

EDITORIAL

Election Time Again

Municipal nominations and elections will be with us in the weeks immediately ahead. We haven't heard much comment but usually the municipal affairs come to the forefront just at nomination time although they may simmer long after.

Nomination night will be on Friday, November 21. It is the ratepayers' opportunity to hold open forum on the affairs of their municipality. It is a time for constructive criticism; a time when questions may be asked and when a word of appreciation may be expressed. Every citizen should attend nomination meeting. Somewhere in our reading we came across this bit, which we pass on.

"In nominating candidates for council, and the other civic offices, the electors should bear in mind certain factors which are applicable in all elections, and at all levels of government. A nominator should ask himself (or herself):

"Will this person represent the town at large, or will he (or she) narrowly concentrate on the affairs of his own bailiwick?"

"Is he a person of good character and high principles?"

"Is he the type of person who would use public office merely to promote his own interests, or is he truly public spirited?"

"Has he an adequate grasp of the complex problems of present-day municipal administration?"

"Has he sufficient free time to devote to the numerous committee meetings and special sessions which council business demands?"

There is usually plenty of room at the top because some of those who get there go to sleep and fall off. —Wellman Magazine.
If a man does only what is required of him, he is a slave. The moment he does more, he is a free man. —Farm Journal.

We Trust Each Other

One never knows when the editorial opinion will come up for comment. Consequently we were a bit surprised to find an editorial we had written in September getting attention on the Neighborly News on Sunday morning. Perhaps some of our readers will have difficulty in recalling the item, also. On checking our files we found we made comment on the make-up of the Sunday morning newscast from the weekly newspapers of Ontario and Quebec. It was our expressed opinion that while the items in this radio program were of human interest they were not the important things that happened in those places. We were outside the cities. Frankly, we appreciated the comment made by our good friend, Don Fairbairn, on Sunday morning.

We do not, however, anticipate his concluding challenge to take over the broadcast some time in January when he will be away for a couple of weeks and we don't remember what we planned to be away (which is always the weakness of a spoken article over that which is written or printed). But we never turn down a dare, even if it did seem best to do so. Then too, Don Fairbairn has been very kind to us and it was only last New Year that we assisted him in making contacts for a New Year's broadcast from a community outside the city.

With this all in mind we will make contact again and endeavor to arrange one of the broadcasts of Neighborly News on the Sunday that Don Fairbairn is away in January. Most any other month would have been better because every weekly editor knows what a dearth of local news there is after the Christmas holidays.

We make a stipulation, however, with our commitment. If the broadcaster thinks it would be nice to have a holiday and get a different slant on his program, it is only courtesy on our part that we should reciprocate and take a holiday and offer a new viewpoint in our editorial columns. So we agree to the challenge provided that for one week Don Fairbairn will write our editorial columns. He trusts us and we trust him regarding commercials and opinions.

A youngster whose love of history was not any too intense expressed his opinion on the cover of his history book: "In case of fire, please throw this in."

The Producers' Portion

A report on the farmer's share of money paid by consumers for food in 1951 has been issued in Canada, according to the International Federation of Agricultural Producers.

The report is as follows:
Out of every dollar spent for bread, the wheat producer gets 15 cents.

Out of every dollar spent for beef, the producer gets 68.2 cents.

Out of every dollar spent for eggs, the producer gets 76.8 cents.

Out of every dollar spent for fluid milk, the producer gets 51.7 cents.

Out of every dollar spent for creamery butter, the producer gets 72.3 cents.

Out of every dollar spent for cheese, the producer gets 34.5 cents.

Out of every dollar spent for canned tomatoes, the producer gets 16.9 cents.

Most people like hard work, says Franklin P. Jones, particularly if they are paying for it.

The Path Clears

It will be a source of general satisfaction for those in the North Halton High School District to learn that after several years a building program for secondary school education has found unanimous approval of all five municipalities. The need has been apparent to all who have given thought and study to the problem for some time. The news columns the past two weeks have told the story of the steps which have led to the present solution. School Board and municipal councils have sold the problem at their level and action only awaits approval of Departments of the provincial government.

The program outlined by the Board may not be all that is desired, but it is apparently felt that it is all that can be afforded. There can be no quarrel with those who want economy in public expenditure.

There have had to be some concessions on the part of all concerned. All three towns are taking a larger share of the cost with acceptance of the county equalized assessment figures and the townships have gained this amount. The difference is not a great deal in any instance and in view of the fact that all the municipalities of North Halton are content to use these figures as a basis for county assessment, it is only reasonable that they should be used for school assessment.

It is the hope of all that the way is now cleared for an adequate building program in the district. The stumbling blocks are getting fewer and possibly next week the remaining hurdles can be taken and the start made immediately that will see building operations commence early next year.

