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### Liking People

## Lest We Forget

Saturday is Remembrance Day and while it has been proclaimed a statutory holiday by the Government, it will be observed in various centres in a variety of ways. Acton has always been loyal in all its observances, and whatever plan may be followed throughout the day, the hours from nine thirty until the conclusion of the services will be considered a membrance Day services, which have been so regular- cousin. ly held here. There is no compulsory dictation in any feature of the day. The service for the community has been arranged that we may gather once again to pay tribute and renew our efforts and thoughts for a continuance of peace and an adhorrence of war. Can we afford to forget?

### Poppy Day To-morrow To-morrow, Friday, Acton Legion will observe as

Poppy Day. Throughout the town and countryside there will be a canvass of all places with these bright little red emblems, and the wearing or ex- Columbia, and taking into consideration the returns hibiting of them is part of the spirit of remembrance. They are the product of disabled veterans - men party in the Dominion was not making much progress striving to maintain themselves in the Vetcraft Shops administered by the Dominion Government. .To Canadian youth of 1933, the blood-red petals of the poppy may not carry the same significance they bore to the youth of fifteen years ago; the present generation must indeed understand this symbolism of sacrifice only through the memories of the aging men who fought, suffered, and endured agonies, but final- however, that the events were of real merit. ly triumphed on fields covered with poppies. The wearing of this humble emblem on "Poppy Day" is to proclaim that amidst all the jangling confusion through which this country is striving valfantly to columns of evidence by children who are not-yet penetrate, the heart and mind are nevertheless attun- old enough to give a connected story, a curiosity ed to a sense of homage due these men, and that the seeking mob at a funeral, have made the Hillier case achievements of 600,000 Canadians who offered a sorry page in the annals of the history of the Queen themselves for service in the Great War and supreme City. sacrifices of 60,000 who found graves in France and Flanders, are not forgotten. And more directly bearing on the present day is the light of 170,000 marks and scars of war, the disabled ex-service men who suffered for Canada. To wear or purchase a poppy may seem a trivial thing. To-morrow it will designate the fact that you semember and are still doing a bit fifteen years after.

#### Who Can be Judge?

It is said that definite curb will be made on reckless municipal expenditures in Ontario. Just who is in a position to state when expenditure is reckless is hard to decide. We doubt if any bodies higher than the municipalities are in a position to take this judicial stand. Last week the Ontario Provincial Government proudly announced a surplus for the year of \$150,000 following several deficits. At the same time announcement was also made of a works programme of \$38,000,000. There isn't a centre of any sort which will not be glad to secure a share of this appropriation, and, right here, we again state, if the money is going to be spent, we think the how would you answer it-"What is your highway from Milton to Acton should be completed. idea of having a good time?" But is the Province in a position to expend this amount and increase its indebtedness any more than some of the municipalities who went ahead with extensive improvements and later found themselves in difficulties when pay day arrived and tax levies could not be collected. To many it looks like pre-election programme and another plan to "satisfy everyone" policy. And with the announcement of spending the money it will be readily found there is, and to be odd is little less than a social frum now on I will be spoke of as Mr. usually the fourteenth. Girls as a rule land, perhaps, but as far as Napoleons plenty require satisfying.

