

EDITORIAL

A Correction Needed

Motorists who have occasion to approach Main Street and the highway from the West Bower Avenue wonder how long that sign put up for highway safety is going to be allowed to remain in its present position. The view of traffic approaching from the east is almost an impossibility. Moving the sign 10 or 15 feet south would give just as much protection to the children of Acton and would certainly make the corner a safer one for travel.

We do not know who was responsible for the placing of the sign. Like those who placed it, we at first thought the location was good. But after coming to the corner in a car several times and attempting to get a clear view of the highway we can see no good reason for leaving the mistaken location of the sign until an accident occurs.

In the interests of the safety of all, the sign denoting School Children Crossing at the corner of Main and West Bower Ave. should be moved. Perhaps lowering it to the ground as has been done with another sign would help the motorists' visibility until another location can be arranged.

"What we need most, is not so much to realize the ideal as to idealize the real." — Wedge

Skyline Improvement

In every town and hamlet of this province there ought to be one or more flags flying. Last week we travelled in the United States and in every centre Old Glory seemed to be visible in some place. We know many of the places where hot dog stands but in the public squares there always seemed to be a fine flag floating in the breeze.

It's not necessary to wait for a holiday or a celebration to put up the flags. As we gaze about at the myriad of television towers which clutter the skyline we wonder if a good old Union Jack could not be attached to each of the long pipes that hold the aerial without any interference with reception on the set. We think such a fine lot of flags would enhance the skyline and when visitors come to Canada they would know what country they are touring.

Canada hasn't nearly enough flags on display. They add color to the land and proclaim to all a pride in the land of our choice.

New dwelling units started this year are recently running 52 per cent higher than the same period last year, according to The Financial Post.

Not Through Highways

We were glad to hear the announcement of an official of the Highways Department that express highways were not going to be cluttered up with roadside stands and other attractions.

We are simply throwing money away when we buy expensive right-of-way and build roads capable of handling high-speed traffic safely and then allowing them to be hopelessly cluttered with local traffic and local business. There is not any sense in spending millions of money in cutting down grades, hills and curves if traffic is going to be reduced to a crawl in any case.

Two of the outstanding examples of bad highway routing are to be found in Ontario at Burlington Beach and at Sunnyside in Toronto. Amusement parks are located on both sides of a highway carrying four lines of traffic. Every week-end and during the summer months when motor traffic is heaviest the greatest number of people swarm these places down by the waterfront. We think they have a perfect right to be there. The beaches were in use and built up long before express highways were in use.

Now traffic piles up at both ends of the beaches for miles and crawls at a snail's pace. Both motorists and pleasure seekers are made unhappy by the situation. A first item on the highway program should be to clean up these two badly planned express highways in Ontario and remove them from the summer playground area.

Enumeration of the Voters' Lists for the Dominion Elections is now being made. Be sure your name is on the list in the polling district in which you reside.

Another Side

We hear a great deal about the highway accidents and they are deplorable. But considering the number of motor vehicles on the roads and the speed of travel it is a marvel that there are not more accidents. During the week-end we made a motor trip of several hundred miles. We didn't even see a scratched fender or fender bumped—although traffic moved almost bumper to bumper in the section along Burlington Beach.

The only example we saw of poor driving in fact was one chap on a divided highway of four lanes who insisted on keeping in the centre lane and having faster cars pass him on the wrong side. He was eventually nudged over, however, by a motorist who came dangerously close behind him and after repeated horn blowing persuaded him to get in his right line.

The motor car today is a marvel of mechanical manoeuvrability. Considering the great number of drivers of all degrees of knowledge about driving there seems a minimum number of machines on the road having mechanical difficulties. Even the trouble does not seem as frequent as it used to be. It may be that motorists have learned that the best way to have enjoyable travel is to have the mechanical defects attended to before starting on the road. Garages have apparently sold their services effectively.

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Reading Between The Lines

EXAMINATIONS HERALD SCHOOL END FOR SOME THE WORK LIFE NOW BEGINS

by Jim Dill

The care-free days of the vacationing student are now upon us. The examinations for the high school students are almost completed. For many of those who sweated out the examinations, this year may be the last. It may quite possibly be that most will seek other fields of endeavor leading to their life-long work.

