

SELDOM SEEN

This is the time of harvest. For some parts of Canada the harvest is over but in many other parts of the country it is now in full swing. Most of us who are farmers take this time of year in our stride without paying any particular attention to it.

That's not altogether fair to say. If we had had a bad crop or if the weather had interfered we would certainly have been talking about it. Just the same, it's not a bad idea these days to think about the fact that we're pretty lucky. There are a lot of countries in this world that I've never seen but they come into my mind a good many times.

Just think for instance about India or China. There was a picture on one of the magazines the other day about a lot of corpses on a side street in Calcutta and a lot of birds perched up on the side of the roof. They were vultures waiting to pick the bones of the dead people. The people who died from starvation just didn't have enough energy to be bothered moving. They died on the side of the street.

I wonder what some of those people would do if they could peek into a granary here now or get a look at the herds of fat cattle still out on pasture. What about the provisions in countless basements and cellars? We're going to take in the rest of our garden produce one of these days before the frost comes.

Imagine the look on the face of a child in Greece if he could see the milk that's collected from just our concession here in a day. It would go a long way towards keeping his family alive for a long time.

A person doesn't like to think about these matters. It's easier to put a thousand miles up between yourself and those creatures and find something to complain about. Actually during a year like this we haven't got much to complain about.

Imagine the people of China right now. Oh well, one of these days the world is going to be a better place. During the war that's one of the things we heard about a lot. A lot of people in the world must be pretty badly disillusioned right now with the manner in which Canadians are messing things up in the midst of plenty. Mrs. Josh says that unless we go to work on our farms, in our mills and factories and help the suffering humanity in other parts of the world, instead of standing by grumbling, our turn to suffer will surely come. And wouldn't that only be fair?

OLD JOSH.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT ONTARIO VETERINARY COLLEGE ANNOUNCED

At the closing dinner tendered to a group of veterinarians attending a refresher course at the Ontario Veterinary College, Dr. A. L. MacNabb, Principal of the College, announced the gift of three new scholarships open to students of that institution. They are as follows:

By Dr. J. W. R. Fowler to be awarded to the student with highest proficiency in horse diseases;

The Brampton Jersey Scholarship, donated by D. Bull and Son, Jersey breeders of Brampton, value \$1,000, to be awarded to the 4th year student highest in cattle diseases;

The Borden Scholarship, of \$200, to be donated by Borden's Evaporated Milk Company, to be awarded to a student studying cattle diseases for four months after graduation.

Atlantic Mark Broken, But No Claim Made

The Queen Mary arrived last week from Halifax after a trip of three days, 15 hours and 48 minutes, but her officers said no record would be claimed officially because comparable figures for that run were lacking.

The Halifax-Southampton route is 400 nautical miles shorter than the 3,110-mile New York-Southampton run. On the latter the Queen Mary holds the record of three days, 20 hours, 42 minutes.

About three weeks ago the Editor of The Tribune stood on the docks at Halifax and witnessed the incoming of an Australian liner, which should have docked at New York, but owing to strike conditions, was ordered to make Halifax for debarkation of some 1,000 war brides, who were then sent on to New York by train.

It is an inspiring sight to look out over the expanse of water about midnight when your eye falls upon a big ocean liner that looks like a floating hotel. There are naturally a lot of hysterical people on deck, and in this instance when they could not immediately come ashore because they had no landing passes for Canada, it was heart-breaking. Most of the war brides had seen service, fighting for what? Not what they received at New York by the strikers at any rate.

CITY SUNDAY SCHOOL CHARGES SCHOLARS—PAY FOR TEACHERS

No longer can the preacher proclaim from the pulpit in all truthfulness, "religion is free." It is just announced from one of Toronto's larger churches that there will be a charge made of \$5.00 per year for scholars, and at the same time teachers will be paid a small fee for their services. Looks like an acknowledgement of failure when the Sunday School has to introduce such commercial standards in order to carry on.

Protestants talk about paid for prayers to get Roman Catholics out of purgatory as a mere racket; with registration fees for Sunday School scholars and paid teachers, time may not be far distant when we may read such head-liners as: "S. S. Teachers strike for higher pay," or "Johnnie's Dad Refuses to pay Increased Fees for Son's Religious Instruction."

