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Notes and Comments

The weekly press has been discussing editorially ways and means of improving church attendance among the protestant denominations. Could attendance at these churches be materially improved if the hours of service were changed is a question asked by the Owen Sound Sun Times who thinks they could. He suggests that the eleven o'clock hour was originally chosen for morning worship in order that the farmers might have time to get to church after doing their chores without having to get up too early, and that the seven o'clock hour was set so they might get home and do the evening chores after service before it was too late. That was all right in those days, but now with cars so plentiful, there is not much excuse for continuing the practice. He believes most people would like to make use of the afternoon for visiting friends, trips to the country or the beach, but the lateness of the morning service makes it impossible to get away much before two o'clock, and if one wants to get home in time for the evening service at seven a powerful lot of rushing has to be done. If the morning service were held at ten and the evening service at eight people would be able to have more time for visiting or recreation and would have less excuse for missing church.

The Whitby editor backs up the Owen Sound idea when he says: "Many Churches have lately adopted the 10.30 a.m. hour with Sunday School afterwards in order to leave a free afternoon. The later evening service is also becoming more frequent both in city and country. We have heard the suggestion made lately that 7.30 p.m. would be a more suitable hour for Whitby Churches. It would give the farmers a better chance to get their chores done and would perhaps be more popular with town folk who would like a longer day for driving over to the next town or township to visit their friends."

The editor of The Tribune does not think that changing the morning hour of worship would add anything at all to church attendance. People who are bent on running the roads all day Sunday will continue to do so. There is a more real and deeper sense of their obligation to the church to be instilled into them before any good is done. Plenty of people who are accustomed to the 11 o'clock time of service might be missing if the time was changed to an earlier one. No, it isn't the time of worship that is at fault at all. Unfortunately it is something more serious. The lure of the open road and desire for pleasure has a stronger pull than the call to worship, we fear.

For the balance of the year the province will pay 45 per cent of direct unemployment relief costs, municipalities will pay 30 per cent. and the Federal Government will pay 25 per cent., Hon. Eric Cross, minister of public welfare, informed a deputation of Ontario mayors recently.

This announcement resulted from the decision of the Ottawa authorities to continue to pay \$465,000 a month to the provinces for relief for the balance of the year. There is no unemployment at the present time in Stouffville or the townships adjoining. In fact farm hands are impossible to hire, and The Tribune is being daily appealed to by those seeking help. A farmer told us the other day he would gladly pay \$35 per month for an experienced man who would take employment until next fall.

A Break for Rural Mail Carriers

Hon. W. D. Euler has intimated that he will consider a suggestion by a member of the House of Commons to put rural mail carriers on the same basis as city letter carriers and have them appointed by the Civil Service Commission. This would mean a substantial increase in pay for these men who carry His Majety's mails through the country in all sorts of weather and under less, favorable conditions than their city cousins. The Renfrew Mercury says that the present system of cut-throat tendering finds some carriers without sufficient funds to do their work and maintain themselves and their equipment on a proper basis. This is quite true judging from some of the facts revealed at the conventon held in Whitby last summer by the rural mail carriers.

Holidays Should Be Adjusted To Popular Convenience

Though the King's birthday falls in December, it is officially celebrated in June, that month being regarded as more seasonably appropriate for the ceremonies associated with the celebration. The festivities are thus shifted over a six-month interval without any loss in observance or in honor to His Majesty.

If the observance of a royal birthday can be shifted in this manner without destroying its significance, it seems that it should be possible for us in Canada to shift some of the statutory holidays the few days necessary for their celebration to fall on a Monday. Christmas and Good Friday do not, perhaps, lend themselves to observance on any other days but the 25th of December and the Friday before Easter Day, but even the New Year could be celebrated as well on the first Monday after December 31st, and Victoria Day and Dominion Day could most conveniently be celebrated on the Mondays before May 24th and July 1st. Thanksgiving Day, which is fixed by proclamation, should be definitely set for a Monday in October and not, as has some-

times been the case, for a Thursday in November. From a business standpoint, a holiday in the middle of the week is a nuisance and to some industries is unnecessarily upsetting. Monday as a holiday date would be generally popular as permitting weekend trips which would be otherwise impossible. Unless it is to be decided that people are not to make trips on statutory holidays, but are to sit at home and fix their minds on the observance of the particular anniversary which is being observed, it would be well to adjust the incidence of holidays so that most people could get the maximum of enjoyment out of them.

