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EDITORIAL

The Answer Has Been Given

If there was any doubt about it before, the Provincial Government should now be fully aware of what most of Ontario thinks of the two-year plan for municipal bodies. After the vote accorded it in the municipal elections, the only logical thing to do now is wipe it off the statute books and keep the Province uniform in municipal elections.

We do not believe that non-agreement with this proposal by the people indicates an unwillingness to save unnecessary expense during war time. Folks generally knew that cost of municipal elections was not large. They knew, too, that if a saving were needed it could be made in larger measure by the Provincial Government. They resented the taking away of their rights under the pretext of war-time economy. If an election is necessary, the folks in the municipality concerned are in a beter position to make that decision than those who rule from the city of Toronto.

The answer has been given and knowing the mind of the electorate one of the first acts of the Legislature should be to repeal the law and forget about it as quickly as possible.

The Farmer Doesn't Get It

The climax seems to have been given to the lot of the farmers in the pegging of the butter prices recently. Just why this part of our industrial life should have been singled out is a little more than the farmer or any other individual can understand. First it was pork that went down in price after a promising market, and then butter whose climb was stopped when it appeared to be giving the farmer a better return.

It is especially difficult for the farmer to understand the reason for price setting when he knows that everything he buys has had a marked increase in price. If the maintenance of prices is to be part of the program it must apply to every industry in like manner. Each man knows that increased prices have been applied to the industry with which he is connected. We know, for instance, that most grades of fine papers have had price increases along with most other commodities that go to supply printed matter. Every industry has been similarly affected.

To secure help on the farms to-day the farmer has to compete in the labor market and offer more wages to get the help needed. There is only one way for him to meet his rising costs and that is in exactly the same method that every other industry takes—increased prices. He is entitled to a fair return for his labor. Controlling of farm prices is not as much needed as control of exploitation of the farmer. We would like to hear those statements enlarged up that have been made in connection with justification of the pegging of the price of butter.

Again we repeat, democracy has battles to win on the home front that are of importance as well as those on the battle front.

Out of Retirement

With a frequency that is a bit bothersome, there are items coming up that make splendid material for local history. We say it is bothersome, because since discontinuance of that column, "The Old Man," we haven't any place for them in THE FREE PRESS. In the days when the material had to be made ready every week, we considered the column often very bothersome.

For instance, the cleaning away of the pond on Mr. A. Mason's property had a story. Then this week Mr. N. F. Moore unearthed a map of the Village of Acton, made in 1857. There's another splendid story in that old map. And so it goes on from time to time. Perhaps readers will recall how these stories repeat themselves many times in the telling but somehow lose little of their interest in repetition.

We write this editorial merely to give warning that from time to time there is very likely to appear in THE FREE PRESS columns articles that deal with local historical interest. We give warning, too, that they will not be regular but only when a story develops. For the want of a better name, or one which will be more readily recognized, they will appear over that same signature, "The Old Man."

New Income Tax Provisions

We would particularly draw to the attention of our readers the advertisement appearing elsewhere in this issue, inserted by the income tax division of the Department of National Revenue, and outlining the new instalment plan for payment of income tax. More people in Canada will be required to pay income tax this year than ever before, and many who have never paid it before will this year be paying it for the first time.

Canadians, like their fellow citizens in every part of the Empire, are making every possible sacrifice to speed the day when the Allied forces will finally and permanently defeat the unprincipled aggressors of the dictator ruled countries, and bring freedom to the downtrodden peoples of the ravaged small nations of Europe. With neutral U.S.A. bending every effort to help our cause, every citizen of this country must do his part in achieving victory.

The government has made possible the payment of income taxes by instalments over a period of eight months. Now it shall be realized that there is no choice of the eight months in which to pay. If you are to take advantage of this plan, and without payment of interest, you must start payment in January. In the advertisement to which we have referred the income division has set forth in very simple language the details of the plan. It tells you if you are assessable for income tax. It tells you how, and when, and where to pay it, and how much your tax will be.

The man or woman who is eligible for payment of income is throwing money away if they fail to take advantage of the plan presented, so the wisest thing is to take a little time off and study the advertisement thoroughly, so that a proper understanding of the legislation might be obtained.

During the coming year there are going to be many calls upon your patriotism. You will be asked to support the War Savings Certificate drive in February. You will be asked to assist several war charities in the month of March. You will be asked to buy war bonds, and there will be other calls upon the average man throughout the year. To be able to pay income tax in monthly instalments is a special privilege, and every citizen liable for income tax should study the plan, and make arrangements to take advantage of it before the end of this month. Read the advertisement and find out if you have to pay, how much you have to pay, how to pay it, and all the other details connected with income tax.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Strange as it may seem, we haven't heard of anyone seeking the office of Warden of Halton for 1941. Most everyone is apparently busy with other affairs.

Radio receiving licenses issued in Canada to the end of November, during the current fiscal year totalled 1,355,711, as against 1,345,157 on March 31st, the end of the fiscal year 1939-40.

If you're too young or to old for service with the army, navy or air force, you can do your bit by investing regularly in War Savings Certificates or the regular purchase of War Savings Stamps.

