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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.

Thursday, May 22, 1930

### A FIVE-CENT ISSUE?

Premier King takes exception to a speech by Hon. G. H. Ferguson, Premier of Ontario, at London, in which the latter is reported to have said that the Ontario government proposed to throw its weight into the election campaign against the Federal forces this summer. Mr. Ferguson's remarks were occasioned by a recent speech in the House at Ottawa in which Premier King said in reference to assistance for the unemployed: "So far as giving money from this federal treasury to provincial governments is concerned, in relation to this question of unemployment as it exists today, I might be prepared to go a certain length possibly in meeting one or two of the western provinces that have Progressive premiers at the head of their governments, but I would not give a five-cent piece to any Tory government."

Now Mr. King accuses Mr. Ferguson of misrepresentation and says that his "five-cent" speech referred only to the "then existing conditions". Canada's prime minister now says that the Dominion government is anxious to promote good relations with all the provinces.

Whatever explanation Mr. King can make, his speech is recorded in Hansard as given, and whether or not he made it in a fit of anger, it still stands as a most uncalculated remark and one that should not have been made by a man in his position. It is not only the Conservatives who criticize Mr. King for his utterance, but many of his Liberal supporters as well. There are a lot of people in Canada today, and amongst them many Liberals, who would like to know just what Mr. King would give could he but recall the foolish words he uttered in a moment of weakness.

Mr. King's declaration will have to be taken as it was made. As the prime minister, any of his statements, by virtue of his office, will have to be taken seriously. Being a prime minister is a serious business. In his declaration that he would not contribute a five-cent piece toward unemployment in any province that had a Tory government at its head, he has read five of the provinces of Canada out of their confederation rights which guarantee to all Canadians equality before the Crown in rights as well as in responsibilities. That is, if he spoke seriously. If his remarks are not to be taken seriously, then there is nothing left but to consider that his statement was childish and most unbecoming.

### BLOW YOUR OWN "BEEZER"

"The man who blows his own horn usually responds to his own encore."

We noticed the above "wise-crack" in one of our exchanges, and while this old axiom may have held good two or three decades ago, like everything else in these modern times, it has passed out of style. In these days of propaganda and "blah" it might more truthfully be said that the man who fails to blow his own horn is soon forgotten and that if one wishes to get anywhere in this year of grace 1930 he must be p and doing and forget a lot of this inferiority complex stuff.

Of course it depends largely upon what kind of a man a man has to blow in the first place, and what he tries to play in the second place. You can't expect to get anything out of a hog but a grunt, so it would be useless for some of us to attempt to toot our own horn. Perhaps the instrument we are holding is a tin whistle.

There are a lot of other things that have been thrown into the discard in the past twenty years. There was a time when it was a matter of pride with a lot of us to show the world just how "independent" we were. We were simply sitting on top of the world and didn't care a tinker's dam for anyone. If they didn't like our gate they didn't have to swing on it, but we became so interlocked through this thing called civilization that not one of us could survive if it were not for our friends. A person can get along without relatives, but there is nothing under the sun that can take the place of good friends and neighbors. Without them life would be rather empty, hard and unbearable.

Blowing your own horn—judiciously—will get you to a company that you could never attain if you were one of these fellows with the retiring disposition. It is the age of go-getters and if one is satisfied to stand around mildly and wait until the other fellows find something he'll often go hungry to bed. Blow your own horn, but don't overdo it. It is a wise man who knows how many kinds of a fool he can be. Not your own horn when occasion demands, but if yours is only a slide trombone or a second alto, don't try to be the whole band.

There is a lot of difference between a man stepping out and going after that which belongs to him or which he can get, and allowing himself to develop into a conceited ass or unmitigated nuisance. By all means toot your own horn, but don't attempt a serenade when your ability calls only for a simple march. Many a man has failed in business because his tune has been the Dead March in Saul when it might just as well have been the Honeymoon.

The man who toots his own horn may usually respond to his own encore, but the man who doesn't rarely has the opportunity to respond to anything.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY

An editorial in the Kincardine Review-Reporter takes the Chronicle to task for insinuating that this former Liberal organ which now claims to be independent, was still sympathetic with the Liberal programme and lost no opportunity of slamming the Tories when an opportunity presented itself. The Review-Reporter used up quite a large amount of space in proving its independent stand and quoted statistics to prove that while it had kicked Premier Ferguson under the coat-tails on occasions, it had also patted him on the back. And the "pats" had it over the "kicks". In other words, the Review-Reporter has loved Mr. Ferguson and his government more often than it has tried to hand him the mitten.

