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Vacation Time-Opportunity Time

Next week schools officially close for the long ing the term may seem any time from the Easter vacation_until_the last week in June. But with the closing of schools for many of the pupils it does not mean one long holiday as it did a few years ago but rather the procuring of some sort of suitable work and perhaps a couple of weeks of real vacation.

suming early some responsibilities of life is good for the young people. We can see no serious conse- parenthood too has a duty. quences if health is properly guarded but rather a more responsible, better fitted, group of young men and women. Sooner or later the responsibilities of life must be faced by every one. It is better that they should be met gradually than he forced suddenly-on any young shoulders.

a dull boy," is of course true, but it is likewise true that quite often "Satan finds mischief for idle too much of a burden: hands to do." The vacation time offers many opporand secure investments now presented-War Sav-It has many opportunities. How you use them may mean much in the future of your life.

v . . . — A Gift for Hitler

Once again across the country comes the periodic wave of resentment that almost puts the slot machines out of business every so often but never quite completes the job. In Streetsville a group of merchants were fined several hundred dollars. In North Gwillimbury Township the council hs ruled the machines must be kept out.

While the law against the machines is one of the . Criminal Code and therefore dominion wide, it is ary, 1942, as compared with 125,821 workers in perhaps the most abused law on the statutes. Some January, 1941. municipalities and for several years Acton has been one of them collect fees for their operation. Why it is paid by the operators we have never been able well those who own and operate them and they are with 4:826,332 tons in the first three months of 1941. apparently able to meet any fee imposed and maintain a nice profit.

Money that if put in War Savings, Victory Bonds, to register. insurance or systematic saving is being thrown away and no returns will ever be made to those who play them. Just what amusement can be secured from . Traffic on the highways has certainly been curtheir operation is more than we can understand. In tailed this summer and the American car that one many factories good rates of pay are given those used to meet so often or those from other provinces. , who feed material into machines and pull levers and is almost rare. in these plants they call it work and get paid for it. And from these plants materials to win the war come forth in a steady stgenm.

productive only of big returns to the operators, tak- be solved by consummate patience, understanding ing away what the laborer earns during the day, and skill." Rt Hon, Malcolm MacDonald. Surely in these days of all-out war effort we do not require such foolish amusement. Surely in these days when metal is so urgently needed these machines would serve best if broken up and made into he be so lucky as to tall into the hands'of the British guns, tanks, and shells. Given to Hitler in this But if the Poles or Czechs will capture him first. way a good purpose would be served.

Untiring and Unfailing

It was indeed cheering information gathered from the Chairman of Acton and District Red Cross, that when all the reports were complete, the objective of \$3,000 would have been attained. This community and the district have a reputation that not one war effort has failed and it did seem too had that above all else it would be the Red Cross which was the first to fall short.

We do not know when writing this whether complete reports will be available this week or not, but that objective is so close that we do urge everyone to finish the task this week. When the war is over, it will indeed be a great joy and satisfaction to everyone to have it recorded that Acton and District did well the part that was asked of it. Such is the record to date. Let us be untiring until the task is finished.

When Parents Fail the Curfew Helps

It is generally admitted that there are too many children spending late hours on the streets, not only in Acton but in many towns. It is agreed by all that this late hour is not good for the children. In Brampton the curfew has been adopted . and Acton council is giving some consideration to the question.

Parents should not however assume the attitude that it is the duty of public bodies to make all the arrangements for safe-guarding their children. One of the big reasons so many children are on the street at late hours is because too often the parents are not at home when they do come in from play. If parents would assume the responsibility that is theirs, it is doubtful if a curfew would be required.

Those who have had experiencee in maintaining law and order have found that all too often the mischevious little boy, who has not had proper direction, develops into the big had boy and failing application of corrective measures it is this type of lad who tills our reformatories and becomes a charge of the country ._A little more co-operation of parents in summer vacation, although in these war days finish- the early stages with their children would help in building better Canadian manhood and womanhood. Lacking this it is better for the law to step in early in giving what guidance is possible but can never be the equal of that given by parents.

Judging by the small children on Acton streets at late hours and by some of the misbehaviour around public places, a few parents have failed in We are of the opinion that this working and as their responsibility. May the curfew, if it is adopted, be a reminder to them as well as the children that

A Veteran Who Knew the Need

Finance Minister J. L. Ilsley picked the following letter from Gordon Hammond, Kessler, Alta., out of his voluminous mail bag in Ottawa the other day, The saying of "all work and no play, makes Jack as the one he would remember when the task of finuncing Canada's war effort appeared temporarily as

"The wife and I were so pleased to get your letter tunities for the young folks to-day. Not only as a of appreciation for the money sent. Being a Vetmeans of learning work outside of school routine eran of the last war and too old, and I lost my right but also a means of earning a little extra money. eye 12 years ago, I yet felt I wanted to do something Wise is the girl or boy who with this extra money to help. I was so sorry I could not buy a \$50 bondinvests a fair proportion of it in any of the fine sometime back, but I did not thresh one bushel of grain last year on account of being dried out-so ings. Victory Bonds, etc. Vacation time is at hand. you can understand what a kick we got towards the end of March when we were given a surprise Silver Wedding Anniversary party and a \$30 silver collection was handed to us. So we came to the conclusion this was much the best way to make use of this nice! present."

> Hammond bought War Savings Certificates with his wedding anniversary gift.

V : . . --EDITORIAL NOTES

Candian railways had 135.311 employees in Janu-

Canadian coal mines produced 5,191,694 tons of to understand. But certainly these machines pay coal during the first quarter of 1942 as compared

The slot machines are certainly no asset to any. There are so many regulations these days that community. Money that should be used in securing it is just possible that many young folks may overnecessities of life is being wasted in gambling, look the one that requires all 16 years of age or over

Let us have no illusions, the war is going to But the tool slot machine is allowed to remain leave a terrible heritage of problems which will only

> Hatter must be treated as a prisoner of war, it God have mercy on him." George Bernard Shaw.

Staked Savings For Betterment

Starts Home for Deserving Family

WINNIPEG, (CP)

Adjutant Eva Leadbetter of the Salvalion Army parked her bleyele. In Salvation Army Girl Officer her life savings \$200 to help buy it home for a deserving family.

> "This is money I've scraped to gether out of living allowance given Grey baired one by the Army, and out of money

that came to me through the sale of family property at Prince, Albert, front of a downtown office building she said, offering to give; a further here, made her way to a real estate \$10 every month to help pay off the agent's office and presented him with balance. "The family has eight children. They should have a house with four bedrooms, a bathroom and good-sized kirthen," the Adjutant stipulated firmly. "And for the sake of the children, the house should be

outside the slum area."

Too High a Price for a Second Cup



WAR INDUSTRIES TEXTILE MILLS WEAVE 220,000 YARDS OF WOOL CLOTH EVERY 6 DAYS TO CLOTHE OUR FORCES tion-enlarge your capacity"-is the This is a big war. Every industry order of the day. has to do big things. Hydro's large pool of over 2,000,000 In the hundreds of textile plants in this Province, over 50,000 workers electrical horsepower is being strained Yat every war demand must be met! are adhering to day and night schedules once undreamed of. Every month nearly As fall approaches as hours of a million yards of wool cloth is rushed daylight shorten—power demands will increase substantially. The need may to clothing makers. be greater than capacity production. Thousands in the armed services, the It may be necessary to curtail extension for civilian use. Save power-help Reserve Army and Women's Auxiliary units must be outfitted. your Hydro to meet this mounting "Speed up-increase your produc-

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