#### . Stick To "Main Street!"

I was interested in a statement made by Roger Babson the other day. He gave an interesting talk to business men, but made no predictions. He said to be held in check, otherwise there is he woodent get up when he was called one thing, however, that is worth remembering and thinking about, writes George Matthew Adams in the Toronto Telegram. In every town, said Mr. Babson, there is a Main Street. It is usually the most important street. Also it represents the stability of the town. Unless its inhabitants support its Main up and young people are only too glad was all Xtry supprised to see us becuz Street, the town doesn't fare very well. So support your Main Street, was the Babson urge. That Main ing enchantment and mystery to an munny is a good idea for Crismas. I Street might be a man's home, his business, as well as his town's most important street. But stick to it -and do not wander off to an alien street-Wall Street, for instance. Stick to your own business. Develop it. Know it better than any other on earth. Make it a vital part of the Main Street of your life, your town, your future hopes and dreams. Fight your battles on your home grounds. Win there! One of the great ills of our time is that which has resulted from men trying to win on territory that they knew A liking for people is one of the feelings difficult nothing about. But you with a Main Street just think that will be enough? I don't. I to counterfeit convincingly. Even a child knows the a few steps from your front porch—the Main Street difference between real affection and interest and that you know and love-support it. Make it notable the make-believe variety. While it responds eagerly and as supreme as you know how. Be jealous of it. to the first, the second renders it awkward and self- The spirit of success is contagious. If you make of misdirected energy and over-developconscious. One of the secrets of popularity is learn- your Main Street an outstanding affair, if you make ing to like people. Stop thinking about yourself it support you, other Main Streets will take the cue. and what others will be able to do for you, and think | What the world needs is united action all down the how you can serve them. Forget the idea of making Main Streets of its domain! Stick to your own an impression and study others to find traits you can affairs. Stick to the Main Street of your own townlove and admire. You will never be loved until you and give it a hand, a shove, a boost. A hospital of learn to give love. Your popularity depends more sick folks thins out fast just the moment that a few on what you see in others than on what they see in of the patients begin to get up and leave for their regular tasks in full health. Centre your interest upon the Main Street that you know—then it won't matter to you whether Wall Street opens or closes!

# EDITORIAL NOTES

The week-end accumulated another toll of lives in Ontario. The day of rest is spent on the go by many.

The Canadian dollar is back on the level again time when all the community will attend the Re- for the first time since 1931, with its American

> Poppy Day to-morrow. Be sure that you wear one of these bright little flowers that day and on Remembrance Day.

With the municipal nominations just two weeks away it can scarcely be said that the election pot has even began to simmer.

Judging from the election returns in British in other centres, it would appear that the new third with the voters.

From a number of communities comes word of deficits left behind by Chautauqua ventures again this year and with these deficits the intimation that no contract was made for the next year. All agree,

Newspapers striving for sensational headlines.

Of the 893 hospitals in Canada 458 are general men who in 1933, still bear upon their bodies the public hospitals; the others are divided among a selves! variety of classifications, including 33 Dominion Government hospitals, 43 Red Cross hospitals, 31 tuberculosis hospitals and one cancer hospital. There are 256 training schools for nurses, and 9,343 nurses in training.

# Chronicles of Ginger Farm

Written Specially for The Free Press by GWENDOLINE P. CLARKE

Supposing a questionnaire on recreation were sent round to the people of Ontario, would it not produce a wealth of surprising information? For instance, supposing this to be one of the questions,

Have you ever thought about it? Have you ever really considered whether what you do for amusement is really what you want to do or do you do what you do, because it happens to be the generally accepted idea of pleasure? Young or old, we are very sheep-like in our actions -it seems to me there is precious little originality left in any of us. Most people ham to Herman Finberg and got a bollare scared to get off the beaten track ing out frum Mr. Finberg and then because to be "different" is to be "odd" balling out frum Mr. Crabb. I Xpeck

At no time is this sameness of purpose a little fun—it is often the means of & sed I shud keep kwiet for a wile. into ill-natured ideas of sport.

there possibly be a more auspicious oc- slap him on a Empty Stummick. casion for light-hearted galety among Tuesday-They had a surporise there is no greater thrill than dressing me went to the supprise. I gess they for one more excuse to "throw a party" we haddent ben envited. -masked faced and weird costumes lendfun makes the thirty-first of October a since Ant Emmy give me a Fve \$ bill day to be looked forward to all through as a present. the year. Then doesn't it seem a shame means to be a good sport!

What can we do about it? Wait until next Hallowe'en and then warn our children and young people not to carry off sections of people's property? Do you think the time to start preparing for next Hallowe'en is right now.

Mischievous sport is not the result of sudden impulse. It is the natural growth ment of emotional instincts. - If little children are allowed to go to all kinds of movies, read any kind of stories, listen to whatever comes over the radio and sit up to all hours of night, then we as parents are inviting trouble. Their imagination is being over-stimulated and next Hallowe'en it will be the same 'old story-damage done to property, obstructions placed on the highways, endangering life and limb, and all the other things we hear of and read about as an aftermath to Hallowe'en.

