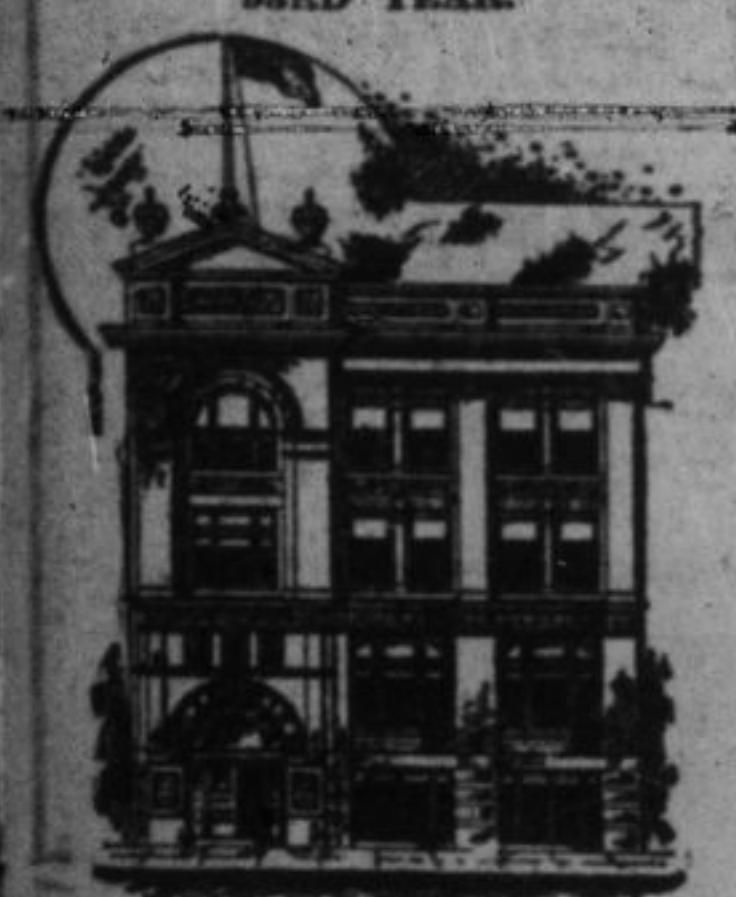


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AN INSPIRING MEETING.

Hon. Howard Ferguson little knew what he was starting when during his speech at Orono, he made his famous reference to the liking of the modern girl for young men with the smell of liquor on their breath.

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Mr. Alex. Edmison, the well-known Queen's debater, made a big impression when he refuted Premier Ferguson's statements from actual experiences of his own at college dances and other functions.

WHAT FACES THE INDIVIDUAL ELECTOR.

Responsibility faces every voter in the provincial election. His action is paramount in deciding whether liquor will flow freer in Ontario, or if the prohibitory measures will be strengthened and the O.T.A. made to fulfill its full purposes.

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antages. They have, through their satellites in the legislature, controlled the government which has fallen easily to the demands put before them.

Hon. W. F. Nickle with splendid courage and dauntless fortitude faced his fellows in the cabinet and refused to be allied with the traffic; and with equal courage faces his comrades and associates in Kingston and asks for their confidence and support in his defence of home and country, against a relentless enemy and a foe to right living.

Responsibility faces every voter in the coming election. Face it for the right.

HOW ENNOBLING.

The Toronto-Mail and Empire suggests that the profits from government control go to research work carried on for combatting disease and to general efforts to raise the people's health.

What a splendid plan! Let men drink to create revenue and then use the profits to reclaim them when broken and the victims of the liquor traffic! How ennobling!

WOULD SETTLE DIFFICULTIES.

The Brockville Recorder-Times submits that a strong "dry" majority on Dec. 1st would help to reduce and settle the liquor difficulties. Such an expression after the ten years experience under the restrictions of the O. T. A. and in face of the persistent efforts to wreck that measure would effectively strengthen the government in its efforts at enforcement and make possible the reduction of many of the admitted abuses.

For a measure of its nature the Ontario Temperance Act has not yet been tested to the limits of its possibilities although it has already yielded great and obvious benefits.

"IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN WORSE."

