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Championaldps Acton is again having its share of championships and there can be much satisfaction in the fact that they are not all in one particular group and that they are won by groups which are purely local-have grown up together and have found enjoyment in living and playing together in and for the commun-

Charlie Mason has spent most of his life in Acton. He the future at world problems. has played with and led senior bands. In fact, the Members of the family have always been in Acton bands and orchestras and two other brothers have been leaders of Acton Bands at various times.

The part we like about winning is the development of what is in the community. In this the band achievement at the C.N.E. and at Waterloo is a splendid example, both in point of leadership and with members of the organization. It has taken five years but those five years have been fruitful ones as the band took its place in every phase of community-life-in fact, has given much community leadership.

There is spirit as well as talent back of such an organization. Perhaps being a former bandsman, we like to recollect on the spirit and example that in our early days was set by such men as John Hill and to see that the spirit has not died. It's nice to see that such spirit is not likely to pass away soon either and has been implanted in the boys and girls of the commun-

Prizes, medals, money and championships are fine but we hope they are not at the end of the rainbow and the spirit of the band that has led it to success will ever remain. Congratulations ves, but do keep together, boys and girls and carry on.

# Get Off to a Good Start

back to studies in advanced grades. The end of the ment provided for an unsatisfied indoment fundament term at this juncture may seem a long way off. may appear that the course can be easily covered and more than a share allowed for leisurely going. The long holiday may make it difficult to settle back in the routine of study and attention to work.

The student, however, who takes the attitude that the year's course is really a year's work and that the best way to win is by getting an early lead in the race, rather than depending on the final spurt to finish, will find that his or her year-has been easier and that fund. the most has been gained from the study. Passing exourses. Sequiring the complete knowledge from the erry or personal damage results, was increased. year is the thing that will stand in the best stead in life after leaving school. Examinations are merely a final test to determine ability to-progress.

Schools are in session. Now is the time to get out to a good start and hold your lead.

# Worker is Still Ahead

All things considered, including the all-important cost of living the average Canadian industrial worker is considerably better off to-day than he was in 1941 Save the Linuncial Past

According to the latest DBS employment and payroll figures and the cost-of-living index, the ordinary wage-earner's pay envelope is nearly 40 per cent, heavier than it was in 1941.

But in the same time, the official cost of living

industries and financial institutions jumped 13.3 picture of qur size. per cent. In the same period, the cost-of-living rose !-10 points or about 8 per cent.

highest average weekly pay cheque in Canadian hist- Barrie Examiner.

ory, \$31 a week. At June 1, 1941, it was \$25.25. Hourly rates were up to 78.3c, while hours worked were down to 43.2 n week.

There aren't any comparable statistics for the years before 1941, but it is estimated that the average industrial worker was earning about \$1,000 annually in 1939. Based on his payat June 1 this year, he's now earning \$1,872 a year.

### Press Day at the Ex

Last Friday was Pross and Radio Day, at the Ex. Every day is designated for some particular Canadian group or industry. You may ask, why would Press Day hold any particular interest for us from any other day. Well, in the first place, there is the opportunity for re-union with other editors and men in the publishing and printing industry. It's surprising how many one may meet about the Press building especially if one has been going to such events for the past twenty-five years or so. Then newspapermen are guests on Press Day and that's always an inducement.

Perhaps the highlight of the day for newspapermen is the directors' luncheon at noon, when after the meal served in the administration offices, an outstanding speaker usually presents some helpful message. Friday's speaker was Hon. Mr. Caldwell, Australian Minister of Immigration and his address w outstanding. We learned of Australia's needs for nore population. Her geographic position that made more population necessary if she were to be free of the Japanese threat from which she had one mirac-

We heard that Canada's and Australia's problems were almost identical, and that both countries could absorb much of Britain's over populated areas. Last week Charles W. Mason took the Acton It was a message from another member of the great Boys' and Girls' Band to the C.N.E. and won first commonwealth of nations. We have no thought of place in the contest. Five years ago none of these going into detail on the address but we know it will boys and girls knew how to blow a band instrument. temper and help many of us as we look now and in

Press Day has other attractions at the Ex too, name of Mason in Acton is synonymous with music. such as midway tickets that we don't use like we used to. What makes the Ex great is this providing something distinctive for every branch of Canadian life and the 1947 event has followed traditions of the past well and offered improvements.

### The Decrease Should Continue

Automobile accident deaths on Ontario highways in July totalled 42 according to Ontario Highways Department statistics. This was 22 fewer (34 per cent.) than in the same month last year, 59 fewer than in July 10 years ago.

The 42 deaths in July this year included five children between ages 5 and 14, compared with 14 in the same month last year!

Since Ontario's Pinancial Responsibility Law went into effect in 1930 there have been 75,698 motorists' licenses suspended for infractions of its provisions. Of these, about 80 per cent., it is understood. have been restored either through the passage of time set for the suspension or because the party at fault gave required proof of financial responsibility, paid outstanding judgments, etc. Figures exclude suspensions under other than the financial responsibitity provisions of the Highway Act.

Ontario's Einancial Responsibility Law was given Schools re-opened on Tuesday and students went considerably more force-last spring when the governpay claims of highway accident victims (unable to collect indemnity from the party at fault. This is ex-1 pected to bring a larger proportion of claims in highway accidents as people now know that if they prove their case they will be indemnified up to the limits! provided.

> When payment is made from, the unsatisfied judgment fund on behalf of any offending motorist. his license is suspended until he reimburses the

Moreover, the number of offences for which a aminations is not the sole achievement in school motorist's license can be suspended if personal prop-

# EDITORIAL NOTES

Getting back to school and getting outfitted has been quite the family topic this week.

Most tolks around here can answer in the affirmative when queried "Haye you been to the Ex yet?"

Now for the Fall Fair season and the opportunity of seeing the local exhibits and meeting the friends! who live so near and yet whom, we meet so seldom. Yes, the small fairs are a great community centre.

Georgetown Lions Club has made a survey of the rose about 22 per cent. This is based on the index town and finds that the population is 3115. So, far we of 110.5 at June 1, 1941 and 134.9 at June 1, 1947. have depended on the tigures of our assessor and In the past year, weekly wages in eight leading have not found the need of a Lion figure to give a

A decision has been handed down by the British ! . . Therefore, judged solely on official statistics, the Columbia Court of Appeal that a trade union can be; wage earner is still a good bit ahead of the game ey- sued. This judgment is just. It is only right that en on the past, year, when, because this was a period labor unions should be held responsible for the acts of rapid decontrol and soaring prices! it was expect- of their members and any damage that may be caused. ed that the cost-of-living index would catch up with, by them in connection with strikes; and also that if not pass the increase in wages. . . . they, as much as management, should be made to At June 1, industrial workers were getting the nicet all their obligations pertaining to contracts.

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