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VISITING ALL CANADA

One of the greatest events in Canada during 1939 will be the visit of Their Majesties King George and Queen Elizabeth. The voyage across the ocean, their journey from the Atlantic to the Pacific, their every step, will make the headlines of all newspapers in the Empire and in most democracies.

Naturally such an august occasion entails a vast amount of careful preparation on the part of the Federal and Provincial governments and lesser public bodies. Originally, it was intended Their Majesties would pay an official visit to Ottawa only, but on the decision of the King himself, the tour will include all nine Provinces.

No private invitations will be accepted by the Royal party. The entire visit will be planned carefully in advance and while every city, town, village and hamlet in the country would like to have that community included in the itinerary, it is obvious all cannot be so honored.

No gifts will be accepted by the King and Queen from individuals, organizations or public bodies, following usual procedure.

Several times already appeals have been made by authorities to Canadians who are urged to unite in easing as much as possible the burdens of the long and arduous journey. And that Canadians will respond to this appeal we feel certain.

COUNTY COUNCILS SHOULD GO

Everyone talks about the burden of over-government in this country but apparently no-one ever does anything about it. Even the millionaire publisher of the Globe and Mail engages an expensive network of radio stations to tell the people we have too much government but so far he hasn't said where he would start to reduce it. We say let's make a start on reducing the cost of government by abolishing county councils in Ontario. If that succeeds we would favor substantial reductions in the Legislative assemblies of the provinces or their abolition too if such would be possible. But one step at a time, so let's start with the County Council. As we have so often said we consider it a useless spoke in our wheel of government, a relic of the horse and buggy days which can very well be dispensed with. Any government which comes out with a policy to abolish county councils will we are sure have the support of the great majority of the electors. The people most opposed to going away with county councils, we have found, are members of county council, and there are even members of county council and former members who agree with our stand on this important question. Let's start a reduction in the cost of government, let's abolish county councils in Ontario.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S WISE CAUTION

In various parts of Ontario, Boards of Education are pressing for enlarged school accommodation upon the pretext that the Department of Education at Toronto has rearranged the High School curriculum, and demands that more space must be provided within a given time.

Despite this, however, it appears that the Department is counselling boards to exercise wise caution in their extension policies.

This was made clear a few days ago, when the Minister, Hon. Dr. Simpson, speaking before a ratepayers' meeting at Islington, emphatically contradicted statements that the Department of Education is urging school boards to erect new schools or additions. The Minister said: "We impress on school boards to go slow and not increase the burden of taxation. Let's look before we leap. Before embarking on further spending, let's analyze thoroughly the financial structure of the municipalities concerned."

LIONS ASK YOUR SUPPORT

Richmond Hill Lions Club will sponsor a skating carnival to be held at the arena next Thursday evening, January 26th and we trust their effort will receive the same generous patronage which has always greeted their former appeals to the public. In our last issue we recounted a few of the major activities of this local service club and we are sure the work they are doing warrents the support of the citizens of the district. Every cent raised by the Lions by their various activities is used for public service work. Although organized less than a year the Lions Club has made its influence felt in the community. The recent health survey of the children attending the public school is evidence of the thorough manner in which the members are tackling their job of extending assistance to the under-privileged children of the community. Already several needy cases have been attended to and many more are on the list approved and ready for attention. They will be taken care of just as soon as time and finances permit. You may help along this very commendable work by buying a ticket for the carnival to be held next Thursday. The club will welcome as new members any who are anxious to serve the community through the avenue of the service club activities.

SHOULD THE SCHOOL BOARD BE ELECTED?

At the inaugural meeting of the Richmond Hill council last week councillor Alex Little raised this very timely question, and it is one which is worthy of thought by the ratepayers of Richmond Hill. As councillor Little pointed out the High School Board spends a lot of the taxpayers' money in a year, and in his opinion the taxpayers should have the right to say who is going to do the spending. We are inclined to agree with councillor Little and we would like to see a communication urging such a change sent to the Ontario Department of Education. Not that we are finding any fault with the actions of the Board in the past, because we think the town has been well served by those who have been appointed. Probably the ratepayers would elect the same persons who have been appointed, but the principle remains, that those who spend public money should be responsible directly to the ratepayers.

