# **Better Understanding**

The news that the strike in the Ford plants had ended was indeed welcome here and throughout the province. While none of the plants of this company and located here, times have altered in terms of travel and we find employees residing miles from their place of actual employment. Then again, an industry as large as Ford has parts and materials made in many places throughout the province and the work stoppage in the company's plant immediately affects supplies in many places.

It is estimated that \$11,000,000 was lost in wages by employees of the company. To this might well be added many more millions that were lost by workers in industries that supplied material for this one auto plant. No estimate of the total loss will ever be compiled. Hence, the general relief in a settlement.

We don't propose to discuss the terms of settlement. It is sufficient when leaders of both groups find them satisfactory. Whether the average employee understands them or not is not important apparently, since it was a mere matter of formality in getting acceptance of them by huge majorities when they were presented to the various groups. It's perhaps a bit significant that workers fall in so\_readily with the proposals of their leaders and by such overwhelming majorities in every case.

We do hope that it means better relationships by all concerned. If better understanding has been achieved the loss of production will not have been in vain. Those who have been deprived of earnings for such a lengthy strike certainly deserve a long period of peace in their industry. Progress was shown in relationships by the fact that during all the long days of the strike no violence was reported and no damage was done to property.

# **Birthday Congratulations**

Those who listened on Sunday evening to the CBL broadcast marking the 15th anniversary of Neighborly News got a peep behind the scenes why this feature has continued to grow in popularity. Greg Clark, who has such a good command of putting one's feelings into words summed it up well. We who live in those important places that lie outside the cities understand the importance of the little things that go to make up life. The package deal that CBL prepares for each Sunday morning, while necessarily brief, brings better understanding to rural and city dwellers. Here in Ontario CBL has been fortunate in securing such men as the late Andy Clark and Don Fairbairn as commentators to interpret and sift the items from the weeklies.

We know from experience something of the ork that goes into that 15 minutes every Sunday morning. We dared to be critical of the broadcast on an occasion and promptly got a challenge to take a turn at the job. It was appreciated solely from the fact that it was different from writing editorials for a week. We were glad there were two of us to do the job because 15 minutes is a long time to talk even from a prepared text to an unseen-audience:

We were particularly glad to hear our fliends George James in Bowmanville and Bill Sawdon in Sackville, N.B., and that deep steady voice of Reid Forsee who can be so inspiring and calming in directing a broadcast. The 15th anniversary of Neighborly News was a fine testimonial to one of the most popular radio programs and to the commentators who from coast to coast bring in the homan interest things of life from week to week. We join in extending congratulations to CBL on the anniversary and all who took part in the broadcast, and extend our best wishes for many more years of friendly co-operation.

It is a woman's world. When a man is born," people ask, "How is the mother?" When he marries, they exclaim, "What a lovely bride!" And when he dies, they inquire; "How much did he leave her?

# Road Subsidies Change

Budget time for municipal councils is near at hand and the annual effort to keep down the tax rate will not be made easier this year by the reduction in road grants of the provincial government. The system of provincial grants by the province is one that fluctuates so much from year to year that local municipal bodies must find it difficult to cope with it in making estimates. While the subsidy to municipalities goes down, the gas tax and license remain unchanged.

We have watched many a session of municipal councils in striking the rate. The council is the place where all expenditures are dumped in and where most of the criticism of ratepayers is heaped for municipal taxes. Actuall the council is least to blame for taxes. School boards require funds. The amount is estimated and council getsthe request for these funds. Other town improvements are required for expansion. A debenture expenditure is passed and must be provided from the municipal levy.

A provincial government changes its policy on road grants or subsidies and the burden falls in the lap of council. This year's change of road subsidy is going to be a real hindrance in making a more favorable tax rate here. So when the tax rate is announced for the year, don't blame council entirely but give the figure some study, and place blame where it rightly belongs. It may be that the municipalities are having to pay for the contract frauds on Ontario highways. But then you might well ask who got the big fines that were said to be imposed.

# Quilting is Ousted

We hearfily approve of the craft and handiwork classes that have been carried on this year in the high schools of Acton, Milton and Georgetown. Our approval comes from the fact that it has moved most of the fuss and mess from the home to school.

