

# EDITORIAL

## Not Every Year

Good to see that the paving job on our streets is completed. Perhaps we should say re-paving. But no matter what it is called the roadway is again smooth and from our recent travels we believe it would be quite reasonable to say we have the best roadway in the province. Last year when the paving job was done that claim seemed only logical. But something happened to that smooth surface during the winter and when winter's accumulation of snow and ice went away part of the nice smooth road surface also disappeared.

Fortunately contractors had done the job who were prepared to back up their guarantee of satisfactory workmanship and there was little difficulty in arranging for a new surface. It's not every town that gets a new roadway each year and it's not liable to happen again here for some time. We could name many towns that require new road surfaces on their main thoroughfares but we know too that tax rates must be carefully guarded in these days of many municipal needs. We sincerely hope that the new surface just completed will prove satisfactory because in all probability it will be some years before we will see another new roadway. So we'll have to do our best to make it last this time.

## Diversion and Routine

We doubt the reliability of that old saying, "that the best part of a visit is getting back home." We're ready to admit that it's nice to be home again but several days away from the office and the necessity of getting down to thinking of subjects of interest in the community has its handicaps.

Last week we toured for two days with Halton County farmers, spent Wednesday and part of Thursday at home and went to the annual convention of the weekly newspapers of Ontario and Quebec at Wigwagan Lodge in Muskoka. It's just a little difficult to get our thinking straightened out. Besides that we haven't been reading the daily papers very thoroughly and definitely our exchanges haven't had any perusal. We wouldn't want to bore our readers with more travel writing again this week but when one spends most of the previous week in travelling our dilemma can be appreciated. Yes, it's good to get back home again, but it does take some adjusting to get back into the routine again.

## One Flag

We've often wondered why the flag of the United States is so prominently displayed in Canada. Go to summer resorts, convention halls and very often service clubs in Canada, and you'll find the two flags side by side. It's perhaps done as a friendly gesture to our American cousins, but unfortunately you'll never see a Canadian ensign or a Union Jack to welcome the Canadian visitor south of the border.

We think it's a cheap way of showing friendship and attracting attention and we don't believe our American friends expect to see their flag when they come to Canada any more than we expect to see the red ensign flown in the United States.

Canada is a nation and, of course, deserves a distinctive flag of its own. Until such time as the Canadian government gets around to the task of adopting a distinctive flag the Union Jack or the red ensign with the Jack in the corner will suffice, and let's make it the only flag flown in Canada. It's small wonder the American senators get mistaken ideas about Canada when we go to such measures as to place their flag in equal prominence with our own. There are many ways of showing a welcome to our American visitors without using flags to wave before them.

## The Joy of Youth

Schools are finished this week and the children are excited over the summer vacation. In these days of hurried travel and the advantage many families have in going to summer places where the bathing facilities are not familiar, there are many dangers lurking which can mar the summer for the whole family.

Unfortunately, it usually takes some disaster to make people aware of danger which exists alongside us throughout every hour of every day.

Life, in itself, is the supreme possession. To parents, however, what can it mean if through their own lack of supervision that precious thing is taken from a child?

Parents should at all times take the greatest care of youngsters. It is the duty of every man and woman to look after our young people. If a child, any child, is seen playing in any particular place where there could be possible danger, it is up to all of us to give a warning. That warning, which will only take very little of our time to give, might mean the difference between that child's life or death.

It's a grave responsibility and it rests upon the shoulders of every member of the community — particularly on those of parents. Any negligence which places a child without the bounds of necessary supervision, even for a very brief period of time, may be fatal.

Let's have a joyous summertime but let us all do our part to protect the children from the dangers which are so obvious to some of us who are older and more experienced.

## Tough Job

Official grading of tourist establishments, as is now being attempted in four provinces, will be quite a job, thinks The Financial Post. It says:

"Even with such tangible things as eggs, butter, lumber, and wheat, grading has some disadvantages and limitations. There is bound to be a tendency to bring quality down to official requirements rather than to push it higher. And when we come to intangibles like services, which bulk so largely in the tourist business, the difficulties increase.

"A great deal will depend on the individual preferences of the tourist. Some people may want a quiet place, others would find it boring. Some may want so-called plain cooking, others will be disappointed without frills. Some will expect showers, television, ticker-tapes, steam heat and a whole lot of other things. Hardy souls may crave merely a camp cot or a sleeping bag. And what about scenery, climate and geography? What government inspector can hope to put a yardstick on these?

"We must still rely on education, competition and training to improve our tourist accommodation. An official sign over the front door will not mean very much unless there is some real intelligence and ability behind it."

