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"HILLY-BILLY YARN"

The huge hilly-billy woman had married the world's laziest man—a skinny runt of a chap.

Came the morning when the hilly-billy wife decided to wash clothes. Her husband was too lazy to take off his soiled garments, so the wife his clothes to dry—first placing a cornucop pipe in his mouth to keep him happy.

Later that afternoon a neighbor dropped in just as the hilly-billy placed the husband in a tub and did the job that way. She hung him on the line by his suspenders for wife was pulling in the clothes. And the neighbor was genuinely startled to see the husband hanging on the clothesline, nonchalantly puffing his pipe.

Finally, the wife reached out the window and pulled her husband's feet inside the house. The rest of his body still hung outside.

The neighbor turned pale. "Look Bhab, Liza," he demanded. "Are yer going ter leave yer husband that way—half inside the house and half on the line?" The wife shrugged.

"Can't help it," she explained. "His shirt's still wet."

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mr Jack Irvin of Chatham, spent the week end at his home here, before going to Kincardine, where he has been moved by the Bank of Montreal. Congratulations, Jack.

Mrs. Arnill spent a day last week visiting friends in the village. They have moved from Guelph to Harrison, where they have a grocery store.

There will be a euchre party in the Orange Hall on Monday, April 3, for the benefit of the Library. Come and enjoy the evening and also help on the good work.

Mrs Pollekke of Toronto spent the week end with her sister, Mrs McCant.

We are pleased to know that Mrs Geo. Fenton is improving from her serious illness.

Mr. N. McDougall who has been sick for some time, is feeling much better.

Mr R. Watt of Guelph was a visitor in the McGuire home over the week end.

The funeral of the late Mr. D. P. Coleridge was held Thursday, March 23rd. After a short service at the house, the remains were taken to the United Church, where the main service was held. Relatives from a distance were Mr John Sharpe, Guelph, brother of Mrs. Coleridge; Mrs. Godfrey of Toronto, a niece, Mr. Peter Ramage of Durham; Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Darroch of Harrison; Mr W. Ramage of Priceville and others. The sympathy of the community goes out to Mrs Coleridge in her great loss.

The Women's Institute met Tuesday, the 28th, at the home of Mrs. Hetherington. This meeting was postponed from March 16, the regular date, on account of so many having flu. The president opened the meeting with the Institute Ode. Community singing was enjoyed with Marie Aitken at the piano. The topic "Historical research" was given by Mrs. Hastie, which everyone enjoyed. Many antiques were on display: candlesticks, snuffers, skales, delf shoes that were used for dancing, horn spoon, shell, shawl over 200 years old, brooch, a heart-shaped locket of the Rock of Gibraltar got at the time of the Crimean war, iron kettle. Irish songs were sung; instrumental by Marie Aitken "Danny Boy." Roll call: "The history of the handsomest man."

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my home." Many were the amusing incidents connected therewith. The singing of the National Anthem closed the meeting. The hostess and her assistants served a dainty lunch.

DROMORE

The April meeting of the Dromore Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs Robert Taylor on April 12th. The speaker: Mr. Sam Patterson. The roll call: "A helpful hint" Music: Mrs Sam Patterson. Five minute talk on "Home Economics" by Mrs. Arthur Renton, and an exchange of flower slips. All ladies welcome.

MISS MACPHAIL FLIES TO VANCOUVER ON BIRTHDAY

Miss Agnes Macphail took a birthday flight from Ottawa to Vancouver and returned aboard a T. C. A. plane last weekend. She was 49 on Friday last.

She has been in a plane only once before. During the previous Liberal administration she became involved in a hot argument in the House with Hon. J. L. Ralston, then National Defence minister. He suggested she take a plane flight to cool off. Miss Macphail accepted the challenge and they went aloft together.

Looking back over 18 years in Parliament, she thinks her greatest contributions has been "honesty and decency in politics."

"I voted on the merits of the questions as they appeared in the House in the interest of my constituents and the mass of the people." Her fight for prison reform and persistent advocacy of the rights of farmers are accomplishments of which she is proud. Her interest in farmers' co-operatives has been outstanding and now she is working on a scheme for beautification of rural Ontario. "Clean-up, Plant and Paint," is the slogan.

