

## News and views

By LORRAINE

This is your CHUM Radio Station, 1050 on your radio dial, Stay tuned for Larry Solway.

Every weekday morning the CHUM radio station features this highly provocative, argumentative, sometimes too vindictive commentator who gets involved in subjects which range from human injustices to birth control pills.

He infuriates, confuses, confuses, and refutes. Listener's attitudes towards this pedagogue of knowledge in every field, vary from hating him immensely to considering him a walking authority with the mind of a genius. Whatever he is; whoever you think he thinks he is, Larry Solway accomplishes the one thing for which he spends approximately two hours every day for 261 days per year excepting holidays, and that is, he makes everyone think! Many listeners are left in the air, torn between disagreement with his point of view or indignantly angered, making mental decisions not to listen in again. However, come the next day or week, they usually come back to find what new thing he is stirring up this time.

Today he's promoting a sticker campaign which consists of stickers to be given out or procured through his office which can be attached to your car, bus terminal, or wherever they would do the most good. The gummed label reads, "Do something nice". That's it. That's all the printing says and yet, according to phone callers interviewed, already Toronto's "Hog Town" of yesterday is taking on signs of being called "Toronto the Nice".

During a brief switch-on period this morning I heard three listeners phoning in and reporting. The first said that, at a busy Toronto Street car stop during a Christmas rush hour, the crowd, waiting to get on the cars were milling, bustling, and pushing, when someone called out "Do something nice" and everyone chuckled and then hurriedly lined up to get on the vehicle one at a time.

Another citizen phoned to say they were nonplussed to see teenagers going out of their way to help elderly citizens crossing a busy intersection.

Still another reported seeing two men assisting another in retrieving a wind-blown hat.

Well, this is nice, isn't it? Everyone is real folksy now that they have been reminded and, I guess, for this we should all be pleased. But it seems to me that it's just a little sad that we have to take campaign measures to accomplish what should be everyday common courtesy and consideration. People have been phoning Mr. Solway to commend him on his wonderful idea and many feel that it is especially thoughtful of him for having conceived such a scheme at this glorious time of giving and Christmas and all that.

Well, this columnist would also like to get on the bandwagon. I think it's a great idea, even if we do need to be pushed into it. We've all experienced the effort required in attempting to enter a flow of traffic. We turn our head hopefully looking for a space to enter and, spotting an open area two or three car lengths back, we smile at the driver who, for some reason cannot seem to see us and closes the gap by stepping on the accelerator. How nice to have been able to flash a "Do something nice" button into his complainant pan.

Of course, there could be conciliatory repercussions. Consider if you will the inebriate who has been stopped for questioning by a dignitary of the law. The sodden character can't remember his own name, has no idea where he lives, even has trouble standing, but somehow he does manage to invert his coat lapel to produce for the officer a button which reads "Do something nice." Or maybe the thug who, on being tried for beating up his wife and family displays his Solway sticker which reads a "Do something nice."

Truly though, such a campaign could be catching, especially now anyway. But how about the other three seasons of the year? Are the niceties of life just for special occasions or can't we consider being kind of nice most of the time? Nearly everyone, these days, is spending gobs of money trying to look their best and, if the old adage, "Pretty is as pretty does" is true, wouldn't it be great to put it to work all the time and feel nice right down and through the skin rather than just to it?

So look! Let's all get in on the Solway swing. Let's all of us try out his campaign, anything that can get people started thinking in the right line has to have something. But don't keep it up just for the Christmas season, try riding it out right through the year and see whether we can promote congeniality and general good thinking with everyone.

Have you sent for your sticker yet?

## Deer killed on highway

Last Sunday night's eleven o'clock traffic on No. 24 Highway resulted in the death of a deer which, with two others, made a dash across the road in front of the McCutcheon home located just east of the fifth line. There was no damage reported on the car but the deer had run into its back fender and doing so had wrenched and broken its neck. Witnesses flashing a light into the depths of the night's darkness saw the two companions of the slain animal standing alert, waiting for him to

catch up.

