Always Provided

In our boyhood days we recall the fine loads of hardwood that kept farmers, busy in the winter cutting and hauling into town for firewood. We recall, too, the anxiety over what was going to keep out Canadian winter winds when the bushlands were depleted. Before this happened, coal became a more popular fuel for heating homes and, of course, in due time along came the estimators to forewarn that the world's coal supply would only last a certain number of years at the present rate of consumption.

Before the coal was exhausted, however, it was found that oil could be delivered at a competitive price with coal, and was much less trouble. Coal is still much used in heating but the noise of loading and unloading coal is not as common now as the sight of the oil tank and the hose putting fuel into the homes. Garbage collection of ashes is much less than a few years ago. Matter of fact, if your car skids for want of traction in winter it's often difficult to locate an ash container to help you get on your way again.

Then just as we think the ultimate in winter heating has been achieved and new oil wells are being discovered and the fuel piped across the continent we learn that natural gas will come into competition as a means to heat our homes and industrial establishments. Another pipe line will bring this heating method into our buildings. There won't even be an oil tank required to make the delivery of fuel when gas from Western Canada is piped to Eastern Canada.

The other day as we saw a load of hardwood being delivered in town the words of "Pack up your troubles" came to us in relation to our fuel supply. "What's the use of worrying, it never was worthwhile."

Misinformation

We got quite a kick last week out of a visit from a representative of one of the institutions which specialize in securing financial and other information about Canadian business places. We have not in 25 years supplied any information to this institution because we are so fired of filling out forms that the law demands that we just toss aside any inquiries which aren't compulsory.

The representative who called on us thought we might like to see what information was on file, so we read it. We found out that we bought the Free Press from our uncle, and that we pur chased the Canadian Champion and after the purchase changed the name to the Milton Reformer Those two misstatements were an incentive to 'read on. We found that our record of paying accounts was good but just how this was accomplished is still a bit of a puzzle.

There was listed what we had supposedly paid for both newspapers in Acton and Milton. and after 27 years of labor, adding new equipment and new buildings our net worth was \$2,000 less than our supposed original investment.

We were asked if there should be any changes in the report on our business affairs. We reguested that the reference to our uncle be deleted and that the fact be noted that the Canadian Champion was still the name of the paper being published in Milton. We also told the investigator that we considered his estimate of our worth well within bounds and pointed out that apparently the firm he represented didn't have a current price list on Linotype machines, automatic presses paper cutters and the equalized assessment of lands and buildings in Halton County

We are just wondering if all the statistics gain ed about business are as inaccorate as we found ours, and what use could ever be made of such information. Maybe we are to biame dor not till ing in every form which reaches our desk but we still are unrepentant about any forms which the law doesn't compell and goodness knows there are enough of them

Vernor News in any democratic society Parliament must be supreme of a parliament loses its supremacy to a feeting moment in becomes a mere debating society torum while the real business of government the little decisions are made elsewhere. Examples are too paint, ", recent and obvious to real releationarity or the DOINT

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Equal Pay for Equal Work

It is quite likely that our members of parliament will be getting larger salaries. For men who have the responsibilities of governing the Domin inion of Canada it is readily realized that adequate salaries must be paid if the best type of members is to be secured. We have no fault to find with the amounts suggested.

Perhaps in the interests of economy and good government it might be ascertained if we need so many members of parliament. We know the fuss that loss of seats and redistribution can stir up among the electors. But couldn't we do with fewer members and a smaller Senate?

It's a well-known fact that many of our members do not spend all the time in Ottawa when parliament is in session. Some time ago a Canadian magazine told of the absentees. For the member that attends his duties conscientiously the salaries rumored are not excessive, but there cught to be a stipulation for both House of Commons and members of the Senate that only those who give full service receive full pay. It goes in every other line of business and it ought to be applicable to the business of the country.

According to the report of the magazine article referred to earlier some members of parliament are getting too much now for the service they render. It's your money that pays the salaries of the absentees as well as those who do the

Building a Young Country

Canadians talk in a very general way about what new settlers contribute. But here are some actual figures from The Financial Post.

These million people, which have come to Canada since the war, mean a potential market for some 250,000 houses, 220,000 radios, 100,-000 passenger cars, 100,000 refrigerators, 200,-000 washing machines, besides all the food and clothes busy people can consume.

As well, there's no doubt that new settlers have helped to keep Canada's birthrate high, Half of them are in the 20 years to 40 years age brackets the childraising years

There's a much longer view as well. At present rates of natural increase this one million immigrants will total two million extra Canadians by 1990.

