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EDITORIAL

Get the Shackles Off

Canadians generally will be glad to see the speedy demobilization of the many boards that have been set up as wartime bodies to administer affairs on the home front. Many of them were necessary and on the whole have done a good job in spite of lack of any experience, but maintaining them or setting up any new boards and regulations will not find favor in any quarter. Too often these boards have been manned by officials who stuck to the letter of the regulations but lacked the practical knowledge to deal with the cases that came before them.

There have been numbers and codes and rulings that to say the least have been confusing and often overlapping. Some of the regulations put into effect have been found so good that they will be carried on voluntarily into the peace days. For instance the closing regulations for stores. Even now the restrictions on parcel deliveries have been lifted, but they are being maintained to good advantage by many retailers. It has been found that people are not as helpless as they had been made to think they were. In the end these changes will mean a saving to the public.

But business is still cluttered up by too many boards made up of individuals without judgment beyond the rules of the book and can well afford to do away with them. The sooner they are discarded the better.

An Institution that has Proved Worthy

In 1875 the Dominion's first Hospital for Sick Children opened in Toronto. The staff was a matron, a nurse and a servant, and the equipment was two stoves and six little iron cots. Five times the hospital outgrew its surroundings and moved to larger quarters. Now it is time to move again, for the present buildings, built over fifty years ago, is antiquated and overcrowded. The Infant Ward is a typical example. Originally designed for 60 babies, it now cares for 80 to 100, and there is still a waiting list.

The thrilling story of the Hospital's early days tells of the perseverance of the founders in surmounting difficulties. In 1874 Mrs. Samuel F. MacMaster and a group of her friends, resolved to start a Hospital for Sick Children, and a notice of their project was inserted in the daily press. The first contribution was a few English coins amounting to \$10. A few days later \$20 was received from an anonymous donor in Fergus, Ontario.

The first patient was three-year-old Maggie, who had fallen backwards into a tub of hot water and been badly scalded. Maggie had a perfect recovery and is a grandmother now. Since Maggie's day a quarter of a million children have been bed patients, and two and a quarter million treatments and examinations have been given in the Out-Patients Department. They come from every part of the Province and represent every color and creed. Every child is welcome, whether he can pay or not.

Finances were a problem in the early days, but the records show how they trusted in the Lord to provide.

January 28th, 1878—Funds all exhausted. "A new stove required. Patient brought in very ill. We cried unto the Lord for help."

January 31st, 1878—Met for prayer and thanksgiving. Our Lord has supplied all our needs. The gifts for the last three days have been \$59. The much-needed stove is up and the upper ward warm and comfortable.

Now, 70 years later, the Hospital for Sick Children is the largest children's hospital on this continent, and has a world wide reputation as a teaching and research centre. Yet the need for a new building is urgent to take care of the constant waiting

list of 200 patients. For this reason the Hospital is appealing to the people of Ontario for \$1,000,000 for a new building. Your contribution through the local committee will indeed be in aid of a very worthy cause.

The New Farm Era

The wartime population shift from rural to industrial areas in Canada has wrought great changes in farming methods, particularly in Ontario and other eastern provinces where farm mechanization has been spurred by the demands for increased production in the face of a labor shortage.

Tractors now are in use on almost all farms. The combines, once almost exclusive to the vast wheatlands of the prairies, are making their appearance and replacing the binder and the threshing machine in the east. The buck rake, a recent mechanical development, is supplanting the hay loader in haying operations and is being widely used in harvesting of such crops as beans and peas. Many of the buck rakes are made by a handyman, using an old truck and some lumber.

This trend to mechanization has brought about striking changes in the economic size of the farm. Once it was possible for a good farmer to make a comfortable livelihood on a 100-acre farm or less. Now many of the leading farmers in Ontario believe that the minimum economic size for a farm is 250 to 300 acres. A farmer with one man to help him can operate a 300-acre farm if he has one team of horses to supplement his mechanical equipment.

In some farming areas plans are afoot for community ownership of mechanized equipment with the thought that on that basis the small landholder can continue to earn a livelihood in competition with his neighbor with three times the land.

Paradoxically, increasing mechanization of agriculture will bring still further farm-to-city population shifts in the near future and at a time when more of the city's conveniences and comforts, which the experts always said were necessary to keep the people on the land, will be gracing the farm home.

What the general effect will be on the general economic cultural and social pattern of Canadian life, time alone will tell.

Get Keymen Back Promptly

One bottleneck facing Canadian industrial and business leaders is the slow pace at which authorities are releasing from the services personnel who held key posts before the war.

