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Whoever is afraid of submitting any question, civil or religious, to the test of free discussion, is more in love with his own opinion than with the truth.—WATSON.

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Editorials

CREDIT SYSTEM AN EXPENSE

The credit system is the best thing in the world, and without it the whole universe would go flat commercially in the course of a few months. This statement holds good only when everyone is satisfied to play the game, and while the world generally is honest, there are a few individuals who cannot play square and as a result make it hard for those who meet their obligations.

Nationally, the credit system is the only one by which the world can do business. There is a squaring up of accounts at least once a year, and each nation tries to play the game in a sportsmanlike manner.

With individuals, however, it seems an altogether different story. There are people in every community who want the service, possibly intend to pay, but are such laggards that the whole profit of the account is used up in postage and clerical work. If individuals could only contract a debt and then pay it when billed, it would not be so bad, but when an account runs on for months and sometimes years and the courts have to be resorted to before settlement is made it is quite natural that the cost of production must go up, to the detriment of trade.

The credit system is all right if used as it should be. There are some lines of business which cannot be run on any other basis, but there is little excuse for the man who contracts a bill and then makes no honest effort to meet the obligation when called upon.

When a man contracts a bill he should not feel hurt when he gets a statement of the account. Neither should he feel hurt if, when he pays little or no attention, the account is placed in other hands for collection. An individual has as much right to expect to be made pay his bills as he has to contract them and if he is taken into court for his laxity should blame no one but himself. He owes the money and his debtor if fully within his rights when he insists on payment.

WESTERN POLITICS

The residents in the West must take their politics very seriously if we are to judge from an editorial in last week's North Battleford (Sask.) News. From the tone of the article we imagine the editor of The Optimist must have said something that did not agree with Brer. McIntosh, and he let loose as follows:

"A certain non-descript nonentity in last week's issue of our contemporary explodes over the immigration question. Driven to bay—he and his contemptuous croakers—he now seeks to carry on his blasted political fallacies behind an anonymity ever typical of the worst kind of gutter-snipe journalism. The article given vent to is that of a coward—a sneak thief if you will—who is ashamed to stand by his niggardly convictions in open daylight. The production is that of a coward, a nonentity and a falsifier. When an individual so to speak has to blow out his own personal identity in discussing a question of public policy he is about as small and ignominious a specimen as one can imagine. This being the case we consider it a sheer waste of time to pay any further attention to his defunct vapourings."

Some thirty or forty years ago this was the method of driving home your point editorially in the East, but it is a long time since we remember seeing this style and in this year ago it was abandoned in this section of Canada. In the good old

days The Globe and The Mail of Toronto used to roll up their sleeves and go to the mat but abandoned this course a long time ago.

We have no idea what the article in The Optimist had to say, and reproduce the article from The News merely to show the wounding manner in which the Western editors address each other, or those who write letters, with which they do not agree. It certainly makes good reading, but we have an idea that it would not go far in Old Ontario.

THE WINTER FAIR

We spent last Saturday night at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto and were delighted with the display of products exhibited and the ring performance put on for the benefit of the patrons. There was one thing, however, that did not appeal to us and that was the tendency of the Toronto people to rent the seating capacity of the Coliseum, presumably for the season, with the result that hundreds are compelled to stand throughout the entire performance. Had the seats been occupied, it would not have looked so bad, but last Saturday night, with what we were told was a record crowd in attendance, there were hundreds of vacant seats in the building that were never occupied.

The Winter Fair has to make money to exist, it is true, but there were hundreds of people in attendance who would have willingly paid the price of the available seats, but were prevented from doing so because they had been previously rented to residents of Toronto who failed to turn up. Out of town people cannot often tell just what day or night they may be able to attend the Winter Fair and so cannot make their reservations in advance and it certainly does not create a satisfied feeling to have to stand through the whole performance with empty seats in evidence all around you.

The Winter Fair, though, was all that could be desired. The exhibits of manufacturers, the floral display, the livestock, farm products and many others was the best in the history of the Fair and, like the Canadian National Exhibition, it is without a peer on the North American continent.

THE LOCAL HOSPITAL

As time goes on, the most of us, on looking back over the years that are passed oftentimes wonder how we ever managed to get along without a hospital. Since the local hospital was placed in operation some years ago, it has developed wonderfully, and while at times there seems a dearth of patients, generally speaking it is usually full. At the present time it is full to overflowing. While every effort is made at all times to accommodate those who need its ministrations, there are times like the present when patients are placed in every conceivable vacant space and the question often arises as to the advisability of building an addition to take care of the surpluses of patients which occur from time to time.