ORGANIZE TO HELP THEMSELVES

The announcement in a recent issue that Vaughan and Richmond Hill Veterans had organized an employment bureau for their members sounds like a very sensible move which should have the support and co-operation of the citizens. Often there are odd jobs to be done and perhaps you just wonder where to get the necessary help. If you will just keep in mind the Veterans employment bureau you will get prompt service and will be extending a helping hand to those veterans who are making a real effort to help themselves. If you have some job to be done, think of the Veterans employment bureau.

King Twp. Council

January 9th, 1939.

The first regular meeting of the council of the Corporation of the Township of King, was held at Kettleby, Parish Hall, on Monday, January 9th, 1939 at 11 a.m.

All members present.
Moved by E. M. Legge, seconded by Burnel Graham, the council in committee of the whole on accounts and bills, L. B. Goodfellow, in the chair.

Resolved that the following accounts be approved and paid and that the Treasurer be hereby authorized to now issue his order in payment for same to the parties for the amounts set opposite their respective names, and that the seal of the corporation be attached to this resolution. Carried.

Thos. MacMurchy, Reeve.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Irwin Hollingshead, P.V.S. Fire Hall, \$25.00; C. Fell, P.V.S. Fire Engine, \$2.50; Tottenham Sentinel, P.V.S. Printing, \$17.50; E. A. Stuckey, P.V.S. Watchman, \$50.00; H. E. P. Commission, P.V.S. Bulbs, \$15.12; W. E. Dale, P.V.S. Hardware, \$2.81; Wm. Manning, P.V.S. Labour, \$4.75; Eddie Ellison, P.V.S. Labour, \$4.75; Gus. Farquhar, Constable Services Dec., \$12.50; H. G. Rose, re Registrations, \$1.25; C. N. Institute for Blind, re Mary Sparks, \$20.00; Toronto Stamp & Stencil Co., re Dog Tags, \$25.92; Municipal World, re Stationery, 29c.; Imperial Bank, re Tax Collection, \$31.45; J. D. Lucas, re Mark Lake Farm, \$100.00; Gus. Farquhar, re Constable Services, \$15; Woodbridge & Vaughan A.L., re L.D. Calls, \$2.65; Maurice Hayward, re Constable Services, \$11.50; Ed. Williams, re January Meeting, \$5.00.

Relief Voucher, \$281.34; Road Voucher No. 1, \$106.00.

Moved by L. B. Goodfellow, seconded by E. M. Legge, that the Clerk be and is hereby authorized to advertise for tenders for the printing and Stationery supplies of this Municipality for the year A.D. 1939 (He to have all tenders in for our next regular meeting). Carried.

Moved by E. M. Legge, seconded by Wm. E. Barker, that our Reeve, Mr. Thos. MacMurchy and ex-Reeve J. P. Jefferson be and is hereby appointed as this Township's representatives on the Holland Marsh Drainage Commission and that the seal of the Corporation be attached to this resolution. Carried.

Moved by E. M. Legge, seconded by Wm. E. Barker, that Arthur Wellesly be and is hereby appointed School Attendance Officer for the year 1939. He to be paid the same rate of pay and mileage allowance as in former years and that the seal of the Corporation be attached to this resolution. Carried.

Moved by Burnel Graham, seconded by E. M. Legge, that the Clerk be instructed to issue Nine copies of the Municipal World for use of the Members of this council for the year 1939. Carried.

Moved by E. M. Legge, seconded by L. B. Goodfellow, that the Hospital for Sick Children be given the usual grant of \$10.00 for the year 1939. Carried.

Moved by Wm. E. Barker, seconded by Burnel Graham, that whereas bills and accounts for relief are brought to the council for payment other than through the proper channels, therefore be it resolved that no bills or accounts for relief be paid by this council except by the authorized vouchers provided by the Relief Officer and passed by the council. Carried.

