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STANDARDIZATION OF HOMES

Among the dangerous trends in this postwar era of shortages is that toward standardization of the homes of the people. We are being eased into an era in which we shall buy homes off store shelves. The effect of this on our general mode of life is one that must be viewed with alarm.

Prefabricated houses are being hailed as one of the great achievements of modern science. From the standpoint of ingenuity and inventive genius, tribute must be paid to the brains which conceived them and made them possible. They are, however, indications of a tendency that imperils our whole living standard.

Individuality is the one outstanding factor which distinguishes a free people from one that is regimented. This is shown in a variety of ways, in dress, in the choice of work and recreation, in tastes in food, and essentially in housing.

Shortages of materials have brought prospective home-owners to the point where selection is almost impossible. They find that they cannot build, and the choice of houses for sale is strictly limited. They must take what they can get.

Prefabrication has stepped in as the solution of the problem. It is possible now to order homes from a catalogue and have them shipped to the building site by freight. There, they can be quickly put together by fitting numbered sections. It is convenient, but it kills individuality.

Naturally, the variety is not great. Such homes fall into only a few patterns, and they threaten a deadly sameness in our residential areas. This adds to the general tendency toward regimentation in all our activities, and in its subtle way endangers our essential freedom. It is another case in which an emergency measure may establish itself permanently, to the detriment of our development as free, independent, individualistic human beings. — Windsor Star.

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LIGHTNING KILLS CATTLE READY FOR UNITED STATES

During an electrical storm in Pickering Township last week three fine Ayrshire cows were killed by lightning on the Hermitage Farms, managed by Mr. Robt. Rud. The animals had been sold for shipment to the United States at prices ranging \$225, \$350 and \$600, but were fairly well covered by insurance, since the owners stand to lose only \$100 because of the misfortune.

CO-OPS PLAN TOUR

A tour to the co-operatives in Uxbridge and Peterborough is being planned by the educational committee of the Stouffville Co-operative Association. It is expected that buses will be used and that there will be a dinner and speaker at noon in Peterborough.

90-YEAR-OLD DOCUMENT ADVOCATES BROOKLIN FOR COUNTY CAPITAL

A public notice urging that Brooklin be named county town, a petition pertaining to the division of Whitby Township into wards and a public notice calling for tenders for grading the road from Oshawa to Reach are included in a collection of historical documents recently given the press.

Oldest of the documents is one calling for tenders for grading the road from the Village of Oshawa to Orser's in Reach. It was issued from the office of the Nonquon Road Company at Oshawa, on May 27, 1850, and is signed by G. M. Grierson, secretary.

Probably the most interesting of the documents is one which was directed to the "Inhabitants of the County of Ontario" immediately following the division of the County of York. The purpose of this petition was to promote the appointment of Brooklin as County Seat, which it attempted to do by extolling the merits of Brooklin both from the business and geographical viewpoints. The petition was probably printed about 1851 in Oshawa and contains the names of prominent Oshawa and Brooklin men supporting the latter place for the county seat. Whitby was named the County Capital of Ontario County in 1852 (March 11). The names of the businessmen who signed the petition are reproduced as follows: Moses Bartlett, John Clarke, Robt. Campbell, J.P. Jas. Burns, J.P., S.M. Thomas, William Bentley, J. Campbell, J.P., R. Darlington, Joel Bigelow, James Woodruff, Fred Green, J.P., Chester Draper, Daniel Dehart, N. Howell, H. Howell, Levi Mackey, J.P., Richard Harper, C. Campbell, John Hyfield, Jas. Hunter, J.P., Wm. Nichols, Joseph Mitchell, Daniel S. Way, Patrick Maguire, George Lyle, William Allison J.P., and George Sonley.

Another petition which was circulated about that time is dated Whitby, Feb. 4, 1851. It is addressed to the Municipal Electors of the Township of Whitby. The document itself is signed merely, "One of Our Noble Selves," and gives argument to the plan, which was soon to be voted upon, of dividing the Townships into Wards.

Turning to the lighter side of the picture, we find an invitation to a "Social Party," held at Thomas McBrien's Hotel, Prince Albert, on Friday evening, October 19, 1855. The managers are listed as being Stephen Campbell, Port Perry; C. D. Eck, Prince Albert; Robt. Monroe, Manchester; and Charles Thorne, Borella.

