

An Overlooked Situation

The agitation that is being made for a four day week in the next 25 years brings some interesting comment in a recent issue of *The Financial Post* which is now noted in much of the current discussion.

"There's also a social question involved. What are people going to do with that bonus of 24 carefree hours? How are they going to put in a three-day week-end that happens 52 times a year?"

"The optimistic theory is that all of us, when released from toil after modest exertions, use our spare time improving our minds and bodies. On extra free time, may we expect to find masses of eager citizens improving their minds by reading Plato, going to

concerts, venturing into the country to try their hand at landscape-painting or even planting daffodils?

"Past experience says no. Beer and baseball will claim more clients than Bach and Beethoven, poker more than Picasso, sleep more than Shakespeare.

"There is nothing the matter with fun and games; but we seriously suggest that a perpetually recurring 'long week-end', now an occasional treat, will in sum total produce more boredom than pleasure. Even though 'the dignity of labor' may be an unpopular phrase today, man's most satisfying happiness is still in his work."

Municipal Mechanization Growing

One of the problems of any municipal council today results from the amount of motorized equipment which has been acquired in the past decade says the *St. Mary's Journal-Argus*.

A few years ago a team of horses, a few men, plus picks and shovels, were just about all that was needed to look after the community engineering.

But time have changed, and certainly

more mechanized methods are more necessary and sensible. The only trouble is that there is a lot of "keeping-track-of" to do resulting from the needs to purchase gasoline, tires, repairs and the many other accessories of motorized transportation.

No doubt the Town Council is aware of the expense problem created by this growing use of equipment. Such machines are a fine thing but strict control must be kept on their use and their care and also their obsolescence.

Changing Springtime Trends

The back yard garden plots that used to be an attraction to get out of doors have lost much of their popularity. Imported green vegetables that are available the year round have dulled the urge to have the garden products from the home plots. The large grower and fast transportation have made the growing of garden vegetables a job for the specialist.

Of course, there are still those who combine the early gardening operation with the need for digging in the garden with the opening of the fishing season. There are so many ways to get out of doors now that even this

excuse is finding more and more competition for the home garden.

At the time of inauguration of daylight saving it was claimed the extra hours would bring more time for home gardening but that has long since lost its argumentative power. Maybe the day will arrive when the deep lots in town will be found more necessary for back alleys and parking facilities. Then much of the attraction of town living will have succumbed to the city trend of crowded quarters and fast traffic. Spring is losing many of its old attractions to a change in our mode of living.

Not a One Night Problem

More and more cars on the roadways and increased sales of motor cars brings to the towns and villages the problem that has been serious in some years. Where to put the motor cars, especially when the shopping centre has to accommodate the cars from town residents and the rural community adjoining in peak hours.

Parking meters are being introduced into more and more towns. Latest town to adopt the meters is Orangeville even with its fine broad main street in the heart of the downtown shopping district. Other towns with more limited street parking are also taking

the matter under advisement. That it is a move may be judged by the fact that a one vote margin was given the move in Orangeville.

It is generally conceded that parking meters are not a friendly gesture to those who come to town to shop. We don't believe that they actually solve the problem but perhaps they do help keep abreast with the ever increasing number of automobiles on the roads these days. Sooner or later all towns will have to deal with the problem. The day is over when it was only a Saturday night occurrence.

We are Living Longer

A parliamentary return tells us that in 1956 there were added to the list of old-age pensioners in Canada the names of 88,991 individuals. In the same time 60,290 pensioners died and 684 were removed from the list for other reasons, leaving a net gain in the 12 months of 28,017 persons. In ordinary business that would be considered a splendid showing calling perhaps for an extra dividend.

There is an interesting breakdown of the 684 removed from the rolls while alive—22 of them at their own request, six because enquiry after acceptance proved them ineligible, three because the pensioners were put in jail. The largest number, 413, lost their pension by leaving Canada to take up residence

elsewhere, and 240 others severed postal relations with the Department of Pensions and are presumed to have left the country.

This sharp increase of 28,017 pensioners in a year reflects, no doubt, the number of eligible men and women of 70 years in a growing population, and also the fact that more and more Canadians are living in their eighth decade. What puzzles us more is why 22 persons told the department not to send any more cheques—was it a nice regard for the national treasury, or what?

And it speaks well for the great body of pensioners that only three of them last year lost their monthly cheques because they were in jail.—*Ottawa Journal*.