BUY AT HOME THE BEST PLAN

has been in effect in small towns came next with some 200 acres Windsor are perhaps the two for years, and, like many phras- extending from the 9th to the farmers who have lived at the es, it has been robbed of much 10th. This was held by four lake longer than any other men of its value by constant repe- brothers, George, John, Engle- there today, and can testify to tition. People hear the phrase hart and Isaiah. Their land in- the whole program of developand pay little attention to it, beyond agreeing in an offhand manner that it is a good slogan and that out-of-town shopping is what is handicapping small town merchants. They forget all about it, however, the next time of catalogues. There are very Quantz recalled in an interview whatever for their neglect.

display advertisements in this now belongs to the T. Eaton Co. very paper. Could anything be more helpful for those going to now widely known as Cedar camp or on who are now in Beach belonging to Mr. George camp or who are now in Davies on the north shore and suggestions offered here. They the land about was held three will stand up, we submit, again- quarters of a century ago by a st the advertising of the big pioneer Edward Gray, father of

right habit. In addition to prices time were the Nesbitts, Deconditions in a town are much progressed in the light soil may more pleasant than in larger be a mystery, but they accomcentres. It is much more agree- plished a good deal, and for the able to make a purchase from most part reared worthy somebody you know than from families. an impersonal clerk or from a The property now occupied by mailorder catalogue. Altogether the church formed part of a 50 city shoppers particularly the B. Quantz, father of W. A. Council for providing a satiskind who run charge accounts in Quantz. Most of these people factory dust layer and doing a cash purchasing elsewhere. memory and the impression they ance around the lake. All-in-all Local and long distance trucking Fortunately these are a minor made still lingers and even the there is a happy family of people ity as nothing can be done to coming of a great city popula- at Musselman's and the campers change their habits. Much out- tion cannot completely efface find a real delight in passing a of-town shopping, however, is the landmarks left by those few short weeks at this little the result of sheer thoughtless- staunch hearts who pioneered lake which is fed by springs unness, and could easily stay in the district. town if people gave a little more still good slogan, Home."

RECORD COW

Agriculture Report just released Musselman's which was hailed indicates that "Lonelem Rag as a coming summer resort, but Apple Doris," a two year old it took the introduction of the Holstein Heifer, owned by York motor car to carry out this County House of Refuge, New-dream. At that time one could market, stood first in her Divi- pitch a tent for a month right sion—completing a record of on the shore for 50 cents. 13,299 lbs. of milk, test 4.37 Twenty-two years ago Bishop per cent, fat 581 lbs. Butter R. C. Evans, son of William 726.25 lbs. on strictly twice a Evans who is a widely known day milking for 365 days.

gratulations to the Commission- shore between Shadow Lake and ers, Reeve Earl Toole, Whit- Musselman's. It was the old church and Deputy-Reeve Boyn- Graham orchard then, but there ton Weldrick, Vaughan, and the was no well on the place and Superintendent, Major D. E. the owner carried his water from Sprague, on this splendid record the lake. Bishop Evans opened made by our York County the camp of the Christian Institution.

Beauty, one of this herd, made have been counted there at one the highest Junior 4 year old time. holstein milk record in Canada

age and division. We understand that the House of Refuge herd, while small, is a splendid one, having regard for type, heavy production and high test, and reflects particular credit on those responsible for its management.

BETTER NOT TRY IT

From St. Thomas there comes scheme at this lake. one of the most unusual stories of the season. Mr. and Mrs. Darden Bassett of Rodney were halls in all Ontario, while other driving in their car and were facilities offered bring the Cedar about to cross the railway track Beach premises with modern at the same time the New York store facilities into a thoroughly Central flier, the Wolverine, was up-to-date summer resort, and

coming along at 80 m.p.h. form. The front wheels of the township and the lake. car and the engine were cut off as clean as though a big knife Musselman's are to be found had been used. The glass in the substantial citizens and men of car was not broken and Mr. and prominence in their various Mrs. Bassett sat there while it

ed. usual accident reported this year. the Ontario Dept. of Highways Trainmen say that had the loco- S.R. Proctor and R.J. Draper of motive been going at forty miles the York Trading Co. an hour it would have dragged In close proximity to Musselthe auto, but at eighty miles it man's has been opened up the just cut clean through and went old McKeown lake and now on its way. It is indeed a nice widely known as Shadow Lake trick with a happy ending, but for Eaton Girls, where annually an experiment which we would hundreds of employees from the hesitate to recommend for the company enjoy their vacation general use.