I started to wonder just what that would mean looking back on my own experience. Like many, I never was in love with school, and despite the admonition of more mature minds that school days were the best, I have yet to regret the end of my formal education.

To-day in Acton High School there must be some who will look on the end of formal schooling as a new found freedom. It isn't. You will never find release from responsibility and if you do you will find little enjoyment in it.

Is Acton a good place for the student who has finished some particular stage of High School? Acton is essentially an industrial centre. I presume wages are on a level comparable with other in-

dustry. But then wages aren't the only thing one should work for. There should be a satisfaction gained from the work one spends five days a week doing. There should be some sense of pride in seeking to do the best job possible.

Shorter work weeks and shorter hours have suggested that work is something to do as little of as possible. That can be traced back to the fact that the Industrial Revolution introduced many machines, streamlining production and dividing it into many production-line operations with the worker seeing and experiencing little satisfaction in the completed product. He lost his individuality and with it went some craftsmanship.

Few are interested in learning a trade. Little wonder when higher wages for less work and less responsibility can be found without too much trouble. But there are many things for the retiring student to consider well before settling down in Acton or any other place, so think it over.



Last Minute Chance

We know you will be interested in parts of a very long letter in last week's Georgetown Herald. The letter was from Gwyneth McGowan to her parents in Georgetown, describing her last minute chance to go to the coronation. A T.C.A. employee, she flew to London Monday afternoon, hunted for accommodation by phone for two hours and got a room at a reasonable price.

"You have no idea of the thousands of people camped on the streets if you didn't see it. In fact, by midnight, Trafalgar Square, which is a tremendous area, was so filled, the police were surrounding it and not letting any more people in."

"Got home at 2 a.m. and the hotel said they were calling people at 4 a.m. ... we compromised on 5 a.m. because our region didn't close until 7."

"Her seat was in Burberry's coat establishment and included lunch with ham, chicken and trifles. She watched television and had a wonderful look at the coaches."

"We had seats that sold for \$150, but at the last minute they had one left, and Connie and I shared one. There was oodles of rooms and we paid \$45 each, and it was sure worth it."

"(She went to the Palace to see the Royal Family on the balcony.) "All this while it was raining but you couldn't get wet except on the top of your head because we were jammed so tight." At the windows, "their flash of jewels as they drew back the curtains to look out was absolutely blinding."

"(Lucky, she got a flight home right away.) "But it was worth it and would have been even if I had been stuck over there for a month—which was quite possible."

Decorum and Smoke
Tells the Burlington Gazette, "Burlington now has a smoke by-law—or at least will have once a slight technicality has been overcome! As well, a smoke inspector has been appointed and, according to the by-law, prosecutions may follow any excess of smoke whether from factory smokestacks, home chimneys or even bonfires."

"All this will come into force—legally—if the Town Fathers don't forget again to give final reading to the by-law! At last week's meeting there was so much cross-table talk and lack of decorum that council completely forgot to give the by-law its third reading and final passage after a motion to that effect had been passed."

New Fire Brigade

The southern part of Nelson township has a new volunteer fire brigade, with all plans in order except a by-law making it legal. That is expected soon.

The fire truck was purchased some time ago, and has been standing idle under a tarpaulin in the township shed.

Burlington Bridge
The huge new Burlington canal bridge may be started in the fall. Hon. George Doucett, minister of highways, has announced that the property for the approaches, 30 houses, has been purchased.

Plans are soon to be finalized in Ottawa. One of the main points to be settled is whether pedestrians will be allowed, and whether the new bridge will be separate from the railway bridge or not.

Fish Story
We read this week about an Oakville man who caught a carp so big he couldn't lift it, and finally lost it. His favourite fishing spot? The Sixteen Mile Creek.

TWO WHEELED LOVE

The Vicar was talking seriously to one of the young men in the parish. "John," he said, "I hear that you have been raising false hopes in maiden hearts. I don't like such behaviour. Rumor whispers that you are engaged to one girl in this village, another in Little Milton, and a third in Brencley. How can you do such a thing?" John looked a bit sheepish as he replied: "Well, sir, I've got a bicycle."

REST IN PEACE

It was a fine old bishop who, years ago, worrying his heart out over what seemed to him the evils of a doomed world, tossing on his bed at midnight, thought he heard the Lord say: "Go to sleep, Bishop—I'll sit up the rest of the night."

