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#### Off Again On Again

Just when most municipalities have set their 1040 tax rate and counted on provincial government grants as in the past along comes the disturbing news that grants are to be changed again and the one mill subsidy discontinued. The same amount is assured but it is to be done in a different way.

The thing that the provincial government falls to consider is that most of the men who tabor on municipal councils give their services with little or no remuneration. They are not \$10,000 a year men or they do not have any tax free salaries. The thing that irks is this constant changing policy and lack of guidance from the Provincial government.

We have change of assessment, change of educational program, change of municipal grants, interference by the province in local police system and pay and now a hand in the town fire brigades. We have Royal Commissions and new fangled appointments that take years to bring in reports.

In the meantime municipal taxes continue to soar. The average tax payer knows each year his tax bill is higher and begins to wonder if the provincial budget with all the supposed help for municipalities is real or camouflage.

## Teach History, Not Propaganda

Real Canadians who hope to see this country genuinely united will heartily applaud the sentiments expressed by L'Abbe Arthur Maheux in Toronto recently, states the Financial Post. The distinguished president of the Canadian Historical Society, and professor of history at Laval University sharply assailed the distorted history textbooks used in various provinces.

To have one version, of our history presented in Quebec or Nova Scotia and another and distinctly different version in Ontario or British Columbia is not good enough, argues The Post. That sort of thing can only lead to confusion and greater segregation. Instead of teaching history we are simply spreading propaganda.

If we are to have the fullest co-operation between French and English speaking Canadians; if the citizen of British Columbia is to really understand his fellow Canadian in the Atlantic Provinces then each must know something of the other's history, of the problems of the past and of the great heroes of the past. That knowledge is not shared to-day for the simple reason that there is little in common in the history taught in the schools of the different provinces.

## Drinking Liquor va. Car Driving

How many drinks of strong liquor can a man take and still be capable of driving a motor vehicle as it should be driven? It is claimed by experts that a two-ounce drink of whisky increases a man's error in reasoning twenty per cent. So, it would seem a man who has to drive a car home or anywhere should not drink at all. After three or four drinks, it is claimed, men appear sober and think that they are that way, but the fact is that even two drinks cause - a driver to take chances and drive at speeds he would not do if he had taken no drinks at all. With the motoring season in the offing, and man. with a predicted increase in the number of cars on the highways this year, drivers of motor vehicles should remember that "liquor and gas do not mix", and a drinking driver may be a

## What Pensions at 65 Would Cost

bating the Jeduction of pensionable age from Commons, he landed the whole 32 pages of it 70 to 65 years and the removal of the means on the already cluttered desks of newspapers. test. We noted at the time that most of the But it seems most of us are so busy keeping. Forums favored the reduction in age and the abreast of 1949 that we haven't time to read removal of the means test. We wondered then the wordy letter of 1942. We noticed by the what these changes would cost Canada and how heading it's something about Hong Kong.

many of the Forum members who favored the changes had any idea of the probable cost. .

Information on these points came to hand the other day through a return tabled in the House of Commons by Health Minister Paul Martin. The return stated that the cost of providing an Old Age pension plan of \$50 a month at-85 years was retimated at \$232,500,000, if the means test were continued and the percentage of the population on ponsions at 65 was the same as at 70 and over. As the number of pen sions would likely increase if pensions began at 65, the sum named in the return would be more likely to be under than over the actual. cost. If the means test were shollshed the cost of providing \$50 pensions to persons of 65 years and over would total \$578,400,000.

We do not know whether or not the persons who set the Parm Porum programs furnished the Porums with any information as to the probable coat of these changes. We think this is information that the Porums should have had before they were asked to make decisions on a matter of such importance. Most of us would favor Old Age pensions at 65 and the removal of the means test if they were not going to cost too much. If we understood clearly that these changes were going to add seriously to the burden of taxation we might come to a different conclusion. Orangeville Banner.

#### A Danger to Democracy

There's a lesson for more that unions and strikers in the facts concerning the Penman Company strike in Paris. There are 650 employees of the Penman company. When a vote was taken about a strike, there were 51 at the union meeting. Of this number, 27 were in favor of the strike, and 24 were opposed. For more than a month, there has been a strike in that town, caused by the vote of 27 of the 650 employees of this firm., Pickets have battled with the police; people have been take to hospital; many have been arrested. One woman involved in trouble at the plant, died of a heart attack. The Mayor has had a nervous breakdown. The town is torn by strife, and divided in its loyaltics.