## When Teachers Play Truant

It's the eastern MP's who skip Parliament most argues the Calgary Herald. "Whether representing an Ontario or Quebec constituency is a more arduous job than representing a western riding, or whether Easterners get tired more easily, we do not know, but it is the eastern MP's who seem to find the over-long week-end essential to their well-being. They can also cover their tracks more easily. The drill is to get your name into Hansard early Friday afternoon, even if you just say 'Boo' to the Speaker, and then dash to the railway station. Then you gallop into the House just before adjournment late Monday night and say 'Boo' again, and again get this deathless remark into Hansard. There you are. The record says you were in the House both Friday and Monday, when in fact you were playing hockey in Toronto or Montreal. The train schedules are very cooperative. Time and geography militate against western MP's. Maybe it's time we put bear traps under each desk."

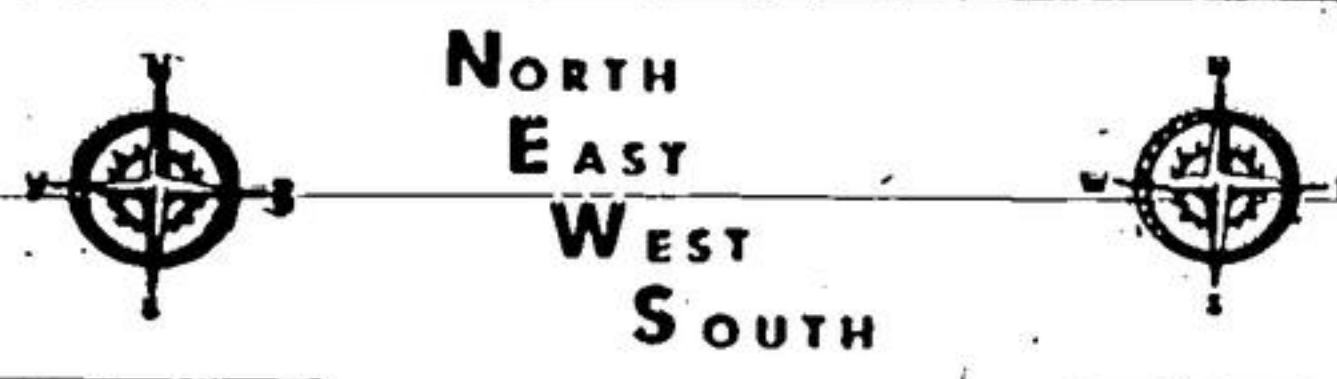
## Editorial Notes

If you think traffic conditions crossing the highway on week-ends are serious in your community pity the folks in Bowmanville where it is reported local motorists and pedestrians cannot cross the main artery at certain times from Friday afternoon until Sunday evenings.

Decentralization of new industry is now a reality and a growing movement in Ontario, reports The Financial Post in surveying an Ontario government report. Of 92 new industries coming to the province last year, 67 are outside the Greater Toronto area. This compares with 16 out of 47 outside the area in 1949. Of the 92 new industries, 32 are companies originating in the U.S., nine are British, four European, one Australian, 46 Canadian.



"Certainly I'm a taxpayer! That's how I got this condition!"



## Privacy for Murderer?

One of the school children who inspected the county jail when a guest of county council last month, was quoted in an essay as saying he'd prefer the death cell reserved for murderers as it was bigger and more private.

The essay, by Elizabeth Clarkson, of Port Nelson, was awarded first prize of \$10.

## Town Manager

Applications for the position of town manager for Oakville will be advertised for immediately. The hiring of a town manager was approved by ratepayers at last December's election.

## Flute or French?

A new course in instrumental music will be on the curriculum of Oakville - Trafalgar high school come the fall. The new course will be optional — but who wouldn't rather tinkle a flute than conjuggle or find the co-efficient? Don't know just what the choice is between, though.

## Trafalgar Snubbed

Trafalgar has been snubbed by the Ford plant. The sign at the plant bears the name of Oakville, with a mention of the township where the plant is exclusively located. Complain the reeve, "They don't see fit to put Trafalgar on the sign. If we have a township good enough for them to build in, we should have our name on the sign. The company should make the name, 'Ford of Trafalgar' or at least 'Ford of Trafalgar and Oakville.' I take exception to that sign."

The township clerk was instructed to write to the Ford plant to remind them just where they stand — in Trafalgar!

## Suggestion Follows Death

Notice in the Georgetown Herald a letter to the editor from the president of the Georgetown Lions Club saying, "Let's have a swimming pool." Prime reason for the letter was, as you likely know, the tragic drowning of six year old James Keith Ellison in the river on June 14. The kindergarten pupil was playing on the bridge at the dam and somehow fell in.

The lad was brought to the surface after ten minutes of diving. The Acton fire brigade's resuscitator was rushed to Georgetown but nothing could be done.

## Of Acton Interest

A couple of interesting items from the Actonian's point of view are found in last week's Georgetown Herald. "Plenty of interest in the B-Hive lacrosse team in Acton which is composed largely of former Norval and Brampton players. Most of the players live in this district, and many of the 800 fans who saw the opening game Saturday night were from here." And then Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelson are spending the summer at Morton Grove, a suburb of Chicago, while Mr. Nelson works with his old firm Baxter Laboratories." Mr. Nelson was formerly with Baxters here in Acton. He moved to Georgetown after his marriage and has just completed his first year at Osgoode Hall in Toronto.