Not being in a position to verify the statistical assertions of the Kincardine newspaper, we have nothing left but to accept its statement that it is "independent" and let it go at that. We are pleased, though, that the editorial was not twice as long, also the Review-Reporter editor might have proven that he was one hundred per cent Ferguson and Tory, and that would have been terrible. After reading what the Kincardine paper had to say we have come to the conclusion that "it does protest too much," and that the Chronicle's insinuation must have got under its political skin some four or five weeks ago. Anyway, the accusation made the Review-Reporter dig up its book of statistics to prove that it is one of those purer-than-snow lambs when the best we could make out of it was a goat or a sheep in wolf's clothing.

MARK THE CROSSINGS

It is to be hoped the Council will take action soon and mark the crossings for pedestrians. With a pavement, every place is a crossing and it is hardly fair to the motorist or the foot walker not to have certain areas designated as belonging to those on foot who desire to cross the street. As the matter now stands, there is no specified place where a pedestrian is safe. With no guide to go by the motorist cannot tell, and for the same reason no two persons are likely to cross over in the same area. With our campaigns for safety each year, we think it is quite in order to provide proper crossings and this can only be done by properly marking them. Then both motorist and pedestrian will know what to do. The practice of marking out areas at intersections and between streets is a good one. Paint costs little, is easily applied, and may save someone from being injured. Why not mark our crossings?

NOTES AND COMMENTS

A Canadian expert says that one out of every twenty-five people in Canada will enter mental hospitals. Which will bear out what we have thought all along: We are all crazy, but some of us register it a little more than others.

Mother's Day has come and gone once more. And now you fellows who sent her expensive flowers, candy and what-not last Sunday, see that you do not forget all about her for another twelve months.

Not a single journalist, male or female, is in the line-up for divorce at Ottawa. No doubt it is because all newspapermen and women are such loving, benign and gracious creatures, and not, as some would insinuate, because they haven't the \$1,500 necessary to start proceedings.

The Owen Sound Sun-Times says "Old Swan Sitting at Harrison Park." Yes, and done can usually see a lot of old swains sitting around there, too.

The "nickel" speech of Premier King will be an issue in Ontario this summer. But that does not mean we are to have a five-cent election campaign.

A full tank is a necessity in any car—but not at the wheel, says the Shelburne Economist. Not the way they are building some of the cars these days, anyway. A man with too much tank has difficulty in sliding under it.

A fourteen-months-old Chicago babe seriously wounded its mother when it fired at her from under a bed where it was hiding. No wonder Chicago is "bad" when they train them up at this early age.

We notice that there is to be a dance in the hall this Friday evening, the affair being staged under outside auspices. Despite the fact that there have been plenty of dances here this season, we predict a good crowd. Hang out a card for a dance or a dog fight and they'll be lined up waiting for the doors to open.

"Gas Equipment Ideal for Bride" says an advertisement in the London Free Press. She doesn't need one. And the groom will find it out the first time he stays out too late at night.

### OBITUARY.

#### ARCHIBALD ECTOR

Mr. Archibald Ector, a former resident of Glenelg and son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ector of the same place, who was born in Regina, died on May 11 in Regina hospital after an illness of only three months from kidney trouble. He was first taken ill at Prince Albert, Sask., last February, while attending a trustees' convention, and spent a week in the hospital at that place, when he was removed to the hospital at Regina, where he underwent an operation three weeks before his death. Though for a time it was thought he had a good chance for recovery, he took a turn for the worse and passed away on Sunday, May 11.

The late Mr. Ector was born in Glenelg Township in 1862, and was in his 67th year. He was married in 1881 to Miss Emma Riddle, also of Glenelg, and lived for a number of years in this vicinity, going to the West in 1911 to Elbow, Sask., where they have resided ever since.

He leaves to mourn their loss his widow, and eight children: Mrs. Sellers (Fanny) Pindlater; Misses Elsie and Ethel, teaching school near Regina; Marjorie and Bertha at home; Archibald and Raymond at home; and William, married and living at Elbow. He also leaves one brother Robert, of Glenelg; and six sisters, Mrs. Petch, Elbow, Sask.; Mrs. T. Turnbull, Mrs. W. Weir, Glenelg; Mrs. J. W. Moffat, Pinkerton; Mrs. J. A. Little, Proton; and Miss Margaret of Glenelg.

Interment was made in the cemetery at Elbow.

#### MISS MARY McCALLUM

Miss Mary McCallum of Bentinck, who has been a patient for the past three months in the hospital here suffering with cancer, died yesterday afternoon in her 74th year. Miss McCallum had been ill for the past two years. The deceased had lived all her life in Bentinck Township, and was born on the fifth concession in 1854. After the death of her mother about three years ago she went to St. Catharines to reside, and here she was first taken ill. She underwent two or three operations in the Hamilton hospital and subsequently came back to Bentinck, entering the Durham three months ago. She is survived by three sisters, Mrs. John Phillips of Sarnia, and Mrs. LeVine and Mrs. Chevenon, both in British Columbia. A brother John also survives. At the time of her death the particulars of the funeral arrangements though we understand interment will be made in Latona cemetery.