Moved by Wm. E. Barker, seconded by E. M. Legge, that Arthur Wellesly be and is hereby appointed Weed Inspector for the year 1939 he to be paid the same fees and mileage as in other years. Carried.

Moved by Wm. E. Barker, seconded by L. B. Goodfellow, resolved that the council of the Township of King pay the County Treasurer the sum of \$121.37 being King Township's share of Hospitalization for the month of December and that the seal of the Corporation be attached to this resolution. Carried.

Moved by L. B. Goodfellow, seconded by Burnel Graham, that this council start its regular meetings for the year of 1939 at the hour of 9 a.m. sharp. Carried.

BY-LAWS PASSED

By-Law No. 688 to determine the time and place for holding subsequent meetings of the council of the Corporation of the Township of King for the year A.D. 1939, was read three times and passed.

By-Law No. 689 to provide for the total 1939 Expenditures on Roads in the Township of King, was read three times and passed.

By-Law No. 690 to borrow money from the bank for the current year (1939) was read three times and passed.

By-Law No. 691 to appoint a Local Board of Health for the Township of King for the year 1939, was read three times and passed.

By-Law No. 692 to appoint Audi-

TESTON

On Wednesday evening, January 11 the congregational meeting in connection with the United Church here was held. The ladies of the congregation provided supper and those who attended did ample justice to the good things provided for it was an excellent meal and our women folk are noted for their ability in the art.

There was a social good time preparatory to the business to be transacted. The S. S. reports and business of election of officers for 1939 came first. All departments of the S. S. were in a flourishing state and are ready for the coming year. Then the Y.P.U. gave its report which was certainly a very good showing for the past year. Lastly the church report as to its activities and financial standing was considered to be in a very good one considering the calls that were made on the treasury the past year. The management of the three departments and the W.A. are to be congratulated on the able way all the different phases of their work has been taken care of and the pastor, Mr. Davis, was pleased with their efforts and expressed hope for even better things this year. At the close of the meeting the church treasurer, Roy Bowen, moved a vote of thanks to Rev. Davis for the many helpful things the pastor has done to advance the spiritual uplift in the community. Mr. Davis replied very feelingly to this motion and stressed the goodwill expressed to himself and family during his indisposition of the past summer.

The following were elected as the S. S. Officers for 1939: Superintendent, Ed. Bowen; Asst. Supt., E. J. Hitchcock; Secretary, Louise Carson; Treasurer, Hazel Carson; Assistant, Mary Carson; Teachers, Bible Class, E. J. Hitchcock; Teen-age girls, Hazel Carson; Junior girls, Mary Carson; Infant class, Margaret McQuarrie; Pianist, Margaret Kyle; Assistant, Ruth Oliver; Home Dept. Supt., Mrs. Geo. Taggart; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. Wes. Clarkson.

Officers elected for Y.P.U. 1939: President, Charles Robson; Vice-President, Roy Bowen; Secretary, Helen Robson; Treasurer, Howard Heacock; Conveners, Christian Fellowship, Geo. Carley; Missionary, Wilbert Hadwen; Citizenship, Eddie James; Literary and Music, Jean Robson; Social, Hadwen Kyle.

Election of Church Officials: Board of Session, Ed. Bowen, re-elected, C. Deisman, F. Oliver, Wes. Clarkson, Will Peterman; Board of Stewards, Ed. Kyle, Frank Piercey, W. Windas, E. A. Carson, Cecil Pratt, C. Robson; Treasurer, Roy Bowen; Treasurer M. & M. Fund, Wm. Peterman; Assistant, Cecil Pratt; Ushers, Howard Heacock, Wilbert Hadwen, Geo. Carley.

The W.A. have held their election previously to this meeting and their official list has been published. E. A. Carson was secretary of meeting.

