## **World Champion at 80**

Few great men indeed have the personal satisfaction that has come to Sir Winston Churchill who stepped down as Prime Minister of England while he was still master and highly successful as one of the great leaders of the nations. Two of ten men who carry such great burdens as his has been have their career terminated by death with no opportunity to step aside and view in retrospect the great era through which they have been a star performer.

All wish for this great British statesman many more years in which to enjoy the sunset of life, removed from the turmoil of performance. There have been many tributes paid to Sir Winston Churchill by those who know him well. Some way or other Britain always produces a man to cope with its every emergency. No greater emergency in history was ever met and faced than that with which Sir Winston Churchill was confronted-He served his day and generation in a measure with which few individuals could compare.

We all rejoice he has been spared to see the. fulfilment of his task and that his retirement, at four score years, came in his life when he was still going strong.

### Not All Experts

It doesn't seem to make a great deal of difference whether it's the municipal tax rate, the provincial rebate of tax funds or the Federal budget, there appears to be a good crop of tax experts. The only difference is in the number of experts that blossom forth. Of course, having the largest field to draw upon and the greatest number affected, the federal budget presented last week brought forth the biggest crop.

Tax experts these days seem a dime a dozen. They have the most of the public thoroughly confused. Those who pay taxes and that includes most everyone, are pleased when taxes are reduced. But the experts whom we presume must also pay taxes, do not join in the general acclaim. We find those who are critical of the provincial assistance which came unexpectedly to Ontario municipalities. We find others who are critical when a deficit budget is presented at Ottawa and taxes are lowered on certain items."

We wonder sometimes if it's not these changes that are bothersome and so controversial. A guaranteed annual tax rate might spell the finish of the experts, or would it be only the beginning of more expert planning and regulations. We hear a lot from a few people on taxes, but it's surprising how many Canadians there are who realize their necessity and appreciate any lessening of the load from any quarters or the necessity to pay for those things that taxes provide for the inhabi-

## Channeling Education

Perhaps the answer to our educational problems lies in the use of television in the classrooms. At any rate further experimentation in this field has been recommended by the National Advisory Council on School Broadcasting.

. There are unlimited possibilities. Certainly studies would be in the same channel. If Johnny had the measles he could get his studies at home. It might even eliminate all the school rooms and equipment and put the onus on parents to see that their offspring kept his eyes open for the lesson periods and didn't switch over to a more entertaining program.

Everything would be expertly presented and the course of studies would offer the same advantage to all. Of course, there would be disadvantages too. The slower pupils who didn't grasp. the work would have no individual attention. Like all assembly line production we might have generations who were robots instead of individuals. It might be the start of the end of democracy and the beginning of a communal way of life.

These are but a few of the many things that come to mind when assembly line education might come to our seats of learning and the focal point of all thinking is concentrated in one chan-

## Extra Care Needed Now

This is the time of year when extra precau tions are necessary if the damage is to be kept to a minimum and the work of the fire Inigades kept in normal line. The grass fire given even a slight breeze can soon get out of control and spread at territic speed. What starts as a grass fire can soon take in an area that has buildings in its path and do irrestifiable damage to young frees.

There is always the urge and the need to burn up the winter's accumulation of rubblish. Before you start the bonfire be sure there is no breeze and that your pile of rubbish is in a metal container or held in place with some wire. It takes only a little bit of spark to start-a conflagration that soon gets out of control. It's not a bad idea. to have handy a few pails of water and some old sacks to stop a blaze in the early stages.

Don't crowd the furnace with an overload of rubbish. Remember pipes and chimneys have the winter's accumulation of soot and dirt. A chimney fire can take in the whole dwelling and sparks may spread to adjoining buildings. It's spring clean-up and a time for great care with fire.

## An Unstaple Theory

Banner headlines and special articles are preparing the public for the next big upset in labor-the guaranteed annual wage. It's surprising what unanimity there is on this question. Everybody who doesn't have to back the guarantee is at heart in favor of a guaranteed annual income. The problem is not in the proposal but in finding individuals or groups who will back the

. A few years ago we printed a quantity of guarantees that were going to be issued by a tradesman who didn't reside in town. He forfeited his deposit and never picked up the guarantees. We wonder what they would have been sing safe. worth if he had issued them to his customers. Even the government monthly pension cheques issued for old age security and assistance to raise Canadian babies, backed by all the resources of Canada are good only as long as our country is solvent. Drop a few of the destructive bombs such as are being tried out in the Nevada desert on some of our large industrial concentrations and the guarantees go up in a cloud of debris.

