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RATIONING HERE TO STAY

We may as well face up to it that rationing is here to stay for the duration and probably longer. We must be prepared, too, for the times when rationing may be extended to commodities other than those now under coupon and those presently foreshadowed.

Let us understand, first, that the people of Britain, embattled as they have been, have long since endured cheerfully a most rigid rationing far more drastic than we are likely to experience. They have carried on most magnificently. They have faced the facts and they will continue cheerfully to do so.

The simple fact is that no Canadian has so far felt the pinch of rationing. We have made no sacrifices. We have lost a few luxuries all in the line of duty and necessity. That is all and there is no need for grumbling.

ARE YOU PULLING YOUR WEIGHT?

Just stop and ask yourself what part you play in the building and progress of your community or district - and what part you play in organized war effort. Do you donate what you can spare? If you do, well, that's as it should be.

It is axiomatic that man should not hope to thrive on the lone labors of his brother. And nature, fate, or call it what you will, has way of making things work out that way.

There are willing workers in every community and district; but these are times of stress and the work of these workers has been doubled.

Now, more than ever, it's time to "PULL YOUR WEIGHT!"

HEALTH INSURANCE

Health insurance bids fair to be the next piece of social security legislation attempted in Canada.

A few days ago, Hon. Ian Mackenzie, Minister of Pensions and Health, intimated that the Government has been "discussing the general principles of health insurance, but we have not finalized our plans yet."

It has been pointed out frequently that ill health is one thing the average family in the small income group cannot budget for. Rent can be figured out. Food costs and clothing can be estimated.

That is one of the arguments put forward in support of health insurance, a system under which the community work together to meet the problem of the individual.

The scheme is new to Canada. But in Great Britain a start was made over 30 years ago on a program of compulsory health insurance. What form the measures proposed for Canada will take will not be known until the Government's scheme is finally drafted and made known.

Of course, the association does not intend to buy a pig in a poke. The statement issued by Dr. E. A. Archer, president, says:

"In adopting this resolution, the Medical profession reserves the right to refrain from supporting any health insurance measure which would not meet the needs of the people, particularly those of limited income, or which would lower or even not raise the standard of quality of the services rendered to the sick."

The association is careful also to make it clear that its resolution "does not imply support of 'state medicine.'" Yet it is of value to have its members take a stand favoring a program to enable an extension of medical service.

Encouraging Reports Feature Annual Meeting Newtonbrook United Church Held Jan. 28

The annual congregational supper meeting was held last Thursday evening, January 28th, 1943 in the church school room. This supper meeting has been a feature for the last 12 years when the congregation gathers for a social time, after which the annual business meeting follows.

The pastor, Rev. A. H. Halbert, presided and opened the meeting with prayer. Mr. W. T. New was appointed secretary. Miss Ruth Douglas presented the Sunday School report. The S.S. met every Sunday during the year with an average attendance of 93.

The first Sunday's collection of each month is set aside for missionary purposes. These amounted to \$41.37. The Home Dept. has a membership of 19 and contributed \$10.75. There are 24 members on the Cradle Roll. Missionary programs were given regularly.

Four Temperance programmes were presented during the year with the S.S. members taking part. Some of the features were oratorical contest held on February 8th in our Sunday School. Two of these contestants entered the North York Oratorical Contest at Trinity United Church, Newmarket, February 13th.

Miss Hazel Campbell in the senior class and Wilma Adair in the junior class, both winning honors for their Sunday School. A scripture catechism on Temperance in which twelve girls and boys took part was also interesting; also a Temperance exercise by 10 boys "Why take a stand for total abstinence?"

Temperance addresses were given by the older pupils. Posters were also used. The S.S. has a Temperance Post with a membership of 75 over 12 years of age. Eight monthly meetings of the S.S. executive were held with an average attendance of nine. Special services during the year were Mother's Day, Rally Day, S.S. anniversary and White Gift service.

These gifts were given to the Fred Victor Mission in Toronto. A Christmas Tree entertainment was held on December 17th with a good program. Mrs. Halbert's Young Ladies' S. S. class presented a pageant "The coming of the Prince of Peace" at the evening service on Christmas Sunday, December 20th.

port of the Women's Association which has a membership of 31. The number of church calls made were 230. Some of the activities were: Annual congregational dinner; St. Patrick's supper, hard time party, afternoon tea, bazaar. In May we entertained the Toronto Centre Presbytery W.A. at the Spring Rally.

Mrs. Glen Shaw gave the report of the choir. Receipts were \$35.89. They had a substantial balance of \$25.00 in the treasury. Eight new members have been added to the choir recently. A hearty vote of appreciation was extended to the organist, Miss Bertha Smith and the choir members for their valuable services in the worship services.

Mrs. L. A. Grisdale reported a slight decrease in the Missionary and Maintenance givings, but more was expected to come in before the books closed. Mrs. W. T. New gave a concise report of the Auxiliary of the W. M. S. which exceeded its givings over last year.

Her husband, Dr. Mullett, has been interned in Hong Kong since December 1941. The Auxiliary members were well represented at the World's Day of Prayer service which was held at Willowdale Presbyterian Church on February 20.

Miss Pearl MacPhail reported that the Girls' Mission Circle had held nine meetings with an average attendance of 13. The tenth anniversary of the Circle's organization was observed on April 14th at the church with a large attendance.

The report of the Young People's Union was presented by Hicks Smith. The average attendance was 15. This is a marked decrease from former years. However we feel these conditions are due to the war.

The Baby Band Supt., Mrs. W. E. Hick, reported a membership of 11 annual members. Ten calls were made. The members were remembered on their birthday. A carefully prepared report of the church was presented by the treasurer, Mr. Harry Smith.

The following were re-elected to the Session for three years—Frank Schmidt, Harry Smith and J. R. Smith, for two years—C. O. Bales, W. T. Wells, Victor Reid; for one year—J. V. Batchelor, F. Summers, L. A. Grisdale and W. T. New.

VELLORE

The regular monthly meeting of the Vellore Junior Farmers will be held Tuesday, February 9th at 8.30. Mr. E. Stoltz, Livestock Editor of the Farmers' Magazine, will be the speaker.

The regular monthly meeting of the J.W.I. will also be held. Don't forget the York County Jr. Farmers' Skating Party on Thursday, February 18th at Richmond Hill with inter-club races and also a broom ball game between two Jr. Farmers' teams.

urer, Mr. Harry Smith. The collections of the Good Friday service amounting to \$26.60 had been paid direct to the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. The church debt had been reduced by \$532.00 leaving a balance of \$270.00.

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A hearty vote of appreciation was extended to Rev. A. H. and Mrs. Halbert for their faithful services. The heads of the various organizations with their helpers also received words of thanks for their assistance in carrying on the work of the church.

WAY BACK IN THE LIBERAL FILES

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

From our Issue of Feb. 2nd, 1928 At the regular meeting of the Board of Education held Wednesday evening G. H. Duncan was re-elected chairman for the coming year.

At a recent meeting of the Horticultural Society the following officers were elected: Pres., Mr. Geo. Gee; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Frances Atkinson; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mr. W. A. Wright; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Hume; Treas., Miss Moyle.

Kyle Bros. sale, Vaughan Township, had a large crowd in attendance and brought good prices. An eight-year-old mare brought \$207.50 and cows sold at an average of \$128.40.



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