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Goodbye Girls... and Thanks

On the eve of a major telephone change, we would be remiss if we did not mention one feature which will be missing when the mayor makes the first call by dial early Sunday morning.

Through the years, a faithful group of ladies have earned their livelihood as telephone girls, and their cheery "Number, please" will now be only a memory.

Admittedly our local system has never been perfect. For this we can blame the powers that be in the Bell Company for keeping antiquated equipment long after it should have been replaced. And though the phone girls have taken their share of abuse from irate customers, it has rarely been human error that caused delays and interruptions in service.

We will miss the ladies on the switchboard possibly more than any other business-

A Call for Action

It isn't often that providence gives a warning so merciful as the accident on Norval hill Saturday morning. We can be thankful that injuries were not more serious among the young lads in the bus which plunged into a ravine after the driver had lost control on the rutty highway.

Resurfacing of No. 7 has waited far too long already, and it is to be hoped that prompt action will now be taken by the highways department before any further accidents occur.

The Norval hill is not the only place where extensive repair work is needed, though it is probably the worst. Here the hapless traveller bounces from one bump to another,

Cycle Club Could Help

One of the hardest things to control during a major fire threat is automobile traffic.

There is something about a fire which draws humans, like moths, to the flame. We could write every week telling people to stay at home when they hear the siren, but it would have little effect. We, too, would probably be in the parade when the next fire came.

The only practical way to avoid serious traffic jams such as occurred at two recent barn fires, is to have volunteers organized to spring to action at the time. Perhaps we have the answer right on our doorstep in the district

Pot Pourri

Last week was a tiring one for all the Herald staff, with a 12 page paper to be produced in two days instead of the customary three. We made the grade, and had it out early Thursday morning, but a few extra errors escaped a bleary eyed proofreader. For instance, we printed an engagement notice without mentioning the groom's parents; left Arthur Ruddell's name off a card of thanks for aid at the time of his barn fire; and left a few names out of a write-up at the last minute about a softball dinner at Stewarttown. A lucky combination of dates kept the fair board out of the red this year. Ordinarily Saturday would have been fair day, but the late Labor Day holiday swung the CNE a week later, and the Georgetown date was advanced to October because of this. That downpour of rain in the early afternoon would have meant curtains for the crowd, so everything worked out for the best. Sale of the golf

FARM NEWS

JOHN W. PICKET TOPS CNE JUDGES

John W. Picket, of Hornby, was the top prize winner in Junior Farmer Annual Judging Competitions at the Canadian National Exhibition. Contestants are allowed to participate in only one class of livestock and also one of the following: Farm Machinery, Grain & Roots;

and Fruit and Vegetables. In the judging of dairy cattle open to Junior Farmers under 28 years, the contestants judged and gave oral reasons on classes of Holsteins and Guernseys. Here John Picket scored first with a score of 191 out of a possible 200. He duplicated this achievement by also taking first in Farm Machinery. While Halton did not send down a large delegation those who did go made an excellent showing. Some of the other awards were as follows:

Swine (Seniors) — John Currie 2nd; Fraser McNabb 4th; Don Johnson 5th; Earl Wilson 8th.
Beef Cattle (Seniors) — Alex Buchanan 3rd; George Clements 7th; Mae Sprowl 9th.
Beef Cattle (Juniors) — John C. Willmott 3rd.
Grain and Roots — (Seniors) Don Johnson 6th, Alex Buchanan 7th.
Grain & Roots (Juniors) — John C. Willmott 2nd.

USE PLAY TIME WISELY SUNDAY SERMON

J. D. G.
On Sunday at St. John's United Church, Rev. John M. Smith spoke on "A man's life and his play," using as a text Paul's advice to the Christians at Rome "Abhor that which is evil," good advice for Christians anywhere, and even non-Christians.

Last week Mr. Smith spoke on "Man's life and his work," a Labor Day Sunday sermon, showing that man must work to live rightly; on Sunday he showed that though man shall live by bread the fruit of his labours, he should not live by bread alone.

Man's life is not complete with work alone; God has made him of a complex nature that calls for a continual renewal or recreation of body, mind and spirit, and so his play life of hobby, games, or any right use of leisure, becomes another vital part of his existence, along with his labour. Without this renewal from change of scene and activity the grind and routine would sap man's vitality and wear his life out long before its allotted span.

Man's life is in danger unless he keeps his work and play in proper balance. Down through the ages we have had many accounts of man's use of his playlife, with various results, good when balanced and constructive, harmful when too much, sometimes too little, but especially when destructive, rather than renewing. Man's work has more and more become part of the machine age, and he is picked up in its whirl and becomes more as a cog, even though important and very necessary, yet taking away much of his personal touch. And in such a case it is very often in his play life that he can give expression of himself which helps so much to make a man feel worthwhile and needed, and so refitted for his daily task. Which suggests that man's play should be constructive, making him feel renewed in body, mind and spirit.

And here St. Paul's advice helps: "Abhor that which is evil." Make your play so that it will not hurt yourself, your family, your community, your church, nor God's work anywhere. Call your play by its real meaning, re-creation, not as we pronounce it, re-creation. Only so can man live the abundant life God wishes him to live, and which he himself should want to live.

Man's playlife should be compatible with God's wish and will. Christians are apt to separate work and play from God's way of life and their Christian profession, whereas the admonition of Jesus "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God" means in our work and in our play, as in all else, or miss the abundant life. For this reason, Paul's advice applies again, "Abhor that which is evil." Cling to that which is good in your choice of your work and in its performance, and also in the spirit of your play, remembering to put God's plan and purpose first, fitting in with His will and wish for you and the world. Mr. Smith repeated the advice he heard a minister give a group of young people who were playing him with questions about this phase of their lives.



An operator on duty at the type of switchboard which was used in the Georgetown exchange some 50 years ago.

"Always remember whose child you are, then you can go almost wherever you want." As a child of God, he was sure if they remembered that, they would "Abhor that which is evil," would keep away from where it was, unless they went in God's name and strength, sincerely to do good.
Duet "Jesus is calling," by Margaret and Jean Bird, with Mr. Norman Laird at the organ.
Will this simple philosophy of life help you?
"Do all the good you can. Get

all the fun you can while you are doing it. Just watch your fun does not unfit you for your duty.

SEEKS RADIO STATION

Fenwick Job, publisher of the Brampton Peel Gazette, has applied for permission to start a radio station in Brampton.
His application, with others from various parts of Ontario, is being reviewed by the authorizing board at present.

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THREE-PRONGED CARROT
W. O. Brownridge's garden produced a three-pronged carrot which Mr. Brownridge brought to the Herald to add to the oddity collection.