

Diary of a Vagabond

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Almost as straight as the crow flies the two diesels sped across the three provinces of Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Behind them I sat in one of the coaches watching the thousands of acres of lush green bush and forest. Literally hundreds of lakes, the litte ones an obony hue, made me wonder why our Canadian scientists would ever worry about green-belts and conservation areas. Surely here was enough water to keep this part of the old world from drying up for many moons.

Like all problems relating to man's relationship with nature and his needs such as coal, oil, gas and lumber, transportation has always been a poser. The engineering brains of the country are even now considering a means of piping water from the great lakes into the central, heavily populated regions of Canada. There suburban municipalities are facing a water shortage more severe each year as wells dry up. But is not likely in the lifetime of most of us that those still, deep bushland waters will be disturbed by anything more commercial than an outboard motor or a fishing rod.

I was amazed to hear a fellow traveller remark that she would not care if she never saw another tree after two days of travelling through this amazing greenbelt. To me it was restful and at the same time exciting. Outside my mobile picture window at one point I saw an eagle's nest atop a hydro tower. A few miles farther on, there beside the tracks nestled a lone grave fenced with rickety wooden palings. It must have been painted white years ago, but now was just a dirty gray color. A single spindly cross, leaning at precarious angle, marks the last resting place of someone who had been loved enough to have this little woodland shrine built to his or her memory in the midst of this almost primeval forest.

At many of the small stations as the train whizzed by, red-brown Indian children played. They looked out of character in their mod-

ern jeans, T-shirts and leather shoes — the little girls wearing plastic hair bands. The white man has made little dent in these forests, but he has everlastingly influenced the tastes and habits of Canada's first citizens.

Still if one looked deeply into those woods, one could spy a teepee here and there beside a squatly old log cabin. Perhaps the Indians had erected them for the overflow of children, for these northlands natives are famous for the size of their families, yet we hardly ever spied a sign of life near these primitive abodes. I came to the conclusion that the whole family goes fishing or berry picking.

How could one ever become bored with such wonderful scenery? Wild flowers in brilliant hues abound in profusion, blending their blues and bright orange with the clean white of the daisies that grow everywhere, even in the crevices of the rugged rocks. Bird watchers with trained eyes could easily spot the red on the wings of the blackbirds or, spy a duck flying from one watery rice field to another.

While the lady ranted about "trees, trees and more trees", another couple, whose home is almost in the heart of the largest city in the world, revelled in the vast distance their glance could cover. They reckoned their tourist dollars well spent for the privilege of viewing this bit of Canada in its wild, natural setting.

Most spectacular set nature started for us during the last evening before a Regina visit was the sunset. A long, thin pattern of clouds resting on the prairie horizon turned from a billowy white to a deep turquoise. Then, as the sun sank, a vivid red line framed the tree tops that stood out in black silhouette against a lemon yellow sky and blended into a midnight blue where a new moon hung. Still there are those who miss these spectaculars of nature because they cannot see the forest for the trees.

GROOM'S TWIN ATTENDS BRIDE AT WEDDING

Baskets of white chrysanthemums, pink and white carnations decorated Norfolk St. United Church for the recent wedding of Miss Marguerite Ruth Jotham, Guelph, and Mr. Donald Alexander Husband, Guelph. Rev. H. Garfield Rees officiated.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Jotham and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Husband.

Doreen Stewart of Ustinch sang "The Lord's Prayer" before the ceremony and The Wedding Hymn while the newlyweds signed the register. She was accompanied by Mrs. C. Tobey of Galt.

Mr. Neal Jotham of Toronto gave his sister in marriage. She wore a floor length gown of pure silk organza. The bodice featured lily point sleeves and a neckline appliqued with Smiss embroidery. Embroidery enhanced the waistline of the bouffant skirt.

A headress of nylon sheer net with sequins and pearls held her waist length veil of nylon net. She carried a cascade of pink Sweetheart roses and white stephanotis. Miss Virginia Cornelius, Guelph attended as maid of honour while Mrs. E. Ronaldson, Georgetown, twin sister of the groom was the bridesmaid.

They were dressed identically in white sheer nylon over tulle and taffeta with pink flower sprays.

Gathered pink cummerbunds and harem hemlines enhanced the gowns fashioned with portrait necklines. Their headresses were halos of pink sweetheart rosebuds and they carried bouquets of pink roses and white carnations.

Mr. Robert Husband, Kitchener, brother of the groom, was best man. Mr. Herb James, Oakville, cousin of the groom, was usher.

For the reception at Parkview Motel the bride's mother received her guests wearing a mint green and white shantung ensemble with white accessories and a corsage of pink sweetheart roses.

The groom's mother was in a pale yellow suit complemented with white accessories and a corsage of Talisman roses.

