

Editorial . . .

At Least Some Good Has Come

Despite all the overplay on the present Canadian flag issue and all the wasted time at Ottawa, there are more Canadian flags flying throughout the country today than ever before, except perhaps in wartime. Since this great flag display has come right at a time when we are in the height of the tourist season, the benefit is even greater. Canadians have always been known for their backwardness in letting people know who they are and where they come from.

One way to stick out our chest

is let our flag be seen flying at every opportunity.

Commercial possibilities have been quick to follow on the announcement of the "Pearson pennant." Instead of dangerous and gaudy ornaments fluttering on cars we now find Canadian flags, both the proposed new flag and the Red Ensign being used. Though this display will not likely achieve the patriotic unity hoped for by the Liberal government, they do make striking car ornaments beyond that provided by the car manufacturers.

Little Wonder The Courts Are Crowded

Friday morning at Richmond Hill was a prime example of the reason our local courts are crowded with cases that are adjourned week after week. Too often, in our view, the excuses put forward are totally invalid but to give the accused every break in the book, the Magistrate usually consents.

In many instances, members of the legal profession are to blame. They appear in court, often unprepared to handle the case or fail to put in an appearance at all.

On Friday, cases involving

alleged infractions on the picket line at Amalgamated Electric Corporation were put over until Sept. 18th. This matter has been hanging fire now for some time and many persons are continually inconvenienced through procedural delays.

One lawyer had the nerve to suggest to the Magistrate that the defendants "had plenty of time." We would suggest that many people, including the police have not the time to waste and the sooner the courts quash such tactics, the better. It's little wonder that witnesses are reluctant to offer their services.

Aid Coming For Deserving Students

Although the Tories as well as Quebec legislative members continued to battle the measure every step of the way in the usual delaying tactic, the federal government's measure to aid needy students who desire to attend university, has now been passed.

In the course of the debate on the bill, Finance Minister Walter Gordon suggested the principle of free university education for all with the necessary academic qualifications. Mr. Gordon is of course, a great visionary, and he was not speaking as the finance minister in this instance. Certainly neither the universities nor the government could cope with any such move at present.

However, it is obvious that the

time will come, within possibly a few decades, when university education in Canada will be free. It is an opportunity which should be available regardless of capacity to pay. The new loan bill is the government's answer to the financial needs of many who on academic grounds are qualified to attend university, and it has general support.

Quebec's opposition reflects this province's attitude to many federal programs. This is unfortunate but for the present will remain a federal handicap. While the details of the loan bill are not entirely clear, it is a step in the right direction. It will be welcomed by thousands of students who otherwise would be unable to look ahead to an educational opportunity.

Reeve Makes Good Suggestion

Reeve Timbers made a good suggestion at Thursday's meeting of Stouffville municipal council when he advocated a meeting of the Public Utilities Commission and council to establish some policy regarding providing services to industry and commercial builders. While we agree with one councillor's suggestion that the size of the investment which the builder or firm is planning should have some bearing on the amount of help which should be forthcoming from the municipality, some percentage formula might be worked out which could provide a basis.

Stouffville has never had any "help" policy for commercial or industrial expansion and as a consequence reasonable and solid answers as to what the town expects of industry in the way of services have

been hard to come by.

The ratepayers showed a keen interest in industry some time ago when they voted by a large majority to give council the right to even purchase land for this purpose. While council has never found itself in such a "flush" financial position that it believed it could afford such a purchase, the least that can be done would be to make some attractive offer in the matter of services. Competition in this field is terrifically keen and some evidence of desire to have the growth, must be put forward by the municipality if it is to be in the race at all.

Council discussed the matter only briefly and no date was set for the meeting suggested by the reeve. It is certainly hoped that the matter will not be set aside without action.

REPORT From Parliament

John H. Addison M.P.

For the Canadian economy foreign trade is pivotal.

Canadian exports account for over twenty percent of our gross national product. By comparison, U.S. exports account for about 4 percent of American output. For Canada, in other words, foreign markets are five times more vital than for the United States.

Trading Nation Both by this standard and by that of per capita exports and imports, Canada is first among the world's foremost trading nations. Even an absolute volume of trade Canada stands as the world's fifth largest trader.

These striking figures alone, however, fail to convey the deep and decisive influence of trade on nearly every sector of the Canadian economy. First, we are turned toward trade by our peculiar economic structure. Our small and skilled population of 19 million can best exploit the great resources of our continent wide country by producing an enormous surplus of a relatively few goods for sale abroad. Canadians have not tried to develop an artificial economy obsessed with attaining self-sufficiency in every possible product. Rather this country has chosen to finance our high living standard by deliberately emphasizing that we can pro-

duce most efficiently and sell abroad.

