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The Editor's Corner

VISITING MASSEY-HARRIS

On a recent afternoon through courtesy of local dealer Jim Taylor, it was our privilege to visit the Massey-Harris combine plant and the beautiful new showroom and office building in the King Street district in Toronto which could well be known as Massey-Harris town so completely does this gigantic world industry dominate the scene. A \$2,000,000 building, covering 270,000 square feet of floor space, housing a modern automobile-type assembly line, is the Massey-Harris answer to the farmers of the world who in recent years have created a demand for modern power machinery. This demand has been particularly focussed on the self-propelled combine, developed by the company just prior to the outbreak of war. With the exception of an old four-storey concrete building which has been incorporated into the new lay-out, the building is entirely on one floor with washrooms, showers and lockers located on a number of mezzanine floors.

The assembly line method of production is particularly pleasant for a layman on visiting a plant, for it enables him to gain a knowledge of production which would be unobtainable were he not to see production in its proper sequence. From station No. 1, where completely welded frames are rolled on dollies to their position for installation of axles and motor mounting brackets to the freight-loading platform where an overhead crane deposits combines on flat cars for shipment, the visitor is never at a loss to understand what is going on.

At station 2, wheels and motor are the most important additions and from this point on each machine travels forward on its own wheels. Motive power is supplied by a continuous chain conveyor, adjustable for either continuous or intermittent operation. Speeds for continuous operation vary from 9 inches to 3 feet of travel per minute. Normal "stop-and-start" operation moves the line normally at the rate of 30 feet a minute. When used this way each station on the line flashes a light indicating that assembly at that point has been completed. When all lights have been turned on, a warning horn sounds and the line moves forward to bring each machine to its next assembly point.

Production on the day of our visit was proceeding at a rather leisurely pace, the company being handicapped at present by steel shortages which forced cutting an hour off the working day and running at a minimum speed.

A modern paint department is an integral part of the assembly, and is equipped with a monorail system for speedy handling. After being immersed in a dipping tank, loads are gravity fed toward the drying oven, where progress is controlled by an "electric eye" which spaces the loads and prevents jamming. Final painting of the complete machine is done in two spray booths just beyond the final station on the assembly line and the machines are driven to it under their own power. A water wash system and high velocity suction fans carry away excess spray and fumes and it is interesting to note that paint is salvaged later from this water spray to be used in future painting. In the drying oven, fired by gas burners, a temperature of 180-200 degrees is maintained by infra-red rays for radiation and a 20-minute trip through the drying oven completes the production of the combine.

Machines destined for Canadian and American markets go from here directly to the flat cars, while those scheduled for overseas are routed to the packing department where they are dismantled and crated, one complete machine in one crate.

The cost of equipment in the plant is prominently displayed by a sign over each machine and a small idea of the company's investment is obtained when one realizes that for a simple hole-cutting operation, the label on a huge punch press reads \$38,000.

VACATIONS ARE HERE

The holiday period begins in earnest this week, with many local firms taking advantage of the Thursday Dominion Day to shut up shop till Monday and give employees a long holiday week-end. Firms like Smith and Stone and Harley-Kay-Marland are shutting down completely for a week during the summer, others are staggering vacations to keep operations running at part capacity. The Herald will continue to appear regularly each week, with a vacation schedule which leaves the shop one or two men short until mid-August, and indulgence is asked for any delays which may occur in publication or minor hold-ups in delivery of advertising orders during the period.

It is thing the editor would particularly appreciate this holiday time is for people in Georgetown and the surrounding areas to get away for a few days. It is impossible for us to keep our summer "portals" open and to be

news of this type which makes your weekly newspaper interesting. We expect that Ann, whose initial column last week was so well received will also be on the job giving sidelights on people's vacation trips in her chatty, informal style.

A MUSICAL TREAT

Our first visit to the Waterloo Music Festival last Saturday was somewhat marred by the fact that Georgetown had to take a back seat to London and Brantford in the band competition. But it was a revelation to what we had always thought of as a band tattoo to see the diversity of musical activity which was going on in tents, bandshells and clearings in various sections of lovely Waterloo Park. As we left the grounds at the supper-hour, the sound of ten concertinas playing sweet harmony was particularly lovely and we paid silent tribute to an organization which has done so much to promote the musical culture of Ontario.

Primary objective of the trip this year, in company with a number of Lions Club members was to sell tickets on the lucky draw for the band-shell and the project met with good success, having a natural tie-up with the day. We are still wondering how many ticket buyers thought they were buying a ticket on Frank Murfin's car which was decorated with banners and display posters.

Members of the Lorne Scots Band were disappointed, not so much at being beaten by the London Tech band as by taking third place to Brantford. Being no music critic we can take no stand in the matter, but it is impossible for every band to win and we suppose adjudicators are not always right or sometimes place an interpretation on performance which does not meet with general approval. The fact remains that our band was judged better than two other city bands which is still no mean achievement and we congratulate them on a good showing.

We See This Week

THAT Virginia Chapman, who has been attending Shaw's Business School, has taken a position with the Earls Court Branch of the Bank of Commerce in Toronto.

