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... EDITORIAL COMMENT ...

Should Be Reviewed

The recently instituted Economic Development Loans Guarantee Act by the Ontario government came in for sharp criticism recently by the Globe and Mail, which termed government action socialistic, and contrary to Conservative political philosophy.

Last week, a localized touch was added by Sam Penrice of the local Beaumont Knitting Co. who spoke for his firm and others in the province in protesting a loan by one government to sustain a firm which had taken contracts from another at prices lower than its competitors.

Mr. Penrice feels that contract price is so low that the Owen Sound contract is so low that it cannot produce a profit. And that not only the loan will be lost but established companies like his will suffer through loss of business.

It is a serious matter for Georgetown

and Glen Williams, where the Beaumont mill has operated for generations, and should be followed through, not only by Mr. Penrice, but by the Chamber of Commerce and by town and township councils as well.

This area is ceaselessly searching for new industry. It is equally important to ensure that established industries operate profitably, and particularly are not injured by government legislation, well-meaning as its intent may be.

Many people, some of them resident in town, would be affected by reduced employment opportunities at the knitting mill.

The Beaumont management is willing to compete in a free society for orders and to take its chances in the business world like anyone else. But to have the double handicap of government subsidy to a firm to produce a government order is too much to take lying down.

Isn't CBC Enough?

Vancouver Member of Parliament Tom Berger would have the equivalent of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in the newspaper field.

Mr. Berger says he has scant regard for political reporting in newspapers and says they are unable to report the news fairly and accurately.

"What is required is an independent agency like the CBC which will keep the voter informed, instead of inundating him with tons of political claptrap," he is quoted as saying. "The CBC has worked in radio and television. I believe it would work in the newspaper field."

He suggests such a medium could be made available in the same way as free time broadcasts for candidates. At present, he claims only candidates in the parties with large resources can reach voters with their messages.

To Mr. Berger we say: Isn't the CBC enough? Or more than enough?

Let's Stick to Now

A current tendency by local council members to blame all the mistakes on a former council is not, in our opinion, accomplishing anything.

Each council seems to coin a phrase. Last year it was "the 5-4 vote." This year it seems to be "That was in 1962."

In over twenty years of council reporting, we have watched councillors at work. We have seen good ones and bad ones, wise discussion and foolish. But essentially we have seen nine men trying to do their best. And, no matter how many bad decisions

We do not favour a government using public funds to subsidize advertising in competition with private enterprise, which is just what the CBC does.

And we do not favour a government newspaper.

The public should expect government to supply certain services at the public expense. Radio, television and newspapers are not our idea of where tax money should go, particularly when there are private individuals willing to fulfil the same service.

No matter how lofty an ideal might start, it would not be long before a government newspaper would be looking for advertising revenue to help defray publication costs. And private business would once again have a federal foot in the door.

Add to this the temptation of a government in power to use its own form of political persuasion in such publication and there would be even more danger of press abuse than presently exists with newspapers under private ownership.

ions might be made, there have been good ones too.

Georgetown has emerged from one of its liveliest and controversial elections in history. The voters have made their decisions and entrusted nine men to conduct civic affairs this year.

We think a minimum of reference to past years is best.

The 1963 council will not make all good decisions either. And by being overly critical of those who went before, a pattern might well be set and next year's phrase might be "That Was in 1963."



THE SKATERS' WALTZ

BRANCH NO. 120

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION

Fournier Benefit Fund

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| Total to Feb. 16th | \$ 114.00 |
| John D. Kelly | 10.00 |
| Branch 120, Royal Canadian Legion | 200.00 |
| Ladies Auxiliary to Branch 120 | 25.00 |
| Total, Feb. 23, 1963 | \$ 349.00 |

LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT

Those Good Old Days

STAFF INSTRUCTIONS TO EMPLOYEES OF THE MERCHANTS' AND SHIP CHANDLERS OF SYDNEY TOWN, AUSTRALIA, 1832

1. Godliness, Cleanliness, and Punctuality are the necessities of a good business.
2. On the recommendation of the Governor, this firm has reduced the hours of work and the Clerical Staff will now only have to be present between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. on week days. The Sabbath is for worship, but should any Man of War or other vessel require a vessel, the Clerical Staff will work on the Sabbath.
3. Daily prayers will be held each morning in the Main Office. The Clerical Staff will be present.
4. Clothing must be of a sober nature. The Clerical Staff will not sport themselves in garments of bright colours, nor will they wear hose, unless in good repair.
5. Overshoes and frock coats may not be worn in the office but neck scarves and headwear may be worn in inclement weather.
6. A stove is provided for the benefit of the Clerical Staff. Coal and wood must be kept in the locker. It is recommended that each member of the Clerical Staff bring four pounds of coal, each day, during cold weather.
7. No member of the Clerical Staff may leave the room without permission from Mr. Ryder. The calls of nature are permitted, and the Clerical Staff may use the garden below the second gate. This area must be kept in good order.
8. No talking is allowed during business hours.
9. The craving for tobacco, wine or spirits, is a human weakness, and as such is forbidden to all members of the Clerical Staff.
10. Now that the hours of business have been drastically reduced, the partaking of food is allowed between 11.30 a.m. and noon, but the work will not, on any account, cease.
11. Members of the Clerical Staff will provide their own pens. A new sharpener is available, on application to Mr. Ryder.
12. Mr. Ryder will nominate a Senior Clerk to be responsible for the cleanliness of the

Women M.P.s are Few In Canadian Government

Ottawa (Special to the Herald) — Although women have taken an active part in politics for many years, they have made little impression on the House of Commons. Of the 265 members of the

Ottawa Reprimands Returning Officer

Ottawa has sharply reprimanded a Halton Returning Officer, J. R. West, for the conduct of an enumerator's meeting in Burlington.

Halton Liberals protested that the meeting was a "party" and not a meeting to discuss the election. Mr. West was reprimanded by the party.

Perry W. Nelson, president of the Halton Liberal Association, complained about the procedure to Mr. West, then, on behalf of his association lodged a formal protest with Chief Electoral Officer Nelson.

Mr. Castonguay said he had received the official Liberal complaint and also a copy of Mr. West's press release from the Halton enumerator.

Mr. Castonguay has sent a terse admonition to West stating: "I trust you will take adequate steps to see that there is no further repetition of this type of practice by your staff."

Further Actions

In addition, Mr. Castonguay has written Liberal president Nelson leaving further action open. His letter says: "Should you consider it advisable to take further action in respect to this matter, I will do so."

WEEKLY BIBLE THOUGHT

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added unto you — Matthew 6:33.

When we take things according to God's priority list, we see that they really do work out well. Putting first things first is the basic rule of success.

Man of Office and all boys and juniors will report to him 40 minutes before prayers, and will remain after closing hours for similar work. Brushes, brooms, scrubbers, and soap are provided by the owners.

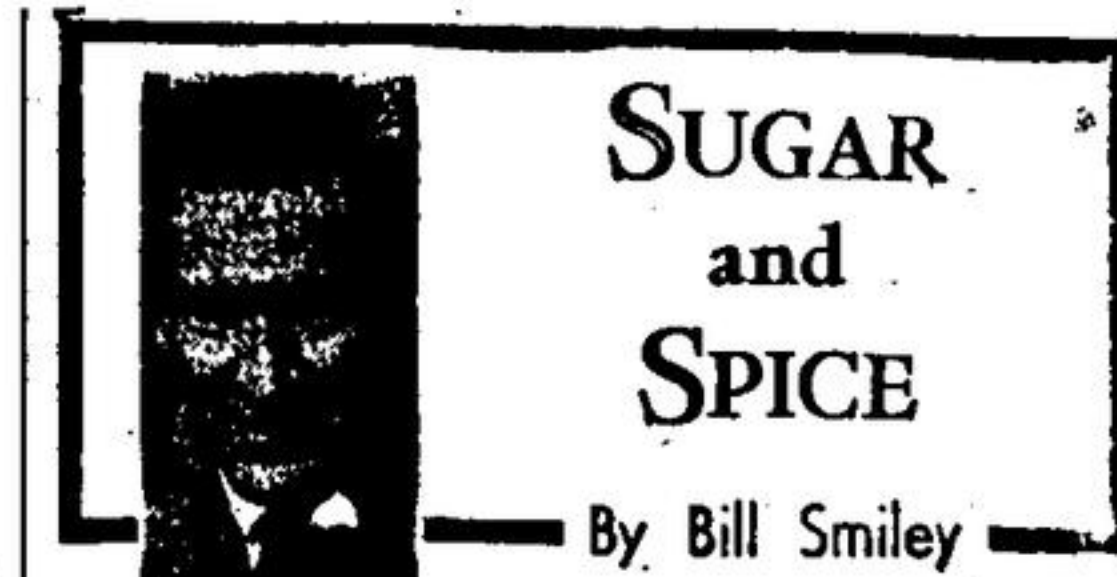
The new increased Weekly Wages are as hereunder detailed:

