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The Editor's Corner

SET BACKS CAN BE AVOIDED

In haying time last year a farmer lost ten hours of time and made two special trips to town for repairs when a mower broke down. A small casting, which costs less than a dollar, was lost in the hay field...

The Department of Agriculture is urging the farmers to order their repair parts now and to give their machinery and equipment a complete overhauling, so that 'last minute' repairs will not occur.

MARCH, THE BLUSTERER

March was ever a blusterer. It gathers the warm sunshine and spreads it out over the land, and lades after it icy portions of the chill north wind.

March is the stop-gap month. It is neither winter nor spring, but a mischievous, elfin link between. It coaxes buds to grow on the terminal of tree and shrub by day, and then commands the sap to stand still by night...

As changeable as a weathervane, March calls upon all the winds by turns, and sometimes out of turn. The north wind is its darling. The north wind, with its hint of Arctic wastes and its nose-nipping pranks, is just around the corner and never far away.

IT TAKES ALL KINDS

How true it is that "One half the world doesn't know how the other half lives".

We've often read in the papers, and sometimes in magazines, too, about the "child marriages" of some sections of the States. When we do hear about a case of this, nearly everyone has the same reactions.

A man we know quite well had an interesting sidelight into this particular question while coming up on the train from Florida. He was sitting in the smoker and was passing the time-of-day with a fellow-traveller.

The man said he was working in Tennessee, and was earning quite a high salary in a war industry. He then volunteered the information that he was married, and spoke with pride of the fact that he had been in that blessed state for the past ten years.

story, and added as a finishing touch "We've been terribly happy."

There's no "moral" to this little story. It's just a passing glimpse into a custom we usually only read about. Travelling can be tedious, but occasionally one runs into an interesting human story, all of which brings us back to where we started "One half the world doesn't know how the other half lives"—and to that we might add "It takes all kinds of people to make a world."

Prize-Winning Address As Given by Michael Beer

We reprint below the address composed and given by Michael Beer for which he was awarded first prize at the Oakville Lions Club Public Speaking Contest two weeks ago.

Almost a century and a half ago under Napoleon Bonaparte France our world was a babel of international conflicts. Countries were conquered, nations were suppressed, thousands perished because of the infatuation of this belated leader. And to-day our world is again a chaos of hostility, again as before, one man has gained enough power to battle against those who will not be suppressed.

When the historical events and conditions under Napoleon and Hitler are first examined there seems to be a decided resemblance, and so the heroes, Napoleon and Hitler, are often compared and together praised or condemned.

Let us now come to definite conclusions regarding these significant careers of yesterday and today, let us reach back to Napoleon's day, and bring history beside the present.

In France the French Revolution did not entirely achieve its ideals: Liberty, Equality and Fraternity, for although it ended absolutism, it did not succeed in establishing an order which could replace the one that had been abolished.

A discontented mob is always eager for a change, it will blindly follow any ideal or any leader. France and Germany wanted a leader, but France wanted a leader who would act and raise the people from their poverty, while Germany wanted a leader who would employ the men either physically or mentally.

But what qualities would distinguish these leaders from the masses? Napoleon was a general, and he earned fame. He was a leader of men and he won friends and followers, and he was a soldier, therefore he did not hesitate to force his own election as first consul of France.

Napoleon once said: "Give the masses a toy. They will play with it and allow themselves to be led provided, always, that the leader is adroit enough to hide his true aim."

When Napoleon mounted the throne of France he was a soldier, and a soldier he remained. He subdued and conquered Italy, Austria, Spain, Prussia, Poland—and almost Russia.

But when Hitler reached power he was an orator, and with Napoleonic success he continued to talk, for one day he would assure the world of his peaceful intentions, and the next day he would march into the Saar, or Austria, or Sudetland, or Czechoslovakia.

But his weapon was recognized and now is being defeated by Napoleon's weapons—military force.

But so far we have only considered historical France and present day Germany politically. We have seen that in both countries the people were discontented and that they wanted a leader, and they found one. Similar circumstances created similar careers, but different characters call for different means.

Napoleon shared his Empire with his relatives, because he was tired of them, he conquered countries because he loved the nation he touched, he fought wars because he admitted the citizenship of his soldiers and in the end he abdicated, because he had only one aim in France.

Hitler's ambition and desire to rule the nations of Europe, led to his having him as an enemy or love him as a saviour and liberator of France, we must admit that he was a great man.

But Hitler was different. He became a National Socialist because he hated marxism, he marched into Austria because he hated the Habsburgs, he distinguished between Aryans and Semites because he hated the Jews.

He was not to be found in the power instead."

Hitler wanted to form one Empire with Germany at its head. In France when the French shouted for war, Napoleon fought, they they shouted for laws, he made them, and when they shouted, "Enough of Bonaparte"—he abdicated.

But Hitler did not listen to the word of the people. He organized a secret police to suppress in the bloodiest of ways all opposition, which amounted to the auto-ratic suppression of all democratic sentiment. In fact he evoked numerous liberal organizations as boy-scouting and free masonry.

Napoleon strove to elevate the cultural standard of France. While in Germany, Hitler's abolition and exaltation of all such possibilities.

Indeed if we can say that Wellington fought, not against Napoleon, but for the freedom of innocent countries (financially subdued, then we can also say that today we fight for culture, for civilization, for Christianity that we fight for the preservation of those traditions which to us are sacred, and which represent the pride of the British Empire.

February 28, 1943 Michael Beer

MOTHER CHINA'S CHILD ARMY AND HER FIGHTING POLK

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In the matter of the Estate of WALTER ANTHONY, late of the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Halton, Hardware Merchant, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having any claims or demands against the late Walter Anthony, who died on or about the twelfth day of January, 1943, at the Town of Georgetown in the County of Halton and Province of Ontario, are required to send by post prepaid or to deliver to the undersigned solicitor herein for Elizabeth Jane Anthony, Trustee Executrix of the last Will and Testament of Walter Anthony, hardware merchant, deceased, their names and addresses and full particulars in writing of their claims and statements of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the seventeenth day of April, 1943, the said Elizabeth Jane Anthony will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have had notice, and that the same Elizabeth Jane Anthony will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claim she shall not then have received notice.

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