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Notes and Comments

**Seeks Decentralization
 Yet His Government Would Wreck It**

Hon. Russel Kelley, speaking before the Kawanis Club in Lindsay said: "I want to see public opinion in favor of two things, decentralization of industry, and increased population."

The Minister of Health ought to know that the greatest and finest industry in this country is the making of boys and girls into young manhood, yet the Department of Education to which he subscribes or does he) is moving toward centralization of education.

Can there be anything more ridiculous than to witness the Minister of Health preaching decentralization, and at the same time another branch of the government to which he belongs is encouraging centralization. So keen to centralize is the Department of Education that they sent out one of their departmental officials, specialist on the job, to preach the gospel of closing the smaller schools, transporting the children to the larger centres for their education.

The Department head has suggested the closing of a school here costing the taxpayers a hundred thousand dollars, in order to send the children to larger schools, costing the average taxpayer as much if not more money.

The department does not recognize the fact that the school is the centre of community life in the district, otherwise they would not encourage the closing of High Schools in centres where their discontinuance will be a material loss to the community life. It is to be hoped that the Minister of Education will take an interest in the smaller districts, such as he did when he promised them greater financial help a few years ago, and made good on his promise. This time we want him to save the village high schools that are capable of graduating students for entrance to University.

Something Fine That We Have Lost

The Hanover Post, edited by a family woman, regrets that in an age eager to go modern at every turn and to throw into the discard some of the things that brought happiness, joy and contentment into the homes of the pioneers of this country, says that one of these is the parlor organ. It has gone, says the Post, to join a lot of other things that stand for an out-moded way of living.

"A generation ago," it says, "the parlor organ was a treasured part of the family and no family was ever complete until the organ was acquired, often with considerable sacrifice and hard work. It brought happiness into the home

and also a certain social status for which nothing else had just the same standing. On a cold winter's night or on a Sunday afternoon or evening, mother or sister would sit at the organ and play all the old favorite tunes—"Sweet Genevieve," "Seeing Nellie Home," "Nearer My God to Thee," "Rock of Ages," "Silver Threads Among the Gold," and so on and on. It may not have been the great music we hear on the radios of today, but the family sang the old folk songs, beloved Christmas carols, the tender hymns, and here was Home Sweet Home and everything and everyone seemed safe and secure. The radio typically represents modern living, the old parlor organ something fine that we have lost."

**Police Cause Trouble
 Says Doless McRabbit**

Doless McRabbit, a hare-brained Canadian, is worried about the police inconveniencing those who determine to win strikes by violence. He thinks that serious trouble will result if the police do their duty. He says that labor manipulators who take the law into their own hands and prevent people from entering their own premises, by besieging plants and menacing homes, will resent and resist any efforts by police to restore the rights of citizens and to protect their lives.

"There always has been and always will be trouble when the public insists upon law and order in a strike situation," said Doless. He continued with increasing warmth: "The public had better get wise to the fact that union tactics are to suspend law and order and to abolish supply and demand for labor. Any attempt to maintain the right to work or to operate plants will result in violence. The police might well realize that they will cause trouble if they get any funny ideas about protecting workers, or anybody else who wants to exercise his rights."

Doless favors the lawless policy of Sam Lawrence, Mayor of Hamilton. He regards anyone as an anti-labor trouble-maker who agrees with the late Hon. Norman Rogers, who said when he was Minister of Labor, "A government that yields to threats what it cannot concede to reason has already abdicated."

Stop "Kidding" Yourself

We Canadians are a funny lot. First we demand that the government at Ottawa reduce its terrifically high budget which hasn't lessened much since the peak of the war, and in the same breath, when the government announces a discontinuance of milk subsidies, we set up a terrific howl. Of course there is a difference between paying subsidies of that kind, and paying salaries to thousands of men and women who should be dropped from the government service, a fact which the Financial Post did not point out in their editorial columns last week in deploring a continuance of the milk bonus.

Certainly, as the Post points out, it would be better for us to pay a cent of two more to the milk man, than to have it paid by Mr. Ilsley who in turn collects it from the milk consumers. Yet, it is not too objectionable, such as the heavy income tax that helps maintain thousands on government war time pay rolls when their services could be dispensed with.

