

EDITORIAL

An Expression of Faith

The Canadian Red Cross Society opened its campaign for funds this week to allow a continuation of the varied and important services carried on by this organization. In war and peace the Red Cross is the symbol of relief for human suffering. This year's campaign for \$5,222,000 is dedicated "in time of peace to carry on and assist in work for the improvement of health, the prevention of disease and the mitigation of suffering throughout the world".

During the Winnipeg floods, it was the Red Cross who quickly responded to the call and need for assistance. From hot coffee for the dike workers to blood plasma for the injured, the Red Cross met the need.

The first Red Cross organizations were formed immediately after the Geneva Convention of 1863, and their original object was to assist the wounded in time of war. Later their activities expanded until they covered the present wide field of humanitarian work.

Each national society such as the Canadian Red Cross has a bond of union in the International Committee for the Relief of the Wounded in war. This committee has its headquarters at Geneva, Switzerland.

For six years, despite rising costs, your Red Cross has continued to expand its services without increasing its objective. This year, the objective has been raised from \$5,000,000 to \$5,200,000—an amount barely sufficient to compensate for increased costs of operation. This is the absolute operating minimum for your Red Cross to maintain its works of mercy. It must be met and if possible, exceeded.

Your contribution helps provide the free blood transfusion service—a 24 hour Disaster Service. It helps maintain Outpost Hospitals and Nursing Stations—helps veterans. It helps in crippled children's work—and guards lives through Red Cross health and casualty services.

The Red Cross campaign is necessary and a contribution towards the maintenance of its services is an expression of faith in humanitarian work.

No Union Contract

The work week has come in for some pretty drastic cutting in the last few years. "The five day week is becoming increasingly common in Canada. About two-thirds of the plant employees in the manufacturing industries and a slightly higher proportion of office employees are normally working five days a week", states the Department of Labor Annual Report.

The average office staff, employed full time, actually is on the job 19 per cent. of the hours in the year and that does not include time out for coffee, illness, or just plain loafing.

But despite labor reports and statistical averages there is still one profession that seems to attract more and more employees with no apparent thought for work week or union contract.

Vacations with pay are also an unthought of luxury no matter how many years the employee may have been with the company. Neither is there any seniority rule which sometimes leads to disagreement but seldom to arbitration.

Yes, housewives, when they graduate to that status from the dreary days in an office take on the task of working an average of 59 per cent. of the hours of the year, or around 14 hours per day, including Sundays, holidays, and Christmas. Especially Christmas.

Young women still aspire to the position of housewife despite the tremendous change in the working hours.

One editorialist contends that during the years the ladies fought for the franchise their leaders promised great things for the nation if the women received the right to vote. "Women have not taken the part in local, provincial and federal affairs that they might have", he said.

It seems rather obvious that winning the franchise was one thing but the ladies will evidently still have to work out a "union agreement" to allow them time off from their 14 hour day to pursue political careers. Perhaps the granting of the franchise was just one of the battles that women think they won.

A Truly Irish Day

True Irish all over the world will be getting out their best for the "wearing of the green" at the annual celebration known as St. Patrick's Day which comes on March 17, this Monday. The radio will carry a wide variety of Irish tunes and folk songs and everyone will try to adopt an Irish accent.

St. Patrick, whom the celebration honors, lived between 396 and 469. Some believe he was born near the site of what is now Dumbarton, Scotland, but others contend that France was his birthplace. At the age of 16 he was taken captive to Ireland, but after six years he escaped. Feeling himself called to abolish paganism from the land of his captivity, he studied for the priesthood, was consecrated Bishop of Ireland, and began his missionary work there in 432.

It is said that he founded 300 churches in the island and baptized more than 12,000 converts. Legend says he drove the snakes out of Ireland and that he worked miracles.

The Shamrock, as the national emblem of Ireland, is said to have been used by St. Patrick for its three leaves, to teach the doctrine of the Trinity.

The well-loved tunes of "Danny Boy", "Wearing of the Green", "Kathleen Mavourneen", "The Rose of Tralee" and others will predominate for a day and everyone will be out in green, with perhaps a shamrock, when the Irish mark the 17th of March in honor of St. Patrick.

Is It Worth It?

This year's ratepayers in town will be compelled to dig down deep for the municipal taxes to operate the town. But figures last year showed that people of Ontario spent \$210 million on liquor. Municipal taxes will, as ever, come in for loud criticism on behalf of the taxpayers. But last year, without too much squawking Ontario residents, on the basis of four and a half million people, spent an average of \$46 per person, or, in a family of four, \$184.

There are many thousands of children and adults in Ontario who do not spend money on liquor and that means that thousands must have spent more than their \$46.