There is little pleasure in the world that is true and sincere beside the pleasure of doing our duty and doing good. I am sure no other is comparable to this.—Tillotson.

Quiet, Please

Perhaps it's because of our age, or maybe on account of the fact that we have always been accustomed to some quiet periods for reading and reflection. We can sympathize therefore with Frank P. Walsh, an electrician living in Long Island, who fired a bullet into his television set because, as he told police afterwards, he couldn't stand the noise any longer.

We don't know why this man took it out on his television set. Perhaps it was the last straw. But we often wonder if many of our illnesses are not attributable to the constant distractions which surround us continually. In the daytime and at night there are the traffic noises in various localities. In the home the radios or other means of entertainment are often kept going and conversations must be raised to shout out the counter noise.

Perhaps Mr. Walsh's solution to his distraction was the best way of making his provocation known. In this case no lives were lost and the decision can be made on whether repairs are best or if the machine should be left in its wounded condition. We've seen some programs in which it would give real satisfaction to shoot back.



Papers Within Papers

In Georgetown, the high school students take over a section of the weekly paper every few weeks to edit their own news, with editorials and all. In Oakville, the Ford Motor Company of Canada has its own quarter-page paper in the Oakville weeklies, normally giving the news at the huge plant.

Early or Late?
Heard the post week of straw-bales being picked in the garden of an Esqueung township home.

Dial Control for Bronze
Plans have been completed for the conversion of the Bronze phone exchange to dial operation in the spring, 1954.

An Oakville paper reports that "when building operations are completed next spring, the complicated task of installing the dial switching equipment and associated apparatus will begin. Installing of the equipment, which must be engineered and built to suit telephone needs of Bronze, is a complicated process, requiring the individual soldering of thousands of connections."

Snow Last Year
The Georgetown Herald, which always has an eye open for the weather reported last week that "October was certainly a very dry month. The total rainfall was only .67 of an inch, being about two inches below normal. This time last year we had 6 1/2 inches of snow."

Inspiration in Halton
Very interesting: from the Oakville Trafalgar Journal. "A Russian-born Irishman, who has spent 18 years preserving and constructing period architecture in English and Irish cities, arrived in Montreal earlier this week aboard

the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of France enroute to Oakville, where he hopes to continue his almost exclusive business of building new 'old' homes.

"Bayanz I. Giltsoff, who left Russia after the revolution to settle in Ireland claims he has been fascinated by the beauty of period architecture since his childhood. In Ireland shortly before World War II, he began building homes styled from the periods which he most admires. His crowning achievement was the construction of a complete 'Old-World' village."

It is this scheme of about-facet from the trend to modern design which Giltsoff wishes to continue here in Oakville, where he believes the Canadian scene will give him fresh opportunity and inspiration to create a distinctive Canadian village on the lines of his former ventures.

A typical Giltsoff village home contains three bedrooms, living room, kitchen and bath, all of which takes roughly four months to construct. Each rafter in the homes is prepared separately and old world installations such as fireplaces and stoves are all individual, he says."

A Hint?
This story about an orator might just as well apply to writers, unfortunately!

An after-dinner speaker rolled these limp syllables over his hushed audience—"I looked up the mountains, and thought, Beautiful as you are, you will eventually crumble while my soul will go on. I looked at the ocean and thought, Mighty as you are, you will finally dry up, but not I!"

True, true . . .

FARMER'S WIFE HIRED MAN WITHOUT PAY, FORUM STATES

Farm forums are once again in action with the first topic for discussion a vital one for youth.

Rural life offers many advantages, as well as some drawbacks, while the lure of city wages is strengthened by the shortage of farm help. The first question was, "Suppose a young man asked you for advice as to whether or not he should choose farming as a life work; what points would you consider most important to stress in your reply?"

Practically all forum reports stated he must have a liking for the farm, enjoy good health and have ambition for hard work. In this mechanized age, he must have considerable knowledge of the care and operation of the farm machinery. He must have sufficient capital to start and a fair knowledge of the branch of farming he undertakes to follow, whether dairying, hogs or cattle raising.

As one forum stated, he should work for an experienced farmer to gain knowledge as well as increase his capital.

"How can the attitude of the farmer's wife affect the success or failure of the farm?" was the second question. Her wholehearted support and co-operation is needed and in this mechanized day, the ability to handle machinery. In fact, as one group says, "she needs to be the hired man without pay in order to be her husband's best help-mate." Also she must have patience without end towards men who are late for meals.

In order to attain success, a farmer needs a wife who gives encouragement, understanding and sympathy. If man is the head of

the house, the wife is the neck which turns the head, whether he should go towards success or failure.