The late Miss McCallum was a woman very much esteemed by all who knew her and especially by residents in the vicinity of Mulock where most of her life was spent.

#### MRS. ANNIE McCORMACK

After an illness of six weeks at her home near Essex Centre, Mrs. Annie McCormick died early Wednesday morning from what proved to be an attack of typhoid fever, though this was not definitely known until three weeks ago. When her illness became known here her brother, Mr. W. G. Lawrence, and sister, Mrs. Thomas Milligan, made periodical trips to her bedside and were quite hopeful for her recovery, so hopeful that the news of her death Wednesday morning was a terrible shock. No particulars have been received at time of writing.

On receipt of the news of her passing Messrs. W. G. Lawrence and Thomas Milligan left on the morning train for Essex and will bring the remains to the home of her sister in Bentinck, near Hutton Hill, from where the funeral is to be held Friday afternoon.

The late Mrs. McCormack was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lawrence, and was born in 1883 on the homestead now owned and occupied by her brother, W. G. Lawrence. She made her home with her parents until 1913 when she was married to Mr. Donald J. McCormack of Proton, near Swinton Park, where she remained on the farm with her husband until his death in 1912.

Prior to her marriage and since the death of her husband, Mrs. Lawrence taught school and made a distinct success of her profession. She taught at Hutton Hill school, at Teeswater, was six years at Blenheim in Kent County, and for the past two years had taught in Essex Centre. She was a popular teacher both with her pupils and the different communities and many old friends in Glenelg and this vicinity will learn with regret of her death.

Surviving are one sister, Mrs. Thomas Milligan of Bentinck, and one brother, Mr. William G. Lawrence, who lives on the old home farm in Glenelg Township, two miles east of town.

#### WILLIAM REAY

William Reay, for many years a resident of Bentinck Township, passed away at the home of his sister, Mrs. Joseph Edmonds, near Vickers, on Friday after a very brief illness. He was in his 68th year and unmarried. The late Mr. Reay was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reay and was born on the Durham Road, about three miles West of Durham, and with the exception of a time spent at Major, Sask., had spent his whole life in his native township. For some time past he has made his home with his sister, Mrs. Edmonds, and was in his usual health up until a couple of weeks ago when he contracted the influenza, which affected his heart, and he died very suddenly last Friday morning.

Surviving are five sisters and four brothers: Mrs. Thomas Wilson, Durham; Mrs. William Torry, Mrs. David Hopkins, Mrs. John Murdoch and Mrs. Joseph Edmonds, Bentinck; John in Allan Park, Harry on the Durham Road, Joseph, all in Bentinck, and Christopher in Hanover. The funeral was held last Sunday afternoon from the residence of Mrs. Edmonds, and was attended by a very large number of friends and neighbors. The service was conducted by Rev. H. S. Fiddes of Durham and interment took place in Hanover cemetery. The late Mr. Reay was a man very highly respected and his death is very much regretted.

The pall bearers were six nephews, Messrs. Elmer, Cecil, Harry, and Charles Reay, George Torry and Samuel Wilson. Floral tributes were a pillow from brothers and sisters and sprays from Mrs. and Mrs. Harry Reay and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reay.

#### ARGENTINE WHEAT SEASON

The wheat harvest in the Argentine Republic commences in November and is in full swing about Christmas time. It continues well on into January in the most southerly portion, where the season starts later.

### THE CONTROL OF GARDEN INSECTS

(Experimental Farms Note.)

The most of the common garden insects are not hard to control, if one gives the matter a little attention and is willing to invest in a small amount of equipment. Though many people do not know all the common garden insects by sight, identification is not necessary. In most cases, all one has to determine is whether the insect eats the leaves or stems of the plants, or merely sucks the juice without eating the plant tissue. The former class may be killed by putting a stomach poison such as arsenate of lime, paris green or arsenate of lead on the leaves where it will be eaten by the insect; and the latter class by using some substance such as kerosene emulsion, tobacco extract or pyrethrum powder which kill either by contact or by the fumes given off. Insects are more voracious feeders when young than when nearing maturity, and are also more easily killed. It is therefore important to apply the remedy as soon as possible after the insect is observed or thought to be present.

For the small amount of spraying that is to be done about the ordinary garden, an expensive sprayer is unnecessary. The ordinary quart-size hand sprayer, such as is commonly used or spraying fly-oil on cows, is large enough. These cost from 60 cents to \$1.00. A better grade with a brass or a glass tank can be bought for about \$1.50. They are usually carried in stock by hardware men and by seedsmen.

