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Early Birds

The real early birds have Christmas shopping planned. This hush-hush stuff and pre-Christmas secrecy is as out of date as burning wood for winter heating. There's more Christmas buying being done these days than in the wood-burning era and it takes longer to do it and a lot more consideration. Incidentally, it spreads the Christmas rush over a much longer time.

After all, who wants to go back to a week's frantic searching for suitable Christmas gifts any more than sawing and splitting wood for fuel would be recreation for morning and evening every day?

One would think from a look at displays of merchandise now starting to make their appearance that selections of gifts would be an easy matter for anyone. Stores in Acton are taking on the Christmas look. You'll find the merchants you know friendly and helpful in making your Christmas shopping a joy and not a mad rush. You can be assured of quality at a fair price. Right now is the best time to browse around for Christmas buying and the place is right in your home town.

Safe Predictions

It's going to be a long tough winter. The Old Farmer's Almanac of Dublin, New Hampshire, says so. And by the editor's own account the old man is often right in his predictions. Indeed in the 164th annual edition just off the press, "Abe Weatherwise", having read the stars in their courses, announces that we may expect a bleak chilly time before the spring flowers bloom again.

Last winter, he reminds his readers, was the coldest in six years. He believes it may be the forerunner of colder times. For some years we have experienced relatively mild winters now, he says, times are changing, and a great tidal force rhythm is running in the direction of ice, snow and storms.

His prediction for the first week of November was cold and bleak, which we in Southern Ontario might consider far off the target yet if around with those who do not intend to make we live in Alberta and Saskatchewan we might accept as singularly accurate. The Almanac looks for blustery storms, snow and cold in December, snow, rain and wind in January, cold and stormy in most of February, and hardly more clement in March.

We'll go along with that one prediction that we may expect a bleak, chilly time before the spring flowers bloom again. There are certain predictions that are always safe.

Student's Code

The School Board in Boston has drawn up a list of commandments for students from grades seven to 12. The list will be read twice a week to the students, and will be posted in each classroom.

Perhaps it is a sad commentary that the schools, rather than the homes, have to bring these ordinary rules of decency and common sense to the attention of young people. But if it has to be done, it is a good list. Here it is:

1. Don't let your parents down. They brought you up.
2. Stop and think before you drink.
3. Be smart—obey. You'll give orders yourself, some day.
4. Ditch dirty thoughts fast or they'll ditch you.
5. Show-off driving is juvenile. Don't act your age.
6. Pick the right friends to be picked for a friend.
7. Choose a date fit for a mate.
8. Don't go steady unless you're ready.
9. Live carefully. The soul you save may be your own.

A word of commendation is due this year to the young people of Acton and district in their reasonable observance of Hallowe'en and also a word of praise to Acton police on their guidance and oversight in keeping things under control. As a result there are few regrets.

Why Do Motorists Hurry

There has been a crackdown on speeders on the highways and many are being fined for non-observance of speed limits. It may or may not have had an effect. Friday we went to Toronto via the Queen Elizabeth Way. Hardly a car passed us going over the 50 mile limit. We didn't see any evidence of police cruisers or speed traps.

Saturday coming home the same route there were so many cars passing us that time and again we had to check to see if we were going near the legal limit. That day would have been a real harvest for police. There may have been cruisers and police patrolling that highway but again they were not in evidence. We wondered what made the difference on the two days. Can it be that weekend travellers are in a greater rush to get out for a football game or a visit than travellers going on routine every day business?

There may be some very interesting deductions when the police records of the present safety drive are completed.

Less To Drink More To Drive

Monday's news or rumors were most interesting. Recommended was the dropping of the permit fee to buy liquor and raising the tax on motorists by five dollars each and for truckers to a \$220.50 according to the type of truck used. Hinted too is a raising of the restrictions on liquor advertising.

Looks as if the provincial government has been looking over its various departments and finds the liquor department booming and therefore offer more incentive to a profitable branch. For the highways department it appears the financial setbacks, from bad road contracts, need a lift or a shot or maybe five dollars from every motorist will buy to put the department back on its feet and ready for the next deal.

Haven't heard however of Premier Frost's opinions regarding the recent hike in paper prices. Not quite so outspoken as Premier Duplessis in Quebec. Some provincial leaders do have odd methods of departmental discipline and policy.

Brief Comment

Nine Walkerton youths paid \$37.50 each in fines and costs for wilful damage on Hallowe'en. Ages of the youths ranged from 14 to 20 years.

The idea that government must rush in to handle management-labor disputes at every turn is not complimentary to the higher echelons of either management or labor — Cowichan B.C. leader

Municipal nominations a week from tomorrow. There'll be many things to create interest this year in municipal affairs. Might as well start your interest now. It's your town and your affairs that are being arranged for 1966.

One way to reduce education costs is to eliminate time-wasters after they have been duly warned. Education is too costly to be roved.

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The more authorities you consult the more confused you will be, predicts the Vancouver Herald. But there is one consolation. Before long through the time and effort you have devoted to the subject, you will discover that you have become an authority yourself. Then, though you may still be uncertain how to do something, you will have no uncertainty at all telling other people how they should do it.

