole right through the sole of one, but in the paper eggs were down a cent to-day. That means thirty cents less on the crate of eggs—thirty cents less to get what is so desperately needed. Yes, I am sure in those cars that go passing by there are men and women confronted with just such problems as these. And perhaps there are women, too, who have been trying out experiments as I have just lately.

This week has been so nice and cool. I have been trying to finish house-cleaning. I haven't finished yet, but I have at least got a little further along the road. And I have discovered a new time-saver. It is a little cotton flannel bag—it costs ten cents and it is meant for cleaning windows. Trade names are not allowed in an article such as this, so I can't tell you any more about it, although I am just longing to, because it is simply the grandest thing I ever tried for cleaning windows. Quick, easy, clean and cheap. Window cleaning, that was once a nightmare, is now divested of all its terrors. The lady who told me about this marvellous little time saver said she would not sell it for a dollar. But I would—if the dollar were offered me I would take it, buy ten more and send them to my ten worst enemies—supposing I have that many—and they would then be my friends for life!

There now that's about as much as I can tell you but if you see anything in the hardware or fifteen cent store that answers my description, buy it, even if you are down to your last dime. The time and worry it will save you will help you keep your hair from going grey before its time.

Worms in children, if they be not attended to, cause convulsions, and often death. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator will protect the children from these distressing afflictions.

There are at least 72 species of dragon flies in the prairie provinces.

FARM NOTES

An especially well-cleaned lot of flax for export from Quebec was inspected by the Dominion Seed Branch, and satisfactory prices were received by the growers.

It has been established by experiment that eight weeks is the maximum time asparagus can be kept in fine condition in cold storage.

The origination of early ripening wheats by the Dominion Department of Agriculture rolled back Canada's northern farming boundary.

The loose-leaf type of lettuce is the most commonly grown but it is not as good in quality as the two types which develop heads—the Cos and the Cabbage.

The contributions made by Canadian plant breeders in the form of superior varieties of field crops stand almost as an epic in the realm of scientific achievement.

Weather-proof cellophane paper is not only the best packing for asparagus in cold storage, but enables the contents to be seen at all times.

The most important manufacturing industry connected with field crops in Canada is flour milling, which dates back to the settlement of Port Royal (now Annapolis, N. S.) in 1605.

There is no such thing as a typical Canadian farm, the soil and climate of the Dominion producing a wide variety of prevailing regional types of farming.

Agriculturally a distinction is made between cereals and grasses, but botanically such a distinction is impossible, rye, barley, oats, and wheat being grasses as truly as Meadow Fescue, Red Top and Timothy.

Agriculture provides roughly one-half of Canada's national export trade, the most important items being grain and grain products, cheese, live stock and live stock products (principally meat and hides) potatoes and apples.

FURNISHED

Jones: "Well, how are you getting on in your new eight-room house?"

Smith: "Oh, not so badly. We furnished one of the bedrooms by collecting soap coupons."

Jones: "Why not furnish the other seven rooms?"

Smith: "We can't. They're full of soap."

Buy Quality

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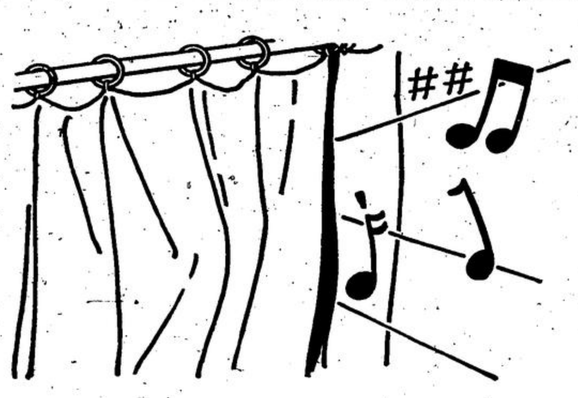

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Gunn's Pure LARD lb. 12c
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