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COST OF LIVING

It's Time For Some Action

If anything is fated to topple the minority Liberal government in Canada, then it should be the rising cost of living, especially the rising cost of food.

Canadians from coast to coast are caught up in the rising tide of food prices. Some areas are hit harder than others, but the over-all picture is one of bleakness. Food dollars buy less and less every day.

The problem of course, is a complex one. Economists tie Canada's troubles into a host of causes, from high exports of foodstuff to delays caused by

transportation difficulties. No one area of responsibility has yet been levelled.

But some responsibility must be attached, and since the price rise crosses all provincial borders, the problem then is laid at the door of the federal government.

One area which could see improvement is agricultural policy. Pork is an example. Canada's exports of this meat have created an artificial shortage at home, and a consequent rise in prices. It must be possible to strike a balance between needs at home and demands abroad.

The matter is one of solving agricultural problems with shortterm solutions (just ask any far-mer) which do not accumulate into long-term answers.

In the United States, some stringent measures have been adopted to tackle the high cost of living there, and some of the effects have spilled over into Canada.

advocating measures as tough as wage and price controls (which only give way to another big jump in the cost of living when they're removed) but we do advocate more federal responsibility, and even attention, paid to the very real problem of the growing cost of living in Canada.

Can we say our federal leadership has been alert when a body such as the prices and incomes commission is caught by surprise by a big jump in the price

The situation is such that already in Canada it's impossible to shop for cheaper items of foodstuffs. It all costs more, much

Hitting Dairy Farmer

The price of bureaucracy and the indirect blindness of government were never more apparent than in the case of Lorne Augustine, a 57-year-old dairy farmer who wants to be left alone to pursue his version of the capitalist dream-but who isn't being allowed.

Mr. Augustine, you see, is thumbing his nose at the Milk Commission of Ontario and the Ontario Milk Marketing Board by selling his milk directly to the public.

He and his two sons run a dairy farm near Port Colborne. They believe they can run the operation efficiently for the benefit of themselves and the public and at the same time eliminate the government-imposed middle man.

This way, the Augustines can sell milk to the public for a couple of cents less than their competition, although they are

allegedly breaking the regulations. The commission wants the Augustines to sell their milk to them. They will then re-sell that milk to the Augustines with an appropriate mark-up and minus commission "operating expenses"-without the product ever

leaving the Augustines' premises. Result? A higher price. What

The commission and the board have told Mr. Augustine to discontinue his direct-selling tactics, and have suspended his license. But Mr. Augustine is defying them. He can't understand why he can't sell his product

directly to the public without government linked interference.

The marketing board says it's illegal for the Augustines to bypass regulations by selling milk to themselves. This must be done through the board although the product never leaves the dairy

The government is trying to keep the large dairies from moving in on smaller dairy farm operations, the rationale being that combines and monopolies must be stopped from reducing farmers to mere employees at a time when government policy is aimed at maintaining private ownership of farms.

In 1972, the Augustines grossed \$62,180. After expenses, they divided up \$9,518.

Had they sold the milk to the commisssion they would have divided up about \$3,500 between the three of them.

The government's policy is, from a theoretical and practical point of view, probably commendable.

But in the case of Lorne Augustine it is leaving some scars. He's trying to make a buck but the government doesn't approve of his methods-the overall policy must be adhered to. There can be no rebels to upset the equilibrium of the policy. So he must go. It's all legal, all proper.

It's part of the price we're paying for our governmentdominated democaracy.

It's quite a price. (Brampton Daily Times)

ECHOES FROM THE PAST

to YEARS AGO

An informal tour of county towns was made by provincial opposition leader John Wintermeyer and Owen Mullin, Liberal candidate in the fall's Ontario election. Designed particularly to meet merchants and businessmen, the day started with a breakfast meeting in Oakville for the press, continuing on to Georgetown for a noon luncheon at Acton and Milton and finally a reception at the Brant Inn in

A trial period of controlled daily burning of garbage was advocated by Mayor Ernle Hyde during a council discussion when concern was expressed about a stubborn fire which was burning underground and resulted in several calls for the fire brigade. East-end residents were particularly bothered by smog and the town engineer brought in equipment last week to smother the fire.

Council appointed Federik A. Helson as town solicitor, to succeed George .C. Hewson who resigned after serving in this capacity for 10 years. A town resident since 1951, Mr. Helson graduated from Osgoode Hall in 1957, and joined Mr. Hewson and John D. Ord in a law practice which they operated under the three names. The partnership was dissolved and Mr. Helson since conducted his own practice.

