

EDITORIAL

Give Thanks

Monday next is the day set apart on which Canadians give thanks for all the bounty that an all-wise Providence has bestowed. When one goes about his or her small centre of activity or travels into other sections of this great Canada of ours, we are reminded by the goodness which has been bestowed and the opportunities that are at every hand for not only the betterment of ourselves but for many people of other lands.

The 12 months that have passed since last Thanksgiving Day have been good months for all Canadians. Many from other lands have come to Canada and are this year having their first Thanksgiving Day in the new homes. Like those of us who have spent our lives here they will find Canada a good land.

In many respects Thanksgiving Day has a resemblance to the year end and the starting of a New Year. It might well be not only a time for giving thanks for the bounty we have enjoyed, but also a time for dedicating ourselves to take our part in keeping Canada greater and a willingness to share our plenty with those who have not been so well blessed.

Monday is Canada's National Thanksgiving Day—not just another holiday but a day set apart to give thanks.

An Important Week

It sometimes appears that in order to make our year orderly our calendars should not only give the minutes of the years and the days of the week but should designate the multitude of special weeks that we are asked to observe.

This is Fire Prevention Week. It's also Newspaper Week. We suppose the cause of the overlapping of two such important things in our life was occasioned by the fact that there just aren't enough weeks in the year to give one for everything. Thus the problem of anyone who would make a calendar indicative of days and events has become confused before even being undertaken.

Fire Prevention is one thing that everyone can do something about and during this week the Acton fire brigade is bringing home in many ways how you can co-operate in stopping fire losses. It has been said that the best way to keep down fire losses is to prevent fires. There has been much money spent in providing fire fighting equipment. Volunteer firemen give much time and work to putting out fires and stopping their spreading. They answer calls at all hours of the day or night and under all conditions. Often these calls would be unnecessary if we were just a little more careful in our habits; a little more tidy in maintaining our premises so that a fire did not get a start.

Fire Prevention Week is one of the most important weeks of the year. Won't you co-operate in the things that you are asked to do by your fire brigade and keep down the losses. Municipal authorities and brigades in Halton are working together in fire prevention. Individuals can do most by being conscious at all times of the need for care in preventing fires.

Perhaps we might also in this item inject a thought that Newspaper Week is also important this week. We who work on newspapers, of course, have every week newspaper week. We put in all our energy, resourcefulness and all our funds to make your newspaper a welcome and important visitor in your home every week. While a newspaper is privately owned it is perhaps the most publicly minded institution in town. Its pages each week record the history of Acton and district and the files of The Free Press give the most complete record of our town that is available. The spoken word is often forgotten or misinterpreted but the printed word remains for all of the present day and for the generations that follow, to read.

Perhaps this should have been two editorials but all will agree this is an important week. It's Fire Prevention Week and Newspaper Week.

One reason why school teachers have always been so poorly paid is that they have always had a guaranteed annual wage. And one reason for the present shortage of teachers is that few people to-day are satisfied with a guaranteed annual wage—Exchange.

No Need To Travel Far

The foliage of Ontario's countryside is taking on its autumnal tints and for the next few weeks the maples and other trees will make a blaze of glory before the leaves are shed and the winter season starts. That route with which we are so familiar between Acton and Milton rivals autumn scenery to be found anywhere. When the new highway was put through the view from the brow of the hill looking away to the south and Lake Ontario was improved.

But, of course, if you really want to revel in the glory of autumn coloring you have to leave the highways and let the back concession lines envelop you where the trees come right up to the roadside and often make an arch of gold over the roads and the ground around is a mat of golden leaves. There's no need to travel far afield to enjoy autumn glory any day for the next few weeks.

We Agree

Our big cities are far too big already, thinks The Financial Post.

Metropolitan Montreal and Toronto hold one in five Canadians, account for nearly one quarter of the country's total retail sales.

Look at the costs of concentration: Often two hours a day going to and from work. Big city pressures. Incidence of ulcers in downtown Montreal or Toronto compared with Main Street, Turtleford, Sask.

There's still a peaceful pace in the small town. The glowing promise of the morning sun, shaded if at all, by trees, not buildings. The noisy silence of an idle noon-hour. A sky overhead unperturbed by soot. Twilight on the front porch. Day's end.

These are the things the big cities will never know.

These are the things which millions of Canadians will never know. And which even memory will soon forget so long as factories insist on standing in herds instead of by themselves.

A Select Group

Perhaps you have wondered about the A.B.C. symbol which appears each week on this page. The Free Press is one of a group of 1900 newspapers on this continent belonging to the Audit Bureau of Circulations. Just as manufacturers and merchants buy and sell merchandise on the basis of known standards of grade, weight and measure, so are we prepared to tell advertisers all about our circulation.

That's why we belong to the Bureau—to give our advertisers a verified count and description of the circulation audience that they get when they buy advertising in the Acton Free Press.