Poet's Corner

LIKE DREAMS FULFILLED

There was about him that which made one think Of green fields . . . the look of him who learned

The worth of simple things and chose to link His life with that of furrows he had turned.

Their quiet certainty was his for he In drinking of their peace became a part

Of them, and one would know instinctively That he and soil he loved spoke heart to heart.

When years had taken toll of him at last, And he no longer took the furrow's length,

He seemed like resting acres over-cast With hoarfrost covering a latent strength—

Like seasons come and gone . . . Like dreams fulfilled, And songs of life that never can be stilled!

Inez Clark Thorson

DULL JOB

When a Sydney workman yawned during working hours and dislocated his jaw, the judge ruled that it was an industrial injury. The job, he said, was so monotonous that the worker could not help yawning.

AT THE Churches

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16th, 1952
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School, of infinite value.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship, Subject: God, Limited
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship
Beautiful autumn pictures in color, Hymns on the screen.

Thought for the Week
"We are born subjects, and to obey God is perfect liberty. He that does this shall be safe, happy and free." —Seneca

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16th, 1952
10:00 a.m.—Church School
11:00 a.m.—Divine Worship
12:15 p.m.—Bible Class
"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."
A warm welcome awaits you.

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November 16th, 1952
8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion
10:00 a.m.—Church School
11:00 a.m.—Beginners' Class
11:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist
7:00 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon
All warmly welcomed

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Friday, Nov. 14th—7:45, Young People's

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16th, 1952
10:00 a.m.—Sunday school with classes for all ages.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service

During 1952 the Canadian Pacific Railway will spend \$62,000,000 for new equipment.

THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

Back in 1902

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, November 13, 1902

The annual Plowing Match of the Halton Plowmen's Association was held on Friday last at the farm of Mr. Hector Brown near Milton. Among the judges were Jas. Main of Milton, John McQueen of Acton, John Wrigglesworth of Esqueung and Henry Robinson and William Brown of Trafalgar.

Winner of the "silver" cup, value \$30, for keeps, having won it twice in succession was Spencer Crowley. Oldest ploughman was John Adams; in and out, John Heddy; trained plough team, Chas. Jarvis; turnout, John Smith. Among the winners were A. E. McDougall, Ira Featherstone, John Waldie, Charles McGregor, and J. J. Thompson.

The Edison moving pictures which are to be exhibited at the town hall this evening are reported to be the best exhibition of the kind ever given in this country. The views of the Boer war are exceedingly interesting and should be seen by all.

Mr. Wm. Boies, who went up to Utterson, Muskoka, on a hunting excursion returned on Saturday night with a very fine deer—the first venison of the season.

Rev. Mr. Dick has been appointed to the charge of the Disciples church here. He has officiated the past two Sundays with much acceptance.

A binder left near the G.T.R. crossing on Mill Street on Halloween has been a menace to every nervous horse driven past since.

With his first prize roaster and ball-bearing pneumatic tired carriage, Mr. J. H. Matthews has the finest turnout in town.

Miss Belle Stephenson who recently made application for admission as a nurse in training at one of the Chicago hospitals, has been accepted. Miss Stephenson will leave for Chicago early in January.

Vote for prohibition on December 4th and save the boys.

Back in 1932

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, November 10, 1932

Several from Acton were called for jury duty at the Halton Fall Assizes this week.

Workmen commenced on Monday on the erection of the new factory addition at the Mason Knitting Co. plant.

The total yield of potatoes in Canada in 1932 is estimated at 69,575,000 bushels. The yield this year is 20 per cent. below that of 1931.

The commercial production of apples in Canada this year is placed at 1,157,500 barrels—a decrease of 17 per cent. compared with the 1931 crop.

The three months' course which will be held in Acton under the management of the Ontario Department of Agriculture is attracting a good deal of attention and interest.

The Parkview Athletic Club held a regular meeting in the club room on Thursday dealing with business and recreation. On Saturday afternoon six members of the club ran a road race of five miles all finishing in good time. The winner's time was thirty-three and one half minutes.

Acton Council forwarded a resolution to the Minister of Highways protesting the construction of the Middle Road in Halton as absolutely unnecessary.

The Esqueung Plowing Match was held on Tuesday on the farm of James Douglas, north of Rockwood.

DIED
DOUGHTY—At the home, Limehouse, Ontario, on Wednesday, November 9, 1932, Mary Amos, beloved wife of Robert Doughty, in her 74th year.

TV FOR CORONATION
The B.C. will set up a new medium-power television installation as a reserve at Alexandra Palace in time for the Coronation.

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