Graham Gilhoory, administrator of Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital, was admitted to the American-College of Hospital Administrators, a professional society, as a nominee at its 29th annual convocation ceremony, held in the Imperial Ballroom of the American Hotel in New York City.

20 YEARS AGO

Serious fire damage was averted when smoke from a smouldering chesterfield chair was noticed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Louth, Edith Street. Jim Ford, walking past the house at supper time noticed the smake. No one was in the house at the time but fuckily the door was open, and with the help of a neighbor. A.M. Baxier, the chair was carried outside. The fire brigade was called to the

The engineering firm of Dineen, Philips and Roberts recommended an extension of Georgetown's water system in a report presented to the council by Mr. Roberts. Main point in the report was a recommendation that a second source of supply be found to augment the present milliongallon-a-day well which was located by the firm in 1948 near Cedarvale School, The report also suggested a storage reservoir. Mr. Roberts was confident that more water would be found in the same district, in sufficient quantity to justify a second well.

Len Caruso, scoring star forward of Georgetown N and Gs, was the only lacrosse player to make either the first or second all-star team for the southern OLA group. Len, who amassed an 81-point scoring total with 70 goals and 11 assists, was chosen as first string forward, along with Matthe of Wallaceburg, who had 100 points and Barr of Sarnia, 94 points.

30 YEARS AGO

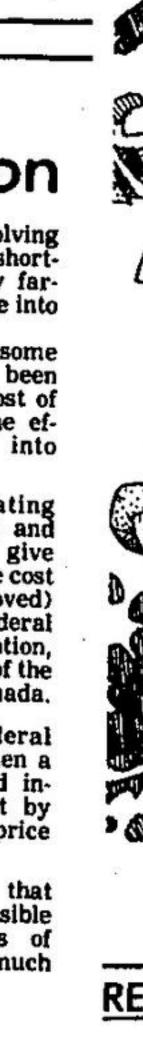
Ration book number three was to be issued in Georgetown from the Waterworks Building from Aug. 25 to 28 inclusive. Twenty workers volunteered their services, and would work from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily except Saturday, when the hours would be extended until 10 at night. The new ration book was to be good for a period of eight months.

The Herald had several tomatoes of unique shape brought into the office. One tomato grown by J.R. Williams grew into a shape like a doughnut, and another, grown by Harry Knight was very unusual also. A Mrs. Preston brought in a split potato in which several little new potatoes were growing, without the benefit of soil from which to draw nourishment.

On display in the office window were three Japanese Beetles which Mrs. William Carney found on the ninth line. As their names implies these bettles came from Japan originally, and only in recent years have they infiltrated to the United States. Canada was supposed to be free from them, but apparently they were

working their way north.

and the contract making it has been not been a for a company



READER'S FORM

Litter Education Often Required

THIS SUMMER, KEEP ONTARIO BEAUTIFUL

Sir: Your editorial on the subject of litter was most timely. As you say, many people require education regarding proper disposal of litter. As well, many people

including children, do not stop to think that every popsicle stick, every candy har wrapper, every piece of Kleenex (and other brands (00), every cigarette box, every emply bottle, and

every bottle top is litter. · In Terra Cotta, each summer the women of the Thursday Thimble Club make an effort to encourage

Clarification, Correction

Sir: Kindly permit me to state a few ideas and statements made while I was reviewing to reporters the two years in office as president of the Secondary School Teachers' Federation in Halton at the end of June, 1973 and in response to comments made at the board of education meeting on July 20, 1973.

First I want to make a correction due to an error in the statement issued to your reporter. The statement "more than 1,000 classes with 36 or more students" should have read "more than 100 classes with 36 or more students and more than 1,000 classes with 30 or more students." The source of this information is recorded in Board of Education Fact Sheet dated Dec. 8, 1971. My regrets to all concerned for this error.

