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A. L. MILLER, Editor

### WHY DO WE WORK AT ALL?

— By Lewis Milligan —

"INCENTIVES TO WORK continue to be widely discussed, often as if there were a master key to release human energies at all ages and in all circumstances," says The British Weekly in a front page commentary on current affairs. The very fact that such a topic is being so widely discussed is in itself a sad commentary upon the effects of the socialistic experiments in the Old Country. The problem of getting men to work, or rather of keeping them at work and inducing them to work hard, is one that is worrying the Labor Government. All kinds of incentives have been proposed, including bonus systems and profit sharing. This latter is said to have shown "excellent results," but the Socialists don't like it because one of their main objects was to eliminate the profit motive as the root of all social evils.

Prime Minister Attlee has laid emphasis on moral incentives, and has appealed to workers to work hard for the sake of the cause and for their country, as they did in wartime. Bernard Shaw, however, has no patience with moral or any other kind of persuasive incentives. He says: "Now that the lash of starvation is abolished, compulsory industrial service is as inevitable as compulsory military service." He is evidently annoyed with the way things have turned out under the system he has been advocating all his life. "Suppose," he says, "the change enables the piece-worker to turn out twice as much product as before. But what does he actually do? He turns up at the factory from Monday to Wednesday inclusive, ping-pong at home from Thursday to Saturday. By this 'absenteeism' the factory is thrown out of gear, the office upset, and production reduced instead of increased."

But Mr. Shaw should be the last to blame these men for refusing to work full time when they can earn enough to live on in three days, for he himself as a young man was an idler, and he has admitted that his mother had to work to keep him. In those days he would have strenuously objected to the lash of "compulsory industrial service." Mr. Shaw has always argued that Socialism, by a division of wealth and labor, would give workers more leisure and insure economic security for everybody. He still maintains that this can be achieved by all-out Socialism, which he says is Communism, but that it demands conscript labor.

The British Weekly does not refer to Mr. Shaw's latest pronouncement, but it says: "If the harsher forms of coercion, either fear of unemployment or direction of labor, are to be avoided, the question of incentive is likely to occupy our attention for some time to come." It admits that the problem is a very complex one and that people work from a variety of motives, and adds: "The real difficulty regarding incentive concerns work that has little or no intrinsic appeal." The belt system in factories is cited as an example of the "inhuman mono-

tony" that creates "boredom and restlessness" among the workers.

Not having worked in a factory, I cannot speak from personal experience about the belt system, but I do know that any routine work can become monotonous and boring if one is inclined to be grouchy. Some of the happiest and most contented people in this world are those who have settled down to routine and what appears to be monotonous work. This applies particularly to women who, after their ordinary routine work is done, will sit for hours happily knitting without any compelling incentive to do so. The incentive operator who sets this article has a monotonous job, but he is probably more bored with my argument than he is with setting the type. The chances are that he is not thinking of the contents of the article, and his real mind may be far away thinking of his family at home, or of the home he hopes to make with the young lady he is going to meet when his day's work is done. These things provide the incentive for sticking to his job and putting his best into it.

But we have no problem of creating artificial incentives to work in Canada, and the only reason why that problem has arisen in Britain is that Socialism has destroyed all natural incentives by its cradle-to-the-grave economic security. Why should anybody work hard if the government has taken over his financial responsibilities for life? If a man can earn enough for his present needs in three days, why should he work six days when the extra money isn't much use to him anyway? Bernard Shaw is quite right and logical when he says: "Now that the lash of starvation is abolished, compulsory industrial service is as inevitable as compulsory military service."

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### ARITHMETIC vs. POLITICS

SOCIAL SECURITY is a fine phrase, used effectively by all Canadian political parties at election times. But, when carefully examined, it loses much of its meaning. Security of the country from war is something that no party can guarantee. Financial security for individuals from cradle to grave is usually thought to be denoted by the phrase, but such social security plans as have already been put into force do not appear to have lessened the need for private charity on a large scale.

Arithmetic and politics do not coincide when it comes to spending public funds. To an arithmetician it seems that if you tax everybody for a social service and spend the money so collected, nothing has been added to society's wealth. Some individuals may have benefited—notably the civil servants who get jobs collecting or spending the money. Even they might be better off if they had jobs outside the civil service.