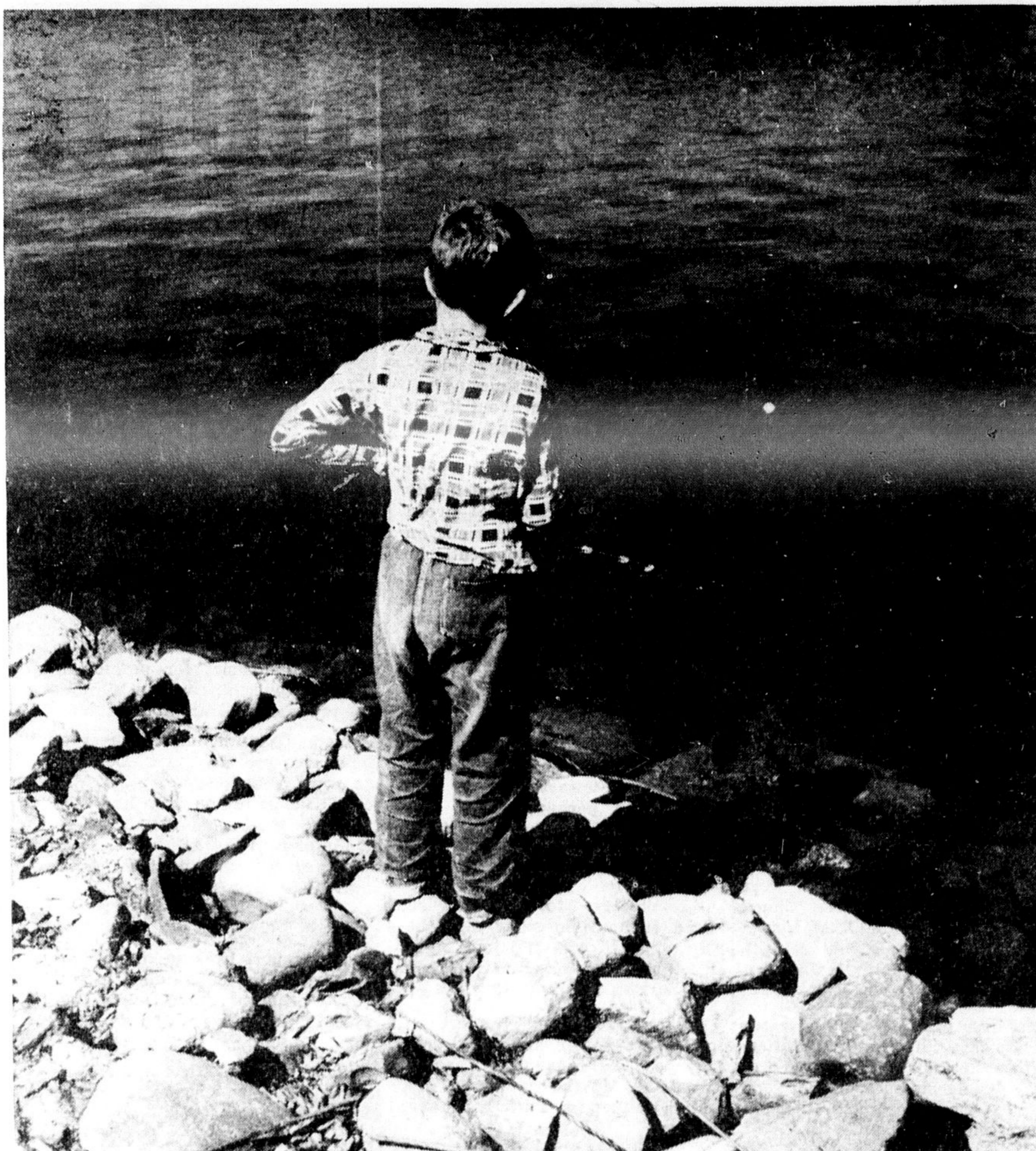
Brief Comment

Permanent plates for motor vehicles will need to be made of better material and finish than they now are if they are to remain legible.

For housing this year, says Dalton Robertson in *The Financial Post*, the prospect seems to be that there will be a supply of money sufficient to support a program below 1955 or 1956, but still large enough to meet minimum requirements. It also seems evident that from this sector of the economy at least, the pressure on prices is being kept well in check.

The first part of April found spring a little bit reticent in making its debut.

The farm organizations of Canada, says the *Rural Scene*, "have become obsessed with the idea of controlled, centralized marketing. They have persuaded themselves that if they had monopolistic control of the marketing and, if need be, of the production of all farm products, they would be in a position to secure for the farmers prices based on their needs, regardless of the value of their products to the consumers who have to pay them."



—Photo by Estier Taylor

"Where's the Fish"

The Week at Ottawa

Check Reveals Report Untrue

By ROY LaBERGE
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP)—Prime Minister St. Laurent said at a press conference last week that the case of the late E. Herbert Norman was "closed." However, within three days, two cabinet ministers had issued lengthy statements on the Canadian diplomat's early association with communism.

External Affairs Minister Pearson said April 18 that it was an unfounded R.C.M.P. report which the United States Senate internal security sub-committee used to brand Norman as a Communist.

