

Confederation and After— Sixty Years of Progress

CHILD WELFARE IN CANADA

Although health is primarily a matter for the provinces, so decreed by the British North American Act, through the Federal Department of Health, the Canadian Council on Child Welfare, and numerous voluntary bodies, a vast amount of practical and educational child welfare work is carried on nationally. It was stated by Miss Charlotte Whitton, executive secretary of the Canadian Child Welfare Council, at the Child Welfare Committee of the League of Nations, in Geneva last year, that in the child health field all the Canadian provinces, with perhaps two exceptions, compared most favorably with the work being done in Europe, and especially in Great Britain, in all departments except that of ante-natal care.

Nowadays the mothers of children may have complete advice on their care, clothing, food and health from either the Child Welfare Council or the child welfare department of the Federal Department of Health, under Dr. Helen MacMurphy, in addition, of course, to the individual efforts of the health departments of the various provinces. Indeed, there is little excuse for carelessness upbringing in the first eight years of life, since expert advice is available to all who apply.

This educational and practical work has had a marked effect on infant mortality, which, in the last year for which figures are available had dropped to seventy-eight per thousand living births. In 1920 it had been one hundred, in the registration area which excluded Quebec. The latter province has come into the registration area, and a similar substantial reduction in infant deaths has been noted.

Canada is distinguished for the large amount of voluntary work done in aid of children. The Victorian Order of Nurses has for years given a great public health service, which has been especially directed towards mothers and children. Their work in outlying districts has been invaluable and has resulted in an undoubted saving of many lives.

The Junior Red Cross, with its membership of 100,000, and the Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs, have been especially engaged in aiding crippled children. Recreational activities have been stimulated by the Boy Scouts and the Girl Guides. Educational and patriotic ideals have been aimed at by the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire, and also by the Catholic Women's League, and the Women's Institutes. Of special interest has been the work of the Canadian Tuberculosis Association, the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, the Social Hygiene Council, which undertook sex education and the prevention and cure of social diseases, the Canadian Hygiene Committee, which has done excellent research in child training habits, and psychology.

Indeed, there are few organizations in Canada which have not some aspect bearing upon child welfare. In addition to the conspicuous examples named, many other organizations contribute to the great cause. Passing mention must be made of the Department of Agriculture improving the milk supply, the Mothers' Allowances Act in some of the provinces, and the Workmen's Compensation Act.

An indication of the direction in which the Dominion is working for child welfare is given by the high ideal of the Child Welfare Division of the Federal Department of Health.

"To help the home.
"To find a true home for every homeless child.
"To save and preserve maternal and child life.
"To promote and secure maternal and child welfare.
"To maintain and improve the health, strength and well-being of mothers and children.
"To make known to all Canadians the principles of maternal and child welfare, and the supreme importance of home life to the individual and to the nation, so that national interest in these matters may be aroused and the best modern methods for securing the welfare of the home and the nation may be understood and carried out."

FROM WHITEBAIT TO WHALE

It is a nice point if the Fisheries or the Fur Trade is the most ancient of Canadian industries, but it seems probable that the palm would have to be awarded to the former. The fur trade goes back to the days of Jacques Cartier, whose men traded for furs with the natives on the shores of Chaleur Bay; but on the other hand Cartier himself found the enterprising Breton and Basque fishermen already on our coasts when he made his first voyage, and there is evidence that they frequented the Grand Bank and the fishing ground off Nova Scotia long before his day.

Canada controls the most extensive fishing grounds in the world, extending from the Grand Manan to Labrador, including the Bay of Fundy and the Gulf of St. Lawrence; also Hudson's Bay and the Pacific coast; and the extraordinary system of lakes and rivers, large and small, that extend throughout the Dominion, and practically all of which yield a harvest in fish. It is equally important to remember that the products of the Canadian fisheries, because of the purity and coldness of the water, are of unusually high quality, therefore, they rank among the most valuable of the world's fisheries.

