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WHERE ARE WE HEADING?

The Aurora Banner sides in with a Globe & Mail editorial which criticizes the federal government for going around in circles in the defence program.

Aurora is definitely concerned, says the Banner, because the Hart plant there, a highly productive, well-organized and efficient industry has been closed down for some months, when it could be playing an important role in producing defence materials.

The Banner echoes the Toronto paper in asking why, in the middle of a defence emergency, we have

200,000 unemployed in Canada. Many thousands of them were put out of work by direct or indirect actions of the Dominion government — credit restrictions, tax increases and material shortages. They were led to believe that this was all part of a considered program and that, in line with this program, they would find new jobs filling defence orders.

The problem is a complex one. It affects Georgetown too, though as yet in not such a major way as it does Aurora. As everyone knows the Smith & Stone plant has been running at reduced capacity since last fall. Several employees have had to be let out of their positions and practically all who are still working are on short hours. Both paper mills are also not perking in their usual manner. One small industry, Triplett Instruments has completely closed down, though in this case, we believe the trouble lies with the impossibility of importing American materials.

We are not enough of an economist to figure out where the trouble lies, and cannot be overly critical of a government policy about which we do not profess to know too much. But we do know that something is wrong and hope these are economists in the government service who can give some constructive advice before the current recession becomes a major depression. Living through one depression is quite enough in anyone's lifetime.

DEER HUNTERS HAD SUCCESS

Though many local hunters had disappointing experiences in their annual trek north for the deer hunt, the hunt in general was apparently more successful than in any year to date.

The Ontario lands departments reported that 100,000 hunters shot more than 50,000 deer. The year before 96,820 hunters bagged 32,300 deer.

Department officials are not unhappy at the slaughter for the deer population has been increasing, aided by mild winters and plenty of forage. If the deer increase beyond the forage available to feed them, they are likely to be struck by disease.

The open season, decided upon by the government for southern Ontario was a bone of contention and it was called off after protests from numerous municipalities who feared that more than deer would be shot. Six hunters were killed in accidents in the open season territory, but it was a relatively low accident rate, the department reports.

Miscellaneous information released by the department, includes the fact that a deer's age is not judged by the points on the antlers, but can be told by the teeth. Antlers grow only when the food supply is good. Does normally have no antlers, but two were taken in 1951 with fine sets — the deer equivalent of the bearded lady. Most popular hunting area is just north of a line between Midland and Ottawa.

POT POURRI

County council has already lost one of its new members, with the resignation of George Thorpe, due to ill health, as reeve of Nelson. Mr. Thorpe was re-elected in December. The defeated candidate, Charles Palmer is a candidate for office and an election is to be held this Friday if necessary. . . Burlington is the second Halton town to have postal delivery. Six carriers will commence delivery work the last Monday of this month to provide the new service. . . Speaking of mail, a reader has requested us to ask if a letter pick-up box could be placed on Main Street at one of the four corners. The lady says that it would be much appreciated by people in the park end of town, and would also be welcomed by Main Street businessmen. . . George Fitzsimmons, Listowel, who was sentenced to three years in jail last week when he pleaded to two charges of bigamy, was reported in daily newspapers as having worked in Georgetown a few years ago. . . Somewhat late in the mail, but nonetheless appreciated is a Christmas card from Dr. Walter Bloch, who was in town for some time last fall as a consulting engineer with Smith & Stone, Ltd. Dr. Bloch's address is now 143 Crewe Road, Allager, Stoke-on-Trent, England. . . Easing of restriction on credit buying by the federal government was nicely timed for automobile manufacturers. The announcement was made last week and in this issue appear announcements of new models for Chevrolet and Plymouth. . . It is to be hoped that the government action will help the electrical business. The local Smith and Stone firm, dependent on manufacture of stoves, refrigerators and other product producers to use their output has been slack for some time and has had to let a considerable number of employees go, while others are working on shorter hours. . . This week we welcome back Paradise Gardens as an advertiser. Good reports have been received about Joe Contini's spot on the Guelph-Kitchener highway, both for its Saturday and Sunday shows, and its accommodation for private parties. Smith & Stone employees have held parties there on several occasions, and Arthur Scott Motors favour it for their Christmas party each year. On Saturdays Joe brings in good bands for dancing, while on Sunday evenings he features entertainment of a calibre usually found only in city night clubs. Last Sunday, for instance, he had Larry Foster, comedian-impersonator who has just finished an engagement at Buffalo's celebrated Town Casino, plus Don Baker and his Musicoms, featured at Jack Dempsey's in New York. . . Lady curlers want more members, according to an ad in this issue. Perhaps there are a few timid souls who don't want to compete with experts. Mrs. Harold Hutchinson and Mrs. Ted Darlington of the local club want it known that everyone is a beginner and there is a barrel of fun to be had, so don't be shy, ladies.

DIRECTORY

Booth New President Of Guernsey Breeders

Dr. H. S. Robertson of Renwood Farms, Cobourg, was the guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Halton and Peel Guernsey Club held at Hornby on Tuesday of last week. Dr. Robertson, who was introduced to the seventy-five Guernsey enthusiasts who were present by B. B. Hodgins, secretary of the Ontario Guernsey Club, delighted his audience with his illustrated address on some of the highlights of his two trips as a dental surgeon on government expeditions to the Arctic Circle in 1950 and 1951. There is no glamour and little humour about the Arctic, stated Dr. Robertson. In general, it is a desolate country, parts of it very rich in iron ore. His descriptions, however, of the natives in various sections of the north, how they live, etc. held his audience almost spellbound for the hour and three quarters in which he unfolded his story.

The secretary's report presented by K. P. Marshall revealed that the Club had had an outstanding and active Club year under the leadership of president Art Spence, some of the highlights being a social evening, a bus trip, a twilight meeting, two barn dances, a picnic, a club sale and the county show at Milton. In addition the Club has sponsored a Calf Club and in this connection B. B. Hodgins, on behalf of the Ontario Guernsey Club, presented Don, Bob and Eleanor Joyce with show halters and W. H. Duffray presented his trophy emblematic of the Calf Club championship, to Don Joyce. James M. McCullough, who was introduced by J. E. Whitelock, as the recently appointed Agricultural Representative for Peel County, presented, on behalf of the Peel Agricultural Society, trophies to M. T. McNabb & Sons and Joyce Bros. The noonday dinner, catered by the Hornby Women's Institute, as usual was another highlight of the day. The election of officers for 1952 resulted as follows:

Pres. Wm. G. Booth, Milton, Vice pres. Joe Brownridge, Brampton; Secty. Treas. Cedric Harrop, Directors: Trafaigar, Gordon King, E. Featherstone, Art Spence; Esqueping Finlay Joyce, J. Y. McNabb, C. W. Swackhamer, Nelson, M. S. Alton and Tom Ramshaw, Nassagaweya, J. L. Chisholm, Peel County, Jim Armstrong, C. Middlebrook.

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