In reference to the flight of teachers, I did not refer to the present situation, but the statement made was a future prognostication of the next two to three years because of , the newly passed Board's policy on staff reorganization which will demote up to ten teachers who are heads in schools such as Nelson, M. M. Robinson, Georgetown and T. A. Blakelock. The heads who are in the main specialists in their fields, will be replaced by the new chairman system who may

or may not be specialists. The board was told on more than one occasion that the teachers were in favor of staff reorganization, but a vote of the teachers showed that 85 per cent of the leachers were opposed to the director's scheme and, in fact, teachers filled the board room in protest on more than one occasion when the trustees were discussing staff reorganization and

differentiated staffing. After the passing of the staff reorganization and differentiated staffing, staff morale sank to a new low level and I know of two department heads who have gone to other boards of education since the passing of the board's policy on staff reorganization. With the over-supply of teachers and the late passing (April, 1973) of the board's policy on staff reorganization, there was very little teacher movement at the end of the current school year. The future will probably

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teachers get demoted in Halton. Their choice will be to look elsewhere when the apportunity presents itself and in my opinion the students and parents will become the true losers.

PARAPROFESSIONALS With regard to

paraprofessionals, I now ask the trustees and the director to investigate the situation where one paraprofessional was hired at Oakville Trafalgar High School and that individual taught at the school. Both the teachers of that school and the CWQE (Conditions of Work for Quality Education) Committee reported this fact. I can recall both the

principal and the superintendent of instruction acknowledged this fact when asked by the federation about a paraprofessional teaching at Oakville Trafalgar High School, I may point out that at Lord Elgin High School, instead of hiring the full teaching staff of 80 teachers based on 18.5:1 pupil-teacher ratio, only 75 teachers were hired for 1972-73. Five fewer teachers were hired and the money was used to hire paraprofessionals. The students had to be taught and the parents may well ask these questions - Who taught the approximately 150 students? Whose workload was increased? What happened to the class-sizes? How did

these conditions affect the students? In the interview and the statement issued at the end of June, I pointed out that progress was made in several areas during the 1972-1973 school year and these received little attention in the press. I felt a better rapport was developed at the staff-board meetings, an increased involvement in the educational and development leave plan, two amicable salary settlements. the exchange between the elementary and secondary

and the participation in program councils and professional development projects. These are examples of positive progress in relations between teachers and the board. I would like to re-emphasize that this was a review of my two years as president of Halton, District OSSTF and some opinions

as to the future. In conclusion, may I state that the federation's objectives have never been geared to image building and economic or political expediencies, but on the contrary, to represent the teachers and to serve the best possible needs in education for the students in

Halton County. I thank you in advance for printing this statement of clarification and correction. Tom Ramautarsingh. Past President District 9, OSSTF.

FRUSTRATING

Sir: The patience of the been sorely tried awaiting council decision to begin the recreational centre.

The delays, coming one after the other, are frustrating. An nouncement prior to the next election that work is to begin, will not win as many votes as they might expect. G.D. Ripley

Georgetown

AIR NAVIGATION

Ministry of Transport has embarked on a \$3.7 million program to upgrade air navigation facilities in the North. The program, in part, calls for the installation of very high frequency omni-range and distance-measuring equipment facilities at Yellowknife, Resolute Bay, Whitehorse, Frobisher Bay and Cambridge

In ancient history, the Helenes were the inhabitants of panels for a period of time what is present day Greece.

Debate On Ice Time

Sir: As one who will be starting his 20th year in hockey Georgetown, I would like to answer Don Johnston, I am fully agreed that we need more ice time for house league hockey, but I am one who does not rob Peter to pay

The international bantam tournament is only to give boys something to do during the winter vacation. This is the greatest tournament of its kind anywhere in Ontario. Being one of the originators of this, I would be very disappointed if it were dropped, after 14 years of hard work by a lot of people in Georgelown.

If you are taking on more boys, then I agree that you need more ice time. But so do all the other organizations, so don't try to take it from With a little less bickering

back and forth, maybe we could have our aiready famous arena before the 1975 season starts. It is getting pretty darn

had when Georgetown people

have to go to Acton to get ice

and the course the company of the

Your own constitution states that Sunday hockey should not interfere with any Sunday school or church, and yet you want to have all tournaments to run Sunday to Sunday. When you spend 14 to 15 hours every day for seven days in a week, it is nice to have Sunday off for the people who work in the

time for our boys to play.

tournament. If you get the ice time from 5.45 a.m. to 6.45 a.m. Monday to Thursday, ! hope that it is practice time, because I will not ask referees to go to the arena at 5.30 a.m. for so many mornings in a week. When does Mr. Johnstron

think that any child seven or

eight years of age should go

skating? Eight o'clock at night is pretty late for them. The boys in Saturday morning hockey had the best year as far as ice time is concerned last year. They had more hockey than ever before and we still had our tournament.

