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## EDITORIAL

### It's Easter

This is Easter Week and in addition to all its religious significance there is in this land the resurrection of the earth from the long winter, the coming to life of all growth which seems to coincide so well with the teaching of Easter.

Not always do we have high promise of spring days at Easter. Often the symbols of winter are still with us at the Eastertide and the winds are cold. As we write on Monday, April has just left a big fall of snow, but warmer weather sees it going almost as fast as it came.

It's the season of hope, of faith and justification in the glory and joy of resurrection. It's a joyous and happy time and the world of today needs renewed faith in itself, in mankind, in our provinces, our dominion and other countries. Never was suspicion and distrust more prevalent than today and never was the spirit of Easter, its suffering and its glory more needed in our every day life than in 1930.

### Life Depends on Water

We can live without house or clothing for months, we can live without food for days, but to live without water is figured in terms of hours and minutes.

It is something we seldom think about. Water is common, easily accessible, and cheap. It is cheaper than dirt, you can buy water in our cities delivered by tap to your bath and sink for about a nickel a ton, while just ordinary dirt fill costs from a dollar up, and topsoil comes at around \$10.

It is only when a crisis occurs that we realize our dependence upon water. Even then we mostly take stop-gap measures such as prohibiting the watering of lawns or shutting off the supply for a few hours a day, or, as in New York recently, going without shaving on one day a week.

With so many demands upon it, there naturally is competition between one use and another. Sometimes municipal or provincial or federal governments must step in and establish priorities. They may prohibit street washing or reduce withdrawal for electric power generating, or ration the supply to industries.

Our disregard of the importance of rainfall and water supply has become a dangerous influence in our civilization. It leads to faulty economic ideas, confuses our thinking about colonization and immigration, blinds us to the consequences of building bigger and bigger cities and leads us into wrong judgments about the location and prospects of factories.

Water is benevolent, when properly managed. It can be productive and will support prosperous communities if its flow is wisely used. Our water problems are the outcome of our efforts to adapt our physical environment to our economic and social needs, without reckoning sufficiently on nature's unchanging ways.

By drying up marshes and lakes—we have destroyed the homes and breeding grounds of useful water-fowl and fur-bearers. By clearing lake and stream banks of bushes we have exposed the water to sunshine, warming it so that it is spoiled for the best fish life. By denuding hill-sides of trees we have increased water wastage and lowered the water level in great areas, making it impossible for the roots of food plants to find moisture. By inadequate management we have run short of water flow for production of electricity, as in Ontario last year, and of water depth for navigation, as in the Lachine Canal last year.—Orangeville Banner.

### In World Competition

Recently business circles were disturbed by cheap shirts and cigarette lighters flooding the market and steps were taken to stop the dumping. There are other indications of a return of world trade which may have an effect upon our wage and hour standard.

For example, two printing presses that have been manufactured in the United States by an American Company are now made in England

and come into Canada at a lower cost to the Canadian printer. Another press that is made in Great Britain compares very favourably with a machine made in the United States and sells for \$1200 less than the American built press.

These are examples only in the printing field. In every other field similar instances could be found that are going to change our trade outlook and have an effect on our economy. Canada reached a new high in exports to the United States recently. In February 64 per cent. of Canadian exports went to the United States.

The war is over and again there is world trade. It will be well for unions to take this into consideration when making demands for pensions and other benefits. American and Canadian made cars are in competition with cars imported from England and any highway will confirm that they are popular with many motorists.

These are but signs of the times. Goods made on this continent are in world competition again. No one wants to lower the standard of living, but there are indications that we may raise it beyond the purchasing power of consumers.

### Many New Industries Located In Ontario In 1949

What does a new industry mean to an Ontario town, village or city in terms of new payroll, better schools and greater retail trade?

Part of the answer is contained in a review of the 1949 activities of the Trade and Industry Branch of the Ontario Dept. of Planning and Development which has been released by the Minister, Col. the Hon. William Griesinger.

In this review, Director F. J. Lyle discloses that his branch last year assisted in the establishment of 47 new plants, 12 in Toronto and 35 in other Ontario municipalities. Capital invested was \$33.15 millions, number of employees placed on new payrolls 5,229 and the new annual payroll estimated at \$10.5 millions.

