It's Easter

This is the Easter season, the time of year when everything is new. The Easter story of the resurrection and of new life and new hope for all mankind is old, yet ever new. In our part of the world the resurrection of new life after the winter sleep seems to emphasize and bring home most clearly the spirit of Easter.

It finds expression in many worldly ways such as new clothes, changes about the homes and in the garden activities, a new zest and pleasure in being out of doors after a winter of indoor life and activity. Then there are also the many other edible things that some way have come to be associated with the Easter season such as eggs, bunnies, flowers, hot cross buns and a list of things that seems to be limited only by man's initiative. They have all become an accepted part of our Easter, customs.

But the core and heart of Easter is in the message of the Resurrection! Without it the Eastertide is empty and meaningless. With it we find new hope and joy and expression in the customs which have grown and become a small part of the Easter time. It is fitting that the churches of the land are therefore the centres around which the people find the culmination of the joy of Easter and during this week and on Sunday the spirit that makes Easter will radiate from the churches of our community and our land. It's a joyous time and a message of hope that Easter brings.

Very Necessary

This is the season of the year when our feathered friends and the old birds who can afford it are making the trek back from the south. It's also the time when we who have wintered here are prodded by the need and the desire to maintain the appearance of the neighborhood and the community to get into the spring clean-up. Along about this time of year also comes the urge of every housewife to clean and rearrange the

There isn't a doubt that there is a need for spring clean-up in every household and community. Things would soon begin to look pretty rundown if once a year a new start were not made. Spring after all is about the best time for such activity. The weather is more pleasant out-ofdoors. The temperature is better for strenuous activity than it will be in mid-summer and goodness knows there's been enough surplus accumulation both inside and outside to warrant a rea clean-up. Then, too, there's the danger of fire if things are allowed to accumulate in places not easily accessible.

So get out the garden tools, sell or swap un wanted items, load up the garbage collection with the unsaleable stuff, clean up the paint brushes, and take the household confusion with a smile because it's spring clean-up time.

A Firm and Just Budget

No budget of any taxing body finds approval from all the people but it seems to be agreed that under the circumstances the latest effort of Mr. Abbott can be commended. It is always good to learn that the trend is toward reduction of taxation and not creating new tax burdens. In these days of return of world trade and competition for markets the products of Canadian industry must not be taxed out of its field.

The answer of Mr. Abbott to Mr. Duplessis of Quebec on his income tax proposals as special privilege for that province will be applauded by 90 per cent of the people of Canada. It took courage to make the stand against the apparent popularity of the present provincial government of Quebec. It is disappointing that the party in opposition was so weak in its stand for favoritism for one province. Canada needs, and apparently has, a government that considers this country as one great nation and not a group of 10 individual

One cannot blame Mr. Dupless-s for asking for special concessions for Quebec. It is easy to viscalize what would happen if his request was granted. The government handling of the situation was firm and decisive. It was the best high. light of Mr. Abbott's budget although it didni receive the prominence of some items

At Home and Abroad

The system which compels youths to remain at school to the age of 16 is said to be causing serious trouble in New York high schools. A committee set up by the Board of Education to study the matter has reported that in some high schools so much time and attention is given to under-16 delinquents that little time is left for normal students, states Lewis Milligan of Toronto.

The committee found numerous examples of 'vandalism against school property, private property, and pupils' personal possessions; theft, forgery, obscenity and vulgarities; disruption of classes, throwing of food, turning on of gas, and interference with fire drills, as well as truency and cutting classes." Many of those responsible were youths of 15, who were said to be simply putting in time until they reached 16 and were free to

It is not necessary to go to New York or Great Britain or any other country to get examples such as found by an investigating committee and we cannot agree with a recommendation for special

classes or legislation to deal with the problem. In recent years there has been a shortage of skilled workers, and employers have had to depend largely upon skilled immigrants from the old countries. The school-leaving age may have been responsible for that situation.

The idea that every boy should go through high school has produced a lot of white-collar workers and brainless zoot-suiters who should have been put to work in their teens. We agree with the suggestion of one commentator who said: "A much simpler, and much less expensive answer to the problem would be to reduce the school-leaving age to 14, with nobody past that mark remaining in school unless his ability and behaviour warranted it. High schools in U.S., as in Canada, are wasting millions trying to educate hoodlums who neither can nor want nor deserve to be educated."

We need to take another look at our educational program, an item that is the largest in our municipal tax list, and see if it is producing the Find of Canadians who will make their country the greatest in the world.

