

W.P.T.B. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q.—I am enclosing two clippings from our daily paper showing where our butter is going. The Prices Board have been trying to fool the public for a long time but we know you are selling butter to foreigners while the Canadian housewife with a family is going short and sometimes without.

A.—We wish we could publish your entire letter. Space does not permit and your queries on income tax and remarks about government officials do not come within our jurisdiction. However, we do know something about butter. The clipping which you enclosed shows that during the first six months of 1946 over one and a half million pounds of butter were exported from Canada. We do not know what you consider a "foreigner" but those living in the countries where the butter went are not "foreigners" to us. Do you know that the foods administration must find six million pounds of butter every time a single coupon becomes valid in the first six months of this year more than 130 million pounds of butter was consumed in this country by ration book holders. The amount exported would not meet one ration coupon for the people of Canada so you see it was a very small percentage. We are living in a hungry world. If we expect to receive sugar, oils and other necessary every day commodities from other countries we must be willing to share a little. Canadians are the best fed people in the world and we do not feel the rationing of butter has caused any great hardship.

Q.—Why is it that last year I could buy canned peaches from the Chain grocery stores for 18c 20 oz. can and this year I am being asked 21c? Peaches were cheaper this year and the price on sugar is still the same.

A.—Last year the Government was paying a subsidy on canned fruit. The subsidy has now been removed and the price was allowed to increase the amount of the subsidy.

Q.—Is there a price control on alterations? I have a winter coat being altered and the dressmaker says she cannot give me a price until she has finished the job.

A.—The dressmaker must not charge a higher price than she charged in 1941 for the same type of work. Each individual dressmaker has her own ceiling prices. You can readily understand how difficult it would be to set an over-all price on such work as depends so much on individual skill.

Hundreds will testify to the good results obtained in Tribune classified ads.

ACCLAIMED



George Todd, returned to Pickering Township council by acclamation on Friday.

TENDERS FOR NEW SCHOOL IN WHITBY ARE VERY HIGH

A meeting of the Whitby School Board was called last week in that town to open sealed tenders for the building of the new public school. Five tenders received from local and outside contractors were discussed and compared by the Board but no bid has yet been accepted.

All bids received were in excess of the estimated \$170,000 and the Board appointed a committee to wait on the Town Council and obtain their reaction to the need for increasing the estimates if the planned building were to be erected.

D. A. Wilson asked the architect why, when the Board had wanted a building within the estimated price, that they had received plans for one which would cost more. J. B. Parkin stated that prices of material and labour was advancing so rapidly that in the case of building a school at Richmond Hill, the price had changed from \$83,000 to \$103,000 in one month.

A Nice Problem

Mr. Parkin also presented the Board with a nice problem in financing. He pointed out that a school built 20 years ago for \$100,000, borrowed at the then prevailing rate of 6 per cent, cost the ratepayers more than a present day \$200,000 building at the new debenture rate of 2 1/2 per cent. The moral behind this story is, that it is better to give labor a little more now when it is cheap to borrow money, than to defer building to the time when labor is cheaper, but when it is necessary to offer higher rates of interest to induce tenders to loosen their purse strings.

HOSPITAL PATIENT SIX YEARS DEAD

Patient at the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, Mrs. Rosa L. Collins died there on Nov. 21, after being confined to the institution six years on the very day of her death. She was a resident of Richvale district west of Yonge street, and was a widow with few relatives. Interment was made at Richmond Hill cemetery.

Reserve Decision in Brougham Case

Judgment in the case of William Knox of Brougham, charged with making a false statement to the Unemployment Insurance Commission, was reserved by Magistrate F. S. Ebbs in Whitby court, after evidence by both sides had been given and arguments heard.

The evidence showed that William Knox made application for unemployment insurance during a week in March when he was running the post office in Brougham and receiving money for it from the government.

J. P. Mangan, K.C., for the defence, brought out the fact that Mr. Knox received his appointment as postmaster in February, 1946, but had given the money to his wife who was actually running the place, according to Mr. Knox.

The latter said he had bought a store and got the appointment as postmaster in that store for his son who was returning from overseas and that he himself had not been working steadily there. He spent a good deal of his time on the farm of another son helping him get established. A statement which Mr. Knox made to one of the unemployment agents revealed he was willing to repay anything he had received beyond his due, but added, he had not thought about mentioning the post office to the Commission when he got it.

Ralph A. Wallace, for the insurance commission, brought forth several documents to prove that the accused had accepted money from the post office department for running the post office, had applied for insurance during the week in question and had signed a statement admitting doing so.

There were originally five charges against Mr. Knox regarding false statements, but one had been dismissed by the court previously while the other three had been withdrawn at the request of the

RETURNED BY ACCLAMATION



Milton Burk, who has been returned as Pickering Township councillor for a third term.



Frank Disney, Pickering Township councillor was given an acclamation for a third term at Friday's nomination.

prosecution. The present charge involved a sum of around \$15.

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- Medium Old Cheese (Coloured) 1b 35¢
- Aylmer or Saxonia Cut Mixed Peel 8 oz pkg 16¢
- Lynn Valley or Green Valley Green Peas Standard Quality 20 oz tin 12¢
- Clark's Irish Stew Heat and Serve 15 oz tin 19¢
- Campbell's Vegetable Soup 2 10 oz tins 21¢
- Quaker ruffed Wheat 2 pkgs 13¢
- Maxwell House All-Purpose Grind Coffee 8 oz bag 23¢ 16 oz bag 43¢
- Aylmer Infant Foods 5 oz tin 7¢
- Whole Evaporated Apricots 1b 49¢
- Quaker XXXX Bread Flour 24 lb bag 69¢ 98 lb bag \$2.49
- Several Brands Tomato Juice 2 20 oz tins 19¢
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