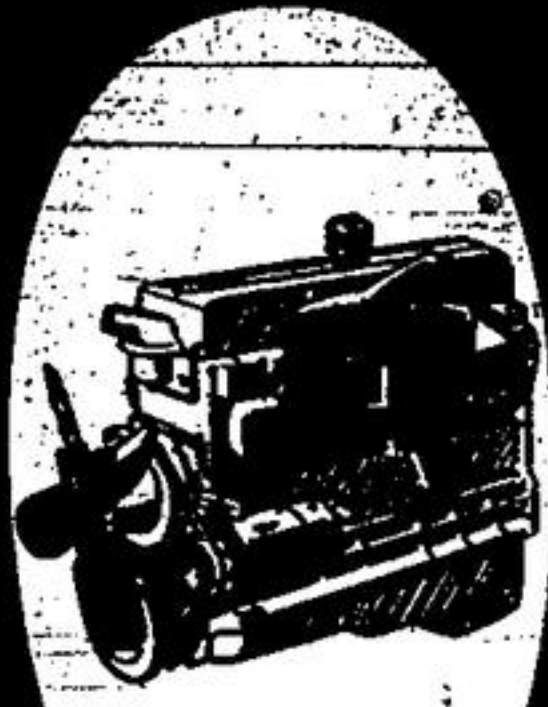


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I quit. I give up. I know when I'm licked. All winter I've been calling Florida-bound friends "co-workers." All winter I've scoffed when my wife has told me to wear gloves and a hat. My tail is between my legs and I'm whimpering.

I don't know what it's like in your part of this deep-freeze semi-hemisphere, but it's practically frightening around here. Already we've had more than 9 feet of snow on the level, 18 in the drifts and corners. The mercury keeps diving below zero like a nervous walrus.

Up to Christmas, winter is sort of fun. Then there's New Year's and gaiety and hockey games and bridge parties. First thing you know, you're halfway through January, and you figure the back of the winter is practically broken. About six weeks later, you discover it's your own back. Around the middle of February, you finally realize that winter is just getting nicely under way. It's right about then that your spirit starts to crumble, your body begins to come apart at the seams.

Even at that, I was keeping a stiff upper lip (there wasn't much choice, with my nose running all the time), until this week. Then I caught the 'flu. There's nothing like a touch of the good old February 'flu to turn a red-blooded Canadian male into a red-eyed, cowardly glob of self pity.

But I've had the flu before, and have always tottered through it without losing a day's work, losing nothing, in fact, except the affection of my family, the tolerance of my friends, and the respect of anyone I came in contact with.

So I figured I could stagger through another dose of it, wheeze my way as far as the first of March, blow and cough and sweat my way through April, and greet once again the first green grass with a joyous pean. The 'flu, however, was only a sample. I got the full February treatment. And that is why I wish I was 70 years old and had a paid-up annuity like those birds in the magazine ads, and was sitting stupidly in the sun somewhere, holding hands with mother.

In brief. Got up early garbage morning so I wouldn't miss the truck. House felt chilly. Checked

thermometer. It read 42. Held hand over register. Hand turned blue. Went to cellar. Stoker fan whirring noisily. Opened furnace door. Fire out.

Night before, had thrown stoker out of gear for an hour, to burn excess coal piling up in furnace. Then threw it back into gear, so coal would resume feeding. Apparently miscued putting it back in gear. Result, no coal, no fire. Spent 30 minutes, kneeling among clinkers, scraping dead coal and ashes out of black maw of furnace with handy sauce pan wife's been missing all winter.

Finally got furnace started, with aid of muffled shouts from upstairs. Took out garbage. Saw garbage truck turning corner three blocks past. Put garbage back in shed. Wife hollered down to learn temperature in kitchen and issue orders re milk bottles and money. Cursed softly. Stepped in pup's puddle in stockings feet. Cursed louder.