Never in memory have Ontario farmers approached the winter with crops so incompletely harvested and with so little fall work done, as the conclusion of the Farmers' Advocate of London, Ont. There is, in the aggregate, a large acreage of corn still ungarnered; root crops, including the sugar beets, have been partially lifted with the greatest difficulty; beans were almost a failure; potatoes are of questionable quality; and, unless there is more open weather, fall plowing will have to be done in the spring.

A problem has developed for which open fine weather is the only solution. Advice from any quarter is useless. Taking advantage of every opportunity, be it ever so uninviting, is the only means whereby the farmer can rescue his ungathered crops and do a little plowing to lessen the burden of work accumulating for the spring.

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The Ontario farm has wonderful recuperative powers, and the diversified nature of our agriculture does not permit of more than a temporary set-back or partial failure.

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quires nearly seven tons of wood to produce one ton of artificial silk. It will be recognized that a country such as Canada, with abundant forest and water power resources, is likely to become one of the most important centres for the production of this new fabric.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

More liquor. That's what Premier Ferguson is fighting for. Oppose him.

Less liquor through more rigid and sympathetic enforcement of the O.T.A. That's what Hon. W. F. Nickle is fighting for. Support him.

A month ago Premier Ferguson said the O.T.A. had done good; now the Act is no good! How so?

Eighty-five per cent. in Ontario today are not drinking liquor or beer. Let us keep Ontario safe.

Sir George Foster comes out with a statement strongly opposing any change in the O.T.A. Hear him on Friday night.

The Conservative party has not endorsed Mr. Ferguson's liquor policy. In fact the party is not sure what the policy is.

Hon. Mr. Nickle asks his fellow citizens to carefully, candidly and calmly consider the liquor policies before the country and he will abide with their decision.

The Toronto Globe says it always regarded Hon. Mr. Nickle as the outstanding justification for such public confidence as existed in the Ferguson Administration.

Mr. Ferguson told the hotelmen that he was not going to hide behind women's skirts when next he marched to the fray. He was ready to defy them all, with the Church organizations thrown in. Wouldn't it be a good idea to try him out?

Mr. Ferguson has again stated that the O. T. A. has done much good, but it has broken down. Is he sure, queries the Toronto Globe, that it was not his government's administration of it that has broken down?

If Great Britain could be paid what is owing her from her recent war allies, France, Italy and Roumania, she could immediately almost entirely wipe out her own entire debts. But she still has to go on carrying the other fellow's burden!

Canada's share in the import trade of Java is encouraging, writes Trade Commissioner R. S. O'Meara, Java, in Commercial Intelligence Journal. According to Canadian figures exports to the Dutch East Indies amounted to \$3,881,792 in fiscal year 1926 and \$1,473,951 in 1925.

The leg of mutton sleeve is coming in again on women's dresses. At least, so they say, says the Brantford Expositor. But where are the prophets who predicted the coming in again of long skirts? Another thing that will never come back is the good old bustle. In Kingston there seems just now to be a lot of the "good old bustle!"

No matter whether they agree with his views on the O. T. A. or not, most people, says the Peterboro Examiner, will admire the fighting qualities of the former Attorney General as demonstrated by his refusal to accept nomination in a riding where an O. T. A. champion would be much more sure of election than in Kingston, which voted thumbs down for the O.T.A. in the 1924 plebiscite.

QUEER QUIRKS OF NATURE

This Tells Where Grasshopper Goes in Winter. By ARTHUR N. PACK. President, American Nature Ass'n. In the fable, the ant revolves the grasshopper because he passes the summer in fiddling, when he should be gathering provisions for the winter.

To this latter class belong the grasshoppers. A few may survive the winter in the adult state, and sometimes the young hatch in the autumn, and hidden beneath the grass roots, emerge in spring as short-legged, awkward creatures rather unlike their parents.

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The Use of Canned Heat

An argument used against prohibition is that it forces people to drink canned heat and other poisonous liquors that destroy the eyesight and health of the consumer.

That argument would have more weight if it could be shown that canned heat was not being used in provinces that are under the government control system.

But Manitoba has a government control system that Premier Ferguson suggests is the nearest to the one he would put into effect in Ontario and that province reports that in the week between July 23 and 30 five deaths resulted from the drinking of poisonous liquors in Winnipeg and environs.

