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Zoning a Difficult Issue

Zoning is not a new word in Georgetawn, although up to now it IS only a word.

Ire of a resident in one of the new subdivisions at having an apartment building erected on a small lot beside his bungalow, has caused considerable discussion in council, and this body says they are powerless to stop it, or indeed to stop any type of building in any location in town, provided it passes the building inspector's regulations.

planning in the Delrex area, to suggest zoning divisions in what is being called "old Georgetown." Dr. Faludi's report has not yet been presented, and it is a certainty that when it is, a zoning by-law will not to start when one talks of zoning. immediately be adopted. There is bound to be conmight be submitted, and there will be much haggling over various sections of any such by-law before it becomes law.

There is always the possibility that council will never come to an unanimous decision about such a controversial topic as zoning.

the building by-law was established. The original a century has set.

draft had clauses which set up certain parts of town · as "first class" residential areas, others as "second class." In the first class areas, buildings of only a certain value could be erected, and there were to be stipulations which would restrict factories and stores. After much discussion, council shelved the whole matter of zoning, and for years we heard no public talk at all about the matter.

There are very few building lots left in the set-A year ago, council commissioned Dr. E. G. Faludi, tied sections of the town, so there is no particular probwhose firm of consultants have done the bulk of the Iem unless it came to large scale demolition of existing buildings. And the town has grown in such an erratic way that one cannot define any particular large area as primarily residential, so there is really no place

Delrex has wisely planned their subdivision in siderable difference of opinion about any plan which advance, and all building will presumably follow a pattern of residential, commercial and industrial. As they started with bare fields and no residents, no one's feelings will be hurt and no concessions will have to be granted to existing residents.

As for older Georgetown, council may save themselves a lot of grief if they never try to tackle zoning, That's what happened several years back when for it is well nigh impossible to after a pattern which

Welcome, Varian

Citizens in general, and particularly council members and Chamber of Commerce officials who constan---- tly seek new industry to bolster the town's economy, will welcome the new Varian Associates plant to Georgelown.

The company gives promise of developing into a major industry, and its technical skill, already proven in a larger American plant, will add diversification to the local industrial picture, while providing future emplayment for people who are or will be residents and of the citizens. tax payers.

It was the privilege of public officials and representatives from other business firms to view the plant and its equipment at the official opening on Friday. It is one of the most modern we have seen, and will certainly be a pleasant place of employment for those who will be joining the staff.

We are pleased that Varian decided on Georgetown as a location and echo Mayor Armstrong's words of welcome which he extended on Friday on behalf

Band Deserves Support

We weren't able to hear the Boys' Band in their Initial public appearance, being busy that evening in keeping readers informed about council news.

But we have heard enough favourable comment from people attending the home and school meeting last week to know that the band is filling a worthwhile place in the community and is worthy of support.

Those who direct activities believe that the band cannot keep on unless it gets a substantial yearly grant from public funds.

In December at the municipal elections, ratepayers will be asked to provide an annual \$1500 allowance from the public treasury, to keep the band in existence. We intend to vote yes, and we hope a majority of other people do too.

The Boys' Band will not only be a joy itself in future years, but much more important it will be a training ground for older musicians in a town band which can carry on the wonderful musical tradition of the Lorne Scots which is truly one of Canada's best.

The Apartment Problem

The apartment discussion in council is one phase of zoning, however, which could have a solution without touching the more difficult aspects of the subject. It is not proper for apartments to be erected any-

areas for children of future tenants. The Prince Charles apartment which may be Built

is a case in point.

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where unless there is sufficient land to provide play

It will be erected on a building lot scarcely larger than that used for a single family dwelling. The subdivision lots are no more than adequate for one family, and thirteen couples with children occupying the site would certainly mean that the streets would be the playground of perhaps 25 or 30 youngsters.

The gentleman who interviewed council said he

had moved here to get away from such situations which exist in big cities. And to this Georgetown can pay heed. Our building land is valuable, and no one can blame a subdivider for taking full advantage of the law and using the maximum area for building.

At least one member of council is openly critical of the smallness of land area in most of the newer subdivisions, and it would not yet be too late to revise the building by-law and return to the old 66 foot frontage concept of what a house needs to be a self-contained living unit for a family. And most certainly, there should be some special stipulation to avoid building apartments on lots as small as a one-family house, unless there is a park area nearby.

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On Friday evening, October 21, the Past Noble Grands of Verdun Rebekah Lodge had a surprise party for Olive and Nell Kennedy, at their home on Ostrander Blvd. The past neble grands wished them both well in their new home in Waterloo. The Kennedy's are leaving town due to the transferring of the Harley-Kay-Marsland plant to Waterloo. Gifts were presented to ... both the girls. Mrs. S. C. Mackenzie, Ancaster, and Mrs. E. Wheeler, Hamilton were in town for the party.

Grace Baptist

Odd Fellows Hall MISSIONARY SUNDAY Miss Hazel Reesor, R.N. Nigeria, North Africa at Sunday School,

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