

Personals

Mrs. F. S. Blow visited in Woodstock over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reid and Nancy visited in Oakville during the week-end.

Mrs. James Phillips, fourth line, is a patient in the General Hospital, Guelph.

Mr. Tom Kennedy, 5th line, Esquimaux, is a patient in Toronto General Hospital.

Mrs. Mortimer Healey of Brooklyn, New York spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Stuart Lantz, Acton.

S. Sgt. Ivan G. Chalmers was a visitor at the home of his sister, Mrs. A. W. Fishery during the past week.

Friends will be glad to learn that Mrs. John Dunn was able to return home from the hospital in Guelph this week.

"MY WEEK"

By R. J. DEACIMAN

China moves down the rock road to bankruptcy. Imports exceed exports by over five to one. Military expenditures of Chinese Government account for 86% of total expenditure. The Communists have a budget of their own. Nearly all Chinese Government income is being eaten up in military expenditures.

The value of Chinese money is slowly sinking to oblivion. The ply of it is that these enormous military expenditures represent an internal struggle, a war within the nation. The Communists are determined to have a hand in the government, the present rulers are determined that they shall have no share in it so there we are.

One would think that on these questions there is always a possibility of compromise. There isn't. Antagonism reaches a point at which both are ready to die rather than change their views. We have an illustration of this in Palestine today, the Jews hate the Arabs and the Arabs hate the Jews. This is a deadly thing and, in the end, it can destroy the mind of individuals, it may destroy nations, in time it may make civilization impossible.

Back about eighteen months ago I raised this question: "What is Canada's national goal? Should we seek full employment or a higher national income?" It brought about an interesting discussion. Some were all for full employment, while others, penetrating beyond the obvious, saw that basically a high national income is essential to prosperity. Our real problem is to combine the two, get a high national income and full employment.

Unemployment is a disease of civilized nations. It is not a problem in a country like Russia, where the people are desperately poor; where men struggle long hours at hard work for small pay. Unemployment comes to highly civilized nations where men earn high wages, wages which would be unbelievable to people in China, Japan, India. We have, at times, unemployment in Canada, the United States, and Great Britain, countries with relatively high wage rates and salaries and higher standards of living.

Now why should they have unemployment in a country like the United States with the highest production per man of any country in the world and not have it in countries where production per man is at a low level. That is a question which is easier asked than answered. It looks simple but is it? If we know why it happens then we might have the answer to many questions.

Imagine a moving picture showing the pioneer settlers coming into the West, breaking up the land, building homes, there is no unemployment. Then comes a change, they produce more, towns and cities develop, industry starts to function, railways are built and the earnings of labor increase. Then there comes a financial panic, prices decline, there is unemployment, unrest. Now political parties spring into existence. Then after a long time business picks up, good times are on the way.

I have stated in two brief paragraphs what has happened. Now turn all this into a moving picture such as you have seen on the screen time and time again. The first part shows everything as I have described it, growth, expansion, development then collapse. Now reverse the machine. Employment picks up again and we move back to pioneer days and everybody is happy, all are at work but relatively poor.

Who can tell us why this happens time and time again in our civilization? Sometimes the decline in business is stopped by war and after that we have inflation and another collapse. Here is a question for country editors, city men are too close to it. Men, at times, grow wiser in the town and country-wiser than in the cities-what's your answer?

White elephants are reared as incarnations of Buddha. While valuable, they are burdensome to keep, hence the colloquialism "white elephant" is applied to something of which the upkeep is too great to justify retaining.

Church News

United Church of Canada
Acton, Ontario
"The Friendly Church"
KEY: A. WALTER FORBURY,
R.A., B.D., Minister
Parsonage—Rower Avenue

SUNDAY, MARCH 9th, 1947
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Sermon subject "Remember now thy Creator," Epitaph Sermon on "Last Sunday's Test."
12:15 p.m. Church School
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship, Sermon subject "Going Active for Christ."
Wed., 8 p.m. Mid-week prayer and study group.
Jesus said "He that is not with Me is against Me."
EVERYBODY WELCOME

Presbyterian Church in Canada

KNOX CHURCH, ACTON

SUNDAY, MARCH 9th, 1947
The Rev. M. C. Young of Beaverton, the 3rd candidate on the present list.
3:00 p.m.—Sunday School and Junior Bible Class
"They that wait upon the Lord Shall renew their strength."