There are no doubt some in our midst who are not particularly favorable to the hospital, but it is a fact that cannot be denied, that our local hospital has been doing a wonderful work since its inception. It would be nice, indeed, if we could do without such an institution altogether, but supposing this were all possible, we doubt very much if there are many in town or country who would favor doing away with our hospital on economic grounds. Hospitals, even the largest of them, are not to be regarded from the standpoint of dividends, or even the paying of their own way; rather they are regarded from the standpoint of their service to the community. There are some things which cannot be thought of in dollars and cents, and a hospital is one of them.

A BIG ISSUE

The last issue of the North Battleford (Sask.) News just to hand is one of the largest issues of a weekly newspaper we have seen in a long time, and certainly the largest edition to come out of Western Canada that we have noticed. A glance through its pages shows that the whole country around North Battleford has been well represented both in news and advertising. It is the ninth annual edition of what is known as a "Development Special" and is a credit not only to the publisher, C. R. McIntosh, formerly of Dornoch, but to the city of North Battleford and the surrounding territory. The edition contains 48 pages and sets forth the advantages of that part of Saskatchewan.

COLLEGE ROWDIES

There should be no "extenuating circumstances" considered in the investigation that is about to be held into the hazing on Tuesday, of a pupil at the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph. From the dispatches in the daily papers yesterday, it is about the worst of its kind that has ever been perpetrated, and those responsible for it should find no mercy when they appear before the bar of justice to answer for their foolishness.

According to a dispatch from Guelph, a young English first-year student, Edward Peddoes, had been found guilty by the student body of "squalling" about some minor affair and for this was first roped and drawn through a pig wallow, then forced into a pig crate and dragged up the main street of Guelph in a light wagon and placed in front of the theatre and subjected to further indignities. He was afterwards released and had overripe tomatoes and refuse rubbed in his face, finally escaping into one of the hotels. There can be little exception



IS IT LOYALTY OR MERELY A HABIT? —Thomas in the Detroit News.

taken to a certain kind of college "hazing"; this seems to be quite the rule in the most of colleges, but there is a limit. The affair at Guelph oversteps all bounds of decency. It is a disgrace to Guelph, to the O. A. C. and to Canada, and the only restitution that can now be made is to subject the perpetrators to a penalty that they will not soon forget. Rowdism of this kind should be severely frowned upon and no effort should be spared by the college authorities, or the Provincial Police in bringing the principals to task and imposing an adequate sentence.

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SOCIETY

Mr. and Mrs. Derrill M. Hart of Glendale, California, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Louisa, to Mr. Gordon William Ewen, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ewen of Durham, Ontario, the ceremony to take place at the Little Church of the Flowers, Glendale, on the thirtieth of November.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Morton of town had a call this week from an old neighbor in the person of Mr. Thomas Jones of Toronto. It is quite a number of years since these three old friends last met. Mr. Jones formerly occupied the farm north of town now owned by Mr. Murray Ritchie. Mr. Jones was accompanied by Mrs. Jones, formerly Mrs. John Collier of Glenelg, and the company spent a very pleasant couple of hours together in a discussion of the events that have occurred in the days that have passed since they last met.

Mr. G. R. Pearce of Stratford, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Limin of this town, underwent another serious operation in a Toronto hospital last week for the removal of a tumor on his brain. Mr. Pearce submitted to a similar operation a year ago and for a time appeared to be recovering, but was taken ill again a few weeks ago. We trust that this last operation will be successful and that he will regain his usual health.

Miss Hazel Torry of Bentinck spent the week-end in town, the guest of her friend, Miss Eva Adlam.

Mrs. J. S. McIlraith and Mrs. W. A. Glass are in Toronto this week, local delegates to the Women's Institute convention.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Burnett returned to town last week after having spent the past couple of months in Winnipeg and other points in the West.

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ABERDEEN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Friday, November 18, the Aberdeen Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. James Ewen, with 21 members, and two visitors present, a splendid turnout for this time of the year. Miss Stella Lynn read the Scripture lesson. The programme consisted of community singing, a solo by Mrs. J. F. McLean, and two splendid papers, one by Miss S. McCormack on "Starting Points of Thought," and one by Mrs. J. S. Davey on "To Help One Another."

It was decided to send quilts and a donation of money to the Children's Shelter at Owen Sound and to put "First Aid" in the Aberdeen school. The roll call was answered by Helpful Hints and a silver collection. The National Anthem closed the meeting. A dainty lunch was served by the hostesses, meeting ladies. The December meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. D. Lamb on the 16th at 4 p.m. At this meeting the quilts are to be quilted for the Shelter. All ladies are cordially invited to be present.

IN MEMORIAM

Hazitt—in loving memory of our dear brother, the late W. T. Hazitt, who passed away November 21, 1926

In memory a daily thought, In heart a silent sorrow, —Sadly missed by his Sisters.

NOTICE

Re Overdue Accounts

All overdue accounts not paid before December 1 will be placed in court for collection.