Yes, we doubt very much that placing the Sunday School on a commercial basis will solve the present trouble or be the answer to the question as to why Sunday Schools and churches are so empty today.

CULTIVATION URGED TO CONTROL WEEDS

Now that the harvesting of crops is nearing completion, farmers should devote their attention to clearing their farms of noxious weeds, says John D. MacLeod, Director of the Crops, Seeds and Weeds Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture. Weed infested areas which should be cleaned up immediately are in evidence everywhere, Mr. MacLeod adds.

After harvest cultivation is one of the most practical and effective methods for the control of weeds, says Mr. MacLeod. Plants draw heavily on the food stored in the roots in order to produce flowers and seeds, and are at their weakest stage at the present time. If possible, cultivation should be undertaken to prevent the ripening of the current year's seed, as well as to fight a weakened root.

GREEN RIVER

Mr. and Mrs. W. Duncan and Mr. and Mrs. J. Nighswander attended the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Booth of Brooklin on Saturday evening.

Little Carol White recently coming from England with her mother and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. White celebrated her second birthday here on Saturday.

Rev. Hoffman spoke on Sunday morning of experiences among the Chinese people at our quarterly missionary service. Many musical numbers—guitar duet by Mildred Carter and Audrey Smith of Stouffville; solos by W. Sadler, also Miss Edna German of Markham and a number from Carter and Nighswander sisters.

We are very pleased to announce that one of our new comers to the village, Mrs. J. Cook is organizing a C.G.I.T. group to meet Friday evenings at 7.30. All girls in this age will be welcome and transportation provided.

W.P.T.B. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Typical questions consumers have asked the Wartime Prices & Trade Board this week are answered by the Consumer Branch Committee.

Q.—I bought a small gas heater which was never installed owing to the shortage of gas supply in our community. I would like to sell this and would like to know if this would be considered second-hand as it is exactly as it was when I had it delivered. Is there a price ceiling on gas heaters?

A.—As this heater has never been used and has been carefully stored away since it was purchased it would not be considered second-hand merchandise. You could sell it as a new article and would be permitted to charge exactly the same price you paid when you made the purchase.

Q.—When do the canning sugar coupons expire?

A.—No expiry date has been announced. Last year these coupons remained valid until the end of the year and we presume the same regulation will be in effect this year. Should any change be made there will be ample notice given both in the newspapers and over the radio.

Q.—Please tell me how long this "freezing order" will remain in effect? I can't help thinking that when a poor man buys a home he certainly needs it and after one year's time I believe he has waited long enough to get into it.

A.—We wish we could answer your question but it is impossible to say when this order will be lifted. While it means hardship to one family it protects another and it can readily be seen that it would be very difficult to set rental regulations which would benefit everyone. If the order was lifted during the present housing shortage the prices of tenant occupied houses would sky-rocket....those with plenty of money would be able to purchase and many others would be left homeless.

Q.—Will you please tell me when the blue coupons for butter in the No. 5 ration books run out? Are certain numbers not valid after a certain date? If so, which ones?

A.—There is some confusion among consumers over which butter coupons are valid in the old and new ration books. Now, R21 is the last butter coupon to be used in the old ration book. Rationing authorities point out that R22 to R25 will NOT be declared valid. First butter coupon to become good in the new ration book is B26 which comes due Sept. 26. Incidentally, coupons still valid in the old ration books are: S1 to 25 for sugar and preserves; R18 to 21 for butter and Q1 to 4 for meat. No additional coupons in the old ration books will be declared valid.

Q.—I am sending you a copy of a garage bill which I think is too high. Would you please pass my complaint on to the authorities?

