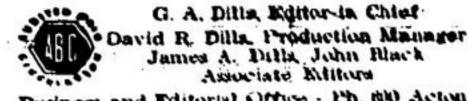
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Same Procedure Always

Ever since the white men took over from the Indians to settle and develop Canada, it's been an early spring job to fertilize the land. In those early days we presume the methods were primitive with oxen and carts and plenty of hard labor. These were later replaced with the manure spreader when the farmers reckoned their crops in terms of bushels to the acre and their earnings in what the land yielded back at harvest time.

Still later, along came the soil analysis and the commercial fertilizers and bigger crops as the soils were studied and deficiencies were applied.

Today in this section the spring farm topic more often discussed is in the terms of not how many bushels to the acre but rather how many building lots to the acre. This crop of subdivisions yields much greater returns than the raising of grain of which there is now a surplus in Canada.

With the change of crops come new methods. A switch in the spring chore of spreading fertilizer is necessary. Matter of fact, a new kind of fertilizer to grow bigger and better subdivisions is necessary. It's not known as fertilizer or manure any longer and more liable to be called promotion. But no matter what the land is called upon to yield the spring time task of making the land yield more by a liberal spreading of spring time promotion seems to yield more lots just as plentiful spreading of barnyard manure used to

increase the grain yield per acre. Springtime and harvest, the land has always yielded well no matter what is demanded of it. Methods and crops may alter but the same basic requirements are needed in the progress of mankind.

Halton's Senior Editor

Tonight, a representative group of citizens of the town of Burlington, the County of Halton and newspapermen from other parts, will gather to honor two newspaper men who have contributed a notable share and are closing an enviable newspaper career, Messrs. Elgin and George Harris of

Fifty-seven years ago the Burlington Gazette was founded by Elgin A. Harris. He has been associated with it through all those years. For 37 years his son George has been his right hand man. A gratifying note is that a grandson, Richard Harris, will be associated in the new company which is now in charge of the Burlington Gazette.

Elgin Harris is the senior editor of Halton County. We have known him for well over 40 of those years and wondered and admired the energy and aggressiveness which he has put into not only, his paper but his town and country and the Canada wide association of weekly newspapers. In those early days there were seven newspapers in Halton. Oakville had three papers and Milton two. There were then, as now, one in Burlington, Acton and Georgetown.

Halton and its towns have seen great changes in those years and perhaps the Harris father and son may find leisure now to compile a story of their town from their fund of knowledge. We cannot imagine them not being busy and we wish for them both many years of leisure among their townsmen whom they have served so well.

How Much is Yours?

At this moment Canadians have to square up to the not too pleasant fact that well over onethird of every one hundred dollars we make is spent by government. In the last 25 years spending at all government levels has jumped from 19 per cent. of our national income to over 35 per cent. Expenditures on health and social welfare alone has gone up in the last 10 years from 794 million to close to two billion. Soaring costs of production stand as a chief threat to stability and employment.-Hamilton Spectator.

.. This week-April 29 to May 5-is known as Mental Health Week".

In these days when municipal mill rates are all higher, it is perhaps unique that in all three North Halton towns the rate has either been held the same or lowered.

For the Most Use

There will be keen interest in the Council decision and consideration of more paved streets there rather than a continuance of costly yearly maintenance. Now that water and sewer lines have been installed in present built-up sections and the road beds have had a chance to consolislate, the proposal of permanent road surfaces on a larger scale would seem well advised.

Under the present plan and the amount of halfic carried on our streets, the streets are never an good condition. The same costs are required every year and there is year fround dissatisfaction with which equipment can never keep up. The section laid last year was small but it turned a very bad position into a fine piece of road.

There is no town service which serves so anany citizens than its roads. In many cases sidewalks could be delayed if there is a good hard surface on the road. True, we need ample school suildings, municipal equipment, fire equipment, municipal buildings and all the town services but what will serve more of our people and leave a better impression on the casual caller than a town with good roadways?

Costs cannot be absorbed in one year to make a good start but spread over a debenture of 15 years Acton not only now and during the life of the debentures can be a cleaner and more attractive place in which to reside and it will be more attractive to new industry and new citizens with an extensive program of permanent road-

Back it Up

Public service often comes in for more criti-«ism quite often than public help which might well be accorded. The Halton Humane Society, which recently took over the control of dogs in Acton, Milton and Georgetown is apparently making some progress on the problem which has baffled the authorities for some time.

We had turned over to us recently a letter received by the Society from an unsigned individual. Editors often get such letters for publication which have to be discarded because the writer Hebrew and Greek, recently finhasn't the courage to sign his name to the complaint.

