

# EDITORIAL

## A Common Task

This is education week. In communities such as ours which are expanding rapidly we do not need a week in which to call attention particularly to the financial demands of the question. New schools at both public and high school levels are items of which everyone is well aware and also in the funds necessary to meet the constantly rising costs.

But there is a need for education week in bringing home and school into closer co-operation. There is a need for attention to be focussed on the relationship of parents and teachers. There is a need for closer co-operation and better understanding of the problems which are common in supplying the needs for good sound education that will fit the young people of today to take their places in the world of tomorrow.

More elaborate buildings and equipment, more attractions and ease for young people to continue their education, lowering of standards, raising of salaries, frictions between teachers and parents, and criticism of those who administer school affairs are not alone the things that will make for better education and better citizens of Canada.

In this education week we perhaps need better examples and closer co-operation in our homes if the product of better citizens is to be prepared for the future that faces a greater Canada. Perhaps in this education week we should get the realization that we just cannot toss in our dollars and pay others to do the job that is our own. Parents' responsibilities are more than just paying the tax levy for educational purposes.

We need education week, even if for only a part of the seven days of that week we give some thoughtful consideration on the responsibilities and example that is our and cannot be purchased by money.

## In Time of Need

Every month in the year the Red Cross stands ready to meet any disaster, any emergency, or any cause of mercy. In this month of March you have your opportunity to maintain this great organization by your donation. The need this year is for 5½ million dollars.

No one questions the need for defence expenditures and no one needs to question the need to keep the Red Cross strong that it may meet the needs of peacetime and wartime. Maybe it's an accident victim of our own town or district. It may be a citizen burned out of home, or flooded cut who needs food, clothing and help. The Red Cross is always helping people across the street—across the nation—across the world.

This is our opportunity to keep this great organization at the ready to meet all emergency. Hurricanes strike suddenly. Give generously this month to the Red Cross.

## Early Optimism

Perhaps in early March is a dangerous time to mention the fact of the very fine winter which we have experienced in this part of Ontario. March, as we well know, and even early April can dump a lot of snow on the countryside and change any complimentary comment about our winters—in spite of the fact that the calendar gives assurance that spring will arrive on the 21st of this month.

Conversing with folk in the eastern part of the province and a recent visit in eastern Ontario shows that our fortunate position in snowfall was not general in the province. We heard of one town that had been forced by this year's snow to buy extra equipment for snow removal. When every penny counts in the tax rate the lack of snow is an item that has been very helpful to municipal councils in towns and townships. Snow removal estimates for the year should be down considerably from other years. Like members of municipal bodies we'll hope until mid-April that nothing occurs to spoil this pleasant winter with lack of snow.

## Keeping Pace

The other day when we noted the many hours clipped off the transcontinental run of Canada's great railways, and we saw in the station yards in Toronto the fine new steel cars with the scenic domes and luxurious comfort for travel, we wondered if in this day of air and highway travel we gave due credit to the part the railways have played in the development of a country such as Canada which stretches from ocean to ocean.

Many of us can recall the days when the harvesters' excursions to Western Canada moved the workers for the fields and the railways, as now, brought the harvest to the market. The railways have carried the early settlers to the new homes in the new frontiers in the west and north long before highway or air travel were dreamed of. Those were not the days of luxurious travel and the time was slower. Many of us can recall the loaded trains that carried the week-end and holiday travellers in quantity if not in comfort.

It doesn't require a long memory to recall the heavy traffic that the railways carried during the war years when armed forces and war materials had to be transported from ocean to ocean.

Now the railways seem to be coming into another era. The slick new diesels are eliminating the coal burning locomotives. Luxury cars are luring travellers to use railways that have all the comforts of a home on wheels. The new equipment is not so noisy and the new diesels pull without the terrific starts and stops of the steam locomotives.

It certainly appears that the railways and the ribbons of steel will continue to compete satisfactorily for many years with the transportation systems that have developed in recent years. They are certainly not taking a back seat to any other travel in the present day.

