

BALLINAFAD

Mrs. McKay Host W.M.S. April Meet

The W.M.S. met at the home of Mrs. A. McKay for their April meeting. The theme for the worship service and topic combined was "Easter gave us the Bible." Through all the centuries of Christian history the Bible has been the principal channel of grace through which the world has come to know its Saviour. The Bible is good news. Plans were made for gathering in the supplies and packing the bale. Mrs. McKay led in a Bible quiz and the roll call was answered by telling something of a tree mentioned in the Bible.

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Eastern Canada Storages Filled to Capacity

Storage stocks of pork on April 1st totalled 31,764,000 pounds, which is nearly 10 million pounds higher than the storage stocks on April 1st a year ago. In addition, we have some 15 million pounds of canned pork available for consumption. This 15 million pounds of canned pork is the equivalent of 20 million pounds of domestic cuts, so that actually on April 1st our surplus of pork products was approximately 50 million pounds. According to W. P. Watson, Ontario Livestock Commissioner, all storages in Eastern Canada on April 30th were filled to capacity with pork and poultry and no export outlets for beef or pork appeared to be in sight. We understand that the Dominion Government dispatched two of its senior officials to the Old Country about mid-April in the hope they might be able to negotiate a deal for beef or pork or both. Until the most recently announced outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease about two weeks ago officials were hopeful that the embargo would be lifted in September. This most recent outbreak would seem to eliminate any such possibility. If the embargo remains in effect after September, Canadian cattlemen will be faced with a much greater crisis than at present. Canada, according to Mr. Watson, has a surplus of about 400,000 head, hence turning more cattle on grass is simply postponing the marketing date.

If the American market is available again before the end of the grazing season, cattle owners who turn their cattle on grass have more than an even chance of profiting thereby. If the embargo is not lifted, an exceptionally large number of cattle will have to be marketed in Canada next fall. While the producer is guaranteed a floor, it does not necessarily follow that it will be at the present figure. It is not likely to be higher and it could be lower.

When a Floor is Not a Floor

About a month ago the Federal Government announced its intention of establishing a floor price for cattle. It will be recalled that the floor established was \$25. per cwt. for good cattle at Toronto, with appropriate differentials for other grades and markets. This floor would be applicable for the months of April, May and June, and would be reviewed thereafter, with the price for each succeeding month announced 30 days in advance of the month when it would apply. It was further announced that the Government would maintain a floor price for as long as the present U.S. embargo was in effect. However, one of the "jokers" in the picture is that the Government cannot pass regulations making it an offence for any person to buy below the floor as such action would be construed as price fixing—a practice declared illegal by statutes at the last session of parliament. The only obvious alternative was for the Government to authorize the Prices Support Board to offer to purchase any or all beef at prices consistent with the floors for the various grades of cattle. In so far as we can ascertain the Board is prepared to carry out its responsibilities in this regard, but is powerless to act because of the lack of storage space or an export outlet for any beef that it might acquire. Until some relief, by way of more storage space or an export outlet, can be found, officials of both Federal and Provincial governments are urging producers to market only finished cattle, so that our markets will not be unduly depressed by large number of thin animals.

Liquid Fertilizers Again in the Public Eye

In recent weeks, salesmen have again been making farm to farm visits attempting to sell liquid fertilizers. We have no idea how many of our farmer friends "fell" for the smooth sales talk. In view of this high pressure campaign it is of interest to note a recent release by the Advisory Fertilizer Board of Ontario. The statement of the Board is as follows: "While liquid fertilizers may be very effective for house plants, greenhouses, intensive garden production, or side dressing, it does not give significant increases in yields or germination of field crops and is not recommended for these latter crops." This statement is based on the results of tests which were carried out by the Field Husbandry Department at the Ontario Agricultural College over the past two years. The Board also states that the results of the Guelph tests are in harmony with those reported by the Experimental Farms Service, and in view of the results, have agreed that no further experimental work on seed treatment with liquid fertilizer would need to be conducted. For those who wish to use liquid fertilizers for house plants, side dressings, etc., may we suggest that they secure a copy of Bulletin No. 463, "Soil Management and Fertilizer Use." In this bulletin will be found recommendations for the making and use of such fertilizer solutions. Copies of the bulletin can be obtained at the Milton office of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

Making Full Use Of Family Allowances

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"I AM NOT RACING YOU" ENGINEER EXPLAINS TO SPEEDY MOTORISTS

By Joe Bell in the Missouri-Pacific Line Magazine

I am a locomotive engineer on one of the leading trunk railway systems of this country. I operate both steam and Diesel locomotives in both fast and local passenger service.