THAT grass and shrubs have been planted on Normandy Boulevard and the Wartime Housing subdivision is looking much better.

THAT Joe Ambrose of the Scott Motor Sales staff attended the General Motors Transmission School recently at the Walper House, Kitchener, and Art Speight attended the Fisher Body school at the same place.

THAT Fred Warnes, who studies ballet at the Boris Volkoff School in Toronto appeared in the Volkoff recital, at Eaton's Auditorium on Saturday. Several Georgetown people took in the show.

THAT David Lucas, GHS student, has taken a position for the summer on the staff of MacCormack's Drug Store.

THAT the Bell Telephone office has had a face-lifting. Miss Isobel Thompson who is now in charge of collections has a desk just inside the door and other changes have been made in the office layout.

THAT Miss Jean Mackenzie and Miss Olive Moore of Brampton had third net score at Thornhill Golf Club on Monday in the 2-ball foursome for Toronto and District ladies.

THAT George Chong, who moved to Toronto after selling out the Georgetown Cafe a few years ago, left last week on a trip to China.

THAT Alva Grieve won the Lorie watch given as a prize at the Brampton Lions Jamboree on Saturday night.

THAT Howard Wrigglesworth, principal of Georgetown Public School is attending summer school for six weeks at McMaster University taking part of his course for a Bachelor of Arts degree.

Presbyterians Call Rev. Alexander Calder

Rev. Alexander Calder, M.A., of Norwich has had a call extended to him by the congregations of Knox and Limehouse Presbyterian Churches and it is expected that he will take over his new pastorate here in September. Mr. Calder was the first of the ministers who preached here during the last five Sundays and will succeed Rev. C. C. Cochrane, now of Westmount, Quebec. A native of Beaverton, Mr. Calder graduated four years ago from Knox College, having attended the University of Toronto previously. He preached for a year in the mission field at Geraldton, which incidentally was Mr. Cochrane's first charge, and has since been at Norwich. He is married to the former Helen McKay of Toronto and they have a 2 1/2 year old son.

Mr. Calder was unanimously chosen at a congregational meeting in the Church on Wednesday, at which Rev. J. L. Self, Moderator, was chairman.

LIMEHOUSE

Congratulations to Thelma Brown and Eleanor Spitzer, pupils of Miss Jean Ruddle, S. S. No. 9 and to Shirley Burt, pupil of Mrs. Harold Barber, S. S. No. 16, all of whom received entrance standing without writing departmental examinations.

Visitors with Mrs. Lane and the H. Nortons, on Sunday included: Mrs. Ted Morrow and Elaine of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. C. Cross, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Packer and children.

A group of Limehouse ladies catered for the Johnson-Norris wedding reception in Limehouse Memorial Hall on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Wilson and Teddy are spending their holidays with relatives at Niagara Falls, Fort Erie and Ottawa.

Anniversary services were held at Limehouse Presbyterian Church on June 27. Rev. E. J. Finn of Knox Church, Milton, was guest speaker in the morning. Knox Church choir of Georgetown were in charge of the music, rendering an anthem, and Miss Kathy Thompson sang "Bless His House". A quartette of Misses Jean Ruddle and Muriel Keen and Messrs. Jack May and Clark Lyons also assisted. In the evening Rev. John Anderson of Acton preached to a well-filled church. He was accompanied by his choir-obliging with an anthem and a quartette number by Messrs. William Burton and Geo. Muselle, and Misses Isobel Anderson and Bella Roszell. Interim moderator, Rev. L. Self of Norval, was in charge of the evening service.

The W.M.S. held a special meeting at the home of Mrs. Harvey Norton on Thursday evening with Miss Nellie Anderson, missionary on furlough from British Guiana as guest speaker. The twenty-one ladies present heard a most inspirational talk on "missionary work." Mrs. Kirby Williams was soloist, and refreshments were served at the close.

Mrs. Wiley and Miss Elva Wiley visited Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Patterson on Sunday.

We extend sympathy to the Wright family who left on Monday morning to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. Sowerby at Berkley, Michigan.

S.S. No. 9 and E. S. No. 16 met in baseball combat at No. 16 on Monday - Score 44-12 for No. 9!

Woman Injured In Truck - Bus Crash

Mrs. Millicent Bell of Brampton, an employee of Smith and Stone, Ltd., suffered slight injuries to her back and neck in a truck-bus collision on Main Street North, Brampton, last Thursday night. She was a passenger in the bus operated by Art Scott which transports out-of-town employees who commute to work in Georgetown. The bus had stopped to discharge passengers and the door had just been closed when a McKarrow Transport truck en route from Georgetown with a load of paper collided with the rear of the bus. John Hannesey of Norval was driving the bus and Howard McKarrow of Toronto was operating the transport.

Mr. Henpeck: "We're yer steek like today!"

The Sentimental Butcher: "Tender as a woman's ear, Mr. Henpeck."

Mr. Henpeck: "Oh, is it? Then I'll 'ave some steek steek!"

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