## Dollar Value

There is no need to lose any sleep over the drop in the premium of the Canadian dollar, declares The Financial Post. Our national vanity may suffer a little but not our pocketbooks.

For both the exporter and the importer it will be good news for it strengthens their competitive position. For those interested in the tourist trade, too, a headache has been eased. The enforcement of the discount on U.S. funds may have brought in some small financial return, but insisting on the extra pennies, often injured good will, which is so vital in this type of business.

On a very large proportion of our export trade, regardless of the ultimate destination, the price is set in U.S. dollars which, meant that exporters received fewer Canadian dollars for the same amount of goods.

For the importer there was also a painful squeeze.

The higher the Canadian dollar, the more the exporter in West Germany, Britain or the United States received in his own money for the goods he sold to us and the better position he was in to cut the prices of those goods.

Because of the very large two-way flow of goods, people and capital across the U.S.-Canada border it is in the best interests of both countries when our respective dollars are about equal.

## Other Papers Say

If Canada gets few immigrants from West Germany we will have to get more from other countries. Next to the United Kingdom and France, whose citizens show little inclination to emigrate, our best bet for new citizens seem to be from Italy, where Canadian immigration officials are swamped with applications.—Pincher Creek (Alta.) Echo.

Every time a school has to be enlarged or a new one built, there is the usual amount of controversy, especially if it is going to touch our pocketbooks. The trouble is that most of us are much more sensitive about our pocketbooks when it comes to taxes, school or otherwise, than we are about a new car or television set.—Stanstead (Que.) Journal. We've even heard the argument put forth that purchase of television was for the benefit of the education of the children.



WINTER IS WANING but there's still plenty of snow to be found in this part of Ontario. In Halton's Nassagaweya, at the north-west corner of the county, more snow fall is recorded each winter in this section than any other part of Halton. This farm scene under a blanket of white is taken from the Blue Springs Line in Nassagaweya township.



**Pinned After Accident**  
In Erin the three year-old son of a local couple narrowly escaped serious injury in an accident last week when he was pinned between the front seat and door of the family car after it turned over in a ditch on the Belfountain Road while the family were out for a drive. Both parents and an infant daughter were unhurt in the mishap.

**Fire Chief Steps Down**  
In Burlington veteran fire chief James "Red" Waumsley, head of the town's volunteer Fire Department for 13 years and a member of the department for 30 years, has resigned his office but will continue as a member. It was reported, with pressure of business the reason for the resignation. Deputy chief Jack Law is carrying on at present.

**Water For Trafalgar**  
In Bronte it was announced the local P.U.C. will sell some 15,000 gallons of water daily to Trafalgar township for about 40 cents per gallon. A master meter will be used to record the water used. It was pointed out that the Bronte plant won't have to be expanded to supply Trafalgar with 15,000 daily gallons.

**Gosh, Mrs. Ghosh**  
In Oakville the wife of a Bengalese nuclear physicist, Mrs. S. K. Ghosh, is a lucky woman. At a food-chain store cooking school recently she walked off with first prize. The next day she did the same thing again. "Gosh, she's lucky," punned another woman. The prizes: an orange rum cake and enough potato salad to last a week.

**Commuters Try Again**  
In Oakville the Commuters' Association has called a general meeting for March 10 to map the next move in its battle to bring down higher fares. An appeal from this group was recently turned down by the federal cabinet. Discrimination and political pressure have been charged over a decision from the Transport Commission in the matter of the Oakville rate hikes.

**Charter Night for Rotary**  
In Georgetown plans were finalized for the charter night of the town's new Rotary Club held Monday night in the Legion Hall. Basil Tippet, District Governor, was present, as was Joe Caulder, Past Governor and outstanding Canadian Rotarian who was the guest speaker. Several guests were on hand from district Rotary Clubs.