There are definite standards for advertising values as well as for merchandise. We believe that newspaper advertising should be bought and sold on the basis of these standards.

Our membership in the Audit Bureau of Circulations is a protection to our advertisers and our readers.

For our advertisers, it means verified circulation information, based on universally accepted standards and practices. Since A.B.C. audits only publications with paid circulation, our membership assures advertisers that the Acton Free Press stays in business by the voluntary support of its readers.

To maintain that voluntary reader support we must demonstrate our responsiveness and responsibility to our readers. The A.B.C. audit of circulation tells both the advertiser and the editor whether our newspaper is performing a service to our readers—if the readers don't want it, neither do the advertisers.

We are just a little proud of the fact that the Free Press has carried the A.B.C. hallmark of the highest standard of circulation for over six years. Only one other paper in Halton County carries the A.B.C. insignia and guarantee of readership interest and of the 274 weekly newspapers published in Ontario only 59 have measured up to A.B.C. standards.



Mills in Town

The importance of Ontario textile towns in the economy of the province was stressed by H. R. Ginn when he addressed the annual meeting of the Canadian Woolen and Knit Goods Manufacturers Association in Toronto last week. The textile industry is the largest manufacturing industry in the province, with 284 mills and 40,000 employees, he said.

The small town nature of the textile industry is an asset he held there to be a distinct historical asset. The textile industry was established in early centres of population to fill the need for clothing and textile products. It was in fact, the first real industry in the province. Almost every community had its textile mill. Over half of Canada's primary mills are located in towns or villages of under 25,000 population.

Alle Her Ribbons

A first prize Jersey row at Milton falls contentedly at her red ribbon, tied to a fence in front of her.

Southern Population

The present population of the Oakville-Trafalgar area south of first concession north of the Dundas Highway has been established to be about 14,000. Half of these residents are concentrated in Oakville, or within 600 acres of the town.

Miss Canada of 1933

Miss Canada of 1933 is likely very grateful to all the humans who appreciate her vivacity and beauty—but she still loves animals! Cathy Archibald of British Columbia, who was chosen in Burlington as Miss Canada, is coming right back to the district—she wants to be a veterinarian. She will begin studies at the O.A.C., Guelph, in September of next year.

Kilbride and Bannockburn

One of the plowmen competing in the world championship plowing match at Cobourg this week comes from Kilbride.

10,000th Car

The ten thousandth vehicle has come off the Ford plant in Trafalgar assembly line—less than four months after the 32½ acre plant began production. About 1,500 men and women are employed there now; figures may rise as high as 5,000, we read.

Want a Fur Coat?

Some very precious rodents were on display at Georgetown fair last week. Dick Riddell, who has just recently gone into the business, displayed his chinchillas. A chinchilla cost between \$7,000 and \$12,000 in case you were thinking of it.

Lord of the Harvest

Lord of the harvest, once again we thank Thee for the ripen'd grain; For crops safe carried, sent to cheer Thy servants through another year; For all sweet holy thoughts supplied By seed-time and by harvest-tide.

At the Churches

United Church of Canada, Acton, Ontario. A FRIENDLY CHURCH. Rev. E. A. Curry, B.A., B.D., Minister. Parsonage—29 Bower Avenue. Phone 60. Miss O. M. Lampard, A.T.C.M., Organist and Choir Leader.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11th, 1933. 10:00 a.m.—Sunday School. Tomorrow's Character is Built To-day.

11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Sermon: Hymn of Thanksgiving. 7:00 p.m.—Evening Fellowship. Subject: Things For Which Jesus Gave Thanks.

Thought for the Week: "The strength of a nation is the strength of the religious convictions of its people."

Presbyterian Church in Canada. Knox Church, Acton. Rev. Robert H. Armstrong, M.A., B.D., Minister.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11th, 1933. 9:45 a.m.—Church School. 11:00 a.m.—Baptismal Service. 7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship. A Warm Welcome Awaits You.

St. Alban's Church (Anglican). Rev. Ralph E. Price, B.A., B.D., Rector. NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. October 11th, 1933. 9:00 a.m.—Holy Communion. 10:00 a.m.—Church School. 11:00 a.m.—Beginners' Class. 7:00 p.m.—Evening and Sermon. "Let us give thanks unto the Lord." ALL WELCOME.

Baptist Church, Acton. Ray H. Costerus, Pastor. Parsonage 115 Bower Ave. Phone 208.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11th, 1933. 10:00 a.m.—Sunday School. 11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. 7:30 p.m.—Evening Service. Thursday, 7:15 p.m.—B.Y.P.U. meet at church for transportation to Hillsburgh.

On the average, it costs less than a cent and a half to ship one ton of freight one mile by railway in Canada.

Ploughing Society

He has been the county plowing champion for four years.

