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EDITORIAL

Championships are Declared

The hockey season is over and any hopes of a championship team for Acton this year are disposed of and to Sundridge goes that honor, won without any shade of doubt in three straight games. At the close of the season we believe however, that it is the opinion of all fans that the Tanners provided a good season of sport and they gave their best to bring the honors to the community. They went down to a superior team which had the benefit of professional coaching for several years. Acton fans backed them well and will continue to back such spirit and play.

Since Acton couldn't secure the championship this year, we're glad to see it go to Sundridge. Perhaps the reason we say that is because we know Sundridge better than any of the towns who were contenders. It's an hospitable little spot with plenty of community spirit. Years ago we used to do some fishing in that district and made headquarters at Sundridge. It's a place where even a visitor is made welcome. They're proud of their team with every justifiable reason and they're proud of Bucko McDonald for every good reason. Congratulations to all of them.

But Halton has one championship team from hockey and to our neighboring town of Georgetown goes hearty congratulations on the success they achieved and the championship they brought to the town and county.

All of which, when added up, might go to prove that Halton does develop top-notch sports and rivals any section of Ontario. This might be backed by last year's baseball record of three championship clubs in Halton and other achievements in open competition.

Industrial Credit Widespread

How many of Canada's businesses are operated on a credit basis? Practically all of them, reports the Financial Post. Regardless of terms, seven or thirty days, supplying of merchandise from the manufacturer, to the wholesaler or jobber, to the retailer, can be classified as credit.

How many of Canada's business houses use installment credit or loaning facilities of the finance companies? Perhaps 10,000 or more. In the industrial field alone close to \$50 millions change hands annually in the financing of merchandise from the manufacturer or wholesaler to the user; over \$100 millions annually in the automotive field; millions of dollars in the home appliance and personal loan fields; additional millions more where the manufacturer carries his own paper and finances through the aid of bank support.

It's Your Money but Try and Keep It

Are governments institutions to build up financial reserves at the expense of the taxpayers? is a question that might well be asked these days. The days of war taxation have been so lucrative that provincial and dominion governments are loathe to relinquish the taxation means imposed upon the public.

Last week the Ontario government announced a surplus of \$25,039,000, the largest in the history of the province. There was a net debt reduction of \$25,003,183.76 and a reduction of the funded debt of \$19,438,504.66. That is a splendid record of getting out of debt and any government might well be commended upon making such progress.

The part that hurts is that 25 million dollars more was collected in taxes from the people than was required and that no lowering of these taxes is indicated in the budget address. In fact the report has the audacity to say, "There will be no increased taxation for the year ending March 31, 1940." With a 25 million surplus we should hope not.

The gasoline tax branch brought in \$46,800,000 and you'll still go on paying on every gallon; the Liquor Control branch contributed

\$34,000,000; succession duties (the levy taken after you're dead) was \$17,500,000; corporation tax \$50 million and so on. Big stuff and you'll still go on paying next year.

If the amusement tax is dropped by the federal government the province is all set to grab it.

The federal budget has not been presented yet. A surplus is forecast here also, since the taxes are almost as high now as when Canada had armies to maintain. If it doesn't give any more relief to the taxpayer than the provincial budget has given, it's a hopeless case for the taxpayer and a reduced cost of living. It's your money but just try to keep any of it or get an opportunity to share in any of the surplus.

The federal budget will be awaited with some hope of relief for taxpayers (and that includes most everyone). If they can give any reduction the prayer of all will be give it so that the province won't appropriate it before it's returned to its rightful source.

Highest Tax Rate in History

Rising costs of education and higher civic salary scales have driven Ontario's municipal tax rates to unprecedented high levels, a Canadian Press survey shows.

Recently announced rates in Ontario municipalities show an average increase of slightly more than five mills. With few exceptions, tax rates are the highest in history. Most centres reported rising education costs as the principal cause of rate boosts. Other causes were increased salaries of civic employees, rising costs of wages and material involved in maintenance and other public works and extension of public service such as hospitals. Several communities were forced to raise rates to cover 1947 overdrafts.

A department of education official attributes higher school costs to salary increases granted teachers and high costs of building materials. School facilities have been expanded to accommodate a greater number of children born in years immediately preceding the war.

Do They Want To Be Like Us?

A creeping barrage of tragedy still moves across the world. "Why can't they be like us?" we ask and read the paper with a feeling of grievement rather than of guilt.

