

EDITORIAL

Truthful Promotion

If memory serves us well, we recall that when the Liquor Control Act replaced the Ontario Temperance Act the statement was made by the man who was then premier of Ontario that if the sale of alcoholic beverages increased under the new legislation it would be considered a failure. In a letter to the members of the Ontario Legislature the Ontario Temperance Federation states that from 1934 to '49 while the population of Ontario grew by 27 per cent. our consumption of alcoholic spirits soared by 300 per cent. and our consumption of beer by 533 per cent. Over \$250 million is being spent each year in Ontario for alcoholic beverages.

It would seem that insofar as moderating the consumption of alcoholic beverages the present legislation can be considered a failure. The Ontario Temperance Federation proposes to ask the Ontario government to introduce legislation by which not less than one per cent. of the net proceeds from the operation of the Liquor Control Board shall each year be made available to the government-sponsored Alcoholism Research Foundation. These funds, about \$400,000 at the present rate of beverage sales, would be used for the express purpose of disseminating, through advertisements in periodicals printed and circulated in Ontario, educational and scientific information on the nature and effect of alcohol on the individual and on society. Thus some of the "profit" now coming from the sale of alcoholic beverages would be invested in a preventive educational program designed to reduce the heavy social and moral "loss" resulting from this indulgence.

This would appear a more sane approach to the problem and since the liquor interests are apparently so willing to spend money in advertising their product in Ontario and appear desirous of having regulations changed to permit such advertising, some of this advertising appropriation might be added to the one per cent. asked by the Federation.

We doubt if such education will receive endorsement. Profits alone are obviously the desire of those selling alcoholic beverages. More profits come from more sales and the true story of ruin created by alcohol would not be encouraging for greater consumption. The desire of those who sell intoxicants is for more sales regardless of consequences to those who consume.

Up to the present snow plowing hasn't been a big item on the maintenance of highways or within cities and towns. Don't know whether that has any bearing on the amount of fees and taxes to cover these items.

Always Changing

Every time we hear someone telling that our seasons are changing and we don't get the old fashioned hard winters we used to, we are reminded that father used to tell us that on their wedding day on February 5, 1870, the newly weds drove to Walpole in an open buggy and the dust was flying on the roads.

Then we recall some of the really tough winters since then in the past 50 years when snowbanks were over the top of railway trains and in the cuts the trains travelled through tunnels of snow. We don't need to go back many years to recall when the highway between Milton and Acton had snow cuts well over the top of the cars. It is quite easy to recall some of those banks when a storm would be raging and a cut through some of the drifts would be filled in within an hour and we travelled in pairs with a shovel in the car and chains on the rear wheels.

Yes, the winters are changing from year to year. Seems as if they always have been changing. We are at the age when we thoroughly enjoy the open winter we have had this year. Since we cannot spend the cold months in Florida we only dare to hope our Canadian winters will continue to follow this year's pattern. Looking back over the years, however, it seems a futile hope. We are going to be badly spoiled, however, when one of those real tough winters descends upon us and the snow banks become mountains.

The budget is due to be presented a week from to-day. Don't know what it will contain but we can enjoy another week of wishful thinking anyway.

Shopping Habits

We were interested in reading an article recently, which referred to the number of women who go shopping, and really buy something. According to the article one large department store, in the United States, made 12 surveys to ascertain the percentage of purchasers.

The results were startling, for the checkers found that about 50 per cent. of the women who came to look around bought something. Another surprising result was that the less women there were in the store, the higher the percentage of sales. Based on these surveys, Friday is the day of the week when the smallest number of women go shopping, but a higher percentage of them buy something, possibly because Friday is often pay day.

This could also be explained, stated the article by the fact that with fewer women customers to wait on, the sales people are able to give more attention to each woman and complete the sale before she becomes disgruntled and goes off somewhere to look around some more. The results of such a survey in Milton would, undoubtedly, prove most interesting.

February is back to normal again in the number of days even if the weather is abnormal. Just twenty-eight days in February this year.

More in the Middle

Comparing the latest taxation figures (1950) with 1941 there is a smaller percentage of total taxpayers at the bottom, and fewer at the top—and more in the middle notes The Financial Post.