Let me say to the train racers where the highway parallels the railway, "I am not racing you." I am making a speed bet for me by company rules and schedules.

I make high speed because the public demands it and the railway requires it of me. It is not of my choosing.

You are driving at a high rate of speed, but you must expect, because of the thrill you get and it affords you something to tell about at the next service station, cafe, hotel lobby or beer joint at which you may stop.

I have a good roadbed, heavy ballast and heavy steel rails, all on a bed of soft earth. My way is lined with the latest and most efficient electric automobile block signals which tell me the way is clear, they warn me and give me plenty of time and space in which to reduce speed or bring my train to a stop.

They give me the location and movement of any other trains for miles ahead, in order that I may govern the movement of my train accordingly.

I know personally most of the engineers on the other trains, and I know that, in order to remain in the service, all of them are periodically closely examined on operating rules and machinery; also, that they must undergo a physical examination covering vision, hearing and color perception at regular intervals.

When I am to meet or pass a train, I know by block signals and rules just what the other man is going to do and vice versa. Yet, in spite of all this, we do have some accidents.

Now, you who drive, don't race a train, for you have no private right of way and, in many cases, you know little or nothing of the condition of the highway. You have no signals to tell you the location of other cars or trucks—one can pop out in front of you anywhere, any time, without any warning at all.

You haven't the least idea who is driving the cars coming toward you or moving around you; nothing at all. Tell you whether it is man, woman or child, a cripple, a drunk, a fool, a halfwit or a normal person.

AUCTION SALE

Antique and Modern Household Furniture, Carpenter Tools, etc. The undersigned have received instructions from

MISS MAY ORR To sell by public auction at the late Andrew Orr's farm, lot 11, con. 10 north side Township of Trafalgar, on

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FURNITURE—Chesterfield and 2 chairs to match, upholstered in Brocade; Chesterfield and 2 chairs to match, upholstered in rose finish; large upholstered rocking chair; 2 occasional chairs finished in horsehair; large wicker chair; settee; 2 chairs and family altar chest; 2 chairs; studio couch; large chest of drawers; small chest of drawers; end table; fancy square parlor table; 3 Wilton rug, 9 ft. x 6 1/2 ft.; Axminster rug, 9 ft. x 12 ft.; Axminster rug, 9 ft. x 9 ft.; Congoleum rug, 9 ft. x 9 ft.; 2 small rugs; several plain rockers; 6 cane bottom chairs; odd chairs and rockers; fernery; very large table with 6 chairs to match; round extension table; odd extension table; sideboard; large glass china cabinet; modern china cabinet; hall rack; secretary and stool; erokinole board; victrol; large number of records; Raymond sewing machine; 2 eight day clocks; victrol cabinet radio; 4 toilet sets; Royal vacuum sweeper with attachments; walnut finish modern size bed with coil spring mattress and springs; 2 wood bedroom suites with coil spring mattresses and springs; 2 sets of 3, size 12 with new mattress and spring; electric heater; white steel bed, spring and mattress; several dressers; several wash stands; Acme-C steel range, like new; oil lamp; small cook stove; coal heater; range; 3 burner; electric bridge lamp; electric floor lamp; dash churn; Coleman lantern; butter bowl; and ladle; electric fan; Beatty electric toaster; electric washer with tubs and stands; candle molds; bed spreads; large assortment of good wool blankets; sheets; pillows; comforters; some fancy work; hooked rugs; linens; drapes; curtains; blinds; mirrors; picture frames; mottoes; some oil paintings; almost complete dinner set of dishes, 2 tea sets; everyday dishes; odd dishes, including pitchers, platters, fancy cups, glass silverware and cooking utensils. This is an exceptionally well cared for and clean offering.

TOOLS—Several hand saws; hammers; planes; levels; auger set of 13 bits; tool chest; extension ladder 35 ft.; 2 step ladders; power lawn mower; extension cord and high 50 ft. steel tool chest with large assortment of wrenches; large eastern pump with 1 1/2" of 2" pipe; set of heavy 600x16 car chains; new grease gun for Ford tractor; other small articles.

TERMS—Cash settlement on day of sale. Nothing to be removed until settled for. No reserve as farm is sold and the proceeds is given up to the bidding.

