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Editorial Comment

Paint Up, and Look Up

Using a slang expression, a lot of the store fronts along Main street are having their face lifted. Everybody will know just what is meant by such a vague explanation of saying that the store fronts are being painted. Strange how we English speaking people can use so many words or so many slang expressions and know exactly what is meant. To a foreigner it's a terrible headache.

Listen To This

We read in *The Oval*, a magazine of industrial chemistry, that the consumption of salt in the world is 30 million tons a year, and the article enlightened us further by stating that this amount of coarse salt would cover a square mile of land to a depth of 30 feet, and yet could be obtained by evaporation from one-fifth of a cubic mile of sea water. It is an astounding fact that in Windsor, Ont., there is enough salt to last the world, should all other sources fail, for close to 100,000 years.

Its Going to be Stopped

Steps are being taken to stamp out speeding in Stouffville, especially by motorists driving near the east or west boundaries. When once out of the business section some people drive like air bombers on a death mission, and we are glad that something is being done before a death is recorded. Constable Al. Greenwood will have the co-operation of county men in getting after speeders, some of whom do not display any brains at all.

We Owe Them Thanks

Who ever heard of a village council or the members of the school trustee board being granted a vote of thanks for their past services. We do not suppose any has, and perhaps they never will, but it is something that would be quite proper and right. Just now members of the trustee board in Stouffville, and members of the council, are doing a good deal of wishful thinking too. They are estimating their expenditures for the year, and do not want the tax rate to increase. The school expenses are running close to receipts, and if they are not most careful, a higher demand will be made on the ratepayers. The members are determined to get by on what it took last year. Likewise, members of the council are fighting in the same way to keep their expenses down, so that everybody may have a low tax rate. These men work voluntarily, none of them are paid a cent by the taxpayers for the hours they spent. If they do a good job they do not ever get a vote of thanks—strange, isn't it, that men will serve in these offices, when a good job doesn't even bring you a "thank you," but where poor public service will bring you condemnation.

What's Happening in Germany Today

In the current issue of *Health*, issued by the Health League of Canada, appears an article which impressed us so much that we want to tell our readers something of what we read. It reveals a phase of Germany's weakness which has been concealed behind Nazi propaganda and boasting. "Germany, no matter how startling may appear her temporary triumphs, has already sown the seeds of her eventual destruction!"

This fact is easily apparent to those who have studied the appalling indifference shown by her present leaders in regard to the physical, mental and moral health of the nation. It suggests that in the present conflict with what is realised as History's most terrifying example of ignorance and egotism in power, one of the most effective weapons will be forged by building up, in the free democracies, what Germany has deliberately torn down in the enslaved Reich: the health, the happiness and the efficiency of their people.

As part of its campaign to effect this consummation in the Dominion, the Health League of Canada presents a resume of conditions which had been deliberately fostered by the Nazi regime in Germany even before the present war. They have, of course, become worse since that time and will become progressively so as the war continues.

Before 1914, Germany was a leader in matters of health and the combating of disease. Then came the war, and the health of German civilians suffered from the condition of semi-starvation which their leaders had brought upon them. After peace was declared, Germany resumed her place in the leadership of all branches of science and in movements for the betterment of human health.

In 1933 Adolf Hitler and his Nazi Party assumed power, since when it has been their proudest boast that they have restored a weakened and unhappy people to health, strength, vitality and happiness. How much truth lies in that claim may be judged from the facts published by Dr. Gumpert, former head of Berlin Dispensary.

He reveals that rickets, a disease arising from lack of nutrition, is decreasing in all civilized countries, yet in Germany it is increasing at an appalling rate. In some German cities it reaches 96%. Scarlet fever has increased from 70,830 in 1933 to 117,544, in 1937. Diphtheria is up from 77,830 to 146,733 cases in 1937. Infantile paralysis and other diseases are mounting.

BRING ON YOUR REPUBLICANS



Amid tumult which was stupendous, if not quite spontaneous, the Democrats of the United States nominated Franklin D. Roosevelt for a third term in Washington's White House. Roosevelt was the first president so nominated in the history of the republic. Delegates made the draft unanimous. Drafting of the man who

had publicly renounced his high office came as the whirlwind finish of a five-hour three-ring circus of old-fashioned political tub-thumping at Chicago. It came 24 hour ahead of schedule when Senator Lester Hill of Alabama demanded during a pre-nominal roll call of the states that "America call on this great patriot to save her in her hour of darkest need."