This "leveling" process is even more apparent after the high progressive income tax and social security are counted.

It has important economic and social consequences for Canadians:

Mass demand gives outlets to the goods of large scale production; cars, refrigerators, appliances of all sorts. And the quality distinctions are reduced. The office boy's Sunday suit looks a lot like the prime minister's.

The gulf between rich and poor is narrowed. The idea of a class struggle itself has been made obsolete. No one claims he's on the bottom any more.

Department store sales in first month of 1953 have been running 18 per cent. above corresponding period a year ago, reports the Financial Post. Gains are general in all provinces as follows: Saskatchewan, 24 per cent.; Ontario, 22 per cent.; Quebec, 19 per cent.; Manitoba, 15 per cent.; B.C. 15 per cent.; Alberta, 14 per cent.; Maritimes, 12 per cent.

Bad Reading

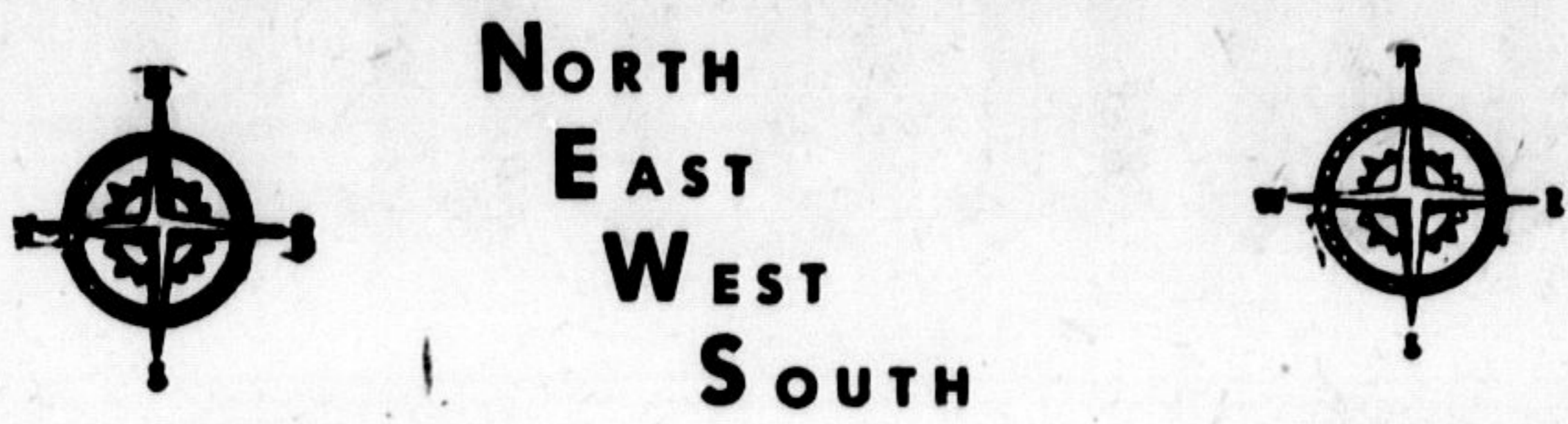
The evidence given in court at Brampton recently in a case in which two young people were killed makes the blackest reading we have scanned for some time. William Fleming was charged with motor manslaughter and was found not guilty. He was, however, found guilty on a charge of dangerous driving and failing to remain at the scene of an accident.

The evidence told of the woman passenger in the death car feeling a bump and the driver saying it must have been a mail box. The evidence also told of the passenger's inability to awaken the driver after the car had been stopped. Police had taken the keys from the driver for a period and suggested he get a cup of coffee. The killing of two young people took place after a party at the home of a publisher of a string of daily newspapers. Fleming was chauffeur and handy man at the home. Punishment was given on the lesser charges and Fleming will serve a term in prison. The evidence makes sordid reading. The conclusions that may be reached are not likely to make for greater respect in enforcement of administration of safety for all on our highways.

Two innocent young lives are snuffed out after a party at a home. Can such things be termed accidents?

