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A County History

It seems too bad that with each passing year, valuable history which should be recorded in word and picture is being lost forever in Halton. And it seems very unlikely that it ever will be properly recorded unless some public spirited citizen with the time and ability to write such a history volunteers, or a wealthy patron of the Perkins Bull type does what that gentleman did for Peel several years ago.

No such personage being on the scene at the present time, would it not be sensible for county council to do the job, hiring a qualified historical writer to spend, say a year, at the job. It would cost a few thousand dollars, and there would be those who would call it

a foolish expenditure, yet if one examines the idea critically, it is important to future generations to know the saga of what went before. And particularly so in such a county as Halton, where even now our future destiny is being reshaped, our population shifting, and our culture changing from a rural to an urban economy.

Each year Halton spends money on conservation of physical assets. It is equally important to conserve our history and record it properly and correctly. May we hope that at some future date, the county council will look with favour on this and allow for it in the year's budget.

Education-Minded Citizens

Georgetown is extremely fortunate in having people like Sid Silver and certain Smith and Stone executives who have given education a boost with bursaries which will help deserving students achieve their goal.

It gave one a wonderful feeling to watch presentation of these at the recent high school commencement and to know that one young man whose ability had earned him both awards is being materially assisted towards his future as an engineer. And it made one feel even better to look ahead and see others, as yet unknown, going on to universities, nursing schools and other educational institutions, aided by bursaries established locally by thoughtful men.

In the case of the Silver award, there could be no finer way of remembering a man who valued what he never had, and who con-

tributed in many ways to the town of his adoption, and it was a most generous way that Mr. Silver decided to publicly remember his father. The Smith & Stone bursary is equally generous, and indicates that this firm realizes that an industry employing a large percentage of the population should be interested in community welfare as well as the corporation profits.

Perhaps other individuals and corporations will take their cue in future, and the day will come when no deserving young man will be barred from his proper place in life because of lack of financial backing. It is important that those who enter the professions should be those who are mentally qualified to serve, and not only those whose family finances allow it.

Pot Pourri

At least two people beat us to the punch, before we saw our first robin last week. Fred Ballantine phoned to report one at his farm and Mrs. M. Lawr reported a couple at her home on Church Street. Funny what a difference a few weeks makes when it comes to public remarks. All winter we have been having conversations about the Herald screen door which somehow never got taken off. Now we find ourselves in the enviable position of being the first Main Street merchant this spring to have the screen door installed. Some shifts in the local garage scene sees Fred Sinclair, who sold his business to Fred Maveal, last year because of ill health, now on the Scott Motors staff, while Mel Beaumont has changed positions from Riddall Motors to Bowers Garage. Former town clerk Charlie Willson is now on the Riddall staff. He's not a man who would want it mentioned, but a Georgetown was a witness to a little kindness done by Stan Lyon which bears repeating. Driving on the Queen Elizabeth, the Georgetown saw Stan's large transport come to a stop while traffic was streaming by, get out of his truck and guide a little girl who was trying to cross the highway, safely across. A thoughtful gesture, and the kind of news we like to report. George Blyth, who left town

some years ago when he purchased a restaurant business in Orangeville, has sold the business. Last week saw the Hewson & Glancy law firm installed in their new offices on Main Street South. The firm has rented the large house next to the Presbyterian Church, which is owned by Mrs. J. P. Reid. Newest businesses on Main Street are the Neighbourhood Sewing Machine, operated by Harry Smith in the Cordaro Block and Western Tire and Auto Supply in the old Bell Telephone location. Its a funny world, according to one of the town philosophers. A few weeks ago one part of the town was worried about dust (the park residents who object to a motorcycle show this summer) while another part was concerned about water (the dangerous "swimming pool" at the foot of Normandy Blvd.) the water menace, at least, is over. Spurred by complaints, council got busy with dynamite, scoop shovel and drag line and removed the old radial bed barrier which had formed a lake about twenty feet deep. Charles Henderson, whose Maple Ave. home borders the golf course, wonders if the new club will add hunting to its activities. Monday morning he glanced over at the course and saw three deer.

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