Spring Back Again

Spring, nature's emancipator, has once again put in its annual appearance. And, year after year, columnists feature or editorial writers take note of this season's arrival and tell their readers in a light-hearted strain of the happy symphony of sounds and sights that identify the season

Comment like this, however it may seem to become repetitious, is never without interest, for spring plays on the emotional chords of every body. We don't feel a bit uncomfortable then in adding our voice to the chorus of praise to spring set up by our colleagues in other papers and. publications.

To the winter-weary spring needs no formal salutation. The cold winds and snowy blasts have been warmed away and replaced by a kinder climate. To those of us who have seen more springs come and winters go than we sometimes like to admit, we greet spring with a quiet relief.

The younger we are the less spring, as a climatic changeover, means to us and the more important become its symbols and tokens of fancy. Spring is the classic host to young love, as the ballads, poems and prose of centuries have lyrically avowed.

To the very young spring renews the green grass, those joyous frolics in sun-warmed fields and playgrounds, it brings back fascinating little brooks just made to fish in spring has a multitude of such playful characteristics for the very

Editorial Notes

Pembroke. Ont Bulletin It very much appears that Canada. Like many other countries! which became industrialized before her, is developing two distinct and in some ways opposing [classes of people, neither caring much about the other, each trying to seek advantage for itself, yet looking upon the other as gaining at their ex- 1:: pense

Reading Between The Lines

'53 AUDITORS' REPORT INDICATES **GOOD ADMINISTRATION IN TOWN**

by Jim Dilla

Once again an auditor's report has been plunked on the scene to explain in terms of dollars and cents just what happened in Acton organizations in 1963.

According to the report, there was an increase over estimates of \$7,966 63 with savings over eatimates of \$4,617.01, resulting in a recorded deficit of \$2,349 62

To take a close look at the reported increases over estimates. the major item indicated there is "fire and police grants discontinued by province resulted in decrossed revenue of \$3,672.00 It may be recalled that last year it was pointed out the grants had been paid in 1952 for the '52 and '53 periods which would

naturally result in a deficit. Analyzing the report bearing this incident in mind, I find the '53 council evidently did a good job of financing. Discounting the bookkeeping switch of '52, council in '53 operated with a surplus of just over \$200.

Other interesting items of the report are recorded, one noting the total debenture debt registered against the town's credit is \$866,450 00 Of that amount part on the high school is borne by the townships and other towns in the district.

With no other debentures issued which seems highly in probable, the town's debentures would be completed by 1973 A total of \$344,521 will be paid in interest before these debentures

of \$866,450 are paid for Many other municipalities have

Misdemeanor in Erin

Moves to Norval Charge

Gigantic Swap Under Way

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reason to envy Acton's low am ount of tax arrents 1953 retained this tradition with a total of \$4,589.70 outstanding Some oth er centres in the area have reorded amounts in the neighbor hood of \$20 000

A total of \$1,715 87 was reguli ed of Acton taxpayers in 1953 to provide past aanatorium care and hospital accommodation for in digent patients. Taxpayers in Acton provided a total of \$125,234 tid for the year's expenses

The town's nine and a half miles of water pipe delivered 47,064,660 gallons of water through 900 metered services winding up the year with an act ual surplus of \$6,428.56. Sewerage facilities were pro-

vided and operations wound up the year with a deficit of \$6 924 (b) Major expenditure in this department was \$8,281 17 for "disposal plant repairs and maintenance." Acton Public School Board

paid \$36,175.73 for teacher's sal-

artes during 1953, according to

the report This group ended the year with a reported surplus of \$3 515 BR. Labrary fines of \$131 84 were

collected by the Free Library Board according to the report, noting a surplus on the year's operations of \$133.40

lasts of figures are not the most interesting things to study, but in municipal work they are by far the most revealing The auditor's report for 1953 appears to indicate good administration in



Oldest Resident Dies

Erin's only newspaper last week Mrs Anthony Costigan, 89, who admonished its readers this way "Certain local folks were seen dumping rubbish on the roadside close to the village recently. It is there is a proper place for such provided by the village and we pass along the information that great grandchildren. there could be action develop out of

The same newspaper reports that Rev A R. Muir, minister of Erin and Hillsburgh United churches for the past two years, has accepted a call to Norval where in addition to the congregation in that village he ing to the Gazette an "almost 100 will serve the Glen Williams and per cent" refutation of the proposal Home churches. Mr. Muir came to Erin from Clifford and will assume

Milton Hydro Needs Money

In Oakville that centre's "gigantic | be made for the Milton Hydro- Elecswap", a proposition to provide a trie Commission according to a renew school to replace the ancient quest received by Milton council at Central school in exchange for the lits regular meeting last week. This land on which a 20-store shopping is to provide money for conversion centre would be erected, is progress, costs, purchase of HEPC, owned ing favorably in negotiations with a equipment and for construction of Toronto development firm, the Pub- service extensions to new areas in he School Board chairman revealed town