**OUR CAPITAL
 CORRESPONDENT**

Written exclusively for the
 Stouffville Tribune by M. L.
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Although it is some time now that a 29-year-old garage operator had won almost single-handed probably one of the largest counties' seats in a by-election marked by a very light vote of about 55 percent of the voters against the heavy fire-works of the major political forces, yet the effects are only now being felt on Parliament Hill where this or the other by-elections in Toronto Parkdale and Portage la Prairie are not considered here to offer any crucial test for the King Government since it has a definitely safe majority. However, speculation is alive in Ottawa now that the long awaited cabinet reorganization, promised by Premier King himself, may find that such changes will possibly not call for new tests or other by-elections at this time when protest votes are growing, such as in Pontiac by-election because there in 1945 the King Government won a majority of over 7,000, though it is emphasized in this capital that perhaps the winning candidate had obtained many of the "Bloc Populaire" votes of 4,185 rather than any of the major parties since the nationalistic elements in Quebec were more inclined to the winning candidate than the others.

It is reported in Ottawa that the main objective of the new Canada Savings Bond campaign is not to obtain any budgetary requirements but rather merely to provide a plan for the investment by the general public of their savings in government securities during peacetime, this being important and it is being mentioned now in order to avoid many misinterpretations of the purpose of the whole drive. That is why it is being sold only to individuals and limited in amount. In addition, one of the reasons for the delay in certain announcements pertaining to this campaign could be traced to the statement of the Finance Minister, Rt. Hon. J. L. Ilsley, that "the exact rate of interest and the maturity date of these bonds cannot yet be announced," this being his declaration when the campaign was officially indicated as taking place this fall. "I can say that the terms will be more favourable than those existing for comparable investments at the time of issue," he said at the time. Under these conditions it should be evident why the delay had taken place.

Moreover, the view heard behind the scenes along Parliament Hill is that this new Canada Savings Bond drive will be a huge success, even if the actual publicity campaign backing it will be radically different or cheaper than those

which accompanied the various Victory Loan campaigns, especially without the patriotic or emotional background with the comment that the weaknesses of the stock markets in various directions lately may prove most inducive for many people to buy government securities of this kind on account of their safety and soundness.

Notwithstanding the current severe shortage of wrapping paper and paper bags in all parts of Canada, yet it is indicated in this capital that conditions in this regard will not improve in the immediate future, if it does not become worse on account of the necessary diverting last July basic kraft paper from the manufacture of wrapping paper, paper bags and brown envelopes to the multi-wall sack industry, this latter strategy being essential under present conditions.

"If we had not received food from Canada, we could not have held out to the end of the war," declared in this capital the Lord Mayor of Manchester, England, Hugh Lee, J.P., in the course of an address, urging that trade, between this country and England should be retained since he didn't "see why we should go back to the countries that were neutral during the war."
 "Why would an increase of 15 cents an hour cause inflation if an increase of \$2,000 a year without tax to members of Parliament did not?" asked in a sermon in Ottawa Rev. Canon Northcote Burke, criticizing refusals to increase pay of workers
 "In view of the fact that Canada has strikes and unrest we should watch developments that no group of individuals develop power such as the Fascist in Italy did" warned here Col. Homer Robinson, who was an officer of the Allied Government in Italy. "I sometimes feel that the unkempt, unpainted and unlovely appearance of too many of our towns and cities, homes and offices, is one of the major contributors to our national quality of conservatism," remarked in a speech in Ottawa the Publicity Chief of the Department of Trade and Commerce, B.C. Butler, commenting on "Stay-at-Home" Canadians who are stifling the enterprise and enthusiasm of returned servicemen and others who have been abroad.