The new industries brought Ontario a greater diversification of industry and new products ranged from cigaret lighters to Diesel-electric locomotives. An illustration of Ontario's net gain may be measured by the estimate that together these new payrolls would support an Ontario city of 21,000 persons.

In addition to gains in local retail trades, a working force of this number normally supports 14 dentists, 16 lawyers, 22 physicians and surgeons, 141 school teachers and 103 graduate nurses.

Other activities of the Trade and Industry Branch include assistance to domestic and foreign trading firms anxious to establish new business connections in Ontario, and research facilities arranged through the Ontario Research Foundation. In all this, the work of the staff at Ontario House, in London, England, is also integrated.

Expressing satisfaction with last year's accomplishments, Col. Griesinger described current and future prospects as "encouraging".

### Drunk Driving

The increasing number of drunk drivers being apprehended on the highways of the Province indicates that something extremely drastic must be done to eliminate as far as possible this menace to life and limb.

1,312 drunk drivers were convicted last year in Ontario when brought before the courts of the Province. Certainly many, many more persons than this number drove while drunk and were fortunate enough not to run a foul of the law.

Each year the number is rising steadily, and if not checked now highways will become so unsafe that the average motorist will shun driving altogether.

The indication is that some closer check must be instituted on the drivers. We do not make any suggestions as to what form this check would take, for the law enforcement officers of the Province should be able to devise some manner of eliminating this danger.

Every motorist should be willing to submit to a check at any time in order to stamp out drunk driving. It would be in their own interests of safety to do so.—Bracebridge Gazette.

### EDITORIAL NOTES

Good Friday tomorrow and Easter is here.

The Dominion budget caused little comment this year. There were few tax changes that will make any difference to the individual.

It's been sort of a hindmost winter this year with March and April providing the biggest snowfalls. We hope it doesn't run over into May and June.

We've tried it and report that No. 25 Highway is in pretty fair condition. Provided, of course, that you're able to find a suitable approach to getting on the highway proper.

Just like every other spring we can remember the low places are flooded and the accumulation of winter snow run into places where it isn't wanted by folks who put the places there in the dry season.

## Recollections of Acton

### BACK IN 1900

Taken from the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, April 5th, 1900

Knox Church has remitted \$105 as the contribution to the India Famine Fund.

Mr. J. T. Elliott has purchased from W. E. Smith his Acton property on Mill Street and John St. and Howard Ave. including the dwelling and large barn. The price paid was \$1200.

The farm belonging to the estate of the late Danforth Swackhamer Lot 32, Con. 4, Esqueping was sold by public auction on Tuesday for \$1200.

The Fire and Light Committee met on Saturday to consider the applications for the vacant position of electrician and engineer of Acton. Over 40 applications were received and they were possessed of all sorts of qualifications and requested salaries of from \$40 per month to \$900 per year.

The rein protector recently patented and put on the market by Mr. James Matthews is rapidly growing in favour and is very likely to be in large demand. The need for such an article, especially by lady drivers, is very apparent.

Mr. John Davidson, son of C. Davidson, Esq., left on Friday to take a situation as operator at the G.T.H. station at Caledonia.

Mr. John Chisholm, Jr. and Mr. Thos. Hamilton leave this morning for Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., where good situations as carpenters await them.

### BACK IN 1930

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, April 3, 1930

The dust is blowing again on the streets and the snow banks are gradually disappearing.

Some maple syrup of excellent quality has been marketed. The ruling price is \$2.50 per gallon.

Mr. David Carnahan received word this week of the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. Alex Carnahan at Grandview, Manitoba. His death occurred just two weeks after the death of his brother, David, here.

Mr. M. Pallant, of the Maple Leaf Economy Store, has leased the store now occupied by Mr. E. J. Haasard and will remove to these larger premises on May 1st.

There was a surplus of nearly \$1500 in the thirteenth power bill received from the Ontario Commission. This amount was applied on the power bill for the current month.

Inspector J. M. Denyes, of Halton Public Schools, met the members of the Board of Education, Board of Health and Reeve and Councilors on Tuesday and addressed them on the advisability of securing a school nurse.

### DIED

McNABB—At Guelph, on Monday, March 31, 1930 Margaret Smith, widow of the late Archibald McNabb, aged 93 years.

THOMPSON—At the General Hospital on Thursday, March 27th, 1930, Margaret Arthur, beloved wife of John Thompson, Acton.

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