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March Forward

In Acton and the neighboring townships this year acclamations in municipal offices seem to be popular and therefore most of our municipal problems are cleared away well in advance of the holiday season. While acclamations were accorded, there was no lack of interest in evidence. The town hall in Acton saw one of the biggest crowds attending nominations in years. This was in spite of inclement weather and a very full program of other community activities on the same night.

It speaks well for our democratic way of life when citizens take an interest in their own affairs. True, that interest may take ways of showing that do not commend themselves, but such are the freedoms and individual liberties permitted in a democracy. We like to hear, too, the words of appreciation that are mingled with the criticism for those who serve in a public way.

Now the municipal offices are settled for another year. It behooves all of us to work together for the common good of the community in which we live and endeavor to improve as we pass along our way. It is well to have times of accounting each year end, but obviously all must work co-operatively if the greatest progress is to be made.

The man who originated the proverb that its better to give than to receive was probably trying to extricate a Christmas present from wrapping tape -Sunshine Magazine

Old and New

With all the controversy that has been had in this county for assessments for the past five or six years it wasn't surprising to pick up one of our exchanges from down near Ottawa and find the leading editorial dealing with the first figures given under the new assessment. There have been big increases and of course it would seem to follow there would be bigger taxes. That is to be expected in every town that is showing growth.

We aren't so enthusiastic as we were about the assessment that is gradually being made effective in Halton. We think it leaves many places for argument, but we also realize that the old system was badly in need of revision. Our criticism would be in the length of time required to make the change and in the cost of going over from the old to the new system. It was hoped too' that the new assessment would be satisfactory to all municipalities in the county. However, the fact is that the same legal procedure of appeals developed in Halton that was experienced 30 years ago. The matter is still before the court with the decision yet to come.

"The world is divided into three groups: the small group who makes things happen, the larger group who watches things happen and the multitude who never knows what happens."

The Christmas Crop

Driving along the highway the other night we saw our first loads of Christmas trees going to market. It was a cash crop of some farmer or land owner being distributed in an orderly way. The day is gone we hope when folks will go out and help themselves to these cash crops which belong to someone else.

The cutting of young evergreen trees for sale at Christmas time usually arouses a great deal of controversy. Criticism of this practice comes from those who feel that great wrong is committed each time a young tree is cut for this purpose. An understanding of why this is done should show that such criticism is unfounded.

Scotch Pine is one species used extensively in Reforestation work and has become very popular as a Christmas tree. This is a fast growing tree which bears seed prolifically and at an early age. The wood of this species is of low quality. Its best use then, is as a Christmas tree. It grows very well on some of the poorer soils being reforested throughout the province. If it will grow on such areas and provide a short term crop of Christmas trees it is logical to do so.

· Planted in stands at six to eight foot spacing, the trees develop a good overall form. When Christmas trees are cut from these stands it is recommended that a few of the poorer form trees be left to grow, serving as seed trees which will restock the area.

BUSINESS

Acton Free

Mr. Abbott Gets Help

Few Canadians disagree with Mr. Abbott' suggestion that current tax rates are too high, replies to a Financial Post question indicate.

Heading the list of suggested remedies is a Icwering of corporaion taxes from the present 50% which, it's suggested, encourages "corporate extravagance and inefficiency," discourages expansion and tends to raise prices.

Second target for suggested paring is personal income tax. Individual incentive and initiative can be penalized and purchasing power seriously affected by high rates, it's pointed out. In this category, some want broader medical expense allowances, increased dependent exemptions.

Sales and excise imposts come in for some attention in suggested reductions or removal of taxes on essential items, along with a review of outdated "luxury" classifications, The Post's sur vey shows.

There are 247,984 Old Age pensioners in Ontario, as compared with 144,197 in Quebec. We may have lost out to Quebec in Family Allowances, but we are getting it back in

Big Figures

In these days of high finance, it's interesting to find some figures that bring home the immensity of a billion. A billion dollar bills laid end to end would encircle the earth nearly four times. I you made 11 trips from New York to Miami, Florida, by car, or rail (or 14 trips by air) you would cover a distance of nearly a billion inches. A propellor on a pursuit plane travelling 300 miles per hour would turn a billion times if the Meeting in Guelph plane would cruise continuously (24 hours a day) for nearly two years. And a "billion minutes" sounds like we have months of time but it would actually carry us back to the year 45 A.D.-Peel Gazette. .

Nothing is more simple than greatness; indeed, to be simple is to be great.-Emerson.

Back in 1879

Reading in our exchanges over the week-end we came across this item in the Shelburne Econo- Mrs. Alex Near reported on one of mist where they are also having some differences of opinions on school matters and we pass it on.