**Hired by Municipality**  
In Georgetown Clarence Benham, formerly with the personnel department of Acton's Beardmore Co. Ltd., was hired by the town council last week from among five or more applications for the position of assessment commissioner. Mr. Benham is a life-long resident who managed the brewers' retail store at one time.

**Action Farmers' Local**  
In Acton a sparsely attended meeting was held in the town hall recently when an attempt was made to form a local for the Ontario Farmers' Union which is reported, in over two years, to have achieved a membership of some 10,000. Following the meeting several men in the audience were enrolled as local members.

**Let George Do It**  
In Erin Education Week urges the local paper to further urge some young man of the village to "step up and do his bit" by filling the vacancy on the local school board. The Advocate uses strong references to bring home the acuteness of need for another trustee and to put down the "Let George Do It" attitude characterizing the situation.

**No Esquing Objections**  
In Acton on March 1 the Ontario Municipal Board's decision awarding the town 465 acres of Esquing township land became official. The decision's official date comes and goes without any notice of objection on the award from the township which had 28 days after the public announcement on the decision in which to file objections.

## CHURCH NEWS

**ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH**  
Minister—REV. J. L. BLAIR, B.A.  
Organist, Mrs. Harold Magee, A.T.C.M.  
SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1955  
10.00 a.m.—Senior School.  
11.00 a.m.—Worship service, theme A Lenten Message; Junior School and Nursery Class  
7.00 p.m.—Combined service will be cancelled to attend farewell service of Mr. Green in Grace Anglican church.  
Monday, March 14—4.15 p.m., Mission Band; 7 p.m., C.G.I.T. in the Sunday school room.  
Friday, March 18—7 p.m., Tyro Boys; 8 p.m., Senior Choir.

**KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
REV. E. ORSBORN, Minister  
Dr. Zanko P. Zankov, M.A., L.L.C.M., Organist and Choir Master  
SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1955  
10.00 a.m.—Senior School.  
11.00 a.m.—Junior School.  
11.00 a.m.—Morning worship, theme "Who Ventures All?"  
7.00 p.m.—Service withdrawn in favor of the farewell service of Rev. N. Green in Grace Anglican church.  
N.B. This is the last day to vote for new elders.  
Tuesday, March 15, 8 p.m.—Coronation group, Hostess, Mrs. Orsborn, the Manse, Martin St. Special speaker. Each member bring a guest.

**CALVARY TABERNACLE**  
Pentecostal Holiness  
BRONTE ST.  
Pastor: Rev. A. C. T. Sara  
SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1955  
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship.  
7.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.

**EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Commercial Street  
(Formerly Bowes Baptist Church)  
(Meeting temporarily at Milton Town Hall)  
PASTOR, REV. R. F. SNYDER  
SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1955  
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School and Adult Bible Class.  
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship.  
7.00 p.m.—Evening Service.  
Thursday, March 10 at 8—Women's Missionary Society at the home of Mrs. Fred Robbins.  
Tuesday, March 15 at 7.30—Pioneer Girls.  
Wednesday, March 16 at 8.15—Prayer and Bible study at the home of Rev. and Mrs. R. Snyder.

**GRACE CHURCH ANGLICAN**  
Rev. Norman Green, B.A., L.Th. Rector  
SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1955  
Third Sunday in Lent  
8.00 a.m.—Holy Communion, Corporate Communion of the Afternoon Branch of the W.A.  
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11.00 a.m.—Children's Hour in the Parish Hall.  
11.00 a.m.—Morning Prayer.  
7.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer.  
"Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me." St. Matthew 11: 29.

