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The Editor's Corner

DO OUR EARS DECEIVE US?

Mr. John Q. Citizen is making no bones about the fact that he's enjoying a quiet chuckle at the attempt of members of the government and opposition alike, to either have their yearly parliamentary indemnity of \$4,000 per year, increased or made tax exempt. To the average citizen, who feels himself fortunate if he earns less than half that amount per year, let alone for only a part of it, the wails of the poor M.P.'s who are having to struggle along on \$4,000, less the income taxes which everyone else in the country has to pay, fall on unsympathetic ears.

The maximum tax deductible from members is \$1,400., and of course members with children are subject to considerable exemption. Admittedly, a member's living expenses might be high in Ottawa, but a man who draws \$4,000 yearly in any occupation, has accustomed himself to living in a fairly expensive way too. When income taxes take such a slice from his salary he has no alternative but to lower his living standards to conform with his reduced income. Why shouldn't the M. P.'s do likewise?

The argument was brought forward at the recent parliamentary discussion, that such a miserly indemnity was excluding youth from the House, and was thus making parliament a place where only rich men could afford to sit. However, when election time rolls around, we may see how many of the members still feel that their salaries are so inadequate it is not worthwhile running. We imagine that, just as in other years, there will be no dearth of candidates, young as well as old, willing to take the places of those present members who claim they cannot get along on their \$4,000 indemnity plus free railway passes. In all fairness, we cannot see why Members of Parliament should not have to pay the same income tax as everyone else in the country.

INTO OTHER FIELDS

Sam Curry, editor of the Tweed News, has aptly commented that: Weekly journalism will lose one of its brightest lights when Andrew Hebb, editor of The Newmarket Era and Express takes his new post as editorial writer for The Ontario Federation of Agriculture and United Farmers' Co-operative Mr. Hebb, who came to Newmarket from The Toronto Star, has developed The Era into one of the best of Ontario weeklies. He was successful in merging The Era and The Express, creating a one-paper town which is all Newmarket warrants. He is Past President of The Ontario-Quebec Association and has been active within various committees over the past several years. His paper has been a frequent prize-winner and he well deserved the honours. As a friend of this writer for some years, we know Mr. Hebb, with his outstanding ability, will make a success of his new editorial job. His successor is Mr. John A. Meyer who has been on the staff of The Montreal Gazette.

To what Sam Curry has said, we might add that we too have appreciated Andrew Hebb's abilities, and have enjoyed meeting and chatting with him and his charming wife at C.W.N.A. conventions. We will indeed miss them at these annual "get-togethers", but we wish them happiness and success in Mr. Hebb's new sphere of activity.

ARENA CHANGEBACKS

At a recent meeting of Acton Council, a letter was received from the Wartime Warehouse Corporation, in response to a request from the town that their arena be returned to them for the use of the citizens. The arena has been used for the storage of wool stock, and as a result has not been available for skating, hockey or fall fair activities. The people of Acton miss the rink and the excellent recreation it provided and now wish to have the use of it again as soon as possible. In their letter, the Warehouse Corporation have agreed to cooperate with the town and remove their stock as soon as other suitable storage space can be found. We hope they are successful in finding a place before winter comes, for Acton, much as we always disliked admitting it, has always been known for its good hockey teams. The hockey season just isn't the same without some thrilling scrappy games with Acton to spice the series. But hockey players develop from boys who know how to handle their skates perfectly on a good ice surface. The open-air rink experiment proved unsatisfactory not only in Acton, but in Brampton, Elora

and several other towns which thought their arenas could be put to better use than for skating and hockey. We imagine these towns, too will do their best to get their arenas functioning again for their original purpose. No one can dispute the important part an arena plays in the life of a small Canadian town.

LIGHTNING NEEDS PRECAUTIONS

Several bad electrical storms in the district recently have prompted us to unearth some facts about lightning protection which we think everyone would be well-advised to review.

Get under a shelter as quickly as possible the instant a storm comes up. Houses, barns and other buildings—the bigger the better—are good shelters, but trees are not.

Records show that many of the scores of lightning deaths occur each year in the nation would be avoided if golfers and picnickers ran for shelter as soon as they saw a storm approaching instead of waiting for it to blow over.

If you're riding along in a steeltopped sedan when an electrical storm develops, stay in the car. It's a safe place to be, so far as lightning is concerned. Dr. Albert D. McCann, Westinghouse expert, proved this three years ago when he sat in a sedan in a high voltage laboratory while 3,000,000 volts of man-made lightning bombarded the top of the car and streaked harmlessly to the ground.

Keep away from wire fences, wires of all types, metal objects and pipes during a storm. These metallic objects can and often do conduct electricity through their entire length, endangering persons standing near by.

Stand clear of stoves and pipes in the kitchen cellar, and shun the chimney and fireplace. Stay away from the attic. Don't stand near a window or door, particularly if either is open. Choose a place near the centre of a room.

In the large buildings and modern homes the danger of being hit by the lightning is slight. Thunderbolts strike hundreds of such structures every year, but seldom harm the occupants. The tops and sides of buildings usually provide a good path to conduct lightning to the ground.

FIFTH PRIZE LETTER IN COUNTY COUNCIL CONTEST FOR HALTON

We present this week the letter which won fifth prize in the County Council contest written by Jack Jarvis, R. R. No. 1 Milton. This is the last of the prize winning essays to be published.

Last year the Halton County Council decided to invite one pupil from each of the schools in the county to attend one of their meetings in order that they might, by actual experience, learn of their work and method of governing the county.

This proved to be such a success that they decided to do the same this year. It was my honor and privilege to be chosen as the representative from our school to attend this meeting in April in Milton.

On my arrival at the county buildings that morning, I met a number of boys whom I knew and we were directed to the council chamber, a large room in the court house. At eleven o'clock, the warden, Mr. May, Reeve of Esquimaux, opened the meeting by all repeating in unison, the Lord's prayer. This was followed by the reading of the minutes of the last meeting. They then proceeded with the business for that day. At twelve o'clock they adjourned for dinner.

We were taken to the Presbyterian Church where we enjoyed a delicious meal served by the ladies. After dinner we were favoured by a cornet solo by Colin Anderson. Following this we all took part in some community singing.

At this time, Mr. Skuce, Inspector of the schools for Halton, gave us an interesting talk on the work of the different governments of our country and how we may become worth-while citi-

zens. His address was followed by others including Judge Munro Crown Attorney Dick, Mr. Smith, County Engineer and Miss Maxted, County Treasurer. These all told us of their particular work in the county.

We were then taken back to the court-house where we were divided into two groups and conducted through the jail. We were all interested in having our fingerprints taken and learning how it was done.

We then proceeded to the Registry Office where Miss Field showed us how deeds of people's homes and farms were registered.

We returned to the council chambers where the council was still in progress. We heard them discuss the damage done by starlings and how they should be destroyed because of it. Mr. Hall, member of the Legislative Assembly for Halton, spoke to us then, expressing his approval of the council entertaining the pupils of the schools and of the advantages to be gained by it.

A two minutes' silence was then observed by all in honor of Mr. Colin Smith, Deputy-Reeve of Nelson, who had died recently.

A vote of thanks was then given to the council by John Readhead and Marjorie Service expressing the appreciation and thanks of those who had been present and enjoyed the meeting with the members of our County Council.

One of the pupils present was an English boy who spoke to us expressing his pleasure in being present and the value the meeting had been to him. The meeting closed with the National Anthem and we departed for our homes feeling that we had spent a most pleasant and profitable day as guests of Halton's County Council.

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