

'Plodding Along Together'



Educational Page

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A Financial Crutch...

If we sincerely believe in the basic humanitarian concepts of the Ontario Society for Crippled Children, then we all have a responsibility to make certain that crippled children do not suffer unnecessary hardships, due to lack of medical advice, care and treatment facilities. That they deserve all the help they need is irrefutable.

The 1963 Easter Seal Campaign is now being conducted here by the local Rotary Club and in communities throughout Ontario.

The financial goal is \$1,000,000. Local club officials hope to exceed last year's total of \$1,100,000.

It will be attained, but only with full support from all quarters — individuals — companies — employee groups — community

organizations — in fact from all men and women of goodwill throughout Ontario.

The Ontario Society for Crippled Children is a voluntary organization made up of 10,000 members having no barriers. Race, color, religious faith, or lack of funds are unimportant statistics on a crippled child's medical chart.

All children require help. We acknowledge this fact in a multitude of ways, by law, by love, by moral obligation, by pure instinct.

In brief, Easter Seals extend a helpful protective hand to our crippled children — help them to overcome their fears and to instill in them hope, courage and self-reliance. A needy crippled child in any community deserves help. Your Easter Seal contribution today could have a life-long effect.

Does Installment Buying Pay?

One of the greatest features of life today is that involved in the slogan "Buy now, pay later". It is one which has been railed at, preached against, and decried for as long as we can remember but is probably more rife today than ever.

It is one of those things to which there are two sides. If one is fortunate enough to have funds available there is no question that cash purchasing is by far the most economical. Unfortunately few are so situated and many would never enjoy a home of their very own if installment buying were ruled out. A purchase of that kind can, however, be usually handled at a rate of interest that will amount to little if any more than a reasonable rental and the paying of the mortgage installments constitutes a real saving. When the mortgage is finally burned you have something left.

It is different, however, when you come to installment buying of furnishings and equipment. This is especially so if handled through a finance corporation which adds a lump sum to the original total as a service charge on which the purchaser pays the same interest rate as on the original amount.

The Dominion's financial expert has been amusing himself by figuring out the actual interest rate charged in a few of these no down payment installment offers on which the interest rate is ostensibly 6% and payments are made at a fixed sum monthly. According to his figures, because of the fact that the principal owing decreases each month, the interest actually paid by the purchaser ran in the cases figured all the way from 20% to 32%.

It would seem, in fact we have proved in our own experience, that a person whose status permits installment buying has suf-

ficient credit rating to borrow the amount from the bank at a considerable saving in actual interest since the bank charges interest only on the amount currently owing, not on the whole amount for the whole period.

People who find it advisable to buy on credit might also find it advisable to consult their banker. Ridgetown Dominion.

Brevities...

The fellow who counts his blessings eventually gets tired of losing his audience to the fellow who specializes in recounting his troubles. Orville Packet and Times.

The trouble with most of us is that we would rather be praised by those we love than criticized by those we hate.

You have a great country, but that does not necessarily mean that all other nations want to be like yours. Indian Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, visiting U.S.

The true civilization is where every man gives to every other every right that he claims for himself. Robert G. Ingersoll.

Civilization consists in teaching men to govern themselves. Benjamin Tucker.

Increased means and increased leisure are the two civilizers of man. Benjamin Disraeli.

It appears that one way to write a hit song these days is to take something composed by one of the masters, then decompose it.

Some little kids were break away from a fishing boat, catch a huge cod, they get home.

THE GOOD OLD DAYS

50 YEARS AGO

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, March 27, 1913.

Council authorized the clerk to prepare a by-law to raise by debentures \$5,500 to provide for three additional rooms at the public school. A letter was received from the board, asking council's consideration to raise the money for three additional rooms and equipment at a cost of \$5,500.

The other morning when Officer Harvey went to the town hall between six and seven o'clock, he found the front door barred and it took him some time to gain entrance. Finally, a burly Wandering Willy drew the bolt and admitted the officer. He explained he had arrived in town late at night and finding the door unlocked, went in and took possession, locking the door after him. Officer Harvey gave him a great scolding and informed him that if he or any of his fraternity did the like again, he would have them judged immediately.

Owing to the crowded conditions at the school and the lack of accommodation in the junior primary, the public school board ordered the principal not to admit any beginners over six years of age until the mid-summer vacation.

There was a well attended meeting Tuesday night of business people and citizens to discuss the possibility of Acton having its own fall fair. George Havill acted as chairman for the evening and according to the response, it would appear as though Acton may branch out from Esquimes and have its own fair. Another meeting will be held soon to finalize this.

Last Saturday, the porter for Mr. W. W. Beardmore, while at work in the wine cellar of the residence on Church St., helped himself to several bottles of whiskey. In the evening, he was found by Mr. Beardmore, very drunk and abusive. Constable Lawson was sent for and arrested him and he occupied a cell in the lockup until Monday afternoon. He pleaded guilty and paid a substantial fine and pledged to abstain from future indulgence.

