

# EDITORIAL

## Canada Turns 84

"Canada, Dominion of, the largest and most important overseas member of the British Empire, stretching across the North American continent from ocean to ocean north of the United States, excepting in the northwest corner where is situated the United States territory of Alaska. To the north are the icy waters of the Arctic ocean. Its greatest width from east to west is 3,700 miles; its length from north to south about 1,600 miles."

That's where one encyclopedia puts us. And on Sunday, July 1, this vast area celebrates its birthday—its 84th.

Canada is still just a teen-ager in this old universe, though. Since Confederation in 1867, the country has grown tremendously. It's still growing without suffering too acute an awkward stage. Canadians of all ages have an environment derived attitude of hope that is sadly lacking in European and Asian countries which have suffered hardships for centuries. The youngness of our country itself radiates optimism.

It was just 84 years ago that the British North America Act was passed by the British Parliament, to come in effect July 1, 1867. By this act Canada was divided into the two provinces of Ontario and Quebec, which with New Brunswick and Nova Scotia were to form the new Dominion. The first general election was held in August, and a ministry formed under John A. MacDonal.

To the younger people, this bit of history could almost have taken place two centuries ago, yet there are many living who can remember that day.

We're a healthy and happy population—and level-headed, too. Happy Birthday to us—all of us who are a part of this wonderful country—Canada.

## More Work, Councillors

More than once we have expressed our dislike of government controls that restrict wages, prices and other items, because of their spoon-feeding quality and public babying.

The Special Committee of the Legislature has come up with a method of control that seems in our opinion, to be the worst yet. Municipal rent control in rural areas and small towns will be recommended by the legislature's committee on rents. L. P. Cecile, chairman of the committee, said the government has the power to turn rent control over to municipalities by regulation without an act of legislature.

Background on rent controls shows that this seems to be another move commonly termed as government buck-passing and municipalities, at the bottom of the list, are foolish if they tackle a problem that the federal and provincial governments figure is too hot for them to handle.

A flat percentage for the whole province would not be as fair as a variable percentage in each municipality, officials explained. Perhaps municipalities, if they get an opportunity, should consider the disadvantages in their handling of rent control.

Small towns do not have full-time councillors or Reeves or mayors to devote hours of time in hearing the appeals and rebuttals that would arise if they are to control rents. If the municipality did not accept the regulation of rent control for that town would there be any or would the government have a stipulation requiring municipalities to exercise rent control?

The Frost government should consider wisely and well the addition of this load to the thus-far willing backs of part-time mayors, Reeves and councillors playing their part as citizens.

## Safety And More Safety

This week several hundred mothers and fathers are likely to get a head full of facts and suggestions on how to avoid accidents involving children during the summer months.

With schools throughout Ontario closing just before Dominion Day week-end, special carry-home safety leaflets are being given to children before they leave school. These red and black folders are part of the stepped-up summer safety campaign of the Department of Highways.

Police and safety workers cannot make the traffic safe. They need the help of everybody, pedestrians and drivers alike. Out of 524 child accident victims last summer 125 were cyclists, 188 were on foot but the largest group, 211, were children hurt or killed while riding as passengers in motor vehicles.

Despite all that law enforcement and safety engineering do to prevent accidents, traffic safety still depends on individuals. Everyone who uses streets and highways can help by walking and driving with extra caution, and by encouraging others to be more safety minded.

Schools closed this week for the long summer vacation and these are the good old school days we all used to long for.

## A Report of Importance

The third annual report of the Halton County Health Unit recently issued furnishes a great deal of information and shows much progress in the advancement of health in Halton in the three years of operation. The Health Unit staff has a personnel of twenty-two under the direction of Dr. James H. Mather.

In the foreword of the report the comment is made, "Each year we look ahead to the prospect of writing an annual report with some horror... We wonder if anyone reads it and whether the cost of publication is justified. The Health Unit is your business, our tax dollars support it. And you are entitled to an accounting of our Stewardship. We would sincerely appreciate your comments and constructive criticism."

We appreciate the position of those who compile annual reports. But we do think they are justified. We are frank to admit we haven't read the report word for word but it would be quite a simple thing to make very interesting comment for readers on the information contained therein. These health services in 1950 required a total expenditure of \$56,583.62. The grant from the County of Halton amounts to \$22,476.00 of this amount. As Dr. Mather intimates you have a right to know what you receive for your money and very clearly you are told in this annual report. If you peruse it you will undoubtedly agree that the money spent on health services in Halton is very effective in that which is most important to all of us—our health.

## License Plate Savings

It always seems nice to hear of governments saving money and recently the Ontario government announced the use of this year's motor vehicle license plates in 1952.

Use of the 1951 plates will be validated by a sticker which will be placed on the lower right hand corner of the windshield. Announcing the move to depart from stamping out new license plates each year, Highway Minister Doucett said it is in line with the federal defense plan.

Some 750 tons of steel will be diverted into more essential channels. "It may be possible that the 750 tons of steel saved could be obtained for more vital purposes such as bridges or other necessary departmental purposes," said Mr. Doucett.

