

On Letters to the Editor . . . -

It is always gratifying to receive letters to the editor on any subject. One of the functions of a newspaper is to provide its readership a forum through which a writers' views, and opinions can be made known. Subjects for a letter can be any subject of interest to our readers. It is not a requirement that these letters be related to a subject covered in our news columns. The letters do not have to be complimentary to either the newspeper or support the newspapers' editorial position.

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this week we are carrying several letters to the editor on subjects currently of interest to readers. One letter deals with the addition of a "new" Canadian flag. Before this issue of the Free Press reaches its readers, legislation will, in all likelihood, have been introduced by the government and possibly been accepted. The subject of a new municipal building in Nassagaweya discussed in another letter which is of interest to many in that township.

A letter from the secretary of Georgetown District High School board outlines its policy and the courses available at that school. This letter sheds some very illuminating information which will be of more than passing interest to parents of many high

school students on the courses evailable. The letter from the chairman of the Acton High School board expresses his opinion on our editorial and our handling of the reports of high school proceedings.

In our opinion our editorial of last week did not, and certainly did not attempt to, attack the personal integrity of the chairman. We did dispute and continue to dispute the contention that news coverage of high school board meetings is not accurate.

The Free Press does not report as news any public meeting verbatim and in this sense our news reports may be considered out of context. We do not hold that we have reached the sublime state of infallibility. When we do make a mistake we stand ready to make any correction deemed advisable. Nor do we believe that many other people have reached the heights of infallibility.

As a newspaper, we neither claim nor expect any special privileges or powers over any persons or bodies. What we do claim is that taxpayers and the public generally have a right to knowledge of the activities, procedures, decisions and operations of every public body, either elected or appointed.

This newspaper, as a responsible member of this community, will not attempt to dictate to the elected or appointed public bodies. What we will continue to do is to keep informed the taxpayers and public of the activities and decisions of their public servants. We will continue to write editorials and express our opinions as situations warrant on any subject of local significance.

We, too, are happy that some good has come from the meeting of last Wednesday. We think an early study of the possibilities for inclusion of facilities for a two-year diversified occupations course at Acton, and the only course presently closed to Acton students at Georgetown could be incorporated in the present building expansion program. We have enquired and learned it could be done but action would have to be initiated immediately. The interpretation of a diversified occupations course that we have been given is a course to give two years' education at high school level for grade eight

\$8,000 Million Pension Fund

Ottawa's Canada Pension Plan may make available to the provinces more than \$8,000 million for investment by 1975, according to the latest estimates of some private actuaries, says Neville Nankivell in The Financial Post. If the funds do, in fact, build to this size, they will have a much greater impact on Canada's financial markets than has so far been generally appreciated, even in professional circles.

How much is \$8,000 million? It is about equal to total foreign investment in Canadian manufacturing, oil and gas, mining and publie utilities. It is enough to buy a new car for half the families in Canada (assuming the milice of about \$3,000 per car). It is one Half of the total money supply in Canada today. It is more than enough to pay off

all the mortgages held by the leading life, trust and mortgage companies in Canada.

Under the latest version of the Canada Pension Plan, expected to go into operation January 1, 1966, the provinces will control investments of that money that accumulates as the plan develops. Many observers believe this will lead to big changes in provincial and municipal borrowing patterns. However, there are still some strong objections to the plan in its present form among many pension authorities and financial-men. Their objections vary; but on balance the most frequent and most serious opposition arises from the prospect of putting such huge sums (\$8,000 million by 1975) into the hands of the politicians. It could become a vote-buying funds unequaled in history.

