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EDITORIAL

The Functions of the Press

This is one of a series of editorials specially designed to acquaint our readers with the various functions of the Press in a Democratic community.

EDITORIAL No. 9

The Press And Local History

Few people, as they read their weekly newspapers, realize that they are reading perhaps the only contemporary history of their community it is possible to read. It is doubtful too if they realize that as each issue gets old, the more valuable it becomes, and that the old files of a newspaper are from a historical standpoint of irreplaceable worth.

The newspaper files are the most authentic history of the community available. They tell the story of the community's life as it happens. Past history is important to those who live in the present. This, of us who live in modern surroundings are sometimes apt to forget the sacrifices of those who made the community what it is today. It is not so very long ago when the territory served by weekly newspapers was virgin forest of prairie, untouched by the hand of the white man. It was a territory upon which the plow-point had never turned a furrow, a wild and beautiful country in its natural state. In the meantime men have worked, and schemed and planned and today we have every modern convenience, churches, schools, libraries, theatres, electric lights, sewers, sidewalks, paved streets and a hundred and one other conveniences our forefathers never dreamed of. These things did not come about by chance or by natural evolution. They came about because men toiled ceaselessly to leave behind them a better work than that into which they came. Their devotion, their struggle, their ideals, their initiative and determination should be an inspiration to succeeding generations. And the record of their achievements appears in the files of the local newspapers, and that is why they are such valuable records of the triumphs of the pioneers.

Few people who contribute to the news columns of the newspaper are aware that they are contemporary historians. They are chronicling the events of community life for posterity, and generations hence will read the story they have told and from the struggles of this day they will gain inspiration for the struggles of their day. The newspaper preserves the story of our deeds, our problems and our lives and those who contribute to the news columns of their local newspaper are thereby doing a valuable service for those who follow in their wake.

For this reason it is essential that contributions be so that the reader twenty five or fifty years hence may understand the import of the story. For instance some writers are apt to consider a story as of interest only to their particular organization rather than to the community as a whole. Occasionally one reads an item about a young people's meeting in which John does this and Mary does that. To the average reader this doesn't convey anything even at the time and it would convey still less a quarter of a century after it is written. If the same organization wanted to check back for historical purposes many years after John and Mary would not convey to them who were the active members of their group in bygone days.

The newspaper is truly the archives of the community, and as such is of increasing value to the community as its files grow older. The readers are

therefore personally a part of the newspaper, because their contributions to its columns are helping to record the history of the age in which they live.

Should Be Contagious

A few weeks ago we were pleased to comment on the clean and tidy appearance of our streets. A citizen of the township who uses the Third Line felt that this tidiness and cleanliness should also include the dump section used by the community. We were informed that papers litter the roadway and the section around the dump is anything but tidy. We agree with him that the tidiness should include this section as well as that in the community. We must be good neighbors.

Is There A Weak Link?

If Canada can have compulsory military training, can levy taxes and make their payment compulsory surely it is time that authority was exercised to stop needless strikes and tie-ups in all important production. We do not believe for one moment that the bulk of Canadian workmen are in sympathy with these walk-outs in spite of what strike votes may indicate.

Why then should we tolerate the agitator the professional organizers and the disturber who doesn't want to labor or let others carry on the work, to interfere with the all-important job we have on our hands at the present time. An equal need for eradication is the employer who refuses to negotiate and settle difficulties by arbitration.

The democratic way of life is having a testing time and assailed from foes within as well as without. Strong action has been necessary to raise the army, navy and airforce. Emphatic action has had to be taken to make funds available to purchase the tools. Patriotic action has been shown in both these endeavors and met with splendid response. Are we going to allow the weak link in the chain of total effort to be our labor troubles and continued strikes? If an appeal to patriotism fails in this part of our effort, compulsion is the only recourse.

Why Canadians Fight To Keep The Nazis Away

All trade unions in Canada would be dissolved under Nazi domination.

Collective bargaining, which workers have secured after years of struggle, would be wiped out overnight.

Canadian parents would be deprived of the right to decide what their children should be taught.

Christianity would be censured and teachers instructed by Nazi authorities as to what they should and should not teach.

All Canadian business would come under the thumb of Germany.

Workers would no longer be able to choose their own trade, nor would they be allowed to select a living place of their own liking.

There would be but one language for all citizens; butter would be needed for export to Germany.

Old age pensions would be a thing of the past. Widows and Mothers allowances would be stopped.

Developed sections of the country would be cleared of Canadians to make room for German immigrants.

There would be no more minimum wage act.

Canadians would step from the sidewalk to the roadway to allow German officers to pass, and Canadian citizens would be forced to give the Nazi salute or suffer court imprisonment.

Canadian newspapers would no longer express the opinion of Canadians and would submit all news items and editorials to the Nazi censor.

Radio programs would be replaced to suit the purpose of the aggressor.

Public meetings when allowed would be watched by the Gestapo.

Taxation to provide indemnities to Germany would be heavier than Canada's present taxation.

Mason's lodges and all fraternal orders and organizations would be dissolved.

Theatres would be limited with Nazi propaganda material and moving pictures would be subject to rigid Nazi censorship.

Books which would fail to impart the pleasure of the Nazi authorities would be burned or banned.

Private telephones if permitted would be subject to tapping by the Nazi Agent.

Travel from one section of the country to another would be a very difficult subject to permit from the Nazis.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Surely that application of dust layer can now be secured for the streets and driveways. Lack of rain has made it very essential at this year.

Just seems that fireworks have to be put off May 29th and if it is essential the plan of taking them to the park is a splendid idea. More enjoy them and the fire hazard is lessened.