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son. You see them coming or moving and nothing but your guess tells you what they are going to do or that they even see your car. My passengers are strangers to me. I doubt if I ever saw one of them. They climb into their berths and go to sleep, confident of their safety. Now, about the passengers. They are not strangers to you, in most cases. They are those whom you know and love; or others who are close to you. Remember, they are depending on you to drive safely. I hope you will afford them the same protection which I give to a number of strangers—they are due it.

To the drivers who try to beat the train over the crossing, I have this to say. Don't do it. For a fast passenger train to clear, you would have to wait only eight to 12 seconds and for a long freight train to go by only 50 to 80 seconds. Professional gamblers figure largely in odds.

If you try to beat a train over a crossing, you are betting eternity against those few seconds of time you might save. Eternity is a long time and seconds and minutes are no wrinkles upon its brow.

Not many months ago there lay at a railroad crossing the terribly mangled and almost unrecognizable body of a young man.

About six seconds before that I could see the young man at the wheel, with others in the car with him. All living, breathing, normal. He raced his car to beat my train over the crossing, disregarding the mixed crossing signals and the warning blasts of the whistle, the bell, a straight beam and a swinging headlight shining brightly.

In about two seconds, I did all that 31 years of training had taught me to do to avoid striking the car, but it was impossible.

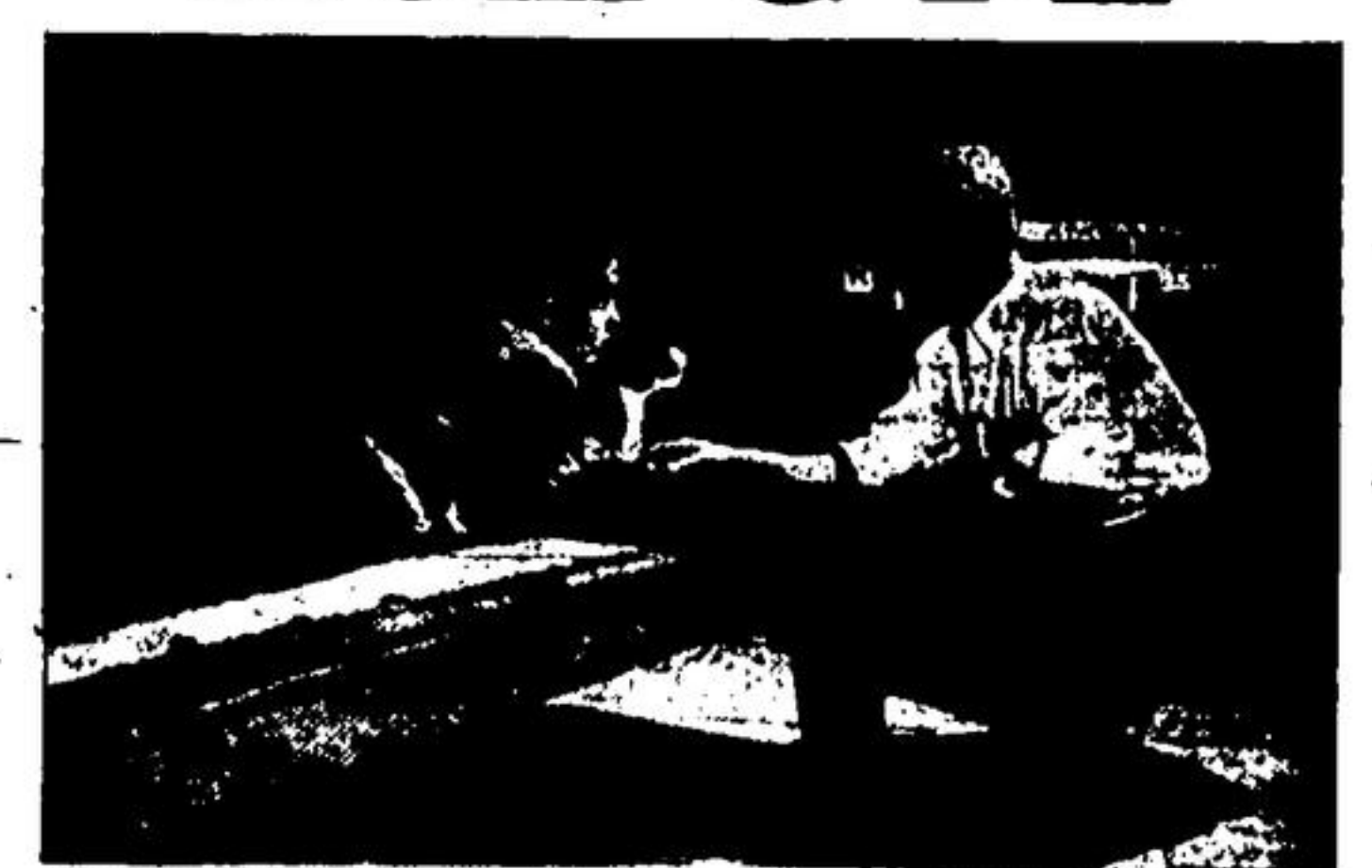
Modern mechanical engineering has given us the most modern and powerful electric brakes for our trains and engines, but it is impossible to stop an 800 to 1,200 ton train moving 75 miles per hour in less than several thousand feet.