That's what happened when nearly 6(K) stayed away from a meeting. It could happen not only in an industry, but also in a municipality. It behooves citizens to take an interest in their union and in their municipality and make sure that the majority voice is always expressed. A difference of 4 in a recorded vote constitutes a majority even when 593 do not have interest enough to record their vote

#### Merchant Finds Advertising Never Costs-It Pays

The Ashburn Furniture Company, Alhambra. California, invests four per cent, of its total annual sales in advertising each year, says an article in "Retail Home Furnishings." And according to Will J. Lavelle, advertising manager for the company, "advertising never costs - it pays."

Mr. Lavelle says that to realize profitable of David McCutcheon, of Everton returns from advertising investments, stores should set up an advertising budget based on a percentage of anticipated sales for the year and spread this budget over the year, in a way that will take advantage of seasonal selling opportunities when consumers are known to buy.

Merchants who use an advertising budget and plan according to predetermined calling opportunities, says the article, should also take into consideration what competition is offering and what consumers are demanding in the way of value and price.

The major portion of Achburn's advertising goes into the local newspaper, which Mr. Lavelle says is the best medium for advertising furniture, appliances, and housewares. Only with consistent advertising can a store expect fast returns from its advertising, he says. Spasmodic advertising carries "no punch" and has no readership "backlog," he asserts. Other stores may have the same merchandise at the same time and at the same price, but the store that promotes its merchandise and builds up good will and confidence through steady newspaper advertising is the store that gets the sale Lavelle adds.

## EDITORIAL NOTES

St. Patrick's Day a week from to-day and a time when the little Shamrock is very much in evidence on the breast of every true Irish-

It is encouraging to learn that the Ontario government plans no new taxes but disheartening to find out that there will be no lowering of present taxes.

When Hon. Geo. Drew failed to get his 1942 A few weeks ago Farm Forums were de- correspondence on the table in the House of

# Recollections of Acton

BACK IN 1899

Tukin from the times of the Pres Press of Thursday, March 5th, 1860

Two-storey addition is in course of erection at Acton Roller Mills The extra space will be utilized principally for whiting flour and

Mr John A Gordon has leased Clordon Hall" - the family home stead to Mr. Paul Kennedy, Jr. and will leave on a prospecting trip to

the North West. It to pretty conclusively settled that a new Baptist Church will be erected in Acton this summer. The site is not definitely settled but the south-east corner of Mill and Kigin Streets is favoured by the congre-

Mr J. T. Wood who has by his energy and skill built up a knifting tions in Rockwood, lately put in a ateam boiler and engine The capacity of this plant is thus largely

At a well-attended meeting of lacrosse enthusiasts in the town hall the following officers for the Acton "Crements" were elected Hon-Pres. D Henderson, MP, Prestdent J. H. Matthews, Vice Pres. J. Lawsett, Sec. Treas J. D. McPhee, Executive Committee, Dr. J. P. loghlan, W Gould and It J Mac

WACKHAMKIL In Action on Sunday, 5th March, to Mr and Mrn Il Swackhamer, a son EATTIE In Acton on Friday, 3rd; Murch, to Mr and Mrs David Beattle, a daughter

SYMON in Georgetown on Son-day, February 20th, William Symen in his both year

# **BACK IN 1929**

From the issue of the Free Press of March 7th, 1929

Mr R J Waldie has disposed of his farm at lot 22, concession 2, Faquesing Township, to a buyer from

William Sinclair, Norval, formerly of Erm, was seriously injured when buried beneath gravel when part of a pit caved in

At the regular meeting of the Actondate UFYPO a debate resolved that the school has greater influence in moulding charactet than does the home was the main item. The affirmative was upheld by Miss Violet Crossman and Mr Leslie Swackhamer, the negative by Miss Velma Murray and Mr Roy McKeown The decision was in

favour of the negative side Mr Frank Thompson, of Streets ville, has been appointed superin tendent of the Children's Aid Society to si-ceed the late W. H. Stew.

The death occurred on Juesday after a brief illness

DUTTON — At the home of his daughter Mrs. J. E. Carton, Rock-wood, on Thursday, February 28, 1929, William Dutton in his 83rd

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