

EDITORIAL

Back Again

We are back again at the desk we left a week ago and the staff all report a very enjoyable holiday. The proprietors report a nice couple of days and it can mostly be blamed on the summer election. Voter's lists had to be prepared and while your editor and one of the partners hadn't operated a Linotype for some time the two of us did manage to put in type and print over 5000 names in the county lists.

The Hydro staff on conversion to 60 cycle visited the plant on two days and took information and we collected the mail every day until Friday. Yes, the blinds were drawn and the door was locked but two of the staff still have some holidays due them.

On Friday we were convinced some new parts were needed for the Linotype machine. We purchased the parts and Friday afternoon presided at a meeting of the executive committee of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association. Saturday we had nothing whatever to do with newspaper work but coming home from Hanover on Sunday morning we noticed the door open at the Durham Chronicle office and dropped in for a chat with editor George Cadogan.

It just seems difficult for editors to get away from the interests that become part of their life every day of the year. It's fortunate that most of them like their work.

More Service--More Taxes

A letter from county council to municipalities in Halton views with justifiable alarm the mounting costs of the care of indigent patients. The letter is constructive and offers some suggestions for coping with applications and getting the co-operation of citizens to meet this item which contributes to the load of municipal taxes.

In 1945 the total account for hospitalization of indigent patients in Halton was \$1,673.31. In 1950 the total had more than doubled and was \$18,048.05. The budget allowance for this item for Halton in 1953 is \$32,500.00 and judging by the accounts coming into municipal councils it will reach that amount. The heavy expenditure cannot be charged particularly to any one municipality. The cost is mounting and it appears to be a trend of the times.

Councils are unable to keep taxes down and provide these services. "The poor ye have with you always." The problem is to decide who is poor and those who are not so poor. Keeping down taxes is a problem for every individual and only through co-operation of all can the task be accomplished.

The important thing now is for every elector to be sure his name is on the voters' lists. Your opinion isn't worth anything if you can't express it on August 10th.

Compulsory Idleness

Cornell University has embarked upon a seven-year nation-wide survey in the United States to determine whether or not there is any truth in the belief that involuntary retirement based on age speeds up symptoms of disease and even death.

"Why all this concern about older people?" remarks Irving Ladimer in "Occupational Health," published by the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. "Probably because we see more of them around than ever before. Although the population of the United States has doubled in the last half century, the number of middle aged—45 to 64—has tripled. The number of persons over 65 has quadrupled. One in every 12 persons today is 65.

There are many pros and cons on the question of compulsory retirement at a set age, Mr. Ladimer goes on. In its favor are ease of operation, fairness, certainty, and advance financial and psychological planning for all parties. Against it are the arguments of known variation in aging and ability, continued participation in production, possible money savings by reduced pensions, and the satisfaction and well-being of the man who can and wants to work.

The whole plan of compulsion and definite rules fails always to take into consideration that all humans are different—and rules cannot be applied as with machines.

Old Fashioned?

A former resident and still an ardent reader of the home town paper wrote us recently and asked if we would supply him with the names of those who 50 years ago wrote the entrance examinations. We were glad to comply with the request and we were interested in those results. Perhaps it's because we may be considered old fashioned.

It is significant that 50 years ago the boys and girls had to "try" to get entrance examinations. Out of 25 who wrote there were 16 successful. The marks were published and we know just how proud those boys and girls were in their achievement. Fifty years later we'll bet that they are still proud of the work and effort they made to secure this standard in their school work. In those days not many went on to high school and there was no compulsion to attend school after the public school leaving had been attained.

Looking today over that list of names of 50 years ago, we are convinced that the educational standards provided a very good background for life in the world of today. We are not so sure that the educational expenditure of today is giving as great an incentive to the young people. Those places along early life where young people have to "try" and where the achievements were given for all to read had something that seems lacking today in our educational system.

We are in agreement with Hon. Mr. Dunlop, the Minister of Education for the province, that we need to get back to the three R's in our educational program and that all along the way hurdles must be tried and overcome to make successful men and when and where can a better start be made than in our educational system from Grade one right through the course.

Consumption of electric power in Ontario is running 14 per cent. above a year ago.