Forty years of retirement faces mankind soon thinks the Brantford Expositor gloomily. "It is no longer considered fantastic to talk of the day when most people in Canada and elsewhere in industrial lands will live to be 90, retire at 50 and spend the last 40 years sitting around, possibly in abysmal boredom. When that time arrives, say the economists, the factory work-week will be down to 24 hours. What are people going to do with all that leisure?"

Hunters' alibis rival those of the imaginative fisherman, thinks the Charlottetown Guardian which reports this bit of original research: "Less than 30 per cent. of all hunters bring home anything; only 50 per cent. of them get a shot; of these, more than 70 per cent. miss; and of these, nearly 100 per cent. blame the gun, the ammunition—anything, in fact, but their own poor marksman ship. Strange as it may seem, 'big game' like deer are missed more often than little items like ducks and rabbits."

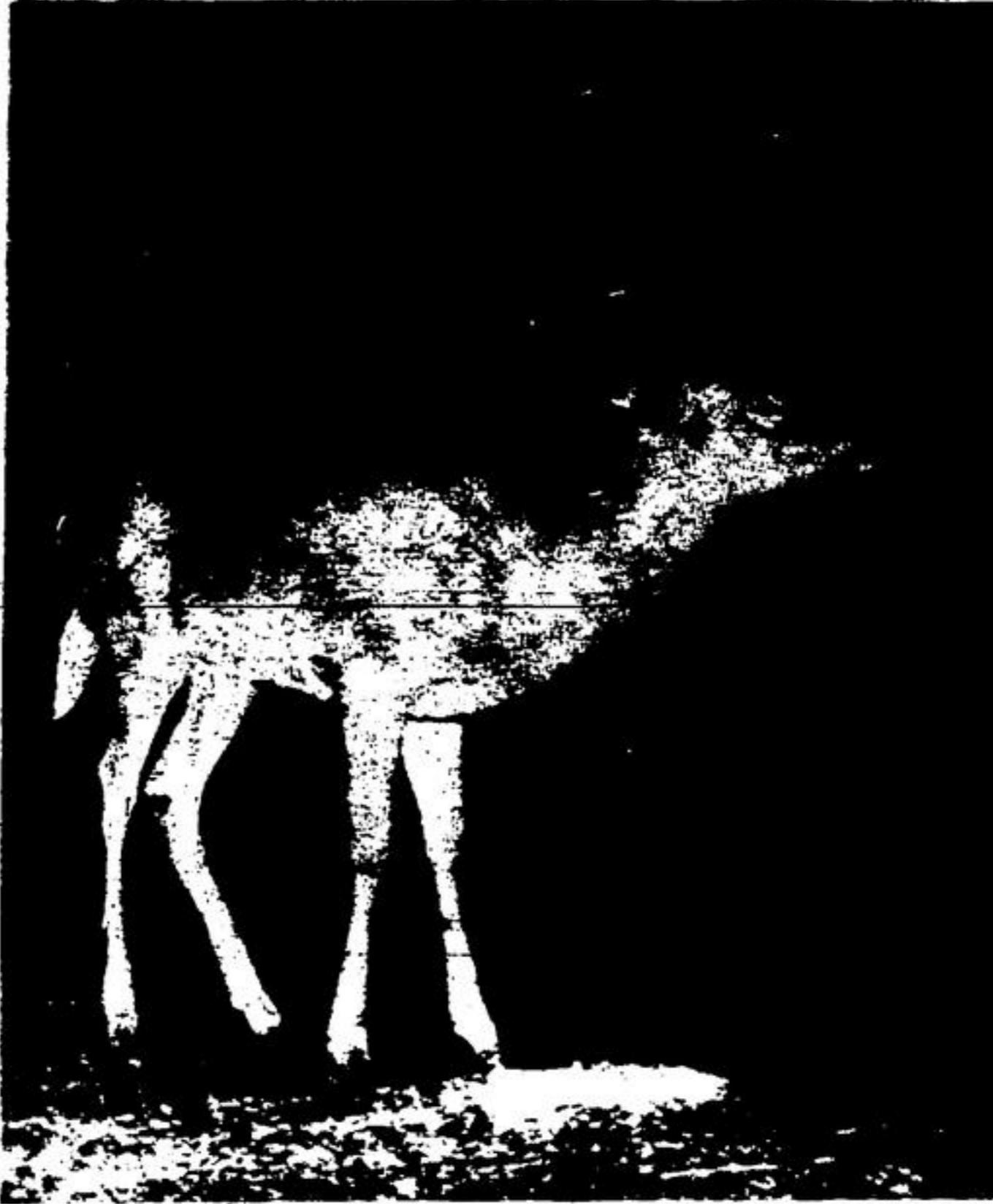


Photo by Esther Taylor

A WARY ANIMAL these days is the deer. Hunters, in towns where there has been no ban placed on hunting deer, are finding does and bucks increasingly scarce in this part of the country. Hutton's season is a short one — only three days next week.

The Bible

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Today

Upper Canada Bible Society

The Bible speaks in the 11th of the Book of the prophet Malachi, inviting us to the temple at Jerusalem to witness the birth of the Messiah.

The great Father above is seated in the same chair as the Son, and with him is the Spirit.

He is seated in the same chair as the name of the people of God, and he draws me to him. He draws me to him, where the grace of God and the Word of God are found, and I am led to draw near to him.

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