We believe if the unsigned writer of the letter would be a little more explicit about the complaint and furnish the Humane Society with signed complaints they would receive prompt atten- a bit faster as she passes from tion. A little more helpfulness and a little less indiscriminate criticism would help the new seemingly endless search for the arrangement to give the service all desire. Hu- cal meaning and the constant mane Society officers are in the same position as checking to express the right idea. an editor on unsigned complaints.

Definitely, the nuisance of garbage pail snooping is improving. The new service is desirous of being efficient. It needs your help in making it effective.

As Long as it's Interesting

We are not alone in the weekly newspaper field when we find it necessary to make changes of features and items from their regular, position n the paper. Readers somehow like to find the various departments every week in the same position. A recent survey in an Ontario weekly show ed that the want ad page was the most widely read page.

Everyone has his own idea of where people must make a symbol to represent read most and first. The fact is they are all wrong. and they are all right.

"A study of reading habits of hundreds of lowns made by the Bureau of Advertising found dictionary and grammar must that all pages of the newspaper are read. In fact, left hand pages got one per cent, more readers than right hand pages.

"A lot of women buy ready-to-wear who read the food pages and they purchase cosmetics from the druggist who insists on the farm news page

"The fact is, and this is shown by the above UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA study, that the page and the position on the page make not one whit of difference in capturing readers. It is what the advertisement says, how it says it, and how it is presented that gets read-

"Many pages in the study showed that advertising got twice the number of readers received by news stories on the same page. Make advertising interesting and the people interested in the merchandise advertised will flock to its position in the newspaper."

Brief Comment

There are more than 57,000 alcoholics in Ontario. Most are employed, family men, 35-45 years of age. More new alcoholics develop annually in Ontario than can now be treated.

Ontario's rejection of help from Ottawa to build the new skyway at Burlington indicates that the provincial coffers are not as empty as often claimed and that the introduction of toll highways in this province is imminent.

Orangeville voted four to one to put artificial ice in the arena there and will seek permission to issue debentures and in Brampton the council decided to instal sprinklers and heating in the arena ion of the Forestry Branch. Dein town.



THE MONTH OF MAY usually sees the warmer seasons' full dress debut, when foliage grows green, spring flowers bloom in full and warmer weather puts a lighter tone on life that covers over winter's tired memories. Airy and bright scenes like this make a keen outline of the thought. -

Bible lhe REV. G. P PARSON. District Secretary.

10day Upper Canada Bible Society

One of the happiest women in | translated from the original tonguthe world is an 82-year-old sionary's widow in Eritrea. She is checking the final proofs of the Bible in the Trigrinya tongue.

band started reducing the language to writing over 60 years ago and translating the scriptures from the ished this task herself. For 50 years since his death, she has worked on the monumental manuscript which is currently in process of publication by the British and Foreign Bible Society.

As she sits pouring over the maint characters, her heart beats page to page. Multitudinous memories well up in her mind. The best word to express the true biblisweep back over a half century of

ceaseless effort. The print dances on the table before her very eyes. She can hardly believe what she sees. It is a dream come true. A strange peace and satisfaction floods through her soul. A ife's ambition is realized.

According to Rev. W. J. Bradnock, M.A., London, England, who reports Mrs. Windquist's present activity, translation work is now being caried on in 230 languages around the world. Each of these will require from 10 to 40 years to complete. The work will be done by teams of Bible Society secretaries and missionaries of many denominations working with the nat-

The translator must go about Things of value he'll destroy, asking over and over again. "What is that?" he will query at every turn. On securing a "sound" he Just a boy who needs a friend: it on paper when there is no written form available. An alphabet or syllabic system must be discovered or invented, or vocabulary made of the combination of their sounds. A worked out. Then the Bible is

es into the one newly reduced to

to publish the Bible. Mrs. A. Windquist, whose hus- Suggested readings for the week: Sunday, Acts 22: 1-30; Monday, Acts 23: 1-35; Tuesday, Acts 24: 1-27; Wednesday, Acts 25: 1-27; Thursday, Acts 26; 1-32; Friday, Acts 27. 1-20; Saturday, Acts 27: 21-44.

POETS CORNER

JUST A BOY Got to understand the lad He's not eager to be bad If the right he always knew,

He would be as old as you Were he now exceeding wise, He'd be just about your size; When he does things that annoy, Don't forget - he's just a boy.

Could he know and understand. He would need no guiding hand; But he's young and hasn't learned How life's corners must be turn-

Doesn't know from day to day

There is more to life than play. More to face than selfish joy, Don't forget--he's just a boy. Being just a boy he'll do Much you will not want him to:

He'll be careless of his ways, Have his disobedient days. Wilful, wild and headstrong, too, He'll need guidance kind and

But reflect he's just a boy.

Patient, kindly to the end; Needs a father who will show Him the things he wants to know Take him with you when you

Listen when he wants to talk, His companionship enjoy, Don't forget-he's just a boy.