A day later, Justice Minister Garson made public the R.C.M.P. report of October 17, 1950, which included information received from

a secret agent in 1940, that a "professor Herbert Norman" was a member of the Communist party.

But three months later, he stated, the R.C.M.P. issued a second report which said the agent's information was a case of "mistaken identity or unfounded rumor."

The reports were furnished to the External Affairs Department and to the appropriate U.S. security agency, presumably the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Used First Report
Mr. Pearson said it was the first R.C.M.P. report which fell into the hands of the sub-committee and which the sub-committee used to brand the Canadian diplomat as a Communist.

Mr. Norman, Canadian ambassador to Egypt, committed suicide

April 4 in Cairo after the sub-committee had revived allegations of communism against him.

Mr. Pearson said in his statement that he had concluded, on the basis of a 1950-51 Canadian security investigation, that Mr. Norman as a student in the 1930s had "ideological beliefs which were close to some form of communism" but had voluntarily abandoned them by the time he entered the External Affairs Department in 1939.

The External Affairs Minister's statements were included in a text of a telegram he sent to the editor of the *Montreal Gazette* and issued by the Department. The statements took issue with comments on the Norman case written by Arthur Blakely, the *Gazette's* Ottawa correspondent, in his editorial page column.

Mr. Garson said the October 17, 1950, R.C.M.P. report stated:

"In February, 1940, a secret agent in Toronto reported that one Professor Herbert Norman, who at the time was attending Harvard University and was connected with McMaster University in Hamilton, was a member of the Communist party of Canada."

Mr. Garson said the 1940 reference to a "Professor Norman" was received at a time when floods of similar reports on many persons and apparently arising from wartime tension were coming to the R.C.M.P. It was included in a general report by the agent, along with a number of other names.

"A cursory check was made and it was found at once that the information was certainly not completely accurate," Mr. Garson added. "After these cursory enquiries, the matter was not followed up further and the reference simply remained on a general security file."

Full Investigation
He said that when Mr. Norman's name was introduced before the sub-committee in 1950, the R.C.M.P. files were searched and the agent's 1940 mention of Mr. Norman being a Communist party member came to light.

"A full and searching security investigation" followed. The agent's report was included in a preliminary summary "as an unassessed and unevaluated bit of information" followed. The agent's report was included in a preliminary summary "as an unassessed and unevaluated bit of information which, however, needed to be dealt with."

"It was so dealt with and eliminated in the following report of December 1, 1950."

Mr. Garson said neither he nor Mr. Pearson had any knowledge of the R.C.M.P. secret agent's report of February, 1940, until the Norman case came up in 1950.

Mr. Pearson on April 19 sent a letter to the editor of the *Toronto Globe* and Mail after an editorial in that newspaper said Mr. Pearson had "completely reversed himself" on the question of whether official Canadian information on Mr. Norman had gotten into the hands of the U.S. senate sub-committee.

Mr. Pearson said he had relied for his statements that this had not happened, on R.C.M.P. assurances that two security reports sent to Washington had not been passed on to the sub-committee.

The minister's 601 word letter added that not until after his Commission

THIS SUNDAY'S

CHURCH CALENDAR

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
Minister
Rev. J. Lorne Graham, B.A., B.D.
Organist, Mrs. Harold Magee,
A.T.C.M.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28th, 1957
11:00 a.m.—(Daylight Saving Time)
—THE SOCIETY OF AARON
HUR.
No Evening Service during Daylight Saving Time.

Saturday, April 27 — Mr. and Mrs. Club's 10th anniversary supper, 7 p.m., in the Sunday school room of St. Paul's United Church.

GRACE CHURCH
ANGELICAN
Milton, Ontario
Rector: Rev. D. A. Powell

SUNDAY, APRIL 28th, 1957
11:00 a.m.—Morning School
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion.
9:45 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Matsins.
7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
WEEK-DAY SERVICES
8:30 a.m.—Matsins daily.
6:55 p.m.—Evensong (Wed. to Fri.)

MILTON FULL GOSPEL
ASSEMBLY
Affiliated with the
PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES
OF CANADA
Pastor: Rev. M. Christensen

SUNDAY, APRIL 28th, 1957
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
Sunday services in the I.O.O.F. Hall, Main St.
Tuesday, 8 p.m.—Bible study, parsonage, 183 Heslop Rd.
Thursday — 4:15 p.m., Missionary Action Girls, parsonage; 8 p.m., Young People's service, parsonage.
Friday, 8 p.m.—Regular meeting of the Women's Missionary Council, parsonage.
A church you can make your home All Are Welcome

ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH
Milton Heights, Ontario
Rector: D. A. Powell
SUNDAY, APRIL 28th, 1957