The possibility of the Port of Churchill becoming a proving region for the Canadian Government on account of its northern position being suitable for testing purposes of military forces is arousing much interest on Parliament Hill where it is noted that the United States had already built barracks there during the last war. The editor of the far northern newspaper, "The News of the North," weekly published in Yellowknife, W. H. "Duke" DeCoursey, has predicted in Ottawa that this mining town may jump in population from

its present 4,500 to 10,000. He served with the RCAF during the war and he has operated weekly newspapers at Deduc, Winfield and Thorsby in Alberta prior to his enlistment. After his release from the forces, he bought a printing press and other equipment, shipping these to Yellowknife by boat and caterpillar train. The shortage of nails throughout Canada is so severe that reports indicate that work stoppages are occurring on this ground in various parts of the country.
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**POTATO GROWERS ATTEND
 CROP FIELD DAY**

Over 60 York County potato growers along with 20 from Ontario County went to Brantford by bus to attend the Provincial Potato Field Day where they saw the results of tests of forty different spray and dust materials, demonstrations of vine killing and exhibits of modern power potato machinery.

The field day was held on a farm formerly abandoned and now planted to 100 ac. of potatoes where the owner is alternating potatoes with fall rye to plow under, and what looked like a fine stock barn turned out to be a storage for some 20,000 bus. of potatoes. Mr. J. D. Moore, Agricultural Representative for Brant and formerly Assistant Representative in York, as chairman of the committee acted as Master of Ceremonies and introduced the various officials of the provincial and federal Departments of Agriculture to explain the work and results to some five or six hundred visitors. Those who saw the plots and machinery are thoroughly convinced that potato growing has moved up into the category of big business.

Sponsored by the Crop Improvement Association the trip was arranged by President Frank Marritt of Keswick and Secretary W. M. Cockburn, of Newmarket with the assistance of the 500 Bushel Club Committee.

PASTURE & POTATO TOUR

The York County Crop Improvement Association held its annual field tour on Friday of last week when they inspected long term pastures demonstrations in several districts as well as some potato test plots. Assembling in Dalton Rumney's pasture at Victoria Square at 10 a.m. they went to Richard Baycroft's, Gormley and had lunch at Wilcox Lake.

The afternoon tour included R. Pearce's Elm Farm, east of Aurora, John Peirce's, Sharon and J. H. Wallwork and Sons, Ballantrae. In addition to seeing the outstanding permanent pasture demonstrations, soybean and potato plots were seen on the last two farms. Professor N. J. Thomas of the Ontario Agricultural College who spoke on pasture improvement work at the annual meeting of the Association was present to discuss mixtures and points of interest.

No man ever got lost on a straight road. —Lincoln.

If you can't live it don't preach it.
 Thanksgiving Day is October 14.

New Playing! Friday & Saturday, Sept. 27-28
 "Mom and Dad," Hygienic Productions

Monday & Tuesday, Sept. 30, Oct. 1
"Rhapsody in Blue"
 ROBERT ALDA—JOAN LESLIE

"FOTO-NITE"
Thursday!
"Pardon My Past"
 Fred MacMurray—Marguerite Chapman.
 Wed. and Thurs. Oct. 4-5
\$245.00 OFFER!

Friday & Saturday, Matinee Sat. Oct. 4-5, at 2 p.m.
"State Fair"
 Dick Haymes—Vivian Blain

STOUFFVILLE STANLEY Theatre of the Stars!

Coming! Monday & Tuesday, Oct. 7-8
 "MILDRED PIERCE"
 Joan Crawford—Jack Carson

DID YOU EVER WALK UP 20 FLOORS?

Any time you have walked up even three or four floors you have probably grumbled at the lack of elevator service. But have you realized just how impossible a modern city would be without vertical transportation... or how impractical and costly elevators would be without electric power? Elevator service is just one example of countless taken-for-granted ways in which electricity serves in daily life.

The home washer, electric range, refrigerator, and vacuum cleaner all take a lot of muscle-testing toil out of maintaining a home. Imagine one cent running a washing machine, or a vacuum cleaner for a couple of hours, or giving refrigeration for a whole day! But that is what one cent's worth of electricity can do at average Ontario rates.

On a farm, any time you see men pitching hay into a loft you can figure that the job is worth approximately 1¢ per ton. Anyway, that is about what it would cost for electricity to do the same work at average Ontario rural rates. More and more farmers are learning that electricity is the cheapest labor they can hire. And your Hydro is doing everything possible to extend rural services as rapidly as the supply of materials will permit.

Whether you live in town or country, whether you work in skyscraper or barn, Hydro works for you in Ontario at a cost much lower than obtainable in most other parts of the world. Make the best use of it.

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