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IN
REVIEW

MILTON, LOWVILLE ARE INSPIRATION FOR ARTICLES IN DAILY NEWSPAPERS

Not nearly as old as some newspapers brought to the CHAMPION office, but just as full of interest are a trio lent recently.

A Toronto Globe and Mail of May 8, 1946, devotes most of its front page, second section to Milton, where a six-column headline catches the eye, "Unpoetically Named Milton, County Town of Halton, Moves Mountain to Toronto."

A caption to one of the six pictures of the town gives a clue to the headline as it explains, "Milton has a large number of brick factories which are working at top speed to meet city housing shortages. The extension of the Niagara escarpment provides an ample supply of red clay for the bricks and residents say 'the mountain is moving to Toronto.'"

The other pictures are of the cemetery, town hall, Martin's mill, Main St. and one which includes one of the stations and part of the P. L. Robertson Manufacturing Co.'s buildings.

Jack Hambleton, who wrote the story, headed it, "Milton Offers Almost All Man Desires."

The reason for the qualifying "almost" comes in the last paragraph of the story which reads, "If they would fix up the 'old cemetery' with its broken and fallen stones, and patch the roof of the town hall so it wouldn't leak, Milton would be just about perfect."

In 1944 the Hamilton Spectator carried a series of articles on Lowville, sketched by Mrs. C. A. Prudham of Kilbride and presented by Charles R. McCullough.

"I do not know who were the first settlers in the Lowville district," the article starts. The village was called Lowville as it was the lowest point on the main road from Guelph to Lake Ontario. "It was built on the banks of the Twelve

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"Spark of Life" must be recognized as a remarkable, well written book, simply because the reader will feel such an impressive lack of pleasure when he or she reads it. If one could dash through the book in an evening and forget it, it would be a fair story, or a bad one. But since the memory of this story of a concentration camp will linger and nag at self-complacency for a long time, ergo: the book must be well written.

Says the author, who, by the way, is the author of "All Quiet on the Western Front," "this book is not meant to be a detailed report on a specific concentration camp. I have intentionally simplified many of the complicated routines and chosen a mild (if one can say that) camp rather than an extermination centre." (Shaken readers will be grateful.) "Although Nazi camps have ceased to exist, there are still others in the world and they grow in number each year."

The book is shattering, horrifying. Yet it is compulsive. These are things we should know about—if we can take it. But there is a bright light that makes the story that is based on actual fact, human. The human spirit survives; tyranny cannot destroy the "spark of life" in the men made in God's image. "Spark of Life" is a total picture of human anguish—and as such is unique and vital. It is available at Milton library

Poet's Corner
LOOK AT THE BRIGHT SIDE

There is many a rest in the road of life,
If we only would stop to take it;
And many a tune from the better land,
If the querulous heart would make it.
To the soul that is full of hope,
And whose beautiful trust ne'er faileth,
The grass is green and the flowers are bright,
Though the winter's storm prevailth.

Better hope, though the clouds hang low,
And to keep the eyes still lifted,
For the sweet blue sky will soon peep through
When the ominous clouds are rifted.
There was never a night without a day,
Or an evening without a morning,
And the darkest hour, as the proverb goes,
Is the hour before the dawning.

There is many a gem in the path of life,
Which we pass in our idle pleasure,
That is richer far than the jewelled crown
Or the miser's hoarded treasure.
It may be the love of a little child,
Or a mother's prayer to heaven,
Or only the beggar's grateful thanks
For a cup of water given.

Better to weave in the web of life
A bright and golden filling,
And to do God's will with a cheerful heart,
And hands that are ready and willing,
Than to snap the delicate minute thread
Of our curious lives asunder,
And then blame heaven for tangled ends,
And sit and grieve and wonder.
—Charles Mackay.

Mmm — Gold!

Forty-two Ontario gold mines produced gold bullion worth \$7,782,153 in November, 1951, according to the Department of Mines. This is only slightly below the figure reported during the comparable month of 1950. However, the labor force employed by the gold mines dropped from 13,405 in November 1950 to 12,447 in November 1951. The average value per ton of ore treated amounted to \$9.19.

