

Danger Ahead...

"Thanks" ...

How often do we forget to say "thanks"? It is a simple word, easy to say, easy to forget to say.

How often do we take a little kindness for a service rendered as a matter of course and accept it as our due or something that is unimportant. Nothing could be more wrong than that.

The simple word "thanks" with a twinkle of the eye, or a smile, often goes a long way in helping the person to whom it is said over what may be a bad day, a despair. To be appreciated is natural and human and right; that is, appreciation, and this is where the simple little word of "thanks" often comes in and is perhaps too often forgotten.

Appreciation doesn't necessarily have to be expressed vocally, but a smile and the wave of the hand carries the same message. This is particularly true when driving, when one pauses to let a car in the line of traffic or across the line of the traffic, a wave of the hand by the other driver is a true expression of the word "Thanks pal, thanks".

Unfortunately, so many times when one does this it is accepted as a matter of course and that is the end of it. When it does happen, it gives you a slight glow of pleasure to know that your courtesy has been appreciated, and it encourages you to be courteous to the next one that comes along.

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Those of us who live in what is termed the western world openly boast of the freedom permitted the individual by our organizations, institutions and systems of government.

And rightly so. Indeed we prize this freedom so highly, we let speak publicly, people who actively support political philosophies which would destroy our cherished rights. We allow them to disseminate hate literature which openly advocates the violent overthrow of our orderly way of life.

Whether it is wise for us to continue to do so has been the subject of much heated debate of late. Certainly there is much to be said for the argument which would drastically curb such ac-

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...tivities. By the same token we must be ever mindful of the dangers of censorship.

Dangerous as are the totalitarian philosophies such as communism and fascism, they are, apparently, no longer the sole threat to individual freedom. It seems other more subtle means of control are being devised.

In one of the latest long-range forecast reports of the RAND Corporation, more than eighty scientific experts were asked their opinions as to when certain discoveries or breakthroughs were likely to occur. Two of these men predicted inventions which could achieve what hate literature and speech-making have failed to do.

For example, one scientist said he expected that by 1975 biological agents to destroy a per-

son's will to resist would be found. Another has stated that by 1983 there will be drugs available to produce personality changes.

Each of these forecast discoveries deals directly and intimately with man himself. We have grave doubts about the wisdom of seeking to make humans over. Few, if any, of us, have the insight or are wise enough to know what is best for others, particularly where personality is concerned.

Secondly, man is not a mere animal. His individuality is worthy of protection and respect. He is not something to be manipulated, changed and bent like a puppet. And we must ensure in our order of things, that our system does not degenerate to this level.

The Good Old Days...

20 YEARS AGO

Taken from the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, Sept. 20, 1946.

Threatening skies had their effect on the 1945 fall fair, but an estimated crowd of 5,000 attended. With the arena still used for storage there was no alternative but to hold the concert in the Town Hall Parade. Prizes were won by Joan McCrea, Theresa Arbut, Joan Hunter, Johanna Veldhuis, Mary Sumerville and Joan Wilda. President Dr. F. G. Oakes welcomed the crowd to the fair which was officially opened by agriculture representative J. E. Whitehead.

Acton Boys' band led the parade and played during the afternoon and were indeed a credit to their conductor, Charles Mason.

Baby show winners were, baby girl under one year, Leslie Ann Dubs; best boy under one year, Jonas Albert Massey, best boy under six months, Keith Allen McDonald.

The community was shocked to hear of the sudden passing of Wm. Arnold, president of the Storey Glove Co.

Mr. F. H. Taylor returned from overseas to his wife in Guelph and his father in Acton. Another arrival for Acton on the Nieuw Amsterdam was Lucit Austin Buck who served the past two years in India. He received the Burma Star. He was welcomed by his sister, Mrs. Alex Mann Bombardier Norman Price arrived Tuesday after four years overseas.

Friends will rejoice now that Stuart Lusk has been released from Japanese internment camp. This is the first word in two years. Meagre reports had also been received from Sgt. Jack Roves, another prisoner of the Japanese. His parents received the joyful news this morning that he is fit and well and will be living soon from Calcutta.

50 YEARS AGO

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, Sept. 21, 1915.

Acton Citizens' Band took notice indeed to their fine new uniforms.

Flynn Bros. of Acton have purchased a 300 acre farm south of Acton, belonging to the Burns estate.

Rev. S. Howarth, who has been the very faithful pastor of the Baptist church for over two years, has received and accepted a call to a church in Mackinac City, Michigan.