Left for work, forgetting milk bottles. Perceived porch roof sagging ominously from weight of ice. Perceived entire path, shoveled last night, filled in 12 inches deep-ticket on car for leaving it on street all night. Tore off ticket in rage. With it came rubber off windshield wiper, to which it was frozen. Couldn't get car started. Walked eight blocks to work in eight inches soft snow in toe rubbers as boots left at office yesterday before 'flu hit.

Arrived at office with gravel throat, aching bones, running eyes, bleak mind and bleak soul. Sorted mail. 2 insurance premiums and 1 car payment due; wonderful chance to subscribe to Maclean's at low-low rate; card from fiend friend in Florida.

Phone rang. Lady wanted free publicity for church supper. Browbeat me. Fled to coffee shop. Fallow on next stool blasted me for last editorial. Fled back to office wishing had gun or cyanide crystal in desk drawer. Phone rang. Wife calling to tell me furnace out.

And that's a typical February day in this beknighted country. If it wasn't for Kim's birthday party coming up next week, I'd head out of here in a beeline for Mexico without even stopping to turn down the thermostat.

Reserve Erindale Dam Property For Conservation

Purchase of the 135-acre beautiful Erindale dam property by the Credit Valley Conservation Authority from the Ontario Hydro Electric Power Commission was authorized Thursday night at the annual meeting of the Authority at its Terra Cotta headquarters. Plans for the area were not announced but it is expected recreation will play a prominent part in its development as considerable money was spent on this property by both the Hydro and Toronto Townships Recreation Commission within the past few years to improve its condition as a park.

The area for many years was fun as a park by private individuals before Toronto Township purchased his lease, and made many improvements to make it into a park. Owing to alleged pollution it was closed as a park but since that time new sewage plants upstream have greatly improved the condition of the water in the Credit River at this point and it is felt it could be developed into a much-needed recreation and conservation area.

A. M. Greenaway of Port Credit was re-elected chairman for a 4th term during the election of officers conducted by A. H. Richardson, chief of Conservation Officer for the Province of Ontario. Albert Wheeler of Erin Township was re-elected vice chairman as were the following committee chairmen: Flood Control and Pollution, committee William Parker, Acton; Farm Planning and Land Use, Alex MacLaren, Georgetown; Reforestation, William Currie, Orangeville; Historical sites, George Rodwell; Public Relations and Publicity, A. S. Mendell, Streetsville; Parks and Recreation, Roy K. McMillan, Toronto Township; Secretary, W. E. Wright.

High praise was given the Authority by Chief Conservation Officer A. H. Richardson for the work during the past few years and the program set up for 1959.

A budget for the year of \$126,700 was unanimously approved with the municipalities share of this amount \$58,350 after grants from the Provincial and Federal governments.

No action was taken on a suggestion the Authority purchase the Erin Park property.

PERSONALS, PLEASE!

More and more readers have been cooperating in phoning news of their visits and visitors to the Herald. Help keep the weekly column interesting by doing us this favour.

HALTON M.P. ATTENDS LANDRACE CONVENTION

Sandy Best, M.P. of Georgetown, attended the eighth annual membership meeting of the American Landrace Association held recently at the Deshler-Hilton Hotel in Columbus, Ohio. Members from 13 states, Canada and England were in attendance.

Total registrations of 38,188 for the past year were reported, an impressive 62 per cent increase over the previous year. Membership in the Landrace Association, grew even faster with a 97 per cent increase during the year. The total membership now stands at 4,398.

Howard Cowden, Kansas City, Mo., was re-elected president while Eugene G. Benedict, Culver, Ind., was named vice president. Merritt Murphy, Noblesville, Ind., continues as secretary treasurer.

New directors elected included D. Gary Spencer, Jefferson City, Mo.; Dale Harlan, Hickman, Neb.; Jarvis H. Allen, Greenville, N. Car.; Jay Dooley, Westville, Ohio; Erce Givens, Abernathy, Texas; Jerome Esser, Cross Plains, Wis.; and Willard Moore, Gardner, Kansas. Re-elected for terms of three years each were Mr. Cowden and Robert Moore, Noblesville, Ind.