All Through Your Life

Did you ever stop to think that in all the world there is only one newspaper that is really concerned with you? And that is your home town paper.

Big city dailies are only interested in you when you commit a crime, break your neck or do something equally spectacular or foolish.

But your home town paper is interested in you all through your life. Over the years it tells the story of you.

The story begins, as good stories should, at the beginning. You are born, and in the "birth notices" there is announcement that your mother and father have been blessed with you.

Then Dad and Mom go away on a trip and take you with them. So your name appears in the social and personal columns. The years pass and you go to school. Every so often your name appears in the school results, sometimes at the top of your class, sometimes at the bottom, but always there.

You are on the hockey team or the ball team as you grow older and your name is mentioned many times. You golf, bowl, go to summer camp with the reserve, take part in the music festival, act in a play—your name is in the paper.

Then comes the great moment of the early part of your life—high school graduation and perhaps a high reward. You cut it out for your grandchildren to see. Then perhaps college and home for the holidays; your name appears often. You graduate and your home town paper is just as proud of you as your parents are.

You come home and go to work in Dad's business or start one of your own. You meet the one and only girl and your engagement is announced in the paper. You are married and there is a detailed account of your wedding.

As the years roll on your home town paper tells the story of your social life, your community achievements, the birth of your children, the honors that come to you. Finally, at the end of your long and happy life you appear in the "obituary column."

"It is a safe bet," writes a Canadian columnist, "that many of us return to work Monday morning more weary than when we left on Friday." That's true enough physically particularly where the week-end included a four or five hour drive at high speed over crowded roads up to the cottage and back.

THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

Fifty Years Ago

From the Issue of the Champion of Thursday, July 16, 1903

Oakville. Chief Constable Perkins happened with a painful accident Saturday afternoon, while on official duty. He was driving home from Milton on the day mentioned after conveying a prisoner to the county jail, and when coming along the middle road noticed an automobile approaching him. The chief gave a signal to the automobilist to stop, he knowing that the horseless carriage would frighten the horse, but the signal was ignored. In an instant the animal dashed to the side of the road, the constable was hurled into a ditch, but still held on to the reins, and after some rearing, rip-and-tearing the buggy was broken, the horse got free, but was finally captured by Wm. McKay in front of his barn. The gallant chief bears an ugly gash on the side of his head, and deep ridges in his hands, caused from hanging on to the reins.

A meeting of the Milton Rifle Club will be held at the Wallace House net Tuesday evening, at eight o'clock.

There was a large turnout at the anniversary of the battle of the Boyne at Georgetown on Monday. All the Halton lodges were there and several from outside the county and the procession was quite imposing. The brass bands of Acton Georgetown and Glen Williams marched in front of their respective lodges. Speeches were made by John D. Barber, M.P.P., Rev. Mr. Brown of Georgetown, and others. The young people enjoyed themselves at a dance for which good music was provided. There was a baseball match, Acton vs. Oakville. Four innings were played and Acton was several runs ahead. The Oakville team objected to a decision of the umpire, left the field and forfeited the game, which went to Acton 9-0.

A comet has been visible for several nights a little north of east. It is expected that it will become more brilliant than any other which has been seen during the last 10 years.

The name of Jean McCannell, daughter of J. S. McCannell of Milton, appears at the head of the list of successful candidates who wrote at the recent high school examinations in Milton, but if the list included all who wrote in the county her name would still be at the top, as her number of marks is the highest.

BUG CATCHER

Now it's the bugs that are going to find the polished floor dangerous. The Financial Post describes a new type of floor wax which is also an insecticide. Self-polishing, it contains Lindane as its killing agent, is effective in the extermination of roaches, ants, etc., but manufacturers claim it's harmless to children and pets.

80% of the victims of rheumatoid arthritis—the most serious form of the disease—are between the ages of 20 and 50 at the time of onset, usually under 40.