Industrial payrolls are running ten per cent. above a year ago, while payrolls in manufacturing alone are up thirteen per cent. This in spite of a drop in the cost of living.

To-morrow is Friday the thirteenth. If you are superstitious you will have to be doubly careful.



Result of Flood

"European floods brought tragedy to a Georgetown family," the Georgetown Herald stated last week. Jack Vandervoort received word that his wife and eight-month-old baby, Jackie, who had flown to Holland the week before to visit her parents, had died in the disastrous floods.

Her parents lived five miles from Stellendam, on the sea coast on land reclaimed from the sea. When the storm broke on Friday night, it is believed one of the dykes gave away and the family would have no chance to escape. Five children survive in Georgetown.

More Dial Phones

Conversion to dial phones is due to take place in Georgetown in September. A new telephone exchange building on Main St. is nearing completion. All the numbers will be changed, as they were not long ago in Burlington.

Report on Flood

The Oakville-Trafalgar Journal had an on-the-spot report of the flood in Holland for Halton readers. Myke Dyer, who is attached to Radio Holland, has been writing weekly columns for the county town for some time. After visiting the devastated area, he cabled a story home to Oakville.

"Indescribable terror and ravage greeted us when we neared the coast," the front page story began. "No matter in which direction you looked there was nothing but a vista of floating waves. All the cattle were dead, and floating along with the debris. The ravage created by the waters was beyond anything I could ever have imagined. It had to be seen to be understood."

New Book on Oakville

"Oakville and the Sixteen" now

in the hands of the publishers, is a book about Oakville and district which will go on sale sometime next August. The author is Mrs. Hazel Mathews, one of the descendants of Oakville's founder, Col William Chisholm.

New Guide Commissioner

We see by the Oakville-Trafalgar Journal that Mrs. P. H. Bennett, who was a Scottish girl guide in her childhood, has been named district commissioner of the Girl Guides. She has been Brown Owl of the Linbrook Brownie pack in the county since its formation.

New Fire Hall

After much discussion, Burlington has finally awarded the contract for building its new fire hall. A Hamilton firm gets the job for their tender bid for \$38,788.

New Discovery

Two chemists from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have discovered a method for harnessing the sun's energy that may one day produce electrical power. One of these chemists, Dr. Alan F. McMillan, is the son of a Halton county couple who live in Burlington. The technique involves the chemical breakdown of water into hydrogen and oxygen by the sun's rays and later burning these two gases to produce heat.

Plan for Coronation

At its last meeting, the Acton school board voted \$60 to the school for a coronation project. Just what the project is, hasn't yet been announced.

Arts and crafts classes have begun again in Acton. Local teachers are instructing in rug hooking, smocking, leather assembling and sewing. Attendance is very good, although several from Acton and the district take similar courses in Milton Tuesdays.

INDUSTRIAL HEALTH

The Industrial Health Committee of the Health League of Canada notes: "A thorough industrial health program begins with a pre-employment examination and continues with periodic check-ups, health education, dental and mental hygiene, advice on nutrition and other related matters. It should include evaluation of each individual's ability to do the work to which he or she is assigned, and detection of evidence of exposure to harmful materials and methods. Prevention is the cornerstone of industrial health."

Coming and going: Shrimps, common to Canadian coastal waters, mature first as males in the first or second year. After one or two seasons as sexually active males, these shrimps change sex and function as females for the rest of their lives.

PLAY BALL

A 6-year-old visitor from the mainland was invited by his 10-year old cousin to take part in their regular baseball game and was feeling pretty good about it. Batting near the end of the game, he hit safely. The next batter hit safely, the first hitter's cousin yelling to the visitor reposing on first base, "Take second!" Another hit—"ta-ke third!" yelled his new teammates. Then a weak ground-er looked like a sure out. "Go home! Go home!" shrieked the youngsters. Mortified the young visitor moved off the base path, steamed off toward home, through the hedge, along the roadway, and to the house.

In the United Kingdom, where sugar control continues to be rigid sugar costs twice as much as in Canada where controls were removed in 1949.



KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. E. ORSBORN, Minister
Mrs. R. Wright, A.T.C.M., Organist

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1953
10.00 a.m.—Senior School.
11.00 a.m.—Junior School.
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship, theme, "The Lower Lights."
7.00 p.m.—Service in St. Paul's Church, theme "Joseph, An Innocent in Prison."
Friday, February 13, 8 p.m.—Senior choir practice at the home of Mrs. Tom Bradley, Court St.
Monday, February 16, 8 p.m.—Coronation Group, hostess Mrs. Charles Anderson.

CALVARY TABERNACLE

Pentecostal Holiness
BRONTE ST.
Rev. H. Woods, Pastor

Friday, February 13 — 8.30 p.m., Prayer meeting and Bible study.
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1953
11.00 a.m.—Worship Service.
3.00 p.m.—Sunday School.
7.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
Tuesday, February 17 — 8.30 p.m., Young Peoples' service.
Wednesday, February 18 — 8 p.m., Women's Auxiliary.
Friday, February 20—World's Day of Prayer services will be held in United Church at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.

ST. JOHN'S, NASSAGAWEYA and ST. GEORGE'S, LOWVILLE (Anglican)

Rev. R. E. Porritt, Rector

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1953
Quinquagesima Sunday
11.00 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Church School at St. George's.
2.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Address at St. John's.
All Are Welcome

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

Minister—REV. J. L. BLAIR, B.A.
Organist, Mr. Robert K. Carr

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1953
10.00 a.m.—Senior School.
11.00 a.m.—"Canadian Missions"; Junior School; Nursery Class.
2.30 p.m.—Church Membership Class.
7.00 p.m.—Combined service in St. Paul's. Mr. Orsborn will bring the message.
Monday, February 16—7.00, C.G.I.T. Thursday, February 19 — 7 p.m., Tyro Boys.
Friday, February 20 — Women's World Day of Prayer services, women at 3.00 and 8.00 p.m., girls at 7.00 p.m.; Trail Rangers 7.30 p.m.; Junior Choir 7.30 p.m.; Senior Choir 8 p.m.

GRACE CHURCH ANGLICAN

Rev. Norman Green, B.A., L.Th. Rector

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1953
Quinquagesima Sunday
8.00 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11.00 a.m.—Morning Prayer.
7.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

BOWES BAPTIST CHURCH

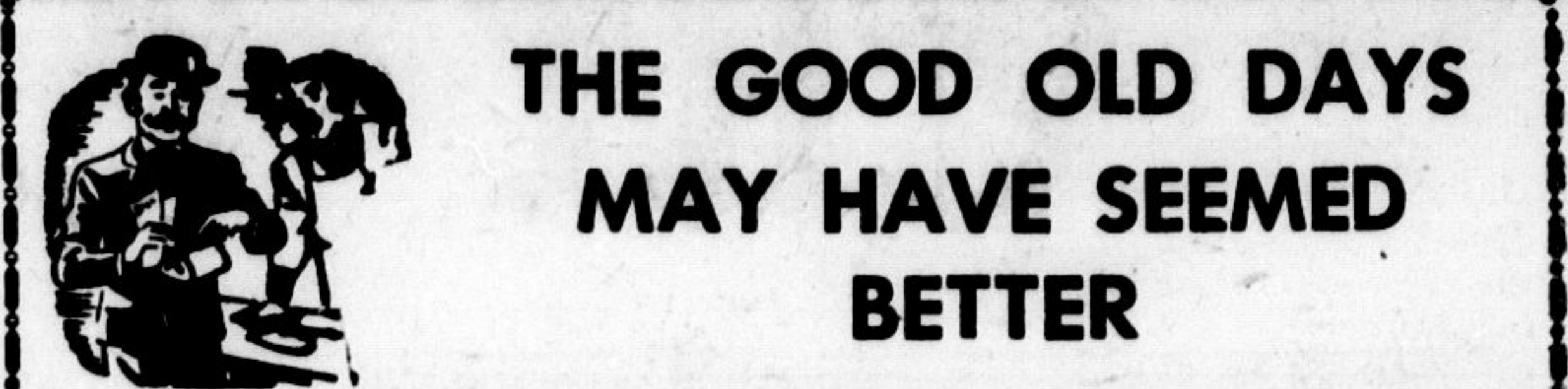
In the I.O.O.F. Hall
Rev. Robert F. Snyder

