

Montreal Cellar Reveals Ancient Aussie Journal

By W. R. WHEATLEY, Canadian Press Staff Writer

MONTREAL, March 25 — (CP) — The advertisement outside itself is proclaiming the wonderful properties of kerosene — "the nearest approach to gas yet discovered, cheaper than candles; no smell and no smoke."

Nobody cared a hoot about a power shortage or even knew what it is to flick a switch and immediately flood a room with light.

You could buy the magic kerosene, along with "lamps, shades, chimneys and wicks" from the Owens Hardware Company's stores. The advertisement boldly and excitedly said no. It appeared in the Owens and Mercury Advertiser of Tuesday, May 26, 1863.

Things were a lot different 85 years ago in Australia — or anywhere else, for that matter. The paper was published in Beechworth, Victoria, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

A copy of that ancient issue recently came to light in Montreal when John C. Coleman, building engineer, found it in a mass of rubbish in a dark corner of a basement.

The paper itself was remarkably well preserved. It was of tough, lasting texture, heavier than the ordinary newspaper of today. There was no age-telling yellow, only a few tears in the almost unblemished whiteness.

The ads covered a wide range — from groceries to fruit trees, from iron and brass castings to flour

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Mr. J. H. Hill of Charlottetown has just retired after 46 years of continuous service with the Marine Branch of the Department of Transport. During his long and faithful service he served as chief steward on several of the Department's ships.

Halifax Planning Memorial Library

HALIFAX, March 25 — (CP) — Mayor J. E. (Gee) Ahern will recommend to city council that the new memorial library for the city be modelled after the one in London, Ont.

Cost of the library was expected to be more than \$350,000, nearly 40 per cent more than the London library because of increased labor and material costs. The mayor's decision was reached after a conference with Marjion

J. M.'s Displays High Quality Easter Beef

J. M.'s Meat Market located in the City Market Building has this Easter season, as in the past, top quality Easter beef.

Specializing in meats J. M.'s has always been noted for its fine display of beef and down through the years the firm has earned an enviable reputation in providing the best available to its customers.

Much care has been taken in the selection of this year's display and the public are cordially invited to visit the market on Good Friday and inspect the many carcasses.

Included in the display are: Three baby beefs from McBeth and Sons, Marshfield. One baby beef from Stewart Bros., Bellview. Three baby beefs from Lloyd Martin and Truman Jenkins, Seal River. Four baby beefs from Louis Hayden and Sons, Cherry Valley. One baby beef from Wm. McCallum and Sons, Cross Roads. One baby beef from Clifford Scott, North River.

Phone 1810 or 1811 for your Easter order.

Mosher, New York library expert, who is making a tour of Nova Scotia surveying the regional library situation for the Nova Scotia government.

STUDENTS ARE DISTRACTED

BRANDON, Man. — (CP) — Too many outside attractions are seriously affecting the work of early teen-aged students, T.A. Neelin, superintendent of city schools, reported to Brandon school board.



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Friendly Advice Is Factor In Martial Troubles

By J. C. GRAHAM, Canadian Press Correspondent

AUCKLAND, N. Z., March 24 — (CP) — Great success is being achieved in New Zealand by conciliators set up under the Domestic Proceedings Act eight years ago to attempt reconciliations between couples contemplating divorce.

Although the conciliators have rooms in the magistrate's courts in the chief cities, there is nothing of the courtroom atmosphere about their operations. Conciliators usually write a friendly note to the parties when separation proceedings are filed asking the couple to come and talk things over. They seldom meet with an outright refusal.

Lawyers are barred from proceedings before the conciliator and he treats anything that occurs before him as confidential to himself and the couple involved. In such an atmosphere grievances are often overcome.

Some conciliators claim that in more than 50 per cent of cases before them legal proceedings have been dropped and undertakings given to make a new start.

Conciliators come from varying walks of life. The conciliator in Auckland is J. B. Paterson, a 71-year-old former shipping manager with many years of service on local bodies behind him. In Wellington the position is filled by Rev. Harry Squires, young Anglican missionary. An understanding of human nature has been found a better qualification for the post than any legal or academic training.

Need Auxiliary Help

Some of the conciliators have found, however, that quite a large proportion of the cases come before them when it is too late to bring any real reconciliation and they favor the creation of auxiliary bodies to give help at an earlier stage in marital disagreements.

To meet this need marriage guidance councils have been formed in several cities on the lines of those operating in Britain. Young couples meeting difficulties in their marriages are being urged to come to these councils for advice before their disagreements become acute. The councils have a panel of experts, including doctors, and trained psychologists, to call on in dealing with special cases.

Returns show that a very large proportion of the marital failures in New Zealand occur in the first 10 years of married life. Of all divorce petitions filed 72 per cent of the parties have been married less than 10 years. There is no divorcing issue in 50 per cent of the cases and only 17 per cent of those filing petitions have three or more children.

Mr. Squires says that in his experience of cases which have come before him, the second year of marriage is by far the most dangerous period. "The novelty has worn off by then," he said.

House Asks Support From Fisheries Prices Board

In the Legislature yesterday the following resolution, moved by Mr. Dougald MacKinnon and seconded by Mr. H. H. Cox, was adopted unanimously:

"Whereas business conditions, in this post-war period, arising out of the lack of foreign exchange will prevent the export of canned fish (other than lobster), from P. E. I. this year.

"And whereas such conditions will create a definite hardship on P. E. I. fishermen and those associated with them in this industry.

"And whereas facilities are not available or at hand in fishing localities to process fish for pickled or salted markets.