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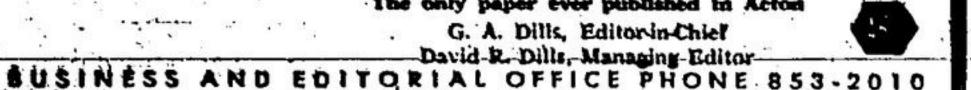


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THE GOOD OLD DAYS

20 YEARS AGO Pross, Thursday, May 18, 1946.

It took some heavy work in the last few days to put the Sixth Victory Loan over too in Acton and district and it was not until Monday night that the objective of \$225,000 was in at headquarters. The blitz bomb announcing the victory at the local front went off at 7.16 p.m. Monday.

The clement entimate to the time was Miss Olgs Dyriw, just minutes out. Second closest Miss Betty Burkholder. were presented with War Certificates by W. Beatty of the Victory Loan Com-Other close estimates were by John Wilson, Mrs. Florence Ross, Nino Braida, C. Cook and Miss Marguerite Ryder.

Another of the brief message es starting "Regret to report brought sorrow to homes in and Acton vesterday. when word was received that Sergt. Air Gunner Gordon Keith McLellan was killed on active service. His parents are Mr. and Mrs D G McLellan.

Following the death of the late Chester Matthews, Miss Fern Brown, who has been assistant posimister for a number of years here, has been made acting moutmistress.

Word has been received from Pic. Wm. H. Thompson of his sale arrival overseas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomp-

No holiday in Acton for the 24th of May. Died: Joseph Henry Denny,

Mrs. W. H. Smith, Mrs. Thomas Hutchinson of Rockwood. Knox church choir provided the program and the Ladies' Aid a supper for a congregational get-together when a Bachelor of Divinity hand was presented to Rev. Forbes Thomson, B.A., H. D, who had the degree conferred on him recently at Convocation at Knox College.

Miss Isabel Anderson read an original address and Mr. Alex George Musselle presented Mrs. Thomson with a bouquet of

50 YEARS AGO

Proce, Thursday, May 31, 1914. Sirel rails for the Toronto No burban electric railway have as ived here and are unkinded in

Physical culture is now being taught in the schools. The young sters take to the new feature very kindly.

Mr. T. P. Martin is preparing the foundation for a new brick residence at the corner of Church and Plgin Sts.

Complaints are made of ruth less depredations by children in the old cemetery at the tear of Main St. Tombelones have been smashed beyond repair. A lite was started in the grass the oth er day. Surely council could give this hallowed property some supervision.

Ever since the meeting of the Directors of Acton Full Patr last fall, after the very successful show of 1911, efforts have been out forth to secure for the late the status of the various other Latt Fairs which enjoy govern ment recognition and the very desirable grants Difficulties have been overcome and a clause inserted in the bill declaring Acton Fall Fall an agricultural MERICIV.

fast Sunday was International Peace Sunday. Sympathetic ref crences to the theme were made in various churches.

The Queen's birthday concert will be held in the town hall on Monday. The town will be throng

Patterson's meat shop will be closed every evening except Fri day and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

The framework for Mrs. Rob cit Johnson's new house, on Knox Ave. is up. The foundations for Mrs. Bell's new house on Knox are excavated.

A few minutes before two on Monday morning, the fire bell Mann made the presentation, rangits thunderous plarm. The rougheast store and dwelling of Morris Saxe, Jewish merchant, snapdragons. George Musselle at the corner of Mill and Willow and Ted Hansen sang a couple. Six was on the and the flames of solos and Ted played plano had ignited the roof and front of solos Charles Kirkness gave a the Matthews' building occupied reading and the men of the by Noble's Hour and feed store and the Oddfellows' Hall,

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GEORGETOWN - Mayor Gibbons has issued a challenge to councillors Emmerson and Powers to oppose him in the mayoralty race in December, tollowing heated discussions at a recent meeting. "It you think my conducting of meetings has been below par, I'll be in the field this fall and the gate is open to you, Councillor Powers and anyone else," he told Councillor Emmerson. The incident occurred during a discussion about an administration committee meeting in which agreement had been reached with the employees' union. While the mayor is committee chairman, the meeting had been haired by Councillor Powers.

