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To the Editor:
 Dear Sir or Madam:
 Your article re dogs: "Dog Packs" made very interesting reading to say the least, but I think you're "barking up the wrong tree" and with that remark I know I'm going to make some enemies but perhaps a friend too.

Sure I know a dog will go into gardens, flower plots, and lawns. That is a good place to hide a bone and generally one sharp word will send him racing for home. But did you ever try to stop a roving pack of intelligent boy from racing over your lawn, garden, etc. One sharp word to them and in no uncertain terms you're told where to go and how fast to go there. In a short space of time their pound-ign feet can cause more damage than all the dogs.

Your remark, and I quote "Greatest menace to the mental (?) health is the dog who leaps out of nowhere and chane cars." Oh what a nasty remark. How about the bird-brained pedestrian who suddenly darts from between two parked cars or the super-intelligent bicycle-riding teenager who casually weaves all over the highway or just as suddenly make a U-turn in front of an oncoming car? Those intelligent humans add more grey hairs to a car driver than all the dogs. Then you claim a dog which does that has no brains and should be shot. No, a dog isn't a menace, but a lot of humans are. I've yet to hear of a declaration of war from the inhabitants of dog-dom. Have you,

So dogs roam in packs. Did you ever see boys roaming about with bee-bee guns or armed with cross-bows whose motivating force is a husky length of rubber from an inner tube—miniature rockets and with tremendous penetrating power. And all a dog has are his teeth and a bark.

Generally speaking, unless a hostile move is made towards a dog it will leave you alone, but look a little rough at your neighbor and he's liable to drop a bomb on you. Intelligent humans? Dumb animals!

So, Mr Town Official; before you start tagging dogs, how about tagging some of our human beings—and I don't mean with a brass tag.
 Yes, if you haven't guessed by now—I'm a dog-owner and I've got a lot of respect for the brains of our dumb canine friends.

Yours truly,
 Maurice R. Findlay.

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Anglican Ladies hold Spring Tea on Saturday,

Many guests attended the annual tea of St. Paul's Church Altar Guild on Saturday last at the home of Mrs. C. F. Cockshutt-Georgina Avenue. They were received by Mrs. Cyril Goodier, Mrs. Cockshutt and Mrs. H. E. Cawley.

The centre-piece for the tea table was particularly attractive with pink African violets grown by Mrs. Cawley and pale pink lilies in low silver holders. Mrs. C. H. Liddicot, Mrs. S. Atkinson, and Mrs. H. L. Slaght presided and were assisted by Mrs. J. M. Robb, Mrs. Thyra Fancy, Mrs. G. Morgan, Mrs. A. H. Moss, Mrs. A. H. MacLean, Mrs. C. C. D. Pringle and Mrs. W. C. Inch.

Mrs. J. C. A. Crawford, Mrs. J. Shouldice and Mrs. W. C. Martin looked after sale of fancy work. A luncheon set donated by Mrs. D. H. Angus was won by Mrs. C. F. Lowery. Miss Alyce Ross conducted the draw. Mrs. J. Shouldice won the baby sweater

set donated by Mrs. Liddicot. The tickets were sold by Mrs. Alex MacLean. The door prize, a sandwich plate was won by Mrs. J. W. MacDonald.

Mrs. S. J. Mason and Mrs. H. C. Walker convened the produce table.

During the afternoon, Miss Mary Whitby played piano music.

The members would like to thank Mrs. L. Nicholls for her assistance to the Guild as in former years and all those who contributed in any way. The President, Mrs. C. C. D. Pringle and vice-president, Mrs. W. C. Inch are to be congratulated on the successful arrangement of the event.

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