The fact is that, if the rest of the world wanted to be like us they would be. If, by our fruit, we had impressed all other people with the benefits of freedom there would be no menace of totalitarian dictatorship to aggravate world distress, retard world recovery and jeopardize world peace.

George Washington prayed that new-won freedom would be held and used in a way to win admiration. But, until we correct its abuses and win friends for freedom, we will create its enemies and go on having to combat them.

There is no use being free, for instance, if that does not make us free to give our best. Many men in the free countries are so tied up by personal fear, greed or hate that they cannot give their best to their own families, let alone to their community or work or nation.

Were you free at breakfast this morning? Free from engrossment in the paper? Free from blaming others as you read the sobering news? Free from preoccupation with your own day's work ahead? Free to think of others in the family and of their work and hope and fears? Free to think how your business could become a national force?

When citizens of the free countries find freedom in all spheres themselves, on that day political, economic and military attacks on freedom will end.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Daylight saving becomes effective a week from Sunday. Summer can't be far away.

Freight rates have been given a boost which will of course mean another jump in prices and the consumer will foot the bill.

Streetsville has proved the exception this year and announced a tax rate reduced by 10 mills and this in spite of a fifty per cent. raise in public school estimates and a new sewerage system. Wonder if the net amount paid by the taxpayers is lower since the revised assessment plan is given as the reason for the reduced mill rate.

A railway publication of 1872 warned passengers: "So terrific is the speed of the modern train that one should guard against placing one's head out of an open window. The pressure of passing air might well cause serious internal injury." A high speed "for" railway trains in that era was 45 miles an hour. Nowadays, modern youth like to ride in an open convertible at seventy and never fear internal injury until he comes in contact with something more solid than the wind.

Recollections of Acton

BACK IN 1898

Taken from the issue of the Free Press of April 14th, 1898.

The third annual Excursion of the Halton Farmers' Institute to the Ontario Model Farm Guelph, will be held this year on June 25.

The piano committee of the Crinkole Club has purchased a fine, cabinet grand Bell piano.

Notices are again at a premium in Acton. The supply is unequal to the demand. It is believed that forty more new houses at moderate rental could be let this spring.

U.S.A. and Spain at War unless Spain yields all and agrees to the independence of Cuba.

Mr. L. G. Matthews has discontinued his bakery and is now serving his customers with George Weston's famous bread from Toronto.

The new sweet-toned bell from the foundry in Ohio, pealed forth the hours of service at St. Alban's Church on Easter morning for the first time. The bell is a present to the congregation, the entire cost being borne by subscriptions given by personal friends of Rev. Mr. Golden.

Rev. and Mrs. H. A. MacPherson entertained Miss Aggie Armstrong and the choir of Knox Church at the Mans' Wednesday evening. Many kind things were said in bidding Miss Armstrong good-bye.

BACK IN 1928

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, April 19, 1928.

The roads are gradually getting into condition again.

The Actonville United Farm Young People held their annual banquet and dance in the Town Hall, Acton, last Friday evening. The tables were set for two hundred and every place was filled.

Three former ministers of this town visited Acton friends this week. Rev. I. M. Moyer of Port Colborne, Rev. H. G. L. Baugh, of Hamilton and Rev. W. L. Finlay of Medina N.Y.

Motorman C. T. Brown and conductor Joe Watson of the Canadian National Electric Railways, both former residents of Acton have a pet pigeon which travels back and forth on the run from Lambton to Guelph. They picked it up last October with a broken leg.

MARRIED

McNIVEN-GILMARTIN. In Toronto on Saturday April 14, 1928, Eleanor Wilhelmina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Chambers, Toronto, to John Graham McNiven, M.A. Sc., Kimberley, B.C., son of Dr. and Mrs. James A. McNiven, Acton, Ontario.

DIED

McLEOD. In Toronto, on Sunday April 15, 1927, Ida Smith, beloved wife of Charles E. McLeod aged 22 years.

McDONALD. At the residence of his son, John C. McDonald, Spowden, on Monday April 16, 1928, Alexander McDonald in his 78th year.

LESS CATTLE MARKETED

Inspected slaughterings of cattle during 1947 amounted to 1.3 million head, a decline of 22 per cent. from 1946. There was a 30 per cent. decline in Western Canada and a 10 per cent. drop in Eastern Canada. The total inspected kill of calves was 667,000 head, a decline of 12 per cent. from 1946. In Western Canada the drop was 17 per cent. while in Eastern Canada it was 9 per cent.

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PINK SALMON 13 Tins to a Dozen 2.52	TOMATOES 13 Tins to a Dozen 2.52
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