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WALPOLE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEET

Jarvis, May 17th, 1947. The Municipal Council of the Township of Walpole met on this date pursuant to adjournment, with all members present and Reeve A. E. Catherwood presiding. Minutes of April meeting were read and due attention given to all correspondence.

Waldbrook and Cox — Resolved that the minutes of April meeting be adopted as read. Carried.

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It wasn't many months ago that Canadians were led to believe it would be doubtful if they would ever be able to buy enough coal to keep warm but an announcement from the planning department last week relieved the heavy stock piles in dealers yards. Of course there was a slight price advance between the two periods, but that wouldn't have anything to do with the supply situation. These things are hard to understand.

Now the planning Department says the fuel oil situation is serious. The country's oil plant is running so near its limit that a slight anything could mean cold homes and factories next winter. They also say that fuel oil prices have advanced appreciably and are likely to go higher. We only hope the price goes high enough to cause supplies next winter. It worked for coal, so why not fuel oil.

The automobile is still in the lead. The worst disasters in Aviation history were recorded last year, but the number of deaths from this cause in the United States still remained in second place, the automobile fatalities in that country on Memorial Day. 214 people lost their lives in auto mishaps.

The Sunburn is in the last issue, reported a most interesting record of the progress of Canada's largest Town Newspaper for the past twenty-five years during which time its policies have been directed by Bruce McKeen and his associates, Clendon P. Pearce. The record has been one of achievement of which the Province brothers are justified in reviewing with satisfaction.

If the radio reports are correct, and we suppose they are, there are more girls in Canada who were brought here to work in the Textile Mill. But from developing the course of study we are inclined to think they are causing more trouble than they are worth in Hon. Mr. Dion's mills. We wonder if he is any relation to the Quaker.

The Radio announcer just said clear and warm tomorrow, so we suppose we are in for another wet spell that hardly sounds right. We should have supposed the weather will continue wet.

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BIRD NOTES

No. 18

June is the month when most birds are nesting and a great deal of fun can be had by making records of the various nesting species that are found in the county. Of course, Robins Starlings and English Sparrows are common citizens of our community, but many others can be found. In the open fields look for Meadowlark, Bobolink, Yellow Sparrow, Song Sparrow, Field Sparrow and Savannah Sparrow, all of which build nests on the ground or at the base of a small bush or hummock. The swinging nest of the Baltimore Oriole will be seen hanging from some lofty elm branch and the cup-shaped hanging nest of the Red-eyed Vireo will be found suspended from branches on some maple saplings.

Nesting boxes can be inhabited by House Wren, Bluebird, Crested Flycatcher and Tree Swallow, while old Woodpecker holes in trees are occupied by Chickadees, Woodpecker, Flicker, and Screech Owl. Under bridges over creeks or streams, the nest of the Phoebe can usually be found, while Hawthorn trees are in an open field, prove to be good sites for the nests of Brown Thrasher, Catbird and King Bird. Barn Swallow nest on ledges in the barn and Cliff Swallows may build a colony of homes on the outside of a barn.

Three miles south of Jarvis is a colony of Great Blue Herons, and like that bird, the Green Heron also builds in trees although there may be only three or four nests in the group, while that of the Great Blue may contain hundreds.

Nests of the small and large may be found for Hummingbird, place their small nest on a horizontal branch, and that of the Red-tailed Hawk will be found high in a tree overlooking an open field.

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Time For Decision

— By George W. James —
The Canadian Statesman, Bowmanville, Ont.

ARTICLE No. 2

In Article No. 1 of this series which is framed as a fair and independent appraisal of the leading political parties of Canada today, the central thought was to invite the electorate carefully to study before elections are called, the many problems arising in our national government, and to determine in good time which leader is most deserving of support at the polls to assure stable, responsible government.

A great Liberal, Sir Richard Cartwright, was quoted that rural people were by far the best informed politically and it is to the farming population generally, which represent 31.7 per cent of the population actively producing in Canada today, that our observations will be particularly directed. As in the past, rural voters will still determine what government will direct the affairs of the country.

RURAL MEMBERS

That this is true is shown in round figures which disclose that of some 681 members of parliament, Dominion and Provincial (1945) only 145 came from city constituencies. These rural members are in touch with popular opinion by reading the local press, hence this series will be fashioned with these facts in mind. Of first interest let us consider the present composition of the House of Commons and the leaders of the recognized parties.

PRESENT STANDING

In the House of 245 members the Liberal government is supported by 118, the Progressive Conservatives as the official opposition by 86, the C.C.F. Socialist party by 29, the Social Credit party by 13 leaving a nucleus of 19 elected as independents of various shades. It will be seen that if a sharp division arose the alignment might result as 118 Liberals against 127 others, which may be taken to mean we are ruled by a minority government today.

ONE OF TWO

What are the prospects of the four parties should an election be called? It is conceded, even by leaders themselves, that neither the C.C.F. nor the Social Credit can hope to rank enough support to form a government. The test therefore will be between the Liberals and Progressive Conservatives. Liberal strength has declined from a high of 189 in 1935. Since John Bracken became leader, the Progressive Conservatives have gained 70 per cent in House membership.

PRIME MINISTER

A thumb-nail sketch of the leaders may bring out points useful in determining the issue at the polls. Prime Minister King has been a great political figure. As a bachelor he has been equally singular in keeping personally aloof from the rank and file of Canadians. Never mingling with those who toil, their problems have been gauged by him from the abstract reports and statistics which his penitentiary have enabled him to maintain for many years a mystic power often accorded reclusive figures.

GROWING OLD

In his years of full vigor he attained a lasting place in Canadian history. His scholarly knowledge of the weight of years he has stated he will not lead his party in another general election. He sees clearly that to finish out the normal term of government and run the course of another like term he will be well into his 80's of age. So it is believed he wishes to retire and write his memoirs. He has served Canada well. Accepting at face value his decision to retire before another general election brings up the question of who will succeed him.

NO SUCCESSOR

At the moment Mr. King has given no word of his preference of a successor. But Mr. Caldwell, leader of the C.C.F., indicated in the House last session he had been approached by leading Liberals to succeed Mr. King. Staunch, old-line Liberals railing the strong trend of the Liberal government toward socialist experiments are much disturbed. With Mr. King declining to lead in another election the prospect is one in which the party will be virtually leaderless.

FRANK VIEW

This is believed to be a fair and frank view and a reasonable conclusion from stated facts. Granted therefore that the coming test of strength will be between Liberals and Progressive Conservatives the next article will deal with the leader of the opposition, John Bracken. Further articles will deal with the picture of the policies of the contending parties. They will be based generally upon what is found in the official records of parliament.

COMMENT INVITED

The feeling is becoming widespread that the next election will be one of the most important and decisive in the history of the country. It is truly a time for decision. If anything in these articles will arouse an informed public opinion, the purpose will have been well served. Comment from readers will be welcomed at any time.

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from The Record's Correspondents

many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

ERIE

Miss Vivian Biggar, R.N. is having a vacation at her home here after spending the past year nursing in Leijonville, B.C.

Seven members of the Women's Missionary Society attended the sectional meeting held at Port Dover on Tuesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Keen visited relatives at Guelph on Friday.

Mrs. Herdman of Windsor, was a Sunday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Fleming.

Mr. A. C. Foster and Lorne made a business trip to Dunnville on Thursday.

Mr. Roy McKeen is at present employed as truck driver of the Farmers' Co-operative in Cayuga.

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