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EDITORIAL

Acton Needs Its Board of Trade

Looking over the many exchanges which come to our desk each week, we find that once again Boards of Trade are becoming active. Those communities which allowed these organizations to become defunct are organizing new Boards of Trade. It would appear Acton should if it is going to keep pace, revive the organization here.

True, the community is coasting along nicely now. All the industries are busy; we have no empty factory buildings; houses are scarcer than hen's teeth and it might seem that there was not an immediate need to better ourselves. But it's an old saying that no community stands still—they go forward or backward.

From a retail standpoint it might be argued that store hours are regulated by law, more goods can be sold than can be procured, and so on. But there are other ways in which a Board of Trade can be a great asset to Acton. It is not in the old problems that we need to be complacent. It is the town with the citizens with new ideas, new horizons, that goes ahead of the general procession—and keeps ahead.

Acton needs a revival of its Board of Trade. There is work for citizens to accomplish in such an organization. There is joy to be found in such work when its interest is the advancement of the community as a whole. The war is over and post-war problems are to be dealt with.

Wanted—Jobs For Heroes

In a few weeks thousands of ex-servicemen and women will be free from university work for the summer after completing their first year of study since stepping out of uniform.

For many of them the eight-month university term has been a trying time. Re-adjustment to a life of study after years of more active life and the necessity of planning a future in highly competitive fields have been constant concerns to them.

Some of these young men and women living away from home or with families to keep have been under the added strain of finding housing accommodation and living within government allotments.

Now they must seek jobs to keep them through the summer and provide a backlog of funds to supplement their educational grants through the next university year.

Canadian employers should be generous with jobs, as a matter of hard-headed business if for no other reason. These veterans are the best young brains Canada possesses. They have youth, the quickly-matured sense of responsibility war brings and extraordinarily training in many crafts and specialties.

They need jobs during the summer, when their government grants stop, if the whole veterans education plan is not to bog down through their discouragement or financial inability to carry on. True, they can report themselves unemployed and receive an allowance from the government, but it is a sort of dole and poor treatment for heroes.

Apart altogether from the financial side of it, these young people need jobs because they must be made to feel that they are wanted, that there is a place for them in the civilian world they left to fight for their country.

Some young men who were fearless in the fighting shrink from civilian life. No greater job can be done for their morale than to fit them into an occupation for the summer and send them back to university in the fall with their fears dissipated.

Most will have to find jobs in the cities but Canada's towns, villages and farms can give many a summer of useful occupation near their homes and lay up toward the future.

Proof That Cancer Can Be Cured

"Stamp Out Cancer" is the slogan headlining the April campaign for funds under auspices of the Ontario Cancer Treatment and Research Foundation. The Ontario campaign is part of a continent wide drive to attack this second greatest scourge of humanity. Every month 1,000 Canadians die of cancer. Leading medical authorities and the Minister of Health for Ontario, Hon. Russell T. Kelley, have lately stated, emphatically, that cancer can be cured providing it is taken under treatment in its early stages. The present campaign, therefore, is being undertaken for two purposes: To educate the public in a way that they will come forward to reveal incipient cases, and to raise funds to establish treatment centres where cases may have early and active treatment.

The other day an elderly gentleman came into our office and told us that for years he had suffered with cancer. With two of his brothers the disease had proven fatal. He himself had undergone several successful operations. He was quite active and interested in the Campaign for research to find a cure for cancer. He said to us: "You, through the paper, can do so much to help in this great work. I wish I could do more." Our caller was over ninety years of age. We thought his message over and are glad to pass it on to our readers. Because you can help too in fighting this great scourge, by taking your donation now to any branch of any bank. Do it now.

Perhaps we should tell our readers too, that our visitor maintained that the food we eat has, in his opinion, considerable effect on our health and he advised reading of the eleventh chapter of Leviticus. The fact remains "Cancer Can Be Cured." It is up to our day and generation to wipe it out. It won't do you any harm to read the chapter and, like your donation to the fund, it will do you a lot of good.

A Toward Step

Halton County Council, in our opinion, took a forward step last week when decision was reached to inaugurate a County Health Unit. Part of its program, cost, etc. were outlined in the proceedings reported to our readers of County Council.

The part that appeals to most of us is the co-ordination of effort on health and the place finally conceded this most important part of the human life. We do not anticipate that operation of the unit will perform any immediate miracle in the general health of Haltonians. There have been many agencies at work for years to seek health improvement. We do feel that the program on a County scale will be more effective and show marked improvement over a long term.

It is well if the new plan, when inaugurated, is not judged too harshly during its early stages. There will be errors of trial in its formative stage that will be rectified as it goes along. It will cost, as all public services cost and as all public monies are raised, paid for by taxation, but its first figures do not seem unreasonable for such a broad service.

It's a forward step. It's success will be established by those who administer it. Too often public service does not measure up to that given by private enterprise; too often it is lacking the aggressiveness and desire to render service. We trust the new plan will miss this pitfall.

EDITORIAL NOTES

To-morrow is Good Friday and the Easter Season.

It is well that statutory holidays have been set forth and now that the war is over that first holiday of summer—May 24th—returns to the list again.

Any plan to deal with delinquency (juvenile) must be home centred. Rights and duties of parents must not be overborne by external machinery, no matter how benevolent. Kelowna (B. C.) Courier.

We like the new trend for more emphasis on Canada—Dominion Day is to be Canada Day and we are to be allowed to designate ourselves as Canadians. It's all signs of growth in nationhood and fulfillment of our place in the British Empire.

Manufacturers and distributors who are planning post-war merchandising programs, on the assumption that most of the billion in wartime savings will be used to purchase civilian goods... are in for a rude awakening," says Forbes Magazine. "A recent survey indicates that more than 80 per cent. of such savings are in the hands of persons with over \$5,000 annual income, a group which constitutes only 9 per cent. of the total population. Families with less than \$3,000 income yearly—73 per cent. of the population—have accumulated only 7 per cent. of wartime savings."

Unless production is halted again by strikes, or material shortages, there is "every possibility" that automobiles will be available on the open market, without need for priority certificates, by the end of July (for the first time in five years). That is the informed guess of government officials who are administering the vehicle control order, although they admit they are still keeping their fingers crossed when they discuss the future. The current coal strike, labor disputes in one or more of the Canadian automobile plants, or temporary shortage of some vital component, could change the picture overnight.

CITY OF BENCHES

WINNIPEG (CP) — If anything comes of the suggestion from returned serviceman F. G. Dagg, Winnipeg may become known as the city with a bench in every corner. Dagg proposes that the public improvements committee give him a 10-year option to form a company that would set up between 500 and 1,000 benches on city streets.

REGULATION DRESSING GOWN

TORONTO (CP) — Private Martin Hand was home on leave from his army unit, eating breakfast in his dressing gown when flames broke out in a hall alcove. In the alcove, and destroyed, were his complete run of uniforms and civilian clothes. Now he's wondering whether the army will appreciate his reporting back in dressing gown.

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