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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 and the mower could not be operated until it was replaced. This delay could have been avoided and valuable time saved for a cost of one cent, as the delay was caused by a cotter-pin which were off and allowed the casting to fall off the mower. If this pin had been inspected and replaced before the having season started, the hay crop would have been harvested earlier with less labour hours and at a lower cost.

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. Next summer these may not be possible due to conditions caused by the war. Not only should field machinery be overhauled, but if pumps, grinders, feed hoppers and other auch equipment are reconditioned now, labour can be saved next summer. There's not much a farmer can do when operations are tied up for lack of manual labour. but he can do a lot to avoid mechanical break-downs.

#### MARCH, THE BLUSTERER

March was ever a blusterer. It gathers the warm sunshine and spreads it out over the land, and ladles after it icy portions of the chill north wind. It wreathes the morning seas with fog, and brings out the stars so clear and sharp by night that people can see comets with the eye unaided. Between dawn and dusk it works a dozen dairy pranks, but back of this facade real change is going on. Winter yields to spring.

March is the stop-gap month. It is neither winter nor spring, but a mischievious, 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, so that the buds cannot open. It teases the birds with a hint of green cover, and the suggestion of new harvests; but withholds its food, save where the plow has bitten deeply in the chocolate coloured soil.

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. By day it robs the sun itself of nearly all its warmth. By night it turns the ponds to ice, and stiffens grasses standing in the meadow. Still even March, the blusterer, must go, and with it bits of every month throughout the year. Good, honest April practices few deceits, save those of the milder kind, and April carries the golden keys of apring.

#### 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. We think of it as being an outrage, and feel that steps should be taken to prevent such things from happening.

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. From generalities the talk drifted to the subject of jobs. 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. He said his wife was just thirteen when he married her. She was now twentythree, and he was fifty-three. They had two children who were staying with their grandparents, as the young wife was also employed in a war industry. In explaining how the marriage had come about, the man said he used to meet the thirteen-year-old girl on her way to school. One day he said teasingly, that he'd marry her. The girl was an orphan, and had evidently become very fond of the man, for she was the one to insist that he go through with the promise. He said he would -on one condition, that she buy the marriage license. Stretching her age five years or so, the girl did so willingly. Her husband said he had never regretted the step and he was very happly married. "My wife is on the train too", he said, "ask her how her marriage turned out."He pointed out a attractive lady, who corroborated the

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

p. wd 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 of Prance our world was a babel of international conflicts Countries were conquered. nations were humiliated, thousands periohed because of the infatuation of this belligerent leader And to-day our world is again a chaos of hostility; agneti as before, one man has gained chough passer to battle against those who will not be suppressed

When the historical events and confirst examined there seems to be a decided resemblance, and so the heroes, Napoleon and Hitler, are often compared and together praised or con-

Let us now come to definite conclusions regarding these alguificant carrers of yesterday and today, let us reach back to Napoleon's day, and bring history bearde the present: In France, the Prench Revolution did not entirely achieve its ideals: Liberty, Equality and Praternity, for although it ended absolutium, it did not succeed in establishing an order which could replace the one that had been abolished. In the crisis which arose after the overthrow of the one government, and before the birth of another, the paolast war of 1914-18, economic difficulties, further increased by a depression in 1929 distillusioned the masses so far as the existing regime was

In France the people were working with but little reward In Germany, because of the depression in 1929, the people were unemployed

A discontented mob is always eager for a change, it will blindly follow any ideal or any leader France and Germany wanted

early but France wanted a leader who would alt 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 distin-

guish there leaders from the masses? Napoleon was a general and he carned 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 It was this socalled 'Coup d'etat' that brought him power, although only some years later did he become Emperor Not so with Hitler He had no INTELLECTUAL abilities to earn him fame! As a soldier he never rose beyond rank of Lance Corporal Hitle: was no general, he was no leader of armies, he was no conqueror only a demagogue orator of the National Socialist party. But that sole Executrix of the last Will and was what the idle, unemployed mob Testament of Walter Anthony, hard-

wanted. es 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 sin." Hitler followed ! this hypothesis. He knew that the Oermans wanted, not political reasoning about the parties of Germany, but meetings, waving of flags, shouting riots and fighting, but perhaps most of all a slogan to follow. And in his mind, Hitler had these toys prepared for his littled thereto, having regard only to

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 lice. success he continued to talk, for one day he would assure the world of his this sixteenth day of March, AD 1943 peaceful intentions, and the next day he would march into the Saar, or Austria, or Sudetanland, or Czechoslva- st

But his weapon was recognized and now is being defeated by Napoleon's weapens-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

Napoleon shared his Empare with his relatives, because he was tend of them. he renquered countries because he loy define nation he emisthed, he fought battle lies ruse he admite! the enthustism of his addicts and in the end he abilitate is trescribed a local only for

Our technis toward aim depend on our national sentiments, but whether we have him as an enemy or love him as a sixtour and liberator of France, we must admit that he was a great Mith.

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

Napoleon was a determined conqueror; Hitler was a determined misanthropist.

And now let us examine their po-litical aims, for they further neglect their characters:

Napoleon wanted to found a Demo-cratic United States of Europe, by joining the countries and giving them equal rights. Goeth wrote: "Napoleon set out to seek virtue, but since

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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 occeased among the persons enthe claims of which she shall then When Napoleon mounted the throne have had notice, and that the same Elizabeth Jane Anthony will not b liable for the said assets or any par thereof to any person of whose clain she shall not then have received no

> DATED at Georgetown, Ontario DALE and BENNETT. Solictors for the said Elizabeth

Br Hilet warter to form one Empure, with Germany at its head.

In France when the Prench shouted for war. Napoleon fought; whey they We reprint below the address com- | Shouted for Live he made them, and shen they shouled. Enough of Boisparte"-he abdicated.

But Hitler did not theen to the word of the people He organized a seret police to suppress in the bloodlest of anys all opposition, which amounted to the auto:rate suppression of all demiciatic resentment in fact he evolved numerous liberal organizations as boy-wouting and free masonry.

Napole n strove to elevate the culturnt standard of Prance While in Germany, Hitler's aboluism and egotom exclude all such pos-

Indeed if we can say that Wellingcitions under Napoleon and Hitler are ton fought, not against Napoleon, but for the freedom of innocent countries tyrannically subdued, then we can also my that today we fight for culture. for chilication, for Christianity that we fight for the preservation of those traditions which to us are served, and which represent the pride of the Brithis Empire.

Michael Beer Prbruary 28, 1943

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