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On the Main Street

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There is one citizen (perhaps many) who holds the opinion that Lindsay Town Council might have been advised to give further consideration regarding the distribution of the Centennial grant.

Art Beal, son of a former Mayor of Lindsay, the late R. M. Beal, has at different times advanced the idea that the Council and the Park's Board should give serious attention to the entire beautification of Victoria Avenue. "When our forefathers planned Lindsay they planned well" said Mr. Beal. He added "Kent Street and Victoria Avenue were apparently designated as the two main thoroughfares as they are both some one hundred feet wide and Lindsay's main street is one of the widest and best in Ontario".

Mr. Beal advocates making the Avenue a beautiful, scenic thoroughfare with wide boulevards and a well paved road. He would extend the Avenue to the north with a view to linking up with Highway 35B, better known as Angeline St. North. This could be done through the Taylor sub-division or some other street. He would extend the Avenue south, widen and beautify, to Durham Street, then swing over to Mary Street to a recognized laneway or road on the old Arsenal property and merge on Lindsay Street South in the vicinity of the Tourist

Camp and the bridge across the Scugog.

In time Mr. Beal visualizes an extension of this paved roadway, across the Scugog River, utilizing the road (already on the map) running easterly through farm property and connecting with Logie Street in the East Ward. This artery could be extended quite readily up Kawartha Drive to the Verulam Road, the eastern boundary of Lindsay. From this point motorists could follow Highway 36 to Needham Street, thence westerly to the Scugog River. In time, as Mr. Beal extends his vision and reasoning, a bridge could be built across the river, linking up with Churchill Crescent, thence connecting with Victoria Avenue.

"This is a long term plan, but if anything is to be done then steps should be inaugurated at once", said Mr. Beal.

Citizens may agree or may not agree, the Park Board may have some planning for Victoria Avenue. In any case although the bone is not a contentious one, it does give planners something to chew on.