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A NEW NOTE IN EDUCATION

The new program of study which will be introduced in many High Schools throughout Ontario in September strikes a new and progressive note in education. The new program may present difficulties to the Richmond Hill High School Board and other Boards similarly situated and these difficulties may be so great that full advantage of the change cannot be taken only gradually over a period of years but the fact remains that the proposed change is refreshing and hope inspiring for those who have long recognized that some such change was very necessary.

It is apparent that a new school, very different from the old traditional one is now rising in its place. It may take a few years but with the utmost certainty it is coming. The new educational outlook for which this new school is designed emphasizes three things—first that the individual child is one organic whole, secondly that the teacher is no longer merely a person appointed to teach rules and instruct children but a supervisor concerned to assist and help the natural growth of his or her pupils, thirdly that environment is a most important factor in education.

The establishment of Manual Training is to include the development of industrial intelligence, an appreciation of industrial life, and to promote the discovery of special interests in individual students. These aims will involve opportunities for experiences in a variety of activities; wood-working, sheet-metal, electricity, motor mechanics, etc. It is felt that the discovery of interest will be of inestimable value in deciding a life vocation.

In regard to Home Economics, the attitude has been that the girl is entitled to as many of the advantages as offered in the city schools. In schools where the Course has been introduced, the interest is genuine and wonderful progress has been made.

For the sake of those who are attending our High Schools we hope administrative school bodies throughout Ontario will be able to avail themselves of the improvements within as short a time as possible. These are changes in our secondary educational system which have been needed for many years and which is widely endorsed by the best educationalists of our day.

THE GOOD OLD DAYS

Give me the good old days!
 How many times have you heard that expression? Perhaps you shared the wish. Perhaps you were not a little disappointed that you were born too late to live in them.

But why?
 Just what was so good about them?
 Were there more jobs, for instance? Greater opportunities? Better living conditions? Less worry about the future? Assuredly, such considerations must be used to measure the worthier pattern of the times.

There were more jobs in the good old days—of a sort. Thousands of them at the business end of a shovel, where a dollar a day for twelve hours was good fishing.

The average wage rate of the gainfully employed has increased 71 per cent in the last twenty years. What is more important, the buying power of this income has jumped 40 per cent during the same period. In other words, there is more money to be had for less work and more goods for less money.

In "the good old days" the employer's responsibility ended when he met the pay roll. Safety devices were considered unnecessary so long as a worker "looked sharp." Accident, sickness, and death benefits, if any, were administered as bitter pills of outright company charity. Recreational activities of employees were frankly suspect. "If a man turned in an honest day's work, he'd have all the exercise he needed."

Today hundreds of large industries of the dangerous type can boast in terms of millions of hours without a single lost-time accident, due largely to the scientific application of safety devices. Those who do suffer injuries receive fair compensation. It is disbursed by the provincial governments, but the employer foots the bill. Meanwhile, healthful, organized recreation is not only making Jack a bright boy but also a better employee in every way.

Machines have stolen old-time jobs, but they have created many more—softer ones. We are using eighteen times as much machinery as we were fifty years ago. In spite of this, there are now 3.3 times as many jobs for only 2.8 times as many people.

In other words, employment created by new industries has more than replaced work stolen by labour-saving equipment. There are more people today helping to keep Canadians supplied with automobiles than there were people in the good old days who actually owned a horse and buggy. And not a word has been mentioned yet about the jobs required to build thousands of miles of good roads, or regulate traffic, or produce what it takes to run an automobile.

Broadly speaking, people are better educated than they were a few decades ago. They are better housed and better fed.

Their appreciation of what the world had to offer demanded a higher standard of living, and they got it. Increased earning power translated their desires into belongings.

The result is that today the average man and his family enjoy many comforts of good living which surpass the fondest luxurious dreams of long ago.—Canadian Business.

