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A Need for Care

Halton like other neighboring counties has established tracts of land for county forests. This is part of a conservation program and an important part in maintaining some of the area's natural beauties and uses.

At this season and in the hot summer days ahead these forests are vulnerable to fire that can cause considerable damage and can result in the complete destruction of the young tracts.

Recently a temporary County Forest Care-taker force has been established with the "caretaker", for small remuneration, agreeing to "keep an eye" on a certain municipal forest. Usually he lives on land adjacent to the forest, where he is readily available in case of fire or theft.

There will be little work for this group if those who visit county forests exercise caution in their smoking habits and in any use of fire.

There is nothing so disheartening to a forester as seeing fire killing young trees as it ticks its way along the ground or through the underbrush, while firemen and volunteers fight to check its spread.

And there is not only danger in the local county forests, as you'll be well aware if you notice some of the large burned over bush areas in the north where one of Canada's most valuable natural resources has been devastated.

Carelessness causes most of those fires and their elimination starts with you. Practice care and urge others to do the same.

The Outsiders' View

Look for a tourist boom in Canada when travel-conscious U.S. citizens start rolling along highways for annual vacations, says Vince Lundy in The Financial Post.

Early forecasts are that automobiles entering Canada on travelers' permits for more than 48 hours will reach an all-time high of 2.6 million.

Optimistic forecasts are based on the facts that Canadian Government offices in Washington and Ottawa report a heavy volume of early enquiries. Tourist bureaus across Canada report more requests for information than a year ago; and U.S. Government estimates are that Americans will spend 8% more for travel than they did in 1957.

There's no doubt a share of this tourist traffic will be travelling the highway through this town and some will be stopping. Since tourists are one way Canada has of equalizing the dollar balance between countries, it's to be hoped that what they see here will be pleasant.

Even tidy lawns and clean streets are a help but the friendliness with which small towns are supposed to be endowed goes a long way too in making long trips pleasant.

It may only be a small share, this being friendly, but it's amazing how contagious it could be.

The Other Fellow

Understanding the "other fellow" could be a full time job and we're constantly surprised that more people don't adopt the situation even temporarily.

One of the most difficult things undoubtedly is understanding the other fellow and his attitudes and position. The laborer had difficulty understanding why the farmer should have price supports and marketing agencies, while the farmer wonders about the laborer's demands for pension plans, wage increases and other benefits.

The boss has difficulty in understanding the attitudes of the worker and the worker wonders why the boss can't understand his difficulties.

The consumer can't fathom why the merchant doesn't do this or that and the merchant can't figure out the attitude of the consumer towards his merchandise.

Of course too there's the difficulty of readers to understand why editors do what they do, but we often find difficulty in understanding readers.

The list could continue endlessly. But founded by our own private desires and interests we become engrossed within ourselves forgetting that the people we meet and the neighbors we visit have problems of equal importance to them.

The dictionary defines the word "sympathy" as "the power of projecting one's personality into, and so fully understanding, the object of contemplation."

While it's difficult to fully understand everyone it would seem that a little more trying might have ensuing results.

Hunting Made Easy

They're taking the "hunting" out of bird hunting.

The feathered victims didn't have much of a chance before, but now United States hunters are cutting out most of the guess work and part of the fun.

U.S. sportsmen say their shooting preserves are the answer to the country's dwindling supply of game. But are they not simply the answer for the lazy hunter who hates to get up early and walk all day without being sure of bagging a bird?

There now are more than 1,000 preserves scattered throughout the U.S. The vogue is expected to move into Canada.

The typical preserve has 400 to 500 acres of land stocked with pheasants or ducks, chukar or quail.

Visitors wander through the bird-filled acres popping off as many birds as they want. There is no bag limit. They pay \$5 a bird on the less expensive preserves and more at clubs where lodges, meals, hunting dogs and refreshments are provided.

Other preserves release ducks to fly from a tower and across a few acres of lake. The hunters, lined along the flight route in steam-heated blinds, shoot at will.

There are still hunters who maintain that getting up before the sun, driving and trudging for miles and sitting half-frozen for hours behind a blind is part of the fun of hunting.

Others get a thrill out of slipping Indian-like through the brush, never knowing when-if at all-a bird will flutter into their sights-the hoped-for and yet unexpected game.

Proponents of the preserves maintain you still need the skill to hit your bird, but isn't it like shooting ducks at a penny arcade?

Play Ball

The interest of Canadian sport fans was centred this week on the Stanley Cup finals and on playoffs for the Allan and Memorial cups but despite the concentration on hockey there was a stirring in many hearts as the baseball season opened in the United States.