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Easter message in song and limin stallty is the glorius disevery of Christianity

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meeting and choir rehearsal. Thursday April 22 800 pm. a: Belfountain

had, according to the Herald, lived in Georgetown longer than anybody else, died recently in that town Mrs Costigan was born in Stewarttown She is survived by three children, five grandchildren and six

Unmistakable Opposition

In Burbington a move to make Brant Street a one-way thoroughfare met such opposition from merchants on both sides of the street that council postponed discussion of the subject indefinitely Accordwas signified in a petition presented

A debenture issue of \$68,000 will

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HOLY WEEK

Morning Prayer Daily 815 am Evening Prayer Daily 515 p.m. Good Friday, 10 am -- Shortened

Morning Prayer Ante - Communior, and Address. All we like sheep have gore astray, we have turned every see to his own way, and the Lord nath l

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EASTER DAY Apr.: 18th 1954

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700 pm Festival Evening Proer and Sermon The Lord is tive indied

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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Rockwood Ontario A.z. (ar)

EASTERTIDE SERVICES Good Friday 2 pm -Litary and

Address

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Chair pracice .mmediateis file lowing the service to prepare for the Easter music . EASTER DAY 955 am - Festiva . Chiral Communion

Sunday school immediately file lowing this service in the

Luke 24 24 Main St "Thanks be to God who give h Eastern District BYPU Rally us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" 1 Cors 15 57

THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

BACK IN 1934

From the lance of the Free Press of From the lance of the Free Press of Thursday, April 12, 1834

Rev H Buillinger, rector of Wain-John's church, Bockwood | Ita will | come to Acton May I, accompanied by Mrs Brillinger

With the spring comes training This expression was greatly in evidence on Thesday evening when the Parkview club met Mr Eccleshall, club trainer, had the boys going through a routine of "physical of lively action, the boys were cantrainer Blustrate the proper way of Rockwood to Acton boxing, after they had put on an ex-

a surprise on Saturday night when William Sayers for \$950, Robt Johnhis birthday A real good time was McDougall for \$850, H M Taylor his had by the "gang" at this hospitable house and lot on Wellington St to home. Speeches were made by Mr. | Walter Pearson for \$500, W. J. Chap. Albert Mills and Mr George Mason, and Ring was the recipient of a pair of military brushes

A public meeting was held in the town hall last evening to hear the has made his advent in town Last proposed public utilities building Friday night be accosted a married discussed. All shades of opinion lady, seized her and attempted imwere brought forward, but nothing proper liberties Her screams frightfurther than a lively discussion re- ened him away. Constable Graham sulted from the gathering About 75 is on guard for possible further attended the meeting, which chose councillor W. A. Lasby to conduct the proceedings

turned into a winter snow storm was a reminder that it's not yet time to get out the lawn mower. Grass fires are now quite equipion

Families in Canada's large citie pent an average of \$678 per per son per week for food in the fart

in the last four months of 1952

BACK IN 1904

Thursday, April 14, 1964

Iton Thomas Greenway predicts fleet. Dain City and Maple Leaf that within half a century Canada Park for the past two years, has will have three hig cities, Winnipeg. been appointed to the parish of St. Montreal and Vancouver, and that Alban's church, Acton, and St in time Winnipeg must become the

greatest city in Canada At the meeting of Acton Board of Trade, the matter of the nulsance of the 20c piece was referred to and merchants were appealed to to take action to have all 20e pieces in-

ceived forwarded to Ottawa The sessetty of dwelling places in lown was referred to and Messra jerks" and after practically an hour John Cameron, A H Devitt John Harvey and H P Moore were ap tent to call it a night. The guests of | pointed a special committee to call the evening were Mr. Gordon Coop- attention of the capitalists and er, a well-know local athlete, and building associations to the need the Bruyns, local veterinary. In the This course was fell to be necessary weekly bout, G Molozzie and N in view of the need and the possible Scarrow were content to let the removal of the Wood business from

During the past week John Har vey has sold his house and lot at the Mr Bing Ramsden received quite corner of Mill and Frederic Sta to a number of friends gathered at his stone his double dwelling on Mair home on Young St. to honor him on St next Knox church to Malcolm man, the shop and burn and a 50-ft strip on Church St. to Johnstone and Ca for \$275

An impudent "Jack-the-hugger"

Mis E M Cuthbert, a cultured lady of Toronto will give a talk and Yesterday's April shower that colored slides of a trip through California and British Columbia in the Methodist church next Wednes-

Owing to several cases of dip therm in town. Milton schools are lused this week

The golf enthusiasts have already begun to play, and this week two temps enthusiasts played their first half of 1953, compared with \$7.52 |

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