CHINGUACOUSY — An agreement concerning water rights was signed by Brampton Mayor Russell Prouse and Clerk-Treasurer Jack Galway in Chinguacousy Township municipal offices recently. The agreement states that wells developed after 1959 in the area would be owned by the Ontario Water Resources Commission and would be administered by the OWRC. "This would include the recently drilled Huttonville well," said Mayor Prouse. The Huttonville well has been the centre of considerable controversy in the past two months, when farmers in the Huttonville area complained that a Brampton well needed water from the area.

BURLINGTON — Towers Store has thrown down the gauntlet to challenge the Uniform Store Hours by-law passed by Burlington council recently. The large Towers store in the Aldershot area of Burlington is remaining open until 10 p.m. in defiance of the by-law. A store spokesman reported that his store has made this move because of the opening of others in Hamilton. A spokesman for the Uniform Store Hours By-law stated that the matter is now completely in the hands of the police authorities.

MILTON - April Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Wilson of Anne Blyd. Milkin, is getting a head start on growing her baby teeth. She was born at South Peel Hospital on April 10 and on April 12 she cut her first tooth at the age of two days! And now only 48 days old, she's working on her second tooth and it's coming in right beside the first.

Our Readers Write

GEORGETOWN H. S.

Dear Sir: I respectfully request permis-

sion to speak through your tine paper to the people of Acton in regard to admission of Acton District High School students to Georgetown District High School.

I refer to statements made in reference to this item in issues of the Acton Free Press on Thursday, May 14, 1964 and Thursday, May 21, 1964. In each of these issues, the inference seems to be that Georgetown District High School Board refuses to accept Acton District High School students.

I beg to inform the people of Acton High School District that Application Forms are available at the Board Office, 70 Guelph Street, Georgetown, for Acton High School District students . The municipalities of wishing to enroll for the 1964-65 term in the following courses: 5 year business and commerce

branch. 4 year business and commerce

5 year science, technology, and trades branch. 4 year science, technology and in Acton High School District trades branch.

Several students from Acton

High School District are curcently enrolled in Vocational courses at Georgotown District High School.

Enrolment in Diversified Occupations for boys has been such that it has been necessary to restrict envolment to Georgetown students. The reference to 'Acton tax-

pavers helping to foot the bill' by directly contributing to the cost of construction of the vocational wing is poorly taken. The overall cost of construction and equipment of this project was close to one million, three hundred thousand dollars. The Government of Canada; in conjunction with the Government of Ontario, arranged for grants on the cost of construction and equipment. These grant's amounted to approximately \$1,250,000.

Town of Georgetown and the Township of Esquesing were required to issue debentures in the amount of \$41,000. Payments of interest and principal on these debentures are made by the taxpayers in the Georgetown High School District. Taxpavers are not taxed for payments on

these debentures.

Sugar and Spice

BY BILL SMELTY

What this rountry needs is a pead, fivecent civil war inight telieve wante of the pare and school that wells to be filling Canadians these days, and get them back to the important things of life, like making money, love and took gardens

Symptoms of the national ul cer are everywhere the ferm its of the Canadian Hag pryii ment, the larking threat of violence in Quelies, the grow ing defiance of judge by youth gange, the intream in brank idal tactics our out highways.

Perhaps a little bloodletting would purge our native land of this tendency to quibble and squabble about everything from the national anthem to the water level in the Great Lakes.

There is also the matter of international prestige. All the try tures - England, Prance, Russia, the US, China - have been through an alleun civi

Lot's Play Bridge By Mill Cools

This will be the last regular column until next September. The Acton Bridge Club had the last meeting of the season on Monday night. Our second year and our first as an ACHL. oftiliate was very successful. My only wish is that more Actorites would take part in the club.

For the last hand of the season, I would like to present one that took place during the Christmas holidays. I was partnered with my wife and we were North - South The dealer was South and neither side was vulnerable.

