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The Editor's Corner FROM THE WASTEBASKET

In a weekly newspaper office, a large wastepaper basket is a necessary part of office equipment. Here go the dozens of letters received daily which seek free publicity for commercial products, political and religious theories, charitable foundations, et al which hopeful individuals and organizations attempt to disguise as news for the unsuspecting editor. In and out of the waste basket last week went a letter which frankly has us puzzled. It came in a plain envelope, postmarked Toronto, and written by one Robert Mulvenna, 27 Marmaduke Avenue, Toronto. Brief and to the point, here is what it said:

"Sir:
Common labour in this country is done by wives and University students. What political Party in this country will help solve our problems by promoting, vigorously, a real immigration policy?

If we have healthy people to do the work, we'll get the capital to develop our country."

Take that first sentence, "Common labour is done by wives and university students." Just suppose we had a "real immigration policy," where would this put wives and university students? What is the common labour that a wife does? Is it the sewing and cooking, making beds, doing the weekly wash, planting the garden, going shopping, looking after the children? And how will an immigration policy, vigorous or otherwise, relieve Mrs. Housewife from this common labour unless Mr. Mulvenna intends to replace Canadian-born wives with imported wives from Europe or the Antipodes? As for university students, perhaps a bit of common labour does not go amiss after the mental strain involved in struggling with the intricacies of philosophy, psychology, Greek or Medieval English, and besides common labour during the summer months is often necessary to pay the bills for the winter's term.

The last paragraph throws us completely off the beam, hinting as it does that neither wives or university students are healthy. We have known a lot of wives and a lot of university students too and the great majority of them seem reasonably healthy. Wives, in fact, as our research into a number of the currently popular movies which will deal with various forms of neurosis leads us to believe, are even healthier when they are not plagued with too much idle time and with abundant funds to visit society doctors who charge large fees to tell them that their trouble is too much time and that "common labour" is the answer to their problems.

Not being able at all to understand Mr. Mulvenna's campaign, we shall simply put it down to Communist propaganda and let it go at that. Or should we assume that Mr. Mulvenna is a disgruntled university student who has yet to learn that whatever a man's position in life, it involves a certain amount of "common labour" which neither marriage nor university degrees can bypass?

HOW TO INVITE DEPRESSION

The following bit of philosophy has appeared in several publications recently and was brought to our attention by Reeve Jack Armstrong, who clipped it from an insurance magazine.

A man lived by the side of the road and sold hot dogs.
He was hard of hearing; so he had no radio.
He had trouble with his eyes; so he read no newspapers.
But he sold good hot dogs.
He put up signs on the highway telling how good they were.
He stood by the side of the road and cried: "Buy a hot dog, Mister."
And people bought.
He increased his meat and bun orders.
He bought a bigger stove to take care of his trade.
He got his son home from college to help him.
But then something happened.
His son said: "Father, haven't you been listening to the radio?"
There's a depression on.
"The European situation is terrible."
"The Domestic situation is worse."
Whereupon the father thought: "Well, my son's been to college."
"He reads the papers and he listens to the radio, and he ought to know."
So the father cut down on his meat and bun orders, Took down his advertising signs, And no longer bothered to stand out on the highway to sell hot dogs.

And his hot dog sales fell almost overnight.
"You're right son," the father said to the boy,
"We certainly are in the middle of a great depression."

POT POURRI

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sykes at the Church and Market corner is undergoing a face-lifting. The front verandah has been removed and the bricks are being painted white. Members of the town council and the fire brigade, with other public officials, attended evening service at the Baptist Church on Sunday. Similar attendance at other churches is planned later in the year. We enjoyed the Stage 49 radio drama "Scoop" Sunday night. Based on a novel by Evelyn Waugh, it was a satire on daily newspapers by the English writer whose "Brideshead Revisited" was a "Book-of-the-Month" selection last year. Vi Louth has moved: Vig Variety Shop to a new location in the former Cordaro Candy Store, the latter being moved to the basement of the Cordaro Building. An outside pay phone booth has been installed by the Bell Telephone just off Main Street on Wesleyan beside Barrager's Cleaners. Another tag day this Saturday, the yearly one sponsored by the I.O.D.E. in aid of the blind. Generous donations are asked. Credit is due to the new ball club executive for their efforts in reviving interest in hardball at the zero hour. Corey Herrington and Jim Ritchie are working particularly hard to solicit donations to get the uniforms out of hock and pay off outstanding bills so the club can start this year out of the red. Summer is fairly rushing on us, and the usual number of open-air entertainments are beginning. Motorcycle races return to the park on Victoria Day, the Lions and Girls Pipe Band are working on an evening entertainment in mid-June, high school cadet inspection is booked for May 30th, the Legion is again making plans for July 1st, and the dance pavilions at Huttonville, Stanley Park and other nearby resorts are now open. The dance spots by the way, are making no secret of the fact that city toughs are not wanted. Bolton Casino, for example, advertises no admittance to those wearing windbreakers, slacks and zoot-suits, and other places have similar restrictions. George Muckart is making an extensive addition to his Mill Street building, which will provide larger quarters both for his own business and for the Brewer's Warehouse. The addition is at the back and runs the length of the building.