FACTORS INCREASING TRAFFIC HAZARDS

The large increase in registrations, the greater mileage per vehicle, the more buoyant spirits engendered by good and improving times and the indicated record motor tourist traffic are among the factors that are markedly stepping up traffic hazards. More than ever before, motorists should exercise alertness, prudence and courtesy in driving. Unless they generally do so the traffic toll of life, limb and property inevitably will be greater. No motorist should ever be unmindful or careless of what is perhaps the most important provision of the Highway Traffic Act, certainly more important than the arbitrary speed limits one—that which requires the speed to be reasonable and proper with regard to all circumstances. This is a personal individual responsibility.—The Canadian Motorist.

NEWTONBROOK

A large representation of members of the North York Horticultural Society attended the picnic held in Guelph last Wednesday at the Ontario Agricultural College. About 600 sat down to dinner which was held in the large dining hall, from the various Horticultural Societies in the district. A most interesting and happy time was enjoyed by everyone.

A Victorian Order Nurse has been appointed for this district in the person of Miss L. Curtis. Those wishing nursing assistance from Miss Curtis may reach her through their doctor or by calling Willowdale 23 during business hours. Nights, Sundays and holidays Willowdale 485 or Hudson 4966.

The annual picnic of the Young People's Union of Newtonbrook United Church will be held next Saturday, July 24th to Innisfil Park, Alcona Beach, Lake Simcoe. Cars will leave United Church at 2.15 p.m.

Rev. and Mrs. Halbert left last week on their vacation. During Mr. Halbert's absence the evening service in the United Church will be withdrawn. Sunday School will be held every Sunday at 10 a.m. Morning Worship Service at 11 a.m.

Miss Edith Hope left this week to visit friends in Edmonton and British Columbia.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Association will be held on Thursday afternoon, August 15th at the home of Mrs. W. T. Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Summers visited Mrs. Summers' sister, Mrs. Bowen, at Carrville who has been very ill for some time.

Mr. Bill Douglas has returned after spending a week's holidays at Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. New and Master Jack New left last Saturday for a two weeks' vacation at Honey Harbor, Georgian Bay.

Rev. and Mrs. Halbert called on several sick folk last Tuesday and returned to Alcona Beach Tuesday evening.

Miss S. M. Stevenson spent last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wells on her return from Ottawa where she spent the past three weeks.

The Newtonbrook United Church Parsonage was the scene of a quiet but pretty wedding on Saturday, July 10th at 3 p.m. when Miss Zelma May Johnston, daughter of Mrs. Robt. Johnston of Willowdale and the late Robert Johnston became the bride of Mr. John Kerr Johnston, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnston. Immediately after the ceremony the happy young couple left on a motor trip to Northern Ontario. We extend to them heartiest congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy wedded life.

The reputation for generosity enjoyed by many of North York's wealthier citizens was enhanced this week when a new motor car was presented for the use of Miss L. Curtis, the Victorian Order nurse. The presentation was made by Deputy-Reeve St. Clair Hurlburt in the absence of Reeve R. E. Bales on behalf of the donors on Tuesday evening at the Township Hall and was accepted by the President of the newly formed local Branch of the Order. The car was purchased by five citizens of the Bayview district who wish to remain anonymous. High tribute was paid to the spirit which prompted the generous gift by the Deputy-Reeve and other speakers. Miss Curtis has now commenced her duties, definitely establishing the Victorian Order in North York.

The new concrete sidewalks from Finch's Ave. to Steele's Ave. are very much appreciated by the local citizens.

Mr. George Brook, 17 year old Assistant Scoutmaster of All Saints Troop, plunged fully clothed into the Otonabee River at Fraserville Wednesday evening of last week and rescued Eva Coombe 15, who was in great danger of drowning. George is a former Newtonbrook boy but the family moved to Peterborough last November and since then George has been employed in the Dominion Store at Peterborough.

"Be Prepared" is a scout motto and Brook, holder of a Scout Proficiency Badge for swimming, went to the rescue without hesitation. We join with the Boy Scouts of this community in conveying to George our sincere congratulations in his heroic effort in saving the life of Miss Coombe.