Figuring on Milton's population of 2,500 and the average spent by the residents of Ontario, approximately \$115,000 was spent in liquor by the people of Milton. That \$115,000 spent in the interests of the town would have made Milton one of the most attractive communities because of its "extras", that Ontario could ever see.

Liquor is not important enough to warrant an expenditure of \$210 million. The total value of field crops grown in Ontario last year—everything from wheat to potatoes—was about \$450 million. Yet we spent almost half as much for liquor as was paid to farmers for all the crops they produced.

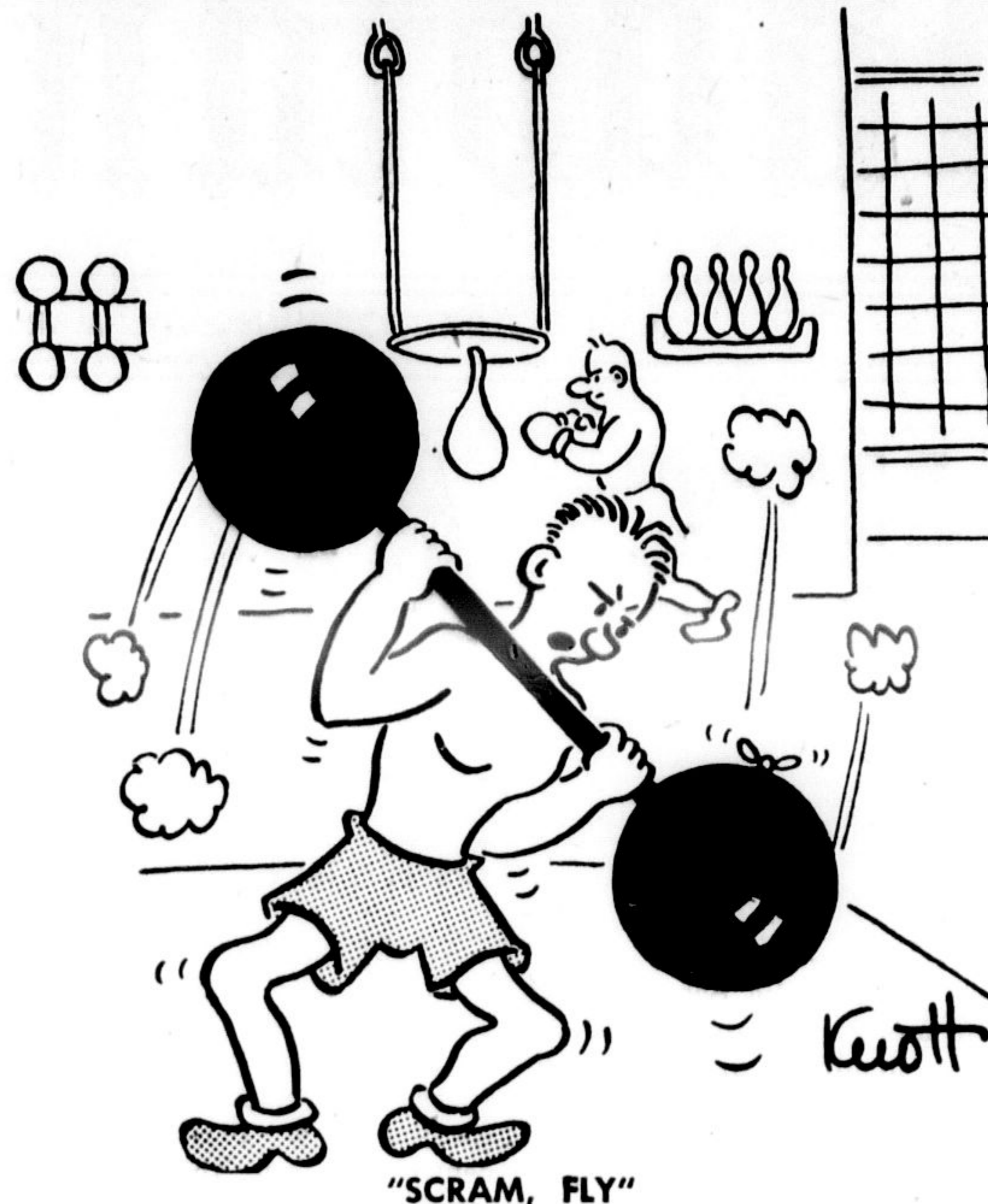
It is useless to point out how many schools could be built with \$210 million, or how many pairs of shoes that money could buy, or how many homes could be built, or how many pupils might have been sent to university instead of stopping school.

It is just as useless to point out how much good work can be done by the province with the \$40 million which it collects in taxes.