A severe and caustic critic in the Commons, Miss Macphail is an affable and up-to-date personality out of the green chamber. She has friends in every party. Over her parliamentary career the private member whom she most admires is J. S. Woodsword, C. C. F. leader. Denton Massey (Con. Toronto-Greenwood), whom she chose in a "beauty contest" several years ago, is still the handsomest man.

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The FIRESIDE PHILOSOPHER

Only the truth will survive. Bad thoughts are boomerangs. A little sympathy will do no harm. Learn to congratulate without envy. Ill-gotten gains are worse than losses. The whole art of selling is the art of closing sales. Lift your eyes to the hills, but remember the valleys. Would you have "love"? Spoil it backwards and add V. E.

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MISS MACPHAIL'S WEEKLY LETTER

The international situation is the chief topic of conversation on Parliament Hill. It is in the background of everyone's thinking all the time. Yet it but seldom is the subject of debate in the House of Commons.

An exception to the rule of silence was made early in the week, when all the leaders made brief statements. Mr King, at the very beginning of his statement, said that he had been taken to task "for some guarded references" made earlier on the European situation. This amused me very much for if Mackenzie King ever made anything but guarded references, I have unfortunately missed them.

The form and place of the later disturbance in Europe was a surprise to him, the Prime Minister said. He called the capture of Czech-Slovakia by Germany, wanton and forcible and said there were few countries which do not regret the fate of that gallant and vicious nation, and still more the evidence that a great country does not honour its pledges.

In referring to Mr. Chamberlain's speech at Birmingham, he repeated the questions posed there: "Was this the end of an old adventure or the beginning of a new, the last attack on a small state, or the beginning of an attempt to dominate the world by force?" Neither Prime Minister ventured an answer. But, in response to Mr. Chamberlain's suggestion of a consultation with the members of the British Commonwealth, France and various other powers, Mr. King said: "So far as Canada is concerned, the government is ready at any time to take part in such consideration, to join in consultation with the United Kingdom and such other countries as would be appropriate."

It is important to sift rumour from fact, to know whether trouble comes as a result of agitation and propaganda, or economic pressure, or of military force, the Prime Minister thought, and equally important to know exactly what policies are being suggested to meet the situation. With this knowledge the Canadian government will be able to propose to Parliament action which it thinks should be taken in a specific case.

It was just at this point that the lost page of the Prime Minister's statement was later inserted. In making his notes in his own handwriting he had written on the back of one page and the typist had not copied this part, so when the Prime Minister sat down, after having made his statement, Mr. Dunning and he realized that something had been left out. With the permission of the House, he went to search for the missing bit, found it, and here it is:

"If there were a prospect of an aggressor launching an attack on Britain, with bombers raining death on London, I have no doubt what the decision of the Canadian people and Parliament would be. We would regard it as an act of aggression, menacing freedom in all parts of the British Commonwealth. If it were a case on the other hand of a dispute over trade or prestige in some far corner of the world, that would raise quite different considerations."

In concluding, Mr. King said that in spite of the shock to the world's confidence, there was no reason to despair of peace or to cease working for it, and he warned the totalitarian states that they could not win over the "limitless moral and material resources" that would be arrayed against them.

Dr. Manion said that personal liberty and parliamentary institutions of democracy are at stake; that it was a case of democracy and Christianity against Hitler's totalitarianism. Both Catholics and Protestants have been attacked by Hitler. (The Protestant leader Niemoller is still in a concentration camp.)

In characteristically strong language, the leader of the Opposition condemned the action of Hitler, protested his love of peace: "If there is only a five per cent chance in favor of peace, I am in favor of peace," but advocated a solid front among the democratic, civilized and Christian peoples of the world against Hitler's domination. Such a united front might possibly "halt his mad career"—act as a "Stop, look, listen" sign.

Three suggestions were made by Mr. J. S. Woodsword. First, that we should immediately prohibit the export of war materials to Germany, Japan and any other aggressor nations. Second, that we should im-

pose a super-tax on goods coming from Germany or any other aggressor nation. And third, we should be willing to assume some responsibility for the disaster in other parts of the world by sheltering a proportion of refugees. All these we could do on our own. In addition, Mr. Woodsword advocated the use of existing machinery of collective peace action, in seeking peace through consultation and conference.