Nearly six years of war has taught Canadians the meaning of patience. They know, too, that the machinery of the services is a slow, tedious, cumbersome process. They are also aware and heartily endorse the official policy of "First in, first out," and governmental plans to rehabilitate, first of all, those who have actually served in theatres of war.

Nevertheless it should be possible and it certainly is desirable to allow exceptions covering a relatively small percentage of highly experienced or skilled men which industry must have immediately if postwar development is to proceed smoothly.

These men are needed "to start the ball rolling." When in position then the way will be open for wholesale employment of the less skilled and experienced. In those peacetime lines, formerly rigidly curtailed, but now ready to expand and take up the slack of the war industries, the need for the prompt return of these keymen is particularly urgent. Financial Post.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Dominion Day was a quiet holiday here, not unlike many holidays which have been typical of these war years.

The ninth Victory Loan is scheduled for next October we learn, but the tenth loan will not appear until a year later.

It is not often that the auction sales of farm stock and implements continues into the summer, but just now it seems to be a year-round business.

There will be a great appreciation of skating and hockey this winter if the arena is made available for use again. And it's high time the young people had this winter recreation again.

Highway No. 25 between Acton and Milton has received another top dressing and is again in splendid shape for a few months. The weather certainly favored the application this year and it was put on in a hurry.

The general public are indeed glad to put up with lack of sleeping and dining car accommodation when they realize the boys coming back from overseas are coming in such large numbers and getting the best travelling comfort in reaching their homes in Canada.

It does seem that Ontario would be better served by an inquiry into its lack of control of stock selling than by a lengthy investigation on the subject of spying of one political party on another. After all there are more victims of bad stock deals than there are political martyrs.

WESTON MAY IN N. B.

FREDERICTON (C.P.)—May of this year is going on record as the wettest May in 31 years in New Brunswick, J. E. Logan of the Dominion Experimental Station here, revealed in his report.

WESTLOCK, Alta. (C.P.)

Mrs. Mary E. Reid celebrated her 80th birthday here. Married in 1877, she had three children and consecutive September 5 and three on consecutive October 3. Her husband, five children and her parents all died within a year.

Patients from all Parts of Ontario



Honnie, a long time paralysis patient from Ferris, Ontario, is just learning to walk in the Physiotherapy gym of the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. Honnie's braces were made in the Orthopedic Workshop of the Hospital. Many of the 200 children on the Hospital's constant waiting list need similar treatment. One in three comes from outside the City of Toronto. All Ontario is asked to contribute to the \$1,000,000 fund for a new building.

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CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

(Going West)

Daily, except Sunday	9:01 a.m.
Saturday only	2:30
Daily, except Sunday	7:45 p.m.
Monday, only	12:09 a.m.
Daily, except Sunday	1:24 a.m.
Flyer, at Georgetown, daily	
except Sat. and Sun.	6:35 p.m.
Flyer, at Guelph, daily	
except Sat. and Sun.	7:12 p.m.

(Going East)

Daily, except Sunday	6:49 a.m.
Daily, except Sunday	9:54 a.m.
Daily, except Sunday	6:50 p.m.
Sunday, only	8:19 p.m.
Flyer, daily, Georgetown	9:25 p.m.
Flyer, daily, at Guelph	8:50 p.m.

GRAY COACH LINES

COACHES LEAVE ACTON

Eastbound

6:46 a.m.	9:16 a.m.	2:06 p.m.	6:26 p.m.	9:16 p.m.	9:51 p.m.
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Westbound

10:53 a.m.	2:38 p.m.	6:08 p.m.	8:33 p.m.	10:28 p.m.
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SPECIAL — TIGER TOMATO

CATSUP 24-oz. 17c

Kipper SNACKS	12c	HEINZ SALAD VINEGAR	21c
Aylmer Apple JUICE	12c	FRESH GROUND BOMAR COFFEE	19c
Veribest LARD	17c	CLARET'S MUSHROOM SOUP	17c
Kraft Macaroni & Cheese DINNER	17c		
Fruit JARS	89c, 61.05		

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MUSTARD 25-oz. 14c

FOR CHOCOLATE SAUCE — FRY'S COCOA	19c, 31c	Cathmore Brand or PALMOLIVE 2	11c
SQUARES—Coca-Cola Fruit Cerellakes	2oz. 15	"T" Liquid White Shoe POLISH	15c
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		Camp's BARBE TEA	1/4-oz. 33c
		Coca CRYSTALS	1c, 10c

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Coupons to use July 5th
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