Newspapers, radio and television have brought the national game of the United States closer to Canadians than hockey is to Americans, and when the umpires called "Play Ball" in Major League cities, spring really had arrived for thousands of sports fans north as well as south of the border.

The closest most Canadians will ever get to Mickey Mantle, Willie Mays and the other baseball greats is the sports pages of the newspapers or television screens, but many will know their batting average as well as the most vivid fan in the United States.

Baseball is that sort of game. It catches the imagination and holds it right through to the final payout in the World Series. Rivalry in Canada between supporters of the Yankees and the Dodgers is almost as great as between those who cheer for Canadians and those who back the Maple Leafs in hockey.

Only the Grey Cup in football seems to spur partisan feeling in any measure comparable with the rivalry inspired by baseball.

The tremendous publicity baseball receives is, of course, one reason for its popularity. The emphasis on statistics is another because, at heart, every sports fan is a statistician.

Chiefly, though, it is the cult of personality that is the big salesman. Although managers might like to emphasize team play it is the individuals who have made the game so popular over the years.

Big league baseball is something like the movies. It is built around stars, name players who can be expected to turn in a spectacular performance. Ted Williams' home runs and Herb Score's strikeout pitches sell the fans, at the ball park and 1,000 miles away.

So it's off to the ball park for those within range and out with the boxscores for those too far away. And until the autumn winds blow again the bat and ball will hold sway and in sport at least the line between Canada and the United States will be erased.

Brief Comment

BRAVE OPINION

We are against the new sack look that fashion designers have introduced for our women folk to wear for the coming year. Now that we have that off our chest, we feel better.—Geraldton (Ont.) Times Star.



"Making Diamonds"

G. A. D. About . . .

Times Have Changed Considerably

In consideration of being brought to my desk a circular offering to High School 10 prizes of \$100 each to students who wanted to take courses in journalism or printing management at Ryerson School in Toronto. The rules were easy. A certain standard in High School writing an essay and certain other minor conditions for \$500 to help pay the way for the mod. modern training with the latest equipment.

Just this week I was going through my desk and I came across the agreement I signed in 1949 with the late H. P. Moore in my desire to learn the printing trade. I am going to give you a copy of that agreement. I give it not boastfully or regrettably but merely as an example of the changing of the times. There are many things in that agreement that go beyond learning of a trade. Even the trade is different from that taught nearly fifty years ago. I won't go further but here is an agreement signed by many boys back in the first part of the twentieth century in a desire to become a tradesman. I for one do not regret signing and fulfilling its conditions in the light of that day and generation. I would not suggest its use or terms today. There isn't one piece of equipment left that was in the Free Press, print fifty years ago. There are more than seven stock bell rings that is on every working day, and in the colder months, when it is necessary to have the office heated. I will be there to light the fire not later than 8:00 a.m. so as to have steam up and the office warm by seven o'clock. It is understood that I am to be allowed time to return home for my breakfast when this early thing is necessary.

I further agree to keep from preserving from damage or loss all type, machinery, paper or other materials in the office, pick up all type, rules, leads, etc. I may find on the office floor, keep the office desks, counter, woodwork, windows and walls always clean, clean the boiler, faces every morning, tie belts as in use and keep everything in my charge always in a tidy and presentable condition.

During the Summer months I will be at the office every morning, bell ring, tie on every working day, and in the colder months, when it is necessary to have the office heated. I will be there to light the fire not later than 8:00 a.m. so as to have steam up and the office warm by seven o'clock. Terms are more complicated today.

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THIS SUNDAY'S CHURCH CALENDAR

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

Action, Ontario
St. Alban's Church, Action, Ont.
Rev. Evan R. Jones, B.A., L.Th.
Rector, 185 Jeffrey St., Tel. 265

SUNDAY, APRIL 20th, 1958

2nd SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

8:30 a.m.—Holy Communion

9:45 a.m.—Church School

11:00 a.m.—Beginners' Class

11:00 a.m.—Choral Communion

4:15 p.m.—Holy Baptism

INTERIM PASTOR: Rev. Harold Slater

Guelph, Ont.

Thursday, April 17, Mission Circle

Saturday, April 19—Adult Fellowship at home of Mr. and Mrs.

C. Landsborough, 800 p.m.

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11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship

7:00 p.m.—B.P.U.

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ACTON PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE

33 Churchill Road

P.A.O.C.

Rev. Kenneth J. Reid, Pastor

75 Cook St., phone 640-W

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