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Editorial

Our pulpits are our work clothes. Each of us live some kind of a sermon every day.

BE PREPARED

The announcement recently made by the Halifax Herald that the provincial election will take place within the next six months may or may not be true. As a general rule such information is not in the hands of an opposition journal and yet it is surprising sometimes how accurately these predictions are made. In any event the date cannot be very far off and it is none too early for the people of the province generally to be giving the matter some thought.

That the affairs of any province should have been dominated exclusively by one political party for so long a period as has been the case in Nova Scotia is not good policy. A certain wise politician in Nova Scotia some years ago declared what the inevitable result of such a course would be. Naturally we cannot expect that public affairs will be dealt with in the best possible manner when politicians became obsessed with the idea that they have become "monarchs of all they survey". In the old country the people keep the reins in their hands to a fuller extent than they do here and never permit to intimate to their rulers that they are being watched when opportunity offers. This is the way to ensure good government.

Possibly the chief reason for the continuance in office of one administration for so long a time is the fact that no other party has so far come forward with a definite program of improvement. We cannot believe that the people of Nova Scotia are satisfied with the present wasteful and inefficient methods of carrying on public affairs, but are obliged to submit because as yet no leader has appeared who displayed sufficient initiative to propose a program that would appeal to their intelligence. Any party possessed of the necessary courage to do this would in our opinion be very likely to win the approval of the people of Nova Scotia at the next election, come when it may. In the meantime it may be just as well for the public to realize that they have it very largely in their own hands to determine whether they will be governed in accordance with sane and business-like principles or in the hap-hazard and expensive manner that has been followed. The average politician is wise in his generation and very prone to keep his ear always close to the ground.

ON WITH THE MOTOR POWER

Every mile of good roads laid by the province, municipality, city and village has a bearing on the nation's business so far reaching that it would puzzle the mind to follow it to its logical conclusion. Of course, the natural tendency is to look at the benefits that come nearest and soonest to hand, benefits which are indisputable, providing unwise financing of such improvements does not more than offset the good that is bound to be gained.

Reports from all over the country show that interurban freighting is on the increase due to good road building, particularly where the terminal facilities of railroads are congested. This means more motor trucks, more men at work, more money earned, and a consequent greater spending power. Haulage of farm products to shipping stations spells more business for the farmer, and better still makes his marketing more elastic.

The effect is also seen in the great increase of bus transportation in districts where the street car has not shown its nose as yet, bringing business into the small towns. Trade is rapidly increasing, particularly where the merchant has vision to send his message to the outlying districts through the local press.

Canada today is on the eve of a development in motor trucks, omnibuses, and large and small farm tractors that in point of volume will surpass the development of the railroads.

Some railroad men view the situation with a certain feeling of alarm, but there is nothing to fear. It is the same fanciful spectre that haunted the mind of the printer when the typesetting machine came into being. Where one man was at work under the old system there are fifty at work today.

OUR APPLE INDUSTRY

The discussion which has been going on in the press of this province with regard to the packing and marketing of our apples should be productive of profit to the grower and incidentally to the public as well. THE ACADIAN appreciates the honor of having been selected as a medium for not a little of this discussion, and is very glad to note the increasing interest in the matter that is evident.

This week we publish a letter from the pen of Dr. Schwartz, of Halifax, which teems with suggestions which the apple growers of this valley will do well to carefully consider. If conditions are as represented—and the evidence appears to be conclusive—the time has apparently arrived for very definite action. To those of us who enjoy the privilege of witnessing the growth and development of Nova Scotia apples, and of enjoying their rich flavor and beauty at their best, the statement which during these days is too often heard that in order to get good apples one must buy those produced in British Columbia or Oregon, seems most ridiculous. Such a state of things as is depicted by our correspondent in the foreign market, substantiated as it is by the evidence of our own people who are familiar with conditions in even our provincial centres, shows a criminal carelessness in the handling of our apples which should not be allowed to longer continue.

AND IT'S TRUE

Here is a little straight-from-the-shoulder talk by the Cumberland (B. C.) Islander: There seems to be a feeling among some business men that a newspaper has no business to make money. Why not? It is the most exacting business in the world, the most trying in every way. It means long hours and the greatest care in its conduct. The newspaper has the entire public to deal with. It is criticized on all occasions. It has to deal with all the cranks in the community, and to do this successfully requires judgment and patience. It has power, and that power, to the credit of journalism, is nearly always wielded for the public good. No question of vital concern to the home people fails to find a strong support from the home newspaper, and this, too, without remuneration. The publisher spends his money to further these projects and the community never gives a thought to the matter of cost to him. It is not paid for out of the public pocket. Every town needs a good newspaper, and the way to have it is to assist in making the business profitable. The newspaper wants every concern to prosper. Why should not this good-will be returned? To make a profit, to earn interest on the investment, the newspaper must have a living rate for its paper and its advertising space.

CO-OPERATE WITH YOUR TEACHERS

Next to parents no one is so interested in the children's welfare, so devoted to their general growth and development as well as their school education as the teacher. Her work will be far more effective if the children know that the parents and trustees believe in her, trust her judgment, and back her up in her ideals and her decisions. She will be happier as well as more effective in doing it if the appreciation that is in the hearts of the people of the community finds expression occasionally in words, in occasional hospitalities extended, and in other small acts of consideration. Co-operate with your teacher.