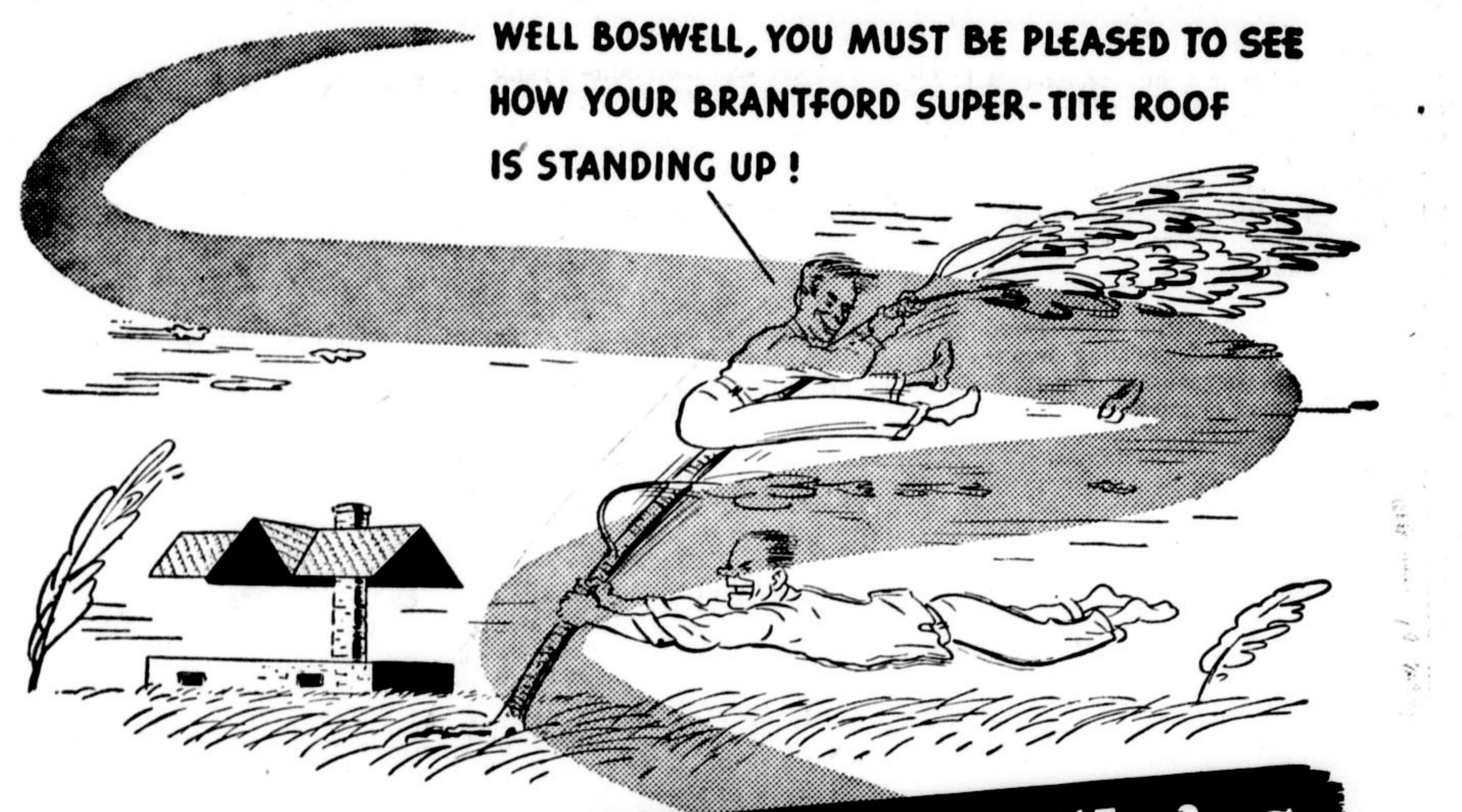
Canada's principal import commodity in 1951 was machinery, excluding farm implements.

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Wednesday, May 21—Milton at Oakville.
Saturday, May 24—Waterdown at Milton.
Tuesday, May 27—Milton at Port Credit.
Saturday, May 31—Oakville at Milton.
Wednesday, June 4—Campbellville at Milton.
Friday, June 6—Milton at Waterdown.
Wednesday, June 11—Milton at Oakville (floodlight).
Saturday, June 14—Georgetown at Milton.
Wednesday, June 18—Milton at Campbellville.
Friday, June 20—Milton at Waterdown.
Wednesday, June 25—Georgetown at Milton.
Saturday, June 28—Milton at Georgetown.
Tuesday, July 1—Milton at Campbellville.
Saturday, July 5—Oakville at Milton.
Wednesday, July 9—Milton at Georgetown.
Saturday, July 12—Port Credit at Milton.
Tuesday, July 15—Milton at Port Credit.
Saturday, July 19—Waterdown at Milton.
Wednesday, July 23—Campbellville at Milton.



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