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Notes and Comments

Planes Fly Too Low!

Private aeroplanes ambling over Stouffville on a Sunday, and at other times, fly too low. If anything happened the engine or engines, there would be a mighty crash, and from such a low altitude oftentimes, that the pilot would be powerless to guide his machine out of the path of buildings. In other words if the engine failed, the machine would drop like a stone.

What damage to property and life that could be caused may be well imagined, and it all could be avoided if reasonable action is taken now to stop low flying over towns and villages in Ontario.

Water Bomb for Vivian Forest?

York County Reforestation Committee have been pressing the Dept. of Forest and Mines for better and more adequate fire protection at the Vivian forest. Now we have the answer to what should be done. The discovery has just been made by the U.S. Army Airforce. They have developed a water bomb, big enough to drench an area of 50 acres. The development has been tried and appears to have been a success.

So all we need at Vivian is a plane capable of carrying a water bomb from say Musselman's lake one mile from the forest, and which could be dropped on a growing fire inside of five minutes after the blaze is detected.

The Reforestation Committee has asked Hon. Harold Scott to provide water pumpers, and we hasten to suggest that they revise their request and step up the protection to a plane and a water bomb.

The St. Lawrence Seaway and Stouffville

There are times when politics in Canada and the United States play great harm to the general good of the two nations. One can point to the St. Lawrence seaway project as an example of what we mean.

Because powerful financial interest fear they would lose by a publicly owned development that would bring into existence thousands and thousands of horsepower so badly needed, they are fighting the issue. In Canada, it is Montreal interests that are opposed. They realize that when the seaway plan is developed water freight would come direct from overseas right up to Toronto by boat, and Montreal would not handle the transfer from boat to rail cars as they do now. The saving in shipment would be stupendous, but all at the expense of Montreal.

These interests lobby our government and prevent passing of the bill that would start work on the great undertaking. The development of the St. Lawrence seaway would even be felt in Stouffville and the whole area hereabout. Thousands of dock hands would be required, and as in Montreal they would live 20 and 30 miles from the wharves, thus bringing this district into the orbit of relationship to the scheme in a very material way.

Everybody knows the H.E.P.C. is short of power for even present-day demand, and is pondering over how to meet increased needs. The St. Lawrence seaway development seems to be the sensible answer. If Montreal financial interest could be brushed aside the province of Ontario would receive a great blessing.

Animal Pride

Writing in Our Dumb Animals, Jewell Casey offers the opinion that animals, like people, take personal pride in being the biggest, smallest, toughest, fiercest, fastest, slowest, or whatever characteristic that best distinguishes each species.

This opinion is borne out of the proud toss of the swift race horse's head, the triumphant crow of the strutting "cock o' the walk" and the awesome roar of the kingly lion. Largest of all the land animals is the elephant, whose ringing trumpet-call proudly proclaims its boastful challenge for the whole animal kingdom to produce something on four legs more majestic in size.

In sharp contrast, the shrew is evidently proud of being the smallest mammal, and shows that pride in its fierce, fearless and quarrelsome disposition.

"Proud as a peacock" aptly describes the proudest of all the feathered creatures, the peacock, as it displays its vanity and brilliant feathers in a promenade of pride.

One can almost hear the raccoon telling his friends he is nature's fussiest eater because he never swallows a morsel of food until he has given it a thorough washing.

The huge hippopotamus cannot possibly boast of good looks, but can be justly proud that he has the thickest skin of any known animal.

"And so it goes," the writer of the article in Our Dumb Animals says in conclusion, "nature seems to offer certain short-comings by endowing each animal with a distinctive quality that makes each, in his own way, king of beasts."

One wonders in what superlative category man should be placed. Man, too, is part animal. Often he shows evidence of being the most stupid, especially when it comes to planning permanent peace. But there is no reason for pride in that.

OUR CAPITAL CORRESPONDENT

Written exclusively for The Stouffville Tribune by M.L.Schwartz

There has been no ambassador in Ottawa representing Soviet Russia and it is understood here that one would be named to represent Canada at Moscow when such an appointment in Ottawa has been made.

