

Intangible Reward . . .

Shakeup Here? . . .

A suggestion, emanating from a Toronto newspaper story, that the existing 38 administrative county governments are to be replaced by some form of regional government, has interesting implications here.

The same story also suggests the department of municipal affairs would be granted the power to initiate boundary changes and substantially reduce the province's 978 municipalities.

Implementation of either or both suggestions could have local effects in Halton County.

While Halton is one of the fastest growing counties in Ontario, it is also a leader in introducing extensions to county government that have later been copied across the province. Such things as Health Unit, Mutual Fire Aid, hospital grants and other extensions have been pioneered in Halton. If regional government is to be introduced, one wonders just how much more administration it can be than the present county administration.

Regional government discussions usually arise when problems of planning on a more extended basis are considered. Such an extension might permit more professional assistance for smaller municipalities, but having seen something of planning, we are left unimpressed. It is still necessary for such programs to be enforced if they are to be effective.

It is true that police forces could be amalgamated over a broader area than the local municipality, but there are sometimes as many dangers in the bigness of police forces as there are in the smallness of some.

The further suggestion that the department of municipal affairs would be allowed to adjust municipal boundaries is of interest in Halton, where Milton has been stalled for over 12 months awaiting a decision on an extension application that was presented to the Ontario Municipal Board in a costly three day hearing last October. Within Halton too, there are Canada's two largest towns in terms of acreage and population, since the Ontario Municipal Board granted the Oakville-Trafalgar amalgamation and the Nelson-Burlington merger. Perhaps these experiments have proven satisfactory and have led to the suggestion the number of municipalities should be reduced.

One can't help wonder which ones might go in Halton. Or will Halton, as such, disappear too?

Only time will tell, apparently.

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There is less and less room in this age of high production and extreme competition for

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a man to derive from his work that most important consideration - pride.

The advancing forms of automation leave less and less room for an individual to express his initiative and imagination. Too frequently the only consideration available for work done is in terms of the pay envelope and the fringe benefits that assure a measure of security.

In service fields there is perhaps more room for individual attention and initiative. Every family that eats in a restaurant with small children appreciates the service of a considerate waitress. She in turn derives surely a sense of satisfaction not measured entirely by the size of the tip. The waitress who grows impatient with young moods that change, transmits her distaste to the others around as well.

The retail clerk who shows a definite interest in meeting the requirements of a customer, the prompt milk man, the understanding policeman and the many others in service fields obtain some satisfaction from the quality of service they offer.

It is difficult in the highly automated manufacturing areas to obtain similar pride of accomplishment. The one operation performed endlessly seems at times insignificant in the production of the total product, and a measure of boredom sets in.

So often work is measured only in terms of hours and pay. So little thought is given to accomplishment and the possibility of pride in serving. Work surely is important in the development of a complete man, just as the pay envelope is important to subsistence.

The Good Old Days...

20 YEARS AGO

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, Nov. 9, 1944.

The regular meeting of the Lakeside Chapter F.O.D.E. was held on Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Mary Young, with the regent, Miss Alice McCullum, in charge. Several members volunteered to help with the sale of poppies for Remembrance Day. Plans were also made to take part in the Remembrance Day services, also to decorate the graves of the soldiers on that day.

The regular monthly business meeting of the United Church Women's Association was held at the home of Mrs. W. J. Beatty on Tuesday, with Miss E. Hawthorne presiding. After the business was disposed of, the meeting was in charge of the president, Mrs. D. Richardson, on the occasion of a birthday tea which was a real success. Mrs. Beatty, a mystery lady was recognized by Mrs. M. Simon as prize winner. The various groups sang songs appropriate to the season in which their birthday occurred.

At the meeting of Acton School Board on Tuesday evening, Presidents J. Chapman, E. S. Blow, and G. A. Dill were present, and Chairman Dr. T. G. Oaks presided. It was felt by the staff and the Board that the usual Parents' Night at the school would be more interesting if it were held in March rather than in the present time.

Born - Duby - in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, on Sunday October 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Anne.

Born - Norton - At the Guelph General Hospital on Thursday, November 9th, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Stan Norton, a daughter.

Deaf - Jack Graham spent the weekend with his father, Mr. W. K. Graham. Jack was home from Camp Borden.

Victory Loan total on Tuesday in Canada was \$1,050,200,650. Sales Tuesday were \$25,862,750. Just two more days to go.

50 YEARS AGO

Taken from the issue of the Free Press, Thursday, Nov. 12, 1914.

The price of wheat in Winnipeg a year ago was 81 cents. Today, it is \$1.19.

The snow shovels were used for the first time of the season Tuesday after the storm.

Mr. John C. Watson of the fifth line received painful injuries when his horse became frightened by the chassis of the automobile which was burned and left standing by the side of the road.