Church of St. Alban the Martyr

SUNDAY, MARCH 9th, 1947
The Third Sunday in Lent
8:30 a.m. Holy Communion.
11:00 a.m. Beginner's Class.
12:05 p.m. Church School and Confirmation Class.
7:00 p.m. Evening. Life of St. Paul. Film slide.
Wednesday, March 12th, 1947
10:00 a.m. Holy Communion.
8:00 p.m. Second office of instruction. Adult confirmation class.

Baptist Church

ACTON
REV. W. H. WALLACE
Pastor

SUNDAY, MARCH 9th, 1947
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.
12:15 p.m.—Sunday School.
No Evening Service.
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THURSDAY and FRIDAY MARCH 6th and 7th
"CANYON PASSAGE" (Technicolor)
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Featurette "Roosevelt, Man of Destiny"
Cartoon "Reckless Driver"
Chapter 3 "King of the Forest Rangers"

SATURDAY, MARCH 8th
Matinee at 3
"SING YOUR WAY HOME" Jack Haley
"DETOUR" Ann Savage
"Fox News"

MONDAY, MARCH 10th
"BLACK ANGEL" (Adult Entertainment)
Dan Durvey June Vincent
Musical "Sync Smooth Swing"
Novelty "Queer Birds"
Cartoon "Tortoise Wins Again"

Chronicles of... Ginger Farm

Written Specially for The Acton Free Press by GWENDOLINE P. CLARKE

"Who Has Seen the Wind?" That is the title of a new book. I haven't read it but the title intrigues me. Of course none of us has seen the wind but we often think we do. We say "Look at that wind!" or "See it blow!" Naturally what we see is only the result of the wind. And that is plenty! Last night when we went to bed everything was quiet there wasn't so much as a breeze. It wasn't too cold and it had stopped snowing. But during the night there was a change. That wind which couldn't be seen, could certainly be heard. It howled round the corners of the house; it rattled the shutters and it made branches of close-up shrubs beat a tattoo on the window panes. And I decided to think what it might be doing to the snow that fell yesterday. I longed for the night to be over but when the dawn came it meant only that we could see it well as hear. We could watch the untrodden snow being whipped into swirling clouds by the unseen winds; we could see the snow rapidly covering in a night's tracks; we could see it piling up in the fence corners and around the stack trough which means it will have to be shoveled away before the cattle can get a drink.

And as I write, Hilda is bobbing two cans of milk down to the road on a toboggan. That toboggan, by the way is invaluable. Not only for milk crates of eggs are also transported in that way to the road; groceries, bread, empty cans and empty crates are brought home the same way. In fact, I am wondering if I have to go to town whether I could go down to the road in like manner.

But I am not worrying very much about a trip to town. I am just a fair weather shopper. When road and weather conditions are good I go to town. When they are adverse I shop by proxy. Sometimes the things are paid for and sometimes they aren't. In that way we appear to be spending less money. But alas, a day of reckoning always comes.

Partner also stays very much "at home" in rough weather. I think he gets all the fresh air he requires on his trips back and forth to the barn and working in and around the stables. But that doesn't get him any nearer to a barber shop. We may have recourse to a pudding bowl if rough weather continues much longer.

There is a new calf at the barn which I haven't seen yet. I must see what Partner thinks of the idea of raising it for veal to help fill our larder. Considering beef has taken another jump it might be a good move.

Oh dear, this rising cost of living, does bother me at times, not exactly for personal reasons but rather for the sake of those who have small, fixed incomes. You just can't stretch a fixed income. When commodity prices rise above the level of a person's fixed income then there is only one alternative and that is to go without the little extras that make life worth living for the older folk. In fact, in some cases it creates a very real hardship. It seems too bad for aging couples who have retired on a modest income, which they expected, by means of frugal living, to be sufficient for their needs, to find that even with the greatest economy that that is now impossible.

