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**Note and Comment**

Although we don't go in much for decorations on this side of the Atlantic, many of our young ladies seem to have received The Most Noble Order of the Garter.

The Forest Free Press says someone stole a couple of dozen copies of that paper addressed to Camlachie subscribers from the postoffice last week. It's a caution how people like to get hold of the home town paper!

To sell or not to sell the wheat is a question bothering many farmers in Ontario. Some conclude that a 40-bushel crop, at \$1.25 per bushel, is a paying proposition and decide to market the crop at once. Only time can tell what was the right thing to do.

Wholesale hardware stores in Canada will, it is said, follow the example of the wholesale grocers and form a merger. The movement in these days of high costs and keen competition is all towards cooperation and consolidation.

A woman in Brooklyn was locked all night in a drug store because the proprietor, in closing the place did not see her in the telephone booth. By the time she was released in the morning she had almost finished her conversation.

The value of the published reports of municipal council proceedings is very often overlooked. Not so in the State of Michigan, where a new law requires every village council to publish all proceedings of the council in the nearest newspaper within 10 days after the meeting. The newspapers have to be paid for this service, which in this locality they give without charge.

To many of us the library is known, perhaps, only as a public building into which we wander merely "to kill time." We ask the librarian for a "good" book, meaning by that not the works of the masters, but some thrilling, yet common-place story, with a machine made plot which we term "good." To such readers the library means very little. True, it is a convenience; they are saved the necessity of buying new books and magazines. But the library has no deep underlying meaning for them. They form, however, only a small group of the readers who frequent it. To a thinking person the library is a place of romance and delight in that it guards the masterpieces of literature that have ever held the hearts of men. The library can be a great asset to the community, and such a one is the Watford Public Library.

Oakville may secure a certain large printing firm, "provided favorable concessions are granted by the Town Council." Thus the same old story. Small towns and villages scramble all over themselves to bribe factories, etc., out of the cities, and in the past have given them ridiculously big grants and concessions—and in many cases much to their sorrow. The small town of Oakville already has three weekly newspapers and printing plants, none of which has yet been able to amass wealth. Yet each has located in the town on its own initiative, secured its own location, installed expensive machinery from its own capital, paid good wages to mostly incoming employees, paid its legitimate taxes like every other business firm, given the town and district a community service which is usually only appreciated after it is lost, but has never asked for any special consideration or concession of any kind, other than "keep your money in your own town." The three local offices probably carry as many employees as the approaching commercial plant, yet any thought of assisting the local industries already established will be lost in the frenzy of seeking to pay some of the biggest expenses of the affable stranger, that he may be induced to come and live among us.

Teachers' Federation want representation in the Dominion Senate. Why not? And also why not representatives of bricklayers, railwaymen, tailors, carpenters, musicians, artists, clergy, boilermakers, printers and every other class of workers—a sort of national federation of labor?

Even the early spring has failed to give much of a breathing space on the farm. Haying was scarcely finished when harvest was on, and then comes after-harvest cultivation, preparation of wheat land, silo filling and threshing, with roots, potatoes and apples to look after and the perennial fall plowing. The head must work with the hand in order to accomplish everything waiting to be done.

Everybody gets a holiday except the rural mail carriers. Have the people of Ontario ever stopped to think how the rural mail carriers are treated? All the holidays they ever got was two short days in the dead of winter. We're sure they and their families would enjoy a picnic along the lake. If they missed one day not to deliver the mail you wouldn't be able to see the post office department staff for the dust they would raise.

A newspaper can be made valuable to a district only as it is used by that district. The news of each locality should be published regularly and this cannot be done unless some one in each district takes an interest in seeing that it is sent in for publication. Several localities could make better use of the Guide-Advocate than they are now doing, and in the interests of the country in general they are invited to do so. Our columns are at your service, but the editor cannot be over the whole country at once. Your district is your interest as much as anybody's. See that it is represented each week in the news columns.

Some thirty wholesale grocers have merged into one company to be known as the National Grocers' Company Limited, with a capital of seven millions. This new organization it is claimed, will affect every retailer in the Province of Ontario. There will be important changes in methods to eliminate waste. Distribution costs are to be reduced to the minimum, but this is only one of the objects of the new organization. Half a dozen efficiency experts will be placed on the staff to go about from place to place to educate the retailers in the latest methods of merchandising.