Siloam church, about a mile north of Acton, on the second line, was hit by the cyclone Friday and nearly the entire roof was blown off. Both chimneys were completely destroyed as well. With the roof in this condition, the heavy rains Sunday night and Monday morning soaked the interior of the building.

20 YEARS AGO

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, March 18, 1943.

The Red Cross campaign will take its house canvass next week with the completion this week of the subscription in the industries.

On Friday afternoon, death came with unexpected suddenness to Mrs. William S. Coleman at her home on Bowler Ave.

Rev. Manson Waddell passed away March 11 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Blake Vanatter, Ballinacree. He retired from the ministry 15 years ago after a service of 40 years.

The excitement of the ping pong tournament at the Y is all over and the champions of the evening were Lega Lawson and Don Force, with runners-up Jean Harris and Herb Dron. The two judges were Mr. Wm. Graham and Mr. G. Rognvaldson.

The senior boys and girls are having a dance at the Y with dancing to all the latest songs by Glen Miller, Shep Fields and Tommy Dorsey.

The Acton and Vicinity War Service League demonstrated the clearing house that it is at a meeting last Thursday evening. The senior Guild sent in a subscription for \$25 to go to the Aid to Russia Fund. The Women's Institute of Acton had \$10 for the Chinese Relief Fund and the Free Press Fund for the same purpose forwarded \$124 to the Chinese.

The Victory Club of 10 members turned in \$53 from the sale of a quilt which was drawn at the Minstrel Show. Salvage for January was reported at \$87 and for February, \$57. The Victory Minstrels cleared about \$270 from their concert.

Bannockburn Women's Institute held a social evening on Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Harding to celebrate the anniversary of the founding of the Institute, which is now 25 years old.

In a group of mail received by Acton War Service League there was a card written by Warrent Officer George Malozzi just two days before the fatal crash in which he gave his life.

Spring is scheduled to arrive on Saturday. We hope the schedule is more accurate than most present-day time tables.

Tea, coffee and sugar coupons in your old book are null and void. The new book comes out 2 in the new book comes due for purchase March 20.

Good luck chain letters are on their way around the world again. Each one should make good salvage or start a fire.

Sugar and Spice...

BY BILL BAILEY

There's one thing about the Canadian weather — you'll never die of boredom. This is my thought for the week as the equinox arrives. I think a Canadian March 21, the first day of Spring, is just what the word suggests. Equinox is from the Latin — Equus — horse; Nox — night. English translation — nightmare.

We don't know whether we're going to be sitting out on the patio in the sun, having lunch with the birds, yelling wildly and the grass sprouting green, or huddled by the window with a red nose, looking at a backyard of waist deep snow with a gale howling about the house.

It's refreshing, by George, I have neither patience nor sympathy with those traitors who complain continually about our Canadian weather. What we should do is pack them off to England, where it rains all the ruddy time, or ship them to the desert, where they'd be stunned into sudden submission by the brutal thump of the daily sun, or pay their passage to the tropics and let them mould in the midwest of monotonous dampness.

We should be proud of our

Let's Play Bridge

By Bill Coats

This week's bridge hand is a good example of use of entries and how to finesse. It is surprising how few people really know how to finesse properly, since finessing is the next step from just cashing aces and kings.

Board Number 6
East-West Vulnerable.
Dealer East.

North
S-K
H-A 3
D-R 5 4 2
C-Q 10 8 2

West East
S-8 3 2 S-Q 10 7
H-J 8 4 H-10 7 6 5 2
D-Q J 7 3 D-A 6
C-9 6 5 C-K 7 3

South
S-A J 9 6
H-8 5 4 9
D-K 10 9
C-A J 2

East South West North
Pass 1 NT, Pass 2 NT
Pass 3 NT, All Pass

The bidding requires little comment. South has a classic 1 No Trumps bid, 18 points and all suits stopped. North has no interest in a major, so he bids 2 No Trumps to show 8 or 9 points. South with a maximum carries to 3 No Trumps.

West opens his fourth best diamond, the 3, and East wins with the ace. The diamond return is taken by South. There is no reason to hold up since West can only have two more diamonds at this point.

When South plans this play, he sees that he wants to finesse in both clubs and spades. Also, if successful, he will want to get to dummy to take good clubs at the end.

The club suit must be taken first for two reasons. (1) If the finesse works, you will need a second entry to cash the good clubs. (2) Club offers a chance for a finesse that leaves the lead in dummy.

The second reason is the most important. Notice, if South leads to the spade king and finesses spades, he will be back in South's hand. However, if South leads to the spade king and finesses clubs, he will still be in dummy if the finesse works. That is provided he leads the right club.

South should enter dummy and lead a high club. East should duck but even if he covers South's home free. The lead is in dummy and a low club can be led to repeat the finesse. If East covers when the first club is led, South can win cash the club trick and re-enter dummy with the club 2 to dummy's 10.

The second entry to dummy allows South to take the 11 clubs and try the spade finesse. Since both clubs and spades break 3-2, South should rick 12 tricks: 4 spades, 3 hearts, 1 diamond and 4 clubs.