St. Alban's Harvest Services last Sunday were well attended and much interest was manifested. The church was tastefully decorated with seasonal flowers, fruit, vegetables and grain. The services were conducted by Rev. C. H. F. Smith M.A.

Married—Warren—Mabel: At Walker Road Baptist Church, Toronto on Wednesday, September 15, 1915, by Rev. John McNeil Ernest Andrew Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Warren and Mary Edna daughter of the late Robert Y. Mabey and Mrs. Mabey, Toronto.

Deceased—In Esqueuing on Thursday, September 9, 1915, Jane Ashford, beloved wife of the late Edwin Board, aged 87 years.

Deceased—Cripps: At her home, 101 Concession 1, Elm near Crewe's Corners, on Thursday, September 16, 1915, Elizabeth Coleman widow of the late John Henry Cripps, in her 75th year.

There has been a hint of fall in the weather. Some of the leaves are changing and are beginning to fall in the gardens and on the streets.

The fall fair season is in full swing with many exhibitions of local interest. Exhibitors give for the many classes, showing fine cattle, horses and other livestock, as well as produce from their gardens.

Editorial Page



DYNAMIC JOHN DIEFENBAKER braved fog and rain to visit Halton on Saturday and help Oakville Mayor Allan Masson kick off his campaign. The 70 year old Progressive Conservative Party Chief celebrated his birthday on Saturday and was presented with several gifts including a huge birthday cake. Before a crowd of over 1,000 in Coronation Park, Oakville, he urged Progressive Conservative workers to "get moving".

Sugar and Spice ...

BY BILL BAILEY

I have the deepest admiration for those men who make a big fuss over their annual wedding anniversary. My wife and I had another anniversary this week, and, as usual, neither of us remembered it until three days after it was past, too late to celebrate.

The reason I admire the anniversary addicts is the sheer boldness of their tactics. Usually, they are about the rottenest husbands in town, on a day-to-day basis. But with one florid, extravagant gesture, they wipe off all their sins of the last 12 months and lay the groundwork for another year of getting away with murder.

Few of these birds are the gentle, meek, timid, humble, henpecked husbands this era has spawned, like you and me. Not they. Among their ranks you find the deer hunters, the hard drinkers, the poker players, the philanderers.

And yet, with a combination of utter effrontery and incredible craftiness, they carry it off every year. A big bash of candy, a flourish of flowers, dinner and a night on the town and the old lady falls for it every time.

This is the part I can't understand. Women, especially women who have been married for a few years, are not notoriously soft-headed. And yet these women who perfectly well know that the old man is a two-timing heel, an-

incipient lush, or a big-mouthed work, go all week in on their anniversary with a potted plant.

I'm not making this up. Let's take my pal Charlie as an example. He's real. I'll change nothing but the names. Charlie wouldn't be caught dead taking his wife to church or the movies, during the year. He takes his holidays in the fall, when the boys are going deer hunting. Mabel stays home. It gives her a chance to rake the leaves and put the storm windows on.

When Charlie finishes a day's work, he has a couple or six quick ones with the boys, grunts at Mabel a few times during dinner, grabs his curling broom or golf clubs, and heads out the door.

Charlie's idea of a pleasant social evening for Mabel is to send her over to visit her sister while he has the poker gang in. After, of course, she has made a huge lunch for the boys.

Charlie has a lot of trouble with Mabel's extravagance. Heck, he gives her thirty dollars a week to run the house and to feed and clothe the kids and herself, and she just runs right through it as though the stuff grew on trees. Sometimes she hasn't even enough left on Saturday to buy his weekend case of beer.

He had me close to tears as he told me of the folly of let-

ting the women handle the money. With gull and curling fees up this year, and a new rifle to buy for the hunting trip, he figured he might just hafta cut down on the house allowance, if they were going to make ends meet.

Now Charlie, while a pleasant enough fellow to the world, and a real swinger with the boys, as a husband and father is not only a rat but also a lunk. And Mabel, who is no dope, knows it.

But you should have seen her the other night, when she dropped in to pay the wife back the five bucks she borrowed recently. Her eyes were shining and her poor, harassed face was all lit up, as she told us about the wonderful thrill of their anniversary celebration.

Charlie had come straight home after work, without drinks and with roses, hustled her into her glad rags and taken her out to the golf club for dinner. She'd had to come home with some friends, because Charlie had wandered into the locker room and had got involved in a poker game. But she just couldn't express her appreciation of his thoughtfulness and kindness in remembering their anniversary.

My wife's comment, later: "I'd cut his throat."