CHURCH NEWS

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

SUNDAY, JULY 19th, 1953
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship with the congregation of St. Paul's church until the end of July.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
Milton Heights
Rev. Griffin Thompson, L.Th. Rector

SUNDAY, JULY 19th
Seventh After Trinity
11.00 a.m.—Matins and Sermon.
All Are Welcome

BOWES BAPTIST CHURCH
In the I.O.O.F. Hall
Pastor, Rev. R. F. Snyder

SUNDAY, JULY 19th, 1953
10.30 a.m.—Sunday School and Adult Bible Class, held in the Town Hall.
7.30 p.m.—Evening Service.
Wednesday, July 22 at 8.15 p.m.—Prayer and Bible Study at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Moore.
All Are Welcome

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

SUNDAY, JULY 19th
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11.00 a.m.—Morning Prayer.
7.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
(All services being held at the church.)

Twenty Years Ago

From the Issue of the Champion of Thursday, July 20, 1933

Hot, dry weather which prevailed throughout Ontario during the last three weeks of June had a deteriorating effect on all crops. As a result crop prospects which were promising at the end of May decreased materially, and were well under average at the end of June. Rainfall on the last day of June and during the first week of July proved timely and crop conditions are generally being sustained, but continued frequent rains are required to prevent further damage. The most serious drought has prevailed in eastern and southern Ontario, and crop prospects are less favorable than in western, northern and central Ontario.

While motoring home from Oakville on Friday night, Harold Earl ran into a cow at the jog, near Ernest Henderson's farm, on the Milton-Palermo highway. After striking the animal the car hit the guard posts and was badly wrecked. The cow, which had one of its legs broken, had to be destroyed.

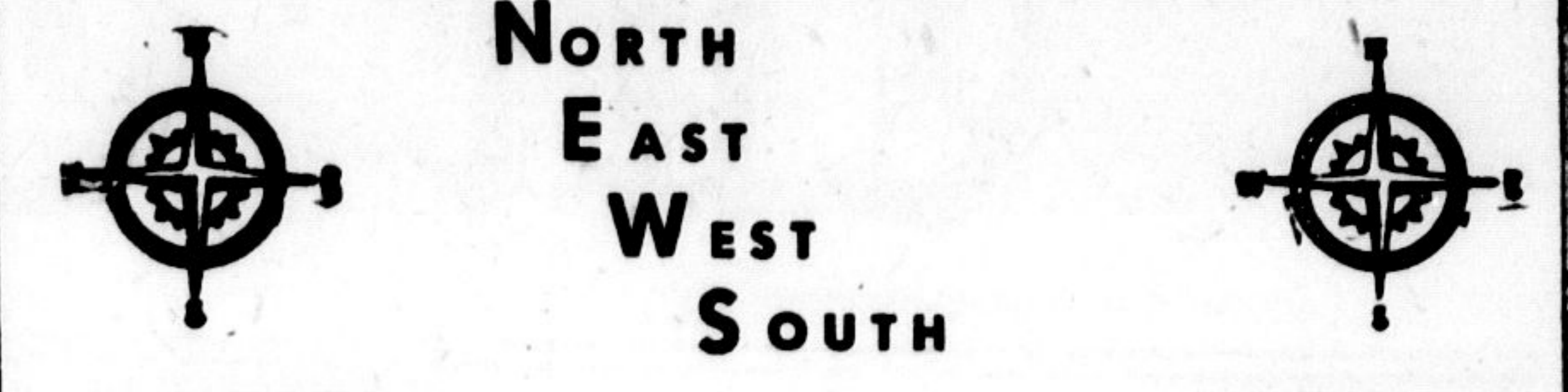
Rev. S. J. Stevenson of Kettleby, father of C. K. Stevenson of Milton, has taken up his residence on Woodward Avenue here.

All the world's topsy-turvy. Even the June bugs are appearing in July this year.

Last week the Trafalgar Council endorsed a proposal of the Oakville Council to petition the Department of Highways to widen the Lakeshore Road. A short time ago all the agitation from the south of the county was for the construction of the Middle Road. The plan, as suggested, would be for the province to pay the entire cost of the widening process. If the province is in a position to proceed with new road construction, the first section to receive attention in Halton county should be the stretch between Milton and Acton. We are informed that the department when interviewed by a delegation some years ago, promised that this road in the northern part of the county would be the first construction undertaken in this county. The work put on the section by the County Council has made excellent preparation for the construction of this highway. The northern section of the county will expect the Department to implement this construction first in Halton County, allowing the Toronto-Hamilton traffic to be content with its present two highways across Halton County until such time as this stretch can be made into a highway connection with No. 7 at Acton.

