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Notes and Comments

Cheap Victory Recorded

Of all the small opposition to the hall issue in Stouffville, was the complaint of an elderly ratepayer who protested about the expense of taking a vote when there was no other issue being voted on. The total cost of taking the vote was \$28, which surely is not a very imposing figure for a municipality like Stouffville to spend on obtaining the feeling of the ratepayers on so important an issue. It does seem that one is hard put to find fault when an expenditure of this size is criticized on so important a matter.

It's Better Now

The time now allowed between the final council meeting and nomination day, has been widened and this is a good thing. Time was when the treasurer was not left enough time to close his books properly, and get out the financial statement for the nomination meetings. There should be proper time allowed in which to issue an intelligent and accurate report of the finances. After all, one of the reasons for a public meeting at nomination time, is to learn about, and discuss the financial standing of the municipality.

The Right to Park

A ruling given in Toronto by Judge James Parker will complicate things for municipal traffic authorities unless it is appealed and reversed.

Judge Parker allowed an appeal from the conviction for illegal parking of a man who had parked his automobile in front of his own place of business. The defendant, declared the judge, in those circumstances "had a right to ignore the no-parking sign," and he added that "A man has a perfect right to park in front of his own door." That must mean, in effect, that through ownership or lease of a property the individual acquires certain rights to parking space on the street in front of it—rights the municipality cannot override by its parking regulations. The ruling would make a joke of any no-parking bylaw.

Stouffville has a bylaw limiting parking to two hours, and was passed to prevent overnight parking, particularly in the winter season when cars and trucks impede the work of snow plowing.

The First Snowfall

There is no snow like the first snow of the year. No other seems as white. No other drifts down with the same sense of peace.

Snow brings a new world. Children begin to play with sleds. Snowballs fly. Sleighbells ring. Lights are brighter. Homes are cheerier.

In the country, snow lies like a great white blanket. Every tree is crowned with white. Farm-houses become fairyland palaces. Rooftops and hedges grow thick with snow.

From ocean to ocean the country presents a magnificent panorama. Mountains, prairie, woodland and wasteland are all alike clothed in white.

It is as though the world had been waiting for this first fall of snow, and now at last it had come, and, in a mighty silence, blotted out all scars and shadows with soft white radiance. You must live in the country, of course, to see and appreciate the picture printed above.

Better Rural Service

To ascertain the opinions of telephone users in rural districts with the idea of improving its service, the Bell Telephone Company has conducted a canvass of the farm areas in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

K. L. Carruthers, Bell General Development Engineer, reports that the most specific point which stands out most clearly as a result of the surveys is the need for reducing the number of telephones on a rural line. To reach a satisfactory level the Company alone must increase the number of its rural circuits by some 2,500 or 35 per cent. The surveys also showed the importance of adding new subscribers in those areas not sufficiently developed and the desirability of certain general improvements such as the elimination of the magneto (hand crank) systems.

Most of the complaints received related to the fact that there were too many users on a line with the result that the line was often busy when needed or there was interference with calls in progress. Forty-six per cent. of the non-users look upon the telephone as a necessity while some consider it more important on a farm than electricity.

Cows and Butter

The cow is the fundamental part of the butter, milk and cheese business, and it was not feasible to prohibit the sale and export of cows any more than to prohibit the sale and export of machinery, lumber and paper. Canadian milk production today is higher than it has ever been, but we have learned to drink a great deal more milk than before the war and we have made more cheese. Therefore we have a shortage of butter. The answer is to raise more cows, to get more milk, to make more butter. But that takes time. Besides, dairymen may feel that if they flood the country with milk, the price of all milk products will fall again.

If we cut out our dairy exports to Britain we would have more for home consumption but we need the British export market. The way to increase the amount of any product is to provide an incentive—raise the price. This may yet prove to be the most efficient way to ensure a large supply of butter on the home market.—London Free Press

Christmas in Prison

More persons will spend this Christmas in custody in Canada than in any year since 1940, according to a preliminary estimate made by The Salvation Army Prison Department.

The information was obtained to find out how many chocolate bars and other gifts will be required for Christmas distribution by The Salvation Army in penitentiaries, reformatories and jails. One of the gifts given by The Salvation Army is a pocket calendar which the inmates use to mark off the days between them and freedom.

"Our figure indicates that we will need 12,200 chocolate bars which are hard to get," said Lt. Col. Wallace Bunton, Salvation Army Prison Department head. "This is an increase of roughly 1,000 over last year. Not since 1940, when there were 12,951 in custody, have there been so many prisoners."

During the war years, there was a decline in the prison population. The recent rise is the result of an increase in crime.

Imprisonment at Christmas time is harder to take than at any other time of the year, Col. Bunton said. Even the most hardened criminals reflect on their childhood days and happy memories of joyous Yuletides. To make it easier for them to bear, the authorities do everything possible for the prisoners, providing Christmas dinners. Seasonal entertainments are given by organizations including The Salvation Army, consisting of moving pictures, and concerts with bands, songsters and vocal and instrumental numbers. These efforts are warmly appreciated by the inmates, said Col. Bunton.

Ontario

An increase of approximately 75% in the fire losses incurred in 1945 over the 1941 figure is shown in a statement today released by the Canadian Underwriters' Association to call attention to the seriousness of fire wastage in the Dominion.

Nearly one-third of the total losses in the Dominion in 1945 occurred in the province of Ontario and the loss per capita stood at \$3.62 last year as compared with \$2.32 five years ago. The number of fires in the province during the year was approximately 1,000 over the five-year average, while of the total fire loss of \$14,464,189 approximately one-fifth represented a total loss because there was no insurance to reimburse those who suffered through fire damage or destruction of property.

During this week, October 6th - 12th, Canadian Underwriters' Association in collaboration with other bodies is endeavouring to impress upon the public the need for reducing this wastage, especially during this critical period of shortages of materials.

A Sheep in 100 Seconds

At Ross, Tasmania, Allen Hayes broke his own Tasmanian record last week, when he sheared 318 sheep in a day of eight hours. The sheep were well-grown Corridales.

This record is within three sheep of the Australian record made by Jack Howe at Alice Spring, Queensland, in 1892 according to the Australian Daily News. Hayes' previous Tasmanian record of 311 was made four years ago. He averaged a sheep in every 100 seconds in latest feat.

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Rumored Romance for Princess Elizabeth




Very much in love, according to a Paris report, are Prince Philip of Greece, left, and Princess Elizabeth, but renewed reports say Queen will renounce his Greek titles and is said to insist on marrying Elizabeth approves. According to rights of succession to the throne.

Joe Koostra, a cattle buyer from New Jersey, dropped \$500 in a wallet somewhere between Brantford and Guelph, and when he reached for his wallet to pay for some more at Cainsville, it was gone. Koostra bought cattle in Brantford and Guelph, and when he reached for his wallet to pay for some more at Cainsville, it was gone. He asked city and provincial police to help him find it.