Mr. William Brown's farm on Main St. has been sold to Messrs. Donald and Devie of Prince Edward County.

An address of unusual merit and interest was delivered in the Presbyterian Church by Dr. T. Gray on the present European conflict.

Mrs. Jeanne Smith and her daughter, Miss Edith, leave this week for their new home in Toronto. Much regret is felt at their removal.

Work on the new residence of Mr. W. W. Beardmore on the lot property is now progressing rapidly. The grounds are in the hands of an experienced landscape gardener and the beautiful grounds will be largely in view from the street.

The following are the vital statistics for Halton County births, 497; marriages, 180; deaths, 234.

Rev. R. Hobbs of Toronto visited his church of 35 years ago and preached stirring sermons on Sunday. He gave a lecture on Monday evening on "The Triangular Man" which was greatly enjoyed.

Congratulations have been pouring in to Postmaster Matthews on his long service and new quarters from numerous friends out of town, upon the appearance of his handsome portrait and pictures of the old and new post offices in last week's issue of the Free Press.

Born - Moore - At Edmonton, Alberta, on Thursday, October 29, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Moony, a son.

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totally destroying the forest area, was shown by Mr. McDonald.

A date was set for the next meeting. It was decided that all meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of every month.

Children and Phone Cau Create Problem

The Halton 4-H Forestry Club held its first meeting for the coming year on Oct. 29. Although the number present was smaller than last year, it was hoped that additional members will join.

The meeting was called to order by the Assistant Agricultural Representative, Doug McDonnell, and opened with the 4-H Club Pledge. Those elected to hold office were Elizabeth Nottingham, president; Verma Thompson, vice-president; Lois Hunter, secretary-treasurer and Doug Gardhouse, press reporter.

A very interesting film on how important our forests are and how we can use these trees for manufacturing purposes without

Sugar and Spice . . .

BY BILL BAILEY

Is there any point in prolonging the observance of that mid-drawn and melancholy occasion known as Remembrance Day?

They mean nothing to about 80 per cent of the several million immigrants to Canada since World War II. How would you feel about Remembrance Day if you were a former German tank commander or an Italian ex-infantryman?

But the world wars of this century are ancient history to school children, and the old clichés of the day — "sacrifice", "laid down their lives", "fought for freedom" — leave them solemn but uncomprehending.

And last, but not least, it interferes with business. Merchants will tell you, with tears as big as teardrops in their eyes, that they'll go broke if they have to close up on November 11. Manufacturers will assure you that the mid-day interruption of production will force them to the wall.

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In view of this, is there any sense in hanging on to this special day? Why not cut it down to a one-hour coffee break on November 11? Within a couple of years, this could be further reduced to a two minute silence. And within a decade, the whole arduous business of remembering a few million dead men could be discarded.

Is there any meaning to it

England on the beer run? Flying

WORDS OF WISDOM

A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues.

— Cicero

God who placed me here will do what He pleases with me hereafter, and He knows best what to do.

— Bolingbroke

I remember Frankie, English, 18. He had a baby face, a big grin and a run of bad luck. One day, he dropped a 500 pound bomb, purely by accident, in a neighboring army camp, and the troops were rather hostile to airmen for a few weeks.

Another time, he was sent to England on the beer run. Flying

Not so long ago I can still cry and there's free beer at the Legion Hall after the parade.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY service at the cenotaph was unusually well attended Sunday morning. An honor guard from the Lorne Scots unit stands with bowed heads during the placing of wreaths and above Mrs. H. R. Force, representing the Duke of Devonshire Chapter F.O.D.E., honors the dead soldiers by laying one of the many wreaths.



Editorial Page

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Halton Councillors Take Part In Ontario Counties Conference

Halton County was well represented at the fifth annual conference of the Association of Ontario Counties in Owen Sound recently — two Halton County Councillors took part in the program while another eight attended the three day event.

Former Warden Reeve C. A. Martin of Milton was one of four panelists who joined in a discussion on the topic "Finance with Representation". The debate involved the voting power in county council and Reeve Mar-

tinus Reeve Lester Whiting of Oakville, Deputy Reeve A. Ledwith of Milton, Reeve William Coulter of Nassagaweya, Deputy Reeve W. Hunter of Georgetown, and Deputy Reeve Willard Leslie of Esquimalt.

Sessions were held at the new Grey County building at Owen Sound. Halton guests were interested to see duplicate copies of Halton's register office records filed in the Grey building as Halton and Grey swap file duplicates in case a fire ever wipes out one set of records. The conference delegates were given a tour of the new building on the Sunday evening before the conference.

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15th, 1964
9:00 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
10:30 a.m.—Church School.
10:30 a.m.—Choral Eucharist.
7:30 p.m.—Evening and Young People's.

Wednesday, 8:15 p.m. — Men's Club at the home of Harold Denby.