

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Legion Brings Air Cadets

Branch 120, Royal Canadian Legion, is branching into a new field of endeavor in September with sponsorship of an Air Cadet Squadron.

The Squadron will bring a fine new activity for local young men, while strengthening the Legion's position as one of the foremost public service groups in the community. The Branch has already made itself well known by its sponsorship of Saturday morning hockey, public speaking contests, the Victoria Day fireworks display and a host of other community works.

Air cadet training has already benefited some Georgetown boys who have belonged to a squadron in Guelph. That it will be popular here is a foregone conclusion, for it offers just about everything a young man could desire.

Join The Crowd

The business opportunities column in the Globe and Mail provides startling reading these days for those who labour at such mundane jobs as reporting news, repairing automobiles, teaching, selling or any of the occupations by which most men earn a living.

Here's just two examples, clipped at random from last week's ads: "RESEARCH OFFICER, Environmental Planning, Department of Health. The successful candidate will contribute to multi-discipline teams investigating the future health needs and services of the Province and will provide an appreciation of the evolving social, economic and technological patterns which will have major significance upon the inter-relationship of man and his environment in the 1975-1985 time frame."

Sounds good? Well, read on... "An emphasis will be placed upon the integration of advances in scientific and technological fields and the level of social expectations upon future organization and operational service patterns."

What does one need for this? "An honours degree in Arts and Science... extensive progressive experience in long range planning and problem analysis... ability to analyze and interpret complex research material... and demonstrated ab-

ility to write clear, concise, comprehensive and interpretive reports." (Which would rule out the ad writer, for one.)

If that job doesn't suit you, how about trying for this one? "INPUT-OUTPUT ECONOMISTS, Department of Treasury and Economics. The successful applicants will engage in research activities for the design and development of an input-output table for the province to facilitate the structural analysis of the sectoral interdependence of the provincial economy."

But just in case he runs out of a job, there's a rider... "Other responsibilities will include the analytical application of input-output techniques to intermediate and long term forecasting of output, anticipated capital and labour requirements for specific economic sectors."

For this one you need... "several years experience in applied economic research... with particular emphasis on input-output analysis... honours degree in Economics... training in quantitative economic analysis (econometrics and or advanced statistical theory."

And what's it worth? Both jobs pay \$12,400 to \$15,200 a year.

Oh, yes, there's a rider on the input-output job. If you think you haven't enough experience, you may be considered for a position in the \$10,200 to \$12,000 range.

It would appear that we are creating a haven for intellectual misfits not capable of holding an ordinary, simple position in industry, or that we are reenacting the classic story of the emperor's clothes.

Maybe we should send a delegation of youngsters to Toronto to ask a pertinent question like "Just what do these men do, Mr. Roberts?"

We, for one, are getting tired of working harder and harder to pay more and more taxes, to support more and more people to do less and less at our expense.

It's time, and past time, that we apply ordinary business methods to running a province's affairs.

problems which some of these children become at home and in school. It is, in a way, like the rebellion of the young Helen Keller whose great intellect was so confined before a way was found to communicate with her. After a long period of non-success in school, the emotional problem which may have developed in the child will vanish overnight. However, life for the child and his parents will become easier when a pattern of success rather than failure begins.

It is proposed to set up a branch of the CACLD in Georgetown. This is open to all parents or other interested people. It does not matter if your child is a preschooler, at a public, separate or high school. If you wish to know more, please call Mrs. N. Yabiro, 59 McGillivray Cr., 877-4879.

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THE MAIL BAG

Plan Branch Here for Learning Disabilities

August 16th, 1968. Dear Sir:

In 1963 the parents of three perceptually handicapped children met and formed the Ontario Association for Children with Learning Disabilities. The school is able to assess a child's educational achievement and can summarize that there is an underlying factor in the seemingly bright child who does not appear to be achieving academically to his full potential. However the really fine lines of specific ability and disability can best be defined by the professionals. Their services can be made available to the child through his parents if they ask for them.

This is often the stumbling block. No parent would hesitate to secure physiotherapy for his child for a visible physical disability, yet many hesitate to ask for help for the unseen ailment which is obviously detrimental to the child's learning ability. The effects of this "ailment" are manifest in the behaviour

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Hays Farm Completes Sale of Oakville Site

Cattleman Tom Hays, who sold the property on which the Ford-Canada Oakville operation now sits.

Hays bought the Hays farm for the purpose of putting a large hotel on it, but the plans were not off the ground.

Hays' brother Harry conducted most of the auctions at the sales arena, and even after he became a federal minister of agriculture in the Cabinet under Lester Pearson, he continued to auction.

Opposition leader John Diefenbaker severely criticized Hays for missing House of Commons sittings so he could attend the Oakville cattle auctions.

