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Getting New Industry

In a recent address before the Stratford Chamber of Commerce J. M. Thompson, vice-president and controller of Westinghouse told why his industry decided to locate a new plant in Stratford.

Here are some of the things the Westinghouse company have found necessary to determine before locating a new plant.

- 1. Accessibility to suppliers and customers. 2. An adequate supply of labor, of the types and skills required. 3. Assurance that good labor relations can be secured and maintained.

Keeping The Old

What is applicable to securing new industry in any community it will also be noted may well apply to retaining established industry.

It might be well to remember, however, that the same rules which make any town desirable for new industry are also applicable for industry to remain in a community and deepen its roots there.

The point that's important in any town's industrial relations is the necessity for maintaining good relations with established industry as well as getting enthusiastic over the welcoming and reception of a new industry.

Intrigued But Unanswered

We were intrigued the other day by the heading of the monthly letter of the Royal Bank. Of course, if you are under 30 you wouldn't give it a second thought, but over 50 one is apt to read at least a few paragraphs of an article, "Growing Old Successfully."

It isn't many years ago since "longevity" was a new word in common talk. A hundred years ago the average life expectancy at birth on this continent was only 40 years; today in Canada it is 66.3 years for men and 70.8 years for women.

Well, we read all the items under such headings as "Science and Old Age" and "Why Worry?" and "No Cause for Pessimism" and "How Big a Problem?" and wound up with the final paragraph on "Not a Rocking Chair."

We liked that conclusion better than all the statistics on man's age. People apparently do not grow old unless they desire to entertain that aged feeling.

When every holiday, indeed almost every week-end, takes its toll of human life, one wonders what is the use of warning, of pleas, that drivers and others take greater precautions than usual.

Specials For All

In the United States the Chamber of Commerce estimates that in 1956 there will be 322 special days and weeks observed. Believe it or not the first event of this year was "Odorous Decoration Week."

In January tea, crochet and the potato chip will be honored; February features good breakfasts, canned salmon and pimentos. In March, peanuts, smiles, linen and fruit all get attention and in April, mother-in-laws and national secretaries are to be specially honored.

Getting into May, correct posture and better bedding have weeks as well as motels, hamburgers, raisins, and rabbits. In June they have son's week, bow tie week and National Hillbilly Homecoming Week.

August has sandwich month and variety week. September marks soft water week and sweater week. In October, there are weeks to save the horse, a day for grandmas and grandpas; macaroni, pretzels, popcorn and donut each have a week and also "Pass the Laugh Week."

You will note such well known days as Easter, Mother's Day and Father's Day and holidays such as Labor Day and Thanksgiving have not been mentioned. To list all of the 322 events marked as special would make a lengthy list.

Bigger and Bigger

In these days of merging groups of industry and labor we are reminded of the little rhyme father used to quote and it takes on a different meaning than it had in childhood. It ran thus: "Big fleas have little fleas upon their backs to bite 'em; and these in turn have lesser fleas, and so ad infinitum."

Of course, we hasten to explain that the word "fleas" is not appropriate and should be substituted in the application to which we would put the rhyme in our trend of thinking.

labor groups have now merged to make a bigger unit to beset the big company groups. The A.F.L.-C.I.O. now will be made up of the 109 unions formerly belonging to the A.F.L. and the 32 former C.I.O. unions.

All this mass management and mass thinking either in industry or labor may easily become centered in a government that is a dictatorship. At the present time and in the foreseeable future, it would seem that no humans are capable of being entrusted with this great power over their fellowmen.

History has its lessons. We must learn by experience. The question poses of who will be the survivors in the struggle of getting bigger and bigger?

Brief Comment

Haven't heard any complaints that this winter hasn't found use for the winter sports Christmas gifts.

Some calendars that are published can be hung anywhere with good taste. Some others should be hung before they are sent out.

Municipal governing bodies are getting into the years work ahead and all seem to fully realize that it's going to be a busy year.

It appears to be generally felt that Reeve Stan Allen of Georgetown will be the Warden for Halton County for 1956. Of course, such things are never sure until the final vote is taken.