We can boast, too, of variety in our fisheries. On the Atlantic fishing grounds we obtain cod, halibut,

herring, mackerel, haddock, shad, gaspereau, smelts and bass; on the Pacific side salmon, halibut, pilchard, sturgeon, oulachon and black cod; from our inland waters whitefish, trout, pickerel, pike, goldeye, etc. One must remember also, the matchless salmon of the Saguenay and the Maritime rivers; the delicious cysters of Malpequet; the lobsters of Northumberland strait; and the valuable whale fisheries of the Pacific coast and the Arctic as well as the North Atlantic.

The fisheries of Canada have been a fruitful source of negotiation, and sometimes of dispute between this country and the United States. The Americans had certain fishing rights in Canadian waters by the old Reciprocity Treaty, and later under the provisions of the Treaty of Washington. Under the terms of the Halifax Award the United States had to pay to Canada \$45,500,000 for certain fishing concessions. At the present time American rights are restricted to fishing around the Magdalen Islands and on certain parts of the north shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and the privileges of drying and curing their fish on certain parts of the shore.

The value of Canadian fisheries has enormously increased since Confederation. In 1867 the value of the catch amounted to about \$5,000,000; to-day it is about \$50,000,000. In the old days the cod was the most valuable of our fishes; now the salmon has taken the lead, with the halibut second, the lobster third, and the codfish fourth. Herring, whitefish, haddock and the humble sardine follow in that order. By provinces, British Columbia ranks first in the value of her fisheries, then Nova Scotia, with New Brunswick third, and Ontario and Quebec about even.

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CHURCHES

KNOX CHURCH W. M. S.

The monthly meeting of the W. M. S. of Knox church was held at the home of Mrs. James Kerr, Varney, on Wednesday, October 12th and despite the unfavorable weather a large number were present. The President, Mrs. Mather, was in the chair and the meeting was opened with singing and prayer by Miss McGirr. Then followed the Treasurer's report and other business. Miss Blyth gave a solo, "Don't Stop Praying" which was greatly appreciated by the society. The foreword of the new Study Book "New Paths for Old Purposes" was read by Mrs. Wm. Derby and the topic by Mrs. J. J. Smith, the chief thought being our interdependence on one another, not only as individuals but as nations. The Roll Call was answered by a text on Faith and a story read by Mrs. Stonehouse "Who is sufficient for these things" followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison closed the meeting.

QUEEN ST. MISSION CIRCLE HELD OCTOBER MEETING

The Young Ladies' Mission Circle of Queen Street church held their October meeting at the home of Mrs. George Pedlar. The meeting opened with the singing of the hymn "I hear thy welcome voice." Mrs. Fiddis then led in prayer after which the lesson from the 98th Psalm was read by Miss Irene Elliott. The Herald's answer to the Watch Tower, Japan by Miss

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Often the silhouette, the hemline and the waistline have been discussed; there still remains the topic of trimming. Plaits and tucks are used extensively and bows are not new, but here and there bows are combined in a novel manner with shirring.

The frock is of beige satin crepe and is quite simple in design. The sleeves are long and tight. But the outstanding feature is the novel shirred arrangement in the front, from which the fullness of the skirt is derived.

Elizabeth Kinnee, Canada by Mrs. Chas. Moore, Korea by Mrs. Giles, and Oriental by Miss Norma Gagnon after which all joined in the singing of the hymn "My Jesus I Love Thee".

Mrs. Fiddis gave a very interesting talk on one of Tennyson's poems "The May Queen", bringing out many beautiful thoughts. This was followed by the roll call and minutes of the last meeting.

The business session was followed by the closing hymn, "Abide with me", and all joined in repeating the Mizpah benediction. Mrs. Pedlar served lunch.

BRUCE AND GREY BANDS ORGANIZE ASSOCIATION

A meeting was held Saturday at Walkerton, which may lead to an important step in brightening the lives of people in this community. This was the organization of the Bruce and Grey Band Association.

Bandmaster C. F. Tielle, president of the Toronto Band Association for the Canadian National Exhibition, occupied the chair, and was assisted by F. Robinson, also of Toronto. The plan was to arrange for an interchange of band concerts between all the bands in the district concerned, also to have an annual band-playing tournament. Bands from the following places were represented: Chesley, Walkerton, Hanover, Durham, Kincardine, Southampton Owen Sound and Tara.