My personal concern over the international situation is great, but I cannot say that I am surprised by the recent action of Hitler. Before Munich, he had shown that his pledged word meant nothing to him and I could not then, nor since, understand people who trusted in his assurances. It seemed to me that the three aeroplane trips made by Mr. Chamberlain to Germany to visit Hitler could have no other effect than to still further inflate his colossal ego. It was a psychological blunder and in addition, an economic one. We handed him the great fortifications of Czech-Slovakia and the Skoda works on a silver platter. We speedily armed our enemies. I remember the Duchess of Athol saying, on the day Chamberlain took his first flight: "Hitler will not stop until he reaches the Black Sea."

The remainder of the week has been almost totally spent on the details of the trade treaties; the items affected by the change in tariffs. One exception was a discussion on the ever-increasing importation of vegetable oils. It is the privilege of any member to present grievances on going into supply, or, rather, refusing to go into supply (vote money) until the grievance has been stated. Mark Senn, Conservative member for Haldimand, very ably argued against free entry of vegetable oils, as injurious to agriculture. The importations have increased from \$4,000,000 pounds in 1933 to 25,500,000 in 1938. These oils enter Canada in steamer loads at a very low price, absolutely free of duty, except the three per cent excise tax.

The vegetable shortening produced from vegetable oils and sold in Canada last year (150,000 pounds) was sufficient to account for the abnormal surplus of butter we have on hand Mr. Senn said; and, in addition, vegetable oil shortening displaced lard and tallow to a very large extent. Several members supported the idea that there should be a tax on

the oils coming in, but Mr Dunning, replying for the government, stated that he couldn't do anything about it until the report of the Tariff Commission came down. They had given prolonged and careful study to the subject, which he said was a complicated and difficult one.

Mr. Dunning said that he was not anxious to give the Conservatives another "New Zealand butter issue just prior to an election."

If all goes well, I will have been to Vancouver and back before this article, which has been written piecemeal in a very hectic day, is printed. I leave at ten o'clock tonight on the Good Will Flight of the Trans Canada Airways. We expect to arrive in Vancouver at noon tomorrow and leave again on Sunday early evening. It seems impossible, but next week I will tell you about it. It is an exciting way to celebrate one's birthday.

Agnes C. Macphail Ottawa, Friday, March 24th, 1938.

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Where The Reign of Winter Ends



Air-conditioned travel on a deluxe Canadian Pacific train brings the holiday seeker to Victoria. He has passed through all the rigors of winter, subzero temperatures, blizzards and a whole continent swathed in white, but when the Rockies are behind him and he has traversed the eighty-odd miles of the San Juan de Fuca straits, he enters, at the conclusion of his trip, a new land—Canada's Evergreen Playground—Vancouver Island with Victoria at its southern tip, and he has exchanged winter at its peak for summer.

Fourth largest in the chain of great Canadian Pacific hotels across the Dominion, the Empress Hotel at Victoria offers him all facilities. Located in a beautiful garden fronting the placid waters of Victoria's inner harbor, the Empress Hotel covers such unique features as its Conservatory with fountains playing amid masses of flowers and the nearby Crystal Garden with glass-enclosed swimming pool, palm bordered promenades and warm salt-water bathing.

The traveller steps into summer at once with new sights, brilliant sunshine and the tang of Pacific breezes, minimum rainfall and ideal temperature variations. Golf is at hand on the championship Royal Colwood Club course where, March 7-12, there will be held the Annual Winter Golf Tournament for the Sir Edward Beatty Challenge Cup, the Chamber of Commerce Trophy, Victoria Rotary Club Rose Bowl, the Matson Inter-District Team Cup and other valuable prizes. Fishing, yachting, riding, motoring, tennis are available for all, while the environs of Victoria have for major attractions, the Malahat Drive with its ever-changing incomparable views; the Butchart Gardens, famous on two continents; and the Dominion Astro-Physical Observatory. An evergreen playground in the depth of winter is Victoria's gift to Canadians on their own soil. Layout shows upper left a scene in the Crystal Gardens; upper right, the yacht harbor and the parliament buildings; lower left, a view of the Empress Hotel and lower right, a tense moment on one of Victoria's golf courses.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD IS YOUR LENS CLEAN?



