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**EDITORIAL**

**All Work and No Play**

The next time we meet our readers again, will be in the issue of August 8th. The end of this week, the editor and all who do the mechanical part of presenting the Free Press to you each week will go on vacation, returning to duty the day after—Civic Holiday. The business office will be closed for the period from Saturday and re-open on Tuesday August 6th. News we know will happen during that week but we'll just have to delay a week in telling you about it.

Such an arrangement seems to be the only way in which a holiday can be enjoyed by the entire staff and most weekly newspapers are now operated on this basis.

Matter of fact next week will be a pretty general holiday period in Acton industries. Ten of the seventeen industrial establishments in Acton are on holidays during that particular week and in many other plants where production can not be interrupted there will be numbers having holidays next week. It's quite a holiday week in Acton.

**The Willing Horse**

Because we are not a member of Council but attend many meetings of municipal bodies we can perhaps say some things to citizens which if said by a member of the Municipal Council might be considered a personal view.

We've often wondered when the transition from an ordinary citizen to "Atlas" who in this case is Mayor or Reeve or Councillor, takes place. Certainly many citizens have found that giving municipal service becomes more than a part time job once it is assumed and that there is some difficulty shaking the mantle, once it is taken on. A Mayor, or Reeve or Councillor still must maintain his ordinary work, necessary to his livelihood. Because he has offered to serve his fellow ratepayers, he should not be expected to carry the whole load. Every citizen should be willing to work along with him not in a critical attitude but with helpfulness and a desire to share the load of municipal growth.

Members of the Legislature, the House of Commons and even County Councillors do receive varying amounts in recognition of the public service they perform. Municipal bodies do not as a rule receive any remuneration and when they do it cannot be conceived as compensation for service but rather as out of pocket expenses incurred while occupying the office.

We draw attention to this in the hope that citizens will not add to the load on municipal bodies, because we fear that, if the load is made heavier there may soon come a day when it will be difficult to secure men willing to take the task of municipal leadership.

**Reaching the Interior**

Under the heading "Parity and Your Blood Pressure" the Financial Post prints the following, which can be verified by many Canadians who have travelled anywhere in the United States, a hundred miles over the border line.

"A Canadian recently passing through Butte, Montana, ran short of U.S. money. While he awaited more funds by wire the banks were closed so he tried to use some of the tiny supply of Canadian dollars allowed him by our foreign exchange control. The incident was before the parity move, so he offered his dollars at a discount. He reports as follows:

"Gasoline stations just laughed or cursed me off the premises when I besought them to give me some American dollars for my ten Canadian dollars. At the railway station I got just an impatient snap, 'No, wouldn't touch it.' At the offices of a big airline (which is eagerly trying to get flying rights into Canada) the answer was, 'Nothing to do with

that stuff'. In several stores where money was offered in payment of proposed purchases, the turn-downs were all definite and immediate, varying only in the degree of hostility. At the Finlen Hotel, rated by some as the leading purveyor of hospitality, the refusal was immediate from cashier, and higher officials. It included a collection of cracks of a nature designed to be uncomplimentary to Canadian money and Canadians.

"In a more helpful mood, one bystander suggested trying a 'gambling joint'. I did. It wasn't hard to find because it had one of the biggest and brightest electric signs on the main street. Stretching far back down one side was the bar. The other half was crowded with men sitting around green baize tables with crads, dice and chips. The cashier directed me to the boss, a stubby, bald gent who was promptly sympathetic. Holding my ten dollar bill close under a strong light and peering at it long and critically, he finally said, 'Perhaps it's okay.' He added, 'It certainly ain't as nice a thing as good money like our's.' He discounted at 20%, gave me eight American."

We have taken some pride in the fact that Canadians for the most part do not treat American visitors similarly, but when the United States dollar was at a premium business places gladly gave the American visitors the premium and without question and added no wisecracks with the change.

It would be well for Canadians who anticipate a visit in the United States to have their currency changed into the only funds of which our neighbors seem to have knowledge, unless similar treatment is desired. American newspapers in the "interior", might with profit carry on a campaign for neighborliness with good effect.

**To-Day and To-morrow**

Someone should take the youngsters who are growing up into their first jobs into a quiet corner for a few words on the subject of thrift as related to today's high salaries. They might be dropped a hint, too, that their is just slight chance these lush days won't last forever.

Young men and women, some still in their teens, are walking into well-paid jobs that would have made the eyes of job applicants in the 30's pop out of their sockets. Almost anyone with a high school education is snapped up with swiftness that may tull them into false security.

Don't misunderstand us. We are all for youngsters getting jobs with good working conditions and good pay. The youngsters coming out of our schools today look fine and most of them deserve the break they're getting.

But we'd like them to understand it is a break; that it wasn't always as easy to get a job as it is now, that the salaries being paid inexperienced help now are high comparatively.

It follows that there is always a chance the bad old days may come back. Goodness knows, no one wants them, with their soup kitchens, beggars in every city block and men trying to keep their families on a few dollars or suffering the indignities of relief. No one wants them but they may come back.

The wise youngsters who are starting business life now will save money against the future. They will take a few dollars each week, cement it away in a bank account and forget about it.

They will, that is, if they can conceive of what existence was like for many of their kind in the 30's—the endless walking of streets looking for non-existent work, the days with but a nickel in one's pockets, the utter despair that filled the future. The show, dresses and sports jackets they give up now will look mighty nice in a bank book if depression hits again.

The wise youngsters will guard their future, too, by improving their qualifications for their jobs and equipping themselves for better ones. If the old days do come back those who have been content to take a job half-equipped and stay that way are going to be first out. The lad or lass who has shown an intelligent effort to earn to-day's comparatively fat pay envelopes will stick around longer.

**EDITORIAL NOTES**

Civic Holiday a week from Monday and the public holiday for the month of August. All the summer months, except June have one holiday.

The electric and windstorms gave Hydro and Telephone linemen a busy time and interruptions of service were more than usual.

After Friday's storm, we, in this district, have a better idea of what the Windsor district experienced in the tornado which struck there so disastrously a few weeks ago.

The rise to parity of the Canadian dollar apparently didn't help the Canadian Newspapers. Announcement came immediately of an increase in price of newspaper.

Announcement is made from Ottawa that a National flag has finally been selected. Our new flag has the Red Ensign in the top left corner, and a Maple Leaf placed in the right centre, with a white background. Looks distinctive and emphasizes that Canada is still a part of the British Empire. We feel it will readily be accepted by Canadians in general, yes, even by those who still prefer the good Old Union Jack.—Smith Falls Record-News.

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