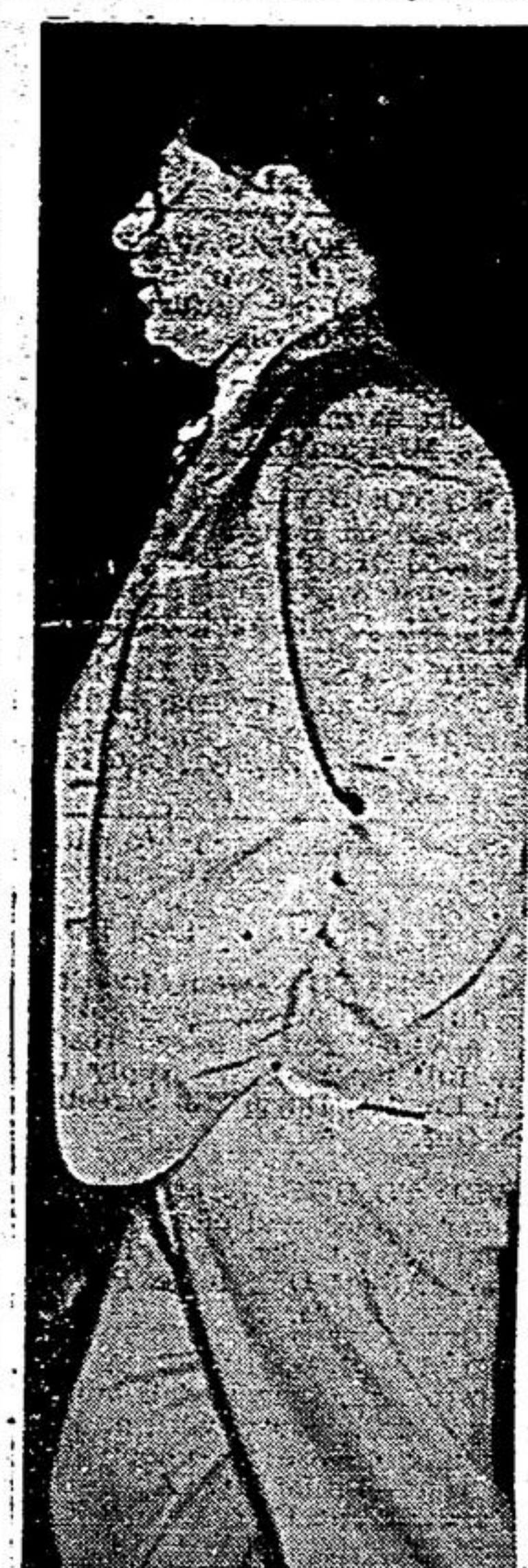
A.—Thank you very much for sending in all the particulars and a copy of the itemized bill. Your complaint has been referred to the WPTB Investigation Dept. for checking.

What Makes Wood Strong?

When you pick up a piece of wood shaving it seems soft and crumbly. Yet the floor you walk on is firm and solid. Think of the other taken-for-granted uses of wood which are possible only because it has strength—the long straight ridgepole of the barn, the spokes of the wagon wheel, the handle of the shovel. What is it that makes the wood strong?

Look closely at the shovel handle. See the long fine lines running the length of it? That is the grain. If you were to split off a small splinter of this wood, cut across it and look at it under a microscope, you'd see it is made up of long little hollow tubes (or cells), going the way of the grain. Now a tube or cylinder of rigid material is one of the strongest of all structures. Bundle together a few soda straws and see what a strong stick they make. Nature made wood strong so trees could hold their heads up in the life-giving sunshine. Man has found wood the most useful of all materials.

ABSOLVED OF SPY ACTIVITIES



Five hundred dollars was the fine imposed upon Dr. John Soboloff, above, when he pleaded guilty to signing a passport application presented by Sam Carr for a man described as a Russian agent. Dr. Soboloff was absolved of any connection with a Soviet spy ring.

BLOOMINGTON

Our church is holding Harvest Home service on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. This is an opportunity to return thanks to the giver of the bountiful harvest of fruits and vegetables.

Mr. and Mrs. Brisley of Toronto were at Mr. K. Trammer's on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Young of Toronto were at Adam Young's on Sunday.

Mr. Herold had an unfortunate accident last week when the gun he was holding accidentally discharged.

Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Trammer accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Storey of Lemonville to Orangeville on Sunday.

CONTRARY CRITTERS

The elephant thinks clothes are bunk, but carries—nonetheless—a trunk.

The zebra's never been in jail, but he has stripes from head to tail. No hair adorns a rooster's dome—In spite of this, he sports a comb.

As kangaroos don't smoke or chew, you'd think a pouch would be taboo. By far the most contrary cluck That walks or swims is Mr. Duck. Give him something, and he will—Instead of thanks—present his bill.

Let us have the names of your visitors for these columns. Call 15301.

FRUIT DEALER FINED

For having apples for sale below the minimum regulation grade, Aziz Fruit Store, Smith Falls, Ont., was recently fined in Police Court, \$25 and costs.

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