Guarantees are fragile contracts. They are not things which endure forever. They are as frail and unstable as humanity. Most everyone is anxious not only for a guaranteed annual wage but for a guaranteed lifetime security. The school books used to carry a quotation that is still applicable: "Are riches worth the getting; they must be bravely sought; with wishing and with fretting, the boon cannot be bought."

In this as in every age, there is no guarantee. which can be secured for you except the one which you strive for yourself. No one is going to guarantee you anything which you have not earn ed by your own effort.

## **Brief Comment**

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The Port Credit Weekly quotes "reliable sources" as giving June 20 as the date for the Ontario

The Easter week-end was as usual marked by an unusual number of motor crashes. Perhaps not all so accidental either.

Running through our exchanges it seems that mill rates for towns, villages, and townships run from the 30's up to the 100 mill rate, mark.

Haven't heard of anyone objecting to the cut UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA in income tax accorded last week-in fact, any of the reductions. Only objections are a call for more regardless of a surplus or deficit.

London, England; found out during a strike on all the metropolitan newspapers that other sources were entirely inadequate to meet the needs of a people for news of their own and other countries: Glum Londoners scanned out-of-town papers reaching the city for news of the resumption of their home town newspapers.



SPRINGTIME in the air brings new life to nature and her creatures, with one of the most welcome signs soon to be seen on trees, in the plant shoots and bushes blossoms.

Working Under Pressure

In Georgetown the first serious robbery in a year occured last week when thieves stole the safe from a local order office store situated Nelson across from the police station. An estimated \$300 to \$500 was contained in the locked safe. It's reported police have no clue to the robbers or the whereabouts of the mis-

A Bigger Burlington

In Burlington plans were announced from the Integration Committee for a series of meetings to mull over plans for the amalgamation of Burlington, Waterdown and lower portions of Nelson and East | tion. Flamboro townships. It was emphasized that this proposal is not for a metropolitan area. but for the formation of a single new municipality. The meetings are to be opened to the public, it was reported.

Tried, and Tries Again

In Georgetown a local supermarket has made a second attempt to beat a store-closing by-law in the courts. The case is hinging around the validity of the by-law which requires Thursday afternoon closing. After hearing evidence last week, Simcoe county Judge Morley has reserved judgement and will hand down a decision at a later

Too Much Mud

have persuaded high school district to bed for some time. trustees not to attempt to move into the new high school building until fall. During the interval, it is expected the board will have the grounds landscaped and a lawn seeded for the September opening

New Found Revenue In Nelson township officials have

heir eyes set on some new-found sources of revenue. Says the Burlington Gazette: "If anyone has . hankering to stage a menagerie riding or similar show, or even bring in a circus, its going to cost them \$100." The paper goes on to

explain that that's one of more than a dozen types of previously untaxed businesses that in future must any their way to set up shop in

Rodeo for Teen-Age Drivers In Burlington something new in

the way of a car rodeo has been devised by the local Safety Council The group is sponsoring a contest to pick the best teen-age driver in town. Teen-agers who have driver's license and no record of moving traffic violation are eligible to enter the May event. Winners will be eligible for provincial, national- and international competi

Start Forceful Action In Milton the council is taking

forceful action on delinquent water consumers who are behind in payment of bills. Last week town workmen began the job of shutting off water services on instructions from council who earlier got a hint from the auditor that the town better do something about mount ing water rate arrears.

162 Years Young

In Milton the town's "grand old man", George Hemstreet, celebrated his 102nd birthday last week. A former council member, clerktreasurer and photographer in Milton, the centenarian has been married 73 years. His wife will be In Erin difficulty in moving 100 years old next month. Mr furnishings during mid-term and Hemstreet enjoys good health. His muddy conditions on the grounds wife, however, has been confined

## White Robin?

Last week a resident of the Blue Springs Line was startled to see a robin hopping around in his yard. Not the first robin of the spring - but a white bird! George Collins wonders if anyone else has ever seen such a unique robin.