In view of the wide discussion on the cost of building a bridge over the Detroit river, between Windsor and Detroit, it is interesting to note in our English exchanges that the corporations of Liverpool and Birkenhead are considering building a tunnel under the Mersey river, between these two cities at a cost of five million pounds. Some of the suggestions had included the provision of a high suspension bridge, but that would have meant having to construct the highest span bridge in the world. In the event of another war a tunnel would not be exposed to enemy aircraft. A suspension bridge would probably cost over ten millions. The tunnel will be 2 3/4 miles in length, 3/4 of a mile being under the river, and tolls will be regulated according to the use of the tunnel.

Twentytwo counties in the province of Ontario have so far accepted the revised scale of government subsidies for road purposes. The new scale, as pointed out in these columns a few weeks ago, replaces the 40 per cent and 60 per cent grants which have prevailed for a number of years, and gives a uniform 50 per cent rate. When the new plan was being embodied in legislation at the last session of the Ontario Legislature the government took the power of proclaiming it in any part of parts of Ontario to which it might be deemed suitable, and the proclamation of it in the twentytwo counties follows the June meeting of their councils. Prior to this plan of subsidy two classes of roads existed namely, county provincial roads and county roads, which were given grants of 50 and 40 per cent, respectively. These two subsidies worked out to an average of 47 1/2 per cent, so that in merging the two classes of roads into one and giving a subsidy of 50 per cent the government is facing increased payment on subsidy accounting.

make the infantile system untenable for worms, but by their action on the stomach, liver, and bowels they correct such troubles as lack of appetite, biliousness and other internal disorders that the worms create. Children thrive upon them and no matter what condition their worm-infested stomachs may be in, they will show improvement as soon as the treatment begins.

**WORLD IN REVIEW**

**Death of Sir Adam Beck**  
 Ontario lost a faithful servant public spirited citizen by the death of Sir Adam Beck, whose twenty years has been in the hydro electric power development, unselfish devotion to the public ownership. He died at home in London after a year and a half which had suffered a gradual development in an anæmia.

As early as 1903 Sir Adam Beck was appointed as a commissioner to investigate the development and distribution of power from the Falls; in 1906 he introduced a power bill in the Ontario Legislature and was appointed Chairman of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission from the date of his appointment he was actively engaged in the policy of supplying the province with cheap electric power.

The growth of the province under Beck's guidance was extraordinary. In 1910, ten urban municipalities were being supplied with a celebrated horsepower. By 1925, the province had grown into a great industrial and agricultural power. In 1924, the province produced 395,247 horsepower, which was exported to other parts of the world.

Born in 1857 at Watford, Ontario, Beck went into a foundry and mill, and a ship-making plant at Galt. He came to Ontario in 1884 to London, where he established quite an extensive plant, which he later at Toronto, Montreal and Hamilton. He was married in 1898 to Lillian Ottaway, and was knighted in 1914.

Lady Beck, to whom Sir Adam was very devoted, died in October, 1921, and was buried in her own family plot at Hamilton, and beside her Sir Adam was laid to rest.

**Big Gain in This Year's Crop**

The farmers of Canada should have \$400,000,000 more to show for this year's crops than those harvested in 1924, according to an estimate based upon October delivery at present prices. This year's wheat yield alone for the whole Dominion is estimated to be worth \$544,355,000 as compared with the actual value of the 1924 wheat crop of \$320,362,000. All the field crops in 1924 had a value of \$919,730,000, while this year's crop are expected to net the farmers the sum of \$1,318,664,000.

Some slight damage has been done by black rust in Manitoba as a result of a damp heat wave, but provincial government officials stated that the greater part of the wheat was past the stage where it could be injured by rust. Harvesting is well advanced in Saskatchewan and Alberta. In the former province, according to a government bulletin, the crop generally is reported to be in good condition, although the wheat ripening before the grain was properly filled reduced the prospects of large yields except in the northern districts.

Among other beggars we can do without, are those who beg to differ. —Toronto Telegram.

**Coal Strikes Cost Money**

It cost approximately \$325,000 to transport and maintain the troops in the Cape Breton district during the coal miners' strike which has just been settled, and the Province of Nova Scotia seems disinclined to bear the whole expense, inasmuch as the soldiers' pay would have been the same in their barracks. The question is to be adjusted between the provincial authorities and the Department of National Defence.

**Foodstuffs Rise in Price**

A slight rise in the cost of living this summer in Canada is shown by a bulletin just issued by the Labour Gazette. The average cost of a weekly family budget of twenty-nine staple foods in July this year was \$10.49 as compared with \$9.91 for July 1924.

