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EDITORIAL

Late Investigations

A triple investigation is being made into a fire in the Belmont Hotel, Ottawa, which took two lives. The fire started in the second floor cocktail lounge. The Hotel's liquor license has been suspended.

Newspaper interviews say that the fire on the Noronic which took over a hundred lives started near the drinking quarters on the boat. The inquests and investigations that will follow may or may not establish this fact or any other facts.

It surely is, however, a recognized fact that people who are intoxicated are very careless in their smoking habits. They are in no condition to be careful with fire and are usually not concerned with any precautions. Just when will we strike at the root of all this unnecessary loss and discontinue establishing more and more outlets for the sale of beverages which make people incapable of caring for themselves and others.

No one will possibly ever be able to say that the Noronic disaster was caused by the presence of a liquor outlet on the boat. Likewise, none can say that if the outlet had not been on board that the disaster would not have occurred. The facts are that intoxicating beverages were available on the pleasure cruiser and over a hundred lives were lost and a fine vessel is a heap of scrap.

And now we plan to extend serving of liquor on our railways and dining cars. There's a need for more investigations before the fatalities occur and fewer inquests and post mortems.

A Good Name Counts

There may be food for thought in the opinion of an investment dealer as to what constitutes a good reputation for a municipality as a borrower, comments "Civic Administration" magazine editorially.

In these days when many Canadian municipalities are launching substantial capital programs surprise is often expressed that Township A got a more favourable bid for its debentures than Big City B.

Many factors govern the attitude of the investing public towards a municipal bond issue, past records rank high on the list. The corporation's reputation for sound administration also counts. So does the per capita debenture debt, the size of the current loan and the size of others to come.

Status and reputation of the finance officer is another factor, but when it comes to elected representatives, investors seem to like them on the conservative side. If a reeve gets a bad reputation as a skirt-chaser, the municipality would probably be wise to wait a few months before going into the bond market.

"After all," remarked the investment dealer quoted by "Civic Administration's" editor, "your banker would think twice about extending your credit if he heard you were running around with another man's wife. It's the same with a corporation—a good reputation on all counts is a help."

The Strike Winners

For the first time in 76 years, the Singer Sewing Machine Co. of New Jersey is strike-bound. Called on May 1, the strike has cost the workers \$9 million in wages, and in a single month since it began the cost of relief to the city increased from \$6,000 to \$11,000.

In Guelph last week, when over 300 employees went on strike the plant was closed and the Company started plans to move from the city and locate elsewhere.

In Chicago the printers have gone back to work after being idle for 22 months and across Ontario and Quebec, the lithographers who are among the highest paid tradesmen, have been out on strike for two months with demands that employers feel they cannot meet.

As a rule nothing is gained by these labour

disputes and both workers and employees lose money and production and sometimes trade that never returns. Too often the trouble is fomented by the union organizers who come in and make the split between employee and employer and leave the community after the strike is over. Win or lose, they invariably draw their pay and walk out better off after the workers return and attempt to make up for lost funds and the employer attempts to regain lost markets.

Looking Ahead

Don't be misled by the big government surplus announced for the first four months, warns the Winnipeg Free Press. "Today's high revenues are mainly the product of Canada's gigantic foreign trade, and that trade is far too largely built on conditions now rapidly becoming unstable. More than half our overseas exports, for example, have been financed by the United States taxpayers through the Marshall plan. The Marshall Plan has been reduced already, the appropriations which will flow to Canada through our European customers have been cut to about a third of last year's total. Our overseas markets are rapidly diminishing as Europe runs out of dollars. The Marshall Plan will end in 1952. All these things considered, we cannot reasonably regard Mr. Abbott's last statement as a guide to conditions a year hence."

Lincoln's Philosophy of Life

In every difficult period in the last 85 years, and today more than ever before, events have proved the wisdom of Abraham Lincoln when he said:

"You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift.
 "You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.
 "You cannot help strong men by tearing down big men.
 "You cannot help the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer.
 "You cannot further the brotherhood of man by encouraging class hatred.
 "You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.
 "You cannot establish sound security on borrowed money.
 "You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than you earn.
 "You cannot build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independence.
 "You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves."