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Reeve Neil Calder, of Egremont, intimated that it was easier sometimes to get someone in the House of Refuge than it was to get them out, and he cited a case of where a comparatively young woman had been committed to the institution when she and her husband could not make things work, but that later the man was in better circumstances and wanted to get his wife back, but that Supt. Smith had intercepted a letter, and had done all he could to keep her there and she is still there, but the husband wants to go to Fergus and keep house again, and another effort will be made to secure her release, provided her husband will sign an agreement to provide for her. He thought such things as this should be looked into.

After some further discussion, some of which was quite pointed in its character, the matter was brought to a close by Reeve Taylor who introduced a resolution to the effect that Supt. Smith be requested to accept all patients properly admitted and if there is no room to make arrangements to take them elsewhere at the expense of the county, and this was carried without opposition.

No More Pavements

The Council just about concluded the business of the November session on Friday afternoon, although there were a few odds and ends which remained to be cleared before the final adjournment on Saturday

Markets

Market prices table for November 23, 1927, listing items like Live Hogs, Wheat, Oats, Barley, Buckwheat, Peas, Mixed Grain, Hay, Eggs, Butter, Potatoes, Chicken, Ducks, Geese, and Turkeys with their respective prices.

THE MEN'S CLUB

of Knox United Church

are holding a Banquet-Social Evening

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BORN

Campbell—In Bentinck, November 19, 1927, to Mr. and Mrs. Donald A. Campbell, a son.

Macdonald—In Durham Hospital, November 20, 1927, to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Macdonald, a son.

Noble—In Bentinck, November 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Noble, a daughter.

Thompson—In Durham Hospital, November 17, 1927, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Thompson, a daughter.

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WHAT THEY SAY OF NEW U. F. O. LEAD

Metropolitan Press of Ontario Generally Agree That Proper Man Been Chosen to Guide Destitute Farmers' Party.

The appointment of Mr. J. Lethbridge, M. P., who represents West Middlesex in the Ontario Legislature, has, quite naturally, referred to editorially by the leading daily newspapers of the province. We give below the opinion expressed editorially by The Free Press, Toronto Globe and Toronto Mail and Empire, which no doubt be of much interest to readers:

London Free Press

West Middlesex, which supplies the leader of the Liberal party in the Legislature from 1890 to 1910 the person of Hon. George W. Lethbridge, now has the distinction of being presented by the leader of the provincial Progressive party, Mr. J. G. Lethbridge, to succeed Mr. W. E. Raney in that capacity high personal tribute on the part of his colleagues, for the group includes a former minister of the Drury Government, H. C. Nixon, Brant, who is a much younger man, Mr. Lethbridge, although a member of the house since 1919, looks upon more years than any of the assembly. Nevertheless, I set an example that certainly has been taken more than ordinarily interest in all the affairs of the House and committees to which he belongs. It is worth while to note that Mr. Lethbridge is never tired of sincerity in anything he advocates. There is no doubt that he enjoys the respect of government side—which is important.

In an interview given the Mr. Lethbridge outlines a plan which indicates no new deputy. A number of the 13 plans by the Progressive party a couple years ago are not specifically mentioned, but that it is not very significant. It is rather a thing that the new leader of the Progressive party is elected riding U. F. O. organization, in May of 1925 rejected the terms of provincial Progressives to adopt that name and applications. He declares his belief in "the principle of representation of rural constituents members who are sympathetic to the agricultural political movement." That, of course, is not on all fours with the late announcement of the U. F. O. ago, conceding riding autonomy the matter of "direct representation for agriculture as an organized group." Two years ago the U. F. O. gave names to a committee, Mr. Lethbridge being a member, and steps for co-operation with farmers' organization, but a great deal seems to have been achieved. Even West Middlesex retains its distinctive U. F. O. organization, and Farquhar U. F. O. member for South was special speaker at the annual meeting in Stratford. Mr. Lethbridge does not appear to have attended. It is a curious situation, which will not be clearly clarified by action of the other at the coming convention in regard to the abolition of the provincial U. F. O. group of three in the holds its own while the U. F. O. sives, numbering 13 after the election, are reduced to the loss of Prince Edward and seating of M. A. McCallum, Bruce. Twelve attended the which re-elected Mr. Raney ago; seven members gathered onto to select Mr. Lethbridge

Toronto Globe

When the announcement made a few weeks ago of the appointment to the High Court of Ontario of Hon. W. E. Raney, opinion circles that would from Queen's Park would hasten the final doom of the aggressive party in the Province. Raney had for a long time been the leader of what was the mainstay of a party. For an intermentary term an opportunity was given to Hon. Mr. Raney his followers to show their and to try their hand in the management of Ontario's affairs of gross extravagance and inefficiency resulted.

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