Acton, Ontario

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SUNDAY, MAY 6th, 1956 9.00 a.m.-Morning Prayer. 10.00 a.m.-Junior Church Church School. 11.15 a.m -Morning Worship. Evening Prayer cancelled.

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St. Alban's Church. Acton, Ont Rev. Evan H. Jones, B.A., L.Th.

SUNDAY, MAY 6th, 1956 (Rogation Sunday) 8.30 a.m.-Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m.-Church School. 11.00 a.m.-Beginners' Class. 11.00 a.m.-Choral Communion. 4-5 p.m.—Holy Baptism. 7.00 p.m.-Evensong.

A radioactive isotope is being rients within trees at the Petawawa. Ont. forest experimental statpartment of Northern Affairs and

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA KNOX. CHURCH, ACTON

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SUNDAY, MAY 6th, 1956 9.45 a.m.—Church School. 11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship. 7.00 p.m.-Divine Worship. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." A warm welcome awaits you.

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SUNDAY, MAY 6th, 1956 1000 a.m.—Sunday School 11.00 a.m.-Morning Worship. 7.00 p.m.-Evening Worship. 8.15 p.m.-B.Y.P.U. Wednesday, 8 p.m.-Mid-week Ser-

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SUNDAY, MAY 6th, 1956 0.00 a.m.-Sunday School. 11.00 a.m.-Morning Worship. 7.30 p.m.-Evangelistic Service. Wednesday, 8 p.m.-Cottage pray-

er meeting and Bible study.



REMEMBER Good Old Days

BACK IN

Taken from the laue of the Free Press of Thursday, May 7, 1936. At the monthly meeting of Acton school board, the need of having a school nurse in Acton on a whole or part time basis was discussed. The cost of such a benefit was pointed out as an handicap to the new service, which it was felt would be a great benefit to the children and community as whole. The advisability of music education in the school was also pointed out.

The changing of the bridge on Main St. and the filling in of the gully along the side of the road will soon be completed. The course of the stream has been diverted.

May Day was the occasion of a very pleasant social function at the United church on Friday. It was a May Day ten served in the basement of the church. Taking part in the program were Mrs. H. Caldwell and John Agar and Marjory Bilton sung. Ten was poured by Mrs. G. H. Brown and Mrs. W. J

for some time was informed that ment decided their admission his allowance would be lessened on would be desirable. On Monday a the first of May. To which he re-delegation waited on the chairman plied, "I'm through I'll go look for and a special meeting was held.

ferin Badminton club visited Acton is completed. Badminton club Three couples came down to play a mixed tourna- full force at the beginning of the

have been swimming in Fairy and cheap tackle made the biggest An exhibition ball game has

and Campbellville will be the op-

from an attack of the flu At least 60 scripts are used today out to the town hall to do honor to There was absolutely nothing of an a former Rockwood boy, Mr. Frank undesirable character about the ev-Guild, of New York, who gave a ening's entertainment delightful concert on behalf of the Public and Continuation schools.

summertime The drinking fountain county has lost one of its oldest was put into use again, and was native residents. much in demand for a few days The trees are beginning to come enjoyable recreational activity

BACK IN 1906

Taken from the issue of the Pres Press of Thursday, May 2, 1986. The Marathon Race, the greatest event of the Olympian games, was won by a Canadian, Wm. Sherring of Hamilton Interest in the race overshadowed everything. The whole, population of Athena and autourbs, some 150,000, filled the Stadium and the surrounding roads. Crown Prince Constanting ran beside Sherring at the enchof the race when he came before King George

gifts and flowers on him. Official Auditor Langley sent in his report, a most exhaustive document, to the Onkville council. He showed a deficit of ten thousand dollars left over by last year's council Oakville Star. They must have a pretty lively town down there. Where did the money go? With no fire protection, no electric light, no waterworks, no lakeside park, how did they spend the

and Queen Olga. Ladles showered

When Acton Lawn Bowling Club was organized, a resolution was adopted permitting ladies to join A man who had been on relief when the Committee of Manage-The matter will be held in abey-On Thursday evening last, Duf- ance until a membership canvass

Local fishermen were out season. It is reported that the boys Three or four of the early birds with their indifferent bamboo rods

The concert of moving pictures been arranged for Saturday. Acton and illustrated songs presented by the Sunday school orchestra were much appreciated. The moving Mr. Nelson Anderson of Nassag- pictures were excellent; the railaweya lost a fine horse last week way wreck and the lost child were especially full of merit. Mr. Roy On Friday evening the citizens Carey sang The Holy City and of Rockwood and district turned Helle, Central, Give me Heaven.

day morning of Mrs Buck, wife of We've had a taste of the good old Dr Anson Buck of Palermo, this

The public park is the scene of these fine spring evenings.

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