The \$210 million amount will not be reduced until the people themselves realize that \$210 million dollars worth of liquor in a year is not worth it, that they are getting poor value for the \$210 million, and that they could get better value, more happiness and greater satisfaction by spending the money in other ways.

Editorial Notes

Our congratulations to our neighbouring contemporary, The Georgetown Herald, on acquiring fine new larger premises in Georgetown. We understand that with the move to new quarters, several new pieces of equipment have been added, including a new newspaper press which is to go into operation this week. The Herald has been in the same stand since our earliest recollection, having first been located upstairs in the present building and moving downstairs after a fire about 34 years ago.



New Boosters

Georgetown merchants have decided—as the merchants did here—to organize. The group, which has been proposed by the Georgetown Retail Merchants' Association, is to be the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber will have a wider scope than just a merchants' organization, taking in farmers, industrialists and garagemen.

Proposed projects for Georgetown's boosters are a community recreation centre, development of new industry and the general promotion of the town's welfare.

Election of officers was held this week.

Joke-ville

Can always count on the Oakville Record-Star for some sort of a joke each Thursday, be it good or just fair.

So here it is—another slamming the poor butchers!

Butcher: Yes, these are calves' brains, what kind of brains did you think they were?

Customer: At the price I thought maybe they were Einstein's.

Blitz From Halton

In every province in Canada, the Red Cross will this year be staging "blitz" campaigns—one night drives—to obtain funds. And it was in Oakville that the idea for this kind of a swift, sizzling campaign originated.

Both Bronte and Palermo are now incorporated in the Oakville Red Cross.

Almost Human

"Almost Human" is the title of an amusing series in the Oakville Record-Star. The paper's photographer interviews Oakville pets and records their smartest tricks! The pictures are always entertaining although one isn't altogether convinced the cats, dogs, etc. are "almost human."

A game that wouldn't particularly appeal to humans (or perhaps it would, to children, come to think of it) is credited last week to a pair of performing pets. The dog simply adores to tug the cat all around the house. And the cat, evidently, adores it, too!

AT THE Churches

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
Minister—REV. J. L. BLAIR, B.A.
Organist, Mr. Robert K. Carr

SUNDAY, MARCH 16th, 1952
10.00 a.m.—Senior School.
11.00 a.m.—Rev. J. W. Stewart, guest speaker.

7.00 p.m.—Illustrated address, "From Sea to Sea with the United Church."

Monday, March 17—7.00 p.m., C.G.I.T., W.M.S., affiliation service; 8.00 p.m., Young Peoples' Union.

Tuesday, March 18—The Jubilee Group of the W.A. will meet at the home of Mrs. C. K. Stevenson at 3.00 p.m.; 8.30 p.m., Mr. and Mrs. Club will meet at the home of Grace and Sheldon Featherstone.

Friday, March 19—6.45, Tyro Boys; 7.30, Trail Rangers; 7.00, Junior Choir; 8.00, Senior Choir.

GRACE ANGLICAN CHURCH
(Rev. J. Homer Ferris, B.A., L.T.)
Rector

SUNDAY, MARCH 16th, 1952
Third Sunday in Lent
8.00 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School and Bible Classes.

11.00 a.m.—Choral Matins and Sermon.
7.00 p.m.—Choral Evensong and Sermon.

Holy baptism by appointment.
Thursday, March 20—8 p.m., Mid-week Lenten service and address.
Attend an extra service each week during Lent.

PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH
REV. H. WOODS, Pastor
Order of Services (Held in I.O.O.F. Hall)

Friday, March 14—8.30 p.m., Prayer Meeting and Bible Study.
SUNDAY, MARCH 16th, 1952
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11.00 a.m.—Worship Service.
7.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.

Tuesday, March 16—5.30 p.m., Young Peoples' Meeting.
Wednesday, March 17—8.00 p.m., Women's Auxiliary.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
REV. E. ORSBORN, Minister
Mrs. G. Newell, Organist

SUNDAY, MARCH 16th, 1952
11.00 a.m.—If Love Abound.
7.00 p.m.—When Good Men Differ.

Baptism by appointment with the minister.
Thursday, March 13—8 p.m., Evening Dept. of W.M.S. Hostess, Mrs. E. Orsborn.

Monday, March 17—4.15 p.m., Mission Band, S. S. Room.

Tuesday, March 18—8.00 p.m., Coronation Group, Hostess, Mrs. F. E. Babcock.

Wednesday, March 19—8.00 p.m., Choir practice, Mrs. Bradley, Court St.

ST. JOHN'S, NASSAGAWEYA and ST. GEORGE'S, LOWVILLE (Anglican)
Rev. R. E. Porritt, Rector

SUNDAY, MARCH 16th, 1952
3rd Sunday in Lent
11.00 a.m.—Morning Prayer, Church School and Sermon at St. George's.