It didn't take long for citizens to become accustomed to the system of municipal garbage collection. Tuesdays and Fridays are impressed, as one goes along the streets, by the accumulations set out in front of every home.

Lindsay business men have formed a local Credit Bureau. The movement is designed to accommodate those with regular paying habits as well as curtail the extension of credit where risks prove unwarranted. Acton merchants would do well to give study and adopt a similar plan.

The real joy of living is not something that can be banked and drawn on at some future date. It has to be taken from day to day. It is compounded, usually, on many little experiences. The haze of an afternoon over a flaming wood land; the confiding smile of a child nestling in one's arms for a fairy tale; the smell of a clear wind as one trudges along a beach by blue water; the sudden revelation of tenderness in the eyes of a loved one; the brief, vanishing strain of a bit of music, of such things is a satisfying life fabricated. You cannot postpone them. You must get them as you go along, or you will miss them entirely.—Chatham News.

The Sunday School Lesson

FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 19th

THE SLIGHTED INVITATION

Golden Text. Come; for all things are now ready. Luke 14: 17.

Lesson Text. Luke 14: 15-35. Print Luke 14: 15-24.

Time. December A.D. 29. Place. Perea.

Exposition. — I. Despising God's Gracious Invitation, 15-21.

One of Jesus' companions at the Pharisee's feast, hearing Jesus' words about future recompenses, burst forth into exclamation, "Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the Kingdom of God." Jesus, in reply, spoke the parable of our lesson, showing that however blessed it might be to have a place in the kingdom, that men despise an invitation to it. The kingdom with its joys and privileges is compared to "a great supper." Some fancy that an invitation to Christ and the kingdom is an invitation to sadness and gloom and melancholy; but Jesus teaches us by this parable that it is an invitation to festal joy and feasting. It is "a great supper," the greatest the world ever knew. "Them that were bidden" presented the Jews (Matt. 22: 3, 6, 7; Acts 13: 45, 46).

The invitation of v. 16 is the prophetic announcement of the Messiah and His kingdom and the invitation to the Jews is contained in it. The invitation of v. 17 is Christ's own announcement that the kingdom was at hand, an invitation to Israel to enter (Gal. 4: 4, 5; Matt. 3: 2; Mark 1: 14, 15). All the bidden guests had to do, when the final invitation went forth, was just to "come." That is all anyone now has to do to enjoy the blessings that Christ offers (Isa. 55: 1; Matt. 11: 28; John 7: 37; Rev. 22: 17). We would suppose that the invitation (to a "great feast") would be received with gladness. It was received with poorly concealed disdain. Thus God's gracious invitations are usually received. Nothing more clearly proves the deceitfulness of the human heart, its enmity against God, and the power of Satan to blind, than the contempt with which men receive the gracious invitations of God (Jer. 17: 9; Romans 8: 7; 2 Cor. 4: 3, 4).

With remarkable unanimity the invited guests "began to make excuse." That is what the vast majority of men do with the gospel invitation. When an offering of unparalleled kindness and blessing is made to a man, he will accept it if he is not a fool. The first man's excuse was his property. He represents the large class whose property stands between them and Christ (Luke 18: 23; 2 Tim. 4: 10; 1 Tim. 6: 9). Imitators of Esau (Heb. 12: 16). The giver of the supper did not excuse the invited guest who thus lightly treated his invitation, he was "angry" (v. 20); and God does not excuse those who slight the invitations of His infinite grace and then urge their paltry reasons. The second man was kept from the supper by "business," and quite paltry business that could have been well postponed to another time. The demands of business is the excuse many urge for not coming to Christ. God's order is the kingdom first and business afterward (Matt. 6: 33).

The last man's excuse was domestic demands. Domestic ties or the love of some godless woman keep many a man from Christ (Matt. 10: 37; Mark 10: 29, 30; 1 Cor. 7: 29-31). A recent marriage by the Mosaic law would have excused the man from war or being charged with business (Deut. 24: 5), but this was a feast, to which he was bidden. No excuse for not coming to Jesus is sufficient. None of these men were kept away by anything sinful in itself. "All these excuses were reported to "the master of the house" (v. 21). All our excuses are reported to God. How absurdly and wickedly they must sound to Him. The master of the house was angry. That is the way God feels about our excuses. He shows His anger by recalling the invitation and giving it to others (v. 24; Acts 13: 46; Matt. 21: 43).

II. Accepting God's Gracious Invitation, 21-24.

By those who are in "the streets and lanes of the city," Jesus means the outcast of Israel, publicans and sinners (Luke 19: 2, 9, 10; Matt. 21: 31; Luke 15: 1). The invitation was urgent, "go out quickly." Here is the minister of the gospel's commission. Where go, "streets and lanes," to whom go, "the poor and maimed and blind and lame;" how go "quickly." God bids the morally poor, maimed, blind and halt too (Matt. 11: 5; 9: 13; Luke 19: 10; 1 Tim. 1: 15). The servant did as he was told.