Marking its 80th anniversary the Granby Leader-Mail last week issued a splendid number in three sections, that was rich in historical material and of more than local interest. Under the direction of Editor Walter Legge the town of Granby is ably served by this newspaper which is now housed in a fine new building.

Creative Sense In Camera Work

It's Needed In Women Making Living of Photography, Expert Says

NEW YORK, (CP) When a girl in her teens, Dorothy Wilding picked up a camera and a career. From photographing her aunt before a sheer draped background in her English home, she progressed to taking pictures of Britain's royalty in London. Today by her New York studio she snaps famous beauties and glimpses of topflight prices.

Her performance in a big-shot version of a woman's career in photography — one of the 20th century's new vocations for women. But there are other less dazzling sections in the photographic fields which offer interesting and paying careers.

Miss Wilding favors training in studios where students can try their hands as they learn, paying for the privilege of working with professional aids if necessary. She is a product of that method herself.

"In a successful photographer must have more than technique," she says. "She has to have a creative sense and a sense of line and composition. She must also have a feeling for people and pose in dealing with them."

POULTRY EXPORTS

Exports of Canadian dressed poultry to various countries in 1940 amounted to 25,581 boxes, of which 11,341 went to Great Britain, 1,625 to High West Indies, 3,905 to Newfoundland, 3,690 to the United States, 25 to Alquefion Islands, 6 to South America, and 9 to Iceland. In addition, 261,511 live birds were exported to the United States. Altogether the exports of live birds and dressed poultry were equivalent to over 2,000,000 pounds.

CHARLESTON, Va., (CP) Turkey and chicken, packed in home season, 63,500 smoked, have made a hit in the Southern States and greatly increased current poultry sales.

Business Directory

MEDICAL

DR. J. A. McNIVEN
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Barrister and Solicitor, Notary Public
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Registrar of Births, Marriages, Deaths
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Offices
Commercial Building, The Plaza Building
ACTON, Over T. Seymour's Cafe
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or Georgetown 28
Office Hours: Acton, Tuesday and Thursday, 10 am to 1:00 pm. Even-
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VETERINARY

B. D. YOUNG, V.S. B.V.S.
Veterinary Surgeon
Office: 170-172 Main Street
Phone: 124-125

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FRANK BLECH
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TIME TABLES

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS AT ACTON

GOING EAST	
10:00 am	10:00 am
11:00 am	11:00 am
12:00 pm	12:00 pm
1:00 pm	1:00 pm
2:00 pm	2:00 pm
3:00 pm	3:00 pm
4:00 pm	4:00 pm
5:00 pm	5:00 pm
6:00 pm	6:00 pm
7:00 pm	7:00 pm
8:00 pm	8:00 pm
9:00 pm	9:00 pm
GOING WEST	
10:00 am	10:00 am
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7:00 pm	7:00 pm
8:00 pm	8:00 pm
9:00 pm	9:00 pm

GRAY COACH LINES

COACH LEAVE ACTON Standard Time

EASTBOUND To Toronto
10:00 am
11:00 am
12:00 pm
1:00 pm
2:00 pm
3:00 pm
4:00 pm
5:00 pm
6:00 pm
7:00 pm
8:00 pm
9:00 pm

WESTBOUND To London
10:00 am
11:00 am
12:00 pm
1:00 pm
2:00 pm
3:00 pm
4:00 pm
5:00 pm
6:00 pm
7:00 pm
8:00 pm
9:00 pm

TURKEYS ON FARMS

It is estimated that there are 100,000 turkeys on farms in Ontario. The birds are being raised in great numbers for the market. The turkeys are being raised in great numbers for the market. The turkeys are being raised in great numbers for the market.

FORESTRY FOR CORRECTION

LOS ANGELES, (CP) In California a youth committed of his first violation of the law may be sent to a forestry camp instead of the House of Correction.

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Sugarcrisp CORN FLAKES 2 pkgs. 13c	Burn's CHILI con CARNE 10-oz. 19c
Carroll's Own BAKING POWDER 10-oz. 17c	Aylmer Fancy APPLE SAUCE 2 15-oz. 15c

LIBBY'S PORK AND Beans 2 20-oz. tins 15c

MILK Sterilized Evaporated 4c, 8c	SALMON Clover Leaf Red Cube 1 lb. tin 25c
Shredded Wheat 2 pkgs. 23c	CAKE Christie's Golden Pound Ea. 20c
BEANS Heinz Kidney tin 9c, 13c	BUTTER TARTS 2 for 5c
Pork & Beans Heinz mixed tin 12c	JUNKET Assorted Powders pkg. 11c
PEA SOUP Aylmer Fancy Fr.-Can. 20-oz. tin 8c	ICE CREAM Junket Mix 2 pkgs. 19c
Karaway Flavored DATES 10-oz. pkg. 19c	LYONS' TEA 1 lb. tin 39c, 42c

AYLMER IRISH STEW 16-oz. tin 10c

CLASSIC Cleanser 2 tin. 9c	CAMAY SOAP Cake 5c
AMMONIA H.O. Powdered 2 pkgs. 9c	CLOTHES LINES 30-ft. 14c
PEARL SOAP with Royal 4 cake 25c	CLOTHES PINS 3 doz. 10c
BLUEING Reckitt's Cake 6c	AEROWAX Liquid Wax, pt. tin 29c
RINSO pkg. 9c, 23c, 43c	Dog or Cat FOOD Champion 2 1-lb. tins 19c
CHIPSO pkg. 8c, 21c, 45c	CERTO Liquid Fabric 1 Btl. 25c

MCCORMICK'S BUTTER BIX 2 pkgs. 27c

1 lb. New POTATOES , Pound 5c	Juicy Valencia CRANGES , Dozen 23c
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