Hon. G. Howard Ferguson has been elected president of the Crown Life Insurance Co. succeeding the late Rt. Hon. Sir. Robert L. Borden.

Trusting our leaders is a good idea, but can't they trust us enough to tell just where they are taking us.

If all of us were feminine women or masculine men, there would be few unhappy marriages.

SLATS' DIARY

(By Oliver N. Warren)

Sunday: Well, kids, I am enuff over my fourth of July injerys, miss-haps, missforchens and etc. to set on a soft pilloe & rite. It are now time (with me) to begin worrieing about skool. How time flies.



Tuesday: Blisters sed the new girl across the st, from his house seams like she aint very smart to him. Right sed Jake. She dont notis me much neether. Jake all so lives clost by.

Wednesday: So fur this vacashen I have got by with not very mutch bother from dames. But theys xsepshens. This a. m. I met Jane in front of the konfekshenary & baker & founten & etc. & she warnt up right away quick. I fell & bot 2 sodys. Later—Howd she no I recent earnt 20c.

Thursday: I thot Jake told Jane about the 20c & Blisters konfermed the respishen. So I at once foned Elsy that Jake has got 2 bits he made pushen Mister Gillems lon more. Bet he gets met at konfekshenary just as bad as I did. Dames no there stuff you bet.

Friday: I laft at Blisters untl it hurt in the dime store this p. m. He had 6 pennys & went in 2 get sum salted p. nuts & sed to a girl who sells the nuts hear? Why Ile wate on you sonnie she replide. Blisters cudent see the funney part when I laft. The dum nut.

Saturday: Ant Emmy has got a toothe that is aking & Unekl Hen rimarked that he wood have it pullt if it was hisn. So wood I if it was yorn Ant Emmy replide & when I sniggered Unkel Hen cum clost to slappen me. Or akted that away enneyhow.

The Canadian National Exhibition, originally chartered "for the encouragement of agriculture, industry and the arts", has never forgotten the purpose for which it was organized. It has grown and expanded in many respects but the basic plan has been carefully adhered to.

When the old-time fiddlers and square dancers were introduced at the Canadian National Exhibition it was done as a novelty and intended as a temporary attraction. The innovation was an instantaneous hit and will be continued this year.

STOCK REGISTER

TORRS MARQUIS 27437-22576, Imported Clydesdale Stallion, tracing to noted sires Brunstane Again, Dunure Footprint and Hiawatha. He is an exceptionally well bred horse and was a real sure breeder last season. He won 2nd prize and reserve Championship at C.N.E., 4th at Royal in large class and 1st prize and reserve Championship at Guelph. He will stand at his own stable for the 1937 season. Terms to insure foal \$15.00 payable March 1st, 1938. Owner, Oscar Cox, No. 7 Highway, Unionville, Ont.