Other names and addresses of contestants are interesting and some of those responsible to promote Hugo Johnson, Milton, comes from Lot 40, 4000 Highway, Milton. From Holland comes William Adelman, do not address, Hovea de Vilt, Zeeuwsche Hoop.

Points on the eyes is William Mitchell, a farm manager who comes from Ford's Green, Hillsburgh. He farms 270 acres where, in 1911, the famous battle of Hantsburg was fought when the troops under Robert Bruce defeated the English under King Edward I. Hantsburg is another Halton county spot with an unusual name.

It would be interesting for the Irish and Scotch plowmen to visit Hillsburgh and Hantsburg town if they had time.

Funny Looks

There must have been some funny looking young people in Georgetown last week. In the high school news section of the Georgetown paper we read how the grade niners were required to bow and scrape before their seniors. Did anything like this happen here?

Girls Monday, different socks. One side of their hats in pink curls; Tuesday, carry all books in baskets. Shine all motor girls' shoes. Wednesday, jeans, carry tooth brushes. Thursday, carry books on heads at all times, Friday, wear blouses outside tunics. Wear green hair ribbons.

Boys Monday, bow ties. Tuesday, opposite socks outside pants. Lounge and perfume. Wednesday, short pants and hair ribbons. Thursday, shirts worn backwards. Friday, jeans rolled to knees and knee socks.

Trend is Growing To High Windows

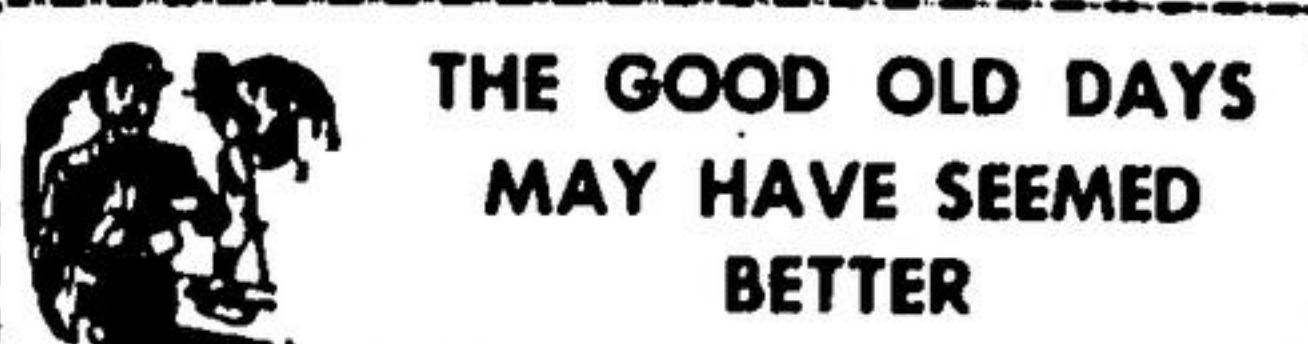
There is a growing trend toward higher windows, according to home-building technical experts. Higher placement of the windows offers the triple advantage of better lighting, better ventilation, and better heating, it is pointed out.

The ideal height of windows from the floor is 25 inches. However, many homes have windows set 20 inches from the floor, and correspondingly lower at the ceiling.

When opened from the top, high set windows permit the hot air under the ceiling to flow out more readily, thus assuring more rapid cooling of the room in warm weather.

Another factor, from the standpoint of comfort and physical well-being, is the fact that high windows permit radiators or convectors to be placed under the windows. This is considered a good location because it permits heat to meet the cold air where it comes in.

By locating the heating units under the windows drafts are often prevented, providing more healthful and comfortable environment.



BACK IN 1903

Taken from the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, October 2, 1903.

The fifty seventh annual fair of the Esquimaux Agricultural Society held in Georgetown on Monday and Tuesday, was gratifyingly successful as far as the attendance and show of livestock was concerned. The fine display of cattle and horses, etc. by J. N. O'Reil and the display of gasoline engines and dynamo by Bright and Brady commanded as much as any other feature of the show. The attendances were large, the gate receipts being upwards of \$400.

Mr. G. C. Clark has purchased from Mr. Robert Agge a vacant lot between the Clark House and the Dominion Hotel. Mr. Clark is making for himself a new brick block of stores.

Haggis, haddock and other short bread and a great many of the appetizing menu for the Thanksgiving night supper in Knox church.

The Merchants' Bank is open every Friday evening from six to eight o'clock. This is of great advantage to the employees of the tanneries and farmers.

In the "easy corner" of St. B. Scott's an orchestra played during the occasion of the millinery opening. A large number of orders were booked and sales made. One of the leading styles was a "Celine" hat made in the new way.

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The small boy came running into the house, waving at the top of his lungs. "Mother, 'Why' what's the matter with mother's little man?" "Small Boy, 'I' picked up a little hen and one end of 'I' wasn't nated."

REPAIRS NEEDED

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