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Being Prepared

The establishment last week of a Rabies Control Committee in the County was welcome news.

Our encyclopedia describes rabies as a contagious disease of dogs communicable to man or domestic animals by the bite of a dog.

It's importance is really stressed, however, when cases occur within only 20 miles of Halton's boundaries.

Perhaps as dangerous as the disease is the panic that can develop and the wanton massacre of dogs that can follow should rabies be thought to be apparent.

Municipal officials are extending an extra effort to keep all dogs under control.

The Control Committee is endeavoring to secure the necessary vaccine for the free treatment of all dogs but those who value their dogs are urged not to wait.

In Peace and War

"In war it brings comfort to the injured, companionship to the lonely, sympathy to the anguished. In peace it brings food for the hungry, shelter for the homeless, help for those in distress."

The simple banner bearing the red cross on the white background has been an indication to thousands of relief from suffering.

History Will Repeat?

Dr. Andrew C. Ivy, vice-president of the University of Illinois predicts that in Canada and the United States a wave of prohibition is due in 12 years.

The speaker, head of the clinical science department at the Illinois university, pointed out that history showed waves of "drunkenness and debauchery" are always followed by waves of prohibition.

"History will repeat itself and another dry wave is due about 1965 or 1967," he said.

The physiologist declared that for every dollar the government collects from the sale of alcohol, it loses \$2.50 through alcoholism.

The Chicago lecturer said he favored the Ontario ban on liquor advertising but added that it wasn't as effective as it might be.

Everybody's Business

Without a doubt, education is everybody's business. The truth of the statement is being emphasized this week as schools across Canada mark education week.

There is often a tendency for those without children at school to vaguely refer to the changes in the educational program, the high costs, and the lack of emphasis on the three R's, with no little scorn.

Perhaps for that reason we have an education week. To emphasize the fact that education is everybody's business does not take any extensive research.

But it is not fair to give an appraisal of a thing like education in monetary terms only.

The quality of education can depend too on the interest of parents as well as teachers for the parents can exert a great influence on the formulating of a child's like or dislike of education.

Local schools are always endeavoring to keep parents aware of what takes place in classrooms and maintain their interest in the continuing process of education.

This week, Education Week, has been set aside to bring special emphasis to Education.

A Gratifying Report

In the editor's mail last week was a big fat envelope containing six sets of folders, the largest of which was the budget statement of the Treasurer of Ontario.

But every citizen will be interested in the \$10 million increase voted to schools; larger grants to universities; assistance to municipalities and other local agencies 13 per cent. above a year ago.

While the surplus of the past year was \$749,000 after providing \$17.6 million for sinking fund and \$28.5 million for highway reserve account, the Ontario government is budgeting for a surplus next year of \$768,000.

The budget and the report indicate Ontario to be in a very fine financial condition and enjoying an era of prosperity when tax collections are high and in most cases quite beyond expectations.

At The Churches

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OVER THE FENCE and up the ice-bound creek, deceptively covered with snow, this wintertime pathway seems to lead into some white region glistening with snow-decorated scenery for the viewer's pleasure.

The Bible Today Upper Canada Bible Society

The term "suspense thriller" could well be used to describe the story of the recent translating of the Bible into the Hankul script for Korea.

About the turn of the century a missionary had literally worn out his eyes putting the Bible into the classical Korean script.

After years of painstaking effort the manuscript was completed and the first 400 pages were set up in the press in the Bible House at Seoul.

POET'S CORNER

E is for Eternal His love for us A is for Agony He bore without fuss S is for sting As the nails were driven T is for tears We've so often given E is for Everyone

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REMEMBER THOSE Good Old Days

BACK IN 1906 From the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, March 8, 1906.

It is reported that good hardwood is selling in Erin at \$4.50 a cord and there is very little demand for it at that price.

BACK IN 1936 From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, March 15, 1936.

Acton Tanners extended an unbroken string of victories to 19 when they defeated the Paris Greenhirts 15-6 in a home-and-home play-off round.

Mr. Norman Workman, baggage-man at the G.T.R., was promoted last week to Berlin.

W. L. Grindell, caretaker of the public school, has taken a situation in Guelph and resigned his caretaker's duties.

Mr. David Carnochan, who has been an esteemed citizen of Acton the past five years or so, removed this week to his old home, lot 19, con. 7, Nassau Ave. He will farm the homestead.

A catastrophe was narrowly averted on the G.T.R. Monday evening. The 8:25 train going west and 8:45 going east were ordered to cross at Acton instead of at Rockwood as usual.

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