Ontario Honeymoon
The couple honeymooned in northern Ontario before making their home in Guelph. For travelling, the bride wore navy cotton sheath topped with matching jacket, pale blue and white accessories, and a corsage of white gardenias.

Guests were present from Reedsburg, Wis., Oakville, Rexdale, Centralia, Toronto, Puslinch, Georgetown and Kitchener.

—The next public holiday is the last one of the summer season, heralding as it does the end of the C.N.E. Labour Day, Mon., Sept. 7.

Local Residents. Holiday in Europe

Mr. and Mrs. Heinz Richter, Ralph and Volker their sons, of 18 Windsor Road left yesterday from Malton for a vacation in Europe. They will spend some time in Eastern Germany with his mother and sister and with her parents in Western Germany. While the boys spend time at a beach on the North Sea with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Richter will take a trip to Switzerland, Italy and Austria.

Notice to Creditors

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All persons having claims against the estate of Edward Francis O'Brien, late of the Township of Evesham, in the county of Halton, operator, who died on or about the 26th day of June, A.D., 1959, are hereby notified to send into the undersigned executrix of the said estate on or before the 21st day of September, 1959, full particulars of their claims, after which date the estate will be distributed, having regard only to the claims of which the executrix shall then have notice.

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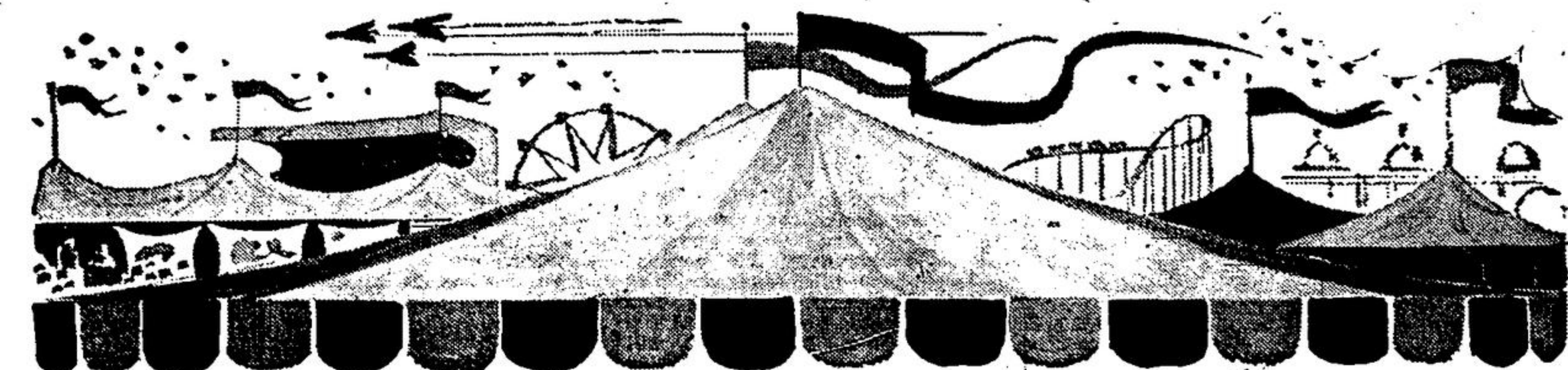
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WEEKLIES STILL REPORT NEWS FULLY DECENTLY, REFLECTIVELY

Canada's weekly newspapers are more prosperous and stable than they have ever been. The "trend away from the farm" has not dulled the vitality of the small town weekly.

So said Leslie E. Barber, Chilliwack (BC) publisher who was elected president of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association at Regina July 17th.

Asked how the trend toward urbanization was affecting the weekly newspapers, Mr. Barber said weeklies are growing and changing with their communities.

"Towns that slept for 100 years are suddenly bursting into activity. New factories, oil fields, new mineral discoveries and the general trend toward urbanization in Canada are turning small towns into large ones," he said.

The result is a new generation of publishers, many of whom are skilled in certain aspects of the business far beyond what their fathers thought was necessary.

"We have larger plants which are better equipped, faster and more efficient. We have high wages and unions. Like most businesses we are faced with the awful spectre of costs nearing our dollar volume.

"But there is this difference — No matter how large our businesses are becoming, most of us are still close to our communities and our people. We are perhaps more conscious than big-city businesses are about inflation and are more reluctant to participate in the spiral.

Mr. Barber urged the publishers to continue the traditional attitude of the weekly newspaperman's approach towards news. He suggested they keep these questions in mind.

"Have we still the same kindly, understanding and competent approach to news... or are we falling into the sickle or beatnik

sensationalism of some of our city journals and other media?"

"Do we still report the news fully, decently, reflectively and with a measure of human understanding?"

It was his views that weeklies have been able to carry out their function in keeping with the high ideals and fine traditions established by pioneer publishers.

"This is what makes us different," he said. "This is what makes us clean, decent and an asset to the country. This is why I know we can be proud of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association and all it stands for."



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