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EDITORIAL

Poppy Day Local Appeal

The local branch of the Canadian Legion is making its annual Poppy Day appeal to the people of this community on November 6th. The Poppy Fund is now a recognized institution wherever the Canadian Legion exists in Canada and it serves a two-fold purpose of very great merit. The money which is raised by the sale and distribution of the Wreath and Poppy—the symbol of sacrifice—is used entirely to relieve unusual distress among War Veterans of all the Empire Wars, and their families. This is where the Poppy Fund, raised through the sale of Wreaths and Poppies by the local branch of the Legion, steps in and provides relief for the situation.

All Veteran Wreaths and Poppies sold by the Canadian Legion are manufactured in Veteran Shops throughout Canada solely by partially disabled and handicapped veterans, men and women, who urgently require earnings in addition to their meagre pensions for their sustenance.

By purchasing a Veteran Wreath, citizens can find much satisfaction in knowing that they are helping these handicapped veterans to obtain a livelihood which they would otherwise lack on account of their special disabilities.

This two-fold appeal will find a ready response in the hearts and minds of the people of this Community, which has always been prepared to make the way easier for those of its Citizens who served Country and Empire in the Empire Wars. We commend it to your sympathetic consideration, in the hope that you will respond generously and thus help to hold the torch flung to you by those who did not come back.

Democracy's Future Leaders?

Against a background of assassination, civil war, and a generally darkening world picture millions of our youth went back to college and school. In an era trademarked by division and chaos the question arises, "What are they being educated for?" How to make money and get ahead are no longer adequate in the face of world crisis.

The materialists are training their youth to use division and chaos as tools to gain world control. We find the fruits of materialism portrayed in youth graduating from our colleges as full-fledged Marxists.

Miss Elizabeth Bentley's testimony in the recent spy trials dramatized this. Although a Vassar graduate with 20 years of education, she fell for the Marxist line. According to her she was never taught the basic moral structure on which America's founding fathers built their nation.

The Los Angeles Board of Education, in the face of the challenge has unanimously adopted a new statement of policy for teaching America's ideology in the schools. Mrs. Eleanor B. Allen, one of the members of the Board, outlined this statement:

"The materialistic ideologies of Fascism and Communism, have been on the march with power, plan and purpose in this twentieth century. Democracy, as conceived by Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and other early statesmen, can only survive if we affirm boldly the ideology that will put the democracies on the offensive in this war of ideas.

The schools of the democratic nations must therefore, teach their future leaders the democratic ideology which is based on moral and spiritual concepts."

Small But Important

Municipal nominations and elections are just around the corner and it is perhaps well that every citizen with the interest of his town at heart should give consideration to the affairs of the Community and be prepared to play a citizenship role in its welfare. Towns or town-

ships don't just run themselves. Someone has to give thought and time to their guidance. Sometimes you may disagree with that guidance and think another course should have been pursued, but at least give credit to the Citizen who had the courage of his convictions and served to the best of his ability.

Constructive criticism is always desirable, but criticism without a constructive suggestion or remedy is of little or no use. If a man or woman has given good service to the Community in a public post it doesn't hurt to tell him about it. A word of praise is as easy as ridicule and is certainly more rare.

These are days when men have specialized interests that allow them little leisure. Many capable men feel they cannot spare the time from their own business to give to the affairs of their municipality and the multiplicity of regulations from Provincial and Dominion governments often makes their local duties more frustrating and unsatisfactory. It will be a sorry day when the small municipalities do not have sufficient men for public office. Even now it becomes more difficult as men find the honor does not compensate for the effort and criticism involved.

To be effective our system must have the best men and women as leaders in our municipalities. Municipal affairs will be in the foreground the next two months. It's the duty of every citizen, not just a few, to assume interest if our Community is to grow and prosper and fill its niche in a better world. The part may seem small but it's certainly important.

Information for the Politicians

George Gallup, originator and director of the Gallup Poll, has been sensing public opinion on the magnetic effect of various types of political campaigning throughout the United States. He finds some interesting angles to the appeal of politicians for public support.

