But, in this otherwise sweet month of April, we are made aware as in no other of the awful magnitude of the personal tribute we have paid to Ottawa this past year. Those figures on the T-4 slip-recording the aggregate sum of the deductions made from our every pay cheque-speak with an eloquence all their own.

We marvel, along with everybody else, at the effortless simplicity with which it has all been done (thanks to the unfalling cooperation of the thousands of employers

who serve so nobly as Ottawa's tax collec-

Yes, it's a wonderful system. And yet, ungratefully perhaps, we find ourselves wondering how different things might be if it hadn't been made quite so easy for governments to collect . . .

What if it was illegal for government to deduct at source? What if every citizen was again obliged to mail an annual cheque to Ottawa for the whole amount? What a thought that is with taxes what they are!

But here's another one: Would they be what they are if that was the way it was done? Or might the demands made on Ottawa then be a whole lot less than now? We wonder about that. We just won-

On the Job

One can only marvel at the recuperative powers of some of our world statesmen, like prime minister Diefenbaker in Canada, and president Eisenhower and secretary of state Dulles in the United States.

Mr. Diefenbaker completes an exhausting day with seeming indefatigable strength and energy. Observers were amazed at the way he "bounced back" from his tiring world tour that carried him to the far corners of the earth in six short-weeks.

President Eisenhower has shown the same resilient capacity to recover from recent heart and brain ailments after major surgery. John Foster Dulles may be laid low with cancer this time, but he has continued behind the desk for the last couple of years following grave illnesses that would have retired lesser men of his age. There are other examples, like former prime minister Churchill, a picture of health despite his over-80 years.

As world leaders, their jobs are highly demanding and more exacting than even the busiest executives. They are constantly in the public eye, and therefore subject to abuse and criticism for errors and miscalculations. No wonder their bodies sometimes give out and rebel at this form of daily punishment. We in the democracies can be thankful they have the will and determination not to stay clown for long.

- The Globe, Lacombe, Alberta.

Operation Friendship

A patient who has been discharged from a mental hospital was asked: "What was it that did most to help you recover?" And the ex-patient's answer was "Friendship - the friendship of the doctors and nurses and social workers and attendants - the friendvolunteers who came to visit and work with us each week -- the friendship of all my friends and acquaintances who ter me know that I was not alone."

Evenastic is indeed a powerful meditine that there are thousands of mental patients who do not have it, who are in need of it During Mental Health Week, April 26th to May 2nd, the people of Ontario will have an opportunity to visit the patients in this province's mental hospitals, and to prove to them that the rest of the world does care. These visits are being arranged by the Canadian Mental Health Association as part of the nation-wide pilgrimage called "OPERATION FRIENDSHIP", in which the effort will be made to bring to the nation's mental hospitals, as visitors, 70,000 people -as many visitors as there are patients in the. mental hospitals. In this province's mental hospitals, there are over 20,000 mental patients, and 20,000 visitors should be a goal for the people of this province.

There is a "New Look" emerging in the care and treatment of the mentally ill. It confirms the theme, "With Your Help The Mentally III Can Come Back." Magazine articles and scientific papers found everywhere today are giving evidence of the healing power of friendship where mental illness is concerned. The value of volunteer visiting tioned. Although we need to develop further and the White Cross Club are no longer quesskills in the wise use of friendly visiting and association, the therapeutic value of warm interest and concern on the part of the general public is now widely recognized.

Skirmish on Ahead

Will Rogers once suggested that if you want a child to follow a particular line just skirmish on ahead yourself. The wry comment is more than advice to parents for it gets right to the root cause of delinquency and crime. Too many parents, rich and poor alike, take the line of least resistance rather than the harder line of practising and preaching responsibility.

The different results from this difference in attitudes are shown graphically in a study by two British sociologists, a Mr. Michael Carter and a Miss Pearl Jephcott. It is reported in an article by H. S. Ferns in the Toronto Globe and Mail.