Annual achievement awards were presented as follows: Board-of-the-year (for boar siring most production tested Star Litters) to Maple Villa Tapper owned by Iversen and Schmidt, Battle Creek, Iowa, with 22 award litters.

Murphy trophy (for best star litter) to J. V. Sisk and Sons, of Bethany, Mo., for world record 1222 pound litter at 56 days.

Century Sow Citation to Green Arpents Polly, owned by John Knudsen, Meaford, Ontario, Canada for farrowing 120 pigs and raising 113 in her first eight litters.

Major Trophy (for boar siring most Meat Certified Litters) to the between Trondheim Max, owned by Harold Mears, Jefferson, Iowa Both boars sired 5 certified litters to qualify as Certified Meat Sires.

TELEVISION BONSPIEL

If a Georgetown rink competing in a bonspiel this Saturday at the Kitchener Granite Club reaches the finals, they will be seen on television.

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HOW TO CUT TAXES!

Two concrete suggestions for reducing taxes—making welfare payments only on the basis of proved need and slashing defence expenditures—were made in a recent Toronto speech by Stuart Armour, economic adviser to The Steel Company of Canada, Limited.

Mr. Armour told the National Concrete Products Association that putting welfare payments on a proved need basis need not be politically disastrous, because labor unions had already done so during recent strikes in Canada.

"Labor leaders and their doctrinaire socialist collaborators have long condemned the application of a means test with respect to welfare transfer payments," he said. "Yet when the United Steel Workers and the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers were called out on strike, they themselves doled out relief only to those members who could prove real need."

This is an example the federal government should follow. Mr. Armour said, "for the indiscriminate handing out of relief payments has been one of the prime causes of the inflation which has afflicted Canada since 1946."

In the long run our national economy can no better afford the costs of universal welfare payments than could the treasuries of two of our richest and most powerful labor organizations."

He added: "Perhaps now that the head of the AFL-CIO (George Meany) has officially stated that labor leaders cannot control the labor vote, our politicians will take heart and start acting in the interests of all the people."

If there are to be any reductions in taxes in Canada, or any halt to inflation, there must be cuts in government spending, he said.

"We Canadians have got to regain control of government spending. Only by so doing can we generate the private capital without which a private enterprise system must eventually be destroyed."

Recalling that a group of Hamilton businessmen last year threatened to withhold their taxes unless they got action for off street parking, increased police protection and traffic lights, Mr. Armour said: "I am convinced that if we are to preserve our fruitful system of free enterprise in Canada, all Canadians have got to develop

have got to assert rights which are ours since we are the only source from which government can secure the funds it needs short of revving up the printing press.

"Our initiative in the matter of creating a state apparatus so powerful and so practically immune from our control, is apparent every time we ask the state to provide a new transfer payment to its citizens, be it price support, an increased pension, a hospital plan, increased subsidies for the arts, or what have you."

Mr. Armour termed the shrill and persistent demands to save the Arrow as reminiscent of the kind of unemployment "cure" once used by Hitler and still used by the Communists.

"All defence expenditures tend to be inflationary," he declared. "The sort of nonsensical behaviour which uses expenditures on useless weapons must be stopped by taxpayers in a do-it-yourself rebellion."

"We taxpayers must now insist that the size of the highest paid military, naval and air establishments in all the world be cut back. If this means reducing the civil service tail as well as the brass-hatted head, that's the way it has got to be."

In trying to halt production of the CF-105 (the Arrow) the federal government made a real effort to get out of the defence spending bog, Mr. Armour said. "Special pleaders and those who still like to play at being soldier" have no valid argument in holding that scrapping the Arrow would cause unemployment.

"Hitler promised the German people he would solve their unemployment problem, and did it by putting six million men into uniform and defence production. Hitler certainly cured German unemployment but at the cost of the most dreadful war in history."

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