

EDITORIAL

A Week Of Secret Plans

Hallowe'en next Monday and the customs of observing this event vary with the times. The opportunities for damage and inconvenience that used to beset nearly every household have gone with the coming of waterworks and sewage disposal. The school bells have been replaced largely with inside operated mechanisms and the blacksmith shops and farm yards have no more buggies and lumber wagons to place in awkward positions.

The trend has been to more fun for the youngsters in the friendly visits to the homes and the organized groups, fostered by various organizations, for a much more sensible observance of Hallowe'en. It's a time that is eagerly anticipated by youngsters, young people and people who feel young at heart. There never was a license on this particular night for doing wilful damage to property and persons.

So the week ahead will be one of planning and some secret arrangements among the young folk as the disguises are planned and the whims of nocturnal visits and fun among friends culminate in the age-old observance of Hallowe'en.

A Dog Race

Rather interesting to note the past week that the strike of brewery workers only lasted two days until a settlement was reached. It seems that deliveries were about to be rationed and the very thought of being deprived of it made a dire necessity that such a famine must not occur. In the meantime other strikes which have been in progress for weeks and even months continue to remain unsettled.

One sometimes wonders if the basis for halting a strike is not the issues involved but rather the clamor of the public who may or may not be willing to pay the higher price for the commodity that increased cost of production is bound to bring about. The question arises: are the settlements made by conciliation, conferences, negotiations, etc. or just on the basis of demand for the products and the market supply of the commodity. We presume the answers will be given when workers' strikes come into balance with buyers' strikes.

In the meantime the spiral of higher costs and the need for more wages to meet the higher costs continues. Seems an elusive chase and like the dog races even the dog that wins the races never catches the things which he chased.

A Guaranteed Investment

Canada Savings Bonds went on sale across the Dominion last week for the tenth consecutive year. It is worth considering the magnitude of these annual campaigns and the effects they have had on the buying habits of the nation.

Since 1946 Canadians have bought more than \$4 billion worth of Canada Savings Bonds. Just what, in terms of purchasing power does this figure represent?

It would provide 333,333 houses at an average cost of \$12,000, or a substantial down payment on a considerably greater number; it would enable 1,000,000 young men and women to obtain a college education at a cost, say of \$4,000 each; or it would supplement by \$1,000 for a ten-year period the annual income of 400,000 people on retirement.

In actual practice, of course, Canada Savings Bonds are used for a composite of these and many other worthwhile goals. Probably a million and a half Canadians have used them to meet financial emergencies of all kinds, with the result that they have contributed to the average man's peace of mind. From a statistical point of view, Canada Savings Bonds have been a major factor in maintaining a wide distribution of the public debt—a feature which has always been deemed most desirable. Present ownership of Canada Savings Bonds now constitutes about 13 per cent. of the public debt.

Economists forecast that sales of the 10th series bonds will be good. They point out that employment in Canada has recovered substantially from the degree of slackness noticeable some months ago, and is not only well above last year's level, but also above that for 1953, the best year on record.

In Self Protection

While there will be an open season in Halton County for deer hunting next month, more and more hunters are going to be frustrated by the signs on farms in this district which will prohibit hunting and trespassing. We base this prediction on the greatly increased number of signs which are going through our commercial printing department these days.

The reason for this trend is simple enough when one hears the incidents that are commonplace on the farms in this district and no doubt in many parts of Ontario. On one nearby farm a bullet crashed through the window of the home, narrowly missing the housewife. There were, of course, no signs of the hunters who fired the bullet.

Another farmer reports that last year a party of hunters killed a deer and were unable to get the carcass over the wire fence. They cut the wires to make their task easy and left the fence unrepaired. Herds of Jersey cattle are not safe in the fields drying the deer season and sometimes not even in the barnyard.

Leaving gates open and breaking down fences are commonplace nuisances throughout the countryside. Nearly every farmer can recount experiences that justify the erection of signs prohibiting hunting and trespassing. The blame for these signs can be placed on those hunters who seem to have no regard for the property of others. If an open season is to be of any value to hunters in this district—and there are numerous deer in the locality—the hunters will have to be more considerate of the farm property. An open season for deer is of little or no use if the farm lands are all to be posted. We don't blame the farmers one bit for taking self-protective measures.

