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EDITORIAL

Naming Our Dalkies

There appear to be many names by which one may express dislike for an individual, group or viewpoint and the favorite one at the moment in use seems to be *call one a communist or a socialist*. The term is glibly used and often without an understanding of what it infers.

For instance in reading one of our exchanges during the week the editor in his loyalty to George Drew termed all who had blamed Ontario's adverse power situation on the former Ontario premier as a "politician, socialist or communist." There are a lot of people in the province who hold the view that the Ontario government under Mr. Drew was lax in not starting the power developments earlier, but who will resent being placed in any one of the three categories above named. We fail to see where such a large group can be placed under these three names.

It might be well for all of us sometimes to consult our encyclopedias or reference works for a correct interpretation of words we use to express dislike or disagreement before putting them into our every day vocabulary. After all isn't Hydro something of a socialistic or communistic business?

Building Houses and Cars

Forty years ago when the more sophisticated house was getting over his fright at an automobile, comments the Financial Post editorially, that vehicle cost about as much as the average six-room frame house. Both were almost entirely a product of hand tools.

To-day that frame house, still built almost entirely with hand tools and not greatly changed inside or out, will cost around \$6,000. In cars, however, the price to-day is only one third to one quarter the cost of the standard small house, when government taxes, not a factor in 1910 car prices, are subtracted.

And what a difference from the cars of 40 years ago, when about all you got was a small gasoline engine mounted on four wheels. To-day we are offered practically a travelling living room.

If these modern cars had to be built with the hand tools of 1910 they would cost at least \$60,000 each. In other words while the builder of cars with modern tools has been able to reduce cost by 30 times since 1910, the builder of houses, still largely operating with the same old tools and methods, has seen his cost rise four times.

Is This the Government's Job?

Is it really the duty of the Government of Canada, or of any Province, to see that every citizen is furnished with housing accommodation at a price which will not constitute more than some fixed percentage of his income? To listen to most of the discussion about housing and rental control is to leave the clear impression that this is exactly what is being advocated.

No sane person will suggest that bad housing conditions do not concern the public authorities. Slums are cancers on society, and have to be abolished. That is generally accepted. Do we go beyond that, and accept the wider theory of the duty of the state to provide the nation with housing at some fixed rate of cost to the citizen? This is worth thinking about. Sociologists have chosen to announce that the average family should not pay more than 20 per cent. of its income in rental. Now suppose that, as is now happening, the cost of food rises so much that it is impossible for the mass of the people to provide themselves with adequate diets, and still, without giving up other quite necessary expenditures, to pay 20 per cent. of the family income in rental, do the sociologists argue that the desirable ratio of rental to income still remains at 20 per cent., and if so, who is to make up the gap? The

landlord? If so, who is going to be willing to be a landlord?

Or is the state to step in, with a rental subsidy? If that is the idea, why should not the state step in with a food subsidy, or clothing, or a recreation subsidy, in preference to one for housing?

Look now at the reverse of this argument. Do the same sociologists agree that the average family may justly be expected to pay at least 20 per cent. of the family income in rental? If so, what justification is there for continuing rental control at a time when only a very few Canadian families do pay this proportion, and the great mass have experienced no rise of more than ten per cent in rentals, although the average family income has more than doubled?

It is only in a totalitarian state that the Government can tell people how much of their income they must allot to this or that purpose. Do the Canadian people really want a totalitarian state, merely to keep rentals fixed in accordance with the theories of sociologists?

How Would this Work Here?

Disqualification for life. That is the penalty imposed by a British magistrate against a motorist convicted of drunkenness while operating a motor car.

It may seem hard, but, after all, that magistrate has a real understanding of the possibilities of danger in the crowded streets of England, through the carelessness or incapacity of men whose minds are ineffective through overmuch drink.

The unfortunate driver was fined a sum of \$250 as a further reminder of the purpose of the court to stop, if at all possible, further transgression on his part, as well as being a warning to others that intoxicated men are not going to be allowed to add to the hazards of the streets if the magistrate could help it.

If any Canadian magistrate passed out a punishment similar to that of the British official there would be a howl of indignation because of the severity of the judgment, but it would be the best thing perhaps for the purpose of warning others that the practice of drunkenness on the part of drivers was going to be stopped. The man might have been sent to jail and further deprived of privileges.