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| Junior Boys (11-12 years) | 2.1 per week |
| Boys (13-14 years) | 2.4 per week |
| Juniors 15-17 per week | 2.7 per week |
| Senior Clerks (after 15 years with the owners) | 21 per week |

THE OWNERS HEREBY RENOUNCE THE GENERAL PRINCIPLE OF THE NEW LABOR LAWS BUT WILL EXPECT A GREAT INCREASE IN OUTPUT OF WORK TO COMPENSATE FOR THESE NEAR UTOPIAN CONDITIONS.

This information was provided by a member of the E. S. & A. Bank, Adelaide, Australia.

MY HOW THINGS HAVE CHANGED 1852 TO 1963!



SUGAR and SPICE

By Bill Smiley

Watching television is all right, I daresay; a first-rate movie makes a pleasant night out; and for real pleasure, it's hard to beat a good book. But for sheer emotional wallop of an evening, there's nothing to touch cleaning out a dresser drawer.

About every three years we have one of these ergles at our house. It usually begins when my wife is looking for something important. Like the ball of wool to finish my curling sweater, which she began knitting three winters ago. Or the cherished clipping which states old snap of myself, in which I had a vast, fighter-pilot's handlebar moustache, and an evil glint in my eye.

She starts rooting around in our documents drawer — a big dresser drawer crammed with old love letters, receipts for big ancient bills, lapsed insurance policies, membership cards for the year 1959, single earrings of every shape and hue, newspaper clippings about the kids' first music festival wins, odd purple passage from one of the shoelaces, combs with missing teeth and photographs, hundreds of them.

Pretty soon I hear yelps of dismay, snorts of outrage, and a chorus of amusement. Grumbly I join her to make sure she doesn't throw out anything valuable, like my German compass that doesn't work.

For a couple of minutes we work systematically, sorting the junk into piles, to be thrown out or saved. Then I catch her trying to chuck out a perfectly good picture of a WAAF corporal named Wendy, whom I knew well once upon a time. She retaliates by pointing out the undistinguished jerk in the class picture who was crazy about her.

From there on, it's every man for himself, and within a few minutes we have about 12 different piles of stuff around us. "You don't want this silly thing, do you?" she sniffs holding up a dance program vintage 1939, with the name of a girl called Sylvia written in every space. "Oh, don't I though!" I retort, salvaging it though I can't even remember what Sylvia looked like.

Then we get looking at pictures of the kids when they were little, and are torn between tears and laughter. We finger over one of them in swimming in their bare bottoms, fat, dimpled and delightful, and our thoughts go with awe to the great, wallowing, expensive, lippy, ornery characters they've become.

And we find a snap of ourselves on our honeymoon. We look at it, at each other, and

shake our heads in disbelief and sorrow. "Never mind, dear," she reassures. "You look much more intellectual with a higher forehead." And gallantly I reply, "And you sweat, certainly have a lot more character in your face now."

Somewhat, this doesn't hit the right note. And there's a slight frost in the air as we go on sorting. But soon we're absorbed again. She is reading with intense admiration an old English essay on which she received an A-plus mark. I am contemplating wistfully an 18-year-old snap of myself, in which I had a vast, fighter-pilot's handlebar moustache, and an evil glint in my eye.

"Why don't you throw those mouldy old letters out?" I suggest, as she sits there, a big bundle of them in her hand, gazing dreamily at the wall. "Wouldn't you just love me to?" she taunts. "Listen to paper clippings about the kids' first music festival wins, odd purple passage from one of the shoelaces, combs with missing teeth and photographs, hundreds of them."

Turns out his name was Bill. Turns out I wrote it. I get a cold chill down my spine, a red face, and snarl something about "getting this mess cleaned up. I've got work to do."

We fill a large carton with discardable items. We look at all the little piles we've sorted so carefully. We look for strings to tie them into separate bundles. No string. We look for paper bags, to bag them separately. No bags, so we throw everything back into the drawer. And invariably, there's more than we started with, and the undistinguished jerk in the class picture who was crazy about her.

FAIR EXCHANGE
"Goodness, George, this isn't our baby!" the wife exclaimed. "It's the wrong carriage!" "Shh, this one has better tires than ours."