"The method of Carter and Jephcott," says the article, has been to examine in minute detail, by living with the people studied, two streets in a small industrial city in the centre of England. In one of those streets which they call Dike Street, they found a high level of delinquency and crime: in the other which they call Gladstone Street, they tound a low level

On Dike Street there was money enough but no family life. Few of the housewives knew or cared much about cooking homes had neither fixed places or times for eating. School attendance was irregular and children were over indulged one girl of 14 had an expensive permanent for her hair but only a single pair of rubber boots for her feet The interests of parents did not extend beyond sex, drinking and gambling

Gladstone Street resembled Dike Street only in that the people had closely similar jobs and educational backgrounds. Here the women knew about cooking and sewing, the men about gardening and house repairs. Some parents were church-goers. The people had radios and television, belonged to clubs and trade unions, took an interest in politics. Income was often less than on Dike Street. because women stayed home to lock after their children rather than take an outside job.

"Carter and Jephcott," concludes the newspaper article, "show that crime is linked with irresponsibility. It does not arise immediately from poverty or had economic conditions. Often it is connected with good wages and plenty of money. Crime grows where people cease to have any standards about anything."

The Gladstone Streets of this world have less delinquency than the Dike Streets not because they have better housing or better incomes but because they have parents with a sense of personal responsibility skirmishing on ahead

Brief Comment

Please pass the praise! There is no die! like praise to lift the heart to ease fired shoulders of the load to bring out the sun on a gloomy day to change frowns of worry to smiles of happiness Paul Speicher



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Silent Interlude

It seems to me that the joys of

family life are greatly over-rated,

and all I try to do is maintain

know how to deal with families.

They have them often, teach them

to eat and get along in the world,

then turn them out to fend for

That, of course, is much too

simple for brilliant, monogamous

humans. We make an almighty

fetish out of marriage and a vir-

tual hysteriama out of producing

a child. Then, in the name of

family responsibilities, we spend

the next, and the best, twenty

years of our lives trying to hatch

the egg without breaking the

shell As a result, all too often,

when the shell does break, the

yolk is either hard or rotten.

"But he was always such

GOOD boy!" wails the mother

whose dangerous young animal,

nurtured on the idea that the

world is his oyster and all he

needs to open it is a switch-knife,

has just carved up some other bu-

Under the guise of being good

parents, and because we haven't

the intestinal fortifude to give

battle, we accept all the respons-

ibilities of our children. And

thereby we steal their self-re-

hance, undermine their indepen-

dence of thought and imbue

them with the charming idea

that there's always somebody

around to do the duty work and

pull the chestnuts out of the fire.

With each generation, children

grow more surly and their parents

more service They wax smarter as

their parents become sillier Don't

blame the kids It's only amazing

that so many of them turn out as

some sort of balance. Animals"

Sugar and Spice....

A woman recently wrote the ed-

itor of the Bowmanville Statesman,

asking him why in the world his

paper carried this Sugar and Spice

column by this Smiley fellow. She

claimed she had never yet found

anything interesting or amusing in

it, objected to the callous way he

spoke of his family; and suggested

that he was merely an unpleasant

sort of person who refused to ac-

cept the responsibilities of family

life. She added that she had sever-

al children of her own, so knew

something about such responsibil-

The lady is absolutely right. I

refuse to accept my responsibilit-

ies. I also refuse to accept the

fact that I am not young and

handsome. It makes me feel bet-

ter to battle these things. When

I begin accepting my family res-

ponsibilities. I will have ceased to

be a free man, or the remnants

of one, and will have become the

mere plodding, senseless statistic

this crazy North American soc-

icty of ours would like to make.

So as long as there's breath in

my body, or I don't break one of

my typewriting fingers, I'll fight

he good fight against the slow

strangulation of the free man in

the anaconda cods of family ces-

When I say that I refuse to ac-

cept these responsibilities, it

doesn't mean that I don't fulfill

them Oh, I do I do But being a

pack mule doesn't necessarily

mean you enjoy lugging large

loads about on your back. And

being a family man doesn't pec-

essardy mean you enjoy wet-

norsing a lot of people just be-

cause you happened to marry

them or father them

each one of us.