2.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Holy Baptism at St. John's.
March 19—8.30 p.m., Meeting of A.Y.P.A. at Limestone School.
All Are Welcome

BOWES BAPTIST CHURCH
On Highway No. 25
Pastor, Robert F. Snyder

SUNDAY, MARCH 16th, 1952
3.00 p.m.—Sermon in I. O. O. F. Hall.
Friday, March 14th, 8.15 p.m.—Prayer meeting group at the home of Mr. Fred Robbins, Martin St.

MILTON GOSPEL CHAPEL
In the Farmers' Building

SUNDAY, MARCH 16th, 1952
10.30 a.m.—Sunday School and Adult Bible Class.
8.00 p.m.—Evening Service.
Thursday, March 13 at 8.00—Women's Missionary Auxiliary at the home of Mrs. Fred Robbins.

Friday, March 14 at 8.00—Young Peoples' at the home of Eric Sherratt.
Tuesday, March 18 at 8.30—Prayer and Bible Study.
All Are Welcome

THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

Fifty Years Ago

From the Canadian Champion of Thursday, March 13th, 1902

Lieut.-Col. Goodwillie and Majors Grant and Moore addressed the County Council. Mr. Wilson moved and seconded by Mr. Andrew, that the sum of \$250 be granted to the 20th Regiment Lorne Rifles for the purpose of helping to defray the cost of mess tent and cooking arrangement, provided the regiment go to camp. J. S. Deacon, Public School Inspector, presented his report.

The report of the Inspector of Prisons and Reformatories for Ontario shows that during the last year, ending September 30th, 1901, 90 male and 8 female prisoners were committed to Milton jail, a total of 46 less than in the previous year. The lowest except at Pembroke and St. Thomas.

There were 59 births, 17 marriages and 40 deaths in Esquesing Township last year.

T. C. Dales, Lowville, is busy preparing for his new barn. A pig killing bee took place at H. Griffith's place, Boyne, last week. A. Henderson did the knife work.

Hutt Bros. have purchased the farm of John Bousfield.

In the rebuilding of the Toronto University after the fire of 1890, the authorities found that the state of the finances did not warrant the restoration of Convocation Hall.

The Burlington Gazette is receiving congratulations on its fourth birthday.

The best way to do good to ourselves is to do good to others; the right way to gather is to scatter.

BORN
MILLS—On February 25th, to the wife of John R. Mills, a son.

MARRIED
ROBINSON-DIXON—At the residence of Absalom Dixon, Fourth Line, Esquesing, father of the bride, on March 6th, by Rev. F. W. Thompson, of Ashgrove, Jos. A. Robinson of Trafalgar, to Miss Edith Maud Dixon.

DIED
MICHIE—In the Scotch Block, Esquesing, on Thursday, February 6th, Miss Heico Michie.

Twenty Years Ago

From the Canadian Champion of Thursday, March 17th, 1932

Three curling rinks from Milton took part in the Hamilton Bouspiel last week. J. Maxted's rink, composed of L. H. Ritchie, C. Lecocq, J. Lecocq and J. Maxted, skip, was successful in winning second prize for the Spectator Trophy. The prize was 4 cups donated by the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

Nine of the ten farmers in the Stewarttown district will have their telephones removed if the Bell Telephone Co. does not reduce the rates to subscribers of the Georgetown exchange.

Signs of spring multiply. Beautiful bluebirds have made their appearance in the Milton district this week.

On Sunday last a horse belonging to Morley Watson of Nelson, was struck by an automobile on the Dundas Highway. The animal had its back broken and had to be destroyed.

A number of sports from Milton will motor to Waterdown on Monday evening next to see the boxing bouts in the Memorial Hall. One of the features will be the 112 pound class, Eddie Gooch of Milton, vs. Bill Marshall, Lennox A. C. Hamilton.

Miss Perle McMillan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Linus McMillan, Nassagaweya, has successfully passed with honors her Primary Pianoforte examinations at the Toronto Conservatory of Music.

Halton County Baseball League annual meeting and banquet on March 26th in Milton with First Vice President J. K. Jutten and Secretary W. J. Snyder of the O.B. A.A. in attendance. The league will expand this year with an additional intermediate group and a new junior series, and will in all probability be known as the Halton-Wentworth League. Acton, Milton, Georgetown and Oakville are the intermediate clubs.

BORN
McFAUL—At the Private Patients' Pavilion, Toronto General Hospital, on Tuesday, March 15th, to Rev. and Mrs. J. N. McFaul, nee Sarah Oster, of Milton, a daughter, Sarah Elizabeth.

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Going West—9.35 a.m. daily; 6.31 p.m. daily, 12.45 a.m. daily except Sunday (flag).

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