The report of the special committee on redistribution of seats in the House of Commons involved some important changes in its recommendations. British Columbia was to get two additional seats and the members of the B.C. subcommittee unanimously agreed that these seats be created in the lower mainland area. Saskatchewan was to lose one seat and a seat was eliminated in the southern part of the province which was the drought area, with the Saskatchewan subcommittee having brought in a unanimous report. There was to be no change made in Alberta. Manitoba was to lose one seat but changes in population made it desirable to have a rather extensive alteration in the limits of the constituencies. The representation of Ontario was to be increased by one and this seat was allotted to northern Ontario and other changes. Quebec was to gain eight seats and in addition it was necessary for the committee to readjust many of the existing boundaries in view of the population changes. No changes were made in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. Nova Scotia was entitled to one additional seat.

In reporting these points, Secretary of State Gibson emphasized that the chief electoral officer had informed him that never in his experience had he seen such "harmony" as existed at the meetings of this committee. "Nevertheless, it is now on the record on Parliament Hill that this report brought a verbal storm of a kind which is still heard in heated talk about the effects of this redistribution which has altered some constituencies and eliminated others.

"Legalized robbery," it has been charged, described the action of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in going ahead with its original plans to make use of certain wave lengths at high power but Revenue Minister McCann has declared the C.B.C. was acting quite properly in carrying out its plans.

It is quite true that Premier King himself has declared that he "does not think there will be a general election before there is another sitting of the House after this session" but veteran observers do not consider this, by any means, as an out and out assurance, especially stressing that, when a member stated that the Prime Minister would not go to the people on a particular measure which this member was discussing, Mr. King remarked: "Don't be too sure." Of course, talk about a general election is not "hot" news at the moment, though the point must be made that there is now no assurance one way or another that a general election will not take place just because of any particular statement, even if this impression seems to have been created.

Once again a stern warning has been sounded in Ottawa that prices will go up and this time it is based on the claim by a delegation of former controllers, shoe retailers, manufacturers, etc., who interviewed the Minister of Finance, Hon. Douglas Abbott and other officials, that footwear prices will go sky high if controls on shoes and leather are not maintained until the end of 1947, predicting prices might rise 25 to 50 percent. It was even heard at this meeting that, if these recommendations were not carried out, shoe rationing might result, though Canada didn't have such rationing in wartime.

"I charge formally the Civil Service Commission with having violated the fundamental principles of our democracy, namely, representation by population," emphasized Joseph Hamel, M.P. for St. Maurice-La-Fleche, advocating more French speaking Canadians to be appointed by the Civil Service Commission. "Sunday is, first of all, the Lord's Day, and we should like to see people attend church before engaging in recreation," commented Rev. Llewellyn Graham in agreeing with the statement by Dr. C. F. Garbett, Archbishop of York, who thinks a "Christian can indulge in whatever games and recreation his conscience allows providing that he does not cause unnecessary work for others and he first takes part in worship."

Unofficially, it is learned here that there is a deep impression made by the fact that chocolate bars have been lowered in price after the nation-wide "strike" by the youngsters of this country. What next, observers ask, will follow this lead.

Peacetime compulsory training is not expected in Canada this year, at least, it is hinted in Ottawa, if it ever will come about here. The man-in-the-street across Canada has undoubtedly been puzzled why there is so much secrecy about atomic energy developments for peacetime purposes only, though it has not been a mystery why this secrecy prevailed for wartime purposes, especially since a watchdog committee has been in existence in the United States for such purposes, and comprising representatives of the Senate and House of Representatives in the U.S. However, this has been clarified in Ottawa with the

In Days of Yore

From The Tribune Files

20 Years Ago

The U.F.O. co-operative will make their next shipment on Monday, July 25th. Hogs have been advanced 50c a cwt., and farmers are advised to ship.

Among the interesting visitors in town last week was Mrs. John Park from Vancouver, who is 86 years old.

The Women's Institute has donated to the park, fifteen benches and a drinking fountain.

John Gower has been appointed village weed inspector.

Miss Whineta Taun of Stouffville had wonderful success with her entrance class at Mt. Albert.

Eggs advanced on the local market Thursday to 30c a dozen.

Alfred Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hill and Earl Clendenning, son of Mr. Harvey Clendenning have been successful in passing their Normal School exams.