Hoodlums - teen age and older - cannot be treated with kid gloves and the sooner that plain truth is realized the better for all concerned.

Read in a newspaper the other day that the bulbs from out-door Christmas lighting were being stolen. We thought what a mean low-down, that this was. Went home and when taking down our own lights found all the lower bulbs missing.



Photo by Esther Taylor

ICE AND SNOW can make weird and wonderful patterns on nature's and man's frameworks. Jack Frost, the wind, the cold, the snow and sleet and even the little-seen winter sun, are all co-workers to produce wintertime's designs, whether they be on the high glacier slopes of the Rockies, or outside your own window-like the scene above.

The Bible

REV. G. P. PARSON, District Secretary.

Today

Upper Canada Bible Society

Described by some as a "modern mystic," by others as "the most Christian man alive today," Dr. Frank Laubach likes to think of himself as "an Apostle to the Illiterate."

Claiming that "Africa as well as Asia may be turned to Communism in a few years" by this ideology which is "capturing them by lies at the rate of 100,000 a year," Dr. Laubach declares that bombs or governments cannot prevent the peoples of the East from "voting Communist by 1956."

"A war of human kindness" is the strategy advocated. Teaching people to read and placing the Bible in their hands in their own language is his basic program. Dr. Laubach is teaching people from age 8 to 80 to read by an unique chart method and "Each one teach one" principle.

Dr. Laubach recently urged the Bible Societies of the world to supply his new readers with 20,000,000 more Bibles annually than they are presently producing. To bring literacy and the Scripture to these people, 30,000,000 Christians must be mobilized, he explains, emphasizing the necessity of every Christian in the world assisting.

Guess business men might at times be tempted to copy the sign that appeared on a card on the wall of a Chinese laundry: You want credit, Me get sore. You get sore, Me give credit. You want credit, Me give. You no pay - Me get sore. Better you get sore.

Quebec has the greatest freshwater area of all the provinces. Uses of fine paper made in Canadian mills cover a wide range, such as catalogues, blotters, drinking cups, wallpapers, ticker tape, blueprints, stock certificates and even currency.

AT THE Churches

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA Acton, Ontario Rev. Gordon Adams, M.A., B.D. Minister

Parsonage - 29 Bower Avenue Phone 60 Mr. George Elliott, Organist and Choir Leader, 76 Bower Ave., Acton; phone 6

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15th, 1956 9:30 a.m. - Junior Church, 9:35 a.m. - Church School, 11:15 a.m. - Morning Worship, 7:00 p.m. - Evening Prayer.

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15th, 1956 (2nd SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY) 9:00 a.m. - Holy Communion, 10:00 a.m. - Church School, Annual presentation of Awards for proficiency, 11:00 a.m. - Beginners' Class, 11:00 a.m. - Choral Communion, 7:00 p.m. - Evening Prayer, Monday, January 16, 8 p.m. - Annual Vestry Meeting.

Hens in Nova Scotia laid an average of 202 eggs each last year, the highest average production of any of the provinces.

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15th, 1956 11:00 a.m. - Baptismal Service, 9:45 a.m. - Church School, 7:00 p.m. - Evening Service, A Warm Welcome Awaits You "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

BAPTIST CHURCH ACTON Ray H. Costers, Pastor Parsonage, 115 Bower Ave. Phone 206w

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15th, 1956 10:00 a.m. - Sunday School, 11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship, 7:00 p.m. - Evening Service Wednesday, 8 p.m. - Mid-week Service. Mission Band will be meeting Monday instead of Friday this year.

ACTON PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLY Meeting in L.O.L. Hall, Crewson's Corners Pastor: Rev. K. J. Reid, 81 Cook St., Telephone 640w.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15th, 1956 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 1906

From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, January 11, 1906.

Our new skating rink is to be opened for skating tonight. Band in attendance. Owing to the mild weather it has been impossible to make ice up to this date.

The ability of Mr. Jos. B. Lake, the head of the Free Press mechanical department, was flatteringly attested in the award to him of first prize for best setting in the competition held by Printer and Publisher of Toronto last month.

From the time when Mrs. Charles T. Hill was stricken with paralysis, the Friday before New Year's, she gradually sank, until Sunday morning she peacefully passed away.