With a clean lens, plus proper exposure, you should always get sharp, clear pictures such as the ones above.

THE Guild has received a number of letters from fellow snapshotters complaining about smudged looking pictures. They say they know their exposures are correct and developing done carefully with fresh, clean chemicals.

Granting that all this is true the next thing to consider is your lens. Is it clean? You have looked through dirty eye-glasses with probably a few finger prints on them. If you haven't it's a sure bet that you have experienced the difficulty of looking through a smudgy window. Clean eye-glasses and clean windows give clear vision and similarly the camera cannot "see" so well if its eye (the lens) is cloudy and smudgy from grease, finger prints and dust collected over a period of months.

Cleaning a lens is a very simple operation. All you need is a soft, unstarched linen handkerchief or perhaps a match or pencil, if the lens is quite small. The rear surface of the lens can easily be reached by removing the back of the camera. If the camera has a double lens (one behind and one in front of the shutter diaphragm), the front combination may be removed by turning to the left, which will allow you to work through the shutter opening when set for "time," with the handkerchief over the end of the match or lead pencil. If the lens is quite dirty breathe on it and then rub quickly with the handkerchief. Be sure, when replacing the front lens, to screw it back into the shutter as far as it will go.

The suggestion to work through the shutter opening also applies to cleaning the front surface of cameras with single lenses fitted to box cameras and certain folding models. Handle the lens carefully and don't exert too much pressure. It isn't necessary and might scratch the surface.

The amount of pleasure you get out of your camera depends almost entirely on how much thought and care you give it. Picture taking is just like golf, tennis, basketball or bowling—the more you experiment, the more thought you give to your hobby, the greater your reward in self satisfaction.

There are many good books available on amateur photography but one of the latest off the press is called "How to Take Good Pictures." It is packed with sound advice for the beginner or the advanced amateur and profusely illustrated with pictures of every type, diagrams and what have you. It might be called "The Amateur Photographer's Reference Book," but don't think for one minute it is as "dry" as such a name might imply. You can no doubt purchase this book from stores that sell cameras and photographic supplies.

If you know your camera—its limitations or its versatility—give careful thought to composition and story-telling possibilities you are well along your way to take pictures as interesting and sharp as the two above.

JOHN VAN GUILDER.

\$35000 Fire Three Buildings

Ayton village a disastrous fire in Monday morning. Damm's store, Dr. C. C. Cline, and the Clayton Watch, household goods, etc., went up in flames. The timely arrival of the fire department saved the situation. The total loss is estimated at \$35,000 covered by insurance.

The fire was 2.15 a. m. in Mrs. Damm's store. The fire is supposed to have started from an overheated rapidly spread to the shops to the north stock, as well as the named with their total loss. There was no salvage anything.

The occupants buildings were in their night attire. Mrs. Damm, time, was removed.

Dr. Card was receiving the bride's wedding was visiting in King and was unawares until notified by telephone.

Hanover Fire Dept. called, and the fire promptly, but the fire Ayton had not been Briande was serious ting their equipment snow-bound roads. Reached Ayton, the were doomed, but the ected other build work is credit the rest of the busi village.

A series of accidents the distress of the or had bones broke as a result of an scene of the fire, and Edward Clarridge eye injuries. Lorne, an accident victim, had to borrow electric residents in order to the fire injured, sent to all four injured, moved to the hospital.

ENGAGEMENT

The engagement. Wilma Isabel, only daughter of T. McBeath and the death of Chesley J. Ewen, son of Mrs. L. E. Smith of Township, the marriage quietly in April.

Demonstration

On April 6th we play at my Showers Tractor, Double Tractor Plus, Disc, tooth Harrows, No. 3 spreader, Oil bath The Preston Perit under; Oil bath Machinery. Come and look them over than here to explain. Check-out machines.

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