Minister Mr George Elliot: Organist and Chair Leader SUNDAY, APRIL 26th 1959

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THE GOOD OLD DAYS

Taken from the lame of the Free Press, Thursday, April 29, 1909. Last Friday afternoon, Clara, the eight-year-old daughter of Walter Cutting, mikman, was run over by a farmer's wagon and sustained serious injuries. She was climbing into the wagon of Alex McDonald while he driving up Main Street with had of feed and several kegs of noils, when she shipped and fell, the rear wheel bassing over her abdomen The possibilities for her speedy recovery are very promising. How she escaped fatal injury is a mystery.

The growing business of T. Statham and Sons has necessitated the adoption of modern methods and power machinery is now being introduced. A new building is being erected on the property at Church Street to accommodate a gasoline engine, bread mixing machinery and power are cream freezers. The new plant will be ready to put into operation next

The proprietor of a Rockwood store who sells everything made a call at the police office this morning to explain why he had sold eigarettes to two young lads under the age required by law. He was found guilty of the offense although the act had been committed unknowingly. He was fined \$12 including costs

Engineer Hutcheon, of Guelph, is putting the faushing touches on the new town maps for Acton 1t takes in all the surveys including the Beardmore surveys adjoining - and Man Server of the water the exporation's limits.

It is rumored that another automobile has been purchased by one of our citizens It is expected to arrive in town shortly

-Photo by Esther Taylor

well as they do. If many modern

mothers had their way, their sons

would never marry, just stay home

with Mom. Many modern lathers

cannot conceive of a young man

pure enough to marry their flow-

The hilarious part is that, after

we have sacrificed, for their

sake, our dignity, our health, our

are horrified to find them look-

ing upon us with the subdued

disgust with which one might

eye a leper. We are practically

stoned with dismay when they

cast us off like an old rubber

I feel at times a great pity for

the youth of today. They are at

heart as eager, as adventurous, as

keen to savor life, as ever any gen-

eration was. But, in the name of

family responsibilities, or some

such twaddle, we're giving them a

However, there's no use get-

ting worked up about this I re-

fuse to accept my family respon-

sibilities and I do it proudly.

Stop fighting back for one min-

ate and your wife, and children

start treating you with the dis-

gusting patronage accorded a

Dagwood Burnstead. There's no-

And now, if you'll excuse me. I

have to type out the invitations to

Kim's birthday party, then help

Hugh with a couple of those rug-

ged arithmetic questions, then do

the dishes while my wife's at a

meeting. But never fear, I'll be

right back in there tomorrow at

bunch time battling for the van-

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_ By Carol Lane __

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Tuken from the Issue of the Free Press, Thursday, April 27, 1939.

Acton Tanners clinched the Intermediate title in Galt last Thursday night when they defeated the Woodstock "Red Devils" 6-2. Acton tans, realizing the title was thems, poured out onto the ice with only a few seconds to go, but were put back in their seats again until the end of the game.

Although Woodstock gave everything they had, there was no doubt about Acton being the better team. Although the Tanners gained a five goal lead in the first period, there was tenseriess throughout the game and Woodstock never gave up fighting

At the conclusion of the game, usbers attempted to keep the fans off the ace but their efforts were in vain and soon along came the Acton band to join in the celebration. The players held their celchrat on as well in the dressing room as they nearly raised the roof singing "For the can Jolly Good Fellow to their namager, Vic

Parades formed and marched to the special train, and once more in Acton, as soon as the speca) tran pulled in no parade mor shall was necessary to form, the crowd Led by the Action Citizens' Band, people in a ched desce holleted and made oversal gross a poswhile to welcome the temperate Car born a fire seem ted down blood out a the right and the mass making and researchors continued agent the continued Mill and who extra the confidences was

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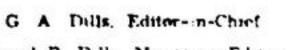


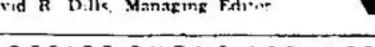
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