Before Judge Chadwick today Cyrus Kennedy, alias Remsen, of Georgetown, was put on trial for the abduction of a Rockwood girl under the age of 16 years on November 20, Kennedy and his associates enticed her to join their little medicine show, drove her to Guelph and then one Knowles took her to Hespeler where they were subsequently joined by the other two. Knowles and Holloway left the show afterwards because of bad business, but the girl stayed with Kennedy.

The Acton House was opened to the public on Tuesday. The appointments are very neat and attractive and the travelling public speaks very favorably of the renewed premises.

At the recent Municipal Council meeting, without instructions from Council, the committee, at the request of the Reeve, created a new committee - that of Printing. Its duties will not be arduous. Additional honors might have been passed around by the appointment of a Legal Committee; a Committee on Rebates for Dogs which died or disappeared before the Collector came around; etc.

BACK IN 1936

From the Issue of the Free Press of Thursday, January 16, 1936.

The second night of the Acton Rural League brought together for the first game Lorne Rifles and Lorne Farmers. Both teams were pretty evenly matched. However, the Rifles surprised everybody and snatched a 3-2 win. The second game was a one-sided affair, with Everton proving too strong for their Eden Mills rivals and they rang up a 11-0 score.

A rowing machine is one of the latest pieces of equipment at the Y.M.C.A. and is proving one of the most popular. It was presented to the Y.M.C.A. by Mr. Eric Smith and members certainly appreciate the gift.

The Duke of Devonshire Chapter of the I.O.D.E. held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. P. A. Smith. The Regent, Mrs. W. M. Cooper, was in charge. Officers were nominated for the year.

Officers elected at the annual meeting of Acton Fall Fair for 1936 are: President, G. W. Murray; first vice-president, G. A. Dills; second vice-president, J. A. Mann; directors, W. K. Graham, L. O. Johnston, J. E. Peardon, J. M. McDonald, D. McDougall, J. J. Stewart, Geo. Somerville, R. L. Davidson, M. Symon, C. McKeown, B. D. Waldie, G. Woodhall, B. Johnston, Archie Kerr, R. J. Kerr, R. J. Ramshaw, H. I. G. Fraser, A. Swackhamer, V. B. Rumley, Wm. Gowdy.

On Tuesday evening the Young People of Acton and Rockwood United churches held a splendid skating party in the Acton arena. A group from Acton Citizens' Band supplied the music for the skating. Later the group assembled at the church here and enjoyed refreshments.

Notice - Big Amateur night in the town hall tonight. Six prizes and contest open to all. Auspices of Junior Hockey Club. A real night's entertainment.

The winners of the Rural Hockey League will have possession for the year of the splendid silver trophy donated by Mr. V. B. Rumley of Johnstone and Rumley.

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COACHES LEAVE ACTON

Eastbound 6:38 a.m.; 8:58 a.m.; 11:33 a.m.; 2:08 p.m.; 4:48 p.m.; 6:33 p.m.; 8:33 p.m.; 10:08 p.m. (Sun. and Hol.) Westbound 10:27 a.m.; 12:52 p.m.; 2:57 p.m.; 5:27 p.m.; 7:27 p.m.; 9:12 p.m.; 11:32 p.m.; 1:12 a.m. (Fri., Sat., Sun. and Hol.)

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

Standard Time

Eastbound Daily 6:40 a.m.; Daily except Sundays 10:00 a.m.; 7:13 p.m.; Sunday only 8:01 p.m.; Daily except Sunday Flyer at Georgetown 9:02 a.m.; 6:37 p.m.; Daily Flyer at Georgetown 10:11 p.m. Westbound Daily 11:44 p.m.; Daily except Sunday 8:48 a.m.; 6:53 p.m. (flag-stop); 7:49 p.m.; Saturday only 2:22 p.m.; Sunday only 9:43 a.m. (flag-stop); Sunday only Flyer at Guelph 7:55 p.m.; Daily except Sat. and Sun. to detain passengers from West Toronto and beyond 8:10 p.m.; Daily except Sat. and Sun. Flyer at Guelph 6:56 p.m.