A Help-Yourself Age

Automation is a word that is appearing more and more frequently these days as well as the slogans to "do-it-yourself" hobbies which are a popular trend. Perhaps it stems from the difficulty experienced in our life of today to get workmen to do small jobs that need immediate attention. Perhaps again it's a carryover of the slogan that was popular during the last world war, "Give us the tools and we'll finish the job."

At any rate the trend turns up in many unexpected places. In a barber shop not a hundred miles from here we noted a modern electric shaver on the shelf and a convenient electric outlet. A sign on the shaver offered the equipment for the use of customers at 20c per shave. The reason was obvious. The barber had all the work he could do cutting hair and offered the service to those at a moderate price to those who were waiting their turn. Some of us can recall the days when folks said the safety razors would put the barbers out of business.

We have today the vending machines which serve hot drinks and even meals as well as cigarettes, bottled drinks, chewing gum and candy and of course dial phones that are replacing many folks in various fields, but still there seems a shortage of help. Automation has been with us ever since the days of the first gum dispensing machines. Its application broadens as the years roll on and more and more push button control will become familiar in our daily operations.

Brief Comment

This is the season of the year when the bright days are termed "Indian Summer." It seems we can have numerous Indian Summers which is variety from the summer that comes in the middle of the calendar year in this section.

We always welcome letters to the editor on matters of general public interest. We must stress, however, all letters for publication must be signed by the writer, but the name need not appear on the letter when it is reproduced.

We haven't any objection to the limitation of the minimum size of envelopes by the Post Office Department. Anything which will speed up delivery of mail will be welcomed by the public as a whole.



WHAT'S IN THE WIND, this perky pup might well be asking as he stiffens his attention, right down to the tender nose, to the lee of the breeze. Maybe it's another pup, frolicking along in late October's dead leaves, or maybe it's the master or mistress with a dinnertime dish. Anyway, whichever it is you can sense this fellow will be away on all fours in short order.

The Bible Today
REV. G. P. PARSON, District Secretary.
Upper Canada Bible Society

"Magazine format is the latest thing in Bible bindings" according to Bible Society officials. The pages, about average magazine size, are well illustrated with photographs and line drawings depicting events of Bible lands and times. Each gospel or book of the New Testament is bound separately.

"Bible bindings need not be black and the pages filled with only blocks of type" was the further claim made recently when the Jubilee Youth Bible, sometimes called the newest and most modern Bible, was issued to celebrate 150 years of Bible Society work. Packed with 500 pictures that are simple snapshots of every bird, beast, tree and flower mentioned in the narrative, the attractive volume is the Authorized Version.

For the first time this new line of plain and practical illustration is introduced into the Bible. It is really an up-to-date visual aid rather than the old-time type of story picture. Route-maps accompany the text to show the reader the road he travels, milestones give the distance between different places, time signals count out the passing of the centuries, badges or identity cards indicate the nationality of the people he meets. City gates and dwellings of the points visited are also shown. Highlights of the book are the special close-up studies of the Temple buildings, officers' vestments and vessels of worship; the costumes, coins, countryside and customs of the time of Christ; and the journeys of the apostle Paul.

Marilyn Bell, Prince Charles and Princess Anne each have been presented with a copy of this Jubilee Edition of the Bible. Suggested Bible readings for the week: Sun., Gen. 22: 1-14; Mon., Lev. 19: 1-37; Tues., Deut. 5: 1-15; Wed., Deut. 5: 16-33; Thur., 11 Sam. 7: 18-29; Fri., Ps. 55: 1-23; Sat., Ps. 138: 1-8.

AT THE Churches

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30th, 1955
9:45 a.m.—Church School.
8:50 a.m.—Junior Church.
11:15 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Prayer.
Anniversary preacher, Rev. A. E. Kewley, B.A., B.D., Brant Avenue-United Church, Brantford, Ont.
November 2—Turkey Supper.

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA
St Alban's Church, Acton, Ont.
Rev. Evan H. Jones, B.A., L.Th., Rector

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30th, 1955 (TRINITY XXIX)
9:00 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10:00 a.m.—Church School.
11:00 a.m.—Beginners' Class.
11:40 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.
4:15 p.m.—Holy Baptism.
Evening Service in the United Church.

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KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
REV. ROBERT H. ARMSTRONG, M.A., B.D., Minister

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30th, 1955
9:45 a.m.—Church School.
11:00 a.m.—Mr. Douglas Black.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service in United church.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30th, 1955
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service with drawn owing to United Church anniversary.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Mid-week service.