Export Economy Exports breathe life into almost every region of our country. Our West Coast ships abroad lumber and fish; the Prairies export grain, cattle, fuels and hard minerals the Northern part of Central Canada sells minerals and forest products, and the Atlantic provinces are geared to exports of fish, wood, minerals and fruit. Most of the secondary manufacturers of the rich industrial basin of Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence are consumed in Canada but increasingly this region is selling abroad a profitable range of specialized equipment. And, of course, this industrial heartland is indirectly dependent on the exports of the other regions for these regions can only buy from Central Canada if they have strong foreign markets.

Trade Policy All of this explains why Canadians regard foreign trade as an activity of vital personal concern. Trade for the average Canadian is not a distant pursuit reserved for governments and professional promoters, it is the intimate daily substance of livelihood. The Canadian government in shaping and implementing its trade policies never forgets this fact.

Canadian economic and trading policy is clear. Our economy is basically committed to free enterprise under government regulation designed to liberate all private initiative compatible with the public interest. In the world at large we are pledged to the orderly and substantial freeing of interna-

tional trade.

These have been the broad policies of Canada's Ministers of Trade and Commerce since the days of the great C. D. Howe. Under him, the Department of Trade and Commerce in Ottawa was developed to assist Canadian traders, exporters and importers as well as Canadian manufacturers and consumers, in the exploitation of world markets.

Mitchell Sharp That department is today headed by the Honourable Mitchell Sharp. He is a westerner who, when forced to leave school at the age of 14, obtained his matriculation through night study. He was later able to attend university both in Canada and in England.

He rose rapidly in government service to the position of Associate Deputy Minister of Trade and Commerce, representing the Canadian government in trade negotiations throughout the world. He was later successful in private business as well, serving as Vice President of one of Canada's largest Corporations, Brazilian Traction, Light and Power Company, and finally as Minister of Trade and Commerce in 1963.

Currently he is supervising Canadian preparation for the "Kennedy Round" of world tariff negotiations. The outcome of these negotiations will be of decisive importance to Canada in its trade liberalization policy. As the Minister of Trade and Commerce said in the House of Commons "never before has the world attempted such a far-reaching attack on international barriers to trade."

"Hello Voter! Hello Nation!
Here I am at Camp Concentration!"



Sugar & Spice

by Bill Smiley

A SUMMER RHAPSODY

Summertime in this country is a mixture of so many wonderful things that I would happily leave for the next world at once, if someone said to me, "Sorry, old boy, but you'll never be able to spend another summer in Canada."

Perhaps the fascination of a Canadian summer might be compared to falling in love, once a year, with a passionate, unpredictable woman.

Just as you are never sure where you're at with such a dame, you are never sure of what a Canadian summer has in store for you.

She might greet you with the warm, seductive scents of June and, just as you are about to seize her, retreat into a frame of mind so chilly that you're diving for your recently discarded woolies.

In July, she turns on the charm full blast, clutching you in a sizzling embrace that makes your head reel and your feet falter. But when you throw caution to the winds, and submit yourself entirely to the affair—in short when you go on your holidays—she has a change of mood and weeps for two weeks without pause.

When August comes, her murmurous langor, the sheer, delectable sight and smell of her, sends you running once more into her room, golden arms—and her perfume gives you hay fever.

On Labor Day, leaving you frustrated, exasperated, exhausted and broke, she smiles once, enigmatically, and heads south to look for fresher lovers and bigger bankrolls. Ah, she's a bad one, old Mesmeranda Summer. She delights in making kids whiny or sick, giving them sunburn, and directing them into patches of poison ivy. This for the sake of tormenting their mothers.

She doesn't like women, you see. That is, young women. And her malice towards them is easily grasped by looking at the costumes she persuades them to wear at the beaches and in town. I wouldn't be surprised to hear her chortling merrily about the topeless swim suit silliness, which she doubtless started.

Teenagers she likes to tease. She fills them with mysterious urges and yearnings which make them drive like retarded orangutangs, dance in their bare feet amid broken bottles and rattlesnakes, and fall in love with people who should be put away in institutions.

She's not pure evil, though. She has a rather soft spot for the older folk. She warms their arthritic joints with her hot, tender hands. She fills their lonely hearts with pleasure in her loveliness. And she reminds them, in subtle fashion, of the days when they knew her long ago, when they were young and passionate themselves.