SHUT SESAME

Looks like rain? No need to rush home and shut the windows if you have a gadget described recently in The Financial Post. This automatically closes windows when it rains and opens them when it stops. It is accomplished by means of small electric motors, the action is brought about by relays connected with small printed-circuit grids and installed "out of sight" on the window's exterior. When rain strikes a grid, the mechanism goes into operation. When the grid dries the reverse action takes place and the window opens.



May Speak Here
John Diefenbaker, P. C. candidate in Saskatchewan, who has been speaking in Ontario, visited Sybil Bennett briefly in Georgetown last week. He told her he hopes to speak in Halton later in the summer.

No \$4,000 House
We see where printing interesting items of old news, like 50 and 20 years ago in this paper, got an Oakville paper into some trouble. A newcomer to town, working in the Ford plant, started hunting for a house he saw advertised for \$4,000. He asked the police for help in locating the owner, and they pointed out that although his paper had the right date, July 2, 1953, he was reading the "Old Oakville" column. The man, reports the newspaper, went out "in high dudgeon."

Rode in Palace
With Mrs. Rosa Giddings, the Oakville Record-Star says in its obituary, died "a fabulous legend of Old Vienna and Austrian royalty." Mrs. Giddings, who died in Oakville at 95, was the widow of Harry Giddings Sr., whose trotting stable was outstanding in Europe. He and Mrs. Giddings came to Oakville about 50 years ago.

Mrs. Giddings was born in Vienna and was a member of the famed Spanish Riding school to which only royalty was admitted. But, because of her prowess in the saddle, she was allowed to ride with the young Empress of Austria in the crystal-chandeliered palace where the school was conducted and where the perfectly trained Lippizan horses pirouetted and pranced.

Represented at Picnic
Trafalgar township was well represented at the Polish Alliance Friendly Society picnic held July 5. Reeve Emmerson Ford was one of the speakers, and Trafalgar police chief Fred Oliver and Constable Harry Wilson came away "loaded." Between them they had 73 quarts of beer and five bottles of liquor, taken in an effort to show that Canadian picnics are different from Polish ones! M. P. David Croll represented Prime Minister St. Laurent at the unveiling of a memorial to General Wladyslaw Sikorski.

Some Sum
Engineering News Record estimates that Trusteel Corp. (Canada) Limited will spend \$4,000,000 to build 336 steel frame houses on the 98-acre Sixth line, Trafalgar property.

More Expansion?
"It's time we should be thinking of a Greater Burlington," said town councillor Gordon Rusby recently. He introduced a resolution to set up a committee to go into the question of either amalgamating or forming a metropolitan area with Nelson and East Flamboro townships. Expansion plans, not new anywhere in the county, have been discussed in Burlington before, too.

Galt Picnic Held By Young Baptists

One hundred and twenty Milton young people journeyed to Galt by train and car for the Bowes Baptist Annual Sunday School Picnic on July 1.

After lunch at Soper Park, those present participated in races and stunts. There was swimming and a ball game at the close of the afternoon.

After supper the prizes were presented and a hearty sing-song was led by Master of Ceremonies George Moore, with accompaniment by Miss Madeline Zimmerman on the piano accordion. Jack Bristow on the guitar and Jack Mountain on the harmonica.

The weather was excellent in Galt, but on arriving at Milton, the picnickers were greeted at the railway station by one of the heaviest downpours of the season.

POET'S CORNER THE GARDENER SPEAKS

by Mary Ellen Varley
The trees and flowers, once dead, now live again
In the breathless spring after the winter's sleep,
They burst like waving banners across the earth,
And each of us can their special beauty reap.

There is so much loveliness in all the land
That God has chosen for you and I to see,
And with two loving hands I can dream and shape
One small corner for the spring-like pageantry!

Woman (to applicant for job as maid): Why did you leave your last job?

Applicant: Well, I'll tell you if you tell me why your last maid left you.

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