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EDITORIAL

Reflecting the Community Growth
 This issue of the Free Press is the last of the present size. Next week your home town newspaper will be bigger and better. It will appear with seven columns on each page instead of the present six. The width of each column will be the same standard as daily newspapers, just a fraction of an inch narrower than the present column width.

The present six column size was used as a wartime measure. We were able in this size to keep within our newspaper quota, although a growing circulation often made that difficult. We think you will like the bigger page and it will in reality give you an extra page each week that an eight page issue is printed. Instead of the present forty-eight columns each eight page issue will now give fifty-six columns or eight columns more.

The changeover involves quite a lot of work in the office. Our newspaper press and folding equipment are, however, of such size that allowance is made for increasing the size of paper. It could, if the business warranted such expansion, take a sheet the size of Toronto daily newspapers.

It will be our constant aim to enlarge and improve your home town newspaper as the growth and expansion of the village of Acton and the district warrant such expansion. We appreciate the fact that public reception has made the increased size advisable. We are very happy to take our part in reflecting the growth of Acton and district.

We will be glad to welcome new readers for the larger home town newspaper. If you like it, tell your friends. We feature the home town and district news and pictures first. We hope you will like the Free Press better than ever in its new and larger form next week and the weeks that follow.

Don't Let Him Get You Down
 In a town where everyone knows everybody there is always a knocker ready to paint a most sordid picture of prevailing conditions and attitudes. Don't let him get you down. He will tell you community support is lacking here and there and it seems to be his business to knock the local business.

The churches are losing support; The newspaper is something of other; The council is spending too much money or too little.

Isn't he a wonderful specimen of manhood to have around when you might be needing a little encouragement or an optimistic suggestion? If this knocker could really suffer a little, see the other's viewpoint a little and not always say what he thinks to the other fellow, there might be still some good left in him to help the town. But it is questionable if he will change.

He is the type of fellow who is ripe for communism, or any other "ism" foreign to goodwill and community progress. He walks on the street of destruction. What a wonderful purpose to have in life! To destroy and never to build, never to pat your fellow man on the back, never to praise, always ready to condemn.

Remember, friend, when he starts on you Don't let him get you down. Be a booster in your own home town.

New Year's Revolution
 1948 is a pivotal year in history. At a time like this, New Year's resolutions are like the toot of a tin horn in the teeth of an onrushing wind. Nothing less than New Year's revolution in the lives of men and nations can avert atomic Armageddon.

There must be new hope for the future—the rebirth of faith in people's hearts—that will give men the will to recover and to stand on their own feet in Europe. There must be a new incentive—something to increase production, especially of food and fuel. There must be inspired leadership, enlisting and uniting men on a basis of sound democratic teamwork instead of dividing them by class war. There must be the healing of deep international and racial hatreds.

In the face of needs like this we can't resolve to eat one egg instead of two for breakfast or to cut down our tobacco money in the hope of saving

Europe. Only total revolution in the way we think and live can restore world faith in the democratic way of life. If we ourselves put first the points of view on which we disagree and fight over them we can't expect people in Europe to agree and fight together for the great principles of freedom and democracy. If we ourselves make cash our main incentive—to meet the needs of ourselves and families—we can't expect British miners to put personal desires behind them and rise as one to meet the needs of their nation. But if we ourselves revolt against self-centered living and thinking and begin to live, as God intended, to make other men and nations great, we can give the world great hope. We can leave behind the age of crisis and, in 1948, enter the age of cure.

When There are Too Many Departments
 The following story that the Financial Post prints couldn't happen in a small town like Acton where the bank manager and staff know most of the depositors and we don't think it is fair to blame the banking system with the stupidity claimed. It's just the plain fact that in a large city everything becomes so broken up into departments and so few city employees know anything and care less about what goes on in the other departments that such things happen. A confusing incident similar could happen in any city, newspaper, hospital, store or many institutions. But here's the story of what did happen.

Canada needs U. S. dollars. But you would never know it, judging from the experience of one individual in a large downtown Toronto bank. Having \$45 U. S. left over after a trip to the United States, he waited in line in the savings department of the bank which has his account. On reaching the teller he was told "We don't take U. S. funds here, you will have to go to the Foreign Exchange Department."

After waiting for the teller in the Foreign Exchange Department he was instructed, "You will have to go to the counter at the back and have them fill out a refund form and then come back here." Following this advice, which took more time, our informant finally received \$45 Canadian for his U. S. funds. But he left the bank feeling that the next time he would just spend the U. S. dollars and let someone else worry about turning them in.

Everybody is busy these days. Surely banks could arrange to have a simple transaction such as this handled by any teller or else post signs advising customers how to handle this business with a minimum of delay. Yes, city institutions are expertly departmentalized. In a small town we have more common sense folks than single-tracked specialists in our institutions. "Don't blame the banks, blame the big city plan."

EDITORIAL NOTES
 Perhaps it will come easier toward the end of the month to write it 1948.

New auto license plates went on sale last week and now you can get a number both coming and going.

An old-timer is the one who can remember how one looked forward to an appearance of the road show at the Town Hall each winter season.

New Year's brought its usual stormy weather this year and found motorists in difficulty getting home over roads that filled in very quickly.

Almost 750,000 motor vehicles were registered in Ontario last year, being about half the total for Canada. And still more people are clamoring for cars.

The North Halton High School District Board started operations this week. The first meeting was held on Tuesday and marks a step in an advanced educational program for this district.

Ontario is not going to collect that extra dollar from motorists this year to pay for the accidents of hit and run drivers or those with no financial responsibility. That's one collection we've escaped.

Gasoline and fuel oil are up another two cents. Of the 40 cent gasoline price, it should be remembered that 11 cents on every gallon goes to the provincial treasury for something.

Sawlog cut of B.C. coast district increased a third in the first 11 months of 1947, to total of 2,662 million board feet. November showed almost as great a percentage gain with 257 million board feet cut.

The Burlington Gazette says that two names are mentioned for the Halton Wardenship this year, Reeve Mrs. Mary S. Pettit of Nelson Township and Reeve George Cleave of Esquesing Township. The first meeting in January will make the choice.

The Smith's Falls Record-News enters upon its sixty-second year of publication with this week's issue. Birthday congratulations are in order and the comment that with age the Record-News improves and under Editor A. E. Dobbie gives that town and district splendid newspaper and printing service. May the combination continue to thrive.

Someone has to pay for low-cost housing, points out the Calgary Herald. "There is only one way to bring about real low-cost housing and that is for the construction industry to awaken from its long slumber and catch up on the times. The same enterprise that produced low-cost automobiles and low-cost radios should be able to produce low-cost houses—houses the average wage-earner can afford to rent or buy without dipping into somebody else's pockets."

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