For the remainder of the population, even for those who pay no direct taxes and receive government handouts, social security is a costly delusion. The estimated cost of the Baby Bonus for the latest complete fiscal year is \$271,000,000. The estimated receipts from the Baby Bonus for the same period are \$29,400,000. Thus if the Baby Bonus were wiped out, or even restricted to those families who really need it, the sales tax could be cut to about three per cent, with no net reduction of Federal revenues. The consequent reduction in living costs would ease the struggle of earners of small incomes. The Baby Bonus makes their struggle harder.

The arithmetic of this is simple enough for the average sixth-grade pupil. Einstein himself would be baffled by the arithmetic of those politicians who preach that taxation and living costs can be brought down at the same time as all the costs lumped together under the head of social security are going up.

—The Printed Word

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# CANADIAN NATIONAL

## Appreciation

I wish to sincerely thank all those in the Township of Walpole who voted for me and gave such all-out support. While not being successful, your efforts on my behalf were greatly appreciated.

Chas. Sheppard

Stan Mitchell says  
"Leave your widow a home not a mortgage."

Confederation Life Association  
Jarvis

## Pen, Scissors and Pastepot

There evidently are many people in Jarvis who regard a vote on a local ballot as of greater importance than in exercising their franchise for the election of men who will sit for their direct business every day of the year. Otherwise there would have been a much closer relationship between the ballots cast last Monday than there were at a certain election earlier in the year. We wish we could feel that way about it, then the trend wouldn't bother us as it does now. Toronto people apparently are the same. Their franchise took on a new importance when an issue—"Sunday Sports"—was to be decided upon. We think that it is a poor indication of the proper value of franchise privilege. If the franchise is only to be used to gain a right or deny a privilege, we might as well begin preaching the doctrine that the conduct of public business is of little or no importance whatsoever.

Someone told us that the Politics reared its ugly head in the recent municipal elections. Not being too well informed in political matters we are in no position to say yes or no to the intimation. Suffice it to say that we have been told by some very wise men that there is no room for politics in Municipal business—that is if the best interests of all citizens are to be considered.

When a certain fellow (initials G. D.) advocated the devaluation of the dollar prior to the June election many people last laughed. It was evident after the ballots were counted on June 22nd that they still thought he was talking through his hat. We didn't—still faithful you see. That is why we take so much satisfaction from the latest report from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The report says that our exports to the U.S. climbed from \$115 million dollars in September to \$173 million dollars in November. If you were operating a grocery store and one of your customers increased his buying to that extent you would think it was alright. Devaluation made it possible which as we said in the beginning was advocated by a certain fellow (initials G.D.) before June 1949.

About twenty years ago we bought one of those suits known as a Tuxedo. They were designed for fastidious males to wear at special events. Ever since we invested in the darn thing we have been wondering whether we were lacking in fastidiousness or special events. We haven't even got a semblance of a sign of a shine on the seat of the pants in all those twenty years and that naturally annoys our "Booth" matinee. In the last ten years we have attained ourselves in the tuxedo on New Years Eve on two occasions in a vaudeville show to get some final return on our investment. But its no use. It seems the only place to wear a tuxedo in our modern society is either in a vaudeville parade or a balowen masquerade. If we'll never get our money out of it that way. So if there are any tall lanky young males, presently being carried away by the exuberance of being infatuated with a female he wants to impress, we'll offer him our tuxedo at a bargain. And remember there isn't even a shine on the seat of the pants.

A number from Jarvis celebrated New Years Eve at the Hagersville Army Camp. Others attended the dance at the Simcoe High School Auditorium and many house parties throughout the Village afforded an opportunity of welcoming in the New Year.

## To the Electors of Jarvis . . .

MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO SUPPORTED ME ON JANUARY 2nd. I WILL STRIVE TO SERVE YOU TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY AS A SCHOOL TRUSTEE.

Ivan Smelser

## Thank You -

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF JARVIS I WISH TO EXTEND SINCERE THANKS AND APPRECIATION FOR YOUR VOTE AND SUPPORT ON MONDAY WHICH RESULTED IN MY ELECTION AS A JARVIS SCHOOL TRUSTEE.

Lloya G. Holmes

## THANK YOU . . .

I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS MY VERY SINCERE THANKS FOR THE EXPRESSION OF CONFIDENCE ACCORDED ME IN THE VOTING ON MONDAY. AS A NEWLY ELECTED MEMBER OF THE JARVIS MUNICIPAL COUNCIL I WILL DO MY BEST TO SERVE THE INTERESTS OF ALL CITIZENS

Howard Krouse

## THANKS . . .

TO ALL WHO WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR MY RETURN TO THE VILLAGE COUNCIL AT THE POLLS LAST MONDAY, I WISH TO CONVEY MY SINCERE THANKS. I WILL DO MY BEST TO SERVE ALL CITIZENS OF OUR VILLAGE TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY.