**ST. JOHN'S, NASSAGAWEYA and ST. GEORGE'S, LOWVILLE (Anglican)**  
Rev. R. E. Porritt, Rector  
SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1955  
Third Sunday in Lent  
11.00 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Church School at St. George's.  
2.00 p.m.—Holy Communion and Church School at St. John's.  
Wednesday, March 16, 8 p.m.—Lenten devotions at St. George's.  
All Are Welcome

## THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

### Twenty Years Ago

From the Issue of the Champion of Thursday, March 7th, 1935

The assessor is on his rounds. Rev. Ewan MacDonald, B.A. after nine years pastorate at Norval and Union Presbyterian Churches, has resigned owing to ill health. Salt, sand and ashes had to be quickly applied to the sidewalks on Monday morning as their icy condition made travel for pedestrians more of a feat of acrobatics than pleasure.

Jack Hardy forgot to speak to his father's horse before he stepped behind it to readjust its harness. He is suffering from two broken ribs, because the startled horse kicked him 12 feet through the air into a snow bank.

Signs of spring: Hundreds of crows have arrived. Reg. Marshall has tulips half way out of the ground and John Timbers caught a butterfly on Tuesday.

Margaret Robinson and Barbara Nixon passed their elementary examination in piano at Toronto Conservatory of Music last week.

At the Chatham Seed Fair only five counties were allowed to exhibit grain and seed. James C. Cunningham of Hornby won first prize on white pea beans and third on sweet corn (Golden Bantam).

The Y.P.S. of Grace church were entertained at the home of Mrs. J. T. Hannant at a euchre party on Wednesday night. The prizes were won by Mrs. R. Brush and Frank Cartwright, Miss Anne Lavel and A. Woodley.

The World Day of Prayer will be held in Grace Church Sunday School Room on Friday, March 8th at 3 p.m. This day has been set aside for the purpose of promoting a Dominion wide interdenominational Women's Day of Prayer for missions.

In appreciation of his eight years' loyal service as superintendent of Knox Presbyterian Church Sunday school, the teachers presented W. I. Dick with a beautiful illuminated address and an ebony silver mounted cane. Mrs. Dick was presented with a beautiful spring bouquet. The presentation of the address was made by Rev. J. N. McFaul, the cane being presented by A. E. Allen. Miss Blain presented the bouquet.

### Fifty Years Ago

From the Issue of the Champion of Thursday, March 16, 1905

On Tuesday evening about 30 friends of D. A. McClure assembled at his late residence, Trafalgar, and gave him and Mrs. McClure a farewell oyster supper. P. McDuffe was voted in to the chair, making an excellent opening address. Other speeches were given by Walter, Herb and William McCartney, Thomas Farlow, Ed. Bousfield, E. McPhail and others. Mr. and Mrs. McClure are moving to Calgary.

It is the intention to establish a lodge of Daughters of Rebecca shortly in connection with Milton Lodge, No. 92, I.O.O.F. so the Lodge gave an "At Home" on Thursday night. Between 125 and 150 attended. Prominent guests were Past Grand Master Young and Mrs. Young, Grand Secretary of the Rebecca Assembly, Hamilton; Mrs. Barlow, D.D.G.M., and Mrs. O. Hanley, Galt; and Past Grand Wilson of Kingston. It is expected the Rebecca Lodge will be instituted within a few weeks with about 40 members.

Fred Wales of Milton exhibited 68 birds at the Eastern Ontario Stock and Poultry Exhibition in Ottawa. He carried off 58 prizes: 26 firsts, 13 seconds, 17 thirds and two fourths.

C. McClenahan of Nassagaweya won \$5 in the Mail and Empire contest for the closest guess to the number of votes polled in the recent provincial election. The total vote was 444,497 and Mr. McClenahan's guess was 444,900.

Manager Clements has moved from his temporary quarters into the Metropolitan Bank building, which has been remodelled.

Warden McGibbon and County Councillors Smith, Wilson, Warren, Cook and Ford met in Milton on Saturday and opened 26 tenders of land for the house of refuge which had come from various parts of the county.

The difficulty about the amount to be paid for the use of the rink, having been adjusted, the Milton Ladies Hockey team tried to arrange the return match with Acton, but failed. Streetsville ladies team were invited and accepted but due to the illness of several of their players, were unable to come. Acton will be here on Tuesday.

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