Gerald (Perky) Perkins, . Referee-in-chief, Georgetown Referees'

visitors and inhabitants of the village to place the above items in a bin, rather than on the edge of the road and in the ditch.

Brightly painted bins are put out and arrangements made to have them emptied each week. And it has helped. Unfortunately, there are

some persons in the area who in a spirit of complete selfishness use these blns to dispose of their household garbage, and when no one is watching large, green garbage hags are left in the anti-litter bins. This means there is little room left for the kind of litter the bins are meant for.

It is true that there are no signs posted, but surely any person with the smallest degree of intelligence would know that these bins are not meant for the resident hauscholder. The question in mind of course is who pays for the disposal of their garbage in the wintertime when the bins have been taken in?

On a happier note, I should like to commend the people who attended the strawberry social put on by the Township of Chinguacousy in the little park at Terra Cotta.

Both last year and this year upwards of 500 persons attended, and in spite of using disposable plates and cups and forks and spoons and servicties, these were all put in the bins provided, and the litter was almost nonexistent. My congratulations to these visitors.

Miss Mary L. Cassidy,

Centre Help

Sir: Time is of essence. Help could be as close as your telephone. Several more volunteers are needed. before a contact centre training course can begin. We need your support. Think for a moment, while asking yourself these questions; do you enjoy people, do you feel good when you're returned a thankyou, or just an honest smile, can others confide in you, without fear of exposure, or ridicule, and are you concerned for your fellow-man, appreciating his good points.

If you have answered yes

to the above, and you are age 17 or over, then you probably possess the understanding nature, qualities, and insight, necessary to serve as a contact centre volunteer This could be your chance, for a new sense of purpose in your life, subsequently extended to others. If you do care, and you are interested, please enquire about the volunteer forms, which are available now, through the "Y" office, or for further information call Connie Nieuwhof at 877-2526, or Fran Jamieson at 877-2238.

over all the bad?

We expect the first course to begin in mid September, and the hopeful establishment is still being sought; any suggestions would be appreciated.

Gall Williamson Publicity Consultant for North Halton Contact Centre.

"So then everyone of us shall

give account of himself to God." Rompns 14:12 The old saying of "no one thinks anything about that anymore" doesn't change things in the least with God. We will be judged by what God has said, rather than what people

BILL SMILEY

Bosom Buddies Are Forgotten

There's nothing like seeing old friends. Or old fiends, as it comes out sometimes when the linetype operator is not on his toes ha ha.

I have a couple of old fiends who managed to drop in while I was getting ready to go to England. Between them, they almost aborted

It's not that they bother me, I wouldn't say that. It's just that they cripple me for about two days each, by the time we finish reminiscing and get to bed as the robins

begin to chirp. That's not so bad. A chap must expect that sort of ruin. But they brought with them a couple of other old fiends— their wives. That's what really put the tart on the griddle, as Lord Faversham said while he was roasting a well-known street-walker.

We have all sorts of friends, eh? There are the close chums of public school, with whom there is nothing in common by the time you are in Grade 11 except the fact that Old Lady Williams beat the hell out of you every second day, when you were in Grade 5.

BOSOM BUDDIES Then there are the bosom buddies of high school. This is an eternal, yearning iclendship, often depending on the type of bosom. Ten years later you meet and there's not much to say after exchanging the number of children and wives or rusbands you have had.

College friends are even closer. I was looking at a picture of four of us the other day. We had in-jokes. We were inseparable. We would give our left arm for each

I haven't seen one of them for twenty years. One is a drunk, a second is dead, and the third is an accountant.

Not necessarily in that order. Then there are the friends you make on summer jobs. These are so intimate you can hardly wait to separate so that you can write each

other. Once. And if you were in the service, there are all sorts of friends. There's Dutch Kleimeyer, the ubiquitous Australian, Jack Ryan, the unmitigated Canadian, Singh Thandi, the sinful Indian, and so on. A few of them are still around, and you see them every five years, but that means only a couple of

days of ruin, OTHER FRIENDS And, of course, you have made friends since you married. There are Shirley and Bill, and Joan and Dick, and Jack and Jill, and Humphrey and Ursula. Not to mention Humpty and

carefully disguised, and the last two can figure out for

themselves who they are. Nor should we forget professional friends, the people we work with. In my case, they range from someone like Miss S., who weights 84 pounds after a steak dinner and has a laugh that would knock your fillings out, to Mrs. O., who is "the sexiest broad in the school", according to the kids. As a gentleman, I car

only agree with them. Yes, a chap gathers a lot or friends over a few decades. But the two I mentioned carlier on are a little special. Bub and Trap. We joined the air force together, drank beer together, sang bawdy songs together, and pursued the fair sex together.