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**THOUSANDS OF TEACHERS IN PROVINCE UNABLE TO SECURE A POSITION**

There are approximately 7,000 school teachers out of a job in this Province of Ontario. This means that there are a great number of school teachers in need of a position to start the September term. The applications which are pouring in upon the trustees are almost sufficient to swamp them, and the task of selecting a suitable teacher is one not to be envied. There was an exceptionally large crop of teachers turned loose on the market this summer from the Normal Schools of the Province, and the majority of these have no schools to go to. When it is taken into consideration that over 180 applications were received for one vacancy on the staff of the Allenford school one can size up the situation to some extent and this is the Province.

**Our Credit is Good**

Canada's splendid financial position is reflected in comment from New York upon the forthcoming Dominion loan, for which "an extraordinarily good price" is predicted.

**Prince Delights Latin-Americans**

The Prince of Wales continues his triumphant cruise as an Ambassador of the Empire. During his three days stay at Montevideo, Uruguay, he created a most favorable impression by speaking in Spanish in response to a toast. By way of a return compliment his warm-hearted hosts joined heartily in the singing of "For he's a jolly good fellow." From Uruguay the Prince sailed for Buenos Aires.

**Soldiers and Sailors Loyal**

The loyalty of Britain's Tommies and Jack-fars is beyond question, notwithstanding the efforts of the Communists "to win the soldiers and sailors from the capitalists." A fiery letter to the National Labor party with this purpose in view failed to excite the moderate Labor leaders and the soldiers at Aldershot pulled down the placards which appealed to them to align themselves with the Communists.

**The Lure of Montreal**

So crowded is Montreal with tourists that hotel accommodation has become quite inadequate and announcements had to be made on incoming trains that there was no chance of obtaining rooms unless reservations had been made in advance.

**Velvets and Fur Collars**

Paris decrees that velvet is to be a favorite material for next winter's gowns, and tweed topcoats will have collars of fur dyed to match the cloth.

Emard May Succeed Begin  
 Archbishop Emard of Ottawa, it is rumored, may be elevated to the Cardinalate next December in succession to the late Cardinal Begin.

Tragedy on Excursion Steamer  
 Scalding steam brought death to a score of persons and terrible injuries to a hundred others when the boilers of the excursion steamer Mackinac exploded off the Naval Training Station near Newport, Rhode Island. The ship was promptly run aground and secured within a mile of the scene of the accident.

Big Grocery Merger  
 Twenty-eight or thirty wholesale grocery firms in Ontario, with a combined annual turnover of from thirty to forty millions, have merged under the name of National Grocers Company Limited, with a capital of \$7,000,000. Distribution costs, it is expected, will be reduced and efficiency experts will go from place to place to educate retailers in the latest methods of merchandising.

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**FACING A CALAMITY**

An article by Mr. Justus Miller, agricultural district representative for Essex County, has appeared in the press, giving a report of the corn borer situation as it exists at present in Essex County, and as it likely is equally applicable to Lambton County, it should stir every citizen in the county, and particularly corn growers, to action. Every interest in the corn growing belt stands to lose immensely if the corn borer is not controlled. Mr. Miller points out the enormous loss that is going to be estimated, and says a calamity is being faced because land values in this peninsula are enhanced over those of other parts of Ontario largely because of its corn growing possibilities and with the disappearance of profitable corn growing, as is possible, he predicts a depreciation in these land values that may not be reckoned. The towns are equally interested with the rural parts, and it is up to the town, village and township councils to organize and work together for the extermination of a pest that, in the estimation of Mr. Miller, will cause a loss in farm revenue this year amounting to the large total of \$2,000,000, and this represents the amount of business generally that will be affected. The careless farmer who has failed to destroy his corn stalks, the favorite breeding ground of the borer, must now be compelled to co-operate in the campaign for its destruction, if not by legislation, then by public opinion. The time for action has arrived and no time can be lost, if the calamity that is staring us in the face is to be met and overcome.

**The Grounds of the Canadian National Exhibition**

The grounds of the Canadian National Exhibition are valued at \$5,000,000 and the buildings at \$6,000,000, a total of \$11,000,000, all owned by the City of Toronto.

Best of per Pac Grocers

If you suffer from rheumatic pains and suffer from a system is full of germs, it is helpless before the Rheuma and Start taking at once on and blood. exclaim: "Go Bish."

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