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A. L. MILLER, Editor

## PERFECTION

IT HAS been particularly gratifying this past week to residents of this community to learn, first, that the best market steers, all breeds, in the Dominion of Canada and in all likelihood in a much wider field than that, was raised in our own community; and secondly, that butter manufactured in a Jarvis creamery scored in second place, for quality, in Ontario competition.

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Incidentally, and of no little value, is the benefit derived by the whole community, as a result of the advertising of the community which spreads across the entire country. Jarvis Herefords and Jarvis Butter will this week be talked about by an amazing number of people, who possibly, never before heard of this Village.

These are the goals toward which we should all aim and this week our hats are off to the breeders of the Grand Champion Hereford Steer at the Royal Winter Fair and to the management and butter maker of the prize winning butter.

## CHRISTMAS SEALS

MANY CITIZENS received in their mail this week "Christmas Seals" sent out as a means of raising money in support of the prevention and treatment of Tuberculosis. Support of the seal campaign takes on a new significance this year because of the fact the Niagara Peninsula Sanatorium Association, through the superintendent, Dr. C. G. Shaver, has established a travelling clinic to serve Haldimand County.

Many people regularly support the Christmas seal fund and will continue to do so. But in order to extend this very important work, new support is needed. Tuberculosis prevention is one of the finest works in the matter of public health and in view of the fact all money raised in Haldimand County will be spent here in the work an increased response to the Christmas Seal campaign is anticipated.

## STREET CORNER POLITICS

THE NEXT TIME a man stops you on the street and, without being asked, undertakes to tell you what is wrong with the government, the democratic system and the way community affairs are run, take a good look at him. Then try to recall what constructive part he has played in the town's affairs.

Chances are — for this fellow is a type — you won't be able to credit him with a single achievement. Before the last election he had some stinging things to say about the town council then in office. But he made the same sort of comments after the present council took over. And he made them in street corner conversation or to a group of cronies on the post office steps.

The places this citizen chooses to do his talking are significant, as he maintains his knowledge of public affairs is second to none. His interest is, no doubt, commendable; but his efforts are not effective. Therein lies a lesson for the rest of us.

With elections coming between now and New Year's, almost everyone has an opportunity to put forward his ideas for improving his community and for seeing that, if they are really worthwhile and not merely petty bickering, they are put into action.

Not everyone can stand for public office, although all able to serve on councils, school boards or library boards should be ready to do so. But any citizen can make up his mind about local issues and support candidates he thinks worthy. He can go to election meetings to learn about the issues and question candidates on their stand.

When it comes to getting his own ideas across, he can go to candidates with his suggestions and win their support. That done, he can try to persuade his friends to back the candidate who incorporates them in his platform.

The rare citizen without a single idea for community betterment can do his system of local government a favor by taking up interest in civic elections and helping to get out the voters on election day. The more ballots cast, the greater the assurance that the result represents the will of the majority.

These are simple steps, requiring but intelligent interest and a certain amount of time on the part of citizens. They are, nevertheless, sufficient to raise them above the level of the street corner politician who keeps quiet at a public meeting if he attends at all but is prepared to volunteer criticism of action that meeting takes.

## DO SCIENTIFIC ADVANCES REACH THE FARMER?

THE "AG. REP." is a familiar figure in most farming communities. He is usu-

ally a very busy man. His job is to help the farmer. He is the main link between agricultural research and farm practice because he is usually the one who passes scientific information on to the farmer. This is a very important job. What is the use of research if its discoveries never reach the people?

The Agricultural Representative is appointed by the Provincial Department of Agriculture to do extension work among farmers. His sources of information are mainly bulletins and releases from Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture and from Colleges of Agriculture. He is, of course, a graduate in agriculture and so is a source of information in himself. But unless he has time to read and study his own knowledge will get out of time. With all their various duties Ag. Reps. are hard put to it, to know how best to use their time.

This is a problem that concerns the farmer. As a taxpayer he supports agricultural research. As a farmer he needs to keep in touch with the latest developments. There are, of course, other extension agencies besides the Agricultural Representative. Where there is an experimental or demonstration farm in a community the specialists are always on hand to advise and inform farmers. Field days are frequently held when farmers are specially invited to visit the Farms. Agricultural Colleges are generous in providing speakers for meetings and in supplying information to visitors or in response to letters. A great deal of free material is available through government bulletins, farm journals and farm broadcasts. Agricultural films are often shown on the rural circuits of the National Film Board.

So although the Agricultural Representative is the main link between scientific research and the farmer he is not the only one.

Agricultural extension services will be the subject for discussion in National Farm Radio Forum on Monday, December 2nd. The broadcast topic will be: Do Scientific Advances Reach The Farmer?