"And whereas there is a definite need for the production of food to alleviate the hunger of the world, particularly in proteins and minerals supplied through our fish products.

"And whereas it is likely that vast amounts of canned fish will be required by the Marshall Plan, the Aid to Greece Plan and the Appeal for European Children.

"And whereas the Fisheries Prices Support Board Act 1944 provides twenty-five million dollars for the assistance of the fishing industry in Canada in case of emergency, which we now believe exists or will exist in a few months in P. E. I.

"Be it resolved that the Fisheries Prices Support Board be requested to purchase canned fish on P. E. I. when these fish are available and processed and same fish kept in storage for relief purposes or for the supplying of the anticipated requests from the aforementioned relief agencies.

"And further resolve that this matter receive immediate attention and that a definite policy be prepared to secure the necessary fish when the fish are in our waters."

The resolution was discussed favorably in committee before its adoption by Mr. McKinnon, Hon. Dr. McMillan, Mr. Saville, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Phillip Matheson, Mr. McLean and Mr. Burge.

Seed Co-Operative Does Big Business

EDMONTON, March 24 — (CP) — The youngest producer co-operative in Alberta is no longer in the small business class. In seven years it has grown into a \$2,000,000-dollar business annually and its name is known over two continents.

The Alberta Seed Growers Co-operative was organized with 450,000 and less than 300 members. Today its plant at Camrose, Alta., is valued at \$125,000 and there are almost 5,000 members.

Each year the cooperative processes and ships 2,500,000 pounds of alfalfa, clover and lawn seed and 350,000 bushels of wheat, oats and barley seed. More than \$175,000 worth of sacks are used annually to ship the seed to the United States, England, France, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Belgium and Yugoslavia. The main export markets now are the United States and Belgium but before the British economic crisis, Britain used to be one of the co-operative's best customers. However, some seed is still going over for British lawns, pastures and crops.

The seed is delivered to the plant in sacks and received into warehouses. Then the loose seed is put into one of a hundred bins and funneled down into machines. It goes through four separate operations before it is analyzed, tested and graded — and then prepared for blending.

Members of the co-operative are proud of their seed and the use to which it is put. Every time they ship a bag of seed to the central plant, they like to think of a new lawn or pasture or grain crop arising on countries thousands of miles away.

South Africa "Plans Import" Of Tradesmen

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, March 24 — (CP) — South Africa's force of workers in the building trades will be doubled in the next decision by the National Federation of Master Builders to send a five-year plan as a sequel to the representative to Britain to make arrangements for the "importation" of 15,000 tradesmen.

W. H. Harrison, the man chosen for the job, said that he was leaving for England on April 9 and would spend four months in Britain.

Mr. Harrison has been connected with the building industry for 31 years, 11 of which were spent in England.

His immediate task, Mr. Harrison said, was to select 2,000 tradesmen for the Union within the next few months, and another 1,000 to follow six months later. He would then make arrangements for the yearly migration to the Union of 3,000 tradesmen for the next four years.

Mr. Harrison said he would work in conjunction with the Immigration Council in London.

"Naturally we will not be allowed by the British Board of Trade to denude any particular area of its workers and cause dislocation," Mr. Harrison said.

"Our plan is to select immigrants from all over the country. The building industry in South Africa is crying out for 'new blood.' In the plastering trade, for instance, there is only one apprentice for every 20 qualified men, he said.

Queen Street Market Offers Choice Beef

The many customers of the Queen Street Meat Market will be well pleased with the displays of Easter Beef this year. As in the past the meat is of the choicest and is bound to please even the most fastidious. It will be on display for inspection Good Friday morning and customers both old and new are invited to come in and look it over.

Included in the display are three choice baby beef carcasses, three heifer carcasses and three steers. Two steer carcasses are beef from choice animals exhibited at the recent Pat Stock Show and Sale at Amherst. The very look of this display makes one's mouth water and this year's Easter Beef is well up to the high standard of this enterprising firm.

All the sundry merchandise that go to make up a first class Easter menu may be purchased from the well stocked shelves of this store included in the lot being hams, vegetables, canned goods, etc.

Make it a point to inspect this display Good Friday morning.

Presentation To Martin Family

On March 10th, a large crowd gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pope Tremere, Hampshire, to give a shower for Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus E. Martin who had recently lost their home by fire.

The gathering was called to order by Mr. Cecil Stewart who acted as Chairman and after a short speech called on Mr. and Mrs. William Larter to read the couple to the chairs.

An address was read by Mr. Larter after which they were presented with many beautiful gifts and a well filled purse.

Mr. Martin on behalf of himself and wife thanked them for their beautiful gifts and kindness.

All joined in singing For They Are Jolly Good Fellows.

A delicious lunch was served at all present.

Following is the Address: Hampshire, March 10, 1948

Dear Florence and Cyrus: — We your friends and neighbours feel that we could not let this opportunity pass without showing in some small way our regret in the recent loss of your home by fire.

We know there are many things that we cannot replace for you, but we also feel that at such a time as this that we can assist you in some way and also show that we feel you are still one of our neighbours and are always pleased to see you at any time.

Trusting these gifts will prove useful in your new home and that you will use them for many years to come.

May the best of luck be yours in the future.

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George H. Sheridan, whose appointment as traffic manager with system jurisdiction, Canadian National Express, has been announced by F. N. Wiggins, general manager of the company. Mr. Sheridan will make his headquarters at Montreal. He succeeds C. W. Smith, recently appointed superintendent air and foreign traffic.

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