Perhaps we might take a lesson from the English system of auto markers. They are of the permanent type that stay with the car through all its sales. The car comes from the factory with the marker.

This would mean not only a saving in steel but a vast saving in record keeping since the new set of records would not have to be set up each year to keep track of the newly issued numbers.

The windshield marker to be issued in 1952 will be printed on a yellow background and is approximately three inches by five. There is another saving angle in the use of this year's license plates. Think of the time it takes to unfasten the rusty bolts, each year.

## Editorial Notes

Wonder what our visitors will tell us about when our roads are all paved and tidy again.

Thomas Richard Henry, Telegram columnist, found our "Road to Korea" worthy of comment in a recent issue of that paper.

Two youngsters have built a clubhouse in their yard. On the wall, in childish lettering, is a list of club rules. No. 1 reads: "Nobody act big, nobody act small, everybody act medium."

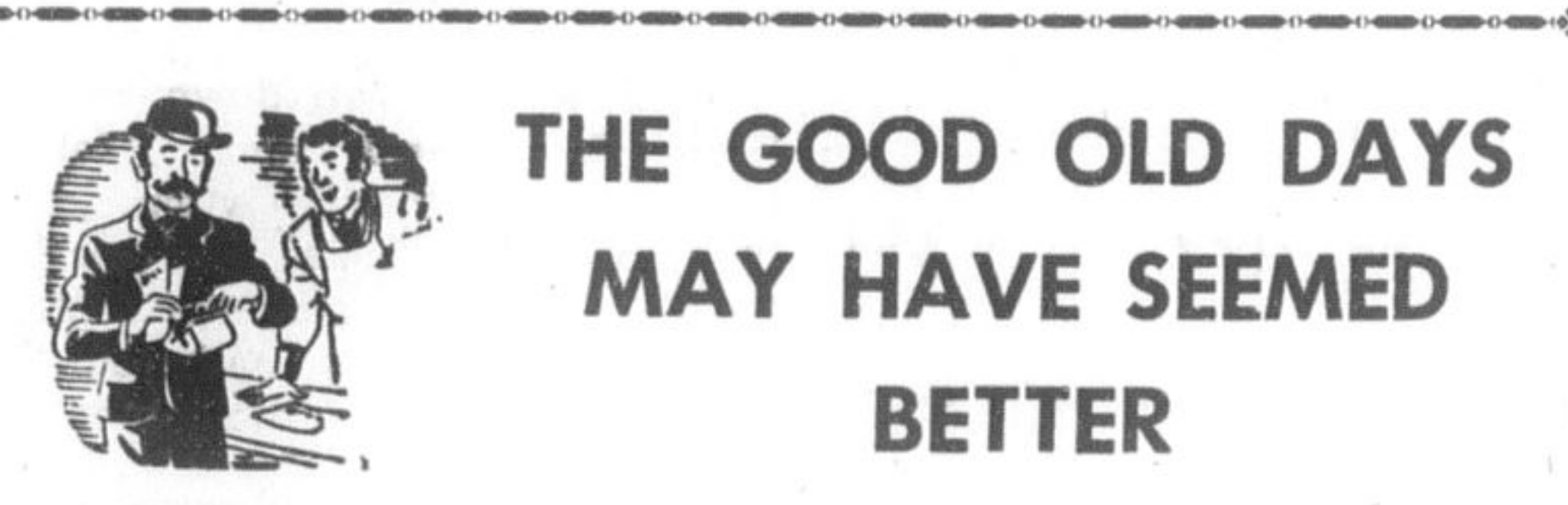
June, the month of brides, roses, strawberries and the most delightful weather, is nearing an end. But here in Ontario it's been good to have lived in such plenty on all sides that this month portrays.

Over production is starting to show up in some lines and it appears that a readjustment period in many industries is taking place. There would seem no cause for alarm in these changes. Perhaps more attention and effort can be concentrated on other lines that have been forced into the background.

Commenting on the passing of the Alameda Dispatch of Saskatchewan the Estevan Mercury sadly reports: "At one time there were thirteen newspaper offices between North Portal and Moose Jaw. Now there are three. As business began to centralize, mainly because of the automobile, country towns began to suffer and decline. With that decline the printing office was one of the first institutions to disappear. What is still in store for remaining country newspapers is readily visible. Costs are climbing unduly."



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THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

## Fifty Years Ago

Taken from the Issue of the Canadian Champion of June 27, 1901

Milton Public School promotion examinations from Int. IV to Sr. IV B Alma Bradley, Annie Atkinson, Jessie Campbell, Fred Duran, Laura Hemstreet, Fred Norwood, Victor Crozier, Violet Bowman, Edwin Landsboro.

R. J. Anderson of Terra Cotta has completed the new bridge and made a good job.

The morning passenger train struck and killed 7 cattle owned by S. McDowell.

Miss Maggie Peddie and Jas. Peddie, Jr. of Peru, attended the wedding of their cousin, Albert Peddie, in Toronto, one day last week.

John Featherstone made a \$3,000 shipment of stock from the CPR yards on Monday consisting of 220 hogs, 30 sheep and 30 calves.