1:45 p.m.—Sunday School.
2:30 p.m.—Holy Communion.
Wednesday, 4 p.m.—Junior Auxiliary.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
REV. E. ORSBORN, Minister
Dr. Zanko P. Zanko, M.A., LL.C.M., Organist, and Choir Master
"Come thou with us and we will do thee good." Numbers 10: 29.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28th, 1957
(Daylight Saving Time)
10:00 a.m.—Senior School.
11:00 a.m.—Junior School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
Theme, "Thomas Sees It Through."
Wednesday, May 1, 7:30 P.Y.P.S.
Thursday, May 2, 8 p.m.—Maple Leaf Group, Hostess, Miss Telfer, Martin St.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH
215 Commercial Street
Pastor, Rev. Robt. P. Snyder

SUNDAY, APRIL 28th, 1957
10:00 a.m.—Bible School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Canadian Legion Church Parade.
7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
Thursday, April 25, 8 p.m.—Women's Missionary meeting at the home of Mrs. Bristol, Fulton St.
Friday, April 26, 8 p.m.—God's Workers Youth Group at the church.
Wednesday, May 1, 8 p.m.—Prayer and Bible study at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Morton, Martin St.

CALVARY TABERNACLE
Pentecostal Holiness
132 BRONTE ST.
Pastor: J. A. Graham

SUNDAY, APRIL 28th, 1957
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
Tuesday — 6:45 p.m., Children's church; 8 p.m., Prayer meeting.
Wednesday, 2 p.m.—W.A. meeting.
Friday—8 p.m.—Young People's. You are welcome to all these services.

LOWVILLE - NASSAGAWEYA (ANGELICAN)
Rector: Rev. R. P. E. Jeffares, TR 8-9832

SUNDAY, APRIL 28th, 1957
EASTER I
St. George's Church
11:00 a.m.—Matsins, Sermon and Church School. Cubs and Scouts Service.
4:00 p.m.—Holy Baptism (private).
St. John's Church
2:00 p.m.—Evensong, Sermon and Thursday, 8:30 p.m.—A.Y.P.A. Church School.

THE GOOD OLD DAYS

BACK IN 1937

Taken from the issue of the *Champion*, April 22, 1937.

The old bell that has tolled pupils in and out of classes from its turreted belfry of Boyne public school for nearly half a century, was recently pilfered for common scrap iron, in the opinion of Charles Jarvis, chairman of the school board. In the interest of economy and efficiency, the board decided not to replace it, but to use electric bells instead.

"We can't prove that the bell was taken for scrap iron, but we are satisfied that was the reason," Mr. Jarvis stated. "We discovered several pieces of broken bell were found in Hamilton junk yards, and we have also learned that other bells have been stolen—the bell at Glenora school, near here, was stolen."

Charles Jarvis, 12, narrowly escaped injury on Tuesday afternoon when he fell 12 feet from Main St. bridge into two feet of water. He was standing on the edge of the bridge, fishing for suckers, when he lost his balance and fell head first into the shallow water.

Municipalities now have the right to govern the hours of closing of beverage rooms within their borders. The legislative changes governing this went into effect on April 1.

Milton will be represented at the Coronation, Misses Lola and Marjorie Buck and Miss Marion Clements will leave for England tomorrow (Friday) and Miss Mary Reid will leave with a party of Toronto young women at the end of April.

A large timber wolf is making life miserable for a herd of deer which make their home near Credit Forks east of Belfountain, according to W. J. Wilson. The wolf, according to Mr. Wilson, has chased the deer over a large area and has them very nervous. Wilson reports seeing the animal on two occasions.

On account of the increased rate of postage on Canadian papers mailed to the United States, the price of the *Champion* to American subscribers from May 8 next will be \$2.00 a year, or \$1.50 if paid in advance.

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BACK IN 1907

Taken from the issue of the *Champion*, April 25, 1907.

Tom Longboat, the winner of the Boston marathon race and the greatest long distance runner in the world, trained at Stewarttown last fall. Before that he was a berry picker at Oakville.

Dr. K. D. Pantou will leave Milton today for St. John, N.B., and sails Saturday on the C.P.R. steamer, Lake Erie, for England, to take a post graduate course of at least six months at London.

Yesterday morning, all the hands employed in Wm. Barber Bros. new coating mill near the G.T.R. station, Georgetown, went on strike. They are said to be dissatisfied with their foreman.

Yesterday afternoon, the roof of the C.P.R. grainery caught fire from a spark from a passing engine. The alarm was sounded and the fire brigade was on the spot in short order. The nearest hydrant to the fire was opposite Dr. Anderson's residence about 1,000 feet away. The roof was considerably damaged as there was a high wind but the chief damage was to a large quantity of grain by water which dropped on it. The grain which belonged to John Irving was insured.

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