"There is nothing very new about differences | Agriculture and Canadian Indus-... of opinion about school matters and school subjects. Only as far back as 1879, a select committee of the British House of Commons, making an investigation regarding "extravagant" school ex- mer Garden." Miss Mildred Wilson an oil refinery which would propenses in that year, was told by a witness: 'Geography, sir, is ruinous in its effect on the lower | "Dexter Cattle." classes. Reading, writing and arithmetic are comparatively safe, but geography invariably leads to revolution'."

According to a recent survey completed by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association it cost more than \$8,400 to give an employee a job. The survey of a fair cross-section of Canadian industry showed that in 1951 companies employing 335,560 people required \$2,827,729,000 in investments or, \$8,436 fied up in buildings, equipment, raw materials and other goods in order to provide one man with a job. \

They Shun Office

Almost 75 per cent, of the vacancies on municipal councils and boards in Manitoba this year have been filled by acclamation. That could indicate that the candidates were of outstanding ability or that total apathy beset the electorate, says The Financial Post.

Unfortunately the first theory seems doubtful because of the fact that in 34 municipal vacancies in Manitoba this year, 22 on councils and 12 on school boards, no candidates at all offered themselves.

In some elections, far too many candidates and parties have offered themselves for the sake of good and stable government.

But heaven help the country and its govern ment when no citizen or only one will come forward. Democracy cannot survive on such a nar row basis.

There is no country in the world in which everything can be provided for by the laws, or in which political institutions can prove a substitute for common sense and public mor--De Tocquerille

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EDITORIAL OFFICE TELEPHONE

There's going to be an X-ray survey in Georgetown, too-and here's one of the difficulties an organizer there found herself in: -

Initial Difficulties

Tells the Georgetown Herald "Mrs. Maurice Lunau is a busy speaker as she rounds up workers in the county for the tuberculosis drive. But she is through using the T.B. abbreviation in her speeches since the other night. 'You know, one woman said after a meeting. don't think I'll help with this the Lakeshore highway at the south

Screen Star Guest

Veteran stage and screen actress Miss Maude Eburne, who played Henrietta in the film "The Prince of Pence" was a guest at a Burlington theatre last week when the picture was shown! "After a brief stage appearance," says the Burlington Gazette, "she was presented with flowers and a birthday cake in honor of her 77th birthday. The theatre audience wished her happy birthday when all joined in the

Seeing Red

tem have you got here, anyway?" he exclaimed. "The service must be building at Elora. even worse than it is in Oakville. ear piece but no mouth piece!"

"If you really must know," ruefully mourned the prime minister, That is our direct line to the Krem-

for Korea.

of the Institute.

Vm. McIntyre,

But the Oakville-Trafalgar columnist who recorded the story says that really such stories aren't funny they just fit a cloak of humor around something very serious. He say's Flet's even bring back the good old travelling salesman stories, before we let ourselves plunge pellmell into the Red propoganda pat-

a feeling of false security . . . "

tern which concentrates on building

Reautiful Homes Doomed Many of us enjoy driving along and grounds. But, says Dr. Faludi, ring to the new subdivisions being follows: built, he said, "there will have to be more of them because people want this land." Taking the valuable land in Trafalgar south of the Dundas highway, he demonstrated that there was sufficient available undeveloped land to house five times the number of residents that people "were suggesting as the population ten years from now."

District Models

Oil paintings of nearby places are included in the display of Canadian Act, 1902?" No home is safe while night. The cause of the fire is It seems that a visitor to Bul- paintings at the Art Gallery in To- the dangerous and alluring liquor unknown. Besides some stock, a garia's prime minister was as ound- ronto at present. Both are by artist traffic continues. In the election of truck belonging to Mr. Robert ed as he examined that official's of- A. J. Casson. One is a glowing fice. "What kind of a telephone sys- autumn scene of trees "near Rockwood" and the other of an old

More pictures with a local slant-Why, your instrument there has an last week's Canadian Champion of Milton reports the model for a picture on the October 1 issue of Maclenn's was H. E. Berry of Milton. He was holding a Clydesdale mare, with a little girls and a foal.

Dublin W.I. Holds Pulverize Trees

Dublin Women's Institute held their regular monthly meeting last Thursday at the home of Mrs. C. J. Van Goozen, Albert St., Guelph, atomic energy. with a fine attendance of members and children. Mrs. L. Ferguson, the president, occupied the chair. Plans

for a work meeting in the near future at the home of Mrs. Mansell Nellis were made to make a quilt The motto, "We are nearer to God in a Garden than anywhere else on earth" was well taken by Mrs. Wm. Frank, after which the hymn "In the Garden" was sung by the ladies,

the sessions at the Kitchener Convention held recently and Mrs. R. L. Davidson gave a full! report on He foresaw the various elements