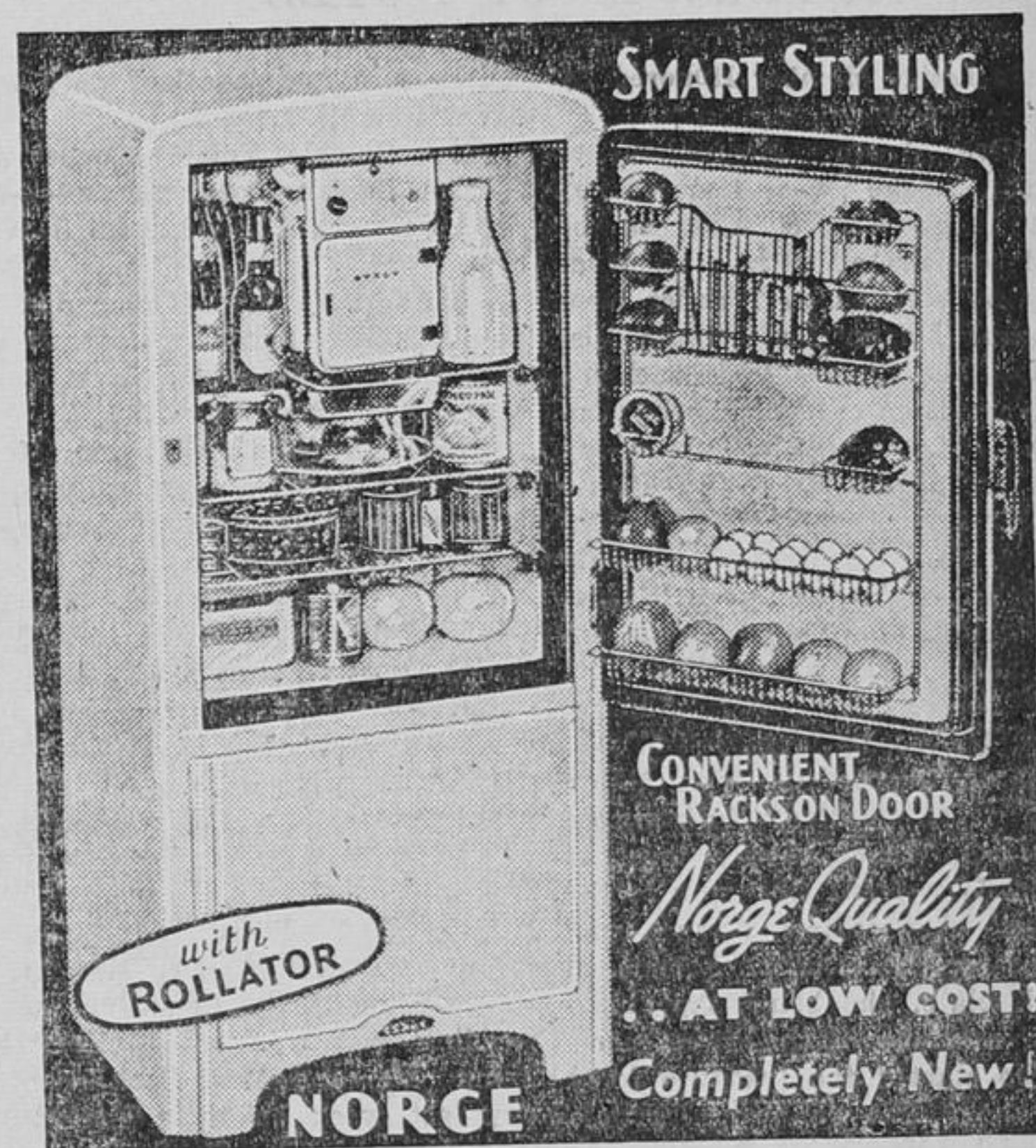
MAJOR CHIEF (15032) 3172, Purebred Percheron Stallion, the property of Lorne Johnson, Weston, will stand at his own stable, lot 24, Con. 5, North York. Terms—To insure a foal \$10, payable on or before 1st of Feb. next. Persons disposing of their mares before foaling time or not returning them regularly to the horse will be charged insurance whether in foal or not. Please phone 2046 Maple to avoid waiting. All accidents at owner's risk.

DOWHILL PATRIOT, the fine imported Clydesdale stallion, will make the 1937 season as follows: Tuesday to the farm of Charles Rutherford, lot 15, con. 5 Vaughan, for noon. To the farm of Lorne Weldrick, lot 24, con. 7 Vaughan for night. Wednesday to the farm of Hugh Sloan, lot 33, con. 8 Vaughan for noon. To the farm of Arthur Hill, Nobleton, for night. Thursday to the farm of John Gould, lot 10, con. 6 King for noon. The remainder of the week he will stand at the stables of Ernest Carson, Lot 30, Concession 5, Vaughan Township. Terms: To insure foal \$13.00 payable March 1st, 1938, if not paid by this date \$14.00. Harry Ireland, Maple R.R. No. 1, Owner.

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