Here are some of the revelations:

On party platforms, Gallup says that "an outrageously bad platform may lose some votes, and a phenomenally good platform may win some, but generally, political platforms have little effect upon the voter.

Thirteen years of polling show that a political speech, or even a series of speeches do not change many votes.

The value of a prominent man as candidate has much less effect upon the voters than is generally supposed.

An appeal to women is a wasted effort, they vote with their husbands.

And lastly, and most important: It's not front a party puts on that convinces the voters, but the degree that the party has given the country good government.

Position Improved

"Canada's current trading position with the United States underlines the extent to which vigorous demand in that country has, thus far, more than counterbalanced the contraction of our markets elsewhere." The Bank of Montreal makes this observation in its latest Business Review which is devoted chiefly to a comparative study of Canada's exports and imports in the first eight months of 1947 and 1948.

"The substantial improvement in the Dominion's adverse balance of trade with the United States," the bank says, "has been achieved mainly by a 35 per cent increase in exports to that country, and has been dependent to a much lesser extent upon reduction of imports which are down by only 10 per cent in the eight months' comparison."

Principal items listed as contributing to the higher export values have been—in order of importance—lumber, newsprint, wood pulp and pulpwood, base metals, agricultural implements and cattle.

"On the import side, restrictions have sharply curtailed receipts of fibres and textiles, fresh fruits and vegetables, automobiles, household electrical appliances and luxury articles," the review continues. "On the other hand imports of an essential nature such as coal, petroleum and heavy machinery have been in significantly higher figures, reflecting both price factors and the effects of high levels of industrial activity and new capital expansion in this country."

EDITORIAL NOTES

The first flakes of snow may well be a reminder any of these days to alter driving habits acquired when pavements were dry.

Bonfires in the leaves can cause considerable damage if they get out of control and when started should have some adult supervision until they are extinguished.

This summer the banks were sodd on No. 25 Highway and now another building for equipment is being erected on the land just north of Milton secured by the department when the cut-off was made. There's sure plenty of preparation of the scenery even if the road doesn't get much attention.

Recollections of Acton
BACK IN 1898

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, October 27th, 1898

Mr. Alex. Cripps and his gang of workmen are engaged this week in roofing the new sheds at Knox Church.

Two months ago to-day \$5.75 per hundred was paid on Acton market for hogs. This week the ruling price is down to \$3.75. The present prices current on Acton market are as follows: gowen wheat 70c; red wheat 68c; white wheat 68c; peas 55c; oats 26c; barley 45c; rye 43c. Very little grain is offering. The farmers generally appear to be holding their grain for higher prices.

The Milton Ploughmen Association intend holding their annual plowing match on or about the 11th of November. A fine field on the farm of Mr. A. Chisholm near Milton has been secured and the society intends to have one of the best matches of the season.

Mr. K. J. McNally has disposed of his Calligraph typewriter and his office is now adorned with a fine new Smith Premier of the latest design.

DIED
 HUSBAND AT Oakville on Friday, October 21st, John Husband in his 67th year.

HARDING In Esquimaux on Wednesday, October 19th, William Harding aged 78 years and 7 months.

BACK IN 1928

Taken from the edition of the Free Press of Thursday October 25, 1928

The annual plowing match of the Milton Association was held near Palermo yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. K. C. Robertson, of Mingo, Manitoba, is making a visit to her sister, Mrs. B. F. King of Nasagaweya, after an absence of thirty years from these eastern parts.

Upon the retirement of Col. Jas. Pedley, from the command of the Milton Rifles, a parade was called for an inspection by General Bell, G.O.C. and the handing over of the regiment to the new commanding officer, Col. Chisholm. It was held at Milton and the Acton section of D Company attended.

The fall meeting of the Press Association of the district embracing Wellington, Dufferin and Perth Counties was held at Fergus last week and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Moore attended from Acton. One of the features was a visit to the mammoth manufactory of Deauty Bros. in this thriving town.

DIED
 HARDING — At his home, lot 4, Con. 7, Erin Twp. on Monday, October 22nd, 1928 John Harding aged 83 years.

COOK—At St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, on Sunday October 21st, 1928 Edward Kelsey Cook, eldest son of the late R. B. Cook of Acton aged 74 years.

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