Arsenate of lime and paris green will burn the foliage of many plants unless applied in a weak mixture. Use about three small level teaspoonfuls of arsenate of lime or one small teaspoonful of paris green to 2½ gallons of water and always add about three teaspoonfuls of air-slaked lime to help guard against burning. Arsenate of lead is sometimes hard to obtain, but it is the safest poison of the three. It will not burn when applied in any strength. Hellebore is the safest stomach poison to use where fruit or other garden products are to be used a short time after being sprayed. The volatile oil which is the poisonous principle of hellebore soon evaporates when exposed to the air, and the remaining powder is then harmless. Apply as directed on the container.

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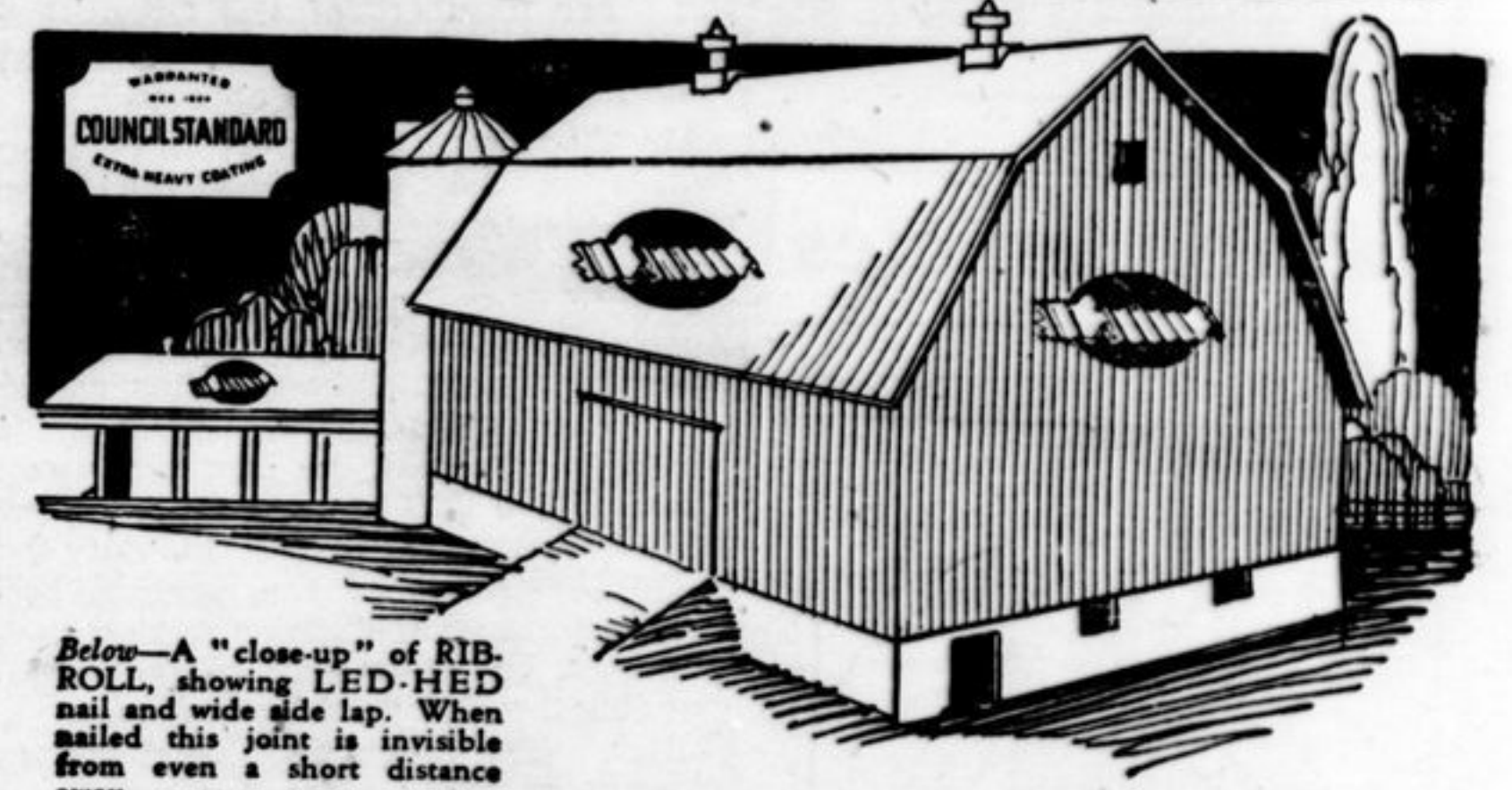
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