Every time I feel the cool, smooth hands of children after swimming, every time I walk a lonely beach and see lights across the bay, every time I hear the silken rustling of her garments in the evening trees, I know I am once again in thrall to that wonderful witch—the Canadian summer. And I'm glad.

Editor's Mail

Dear Sir:

Early last March a group of senior citizens under the leadership of Miss Ethel Neilson met together to discuss ways and means of obtaining an increase in pension and benefits for our senior citizens. The main objective is to increase the pension from \$75.00 to \$100.00 a month, said pension to be tied to the cost of living. The above group will strive to obtain names of a petition so that sometime in the fall thousands of names from each province will be presented to the government. Anyone interested in getting this increase for senior citizens please contact Miss Ethel Neilson, chairman, Senior Women's Committee for Pension Increase 172 Madison Avenue, Toronto 5, Ontario.

Sincerely Yours,
Ethel Neilson.

July 31st, 1964

The Tribune,
Stouffville, Ontario

Dear Mr. Editor:

Time and again articles appear in The Tribune about children being bitten by dogs. In most instances the child teases the dog, gets bitten and then the parents scream blue murder. How else is the poor animal going to defend himself?

Instead of punishing the dog, I say punish the child.

I'm not a dog owner but I believe in fair play, yes, even for animals.

Mrs. Elaine King.

POLICE DEAL WITH 455 OCCURENCES

The regular monthly report of the Stouffville Police Dept. showed that the officers dealt with 455 occurrences during the month. During this period 20 summonses were issued, 15 under the Highway traffic act and 5 under the liquor control act. The report further stated that 16 business places had been found insecure at night. A total of 119 warnings had been issued to motorists and 24 cyclists had been cautioned.

Roamin' Around . . .

It may be the beginning of the end for the summer shade provided by the grove of elm trees in Memorial Park. Two have been stricken by a grub, possibly Dutch elm disease and will have to be removed soon before they come down over the roadway in a storm. There is no immediate indication any others are effected but it might be just a matter of time. So far there appears to be no remedy for the disease that has destroyed so many lofty elms.

Every magazine store, including the ones in Stouffville, are plagued from time to time with children (and some adults) who prefer to catch up on a little reading (and looking) and then place the book back on the rack without a purchase. In such a shop south of Brooklyn, a sign is posted which reads, "If you've handled it, you've bought it."

The little one-room school may not meet the standards of many of today's educators but we must commend the trustee board of S.S. No. 19 Markham (con. 9) for the immaculate appearance of the grounds there even during the summer vacation period. Some urban school premises that boast costly interior frills cannot compare with the exterior neatness of this 75-year-old structure. It could be that the quality of education is on a comparable basis.

Speaking of neatness, this writer complained several weeks ago concerning the unfinished state of the new Jehovah Witness Chapel on Montreal St. in town. In all fairness to this project, we now agree that it is a good looking building and a credit to the congregation who supported its construction.

While on the subject of the Jehovah Witness sect, several residents from Stouffville and Markham attended the recent rally at Lindsay. The attendance figure estimated at over 3700. This writer has one major argument with this group and it concerns their rejection of blood transfusions, even for infants and children who are too young to speak for themselves. It means that in some cases these young ones are literally condemned to death by what might be called a "barbaric superstition." When a member of the group can, in reasonable terms a layman can understand, explain the right behind such thinking, we will be more prone to allow them at least one foot in the door.

A rather rare plant is flourishing in Harold's Grill on Main Street. It is laden with fruit, but, so far no one seems to know what variety. Like the cake, the answer could be in the eating.

As of July 30th the office of Markham Township Police is under a new phone number. Stouffville and district residents should call 886-5221. Markham and Unionville subscribers can phone 297-1050. Calls from here go through Gormley numbers since Unionville is now long-distance from Stouffville.

How would you like to be a cow and have your hay served up in forkfuls by a "princess." This is the present situation for the Holsteins on the Frank Barkey farm near Altona. You see, husband Frank has an eye for practical beauty and his new bride is a former Ontario County "dairy queen" no less. Such a pretty sight is enough to make any quaddrup slip its bag.

It may be attributed to an increased advertising program but it is apparent that more and more '64 studebakers are occupying space in local driveways around town with the Les Wilson nameplate on the back. In discussing points for and against this all-Canadian car, not one owner has registered a single complaint. That's pretty fair advertising itself.