Mrs. W. S. Cook has recently sold her fine dwelling in the west-end to Mr. Harry Brillinger.

Among the artists who took part in the Old Home concert in the park was Mrs. Warmington (nee Nellie George). She had to break several other engagements to be here for the occasion.

The Hydro Electric Power Commission has forwarded profit of \$2000 to the hydro users of Stouffville.

Miss Dorothy Orchard and Miss Isabel Sargent of our public school staff are on a trip through western Canada. The young ladies left on Tuesday.

Alex Jones, miller at Dickson's Hill is rep lacing the old wooden flume at his mill with a steel one, 80 feet long.

Our C.N.R. agent John R. Hodgins, his wife and family have gone by automobile to Midland to spend three weeks on Georgian Bay.

31 Years Ago

Stouffville Scout Troop No. 1 under the leadership of Robert Rae and Rev. John Mutch have left for their summer camp. Through the kindness of Mr. W. H. Todd, the troop has received a well equipped carriage and stretcher and the boys are ready should any citizen need to be removed to hospital in a hurry.

Have you tried D. Forsyth's ice-cream yet, only 15 cents a pint. Reeve Sangster and Jas. Ratcliff were up to the reservoirs last week, and report them full.

Messrs. O. Thompson, H. Wright and H. Alsop are camping at Musselman's Lake for the summer. Mr. Grenville Forsyth of Chicago is home for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. VanBuren Forsyth.

Over three hundred C.N.R. tickets to Jackson's Point were sold at Stouffville Junction on Saturday.

The Misses Rae are camping at Musselman's Lake for the summer. Over in Claremont they're all asking who threw the plank through J.B. Madill's screen door?

W. H. Shaw was appointed delegate with Dr. Dales alternate to the York County Library.

Mrs. Ed. Stouffer and daughter of Moose Jaw are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Hamilton.

The hot spell has made it necessary to imbibe rather freely, but it is just as well to confind the refreshment to pale ale, as was learned by some thirsty ones who appear before Magistrate Brunton today.

58 Years Ago

Frank Mertens is visiting friends in Aurora.

Work on the new Methodist Church at Claremont commenced this week.

The picnic of the Bachelors and Benedicts of Stouffville will be held at Musselman's Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hand joined the campers at Jackson's Point on

explanation that the material is the same "whether it is used for purposes of peace or war." In fact, the Reconstruction Minister, Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe said: "The fact is that we now use it for peace-time purposes would not prevent this government or anybody else from using it for war purposes. It is just as explosive as the material that other people make for war purposes.

Now Playing! Friday and Saturday, July 25-26 "Stallion Road"—Zachary Scott

Monday and Tuesday, July 28-29
'The Big Sleep'
 HUMPHREY BOGART AND LAUREN BACALL
 Adult Entertainment

Thursday!
'FOTO-NITE'
 Lover Come Back
 GEORGE BRENT AND LUCILLE BALL
 Wednesday & Thursday July 30 and 31
\$235.00 OFFER!

Friday and Saturday, Aug. 1-2
'MICHIGAN KID'
 Jon Hall—Rita Johnson
'LITTLE MISS BIG'
 Fay Holden—Beverley Simmons

STOUFFVILLE STANLEY Theatre of the Stars!

Coming!

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The Opening of the Fall Term
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 If you are interested in Nursing as a Career
 Write for particulars.
 Miss R. P. Sharpe, Reg. N., Superintendent.

Tuesday.
 Messrs. L. Dougherty, C. Perry, and A. G. Brown tried their luck at trolling at Port Perry. They report a small catch.
 Mr. A. Miller, 6th con. of Markham commenced cutting fall wheat on Friday.
 Mr. S. M. Warriner and Rev. H. W. Knowles were badly shaken up the other day as the result of a runaway.
 Mr. Walter Percy of St. Marie and Rev. C. L. Percy of Port Murray N.J. are spending their vacation at the home of their parents, Rev. W. Percy.

Dancing . . .
 AT
Sunny Valley
 MUSSELMAN'S LAKE
Saturday, Aug. 2
Sunday Aug. 3 (midnight)
BILLY HOLE AND HIS LIVE WIRES
 Dancing as usual every Wednes. and Satur.

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 In
Muskoka's Lakeland



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