What they consume is only one side of the story. What they produce is equally important. We could not have our rapid expansion without a large increase in the labor force. And these sociation gave a highly interesting people have provided it for us, at the very time when low birthrates during the depression have cil after the election. Reeve Swack-; commended for one thing reduced the number of teenagers in Canada who would normally be joining the country's product list showed in a local hotel, and as Acton council Monday evening, it tive force

Sole Beneficiaries

We hear a great deal about the enormous tax i revenue the governments derive from the sale of the Rovers and Ramblers of Acton ney, George Gordon, George Lamb intoxicating beverages. Unfortunately, there is no way of tabulating in dollars and cents what it costs governments at all levels to deal with those CPR train and Guelph people will passed a resolution instructing the who drink intoxicating beverages. Broken homes, traffic fatalities and injuries, murders and broken have already attended five funerals fixed, the privilege of attending hearts are things that are hard to add in dollars and cents. But think of the police duties, the hos pitals and sober up sanitariums and mental institutions the cost of collection of revenues and me loss of productive man power through excessive drinking that must come out of revenue. Add to this the liquor that is used in swinging business. deals in every walk of life and you'll find that the only folks who are making money out of lique are the brewers and distillers

After a the tax on liquor is not a compulsors. UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA one. If you don't want to pay it, all you have to do s not be a costomer. We can outlaw the drugtraffic and depiore the opium smoker and des pise the dope fiends but we license and tolerate the sale of intoxicating beverages for the benefit alone of those who produce the stuff

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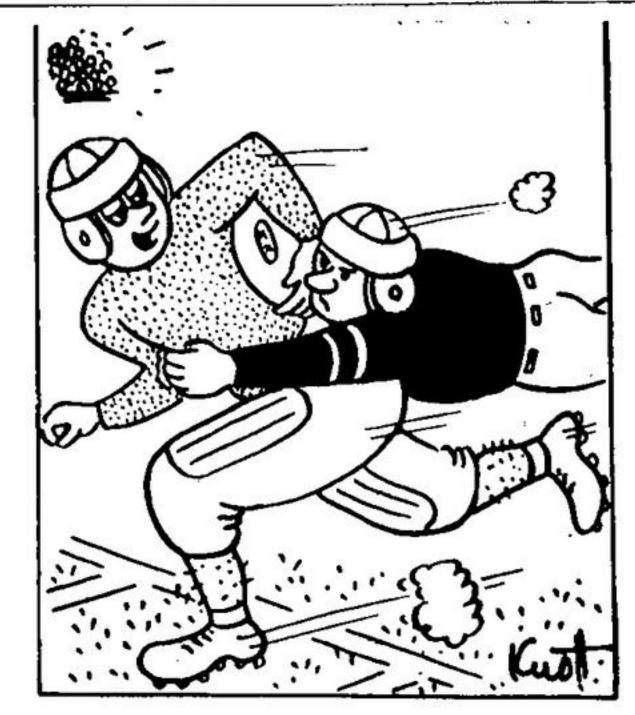
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THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

BACK-IN 1904

From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, January 21, 1904

Mrs E. S. Rice has opened a store in the premises lately occupied by D Kopman Esquesing Council expended \$562

dents of the township. The hockey team went to Hespeler for a friendly match on Saturday afternoon. The score was 7 to 3

last year in aiding the indigent rest-

for the home club. pit at Siloam Church on Sunday offices was discussed with Mr. law and further annexations to pro- salary morning There was a good attend- Stocking of the Hydro No definite

Zero weather again this week Monday was nearly as cold as the dip of last week. Householders yearn for a rain. The cisterns are empty. This is the most wintry weather experienced in a genera-

Mr T Morton, Georgetown, has purchased the barbering business of Mr W J Kee and will move his family to Acton in a few days. Mr. Morton is a former resident and he ! and his family have always had a desire to return to Acton since their

Thursday evening under the auspices of the Acton Branch of Na tional Sanitarium had much of anterest and valuable information Rev. P Clifton Parker, Toronto, the travelling representative of the As-

hamer informed the members in no tried cribed to him, was a forgery

have discontinued their Christian from Acton to bring in Limchouse Endeavor Society and will reorgan- to the Acton central aze as a Presbyterian Guild, with; The new council this year for week-night meetings once a month. Nassagaweya township is composed was played Saturday night between 'Campbell, Councillors, George Finwhich resulted in a score of 4 to 3, and John Robertson in favor of the former

now go to Toronto that way since Saturday last

BACK IN 1934

From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, January 18, 1934

At the annual meeting of Acton Fall Fair, all reports showed the fair of 1933 had proven successful. Hes and advantages of an auditor Assets were valued at \$4,073.83 and jum in the new Morden, public habilities placed at \$7 in the audi- school, tors' report. President for 1934 is J F. Robertson; V. B Rumley, vicepresident; second vice-president, G W Murray.