The town has invested in a night-watcher's clock, which has been placed in E. Marchand's Jewelry shop. A wire runs from the clock through the window sash to a small locked box outside. The night watchman is required to open the box periodically and pull a string attached to the wire. The time at which he does so is registered in each case on a dial below the ordinary one on the clock, and it is easily seen whether he has been attending to or neglecting his duty. The registering arrangement is very ingenious.

John Miles, late of John Lawson's dry good store, has accepted an agency for stereopticon views and started his travels on Monday.

W. J. Weir of Nassagaweya had his jaw fractured by a kick from a horse some eleven days ago. He came to Milton on Tuesday for treatment.

Lindsay's good white shirts, 75c and \$1 each. Fancy Regatta striped shirts 50c and 75c.

Hollinrake and Son, ladies' parasols, 75c to \$3. Women's cashmere hose 25c pr. Men's fancy straw hats 25c and 50c.

W. Bew's Sons, splendid tweed suitings which we are making up for \$15.

If sold for the value of its chemical elements, the human body would be worth about 98 cents.

## Twenty Years Ago

Taken from the Issue of the Canadian Champion of July 2nd, 1931

Milton Public School, Promotion Exams; Room VII to Room VIII, W. G. Lindsay, teacher. Honours, Ruth MacNabb, Bruce McNabb, Evelyn White, Marion Fox. Pass, Douglas Maplesden, Kathleen Barde, Myrtle Timbers, John Brush, Robert Cooke, James Gilbert, D. Sproat, Gertrude Morley, Reta Straub, Thelma Merkle, Dorothy Stephenson, Leonard Gray, Frank Middleton, Albert Ritchie, Ernest Thompson, Olive Kelman, Peter Blinco, James Dick, Mary McCready, Jean Hadfield, Sam Smilie, Douglas Patterson, James Plesler, Marguerite Rolfe, James Shepherd, Joe Mark, Murray Ezeard.

Numerous changes in the operation of the sales tax are foreshadowed, following the conclusion of the debate on the tariff board bill, if it is concluded, when budget resolutions are taken up in the house. The tax as is well known, is increased from one to four percent. With no idea of modifying this increase, there will be what is described as a "healthy" list of exemptions. It has been found that the necessities of life which were exempted at the start cover a much wider list than was then specified. It will be enlarged accordingly. To some things the tax, while applied, will not be to the full extent.

Will Stewart of Toronto, formerly of Milton, graduated in Arts at Toronto University.

A fire of unknown origin partly destroyed J. N. Ruddell's home in Esquevas last week.

A. N. Koella is making preparations to rebuild the barn recently destroyed by fire at Lowville.

During the severe electrical storm on Thursday last, several horses and cattle were killed in Nelson Township.

Dominion Stores Limited: Tea, 25c; salmon, 10c lb. tin; fruit and cherry cake, 1 lb. slab, 19c; bread 24 oz. loaf, 6c; butter, 23c lb.

Good grass is the cheapest and best food for a dairy cow. Grazing must be supplemented with hay and silage to supply all forage that cows will eat every day of the year.

# AT THE Churches

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

SUNDAY, JULY 1st, 1951  
11.00 a.m.—Worship Service, Nursery Class and Junior School.  
Sunday, July 8 — Young People's Firsides, interdenominational, at Oakville, 7.30 p.m.

**MILTON GOSPEL CHAPEL**  
In the Farmer's Building

SUNDAY, JULY 1st, 1951  
10.30 a.m.—Sunday School and Adult Bible Class.  
6.45 p.m.—Communion of the Lord's Supper.  
8.00 p.m.—Evening Service.  
Thursday, June 21 at 8—Women's Missionary Auxiliary at the home of Mrs. S. Sherratt.  
Tuesday, June 26 at 8.30—Prayer and Bible study at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bristow.  
All are welcome

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

Rev. R. E. Porritt, Rector

SUNDAY, JULY 1st, 1951  
10.00 a.m.—Holy Communion and Sermon at St. John's.  
11.30 a.m.—Holy Communion and Sermon and Church School at St. George's.  
3.00 p.m.—St. John's Sunday School at Campbellville School House.  
Wednesday, July 4 — The annual Sunday School and congregational picnic of St. George's will be held at Soper Park, Galt, commencing with lunch at 1 p.m. Sports at 2.30 p.m. Visitors always welcome

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

SUNDAY, JULY 1st, 1951  
3.00 p.m.—Gospel service.  
Friday, 8 p.m.—Prayer meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robbins.

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REV. E. ORSBORN, Minister  
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Summer services will be held in co-operation with St. Paul's United Church  
For July in St. Paul's United Church, Morning Worship only, 11 a.m.

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Rector  
Rev. J. Homer Ferris, B.A., L.Th.

SUNDAY, JULY 1st, 1951  
Sixth Sunday after Trinity  
8.00 a.m.—Holy Communion.  
11.00 a.m.—Choral Holy Communion and Sermon.  
No evening service during July and August.  
Holy Baptism by appointment with the rector

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Order of Services (Held in I.O.O.F. Hall)

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SUNDAY, JULY 1st, 1951  
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11.00 a.m.—Worship Service.  
7.00 p.m.—Evangelistic service.

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