Saskatchewan also is showing a bad record in regard to canned heat. A Regina despatch dated October 31 last reports Magistrate Hefferman as declaring in the police court of that city:

"FULLY 60 PER CENT. OF THE CASES OF DRUNKENNESS BROUGHT BEFORE ME ARE MEN WHO HAVE BECOME INTOXICATED ON CANNED HEAT. Their word cannot be accepted. They are almost as bad, if not as bad, as drug addicts. As late as yesterday I was talking to the jail physician and he told me there were men in the jail now who were going totally blind from drinking canned heat. One man has actually lost his eyesight."

When it is authoritatively declared that sixty per cent. of the drunks in the largest centres in Saskatchewan use canned heat, Ontario should not be deluded into voting for Saskatchewan's system of government control in order to stop people using canned heat. If people will use canned heat in a province that allows one quart of whiskey, one gallon of wine and two gallons of beer to be brought daily from the government by each adult, the hope of abolishing that evil must be remote. Certainly it would be foolish to expect an improvement in Ontario by voting for government control.

What a Farce!

(Owen Sound Sun-Times) It is a spectacle to make angels weep and devils roar with sardonic merriment, to see the marshalling of the distillers and brewers, with the host of those who are expecting fat dividends from their investments in wet stocks, and the thousands who are promising themselves fortunes out of the profits of the traffic, directly and indirectly, and the tightwad taxpayers who count on the profits of the traffic to supply the revenues of the Province, and even the bootleggers, who know that the more liquor there is sold the better for their business, as has been amply proved elsewhere under Government sale, with the utmost of ingenious safeguards; all marshalled for the battle on the first of December, next, for the deliverance of the innocent youth of the Province from the corrupting influences of illicit sale of liquor, that the Government has not been able to prevent, all marching under the banner of temperance to save the young and promote good-fellowship and general prosperity.

What a farce! And there are Sirs and Clerics, and other men of renown, marching in the van of the crusading host, in the name of philanthropy.

One Obvious Result.

Brockville Recorder and Times: In spite of all the talk of Intemperance under the Ontario Temperance Act it is impossible to avoid the conclusion that the consumption of liquor in Ontario will swell greatly in volume if the Government-sale policy is adopted. And as for the evils of law-breaking there is every reason to believe that vigorous enforcement of the law against those engaged in the illicit liquor traffic will in time result in curbing more fully this traffic and restore the respect for law and order now alleged to be wanting.

Surely Not.

Hamilton Spectator: A California pastor, who gives up his charge to go forth and preach, says his congregations will not be asked to believe anything. Not even the need of putting anything on the collection plate? We wonder.



The Most Important Question in Buying a Radio

WHEN you purchase a radio you are investing in something you cannot see. True, you can see and inspect the case. You can count the number of tubes. You can compute the amount of wiring. You can figure the length of the antenna. You can count the number of dials. But the real object of your purchase—radio reception—you cannot see, you cannot feel, in fact, you cannot even judge by hearing.

For good reception must extend over a period of years. It must conquer the most adverse conditions of radio weather. It must be immune to minor accidents. It must stand up under day-to-day wear and tear. There is only one sure way to ascertain the quality of the set you buy, and that is by the reputation of the manufacturer.

Radiola, as built for you by Canadian General Electric Company, gives you an assurance of long and satisfying reception—an assurance made possible by the combined resources and facilities of the Canadian General Electric Company, Canada's oldest and largest electrical concern, and the Radio Corporation of America, the foremost radio research and manufacturing organization in the world.

Radiola advertisement featuring a list of models: Radiola 205, Radiola 196, Radiola 28, Radiola 196, Radiola 205, Radiola 28, Radiola 196, Radiola 205, Radiola 28. Includes the text: Radiola Made in Canada by CANADIAN GENERAL ELECTRIC Co. Limited.

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Advertisements for Piano Tuning, Dr. Vincent A. Martin Dentist, and Paper Hanging, Painting and Graining.

REAL ESTATE advertisement for 116 Barrie St. and 123 acres of Oak Park Farm.

Banner Soft Coal too! advertisement featuring an illustration of a furnace and text: BANNER PIPE AND PIPELESS FURNACES. Heavy cast-iron construction all through, wide spaces for free travel.

New Goods advertisement for Jas. Redden & Co. featuring New Table Raisins, New Brazil Nuts, New Shelled Pecans, New Sweet Cider.