ACTON PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLY
Meeting in L.O.L. Hall, Crewson's Corners.
Pastor: Rev. E. J. Reid, 81 Cook St., Telephone 646w.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30th, 1955
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Cottage prayer meeting and Bible study.

THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

BACK IN 1905

What might be called a written defect in the constitution of the United States has been revealed as a result of the alarming irregularities which have manifested themselves in several of the larger financial institutions. It appears that under the present condition of affairs in the United States, there is no way of protecting stockholders or assuring the straightforwardness of these institutions. The grand old British constitution, unwritten and changeable as necessary, even if somewhat indefinite, has advantages which only come to light in such circumstances.

The ladies of Knox church have arranged to supply the demand to where to go on Thanksgiving and hold their annual supper and entertainment this evening. The supper will be on the beautiful lines of previous years—and the entertainment will include numbers of musical and literary excellence.

The Morning Post understands that the question of the inclusion of Newfoundland into the Dominion is again the subject of confidential negotiations. The news, says the Post, is of particular interest in view of the present fisheries dispute between Newfoundland and the United States.

Mr. Roach, the new proprietor of the Hotel, has moved to town and his family are residing in Mr. Holmes' new house on Main Street.

Mr. S. Lasby sold his butcher business at the corner of Mill and Main Streets to Mr. Neil Patterson. Some of the merchants who are advertising this week are: Wm. Williams, boots and shoes; Merchant Bank, W. S. Chisholm, manager; bakery, Mrs. E. Ryder, hand laundry, Charlie Lee Sney; R. B. Scott, dry goods; A. T. Brown, chemist, T. Statham and Sons, bakers and grocers; H. G. Hunter, druggist and stationer; Johnstone and Co., hardware; C. F. Goodeve and Co., ladies' needs; Henderson and Co., general store; J. R. Mosher, coal and wood; H. L. Sherman.

BACK IN 1935

In a 50-mile road race held on Thanksgiving Day by the Warren Cycle Club of Toronto, Tom and "Bus" Nicol of Acton were competitors. Out of over 50 entrants competing, Bus finished 20th, which was very creditable considering it was a very gruelling race.

A wedding of local interest and of exceptional interest at the Free Press office was solemnized on Thursday last when two members of the staff of this office, Mr. Robert McArthur and Miss S. M. Nelson were married. The ceremony took place at the United church parsonage and was performed by Rev. Dr. E. M. Morrow. Following the wedding supper, Mr. and Mrs. MacArthur left on a wedding trip to Detroit, London and other western points.

Using the same car that figured in the Acton Machine Shop robbery last week, thieves entered the premises again Sunday morning and were making off with one of the batteries when they were apprehended by night constable Harrop. The men fled without their car as Constable Harrop had taken the key.

The rural hockey as arranged at Acton arena last year proved so popular for the countryside surrounding Acton that a larger and more organized group was formed last night at a meeting at Eden Mills. Eight teams are now in the group, namely Eden Mills, York Road, Moffat, Limehouse, Lorne school, Jones' boys, Dublin and Lorne Rifles. Games will be played two nights a week. The president elected was Harry Barden, Eden Mills, and the secretary-treasurer is Jim McGeachie of Acton.

Baden Powell of Gilwell, the chief scout, wrote a letter to all scouts in Canada after his tour of this country. "The one thing I like best in your splendid country (besides your mighty locomotives and their solemn whistles, is, of course, your Mounties." Work on the Toronto tunnel to the island has been stopped.

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Westbound
10:27 a.m.; 12:32 p.m.; 2:57 p.m.;
5:27 p.m.; 7:27 p.m.; 9:13 p.m.;
11:32 p.m.; 1:12 a.m. (Sun. to Kitchener only).
Daily except Sunday and holidays.
Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

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Standard Time
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Westbound
Daily 11:44 p.m.; Daily except Sunday 2:48 a.m.; 6:55 p.m. (flag stop); 7:08 p.m.; Saturday only 2:55 p.m.; Sunday only 8:43 a.m. (flag stop); Sunday only Flyer at Guelph 7:08 p.m.; Daily except Sun. and Sat. to Guelph passing from West Toronto and beyond 6:10 p.m.; Daily except Sat. and Sun. Flyer at Guelph 8:36 p.m.

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