William Deans Again Children's Aid President

The annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society of the County of Halton was held in the Sunday School Room of St. Paul's United Church, Milton, on Wednesday evening, May 11th. There was a splendid attendance, representing all parts of the County, as well as a number of neighbouring Societies, the Provincial Department and the Protestant Children's Homes in Toronto.

The highlight of the evening was an address by Sybil Bennett, K.C., President of the Peel County Children's Aid Society, who was introduced by Mr. G. E. Elliott. Miss Bennett stressed the need for study and understanding in making decisions on which an entire life future may rest. She deplored the lack of control and authority in the family today, and she went on to say "If there is no respect for the family, then there is none for the society, law or government". She urged parents to emphasize spiritual values in order to help their children set worthwhile standards and develop wholesome attitudes toward family living.

The Superintendent, G. F. Thompson, presented his report, drawing special attention to some of the main facts containing therein and enlarging on them. He spoke of the many changes in recent years in social legislation, program, and policy, referring particularly to the emphasis which is now being placed on the Protective Services, and the effort to keep the family intact. Mr. Thompson paid tribute to the Society's foster-parents, and mentioned the vital need for more foster homes.

Miss Duffy, social worker, who joined the staff last September, expressed pleasure and satisfaction in her work with the Society. Musical numbers by Miss Duffy and Mrs. Jim McDougall provided a pleasant interlude.

Mr. William Deans, president of the Society, opened the meeting with a brief word of welcome following a prayer by Rev. James Blair. Mr. B. Beaumont, Director of Child Welfare for the Province of Ontario, extended greetings on behalf of the visitors present from outside points.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:
President, William Deans, Georgetown; vice-president, E. D. Mahon, Campbellville; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Edna Gorter, Milton; Directors: Charles L. Kirkness and G. W. McKenzie, Acton; Mrs. W. A. Weaver and Mrs. L. J. Lee, Burlington; Dr. C. G. Reid, Georgetown; Mrs. M. E. Nixon and Rev. E. J. Phinn, Milton; Mrs. Cameron Hillmer and W. Allan Campbell, Oakville; Mrs. George Lealie, Esquimaux; Mrs. Velma Norris, Nelson; and W. G. MacKenzie Robinson, Trafalgar; County Council Representatives: Mrs. Mary Pettit,

Freeman; and William VanSickle, Campbellville.
At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the Mr. and Mrs. Club of the United Church, and a pleasant social hour enjoyed.

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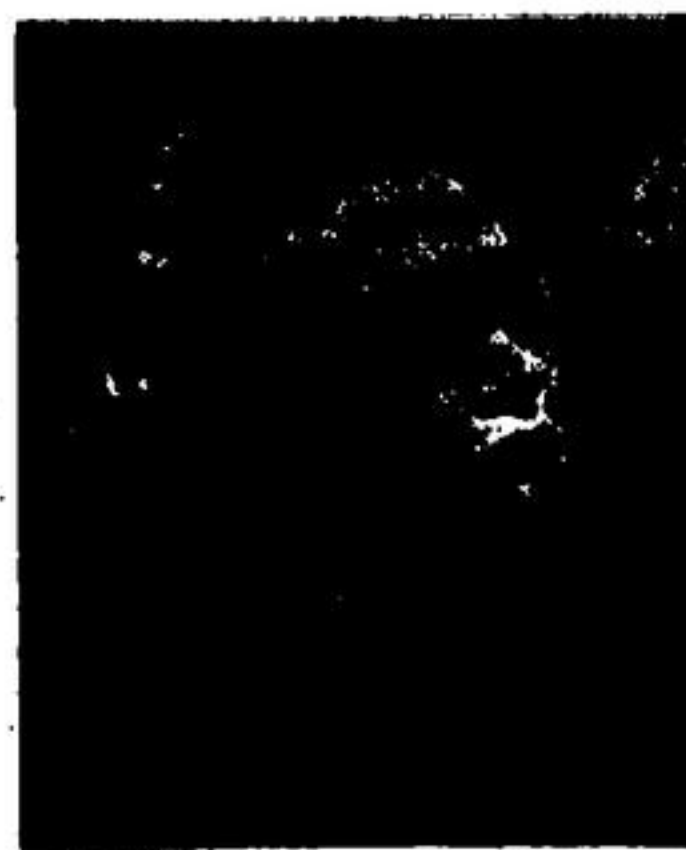
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Seated left to right: Hon. George Dunbar, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Reform Institutions; Hon. Thomas L. Kennedy, retiring Premier, Minister of Agriculture; Premier Leslie M. Frost who also is Provincial Treasurer; Hon. George Doucett, Minister of Highways and Public Works; Hon. George Charles, Minister-without-Portfolio and Vice-Chairman of the Ontario Hydro Commission. Back row, left to right: Hon. Welland Gemmill, new member of the Cabinet, member for Sudbury, Minister of Mines; Hon. Louis Cella, Minister of Travel and Publicity; Hon. Harold Scott, Minister of Lands and Forests; Hon. William Grieginger, Minister of Planning and Development; Hon. Charles Daley, Minister of Labour; Hon. Dana Porter, Attorney-General and Minister of Education; Hon. William A. Goodfellow, Minister of Public Welfare; Hon. Arthur Welsh, Provincial Secretary, and Chairman of the Liquor Control Board. Hon. Russell T. Kelley, absent due to ill health, was appointed a member of the Cabinet, as Health Minister.



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