## THE LURE OF THE WILL-O-THE-WISP

— By Lewis Milligan —  
WHEN I WAS A BOY, my father, who was born in the north of Ireland, used to entertain us occasionally with stories of baneshees, will-o-the-wisps and talking cats. I was impressed mostly by the will-o-the-wisps, which were said to have lured people who had lost their way at night into the bogs, where they would sink slowly into the swampy depths, never to be seen again. Doubtless many of those stories were exaggerated, and it may be that, if, for some good or bad reason, a man wanted to disappear he could wander out into a dark bog and make his way to the nearest port and sail for America — "the land of the Free."

I was reminded of these stories while reading a review of a recent book on Plato and Karl Marx in the (London) Times Literary Supplement. The reviewer states that if the "disastrous errors" of Marxian thought be traced back to their origin, they would "lead to Plato, who has deceived succeeding generations by an intellectual confidence-trick only now exposed." And he adds: "Through him, and through all the Utopia-makers whom his evil example induced to follow in his footsteps, mankind has been led to pursue the political will-o-the-wisps which have lured it into its present morass."

Whether or not the reviewer is right in attributing the "disastrous errors" of Marxian socialism to Plato, there can be no question that those errors have been disastrous for mankind in general. We are certainly in a bog, and the more we struggle to get out of it, whether by military or economic schemes, the deeper we appear to sink into the swamp.

Ancient Greece is said to have been the birthplace of Democracy, but that is not true. The people of Athens were divided into Free-men and Slaves, and only the Free-men had the rights of citizenship. Plato's Republic was governed by philosophers — we call them professors and economists in these days. These philosophers would make the laws and decide what was good for the State, and all that the people would have to do was to work and obey their rulers, and everybody would be happy and contented. It was to be an ideal State, governed solely by idealists. But it was a will-o-the-wisp, and the more Plato tried to pursue it, the deeper he got into political difficulties and even in danger of his life. He finally came to the conclusion that human nature would have to undergo a radical change so as to conform to his totalitarian Republic. Like our own H. G. Wells, his mind came to the "end of its tether," and he died a disappointed and disillusioned planner.

But nevertheless there are people who are still pursuing the will-o-the-wisp of a perfectly planned society — a smoothly-running economic machine in which everybody would be well-fed, well-housed and appointed to tasks decided upon by government experts. But, as one writer puts it, "A society in which men are only free to receive economic benefits is a slave society. Their opportunities for education, creativeness and service are determined by their masters. Social opportunities rise no higher than social faith, and if that faith be thoroughly materialistic, freedom is simply freedom to serve the economic machine." It is still slavery, though man serves a big, beautiful, easy-running economic machine.

Hitler's National Socialism in Germany was such a machine, and it was far more successful in its operation than that of Soviet Russia. It was so successful that its planners thought it should be extended to the whole of Europe, and eventually over the world. The Germans pursued this will-o-the-wisp, and they soon found themselves in a morass and dragged a lot of other people in along with them.

The will-o-the-wisps are still hovering over the bogs. But there is only one true light for the guidance of society and nations — "The Light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world."

## Pen, Scissors and Pastepot

"The Poor you have always with you," so said the greatest hero in history, and that leads us to a story expressed in the Autobiography of the late William Allen White, wherein he stated that his home town of Emporia, Kansas, had its submarginal ten percent of "the times around the turn of the century when no one had thought of organized charity or social work." Whatever justification our callous negligence had may come from the fact that today, among the old settlers, at least twenty-five percent of the prosperous citizens who run the town came from those same ranks of the poor "who are always with the virtue of thrift and diligent persistence in the old century gave the children of the poor who lived behind the tracks, qualities which made them dominant in later life."

Today the system is vastly different. Social services dominate the virtues of the various programs of human betterment. While we all think a person must at times pause to contemplate, if in the end, mankind will derive greater happiness. Ambition is in something that must be fed. So something like the creation of the component parts of the machine, the low and the high are lamentably helpless when these are missing.

Evidence of the Dominion Government's desire to keep as many people as possible in employment, not necessarily gainful employment, is contained in the figures recently released by the Comptroller of the Treasury. In August of this year, a full year after the cessation of hostilities, there are 153,288 persons taking up office space and telling the taxpayers of Canada what they can and cannot do. There were only three other months throughout the entire period of the war when more people were employed by the Government. A representative of the National Labor Government's plan will eventually mean that one out of every four people in the United Kingdom will be working for the Government. "It will be like a dog living off its own tail," he said. That looks to us like monopoly and government employment trends in Canada seem to be pointing toward the same thing.

Reeve Ann Shipley was given an acclamation for the second time as Reeve of Tuck Township in Kirkland Lake way and the lady who has gained some prominence in the past few years in municipal politics is showing the way for that sex. It could be that that is what we need in the future. If one of our lady citizens would stand for office there seems no reason to suppose that they would not be able to do so. If an election in Jarvis falls this year we will quickly conclude there is no hope left.