Every member of the Canadian Red Cross Corps is a volunteer.

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py hour. Hymns of your choice. Sacred music. THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK It is not the world, but the way we choose to look at it, that

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10.00 a.m.-Church School. 11.00 a.m.—Beginners' Class. 11.00 a.m.-Choral Communion and Sermon. Dedication of white burse and veil given in me

people of the parish.

ory of Alice Jean Clifford. 7.00 p.m.-Evensong and Sermon. The Rev. A. Thornton Down, M.A. will assist the Rector at these



# GOOD OLD DAYS BETTER

Thursday, April 18, 1988

The Halton County Minic Feetival ina gritten trom the first one, when ting evening was sufficient for the linging, until now it complete two days and two svenlogs This year there were 204 entries in the varience events. From the inensition Action sectional time courte a grand absorbing early year

Arten actions were tiral for the Birla" dentile tele, meened for the Junior chair and first for the 40 tiben ebeile

In the state classes, fillie Vita erit win first witer, feetly (blown and Juyen Imamerault, first and annual in their cluss; Samery Brunelle first, Olive Redgers first and Chiefen Chit. lustra security To, Gentlem Citherina given the Mrs M It Merer Marrier ial prize for the most points was by an Acton pupil

At the regular meeting of council Mr J. Wood, on behalf of the Buziness Men's Assertation, presented a petition requesting that the council pass a by-law regulating the closing of shops within the municipality. It Photo by Eather Taylor to get uniformity in hours and ereate better feeling among the merchants of the town. The present artures to make the passing of the by- Torsday evening

on Tuesday morning was rather un-replacing Mr Devitt, who has left

Some daily papers seem to be running a close race with the scandal sheets in Toronto in securing imaginative stories.

The Acton program adopted by council for the Silver Jubilee of King George V should prove very. Go to the town hall tonight and fitting. There will be a parade and hear the discussion, A Day of Rest service.

Rev. and Mrs. Stephenson and terested Miss Joyce James of Limehouse with Mrs. Stephenson's parents on anniversary. Anniversaries numerous as this are rare indeed.

The Acton Farm Women's Club held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. George Somerville Upwards of 200 attended Walker Lodge meeting on Monday for the ty vernal tints.

quarters were taxed to capacity.

## **BACK IN 1905**

from the fease of the Free Frem of Thursday, April 12, 1966

The tendency of rough and some lines brutal play in hockey caused the Grand dury at Cetawa to make reference to this tendency in modorn how key and communicated twee reference for all garries, and that any man guilty of rough play twice he ruled off for the game, Judge Test rel anid the jury shrustd have gone farther and recommended that a man guilty of una offence should be rulest off for the unche, and for the anciend effection absented the ruled off

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with and entire lettering

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The retirement of managed oftiere Graham, county to ill bealth, will cause gentiline regret arrong that citizens. For more than 14 years, was pointed out the plan was to try Mr Graham has given careful surerotation of in intropal affairs in his

rungement was very unsatisfactory. Miss Beile Stephenson gave a to all and was confusing to mer- highly interesting description of her chants and customers. The Associa- trip to the great exposition at St. tion was to secure additional ugna- Louis at the Epworth League on

Mr. Isaac Francis Las took elect A temperature of 20 above zero ed, president of Acton Cornet Band,

Mr William Wilson, father of Rev. C. Wilson, dued at his home at Macville last week. He was a native of Enniskillen, Ireland, and came to

Canada in his young manhood. in Seven Everyone should be in-

The immigration to Western Canmotored to Arthur on Monday to be ada from the United States this season will probably reach 60,000, that the occasion of their 68th wedding is to say, an increase of about 50 per as cent over last year.

T. T. Moore, clerk, is advertising for a municipal officer for the municipality of Acton-salary \$450. The lawns are assuming the pret-

official visit of the District Deputy The machinery for the construc-Grand Master. The fine new lodge tion of the new Macadam roads has

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