The Y.P.U. met on Sunday evening with Eleanor Heacock presiding. After the opening hymn and prayer, Muriel Kyle read the lesson. C. Robson gave as the topic a paper on "New Year". Lorna Henderson gave a short but interesting address on the mission work of Dr. Darby in the Canadian North-West and closed with an appeal to the members to do their part in whatever office they held in the Union. After closing exercises C. Robson, the newly-elected president, held open meeting to elect conveners. A letter from Laskay Y.P.U. was read extending an invitation to Teston Y. P. U. and church members to attend the training school for Young people and church members which will be held in Laskay church for five Tuesday nights beginning January 24. There will be three courses—"The Works and Teachings of the Prophets" conducted by Rev. J. Galloway; "The Church, State and Community" by Rev. E. Burch; "Young People's Work in the Church" by Rev. D. Davis. Be sure to consider these courses and profit by the five weeks of training given by these efficient teachers.

Teston Y.P.U. will present their play "Pleased Ta Meetcha" at the U.F.O. Oyster Supper at Edgeley Hall this Friday evening, January 20th.

Miss E. Stevens, Toronto, visited at E. A. Carson's over Sunday.

Mrs. Roy Wilson was taken to Western Hospital this week for an operation. Dr. Scott will operate. We hope for Mrs. Wilson a successful operation and a speedy recovery.

Mr. Berwick Weldrick has been unwell for some time. We wish for him a speedy recovery.

tor or Auditors in accordance with the Municipal Act of Ontario for the year 1939, was read three times and passed.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at Armstrong's hotel, on Saturday, February 18th, 1939 at 9 a.m. sharp.

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Your inquiry how can weekly newspapers best help to "Make Canada a Better Place in which to Live and Work" is most timely. The same problems must be in everybody's mind. I feel sure that the 700 weekly newspapers can help solve them. My suggestions are:

(1) Print the policy or platform of your paper in a conspicuous place each week... Keep banging away at the measures you advocate. The human mind is supposed to get things easily. I believe this is an error.

(2) Abraham Lincoln read more Country Weeklies than any public man. He knew and liked the common sense of country people. Country people are just as sensible today. Encourage them to write their opinions on current issues... publish the letters either with or without their names according as they are confidential or not.

(3) Stress "Self-Reliance" as a strong human attribute. Print stories of people who endure hardships and triumph over them instead of going on relief where someone else has to struggle for them. True stories of this kind furnish heroines in the home with good material to hand to the gentry of respectable loafers that is growing at a great rate.

(4) In respect to country and city people... entreat them to have a tender regard one for the other... try to influence industry to establish itself in smaller centres rather than in the very large cities... commend a broader viewpoint in looking at matters that pertain to the various provinces. If the people of Canada are persuaded to divide against one another it will be a great pity.

(5) When are we going to wake up to the tax situation? Mr. Carleton and others are putting it plainly. Can't the weekly papers do anything? Sir Wilfred Laurier told us we could have a railway of our own and the "sum-total" cost would be \$13,000,000. The deficit is now \$50,000,000... Every Year. If a woman

were talked into buying a set of kitchen ware for \$13.00 and she found that it put her \$50.00 a year in debt... what would she do? She would figure a simple way out, wouldn't she?

Governments and individuals are living beyond their means. Many are not balancing their budgets. This encourages dishonesty. Many are buying things and promising to pay. They do not keep their promises. They make liars out of themselves with the baker, butcher and grocer! Can the weekly newspaper stem the tide?

Do your readers realize there are 28,000 governing bodies of one kind and another in Canada... when are the citizens going to cut the number down? Can you help do it?

(6) There is a great gap between the extremely wealthy and the very poor. Providing both are honest, this gap should be narrowed. It can be accomplished by serious social study, gradual reforms and reasonable legislation. Can you help?

(7) Every man and woman in Canada should be made to behave... The Law is one way. The other is the Press. People fear publicity more than they fear the devil. You can help immeasurably by publishing the names of persons who conduct themselves in a creditable way no matter in what pursuit... You can help still more by publishing any truthful facts concerning maligners... cheats... thieves... liars... hypocrites... loafers... dead beats... and pussy-footers.

Most sincerely,
HAROLD M. GULLY,
Vice-President,
Silverwoods Toronto Dairy Ltd.

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