Deer and groups of deer are more prevalent in this area during this last year or two probably because of the "no deer hunting" restriction.

At one time, such accidentally killed carcasses were taken in and used as food for charitable shelters and institutions; however, because residents of such places complained about the number of animals killed on the highway they are now, often, turned over to private individuals for consumption.

## Special meeting held to discuss financing

A special meeting was held in the Rockwood Town Hall recently when Charles Letman of the Ontario Water Resource Commission met with village trustees Don Hiltz, Ken Murray, Bert Smith, trustee elect Lloyd Waddell, secretary C. O'Brien, and representing the township council, Lloyd Hindley, clerk treasurer; Jimmie Milne, deputy reeve; and councillor Bill Adsett, to discuss water and sewage proposals.

The discussion centered on integration of the new financing proposal by government to absorb up to 50% of costs for new works and various methods of arriving at fair rates.

"It will take another month to get definite proposals set up," said village secretary Charles O'Brien. "In the meantime, it seems certain that our costs will

be cut to \$95 per year for water and \$140 for sewer."

No further action can be taken by the village until final proposals and draft by-laws are prepared, with the end of January set as the possible date.

The final open meeting of the village council date was then set for Monday, December 22 at 8 o'clock to be held in the Rockwood Town Hall, and the meeting was then adjourned at 3:30 p.m. in the afternoon.

Use only non-flammable ornaments and trim on the Christmas tree. Do not decorate metallic artificial trees with strings of electric lights; but illuminate it by floodlight if desired. Some plastic trees, made from styrene materials, are flammable and may burn violently. Never use candles to light any tree.

## Why no Christmas lights? answer simple--no money

Questioned recently as to why Rockwood has had no Christmas lighting decorations and its possible deterrent aspects to potential Rockwood shoppers it was pointed out by a competent trustee representative, that, to procure such displays they must be paid for.

"The village has already spent

\$4,400 on ordinary street lighting," said Charles O'Brien, "and there is simply no surplus for other incidentals."

In order to have festive decorations, contracts or orders for same must be in the hands of the manufacturers before June of the previous year and, although no such allowances

were made for 1969, it is hopeful that next year will show Rockwood as being a village with festive colored lightings, competitive with other communities.

## Township council holds final meeting for '69

On Monday, January 15, the final meeting of the township council was held and there was a complete attendance with Reeve Cam Lush in the chair.

The following matters were discussed, motioned, and passed: THAT there would be a pre-levy of the 1970 taxes to be due at the end of February, based on a mill rate of 35 mills.

THAT a twenty-five dollar grant be paid to the Guelph Branch of The Salvation Army. THAT the old farmer's shed property formerly belonging to the township has been conveyed to Mr. and Mrs. A. Ewers of Main Street.

THAT the Department of Transport is holding a hearing in

the Acton Town Hall on date of Tuesday, Jan. 13th, at 10 a.m. to discuss the closing of railway depots in Acton and Rockwood. The public is urged to attend.

A letter from the Wellington County Board of Education was received and discussed wherein it stated that the Board is asking for legislation that they can demand their monies from the township at earlier intervals than was formerly required.

THAT the date of Friday, December 26 has been declared as a township holiday.

THAT the inaugural meeting of the township will be held on date of Monday, January 5, 1970, at 11 a.m. to which the public is free to attend.

## Money for orphan replaces gift exchange

The December meeting of the Rockwood and Oustic Catholic Women's League members took on a festive slant last Wednesday, Dec. 10 when 15 members and their husbands met at the Rockwood rectory to play euchre and partake of Christmas refreshments.

Two less-than-mammoth turkeys were part of the eating fare with trimmings of scalloped potatoes, salads, rolls, fruitcake,

shortbreads and other holiday goodies.

Presents were not exchanged; instead, various members contributed envelopes of money towards the little orphaned adoptee of the local ladies, little Isobel Cordonne from Teuchlatan, Central America.

The presence of Father Elliott was sadly missed as he attended the funeral service of his father who died last week in Montreal.

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