Not every minister of Christ today could say regarding God's orders to go out into the streets and bring in the poor and the maimed, etc., "Lord, what Thou didst command is done." "Yet there is room." Blessed words, heaven is a large place with room enough for all (John 14: 2, Rev. 7: 4-9). If any do not enter, it will not be because there is no room for them, but because there is no room in their hearts for Jesus. The Master was not satisfied as long as the feast was not full; God will have a full feast. Heaven will not be a lonesome place, "that my house may be filled." Now the servant is sent "into the highways and hedges" (the gentiles, Acts 13: 46, 47; Romans 11: 11). For us to-day, the lesson is, Go to heathen lands, yes, and desolate places at home. This parable teaches us how to fill empty churches. Among the poor and unfortunates, guests may always be found for God's table (Mark 12: 37; Luke 15: 1). Constrain: earnest effort, was to be used in bringing them in (2 Cor. 5: 11, 20; 6: 1; Col. 1: 28; 2 Tim. 1: 2). They would be reluctant through a sense of unworthiness. But need and a sense of it constitute fitness for a place at God's table.

Too much stress cannot be laid on the necessity for a greater outreach by those who profess to follow Christ. In parable, precept and example, He has made it plain that the purpose in making believers is that they may lead others to become believers (Acts 1: 8). There will not be a gathering in until there has first been a going out on the part of the Lord's servants. The value of any church to our Lord can be measured by the extent of its outreach to those who need salvation (Matt. 28: 18-20).

WAR 25 Years Ago

By The Canadian Press

Eyes Were Mostly on the Balkans When Montenegro Lost Its Identity in Austrian Victory

Montenegro's history as an independent kingdom ended 25 years ago when the little Balkan country was overrun by the Austrian army in the First Great War. After the war Montenegro was merged in Yugoslavia, the kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes.

In 1914, the warlike Montenegrins threw in their lot with the Entente Allies, but the defeat of neighbouring Serbia by combined Austrian, German and Bulgarian armies in the autumn of the following year left their army in a perilous position. The consequences of the Serbian disaster to Montenegro were also aggravated by treachery in court circles.

Early in January, 1916, Mount Lovtchen, one of the country's key positions was captured by the Austrians, practically without a struggle, when Prince Peter, youngest son of King Nicholas of Montenegro, withdrew his troops. Mont Lovtchen protected Cattaro, the capital, which fell to the Austrians, January 13th, 1916.

King Fled

Nicholas refused to withdrew his troops into Albania, along with the Serbians, and the entrapped army fell into the hands of the Austrians. The Montenegrin king meanwhile fled to Italy, and subsequently took up residence in France, where he died in 1921.

While the curtain was being rung down on this phase of the Balkan campaign, armies on the western and eastern fronts were locked in trench warfare. Activity in the Caucasus favored Russia, but Turkish forces defied attempts of a British expedition to relieve General Sir Charles Townshend's Indian division, besieged at Kut-el-Amara on the River Tigris.

TIRED OF BEING THE LAST CHILD

Detroit, January 15th (CP) When Finis B. Grimes applied to have his first name changed, he told the deputy clerk:

"I was my father's twelfth child. My mother was his third wife. Father was over 70 years old when I was born. He named me Finis and I guess he meant it, because I turned out to be the youngest of the family.

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Daily, except Sunday	6.01 a.m.
Daily, except Sunday	9.39 a.m.
Saturday only	2.25 p.m.
Daily, except Sunday	6.28 p.m.
Sunday only	8.19 p.m.
Flyer at Georgetown	9.11 p.m.
Flyer at Guelph	9.15 p.m.

Going West

Daily	10.45 a.m.
Saturday only	2.00 p.m.
Flyer at Guelph	5.46 p.m.
Daily except Sunday	7.06 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday only	11.34 p.m.

GRAY COACH LINES

COACHES LEAVE ACTON

Standard Time

EASTBOUND — To Toronto

6.55 a.m., 9.01 a.m., 11.31 a.m., x2.06 p.m., 3.51 p.m., 6.31 p.m., 8.56 p.m.

WESTBOUND — To London

9.32 a.m., x12.23 p.m., 2.43 p.m., fy4.27 p.m., 6.18 p.m., 8.08 p.m., dx10.53 p.m., ex11.53 p.m.

a, except Sun. & Sun. & Hol.; d, only, except Sat., Sun. & Hol.; e, Sat., Sun. & Hol.; f, except Sun. & Hol.; x, to Kitchener; y, to Stratford.

THE GLORY THAT IS GREECE

Had Photo Taken by His Tombstone

Reputed Rich, English Eccentric at Last Burned to Death

Lancaster, England, January 15th (CP) Reputed a millionaire, Arthur Peel Yates was burned to death in his bedroom of his home here. "It is a poor ending to a life," said the coroner at the inquest at which a verdict of accidental death was returned.

Noted for his eccentricity, Mr. Yates used to walk about the streets wearing sandals, spats and a yachting cap. He once bought a grave site in a London cemetery, had a tomb constructed, and then had photographs of himself taken standing beside it.

WINDSOR FANCIES

Nassau, Bahamas (CP) The Duchess of Windsor has ordered a mirror and cigarette boxes, studded with seashells, for her beach cabana.