> North 5 -A () 8 A 11 173 D A # 7 3 C-7 6

West S-K 1954 H -K O 10 5 4 2 11-X 6 0-9 C = 10.9 4 3 2

South S-10 7 1 11 -A 9 D-Q J 10 5 2 C-AKO

West North Fast 25 Pass

All Pass

West's two heart bid served its purpose. Looking at all four hands, it's easy to see that South should be in three no trump, but it's not so easy to bid when you're looking at one hand only.

West opened the spade deuce, which was rather obvious v. a. singleton. In fact, since it is a singleton, South has a play for the contract. It involves what is called a strip and end play.

South wins the lead in dummy with the ace and enters his hand with a club. Queen of diamonds is led and a successful trump linesse is made. After the opponent's frump have been removed, all South needs to do is to take out clubs, pitching a heart from dummy on the third one. Now the ace of hearts, forlowed by a low heart, presents West with the lead just at a time when he does not want it. West has nothing but hearts

left and must present South with a ruff in dummy and a sluff of a spade from hand. If West had had a doubleton spade. South-could affect the same end play by ducking one round of spades and then taking the ace before presenting West with the lead. In planning your play, when you must love a trick, lose it at a time when you

want to and if possible, to the

opponent who cannot do you

any harm. Any bridge players who can visit Toronto during the last week of July should make every elfort to see the Summer Nationals at the Royal York, Hotel Top bridge players from all over' North America will be there. If I get an opportunity, I will report some of the activities in this paper.

Early in 1961, details of the proposed Federal - Provincial Training program were released to the general public. Georgetown District High School Board promptly applied for permission to participate and were among the first boards to receive anproval. Enrolment at Georgetown District High School that time was less than 600.

In summary, may I, on behalf of Georgetown District High School Board, extend cordial wishes for future co-operation between all concerned in . matters pertaining to students of Acton and Georgetown High School Districts.

> Yours very truly, Georgetown District High School Board ... Ernest Forgrave, Secretary-Treasurer.

war, and place in his yeraler thehitige to our to come the commenty was an alian best out to the end of the war that every besty stopped backering and complaining and you down to the job of becoming a forest Nather

How can we high to gain to theel of the world if we meter per through a testing time of seething hatred, unmentionable crieftles, vallant guerrillas, and all the other ingredients of a pount citil was!

How to our national charac fer to be transformed from lumpy partidge to forged steel If we never throw a Molotov cocktail, blow up a bodge, or hard ourselves, barchanded, against tanks!

We should be ashamed of our selves. Mumbling and grumbling about the CBC and the NDP and the Red Ensign and O Canada and what's for supper, when we could be stringing up cabinet ministers, dynamiting the News looks, and sacking the Okecle Center

The Irish had a rehellion nearly \$0 years ago. It lasted a few days but they've written committee busike almost it, and every Irishman over the age of 20 sweats he was in It, though he'll admit he was only a broth of a boy at the time. Why can't we have some grand traditions like that!



Think of the states we'd have to hand down to our uncestors. "Yes, Homer, your grandaddy was there, back in '64, when the Legion, entaged about the flag, marched on Ottawa Mayor Chatlotte Whitton slowed them for a moment at the ramparts with a thate of myletice, but nothing could stop them. They swarmed into the cur, surrounded the government buildings, and fired a salso of resolutions. One of these happened to pierce the Na tional field and the streets ran red with ink "

Or "Yes, dear, I want was always to remember, and tell your own children, that your lather was one of the brave freedom tighters in the Great Riving of '64. He was leading a wave of our gallant lade to ub, liberating affack on the Scagram distilleries, o capitalist stronghold. He was out down by the fascist fire hoses and seriously wounded in the uh, lower back when he fell becokeally on the mickey to los hip jun ket."

Only one stipulation. If this necessary cathersis, this national landing of our absects, breaks out and it's brother against beether, father against son, may I be on the same side as my wife?

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