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1953
3.00 p.m.—Gospel Service. Special music by Ruth Ann Sherratt and Susan Draper.
Tuesday, February 18, 8.15 p.m.—Prayer meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Sherratt, Main St.
Thursday, February 12, 8 p.m.—Women's Missionary Society at the home of Mrs. Bawdin, R. 6, Milton.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH Milton Heights

Rev. Griffin Thompson, L.Th. Rector

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1953
Quinquagesima Sunday
2.00 p.m.—Sunday School.
3.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer and the Litany.
By request of General Synod of Canada, special collection to-day for the flood victims in Europe.



Fifty Years Ago

From the Issue of the Champion of Thursday, February 12, 1903

Men who mind their own business are usually successful because they have very little competition.

Foot and mouth disease is reported to have broken out among several herds in Massachusetts. Kindness is a language the dumb can speak and the deaf can hear and understand.

The farewell service of Rev. Nie will be held on Sunday, February 22nd at Hornby and Stewarttown.

Miss Kearns of Burlington, our young and popular teacher of "Pleasant Valley School" Glenorky, is giving good satisfaction at the present time. We wish our friend Miss K. success as our teacher here.

The conclusion of the examination in connection with the failure of the Anderson private bank at Oakville has brought with it the knowledge that there will not be any return to the depositors of the bank. F. R. C. Clarkson, the liquidator, said on Monday they would receive nothing on their claims, as there was little hope of assailing the position of the Bank of Hamilton, which appeared to be perfectly secure.

The statement which will be forwarded to the creditors will show that about \$40,000 was lost in bad investments. At the meeting next Tuesday the creditors will decide what action to take with reference to the Bank of Hamilton. Mrs. Anderson is secure in her dower, amounting to \$15,000.

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ARSENAL IN YOUR CAR ?

Many motorists tend to clutter the ledge above the rear-seat of their car with loose objects such as shoes, soft-drink bottles, metal tools or coat-hangers, canned goods, which become dangerous as shrapnel in a panic stop or a head-on collision.

Tests carried out by crack drivers of an American motor vehicle research organization in smashing or crashing cars at high speeds, indicate that such objects can cause serious injury when the force of impact projects them towards the windshield like so many cannonballs.

PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY AND TRAVELLERS' GUIDE

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THE STEVENSON CLINIC
Phones:
Milton—Number 2
Dr. C. K. Stevenson
Dr. Fred Melnyk
Dr. R. S. McCullough
Office Hours:
A.M.—By appointment only.
P.M.—1-4 7-9.
SUNDAYS—Emergencies only.
MILTON PRIVATE HOSPITAL
X-RAY
Coroner, C.P.R. and Gaol Surgeon

DR. G. E. SYER
Physician and Surgeon
Office—James Street
Phone No. 38
Office Hours: 9 a.m.: 1-3
7-8.30 p.m.
Coroner

DR. J. W. McCUTCHEON
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Farmers' Building, Main Street
Telephone 395W
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DR. F. E. BABCOCK
DENTAL SURGEON
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Evenings by appointment
X-Ray Service Telephone 65

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Twenty Years Ago

From the Issue of the Champion of Thursday, February 16, 1933

If ever there was a time in the history of the town of Milton, that there was the greatest need for co-operation between all governing bodies, it is at the present. The announcement that the Ontario Government will cut high school grants 10% and public schools 20% beginning September 1933, and the banks are contemplating a reduction on deposits of from 3 to 2%, should set every right minded person thinking seriously.

The Norval Boys' Hostel, conducted by the United Church of Canada, will close its doors on March 1st. This follows the change in immigration regulations, and as a result of which no more boys will be placed on farms at the present. The superintendent, Mr. Alex. MacLaren, will supervise those now on farms from his home in Georgetown.

The hardest thing to run out of is temptation. The easiest is money.

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