About one hundred people heard the Davies present their fine concert at Knox Church last Friday night. The concert was one of the finest ever presented here, but many missed it.

J. K. Horne made some cavilling comment in his column last week about our recent deer hunting expedition which made it plain that he entertains some doubts as to the editor's ability to down one of those fleeting animals of the northwoods. The actual shooting and what is more we can produce five witnesses who will attest to the tenderness of the juicy steaks therefrom. Right now we are debating whether or not to let him have a taste.

## At The Churches

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Public Worship 2:30 p.m.

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Rev. W. D. Bauer, Pastor  
FISHERVILLE  
Nov. 24 — There will be no service Dec. 1 — 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Classes.  
10:30 a.m. The Divine Service with Holy Communion.  
12:30 p.m. The Lutheran Hour over CKLW. Dr. Walter A. Maser Speaker.

**ANGELICAN CHURCH**  
Squadron Leader Rev. John M. Cameron, Rector  
Nanticoke, Christ Church  
Services: Holy Communion 10:00 A.M., Sunday School 10:30 A.M., Jarvis, St. Paul's Church: Services: Holy Communion 11:30 A.M., Sunday School 10:30 A.M., Beginners Class 11:30 A.M., Chesapeake, St. John's Church: Services: Evening Prayer 3:00 P.M.

**FRESHWATER CHURCHES**  
Rev. W. H. Fuller, Th. 93, Minister  
Sunday, December 1  
Knox, Jarvis:  
10:00 A.M.—Sunday School  
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship  
7:30 P.M.—Evening Worship  
Chalmers, Walpole:  
2:00 P.M.—Sunday School  
3:00 P.M.—Afternoon Worship

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All Justices of the Peace, Constables, Coroners, and others  
having business before the Court, please take notice, and  
govern themselves accordingly.

**R. F. Miller,**  
Sheriff County of Haldimand.

## News of the Countryside

From The Record's Correspondents

### HAGERSVILLE

W. J. Mumford conducted the funeral of Richard Page at the Mott Funeral Home on Saturday afternoon at 1:30 which was largely attended by friends and neighbours. The late Mr. Page was 72 years of age. His wife, the late Evelyn Billard, and his daughter, Mrs. E. J. Mumford, are his survivors. He was a member of the Hagersville Cemetery where he was buried.

Rev. H. W. Wright of the Baptist Church was in charge of the service at the home and in Hagersville cemetery where interment took place. Very largely attended was the funeral of Edith Vaughan, widow of Jacob E. Stimpson, held from noon at 2:30 with Dr. W. J. Mumford in charge. Deceased who was 72 years of age.

Frank Burke who is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, is recovering from a recent operation. The recital given by Mr. Leslie Summerville of Hamilton on the new Electric Organ in the Baptist Church on Friday evening was much enjoyed by the large attendance. The Sunday School rooms and kitchen of this school which has added a decided improvement to the church.

Rev. R. J. Kirkland of Clarksburg will have charge of the morning service in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Sunday, November 24th. Miss Marjorie Donnan has resumed her duties as manager of Carey's six weeks absence while under going and recovering from a gall bladder operation.

Next Sunday morning the Assistant Officers and Teachers will conduct the Sunday School. Miss Eileen Buck of Simcoe, spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Buck.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bates of London, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Thos. Liles on Friday evening and presented them with a Christmas entertainment to be held on Friday evening, December 20th.

Miss Martha Kenny of Simcoe, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kenny. Miss Beth Thomson attended the annual banquet of the Branch County Junior Farmers in Brantford on Friday evening when the guest speaker was the Assistant Minister of Agriculture.

Friends and neighbours of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Presnaki met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Liles on Friday evening and presented them with a variety of beautiful and useful gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Presnaki are now residing at Mt. Pleasant.

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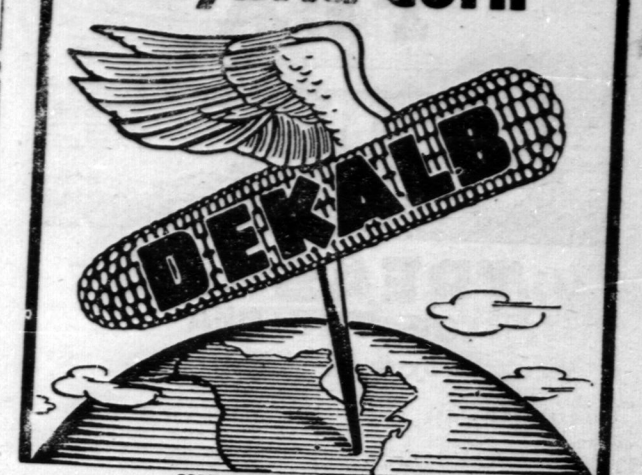
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A shower is being held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Canon Mitchell on Friday night in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Mitchell, a recent bride and groom.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Saunders were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Saunders at Caledonia on Sunday.

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