THIEVES GRAB THREE HORSES AND BUGGIES

ELMIRA, Aug. 3.—Three horses and buggies were reported stolen Sunday afternoon; between 3 and 4 p.m., while their owners were at the old Mennonite Church, on Church St., West. The horses had been tied in the yard as usual, during the service.

The owners were Noah Weber, Urias B. Bauman, both of R.R.4, Elmira, and Elias R. Martin, R.R.3, Wallenstein.

Three strange young men and a boy were seen loitering around before church started, but no one saw them drive away. Later, a report was given of three horses being raced up and down the streets of St. Jacobs, and one was recovered, tied to a fence at the home of Mrs. H. Garner, north of St. Jacobs. It seemed to have been hard-driven.

When Menno Weber, west of Elmira, returned home from church he found that his orchard gate had been opened, and the horses, still hitched to the buggies had been turned in there. One had struck a tree, and had broken the harness, freeing it from the buggy.

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WORLD'S WHISKER WHISKING CHAMP FINISHES IN JUST OVER MINUTE

Nineteen stubble happy shavers fought it out to the finish last week for the honor of being crowned the "world's speediest shaver." Covering the course in one minute, one and two-fifths seconds the winner was Jim Churchill, a dramatic student of Charlottesville, Virginia. The naval race was held at Palisades Park, New Jersey.

The 24-year-old winner is a former Navy pilot. He displayed a sure, swift stroke as he whisked his growth off undaunted. Not even the whistles and the applause of the wives in the cheering section bothered him. Churchill said he owes his success to his long-standing habit of waiting until the last minute to shave.

Under the rules of the Palisades Park course in New Jersey, either straight or safety razors could be used; either lather or brushless cream could be used. But one rule that was rigidly enforced was that no electric razors could be used. And as far as we know there wasn't a real barber in the race. If there was—he's not admitting it.

Actually Churchill was not the first of the 19 contestants to finish the race. Bill Mathews of Austin, Texas, was the first to complete the stubble-trouble course—but he was disqualified because of a nick in the right side of his neck.

RASPBERRIES PLENTIFUL IN BRUCE COUNTY RURAL AREAS

While raspberries were a short crop in the neighborhood of Stouffville and York county generally, it appears they were plentiful up in Bruce county, for the Walkerton Herald and Times paints a pleasing picture of the situation there, in the following words:

"The past week has been what is termed as 'raspberry time' and as the luscious little fruit is above the average in yield this year many householders have taken advantage of the opportunity to replenish their larders in preparation for the coming winter.

This part of Bruce County has many berry patches, some of them on great expanses of comparatively waste land, while others of less extent are located at the wood lots of the district farmers. In spite of the fact that patches are very numerous, very few can be found at this date that have not visited by pickers from town and country alike, which bears evidence that the thrifty housewives are doing their bit to provide the necessary fruit for the frigid months.

It was also a money-saving proposition for most citizens refused to pay the exorbitant price of sixty cents per box to the growers for the cultivated variety, which it is said were slightly below a normal crop.

As to the "wild" berries, they are what might be termed, as abundant yield and on virgin land the bushes hang red with fruit. As a consequence more raspberries have been picked this year than any other season in the past decade and there are few homes at least in Walkerton, which have not shared in the bountiful harvest. This condition of affairs is vastly different to 1945 when, owing to late spring frost, the raspberry crop was almost a total failure and the yield reduced to nil.

WOLF IN THE GARDEN

While picking beans in the garden at Elgin House, Port Elgin, Fred Martin saw a wolf close up to him right in the garden. The animal householders have taken advantage moments, then ran away. It was a very young wolf, Mr. Martin reported, and did not appear to be greatly alarmed at his presence.

DREDGE RIVER AT BEAVERTON

The large dredge of the McNamara Construction Co., of Leaside is at present located at the Beaverton harbour in Ontario county. It is understood it will be engaged in dredging out the river

channel to permit some of the larger boats now housed there to get out.

The action of the ice and spring floods have filled up the channel until it is impossible to get some of the larger launches out. The river mouth of the Black river near Peifferlaw is also to be dredged out.

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