There was a time not many years ago when quilting and hooking rugs was a popular home occupation for the housewife. The frames were big and awkward and they required one whole estimate cost and outline proroom which was usually the most convenient and most used room in the house. There were the with Rex Heslop to plan the big quilting bees that provided fine social gatherings for friends and neighbors. When the job was limits of town. finished the tedious hours of work made good exhibits at the fair or helped fill up more space or made fine gifts for someone. With present day heating the beds that used to require two or three may prove too hot to handle: the quilts are unnecessary for a good night's rest.

Still necessary, however, is the need for socia gatherings of housewives and the fulfillment of the desire to accomplish something in spare time. The night classes in new crafts have met that need. We bless them since they have put instorage the quilting frames and the dodging and school set has come up with a new bending necessary when that winter occupation of quilting was in vogue.

# Odds and Ends

"It's not what you eat that causes ulcers," says Henry Paetzel, "It's what's eating you."

Could it be that the rhymster who wrote, "It director has moved its locale to one. A social hour was spent, the was only an old tattered rag" was looking at that bit of something on the flagstaff of the government building here. We are for economy in government expenditure but surely a building into which so many public contributions are made in Acton deserves a flag that can be recognized as

Speaking of haggis, Robbie Burns' birthday UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA and other things Scottish reminds us of a story. "Why do you rarely see bagpipes in pawn shops?" asks a paragrapher.

"Most likely," replied his Irish counterpart, when a bagpipe is found to be of no further use as a musical instrument the thrifty owner fills it with onions and oatmeal, boils it and calls it hag-

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THIS BLASTED PAPER WORK NECESSARY?

Curbing the Curbsiders In Oakville there's a move afoot to - curb curbsiders - taxi cabs which haul into parking space designed for Main Street shoppers and take up time and area at the expense of everybody else. Apparently the cab drivers slip a penny or two into-the meters when the law approaches but continue to use the curbside as their "place of business". A new traffic by-law has been called for in council.

### Outlook for Bronte

In Bronte some 30 citizens turned out recently for a session with the village council. As spokesman, Reeve Tom Millward said he forsaw a busy, prosperous village with many improvements in the offing. Turning to the year's projects, he suggested a new village hall, sewage system, a monument to the memory of Bronte's war dead and an industrial committee.

## To Regulate Growth

In Georgetown Mayor J. Armstrong recently proposed a master plan for the growing town, invited planning expert Dr. H. G. Faludi to cedure in preparation of zoning by-law. Faludi is also engaged Delrex subdivision of new homes and industrial area on the eastern

# A Hot Potato?

In Erin the local business men' association, at an annual meeting recently, took hold of a potato that question of Saturday night closing. Erin. well encircled by an agricultural area that provides much of the village's consumers of retail merchandise., may have a time convincing its many rural customers that "Saturday Night" should go.

Another Fad Banned In Oakville the town's highfad to replace the banished bellswear, are the latest to come and, and parcel post sale.

principal with them. Burlington Battle Continues In Burlington the Citizens vs.

of decision in a touchy case such as is being tossed about from one charge to another countercharge. Milton's Many Problems

In Milton council last week approved an expenditure of \$10,800 by the school board for purchase of site for a second new school in the north section of the town; considered a drainage problem and its \$30,000 solution; granted \$2,000 to the Milton-North Trafalgar Planning Board; reviewed bulky plans for the servicing of the huge Fallingbrooks Estate subdivisión.

Party In Georgetown In Georgetown Rex Heslop, the man masterminding the big bulge in the town's area, population and worth in the form of a planned industrial - residential subdivision, threw a party last week for local luminaries and had as guest speaker the Reeve of Etobicoke who extofled the achievements of Rex Heslop in producing the first large subdivision of this type in his mu-

#### nicipality under a master plan. In Interests of Planning

In Milton last week a battery of lawyers, engineer, developers, realtors, councillors, planners and scattered citizens gathered with planning consultant P. A. Deacon to figure some rhyme and reason into the repeated requests from Trafalgar areas for annexation to the booming town; also to figure where more industrial sites could be worked out:

# Mrs. E. Grischow Hostess For Club.

Mrs. E. Grischow was hostess to the Heather Club of Knox church on Wednesday evening, January 26. The president, Mrs. J. Calder, presided, assisted by Mrs. M. Holmes and Mrs. S. Norton the devotions. The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary, under-skirts fetish the girls jingled Mrs. C. Kirkness, followed by the in at Christmastime: brief skirt and treasurer's report by Mrs. J. Mann. long green stockings, apparently Final arrangements were made for imitative of the Bermuda leisure the Valentine Tea and baking sale:

like their predecessor, are fast to It was decided to buy a book for go, taking the dim esteem of the study. After other matters of interest to the group were discussed, the business part of the meeting closed with the Mizpah Benediction. Mrs. J. Calder gave a humorous Recreation Committee saw off over Scottish reading, followed by a recent dismissal of the recreational game which was enjoyed by every-Toronto where the Municipal Board hostess, Mrs. E. Grischow assisted has been called upon by the citizens by Mrs. E. Dawkins, Mrs. R. Mason who seem to expect that depart- and Mrs. L. Marzo.

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4.15 p.m. - Holy Baptism. 7.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer

# GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED

# **BACK IN 1935**

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, January 31, 1935.

C. H. Harrison was elected reeve by a majority of 53 Monday evening, to fill the vacancy caused by after holding the office for a week. years on the school board.

The high school held their carnival in the Acton arena last evening with a good crowd in aften-

as before. The recipient would be ted under Gen. Lee in June, 1861. 1.50 or a maximum of \$1.87 for passing through his wrist. food per week, including bread and

Acton won their seventh straight the Blue Shirts in a 6-1 score in the | sary in Knox church. home team. There was the usual regarded with satisfaction, hig crowd on hand making the

There's no shortage in the ice erop now being harvested and it's of splendid quality. 24 and 26 below temperatures were reported for Tuesday night in

A robin was seen on Church St. Miss Myrtle Field was appointed county registar in Milton succeeding the late George Hillmer.

Total membership of all labor unions in Canada is only one-fifth of the Dominion's labor force.

# **BACK IN 1905**

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, February 2, 1966

The erection of a House of Industry for the county is now a live issue. The problem of a state will the retirement of ex-reeve Thetford probably be the most difficult of settlement. In accordance with the He has previously served on the statute the site must comprise at council for seven years and three least forty-five acres and be subject to the approval of the Inspector of Prisons and Asylums:

On January 19, the anniversary of the birthday of General R. E. dance, Mr. E. E. Barr acted as mas- Lee, a great gathering was held in ter of ceremonies. There was cos- the Memorial Hall, New Orleans: tume judging and races. During the for the bestowal of the Southern evening Mr. Henry Leveque of Cross of Honour upon fourteen Guelph gave an exhibition of bar- worthy Confederate veterans. One of these was Mr. Peter Gibbons, A new relief plan was discussed one of Esquesing's most prominent at the second meeting of county farmers. The medal came on Tuescouncil, whereby relief would be day. When war broke out Mr. Gibpaid in cash rather than vouchers bons was in New Orleans and enlisrequired to work on county roads. At the seige of Vicksburg he was One person on relief is entitled to severely wounded, a Union bullet

Rev. A. E. Smith, B.D. surely deserves credit for a fraternal spirit Mr. W. A. Lasby was chosen pre- and willingness. Last Sunday mornsident of the Halton Union Mutual ing he preached in his own pulpit; Fire Insurance Co. at the annual in the afternoon he preached for meeting in the town Hall Monday Rev. R. J. Drysdale in the Congregational church at Churchill; in the evening for Rev. D. Dick in the victory of Tuesday night when they Disciples church. The following went into Georgetown-and-beat up evening he spoke at the anniver-

fastest game this year. They were The settlement of the dispute be just as good, or better, than the tween the county and the councils score indicates. The front line of of Burlington and Nelson rela-Norm Morton, Bus Morton and F. tive to their liability for the Hamil-Terry proved away too fast for the | ton and Nelson toll road should be

The Ross government will resign usual amount of noise, jeering and on Monday following the election and Mr. Whitney will take over Dr. W. A. Nixon is Halton's new member of the Ontario legislature. Rev. Father Feeny has had a telephone put in at St. Joseph's

## Natural Asset

Trees are a tremendous asset to city . . . and yet it is not enough to plant trees and let them die or grow. The city trees must consistently be pruned and in other ways protected. -North Battleford (Sask.) News-Optimist. .-

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