FLY TÖGETHER We learned to fly together On one leave, we hitchhiked to New York together and I can still remember Bub. after a bit of intemperance or something, spewing all over Broadway from the window of a taxi. Broadway has gone steadily downhill since.

We went our several ways during the big conflagration, and all managed to stay alive during various hairy in-

When we got home from the wars, we got in touch. We were all going to college and funds were pretty slim, but we'd get together occasionally for some of the old riotous living of the rude

soldiery We all fell in love about the same time and got married about the same time. We each have two children and have shared the woes and glows of raising kids. The three girls we chose, Peg. Ruth and Suse, are still married to us, something of a record these days.

We've all been modestly successful in a material way and modestly unsuccessful in a spiritual way.

SUBSTITUTES

Our wives tell us, individually, that we are rotten husbands and fathers, but we don't see them reaching into the grab-bag for substitutes. When we meet, a couple of times a year, we compare middle-aged aches and pains, but we're young at heart, as you would clearly see if you dropped by about 4

We'll probably wind up in the same Home for Senile Veterans. If we do, we'll keep

it lively. Yes, a man acquires a lot of friends in a lifetime. But not many of us have two old fiends like Trap and Bub to drop around and turn us into living skeletons when we're trying to get ready to go to

Dumpty. Those named are QUEEN'S PARK Stature Of Province

is Growing Greater

by DON U'HEARN Queen's Park Bureau

of The Herald TORONTO-Most of us more or less realize that in the past decade there had been a great growth in the stature of the provinces as compared to the federal

government. With the increase in importance of such matters as planning, urban development, and the environment, and the steady expansion of

the provinces have increased tremendously. And with the growth there has been a significant change in the position of the provinces in the Canadian

family of government.

The former teenager, one might say, has become an adult. And though the federal government is still the parent and exercising strong influence, the offspring is much more following its own course and is resisting the parental influence more and

MARKED CHANGE: There is a graphic illustration of this in the current annual conference of premiers at Charlottetown this week.

When these annual conferences were started 15 years ago they were innocuous affairs. The agendas were very carefully designed. They comprised subjects that

were completely exclusive to

the provinces; matters such

as uniform highway laws. The conferences didn't come to decisions as such or agree on action. The limit was to agree to further cooperate on trying to work out solutions. And it was understood that nothing involving federal-provincial relations would come before the meetings and that the

not be discussed. There was a deference to Ottawa in the whole exercise.

relations themselves would

VALUABLE VOICE: But now?

The four main subjects before this conference are energy policy, health care costs, regional development and off-shore fishing rights. With all of these there is a strong federal involvment.

And with all a main point in the considerations will be whether and how to put pressure on Ottawa.

The former child now has a much stronger voice in the affairs of the family. What's more it is a

valuable voice. For in at least some malters it can mean more harmony. If, for instance, the provinces are able to reach agreement or regional development approaches, if the provinces that might be hurt still are willing to go along, then there could be the chance of a practical and effective development

program. Much more so than if Ottawa tried to dictate a Or if it tried to work one out

through "consultation"-a process which the provinces tend to read as "dictation".

Keeps Kids Off Machines

Nearly 20 per cent of all farm accidents involve persons under 19 years of age. "Many of these accidents involve small children who provide no physical input into the farm operation, but are just along as passengers", says Don Brown, co-ordinator of Public Relations with the Farm Safety Association. "Children should not be allowed on farm machinery, particularly when the machine is in operation."

You may think your reactions are quick, but accidents happen in much less time than you realize, says Mr. Brown. It takes only seconds for your child to fall under a wagon or into the path of a mower or baler. much less time than it takes you to stop the machinery. By the time you stop, it could be too late."

Point out the dangers of riding to your children and refuse them. Keep them off moving or operating machinery.

Farm machines are not playtoys. They're the machines of a competitive and demanding business. As a business, agriculture also requires alert and experienced workers. Keep your children out of harm's way-observe a "No Riders"

policy.