AT THE Churches

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SUNDAY, JUNE 28th, 1953
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School to direct our paths.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Subject, John Wesley, Mighty Man of God.
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship—Union Service. Evening message by the Rev. Erle Curry of Orton. Thought for the Week: "There are no atheists in foxholes and rubber rafts."

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Friday, June 26, 8 p.m.—Preparatory Service.
SUNDAY, JUNE 28th, 1953
Communion Sunday
9:45 a.m.—Church School
11:00 a.m.—The Lord's Supper
7:00 p.m.—Service in the United Church.

A Warm Welcome Awaits You.
"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

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Rector

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
June 28, 1953
11:15 a.m.—Matins and Sermon
7:00 p.m.—Service in Acton United Church.

Saturday, June 27—Annual Church School and Congregational Picnic at the Old Mill, Guelph. Cars will leave the Parish Hall beginning at 1 p.m. This is an outing for the whole parish. Come for fun, fellowship and frolic.

A Happy, Healthful Summer to All

THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

Back in 1903

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, June 23, 1903

Entrance examinations are in progress at the public school. Fifteen candidates of Acton school and two of Bannockburn are writing here.

The lawn social given by the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church on the church lawn last Thursday evening was enjoyable and meritorious. Tea was served in the school room during the evening and refreshment booths on the lawn were liberally patronized.

Halton Farmers' Institute excursion to the Model Farm, Guelph, on Saturday was largely attended and Halton enjoys the distinction, not only of having the largest Institute membership, but of taking the largest number of excursionists of the season to the O.A.C.

Contractor Ebbage is erecting a brick addition to the ex-Councillor Francis' fine residence on Willow Street.

There are not many complaints of lack of rain to be heard at present.

On sale at R. B. Scott's, the busy store, Mill St., Acton—very swell Black Chiffon Ruff in latest New York design, knife pleated, edge with fine silk, regular \$6.50 for \$5; very fine white Chiffon Ruff with black spots, \$3.75; ladies' English raincoats \$4.95; ginger snaps, 4 lbs. for 25c; 3 pots cheese, 25c.

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Back in 1933

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The lawn home is being brought into the world.

The players and officials of the Baseball Club held a meeting and elected Lorrie "Minute" Walters as Captain and Dave Ainslie, coach.

A pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Holmes, Campbellville, when their daughter, Helen Isabelle, was married to Edward William Dredge, of Acton.

The business men of Acton presented a petition to council requesting that the closing by-law be enforced or changed to meet present requirements. The by-law had been passed in 1888 and apparently not revised. It was left to be considered at a future meeting.

Over 200 applications were received by the School Board for the High School Staff. The list was carefully examined and Mr. A. D. Horbert of Mimico was engaged as Principal with Miss Dorothy Kidd of Woodbridge and Miss Hazel Bell of Harristown completing the staff.

A pretty wedding took place at St. Alban's Church on Wednesday evening, June 21 when Muriel Gladys, second youngest daughter of Mr. Oakley and the late Mrs. Oakley was joined in holy wedlock to Mr. William Alexander Topping of Toronto.

DIED
SMITH—Suddenly at his late residence, Bowet Avenue, Acton, on Saturday, June 17, 1933, William Henry Smith, beloved husband of Margaret Lynd in his 65th year.

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Westbound
10:27 a.m., 12:32 p.m., 2:57 p.m., 5:27 p.m., 7:27 p.m., 9:12 p.m., 11:32 p.m., 11:2 a.m. (Sun to Kitchener only)
a—Daily except Sunday and holidays
b—Saturday, Sunday and holidays

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Standard Time
Eastbound
Daily 5:40 a.m.; Daily except Sunday 8:55 a.m.; 7:10 p.m.; Sunday only, 8:16 p.m.; Daily except Sunday Flyer at Georgetown 9:02 a.m.; Daily Flyer at Georgetown, 10:11 p.m.

Westbound
Daily except Sunday and Monday 2:22 a.m.; Sunday and Monday only 11:08 a.m.; daily except Sunday 8:48 a.m.; 6:50 p.m. (Flagstop); 7:44 p.m.; Daily except Saturday and Sunday 5:48 p.m.; Saturday only 1:36 p.m.; Sunday only 9:02 a.m. (Flagstop); Sunday only Flyer at Guelph 7:05 p.m.