ance considering the drifted roads, laction was taken Plans are progressing favorably for appearing in Toronto of the Acton Public School chours during the

Easter holidays The sleighing is excellent now and there's even sufficient snow for skis and toboggans. Although the zero weather has been absent for over a week, the wintry chill has

been quite sufficient for all winter The Acton United Church and the home town were honored Sunday by a visit and address of the Moderator of the United Church of Canada, Right Rev. Dr. T. Albert Moore The meeting in the town hall last (On previous occasions Acton has

had visits from Dr. Moore, but not

since his elevation to this highest

position of the church The game between Fergus and Acton last Friday night here, that resulted in a 15-2 score for the locals was perhaps the biggest burlesque of hockey ever witnessed in Acton At the maugural meeting of coun- arena. The Fergus boys could be

At the second regular meeting of was reported there was hope of get-The young people of Knox Church sing the telephone line extended

A very exciting bockey match of the following Reeve, Duncan

At the first meeting of Acton Pub-Guelph is to have a new special he School Board for 1934, members principal that all fees must be paid Johnstone and Co. undertakers, in advance or pupils are to be deschool

NoRTH EAST WEST South



Proposals for Erin in '54

The New Year may be a banner one for the village of Erin. At the inaugural meeting of council, Reeve 1) S. Leitch made the following proposals, continuation of efforts to bring the new District High School to realization, acquisition of a housing construction program; efforts to establish a motor vehicles licence is suing bureau; efforts to establish a combined houor and beer store; plan to spend up to \$200 in advertising the village; widening of Main street and paving and curbing of Church Street.

A Little Loss of Stram What could have been a mishap with serious consequences resulted in no more than a little loss of steam at the Oakville-Trafalgar hospital recently. A minor explosion in the boiler, the Journal reports, cut off steam in the laundry and kitchen for over an hour. one was injured, only some glass

shattered and plates bent. Case of the Abandoned Calf Recently the Onkville district Humane Society's Shelter found a bewildered calf on its hands. Somebody left the young animal in a parked truck overnight. The truck's owner disclaimed responsibility for the abandoned bovine and Society officials took it in tow. Last week the call found a home with a sympathetic stranger.

Vote Auditorium for School Faced with a no provincial grant policy or auditorium space, trustees in southwest Trafalgar nonetheless, by chairman's ballot, voted 3-2 to add \$30,000 to the present cost of \$182,000 and realize the added facili-

Big Things in Burlington Big things are in view in Burlington, where the Gazette notes: Rezoning as far as wards are concern-At a special meeting of the Pub- ed, the possible setting up of the

tide for needed industry to balance the town's ecohomy all highlights of Mayor Smith's mangural address

to Council Dedicate New United Church The Moderator of the United 'hurch in Canada officiated at the recent dedication ceremony which marked the official opening of the handsome new Port Nelson United

Church in that centre Fire Toll in Georgetown

Georgetown had a heavy fire toll last week, the Herald reveals, when a house and contents were destroy. ed, a barber shop gutted and an industrial office badly damaged in three separate fires which brought firemen out in sub-zero weather to battle the blazes

Economy is the Word Economy seems to be the by-word or Georgetown council this year At the inaugural meeting Mayor Armstrong explained: "Any council can make a wonderful town with a lot of money, but it's our job to

make a better town with as little money as possible. Two Boys in Accidenta Two Georgetown lads will spend a spell in hospital as a result of acdents Roger Schofield, 7, suffered a broken leg in a toboggan accident

last week, while Philip Wade, 13, in car-breycle mishap, suffered compound fractures to the right leg Industrial Movement

A. look at industrial imprement in Million last week shows that Cenadian Excelsion Manufacturing Co. Ltd will leave the Muton plant and transfer operations to Toronto; ex the brighter side, the manager of the new Pigment and Chemical Co Ltd plant at Milton announces production should begin in February

Militon Brigade Speaks Members of Milton fire prigade petitioned council recently for a new Aire hall, pointed out that equipment was deteriorating rapid he Utilities Commission on Tuesday ward system of representation, by and supported a request by the Mi H P Moore occupied the pul- the proposed new building for the study and passing of a zoning by- fire chief for an increase in chief's

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