EDITORIAL NOTES

You can't beat a full cellar and a big wood pile for social security.

Acton Fair will be the big local event next week and exhibitors and visitors are planning to make the 1949 event an outstanding one.

With more fuel oil available it's noticeable that the threat of coal strikes has not been as prevalent this year and the price seems more stabilized.

The Canadian Parliament is again in session with some changes in the Houses since dissolution as a result of the voting last June. There is little left to hamper a progressive program by the government.

Our congratulations to the Peel Gazette on winning first place in Class II in the competition for Better Newspapers in the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association. This is the first time in eleven years that the award has come to Ontario in this group.

Already the plan of numbering all buildings in Acton is being appreciated. There were many who thought such a move was not essential in Acton but every day the plan is in use there are fewer who do not approve. It certainly removed a lot of confusion.

Biggest news of the week was the announcement that England and several other countries, had lowered the value of sterling in comparison with American and Canadian dollars. As we write this Canada has the next move under consideration. Just what effect this move will have on world affairs is difficult to visualize but certainly it will have an effect on every Canadian and their living.

A well informed people is one of the greatest bulwarks against forces which are antagonistic to our way of life. Prime Minister St. Laurent said in a message read at opening of the 30th annual convention of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association. "To me the outstanding characteristic of a weekly newspaper is its proximity to those it serves", the message said. "It is therefore in an excellent position not only to champion community needs but also by an intelligent handling and dissemination of world, national, provincial and local news to keep its readers well informed."

Recollections of Acton
BACK IN 1899

Taken from the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, Sept. 21, 1899.

Beech-nutting is a favorite Saturday pastime for boys and girls now.

Mrs. Jennie B. Matthews has disposed of her bread and confectionery business to Mr. Chester Matthews who takes possession next week.

Owing to the number of new pupils admitted to the primary department since the opening of the public school, a number of the pupils have been advanced to the other departments. Miss McQueen had over 70 registered in the room Mr. Edward Nicklin, Jr. son of Mr. Robt. Nicklin of Brandon, Man. has been given a run as express messenger on one of the North-west roads, at a salary of \$50 per month. Pretty good for a young fellow of eighteen.

Mrs. F. N. Waidie and R. T. Waidie sons of John Waidie, ex M. P. for Halton, left a week ago for Europe, and will spend the winter in Egypt.

The extension of the electric light system came out for debate at Council meeting Monday. It was thought in order to cover the corporation completely, some eight additional lamps are necessary. It is proposed, owing to the many trees there, to take the goose neck lamps off Howe Avenue and hang the lamps in the centre of the street as on Mill and Main Streets.

The Council has sold the coal oil street lamps to the Village of Port Esmoiton at \$1.75 and a number of the lamp posts at 25 cents each. This will relieve the streets of fifty of the numerous posts planted here.

BACK IN 1929

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday September 12, 1929.

The employees and friends of the Storey Glove Co. held an enjoyable corn and Weiner roast and dance at Limestone on Monday evening.

With only a few minutes necessary to finish the form of Mr. A. G. Clarridge took first on Friday about noon and was completely destroyed.

W. N. Munro, barrister, of Halton County has been appointed as judge of Halton County to succeed His Honour Judge Elliott who retired.

Mr. E. J. Hassard has purchased the Matthews' residence and will remodel it into a modern store for a drug store and residence above. The store front will be extended to the street line.

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Hamilton, Eramosa on Saturday, September 14, when their only daughter, Myrtle Adelaide, was united in marriage to Earl Nelson Lambert, of Acton.

Police Magistrate H. P. Moore was elected President of the Ontario Magistrate's Association at the annual convention held at Barrie last week.

A gold nugget found in 1869 weighed 157 pounds.

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