Drastic action may have to be adapted here before a cure is effected. It cannot be applied promiscuously, as there are differences in circumstances, but once convicted of drunkenness while operating a car, a motorist should be deprived of his driving privileges at least for five years. Orangeville Banner.

Endorses Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service

William B. Hanna, President Ontario Division of Red Cross, has received from Hon. Russell T. Kelley, Minister of Health, an enthusiastic endorsement of the Red Cross Free Blood Transfusion Service. In a letter dated January 20th, the Minister writes: "Dear Mr. Hanna, the Red Cross is an organization of 'good works' and, among all of these, the undertaking to provide blood banks for hospitals, without cost, is one of the most important and most valuable. One of the great joys of my life has been to meet so many returned men and to have them say their lives were saved through the use of the blood plasma sent over during the war. So, in this new undertaking of the Red Cross, you will be saving many lives, and will thus bring joy and happiness to many homes. I strongly endorse your Blood Donor Service."

EDITORIAL NOTES

February with its St. Valentine Day and the blustery weather is here. There can be thankfulness that December and January didn't provide a stockpile of snowbanks.

Never saw a year when so many community memorial centres were being dedicated. There are such memorials being opened in Brantford, Bowmanville and Smith Falls we noted.

Bucko McDonald was again chosen the Liberal candidate for Parry Sound riding over five others who were nominated. He won the contest by 115 to 41 votes. Bucko scored again and again the win was decisive.

The Barrie Examiner has moved into new offices after being in cramped quarters since October when remodelling of the offices was commenced. The new offices are in the same location that has been occupied for nearly forty years. The Examiner keeps pace well with the growing town of Barrie.

Canadian weekly newspaper circles have lost a familiar and well-liked personage in the death of Charles Clark, editor and publisher of the High River (Alberta) Times. He had served in the Association offices and was the donor of the Charles Clark Trophy for the best weekly in the 1000-2000 circulation class.

Recollections of Acton

BACK IN 1899

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, February 7, 1899

Mr. Street with its seventeen new lights gives a perspective like a city street. Electricity Reynolds will run his plant every night, and the streets will now be lighted whenever needed, whether the moon says the moon should shine or not.

An early resident of this section died last Wednesday in the person of Joseph Allan who has been a familiar figure in Acton for the past half century. In 1815 he came to this section and settled on Lot 4, Con. 2, Elm. Four sons and one daughter survive.

Mrs. Woodall who resides with her daughter, Mrs. Sampson Day, on Howe Avenue, celebrated her 91st birthday on Wednesday the 25th.

The grip is very prevalent in this vicinity. Scarcely a family has escaped it, but so far it is not of a very serious nature.

The life of Mr. Otto C. Hess who resided in Acton for several years, where he was employed by the Acton Farming Co., was cut off suddenly while he was working in the timber of Todd and Hess, Menford, a few days ago. He was caught in the shafting of the bark crusher and so seriously injured that he lasted only a couple of hours.

Joe D. Heffernan, the well known auctioneer, died at Guelph on Monday morning the result of an attack of pneumonia.

DIED
 F. MOND, in Acton on Saturday 25th January, William H. F. (monied) aged 70 years.
 SMYTH, in Acton on Sunday 26th January, Curtis Moore, wife of W. F. Smyth, aged 41 years.

BACK IN 1929

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, January 31, 1929

The old fashioned fence high snowbank has to date not made its appearance this year.

The slat sticks of the Waterworks Department for 1929 since their patrons are supplied with water and only 14 residents are without water service. The number of gallons pumped during the year was 11,042,520.

Members of the Senior Sunday school class of the Wesleyan church had an enjoyable luncheon party on Tuesday evening.

The home of Mr. Parker, at Clewson's Corners, was completely destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Mr. Parker was alone at the time and the fire had made considerable headway before discovered.

Mr. Chas. W. Hill of Munroe, Mich., made a brief visit with his brother, Mr. J. C. Hill and other Acton friends on Tuesday.

DIED
 WORDEN: At the family home, Second Line, Acton, Samuel B. Worden, in his 71st year.
 LASHBY: At Lowell, Mich. on Wednesday, January 23, 1929, John Lashby, last surviving brother of the late Joseph and Oliver Lashby of Acton.

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