The four times the hand was played at the Acton Bridge Club every South reached 3 No Trumps but the results varied. One made 5, one made 4, one made 3 and one even went down 1 trick. The hand is a 10-20 point out that the type of finesse cannot be taken unless you hold the right cards. If North does not have the club 10, declarer would lead a low club for a normal finesse.

This week's winners, first Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Kidd and for second and third Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Norris, and Mrs. Mary Manning and Mrs. Gloria Goetz. The winners of the Acton Bridge Club are: Dennis Sinclair, R. R. 1, Burlington; Delmar Ford, R. R. 1, Milton; and Don Swackhamer, Acton.

winters, for example. They're mean, tough old devils, grimly clinging to their reign until they've wrung the last ounce of resistance out of us. Sometimes, I swear, one more week of cold weather would have everyone in the nation at each others' throats.

There comes one of those incredibly soft, caressing days when the wind is velvet from the south, the sun licks ice and snow with hot, ravishing tongue, gutters gurgle and there's a lovely stink as the wrappings are peeled from the rattling, hurried body of the earth.

Out in the ice, the steamboats bellow like trapped bullfrogs. Out on the street, the kids stroll through puddles over their boot tops. Out in the bush, the trout streams, black cels against the snow, snort and chuckle and burble with pure pleasure as they race to their nameless destiny, free again after months of silent slavery.

Down at the dock, the boat owners prow, calculating, estimating, figuring the days until they can launch that leaky, peeling monument to man's eternal folly. Up on the hills, the langhans are still at it, burbling down over gravel and grass, rocks and roots, and occasional ly some snow.

Up in the bedroom, the good wife views, with horrified delight, the sickening shade of last year's wallpaper, revealed by the yellow March sun. Down in the basement, the fisherman putes and mutters, sweats and glares, ties flies.

Down at the park or the pool room or the post office, the old gent, sick to the soul with confinement, suck in the sun, shivering, but once again defiantly alive, part of the world, up in their rooms, the teen-agers seem to be studying for their Easter exams, while through their heads and bodies swirl the heady fluids of life, the juices of spring.

Up in the attic, the black squirrels perform their endless do-si-do, interrupted only by queer periods in which they don't scuttle, but chortle and crouch to the doubtless thousands of babies they have produced in the winter months. Down in the basement crouches the cat, vast with unwanted kittens, brooding, patient, green-eyed.

Ours, I'm afraid, is not the Spring of 'O to be in England now that April's There.' It's not the Spring of tiny jonquils poking the mud, the blue Sprang of birdies and blossoms, of gambolling lambs and tender green buds. All this is two months away.

Ours is a savage sudden Spring, raw and rugged, ornery and awkward, unexpected and uncomfortable, muddy and moody. But it's never dull.

And how-hay-boo, aren't we glad to see it.

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NEWS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT

GEORGETOWN—The horticultural society has plans for further beautification of the town this year. Included in their planning is the planting of flowers along the Main St. "islands" that were planted there last year when the downtown lighting was remodelled. The society also asked council to continue its tree planting program.

BURLINGTON—James MacFarlane Bates, principal of Burlington Central High School for the past 28 years, was chosen the town's "Citizen to be Remembered" for 1962 and was honored at a reception in the Legion Hall. He received a gold ring with the town crest on it and his name will be inscribed in the Roll of Honor cairn. He was also presented with a scroll.

DAKVILLE—Besides the great number of dogs held in the pound for the municipality, Dakville Humane Society handled 1,160 cats, 860 dogs, 90 birds, 43 rabbits, 12 raccoons, 10 squirrels, five skunks, three guinea pigs, three muskrats, three hamsters, two deer, two lambs, a groundhog, a calf and a turtle. Their annual report noted 2,063 calls were attended, and no cruelty investigations were made.

BRAMPTON—Council is worried about two bridges in suburban areas deemed dangerous for school children who use them daily. The sidewalks are right beside the road, with no protection for pedestrians from the passing cars. It was suggested railings might be installed.

MILTON—Directors of the five-year-old Trafalgar Golf and Country Club Ltd. near here have approved a \$85,000 addition to their club house, including dining room, snack bar and lockers. The club has already erected a lounge and pro shop, and a parking rink will be added something in the future. The club boasts 1,050 members.

Fred Barnes President

Juniors Pick New Officers

The Halton Junior Farmers Association held their annual meeting at the Bovine School, on Thursday March 7. Each of the four local clubs (Norval, Milton, Acton and Palermo) were represented at this meeting when all officers were elected for the 1963-64 season.

Retiring president F. Segsworth of the Palermo Club called the meeting to order and acted as chairman for the evening. Reports from each of the following retiring executive members were presented and adopted: Marlin Wigglesworth, secretary; Tom Hunter, treasurer; and Bill Marshall, units director.

The award in the Halton District is the "Inter-Club Championship". The winners scored on their participation in various club activities by a committee from the county organization. Bill Wilson, chairman of this committee, announced the results, which were as follows: Norval first, Milton second, Acton third and Palermo fourth.

The election of 1963-64 officers resulted as follows:

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