Unteresting papers were given by by overland pipelines to a "fluid-Mrs. Duncan Moffat on "Your Sum- ; rzing" unit. This would resemble, on "The Growing of Chrysanthe- cess the pulp into a host of prodmums," and Mrs. Alex Near on jucts not now made by the pulp and paper industry. An auction sale of many and | He saw the eventful use of re-

varied articles was quickly disposed | dioisotope tracers to permit scienof by Mrs. Near acting as auctioneer tists to watch how trees grow and and the funds added to the treasury | what makes them grow best. By learning which chemical elements; A bounteous lunch was served by [are most essential, the industry] the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Fergu- | will be able to encourage growth son and Mrs. McIntyre. The thanks | Thear gracers are already being of the meeting to the hostess and all used successfully on wheat farms;

Thanks to an awakened appreciation that timber resources are war. There are twice as many in not necessarily mexhaustible, the Science and Technology and, in industry is concentrating all its Arts, the increase is about 10 per organizing and scientific genius on cent. Teachers number about 3,500, more complete utilization of wood that is available.

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11 00 'a m - Divine Worship '

700 pm - Evening Worship

Atomized Wood?

Wood is the latest product t come to the attention of scientists looking for new areas to apply

Speaking recently for the Amercan Pulpwood Association, Dr Lincoln Theismeyer, president of Pulp and Paper Research Institute of Canada, said use of atomic energy and other laboratory developments may revolutionize the paper

The day may not be to far distant when mobile pulping units may go into the forests said .Dr. Theismeyer, take a whole tree -needles, twigs, branches, leave. bark and roots-and pulverize it

separate in a powerful centri-The song, "The Little Dutch Boy fuge which would blow the puls and the Little Dutch Girl" was sung.; into tank trucks or even be carried

taking part were conveyed by Mrs. in the west and in industry.

"The day is not so remote," he said, when industry will use _____ everthing--including the needles-and perhaps even the

smell."

THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

Back in 1902

From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, November 27, 1902

The Board of Education of this municipality met on Monday and for the coming year. The re-en- banners bearing the words, "Vote: gagement of principal Moore for for us and against the bar rooms the twenty-fourth continuous year, will be satisfactory to all. Only ondrive. I'm not very interested in of Halton to see the beautiful homes, change was made in the staff; Miss Minnie Holmes takes the fourth consultant to the Onkville-Trafalgar department which has been in planning board, 'the large Lake- charge of Miss Tena Currie the past shore estates are doomed." Refer- two years. The teaching staff is as

> 1st department, Thos. T. Moore, salary \$600; 2nd department, Miss treacherous for travel the past Georgina Young, salary \$300; 3rd week. department, Miss Margaret Howes, salary \$275; 4th department, Miss Fairy Lake has been quite popular Minnle Holmes, salary, \$275; 5th the past week. department, Miss Nellie Allin, salary \$275.

No sensible elector will do otherwise than to vote "Yes" on the 4th 1898 Halton voted, as it has always Airdrie was destroyed. done, for the closing of bars. The 245 votes were east; being nine more than in the plebiscite vote of 1894, when 21 women cast their

had a majority in favor of bars total expenditure would be \$70,000. were Milton. Sproat's school, Nor- The highway is only 18 feet wide val. Drumquin and Munn's corners. The court of revision for the confirmation of the engineer's report was held by council Monday, Mr. Donald McDonald protested unfair snow on the Arena roof loosened on the local improvement plan. Steps will be taken to remedy the

town." This is, however, not true to fact to-day. In conversation with Prof. Lee recently he remarked that there are more persons taking lessons in music in Acton than ever before to his knowledge.

An inch of snow yesterday, Ten thousand scholars of the had for their principal business the Toronto Sunday Schols will parade engagement of the teaching staff the streets on Saturday, carrying

Back in 1932

From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, November 24, 1932

The highways have been rather

Skating on Corporation Pond and

Three members of the Parkview Athletic Club competed in the

races at Guelph on Wednesday. Fire destroyed the barn on the of December to "Are you in favour farm of Mr. Alex. McDonald, at of bringing into force the Liquor Crewsons Corners on Monday

The County Cuncil was addresed vote then showed a majority of 22 by Mr. Waldbrok and given to in favour of prohibition. In Acton understand that a third highway would not be built but assistance was asked for in carrying out improvements on the Lakeshore highway as a relief measure. It The only places in Halton which would cost the county \$14,000 and and laying tile and filling in the ditches would insure a certain

measure of safety. Some time during last night the assessment put upon corner lots and came down on the curling rink where pavements have been built roof. Four ventilators and two chimneys were torn off and des-

.The Tuxis Square of the United Church enjoyed an evening at The remark has frequently been! Crokinole and ate a bean supper on made that "Acton is not a musical Monday evening,

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700 p.m - Evening Worship, Mov-

ing picture, Second Chance. Thought for the Week "Eye hath not seen, nor eat heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that 1 Cor. 2: 9

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All Welcome

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