People to Say

If citizens desire municipal elections to be held annually after this year it is necessary that they intimate this to the Council. The Council may decide to put the decision for a longer term up to the ratepayers. If they do not do this a petition from five per cent of the ratepayers obligates the Council to pass a by-law and submit the question at the election this year and no doubt many Councils will adopt whatever plan appears to meet their requirements. If Council does not submit the by-law, the two year term automatically becomes effective and the municipal bodies elected in 1941 carry on for a two year term. If a vacancy occurs during the tenure of office the remaining members of the Council or Board choose the person for the position.

New Rates

Postmaster Leavens has furnished us with a new rate card for mailing parcel post, which reveals a slight upward trend in rates for parcels sent within the 20 mile zone, and over the 20 mile zone.

On the old rate the charge was 5c for the first pound within 20 miles, the new rate is still five, but for the second pound the rate of 6c is now 7c. There is 2c additional on each pound up to 7 pounds, and one cent on 8 pounds and up to 15 pounds.

Parcels sent outside the 20 mile zone are given 1c increase to 11c for the 1st pound, and one cent increase on each additional pound up to a considerable sized parcel.

HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH BY LIGHTNING

Mrs. Robert J. McCracken, of Dalrymple had a miraculous escape from death by lightning at her home during one of the storms of last week. While lying on the sofa a bolt of lightning struck the house throwing her off the sofa and tearing the heel off her slipper, but not otherwise injuring her.

EXPECT BIG INCREASE IN FERTILIZER PRICES

The possibility of an increase of at least 20 per cent in the prices of fertilizer in Canada was seen Saturday by G. S. Peart, Plant Products Division, Dominion Department of Agriculture. Addressing a Dominion Provincial agricultural conference at its concluding session, Mr. Peart said the expected price rise might start next month, and was caused by the war.

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A Walkerton merchant's wife tells of a rather startling occurrence a friend of hers had on the train the other day, and which resulted in the arrest of two alien suspects as they were about to step from a C.P.R. flier at Toronto.

According to the local lady's story two parties robed as nuns were riding in the same coach as her friend, whose child, losing its ball, the mother joined in the search and during the hunt was surprised to find the feet of the supposed two nuns cased in heavy men's shoes, and having read of Nazi spies donning clerical robes and the garbs of nuns in France the better to throw off suspicion, lost no time in reporting the matter stealthily to the conductor.

On the train reaching Toronto the pair were taken into custody and she later learned they were being held as alien suspects in the Queen City.

STRONGER MARKET FOR BACONS SEEN

A still stronger market for bacon hogs is forecast by Toronto dealers following the announcement of the Dominion Bacon Board increasing prices for export bacon by 50 cents.



NO. 1 WILLKIE MAN
 Wendell Willkie, candidate for the U.S. presidency, has no more ardent supporter than his sister, who listened to the convention proceedings in a St. Catharines hotel room. She is Julia Willkie, employed as a chemical technologist in St. Catharines, Ont.

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PROVINCE WELL RID OF MARSHALL'S STALLION

Gone is "Craigie Realization," and gone with the wind is \$12,000 of the province's money.

"Craigie Realization" happens to be a prize stallion bought by Senator Duncan Marshall, once Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, in a general spirit of largesse, in Scotland, some years ago, and placed for breeding purposes at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. Cost of laying the stallion down here was \$12,000, with Senator Marshall's general expenses in his Scottish trip and shipping costs extra.

"Craigie Realization" stayed at Guelph, but about a month ago he just up, keeled over, and died. The death, according to Ontario Department of Agriculture officials, was "quite natural." He was about eight years old, but they contend the stallion left behind him some good colts, the number unknown.

But Hon. Harry Nixon, provincial secretary, himself a farmer of some rating, and a bit of an authority on livestock, horses, etc., did not even shed a small tear when told about "Craigie's" death.

"Wouldn't be much of a loss, anyway," said Mr. Nixon. "He wasn't much good."

"How do you mean?" asked a reporter.

"Well," replied Mr. Nixon. "It was this way. 'Craigie' was like a lot of these other Scots who come out here. He just turned his nose up at our Canadian girls."

So "Craigie" is gone. So is the province's "twelve grand" and so is Duncan Marshall—to the Senate.

Bacon hog prices have risen locally about 60 to 65 cents in the last two weeks, it is explained, and the board is offsetting this increase. In so doing it is merely restoring the reduction put into effect early in May.

The new prices for export bacon are based on \$17.70 per 100 lbs. for grade No. 1 sizeable Wiltshires, f.o.b. Canadian port, for products put in cure since last Monday.

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