



OUR READERS WRITE

THE CANADIAN CHAMPION

Corporations pay their share

Dear Editor:

The Auditor General's report is full of vivid examples of government waste and excellent ideas on how to cut the fat while remaining effective. Regrettably, it also perpetuates the misconception that the taxation of corporate profits is always a good thing for the Canadian economy. It appears to reason that if we could only squeeze more out of those nasty corporations, happy days again would soon follow.

To put things into perspective, Statistics Canada reports that 1991 estimated total tax revenues at all levels of government are expected to be about \$290. Only about \$18 billion is from corporate income taxes. That amounts to 6.2 per cent of the total.

Employer corporations also pay business tax, property tax, capital tax, health tax, unemployment insurance and Canada pension plan levies, workers compensation, provincial sales tax, government fees for licences of all sorts, and the list goes on. These taxes are paid regardless of bottom line profit or loss and amount to many times the corporate income tax.

They also pay wages and dividends that we live on and pay tax on six ways from Sunday.

The bottom line is that we don't want to destroy or discourage the geese that lay the golden eggs. Every employer who chooses not to locate here because of our regressive tax policies or our incredible red tape, or goes out of business for lack of international competitiveness, costs us far more than we ever would get in corporate income tax.

As long as corporate profits are turned back into producing jobs for Canadians, why should they be taxed? Do we believe that the government will put the money to better use?

There is a strong argument that if there was no income tax on the re-invested profits of corporate employers until paid out in form of dividends or salaries, there would be much more investment in Canadian business and our economy would start to recover.

There would be a strong incentive to reinvest profits in Canada and absolutely no tax incentive to send profits out of the country.

Mountains of tax regulations probably have never helped our economy, and likely never will.

David Bazar, C.A.
Candidate for the
Federal Liberal Nomination,
Oakville-Milton

Heavy price at dump

Dear Editor:

I got my first glimpse of the use of taxpayers' money at our new landfill

sight (dump) November 26.

I am doing some minor work and clean up around my house, which I pay good taxes on. To save extra trips, I took the stuff in one load in my truck. When I got there I went to the container depot and was informed I could not use the 12 empty containers because I had more than 300 kg.

At another area my truck was weighed and after the load was dumped I returned to the scales at which time I was told that I owed \$210.70 for my household waste. That is an outrageous fee for a taxpayer of Milton to pay.

If I had made 10 trips to the same place, it wouldn't have cost me anything. I don't know how they can justify one way you pay and one way you don't. If I was a business and made money on removing the stuff I could understand.

If they intended to charge in this way, the people of Milton should have been better informed of this practice through letters to each household.

So if you go to our new landfill, take less than 300 kg or a pocket full of cash.

John Hasselfeldt
Milton

Blood clinic supporters thanked

Dear Editor:

The Milton Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society would like to thank the dedicated volunteers who help in every facet of our blood clinics and do such a magnificent job.

These include the telecruiers,

registrars, Thea Jensen's ladies, Pathfinders groups and the Knights of Columbus.

We would also like to thank the sponsors, who time and again donate their goods and services so willingly. These are: Bousfield's Farm, TTC Bottling, Domino's Pizza, Tim Horton's, Kwik Kopy and Super Choice Country Markets.

Last, but not least, we must of course say thank you to the donors, who come out faithfully to the clinics and make everyone's efforts so rewarding. We must remember, in these times of adverse publicity that people still become ill, or are involved in accidents, and may need to rely on the generosity of blood donors.

Susan M. Lynch
Branch Manager
Milton Canadian
Red Cross Society

Grand gift

This letter was written to Mary Long of Britannia Road, Milton by S. M. Arscott, president of Friends of May Pen Hospital, Clarendon, Jamaica.

Dear Mrs. Long:

We write to express sincere gratitude to you and Toronto based friends and reunion members who have made a gift of \$1,000 (resulting from a fund-raising event in Milton).

It is especially meaningful and significant to us as we have applied it to the partial refurbishing of the male and female wards — pictures of which we shall be sending to you on completion of the project.

S. M. Arscott
President, Friends of
May Pen Hospital



Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

Cheers

It is only fitting the employees of Consumers Glass received special edition commemorative glass bottles to celebrate the company's 75th anniversary last week. Looking over some of the bottles before they were handed out are Sandra Parks, a select packer at the local plant and plant manager Jim Galloway.



Meadow Mouse Says Have Breakfast with SANTA!

Date: Saturday December 5th
Time: 8:00 am to 10:00 am only!
Place: Appleby's Restaurant.
Price: \$3.50 per child 12 or under
(parents are welcome to accompany children)

Menu

- Choice of Apple or Orange Juice
- Fruit and Cheese Trays
- Muffins/Croissants
- Pancakes with Syrup & Butter
- Toast and Jam

Ticket Sales

(Near Food Court area)
thru Friday December 4th
Monday to Friday...5:00 to 7:00 pm
NOTE: Ticket Quantities are Limited.



Join Meadow Mouse's CLUB FOR KIDS

It's FREE, and as a member, you'll receive an official MEMBERSHIP CARD, NAME BADGE, FREE "SANTA PHOTO" COUPON and much, much more!

PLACE: Dominion Court **Dates & Times**
Wednesday December 2nd - 6 pm to 8 pm
Wednesday December 16th - 6 pm to 8 pm

Blood Donor Clinic

Friday December 4th 1:30pm to 8:30pm

UPPER LEVEL

Here's a Christmas Present that everyone can afford to give and one which is the most precious of all. The Gift of Life. Please take a moment from your hectic schedule to visit the RED CROSS on our UPPER LEVEL.

Thank You!

Meadowvale Town Centre

Monday to Friday 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM / Saturday 9:30 AM - 9:00 PM / Sunday NOON - 5:00 PM

SOUTH OF 401 ON WINSTON CHURCHILL BETWEEN AQUITAINE & BATTLEFORD

anchored by DOMINION and WOOLCO

Markborough

Letters

Welcomed

The Canadian Champion welcomes letters to the editor. We reserve the right to edit, revise, and reject letters.

Writers will be contacted in regard to revisions or rejections. Letters must be signed and the address and the telephone number of the writer included. Mail letters to:

The Canadian Champion
Box 248,
Milton, Ont. L9T 4N9
or leave them at our office,
191 Main Street.