And when they have to draw on their capital for emergencies, as sometimes happens, then their feeling of security is forever lost and worry becomes a constant companion in their declining years.

The recent these days is on youth everything possible is done so that youth may progress along desirable lines. That of course is as it should be, within reason. Youth should be given opportunities, opportunities to work and to advance but not to take without working, to accept without giving. Could it be that youth is getting too much attention and not enough being given to those whose youth is a thing of the past but who, by their past work, and in their tax payments have, and still do, contribute towards the opportunities now made available for the young folk of to-day.

There is very little assistance for people in the small "fixed income bracket" from government sources so it would appear to be more of a personal problem. There may be ways in which we who live on farms can help. If we have such friends it is worth considering, don't you think? A few eggs from time to time, a chicken occasionally, later on garden produce surely it could all be given without offence to anyone. How about it, folks?

Modern living, say the health experts, take an unnecessarily heavy toll in dental ills. Man is no longer willing to eat foods requiring much mastication. Jaws and teeth do not get proper exercise. Children early acquire artificial tastes, when development is taking place. They eat too much sugar with, and between, meals. Experts point out that people can't be healthy and resist disease if they have broken-down or decayed teeth.

THE AIR WORLD AND A. M. A. NEWS

(Continued from Last Week)

New Model Diesel Engines Make News
Several manufacturers have model diesel engines on the market now and from all reports they have some superior qualities to the gas engines. In the first place, they do not use spark plugs and so the modeller can dispense with batteries, coils, condensers, switches, etc. This cuts down the weight considerably. They are reputed to be easier to start than the conventional gas engines; one turn being necessary to suck in the fuel, and two or three additional turns being required to engage firing. The power is not considered as great as that of gas engines although this will no doubt be overcome in the near future. At the New York Model Exhibition just concluded, several diesel engines were on hand to demonstrate the ease with which they are started, and one model engine was run continuously throughout the fair, about eight days. It looks like Diesel is the coming thing in model aeroplanes.

Special mention this week must go to John Cameron for the fine job he did with a very difficult kit. His Diesel is a good example of the work the Acton Model Aeroplans are turning out and he should be flying it very soon. In the trials for the contest to be held this Friday some good times were registered by Carl DeFosse and Bud Keptner. This Wednesday more trials will be held and on Friday we can expect to see some records shattered. Don't forget Town Hall 7:30 sharp.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

A small room with broken-up wall space can be given an illusion of more space if all doors, baseboards, window trim and other wood trim are painted in the same color as the walls. This makes it easier to decorate, too.

Oil Stoves

In the interest of saving lives and property more care should be exercised in the purchase of oil heating systems and use of the proper type of fuel oil, the Canadian Underwriters' Association said in a warning issued recently following the report of several fires caused by defective stoves and the use of dangerous fuels as a substitute for distillate oil during the present shortage.

"Some months ago," the statement said, "The Canadian Underwriters' Association asked the public to be careful in purchasing oil heating systems, including stoves, as types were being sold which did not bear labels showing they had passed the necessary safety tests. Despite this warning, a number of fires have occurred directly attributable to faulty oil stoves."

"Since a shortage of distillate oil developed within the last few weeks, it is apparent that through lack of knowledge, people are using substitute fuels in oil stoves, which are extremely dangerous to life and property."

"Under no circumstances should such substitutes as alcohol, benzene or derivatives be used in oil stoves, because they are explosive when used under certain conditions."

"In order to protect life and property, therefore, it is advisable to be careful both in the purchase of oil stoves and the use of the proper fuel. If oil stoves are purchased from manufacturers or dealers whose products bear an approved label and are properly installed, proper fuel used and ordinary care taken, there is no reason why fires destructive to life and property should occur."

Mild pain killers such as aspirin were the biggest single items of medicine produced in the United States last year.

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