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ALLAN PARK INSTITUTE HOLDS REGULAR MEETING

The meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Andrew Park on October 12th. There were fourteen members present, four new members and a number of visitors. Mrs. Jas. Park, Jr., took her place in the chair as president for the last time, as she gave in her resignation and is moving out of the community. Mrs. M. W. Byers has succeeded her. The usual opening ode was followed by the Scripture lesson, read by Mrs. Allan Weis, taken from the 24th chapter of Matthew. The roll call was answered by a nickel collection, also cake and pickle recipes. Morris Eberth, Mrs. James Bailey and Mr. Monk sent letters of appreciation for kindness shown them. The minutes of the last meeting were read. Miss Evelyn McLean gave a recitation on "Truth in Parenthesis". Several questions were asked from the Question Drawer and were answered very promptly.

A social hour was spent while several of the members served lunch. The meeting closed with the National Anthem. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. James Park, Sr., on the 9th of November.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

In Sunny California hundreds of Canadians will again revel this winter in the beauty of that land of perpetual summer—the orange groves, the pepper trees and palms and flowers; and the ever changing scenery of sea and mountain.

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Maid: "You know that old vase you said had been handed down from generation to generation?"
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The woman who has ceased to weep is no longer young.—Chicago News.



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Demand half the road—the middle half. Insist on your rights. Always speed; it shows people you are a man of pep even though an amateur driver.

Never stop, look or listen at railroad crossings. It consumes time. Drive confidently, just as though there weren't eighteen million other cars in service.

Always lock your brakes when skidding. It makes the job more artistic.

Always pass cars on hills. It shows you have more power; and you can turn out if you meet a car at the top.

In sloppy weather drive close to pedestrians. Dry cleaners appreciate it. And there is never anything behind you.

Still Soaring

A draft of Missouri mules had just arrived at the camp and a dark driver made the common mistake of approaching too near the business end of one of them.

His comrades caught him on the rebound, placed him on a stretcher, and started for the hospital.

On the way the invalid regained consciousness, gazed at the blue sky overhead, experienced the swaying motion as he was being carried along, and shakily lowered his hands over the sides, only to feel space.

"My gosh!" he groaned, "I ain't even hit the ground yet."

It is said that the female crab has one million young at a birth. No wonder the father crab's eyes stick out so far.—Punch.