While on the subject of advertising, the chicken barbecue restaurant at Manchester on No. 12 highway north of Myrtle, has built up an excellent reputation and people travel many miles to eat there. Many go from Stouffville. We understand that on a Sunday it's not unusual to serve over 300 birds in a single day.

Most people may or may not be aware of this columnist's views on drinking motorists. However, recently we came across a little item which impressed us. It read thus, "Any man who drives while drunk, should carry a coffin in his trunk."

We're disillusioned. We recently purchased a replica of Mr. Pearson's approved Maple Leaf flag. While fondly caressing the banner with pride and affection, we noticed in small print the words, "Made in Japan."

Speaking of flags, some low-down varmint had the audacity to pin the "Pearson pennant" on the front door of Harry Porter's barbershop premises in Clarendon. Persons with any knowledge of Mr. Porter's political leanings can appreciate the fact that the aftermath of the intended joke did not vibrate the village with echoes of laughter. The incident could be placed on the emergency agenda of the United Nations.

Homes are popping up extremely fast in the Sherwood Park sub-division along No. 7 highway in Markham Village. On Sunday we counted twenty with sold signs and several of these were only partially completed.

Last week we had the pleasure of talking with Mr. Glenn Julian, former councillor of Pickering Township and now the assist. financial editor of the Toronto Telegram. Mr. Julian is still very interested in municipal affairs in the township but denies that he entertains any thought of tossing his hat into the election ring again. It was during his period in office that council went through some of the stormiest meetings on record. Not one member of the council in 1956 remains in office today.

With the International Plowing Match scheduled for the Massey-Ferguson Farms in October 1965, a York County Home-stead Improvement Contest has been started. The sponsors are the York City, Federation of Agriculture and the York City Plowmen's Assoc. Further information may be obtained from the committee secretary, Fred Wicks, RR 1, Stouffville.

It is reported that two water samples have been taken from Musselman's Lake. Until a verified report is submitted from the Department of Health we will pass no comment on the matter.

A rather unfortunate incident occurred recently on the farm of Mr. Geo. Rodanz at Ringwood when his new multi-thousand dollar self-propelled combine broke free from its moorings atop the barn hill and rammed into a tree below. The accident, that caused some damage, occurred before the big machine had completed its maiden trip through the field.

Markham softball outfielder Jimmy Johnson is a full-fledged daddy. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson (Doris Tidbury) welcomed a bouncing baby boy to their home last week. Only eight more to go for a full lineup.

Speaking of softball, the world's champion girl's team of the U.S., was in Toronto recently and their performance had fans on the edge of their seats. Local viewers contend that most district men's teams, including Markham Aces, are not in the same class. We would suggest however, that win or lose, it would be one way to pack the stands.

We were extremely pleased to receive a note from E. W. Baker, formerly of Stouffville and now a resident of Fenelon Falls. Mr. Baker, though in his 80th year, is still an active painter and paper-hanger. He recalls that he attended public school at Atha in 1895-96 but was unable to attend their recent centennial program. We understand that Mr. Baker operated the Booth farm behind Summit View School at one time. We can say that he writes with a very clear hand for one of his years and we wish him many more of continued good health.

It would appear that the army worm menace in this area is on the wane. We understand that some properties were hard hit while others in the same general location remained untouched. We felt that the item prepared by Allan Wall, York County Agr. Rep. and published in this newspaper was extremely timely and helpful. If farmers haven't got enough problems to contend with already, this is one they can surely do without. Fortunately it only occurs once in every ten years and that's once too often.

This may be difficult to prove, but we would suggest that the pre-marital expectation rate in the Village of Clarendon is, for the size of the community, the highest in the Province of Ontario.

Operators of the refreshment booth at the Markham ball park have been plagued by children who break into the premises for a free coke. These incidents became more serious recently when one thirsty thief neglected to turn off the fountain tap and drained the soft drink container dry.

God's Mercy

"I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion."

-Exodus 33:19



We have but to look at the record, to examine these words spoken to Moses, to understand that God is both righteous and merciful.

Yet the truth is that most of us give little thought to these matters until, by reason of some trial or tribulation, we turn to God for help and assistance. We forget about God when we think we do not need help or assistance, just as we never think about an umbrella until the sky becomes filled with dark clouds or it begins to rain.

We should, as Paul the Apostle cautioned the Romans, become "servants of righteousness." We should, as Christians, avoid sin and temper our own lives with mercy and compassion for others.

Read your BIBLE daily
and
GO TO CHURCH
SUNDAY