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Mixed Thoughts

It is surprising how many people have der what our top government leaders, and mentioned lately one of our pet thoughts more so their economic advisers, have to say which we have publicly stated once or twice, about a trend which is exactly opposite to the about the economic waste of covering up On- voiced opinion of late-war philosophy. tario's lush farm and garden land with houses doesn't seem many years since we were readand factories.

tryside along the lakefront has been gobbled small communities where people could live up by progress. Fruit trees, grain and pasture fields have produced masses of steel like the Ford plant, and towns and townships are filling with new dwellers seeking living space close to their work.

Now the arrow penetrates farther and Milton and Georgetown are feeling the first ~ thrust which is bound to spell doom to our farm economy in the next decade, in this creation of a huge metropolitan area which will lie between Toronto, Hamilton and Guelph—an excellent bombing target in future war, aside from any other inconvenience which Ontario may suffer from this foolish might even mean subsidies to industry to loconcentration of industry in one small section cate in geographically less-favourable locaof the province.

In this, as in many other questions, we are of two minds. As a pure Georgetowner we could rejoice that our town will grow, that we will have more industry and more people to share costs of bigger and better civic services. Not that all Georgetowners want to see the town any bigger than normal growth will bring it.

But the broader picture makes us won-

Must Abide By Laws

Daily newspaper stories of a group of Mennonites returning to Canada after discouraging experiences in Mexico, where crop failures impoverished them, cast reflections on members of that religious sect which we hope are not true.

According to the stories, they left western Canada several years ago because they would not send their children to school. If that be the case, then they must change their will not obey the laws of the land, and especially that law which provides free education for all children to the age of sixteen.

Some National Publicity

makes us wonder if any other small town can boast so many present or former residents who have received national publicity.

Just a few weeks ago, we reprinted an article from Mayfair about Sandy Best who is following in his father's steps as a research man. Rev. "Joe" Salmon, better known here as Reub. has received publicity in many issue a few years ago of MacLean's, the lead magazines.

ing about what the future would bring. About Since the war, Halton's beautiful coun- decentralization of industry - creation of away from the city's bustle. And there are so many sections of Ontario where this is possible that it makes one's heart bleed to see how fact is so far removed from this fiction. We even have Nassagaweya on our doorstep, with no decent-sized community in the whole township, and farm land mostly inferior to Halton and Peel, but industry ignores this in favour of more fertile soils.

Of course there are very definite economic factors which would have to be considered by top government in any plan to stop this wholesale destruction of farmland. tions. But in the Ontario and federal parliaments, there must be men farsighted enough to look ahead, and to promote individual communities like Georgetown in place of polyglot nonentities like the lakefront which will breed people who are neither fish nor fowl, suburbanites who live in a vast maze of factories. mass-produced houses and shopping centres, with no interest in their next-door neighbour, let alone their community.

have been some distortion of truth in the story, for Mennonites form the background of many citizens in the Kitchener district, and if there was any initial dislike for education among them it has long since vanished, for you will find them as well-educated as any other citizens of the country.

Canada's laws might not be perfect, but they are not put on the statute books without careful thought, and it behooves no group, religious, racial or otherwise, to flaunt them. minds or this country cannot welome them So often this is done in the name of religion, back, for we have no room for people who and the same people who protest, with every right, illegal acts against them in one province, try to make martyrs of themselves elsewhere with a lot of hoop-de-doo about salut-At the same time, we believe there must ing the flag or singing The Queen.

Reprinting a Chatelaine article this week article was written by William Hume, veterabout GHS graduate Suilio Venchiarutti, an teacher whose birthplace was near town, while another lengthy article told of Georgetown's Dominion Seed House. Miss Isobel Preston is another who has been featured in such publications as the Family Herald. And then, of course, Time and Life magazines were among those which detailed John Frost's research work on flying saucers recently.

It can't help but give us a thrill of pride newspapers and magazines, including Coro- in our town to see how many of her people net, for his church-building activities. In one are famous enough to get space in national

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getown is a friendly place and we like to introduce newcomers publicly whenever we can . . . Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Jamieson and Adams who makes her home with them, have moved from King St. into the highway house formerly occupied by the Hugh Dickies . . ing in the Clarence Benham apartment on

We can't keep up with all the moving graduated in commercial at GHS this year, at in and out of town these days. It would help the Bank of Commerce. Accountant Jim greatly if new people would give us a call and . Alcorn is acting as manager at the latter bank tell us who they are, or if those moving to pending arrival of Jack Hart from Richmond another location would do the same. Geor- Hill to take over his new duties . . . The new "school" signs on the highway are a great improvement and should help to slow traffic at the dangerous crossings. Driving through family and Mrs. Jamieson's mother Mrs. Durham recently we were struck by what we think is the best sign yet. At one corner, a lifesize effigy of a crossing guard, in brilliant blue and red colours, emphatically points out Newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Don Burns are liv- a school crossing. It's an idea which might be copied here. ... Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hen-Market St. last tenanted by Mr. and Mrs. Ben derson with their children Tommy and Brenlovie who have a new house in the Parkview da have moved into-their new home on Cari-Biblivision . . . The house which Cpl. bou St., Toronto, in the Havergal College Being and family occupied on Arletta district. They had been living in town since burchased by Chic Jewell, pro-purchasing the Smith & Stone "Staff House" Tire & Auto Supply and on Maple Ave., with Mr. Henderson comroom be joining him here . . . muting to his transport business in the city. ted at both the local banks. New owner of the house, who will be moving: Williams is working at in later this summer is Miss Miller, who will Mary McDonald, who be moving here from the city.

BALLINAFAD.

Dan Campbells Moving To Farm Near Acton

A presentation was held in the hall Friday night for Mr. and Mrs. Dan Campbell residents of this district who are moving to a farm near Acton. After a short program Mr. and Mrs. Campbell were presented with two bostess chairs and a lamp as a parting gift. Lunch was served and the remainder of the evening spent in dancing.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Russ, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Russ and family of Hempeler were Sunday guests at the Manse and were welcome visitors at the church service.

The Mission Band and Baby Band picnic was held Wednesday afternoon at Hillsburgh playgrounds. Shirley Kirkwood apent a few days last week with the Heyen's

family at Guelph. Children of this .community are enjoying Bible Vacation School held at Churchill thurch this week.

Our congratulations and best wishes are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Allen (nee Dorothy Warne) a bride and groom of last Saturday. Dorothy will be greatly missed in church and Sunday echool where she was a faithful ettendant and teacher. They are enjoying a trip to the west coast.

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