Need this be so can we prevent it? Surely we can and should, but it can't be done over-night. Neither will anything along that line be accomplished until parents realize that children must have amusement and if they don't get it at home they will go where they can find it. It is the thin edge of the wedgethe wedge that widens the gap between parents and children. When children find amusements and interest outside of the home they begin to live a life of comes when they feel that Mum and Dad are definitely out of it-they are behind the times and there are things that their parents know nothing about and once in awhile some young couple go off and get married and spring the news on their parents as being quite a

Of course, to let young children find their own amusement is certainly the line of least resistance—that is for a time. Providing amusement within the home makes more work for mother; there is always the danger of something getting spoilt or broken and the noise and excitement are rather nerve-wracking at times, but if when small, tired guests have departed and your own children are ready for bed, one of them says-"Oh, gee, Mum, that sure was a swell party!"-don't you think you would feel that you had done something that was really worth while? Supposing it had been Hallowe'en night and you had joined in their fun and games, do you think your children would ever come to think that Mum and Dad took no interest in what concerned them? And then again, with all kinds of fun at home, there would be very little inclination to raid the town and think up ways and means of having fun at someone else's expense, Not only that, with a party at home. parents would know just where their children were and what they were doing and if that isn't worth a lot, then I'm a

One delightful quality in childhood is their art of living absolutely in the present. Give a child a good time at home and he will never worry about what his friends at the other end of town may be doing. For a party, all you need is a few children, plenty to eat and drink, a watchful eye but very few "do's" and "don'ts", and then you can let them go to it—they will soon find ways and means to amuse them-

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rithmetick and histry, and ect, but she

Friday-well teecher may no all about

eggs and such articles, she loked at me this morning and sed Well I see you had eggs for breckfast this morning, and the fact of the matter is that I aint eat a egg since Wensday. On 2nd thot I gess I will warsh before I go to bed tonite.

is a poor Judge of

Saterday - w

I got a job deliver-

ing stuff for Mr.

Crabbs meat market today and the 1st thing I done

Crabbs former Delivery boy. Sunday—Had a sore throte today, after more noticeable than on some particular I had went to Sunday skool. But mebby day set apart for jollity. It is splendid it will last over a cupple days of regian to have these days. Everybody needs skool becuz the Dr. tuk thy temperament adding color to an otherwise drab exis- | Munday Blisters told the teecher about thirty. tence, but celebrations, like gossip, need his pa slapped him this morning becuz always danger of frivolity degenerating Teecher sed she diddent beleave in slapping a boy on a Empty summick and Take Hallowe'en, for instance—could Blisters repleyed and sed his pa diddent

children and young people? For children Elsy tonite and Jake and Blisters and

Wensday-wirking hard and saving my otherwise ordinary occasion. Hallowe'en have got just Xackly six \$ and ten cents

Thirsday-I red a ole letter ma rote that the spirit of Hallowe'en should to Ant Emmy the day I was 1 munth suffer degradation because of the chil- old and she sed I was wirth my wait in dren and adults who spoil it because Gold. I tuk the letter to ma and ast of their absolute ignorance of what it her to let me have 15 cts for the pitcher show tonite but was dissepointed hugely.

AN INVESTMENT

"The boss offered me an interest in the "He did!"

"Yes, he said that if I didn't take an interest in it pretty soon he'd fire me.'

HOW WE GROW

A baby doubles its weight in the first are twenty. Most young men attain to London!" "No, probably not," reand if in normal health, reach the height our Napoleons of finance in jail!" of their physical strength and fitness at

How can thy principles become dead, unless the thoughts which correspond to them are extinguished? But it is in thy power to fan these thoughts into a conon tinuous flame.—Marcus Aurelius.

THE RIGHT PLACE

"The English law doesn't allow a man six months of its life and quadruples as much rope as the American law," it in the first three years. No one grows senator of the United States once reregularly but in a series of spurts. The marked. "An American, a very wealthy year of greatest growth in boys is usually man, once said to an Englishman, "Oh, the seventeenth, while in girls it is yes, you have a good trade here in Engreach their full height at fifteen, but of finance go, why, I have never once met continue to increase in weight until they a Napoleon of finance in all my visits their full height at the age of twenty, plied the Englishman. "You see, we keep

NEITHER FLUSH

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