E. E. Stier

RE-ELECTED COUNCILLOR

## News of the Countryside

From The Record's Correspondents

### ERIE

Mr. and Mrs. Orliff Easton of Hagersville, Mr. and Mrs. James Rothford and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Rothford and Brenda were New Year's guests with Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell Easton.

Miss Margaret Laidlaw who is a student at the Moody Bible Institute returned to Chicago on Tuesday after spending the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Laidlaw.

Miss Pauline Kohl of Simcoe, spent New Years with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kohl.

A number from the district attended the funeral of the late Miss Jennie Wright held from the home of her mother on Monday afternoon.

### ROCKFORD

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed at the Church on Sunday morning.

The children, Ronald Smith, Robert Barrard and John Edwards were baptised. John Stowers, Donald Chambers and Keith Edwards were confirmed.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Allan and son, spent New Years with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Allan in Hamilton.

Mr. Joseph Enrich spent a week with friends in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clark and family, and grandson Joe Christo of Burford, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clark of Preston, Mr. and Mrs. James Clark and Marlene of Onondago, Miss Amelia Clark and Mr. Bill Smith of Bradford, spent New Years with Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of Hagersville.

(Intended for last issue)  
The December meeting of the local Farmers Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Roy Louch with a very large attendance. The president was in the chair and disposed of all local business. Mrs. Moore of

the Village Gardens was the guest speaker and her talk was very interesting and much enjoyed by all. Instead of the annual exchange gifts money was brought and given for a donation to help pay for the new dishes recently bought to be used in the new community centre.

A canvas of the town was made to help purchase and the institute members are very thankful to all who assisted. The collection amounted to over \$230.

The annual boxing day dance held in the High School Auditorium on Tuesday under the auspices of the Kinmen Club was a decided success and very much enjoyed by the large attendance. Jack Ryan and his orchestra from the Club, Elmerwood, Hamilton, supplied the delightful dance music. The members of the Club are Frank, Alma, William Anderson, Philip Aude, J. Barr, O. Brown, Harley Dickson, Ted Gowan, Alvin Hewitt, Don Hunter, M. Hutchinson, Ben Kiefer, Don Lindsay, Brock McLean, M. McLeary, Doug Mounteer, Al. McCleod, Dr. Powell, C. Pearce, Harvey Reichel, Oliver Sawyer, E. Smith, Clarence Winger, Wilfred Willis and Ariel Whitelaw.

Dinner guests at the home of George and Mrs. Robbins were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Robbins and David Green of Williamsburg, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Robbins and children, Hagersville. Mr. William Darnas and friend of Toronto, spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. William Darnas, St. Railway Street.

Mr. Harry Bonam and family had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. William Nichols near Jarvis.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles held their family Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Woode and children spent Christmas with his parents in Port Dover.

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LARRY PARKS  
— in —  
"THE RENEGADES"  
(In Technicolor)

"Come To The Stable"  
• ADDED FEATURE •  
RICHARD TRAVIS,  
PATRICIA BLAKE  
— in —  
"THE SKYLINER"  
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## Card of Thanks . .

LET ME TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE WITH MANY THANKS MY APPRECIATION TO ALL VOTERS WHO PLACED CONFIDENCE IN ME AS REEVE FOR WALPOLE FOR 1950, AND GAVE ME SUCH SPLENDID SUPPORT AT THE RECENT ELECTION. I SHALL ENDEAVOR TO SERVE TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY.

Edgar M. Waldbrook

## To the Electors of the Township of Walpole

I WISH TO THANK EACH AND EVERYONE FOR THE SUPPORT THEY GAVE ME AT THE POLLS ON MONDAY

Charles Cox

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Not to mine to wear a brace, to hobble, to limp.

Not to mine to hear the laughter of others, to watch them at play, to cry the bitter tears of childhood lost forever.

Please God! Not to mine!

And let me help those to whom it does come, this crippler, this destroyer.

Let me give to help the helpless.

Let my dollars and my prayers go with these little ones, that some day, some time, children everywhere will walk without fear, free of childhood's greatest enemy, Poliomyelitis.

I am glad I have the privilege of giving to the Canadian March of Dimes.

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