# AT THE Churches

## UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

Acton, Ontario  
A FRIENDLY CHURCH  
Rev. E. A. Curvey, B.A., B.D., Minister  
Parsonage—29 Bower Avenue  
Phone 60

Miss O. M. Lampard, A.T.C.M., Organist and Choir Leader

SUNDAY, JUNE 29th, 1952  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School. For good character development.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning worship. Subject: "Things which cannot be shaken." (Continued)  
7:00 p.m.—Evening worship in St. Alban's Church. The Rev. Price, speaker.

Thought for the Week  
"Educate men without religion, and you make them but clever devils." (Duke of Wellington)

## ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH

(Anglican)  
Rev. Ralph E. Price, B.A., B.D. Rector

Trinity III  
St. Peter, Apostle and Martyr  
SUNDAY, JUNE 29th, 1952  
10:00 a.m.—Church School.

11:15 a.m.—Beginner's Class.  
11:15 a.m.—Matins, Litany and Sermon.  
7:00 p.m.—Shortened Evensong and Address Friends of other Acton churches are welcomed to this service.  
3:30 p.m. Sunday, June 29.—Outdoor service at Appleby College near Oakville. All welcome!

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA

KNOX CHURCH, ACTON  
REV. ROBERT H. ARMSTRONG  
M.A., B.D., Minister

SUNDAY, JUNE 29th, 1952  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.—Rev. Alex Calder, B.A., B.D.

12:15 p.m.—Bible Class.  
7:00 p.m.—Service in St. Alban's Church. June 30-July 4—9:00-11:30. Daily Vacation Bible School. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." A warm welcome awaits you.

## BAPTIST CHURCH ACTON

Dwight L. Patterson, Pastor  
Parsonage—115 Bower Ave.  
Phone 2067.

Thursday, June 26—Prayer meeting and Bible study in 1st John at 8:30 p.m.

Friday, June 27—Young People's meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Reid.

SUNDAY, JUNE 29th, 1952  
10:30 a.m.—Sunday School with classes for all ages.  
11:30 a.m.—Doors or Hearers Only.  
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service.

## BETHEL BAPTIST MISSION

John Jones, Pastor  
Y.M.C.A. BUILDING  
Side Entrance

SUNDAY, JUNE 29th, 1952  
10:00 a.m.—Bible School  
11:00 a.m.—Morning worship service.

7:30 p.m.—"Only one life, 'twill soon be past" "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment."

Missing persons reported to the police in Canada in 1950 totalled 9,921, an average of about 28 persons a day; in that year police located 8,820 missing persons.

## DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

BETHEL BAPTIST MISSION  
JULY 7TH TO 18TH  
for all boys and girls of school age  
BIBLE RIGHT S TORING

## THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER



### Back in 1902

From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, June 26th, 1902

London, June 24 — Sir Francis Knollys, the King's private secretary, has issued the following medical announcement: "The King is suffering from diphtheria. His condition on Saturday was satisfactory and it was hoped that with care His Majesty would be able to go through the Coronation ceremony. On Monday evening a recrudescence became manifest, rendering a surgical operation necessary today."

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### Back in 1932

From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, June 23rd, 1932

Acton adopts daylight saving time on Saturday night.

The entrance exams are mixing in Halton this year, and the students are not sorry.

A number of farmers are attending the Farm and Home week at the O.A.C. at Guelph, this week.

The Halton Presbyterial Eastern section rally of the Women's Missionary Society was held in Acton United Church. Ten auxiliaries responded to roll call and gave splendid reports. Mrs. C. H. Crowe, president of the Dominion Board gave an inspiring address.

Ebenezer Centennial provided a great gathering of visitors. Former residents of Nassagaweya visited at the Old Home Church. Splendid discourses were given by Rev. Dr. T. A. Moore, of Toronto. On Monday there was a program of sports and entertainment on Monday evening. The pastor, Rev. M. C. Gaudier, Rev. G. I. Stephenson of Lions' Head and Rev. John Little, of Rockwood, assisted in these services.

In the first Western Ontario Tennis League competition held at Milton the Acton ladies lost to Milton but in the men's events Acton defeated Milton.

RYDER—At Flint, Mich., on Sunday, June 12, 1932, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Storey Dryden, a son.

MARRIED  
RYDER-SIMPSON—At the Presbyterian Manse, Acton, on Saturday June 18, 1932, by Rev. H. L. Bennie, M.A., Hilda Edith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Simpson, to Mr. Edward Glen Ryder, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Ryder, of Acton.

LIGHT FOOT BURNER  
If grandpa only had known about this, he would have been easy. The Financial Post describes a new light single bottom, two-way mouldboard plow which permits contour plowing and the turning of furrows uphill. And it can be raised and lowered hydraulically by finger tip controls.

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