PANAMA CANAL TRAFFIC GROWS

In 1923 the Panama Canal was used by 5,046 ships, compared with 2,997 in 1922. They paid tolls of \$22,961,000 while in 1922 the tolls amounted to only \$12,573,407. Canal traffic furnishes an index of the state of commerce through the world. Its rapid growth is indicative of the steady trend towards normalcy everywhere.

We'd have tax reduction within fifteen minutes if there were some way whereby both parties could get credit for it.

TOWN MANAGER GIVES ADDRESS AT HALIFAX

HALIFAX, March 7.—That modern towns and cities are business corporations and their management involves the handling of millions of dollars yearly, was the point stressed by G. S. Stairs, town manager of Wolfville, in his interesting and instructive address on "Town Management", given before the members of the Engineers Institute of Nova Scotia at the Green Lantern last evening. The chair was occupied by C. H. Wright and among the other speakers of the evening were Mayor Mosher, of Dartmouth; Robert Stanford, chairman of the Dartmouth Board of Trade; J. W. Douglass, manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, Dartmouth; George A. Ormon, secretary of the Dartmouth Board of Trade; Ex-Mayor Robb, of Amherst; W. A. Winfield, of the Maritime Telephone and Telegraph Company; City Engineer Doane, Prof. Faulkner and Lorne Allen.

The manager plan of municipal government is the closest approach to the establishing of an administration on a modern business basis that has yet evolved, Mr. Stairs said. Twelve years ago, the speaker stated, there were only two cities operating under the manager system in the United States, while at the end of 1923, 320 towns in the United States and Canada had adopted the system and, it is interesting to note, that it was first adopted in the old states of South Carolina and Virginia and in the old Maritime Provinces and Quebec.

Mr. Stairs cited the fact that the population of the towns and cities which have adopted this system range from 500 up to 800,000. The ages of the managers vary from 25 to 70 years, he said, and the salaries from \$600 to \$20,000.

The city manager system has given fine results in villages, towns and cities up to and over 200,000 population, Mr. Stairs said. The latest large city adopting the plan is Cleveland, Ohio, with a population of about 800,000. The speaker then gave a number of specific instances of the splendid results of the plan.

In Dayton, Ohio, not long after the manager was appointed, a deficit of \$125,000 was wiped out, he said. Since that time some of the results attained under the new administration have been—the placing of the water works system on a paying basis; the introduction of an eight-hour day for employees; construction of a municipal bathing beach; operation of a city paving plant and the reduction of the death rate by district physicians and visiting nurses. All these and other improvements have been brought into effect as well as the establishment of a sound business administration, Mr. Stairs stated.

Coming to Canada, we have in the province of New Brunswick, the notable success of the system in the town of Woodstock which adopted this plan in 1919 with R. Fraser Armstrong the first manager, he said. "In the province of Quebec with five city managers the following editorial comment by L'Echo du St. Maurice of Shawinigan Falls is significant," the speaker stated.

"The example given by Grand Mere and Westmount will soon be followed by a good many towns. Already our city and La Tuque have adopted this system of having their affairs administered by a manager. Quebec is studying the project and the population of

Three Rivers has manifested itself in favor of reform." In concluding, Mr. Stairs referred to the system and its good results as worked out in the town of Wolfville.

DEMANDING CUT

Progressive Members Would Reduce Pay of Members and Ministers

OTTAWA, March 7.—Harry Leader, Progressive member for Portage La Prairie, wants Parliament to give a lead in economy. Pointing out the rigid necessity for economy in all walks of public and private life, Mr. Leader intends to move that the government should take steps to reduce the indemnities and salaries paid to ministers of the Crown, the leader of the Opposition, members of the Senate and members of the House of Commons by 12 1/2 per cent. of the present indemnities and salaries.

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INCREASE IS AIMED AT CANADA

United States Adds Twelve Cents to Duty on Wheat and 28 to Flour Duty

WASHINGTON, March 7.—An increase of twelve cents a bushel in the tariff rate on wheat was ordered today by President Coolidge.

Acting under the flexible provisions of the Tariff Act and on the basis of the tariff commission's recent inquiry, the President at the same time ordered an increase of 26 cents a hundred pounds in the duty on wheat flour and a decrease of 50 per cent in the ad valorem rate on mill feeds. The new rate on wheat will be 42 cents per bushel as compared with the present rate of 30 cents; the new rate on flour will be \$1.04 per hundred pounds as compared with 78 cents, and the rate on mill feeds will be 7 1/2 per cent ad valorem as against 15 per cent.

The new rates, as ordered by the President and set forth in a formal proclamation, will become effective in thirty days.

The increase will become effective in time to be applied to the flood of Canadian wheat which descends on the United States about the middle of April each year with the opening of navigation of the Great Lakes.

The new rates represent the first change in the duties of the Fordney-McCumber tariff Act since it was passed by Congress in September, 1922, and the proclamation issued today was the first exercise of the power conferred on the President to increase or decrease rates within a maximum of 50 per cent after investigation by the tariff commission.

Several other inquiries, designed to ascertain whether existing rates are fair, are under way including an investigation of the duty on sugar.

"If—
"You buy out of town, and
"I buy out of town, and
"He buys out of town, and
"We all buy out of town,
"What is going to happen to Our Town?"

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