THE MAN IN THE GLORY

Poem (verse 1)
I wake in the morning with thought of His love,
Who is living for me in the glory above.
Every moment expecting He'll call me away,
And that keeps me bright all the rest of the day.
(To be continued)

This Sunday's Church Calendar

ACTON PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE P.A.O.C.
33 Churchhill Road
Rev. S. M. Thomas, Pastor
853-2715

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1965
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
11.00 a.m.—Morning Service.
7.00 p.m.—Evening Service.
Tuesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer Service and Bible Study.
Thursday, 8 p.m.—Christ's Ambassadors.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, B.A., B.D., Minister
Mr. E. A. Hanson, B.A., Organist and Choir Master

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1965
9.45 a.m.—Church School.
10.00 a.m.—Minister's Teen-Age Bible Class.
11.00 a.m.—Divine Worship.
Guest preacher, The Rev. James Fleming of Waterloo. (Supervised Nursery for babies and tots during entire service and Junior Congregation for children 3 to 7 years, during sermon.)

Sunday, October 3, 11 a.m.—Fall Service of Holy Communion.
Everyone Most Welcome

ACTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Founded 1842
Pastor: Rev. Stanley Gammon
Res. 144 Tidy Ave., Ph. 853-1815

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1965
9.45 a.m.—Church School. Classes for all ages. You are welcome.
Morning Worship Today 10.30 a.m.
Rally Day Service 7.00 p.m.—Evening Service. "Two Witnesses"

Wednesday, Prayer and Bible Study, 7.30.
Thursday is Choir practice, 7.30.
Friday is B.H.F. at 7.00.
Text: "I was glad when they said, 'Let us go unto the house of the Lord.'"

TRINITY CHURCH
(The United Church of Canada)
Minister
The Rev. Dwight I. Engel, B.A., B.D.
Organist:
Mr. George Elliott, M.A., Ph.D.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1965
120th Anniversary
CHURCH-SCHOOL
9.30 a.m.—Grades 4-8.
11.00 a.m.—Nursery to Grade 3.
SERVICES OF WORSHIP
11.00 a.m. - 7.00 p.m.
Guest preacher, Rev. Eldridge A. Curvey, B.A., B.D.
All Cordially Invited

ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR FAITH SUNDAY.

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH
(Georgetown)
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1965
9.45 a.m.—Sunday School.
11.00 a.m.—Morning Service.
7.00 p.m.—Evening Service.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer meeting.
Acton 853-1956
Georgetown 877-6665

BETH-EL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Acton, Ontario.
Rev. Wiebe Van Dijk
Phone 853-1585

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1965
10.00 a.m.—English Service.
2.30 p.m.—Dutch Service.
3.45 p.m.—Sunday School.

THE CHURCH OF ST. ALBAN THE MARTYR
ANGELICAN
Corner Willow and St. Alban's Drive
Rev. Ritchie McMurray
M.A., S.T.B.
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1965
Trinity XV
Harvest Festival
9.00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
10.30 a.m.—Matins and Address.
10.30 a.m.—Church School.
7.30 p.m.—Young People.
Wednesday, September 29, St. Michael and All Angels.—School children will be excused to attend the 9.45 a.m. Eucharist.

Investigate Ambulance Drills Esqueuing Councillors Decide

Ambulance fees, dusty roads and the possible arrival of a new plant in the town were the major topics when Esqueuing councillors held their regular meeting recently.

Amalgamated accounts, totalling \$230 were presented and council for George Currie stated, "some of these people could well afford to pay themselves. They seem to think that ambulances are part of the township services."

Councillors then decided to go after the bills rather than pay them without investigation.

Township resident E. J. Hurst appeared at the meeting to com-

plaint of the dusty condition of the Eighty Line and to request that the road be oiled more than once a year.

"Roads are our biggest problem and could, if we didn't watch them, take all our tax dollars," Rev. George Leslie suggested. A suggestion that the road might be taken over by the county was brushed aside as being impractical since the county already owns and maintains the Seventh Line.

In concluding the discussion, the rev. reassured Mr. Hurst that council would do the best they could, within their budget, to improve the situation.

Global Marble of Canada Ltd., a subsidiary of Milton Brick, plans a sizeable new building in Esqueuing and they wrote council asking for consideration in tax concessions and water and sewage supply.

Council also approved a request for students of Guelph University to visit the communities of Norfolk and Glen Williams on Thursday and Friday to conduct a survey of facilities for adult education and recreation in both villages.

Building permits valued at \$111,225 were issued in the township during the month of August, said building inspector W. Halls.

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