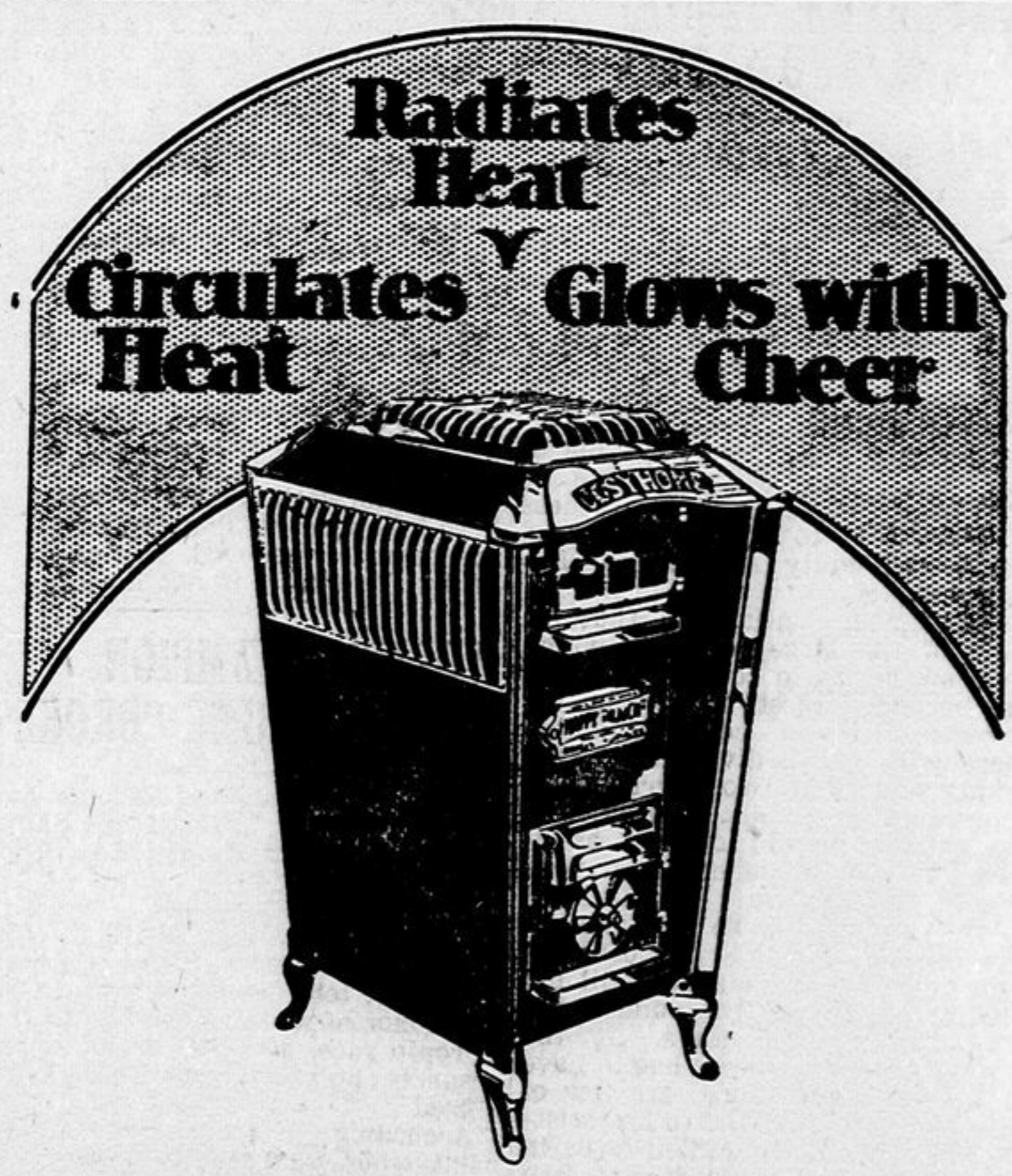
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First Case of Its Kind
As the result of a con by Traffic Officer Helms Herman, of Ripley, will force Magistrate Walker to court here on Tuesday m., to answer a charge of car on October 1st without erator's license. This is case of the kind to be at Walkerton under the compelling all drivers secure a license to operate Bruce Herald and Times.

A Notable Invention
Mr. Frank Scheffer, of Teeswater, formerly of been granted patents of different parts of his invented snow motor. This has been patented in Canada the Social No. 322557, also patented in the U.S. The tractor chassis is a mobile sleight, with a spring suspension, under 322982. Experts who have this invention are confident will very largely solve transportation problems, porting improvement of day snow motors is a spring suspension, which ed to rock in and out of with the minimum am bration. No slackening chains and consequent power. All uneven road completely conquered by contrivance. The chassis with rubber pucks to prevent slipping of faces, and rendering it pletely noiseless. The tremendous advantage runner and wheel com change can be made in while the car is in motion operators say it substantial advantage gasoline, as it takes the power to push the rear road. Mr. Steffen working on this in some years, and is now it is the best thing a motor line that has ex duced.—Bruce Herald

Had His Rabbitry Des
Mr. Alex. Martin, of Hurontario street, suffered loss on Monday night. Chinchilla rabbits were by two dogs. The rabbits were in a henhouse screened runway. An entry into the hen house through a window that was strong wire screen. The dogs are said to be Alfred Cook. They be tried in the Police morning, the owner claiming \$65.00 damage. Inwood Enterprise.

Bert Booth Ill
Bert Booth, the well known cross player and referee in ill while at Arthur weeks ago and for a severe attack of pneumonia we are pleased to be proving.—Orangeville

Saw Forty Deer
It is a well known swamp area, which is 2,000 acres, where the tically unmolested. Some out in pairs on neighboring farms son of Proton, claims last week which deer.—Dundalk Herald

Traffic Cops on Highway
A provincial cop appearance in this nights ago when he was driving home from horse and buggy, and that he should have vehicle. A motor followed by a traffic

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