It was once reported that Harry Hays made a salary of \$50,000 a year as an auctioneer, and he was considered one of the most colorful auctioneers in the world. Tom, who is president and owner of the Hays operation, could usually be found in the show ring helping the hired hands during the major auctions each year, which attracted buyers from around the world.

After his defeat as a politician, Harry Hays who also served as mayor of Calgary, was named to the Canadian senate by former Prime Minister Pearson. Senator Hays still conducts the auctions.

It was under the direction of Tom Hays that the cattle auction operation pioneered shipment of cattle by air. And it was in shipping cattle around the world that the Hays operation often ran into labor problems which tied up shipments of livestock for long periods. The recent seaway strike held up overseas shipments.

"The sale doesn't mean the cattle auction business is closed down, it will run year to year. I want out, and if you want it you can have it and the headaches for a dollar bill," concluded Tom Hays, who openly admitted his bitterness over the struggle hold labor has on business today.

Many of the sales that have been conducted at the Hays operation in recent years have resulted from major cattle and dairy farm owners selling out in much the same way Tom Hays is now getting out.

Hays sounded this warning— "Eventually this whole thing is going to hit us right in the old breadbasket."

Several Groups: "There were a number of groups involved. I don't know what they plan. They put up out," Hays said today. "It is the money and I sold. The land getting almost impossible to run across the highway is now a business today, directly across the highway is tough, and the unions are too strong."

Hays mined no words when Allan Hall, who had operated a chicken farm and poultry store about labour unions in Canada, told him that the late Wilfred Hall, who says have become for Hall's father, the late Wilfred

Some of the question marks surrounding the completion date of Park public school were removed last Wednesday when Georgetown Public School Board met in a Harrison public school. Work on the building which has been at a standstill has been resumed on a new speed-up schedule, however the September opening date will still be missed by at least a month, and staggered classes are inevitable. Labour came to a halt at the board's own request when it was discovered work had been proceeding for almost three weeks without regular supervision.

What is believed to be a record age attained by a horse in the district is that of Maxie, who died in Glen Williams August 11th at the ripe old age of 44. Originally a harness horse, Maxie had raced on the Georgetown track when owned by the late Ed McCarinsh. After his retirement from racing he became the property of John Hancock of Glen Williams and for the past twenty years was a familiar figure as he accompanied Mr. Hancock on his rounds as rural mail carrier.

Another Main St. store changed hands this week when R. J. "Bob" Caldwell sold his meat and grocery business to Roy Barker and Charles Brown. The new owners will continue the business under the firm name of Barker and Brown. Mr. Caldwell purchased the business three years ago from James Goodlet who moved next door and opened a furniture and hardware business.

SUGAR AND SPICE

by Bill Smiley

OUR MASS MEDIA

You know, that postal strike wasn't all bad. I know it was a great inconvenience for some people, and meant a real financial loss for others.

But there was a certain quiet satisfaction in knowing that you didn't have to answer those urgent letters. There was relief in the thought that you wouldn't be getting three or four bills every day. And there was positive pleasure in not being bombarded by advertising flyers and other third-class mail.

In short, there was a slight hiatus in our daily scramble. Of course, the day of reckoning came, when all the bills came in one bundle, and there was no way of putting off writing those letters. But there was a little peace, there for a while in at least one aspect of our bedevilled lives.

It started me thinking about what would happen if the entire communications system were tied up by strikes. Everything—telephone, television, radio, newspapers, the lot. Do you think we'd survive?

I do. In fact, if the whole hysteric dis-jockeys pouring forth piffle, and the same news ground to a halt for a couple of months, we'd probably all live a couple of years longer.

Those who would suffer most would be the young and the old. Taking away the squawk and thump of their transistors from the ears of teenagers would be like tearing a baby from its mother's breast. Robbing the elderly of their mornings and their evenings with the Beverly Hillsilies would be arrant cruelty.

But I don't think the rest of us would suffer. I think we'd thrive and grow fat and calm and interested in real life, on a couple of months of peace and quiet.

Those who have been out of touch with civilization, on a hunting or fishing trip will know what I mean. One simply does not miss the ominous head-lines, the grave news reports, and the assorted garbage contained in our mass media.

I'm all for some quiet. Would in such conditions, a news you like to try it?

Some make the telephone their news media. They're not interested in world or national news, but only in the local gossip. And they literally spend hours a day exchanging inanities with other addicts. I would not care if we never had a telephone in the house. One of my motives is to have no telephone.

Then, of course, there are some people who are hooked on all forms of communication. As a result, they never read a book, never think an original thought, and can be led around politically by the nose.

These mass media add a lot to life, but they take a lot away. Under their control, we fail to cultivate our own garden.

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