OXEN-TILLED LAND

(Continued from page, 1) lived at the lake too, and is per- nice conveniences that make haps the oldest living person for pleasure and delight. "Buy at home" as a slogan born in the area. The Helmkays behind the ox team.

Shadow Lake was the old the section has risen from the they happen to go to the city or McKeown farm, and the own- second to poorest to the second a new season brings a new crop er met a tragic death there, Mr. to richest in the municipality. few persons who are not guilty with this paper. He was passing of neglecting their own mer- near the water when a breeze chants to some degree and in blew away his straw hat which many cases there is no reason went into the lake. The old man in his frantic effort to retrieve We want our readers this the headgear got into the water week to pause long enough to and became fast in the weeds read over the presentation of where he sank. This property The site of the big pavilion,

city stores in the daily press. Russel Gray of Gormley and Association members run into Buying out of town or in town Mrs. Ira Rusnell of Stouffville. is largely habit. Then get the Other prominent farmers of that being much the same, shopping geers and Staleys. How they

there is not much excuse for the acre holding belonging to George great praise to the Whitchurch local stores and do their spot have passed on, but the good job in abating this nuis-

The United Church and the outlet. thought to the well worn but R. C. Church hold Sunday ser-"Buy at vices each Sabbath for the cottagers.

Records indicate that back in 1895 (43 years ago) small parties from Stouffville and Ux-The Federal Department of bridge came to camp at cottager of this day, obtained a We wish to extend our con- small piece of land on the north Brethren and held hundreds of Last year Princess Patricia meetings there. 140 tents might

Slowly the lake was developfor the year, having regard for ing but no one invested in a big way. Sixteen years ago George Davies bought the Russel Gray farm. He intended to develop it for his private use as a summer home. However, the turn of events in the city determined him on turning the place into a revenue producing proposition. Much could be said about the expansion program by Mr. Davey, which actually is the hub of the whole development

Today the Cedar Beach pavilion is one of the finest dance the chief source of attraction The front part of the auto was for the tremendous crowds on the track just as the engine which throng the shores of the arrived. Something had to hap- lake on every weekend and holipen and it was a very neat opera- day. Mr. and Mrs. Davey are tioin for a locomotive to per-permanent residents of the

Among its many cottagers at walks of life. At the risk of was going on and were not injur- missing many who might justly be mentioned we rehearse a few We consider that the most un- names, those of E. S. Smith of

with all its many privileges of the rural country district to which have been added all the

Malcolm Connor and John cluded the present park on the ment which we have referred to. south side of the lake. Some of That the whole expansion has this property also belonged to been a good thing for the dis-Richard Graham, father of trict about goes unquestioned. Andrew, who was then a lad Land is more valuable and taxes are more readily earned, and

> the passing of the so-called Sciatica, pains in joints, limbs, sore "good old days," but who is there that would want to go back | then take PAIN-X TABLETS-"The to the ox tilled fields the barren Nation's Pain Relief", they give shores, and the task of carrying you quick relief and are inexpensive water from the lake to the farm for house use and for stock in the dry period of summer?

Eight or ten years ago the campers formed an association known as the Musselman's Lake Ratepayers Association the head of which just now is the dynamic Bert Lloyd of Toronto and H. A. Bevens, secretary. The and enthusiasm has helped to promote lake discipline, etc. The Association advocated the present garbage collection which has been enjoyed for a number | Pat O'Brien of years, and are now bending their efforts to obtain a hard top road from the highways in to the lake.

The lads just now are giving seen and which has no visible

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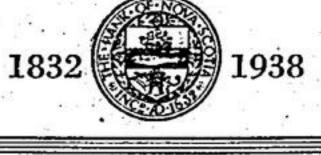
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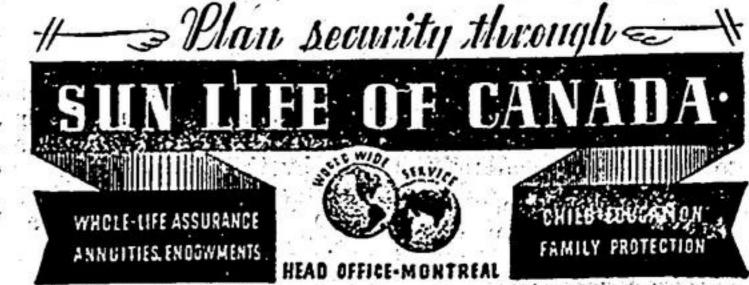
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