We can't stop in time to avoid crossing accidents, but, Mr. Car Driver, you can. And you would if you had seen the broken bones, the torn flesh and the blood-soaked concrete that many of our engineers have seen.

You still have a set of brains in your head—use them.

Though we seldom think of Abraham Lincoln without his beard, he wore it only four years of his life, says Hertha Paul in the Reader's Digest. And probably he never would have grown a beard at all had he not been urged to by an eleven-year-old girl in Westfield, N.Y.

Picture News from C-I-L

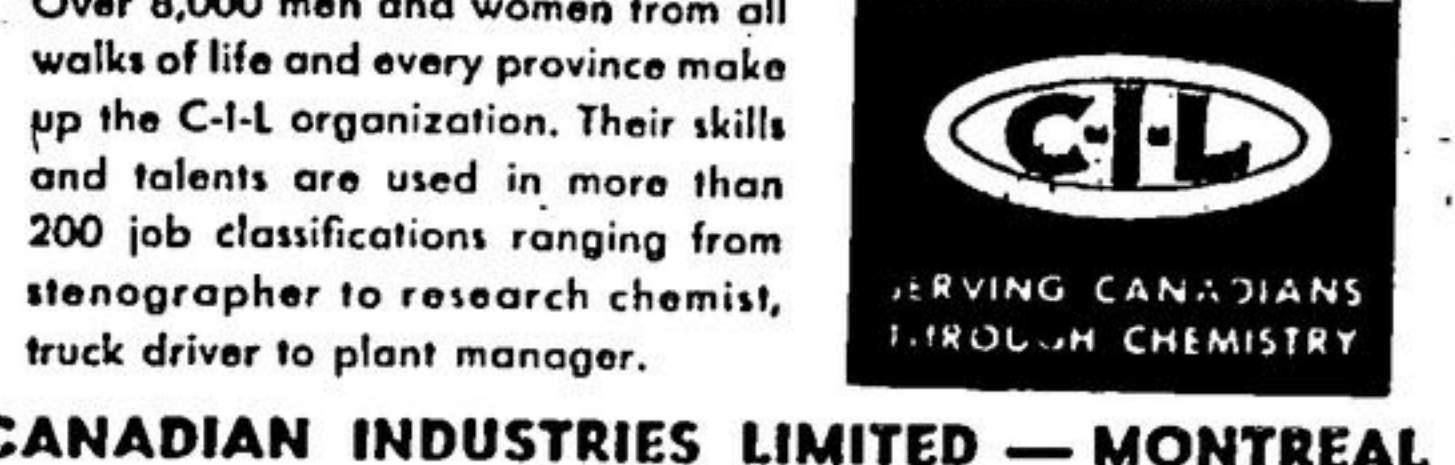


"PAPER PUNCHING" is target shooters' name for their sport, now attracting more and more fans every year. This young parkman, who may someday compete in the National Shooting Matches at Ottawa gets a few tips from an old hand. Shooting enthusiasts say "Get 'em young" believe that boys should be carefully trained in the correct handling of firearms.



CONGRATULATIONS, Miss Marguerite Gignac. The happy young singer is this year's winning contestant on "C-I-L Singing Stars of Tomorrow". This popular radio program gives young Canadian singers the chance to be heard by thousands, and to compete for C-I-L musical awards worth over \$3,000. QUIZ PICTURE of the week is this strange object. Insect? Driftwood? No, but if you're a farmer, you should recognize it! It's a wheat seedling with a destructive fungus growth. Farmers now apply modern disinfectants like "Ceresan M" to protect grains against many seed and soil-borne diseases.

Did you know? Over 8,000 men and women from all walks of life and every province make up the C-I-L organization. Their skills and talents are used in more than 200 job classifications ranging from stenographer to research chemist, truck driver to plant manager.



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