



General Motors of Canada will have the largest passenger car assembly plant in Canada when the giant project seen in the upper photograph is completed late in 1954. Buick, Oldsmobile and Pontiac cars will be assembled there by the end of this year, with Chevrolet to be added to the output of the new plant twelve months later. The bottom picture shows the humble factory where the first Oshawa-built vehicles were produced in 1876 by the McLaughlin Carriage Company — the forerunner of General Motors of Canada Limited.

NORTH CARLETON SCHOOL

—The report for May for North Carleton School:

Grade IX—1. Elsie Murphy.
Grade VIII—1. Reta Cormier; 2. Marie Wedge; 3. Frances Hamill.
Grade VII—1. Jean Parker; 2. Marion Wright; 3. Gilbert Wedge.
Grade V—1. Edward Wedge and Marjory Wedge; 2. Carl Wright; 3. Thomas Hamill.
Grade IV—1. Shirley Parker; 2. Howard Perry; 3. George Murphy.
Grade III (Sr.)—1. Willard Wedge; 2. Reginald Hamill; 3. James Hamill. (Jr.)—1. Vernon MacDonald.
Grade II (Sr.)—1. Joseph MacDonald; 2. Edith Perry and Charles Lowther; 3. Ruth Perry. (Jr.)—1. Harvey Harper.
Grade I—1. Lloyd MacDonald. Highest average in senior grades —Jean Parker, 94%. Highest average in junior grades, Harley Harper, 94.4%.
Teacher: Ewen G. Huestis.

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Sheep, rabbits, and hares have their eyes on the sides of their heads, while cats and dogs have their eyes nearly in front.

In hilly districts the roads are deep down below the level of the fields, whereas in flat places they are on a level with the fields.

Of course you've observed that cows and horses drink in the same way as we do, while dogs and cats drink by lapping.

A bull-dog can retain his hold for a longer period than other dogs.

Here are a few more superstitions current in our time. If you spill salt you'll be unlucky. But if you throw a pinch over the left shoulder the bad luck is broken. To see the new moon through a glass portends evil, to see her over the left shoulder is a good omen. To walk under a ladder, to put your right shoe on first, to pick chips on the Sabbath, all beliefs accepted by more persons than you'd think. Indeed the most absurd dogmas readily find lodgement where no knowledge has been acquired of the order of nature.

Nature cannot select as a breeder does with view to increasing some one trait, but can select only those individuals which, by the aggregate of their traits, are the best fitted for living.

The wonderful, magical snow-crystals never fails to call forth our admiration, but few of us have speculated about the unusual facts implied in their makeup. Though infinitely varied, each one of them is of hexagonal type in the arrangement of their parts, and strange but true, they are absolutely symmetrical. If one has a projection on one side there is sure to be a corresponding projection on the other side; and on every flake throughout the aggregate there are identical pairs of appendages. Have you ever pondered how this symmetry is achieved? Many theories have advanced, but like other wonderful phenomena of the same order they remain mysterious to man — only nature is able to supply the information.

Political vices have their roots in the nature of the people. The ability to find candidates who will bend themselves to party programs, and the wish to find such candidates, are alike indicative of an average character wholly unfitted for free institutions, but fitted only for those institutions under which despotism is from time to time mitigated by freedom.

When Hitler's hordes were driving all before them he was considered by many to be a second Napoleon. Even in this democratic little island I have heard men say, "Hitler is the greatest man in the world." Those people now know how futile was their thinking. Today Hitler is a dead coward and that great nation he once headed is a shattered, disillusioned people.

Now let us turn to Stalin's Russia with its Communistic form of government. What has Russia to offer her people compared with the democratic nations?

True, she has her vast armies, to serve in which every man is actually or potentially liable; she has a system of government which rigidly controls the life of every individual; she has many secret societies or groups who spy on the rest of the people endangering everyone to the prisons of Siberia. What lesson do we get from this picture?

Briefly this: An enslaved nation filled with soldiers, policemen and spies. A nation that has surrendered its freedom and whose current inability is understood by very few of its people. And those that do see the handwriting on the wall must submit to communistic dictates and vote their approval to things which they do not approve. For the present there is no prospect of anything better, but a mean probability of something worse — and that could be war or revolution.

But party government has its evils and pitfalls and we must make the best of them. We cannot avoid having parties under our democratic system of government. But we can and must avoid communism, cost us what it may. A good christian practices on Monday the principles he professes on Sunday.

It is interesting to note that a slave in an Indian tribe was

Rioting Flares In Nigeria

LAGOS, Nigeria, (CP) — The death toll in political rioting at Kano, northern Nigeria, rose to 32 Monday night.

More than 200 persons have been injured in the violence which broke out during the week-end and continued Monday.

Five persons were killed during the week-end and further fighting Monday claimed 27 dead.

The situation in Kano was reported earlier to be "getting out of hand." The government has already declared a state of emergency throughout northern Nigeria and rushed police and troops reinforcements to the scene.

The riots so far have been confined to Kano, third-largest city in Nigeria, with a population of 107,000.

The British colony and protectorate of Nigeria spreads over 373,000 square miles of West Africa and has a population of 24,000,000.

permitted to have his own house, his hearth, his private property, his farm, his wife and children and his liberty, except when at certain times his master had need of him.

In other words, the Indians treated their slaves as relations and vassals.

How different was the treatment of most slaves under their white masters. One has but to read stories as "Uncle Tom's Cabin" and "Up From Slavery" to learn that the Christians treated their slaves like dogs.

The system of serfdom goes back to Biblical days and with various modifications was widely represented in almost every part of the world. For example, Greek slaves were paid wages, part of which had to be handed over to their masters. Before the abolition of slavery in Russia, it was a common practice of the nobles to let their serfs transact business, paying certain sums for the privilege. Turning now to the Anyasa, a tribe subject to the Mahololo, we learn that slaves had to cultivate and harvest the farms of their lords before they began to cultivate for themselves.

In Dahomey, where the kings own everything, everyone is his slave and all women are his wives. Perhaps nowhere in the world was slavery more degrading and brutal than in the Southern United States and believe it or not, such conditions existed there less than one hundred years ago.

West Germany Studies Red Trade Proposals

BONN, (AP) — West Germany plans to resume trade relations with the Soviet Union and Communist Romania.

Government officials said Monday a list of goods which these

two countries would like to buy in West Germany now is being studied by German exporters. They added that no strategic goods would be shipped to the Reds.

Soviet and Romanian representatives handed their list to West German officials who attended the 26-country trade conference in Geneva last month, these officials said.

The conference was sponsored by the United Nations economic commission for Europe as a first step toward reviving Europe's

East-West trade. Both West Germany and Soviet-occupied East Germany sent delegations.

IN THE BLACK
CORNWALL, Ont. (CP) — Mayor Aaron Horowitz remarked "It's not much, but at least it's not a deficit," when the auditor's statement revealed the city of Cornwall had a net surplus of slightly more than \$3,000 in 1952. Operating surplus actually was about \$14,000 but somewhat more than \$10,000 was needed for cost of reassessment.

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