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ECHOES

From the Pages of the Herald, March, 1953 and 1958

10 YEARS AGO

● Fred Chapman, manager of the Bank of Commerce, was elected president of the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce when the annual meeting was held Wednesday in Wrigglesworth Public School. Elected as directors to serve with Mr. Chapman were C. P. Boutelle, Ernie Rawson, William Kinrade, James Linton, Charles Wray, Norman Bird, Robert Darou, Albert Tennant, Art Scott and Dick Licala.

● Defeating the Businessmen 6-3 on Sunday, Burns Transport won the Sheeney Tost Memorial Trophy as winners of the Industrial Hockey League.

● Members of the Georgetown Anglers and Hunters are justly proud of their clubhouse near Hickory Falls which was recently completed. It has been one of the major projects of the club with most of the work done by the members themselves. It is built of cedar logs from trees on the property.

● Council, which had previously called for tenders for wrecking of the old town hall on Cross St. now has a tender for the purchase of the building. Last week the council received a tender to purchase along with an initial payment of \$1,000. Council immediately decided to call for tenders for purchase and withheld the name and amount offered by the first bidder.

25 YEARS AGO

● At council this week it was moved by W. F. Smith and seconded by J. Hall that William Emmons be appointed Night Constable for the Town of Georgetown at a salary of \$50 per month.

● At the same meeting it was moved by James Cosigan and seconded by N. H. Brown that on the recommendation of the fire brigade the following officers of the brigade be appointed in 1938 — Fire Chief Henry Shepherd, at a salary of \$67.50 per annum, Deputy Fire Chief Don Latimer at a salary of \$31.50 per annum; truck driver and caretaker of the hall, Stanley Lyon, at a salary of \$45 per annum.

● The fine old home erected at the top end of Queen Street some years ago by the late G. S. Goodwillie and purchased from the H. T. Arnold Estate by J. B. Mackenzie & Sons has been transformed by this well known firm of contractors into a modern apartment house. On Saturday afternoon last at the invitation of Messrs. Mackenzie & Sons a large number of people viewed the apartments. Plumbing and electric wiring was done by R. H. Thompson & Co., and heating system installed by G. R. Muckart, both local contractors.

LEGION NOTES

by Don. N. Platt

SERVICE
I have before me a copy of the Legion. The three final chapters, namely "Community Service," "The Legion Helping Hand" and "The Ladies' Draw" are a composite picture of the present-day Legion and the multitude of services it performs. A few of the services described in the book are: The "Foster Fathers' Programme" which is devoted to the fatherless children of deceased members. Scouting; the Legion, with 134 groups, is the largest single sponsor of Cub Scouts and Scouts in Canada. Scholarships and Bursaries; \$60,000.00 is presented annually for this cause. I could go on but "Service" gives a more descriptive presentation.

Branch 120 has donated two copies of "Service" to the Georgetown Library and it is available to all who would care to read it. May I suggest that you do so as it is worthwhile reading.

SPORT
Bridge enthusiasts will have a chance to exhibit their abilities at the branch this Saturday, March 2nd. The Zone Bridge Tournament will take place on that date and with any logical order toward the final number of keen players among us we can expect to see some lively games and, we hope, some trophies.

GENERAL MEETING
The next general meeting will be held on Thursday, February 28th at 8.00 p.m.
50-50 DRAW
Lucky winner - M. Stufko.
Ticket Seller - Bud Hill.

Says Halton Highest In Rabies Incidence

A dubious distinction was given to Halton County by Mr. Tom Hughes, General Manager of Ontario Society, at County Council last week. "Halton County had the highest incidence of rabies of any other Ontario County" said the Humane Society official.

He urged the erection of adequate isolation facilities, possibly as an addition to the existing shelter. He pointed out that the Oakville Shelter had been jammed with animals suspected of rabies, so that the usual job of the Society was completely halted. Without quarantine facilities the entire animal control programme in the County would collapse.

The only way to control the dread disease, rabies, said Mr. Hughes, was mandatory inoculation of all domesticated animals and pets. Warning of the seriousness of the disease, Mr. Hughes told of armed men roaming the streets shooting every animal on sight. "It was the only thing to do, the situation had got out of hand," he added.

Any animal shelter of any size should have the services of a qualified paid veterinarian, who could spot the early symptoms of rabies and perhaps halt an epidemic.