

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Important Public Meetings

The next week brings two important meetings for district residents, with nominations for public office scheduled in Georgetown tonight and in Stewarttown Monday night for Esquering voters.

If you haven't attended these meetings in past years, it is your loss. A public meeting follows the hour nomination period, with reports of the year's council business as well as those of other public boards.

A Christmas Extra

Christmas is fast approaching and the seasonal excitement is mounting as people prepare their shopping lists and attempt to juggle budgets to bring all the good things that Santa should bring to their homes.

It is a happy time for most families who can afford at least a portion of joy for their youngsters. But it can be a sad time for those who have had tough luck and who just haven't got the money to spend on luxuries.

Service clubs take care of the obvious and those in dire need usually get a helping hand. But there are many whose troubles

are not generally known and are only known by a few close friends. You can show the real Christmas spirit by giving them a hand. A little gift for the children, a few food delicacies, a couple of dollars unobtrusively shared with such a friend, and two people will be the better off — you and them.

If you are interested in learning how municipal affairs are conducted, it is an evening well spent and we recommend your attendance. You will come away much better informed about your local governmental procedure.

It is more blessed to give than to receive is a truism which has proved itself again and again. And you will have a happier Christmas if you have shared your giving with someone who needs the gift.

Carrier Boys In Town

This week the Herald takes a major step in its development as the second stage of a carrier boy delivery system comes into effect.

Details of the districts served appear elsewhere in the paper, and it is hoped that the new system will be introduced with a minimum of inconvenience to readers.

Until October, the Herald had always been issued on Wednesday at five o'clock and readers have been accustomed to either picking up a copy at the news stands that evening or receiving it in their Thursday morning mail. A mounting press run, as Georgetown grew, made this schedule more and more difficult, so it was decided to dispense with this phase of operations locally and have an affiliate in Oakville take over the actual printing. Unfortunately, it was not possible to have this printing done until Thursday morning.

By coincidence, the same week, Georgetown adopted house delivery, and as mail must be sorted overnight for Thursday delivery, it became impossible to have mail subscriptions delivered until Friday.

Wishing to have the Herald circulating as soon as possible after issue, it has been decided that carrier boys are the answer, and papers will now be delivered by the boys after four on Thursday. This means dispensing entirely with mail subscriptions in town, and rebate cheques are being issued to people who have paid for their subscriptions in advance.

The new system is an extension of one which has been operating in the eastern part of town for over a year, where carrier boys have been making their rounds. We trust the boys will do their job well and that readers will be pleased to have this extra service available.

Controversial Corner

by Ian Cass

RANDOM JOTTINGS

Prime Minister Diefenbaker must have read this column last week. In a statement on November 20th, he had courage enough to announce to the people of Canada that complete protection against nuclear attack cannot be provided. There are few leading politicians in the world today who have been honest enough to admit something which is obvious to any intelligent person who is not trying to imitate an ostrich. Perhaps we may now look forward to renewed efforts on the part of our government to bring about the only sane solution—nuclear disarmament.

Another statement, made in this column two months ago, now finds support from the Globe and Mail. The Globe has just completed an intensive three-month investigation into the drinking habits of this province. One of the early conclusions of this investigation was that the public policy, in the province, tended to encourage rather than restrain drinking. At the risk of being repetitive, I feel bound to say that the antiquated, out-moded, paradoxical, unrealistic liquor laws of this province achieve absolutely nothing. There can be no doubt that our existing regulations are favoured by a number of very influential people. Under these regulations, exist one of the most closely knit and most profitable monopolies in the whole of Canada. If it were any other industry, the present enquiries into the brewing industry would have already arrived at a painfully obvious conclusion.

I recently had an opportunity to inspect our new High School during a bazaar put on by the students. This school is a wonderful accomplishment. I was

most impressed with the well-lit, lofty classrooms, the well-equipped gymnasium, and the tasteful use of stone and glass throughout the building. This is a school of which we can all be proud. We, who are paying the cost, may be a little envious that children should be so well housed today by comparison with the schools of our time. I have no regrets over my contribution—unless it becomes obvious that we are casting pearls before swine. This may be an unhappy metaphor but I do hope our students will realize our true attitude towards teen-agers when they see the schools that are built for them.

Still on the subject of high school students, and I have been frequently accused of a 'too critical' attitude, here is an invitation to the classical music lovers. We have recently acquired a complete set of Beethoven's nine symphonies and would like to make this music available to any high school students who are interested. If there is enough interest in this very square music, we would be happy to receive up to a dozen students each Thursday evening for an hour or so—an hour or so devoted primarily to Mr. B. but with diversions into more modern music. I suggest that those who think this might be worthwhile should mention it to Mr. Lambert or give me a call on the phone.

On a completely different tack, a word on Georgetown Arena. The town has demonstrated public support for the complete renovation of this building but nothing is likely to be achieved at the moment. That is, money is not available from municipal taxation for this purpose. In fact, the arena is so far down the list of large scale expenditures that any

action, at the moment, is out of the question even if a debenture issue was permitted. It seems to me that we should start a public fund raising drive to support this venture because this is the only way that money will be made available. Perhaps it wouldn't be possible to raise all the money required, which is about \$100,000, but it may well be possible to raise a big enough slice of the total so that municipal funds could provide the balance. I would like to see our new building, when it is built, cater for something more than ice hockey; a place which gave facilities for a wide range of activities for the youthful and adult. It should not be too difficult to arrange. If we are going to provide this expensive building let us have something which can be fully utilized the year round, for dancing, basketball, badminton, table tennis, banquets and so on, as well as ice hockey. One thing is sure, without public fund raising of some sort, we are going to wait an awfully long time for our new arena.

Town nominations are being held tonight at the Wrigglesworth School Auditorium for members of council and other civic bodies.

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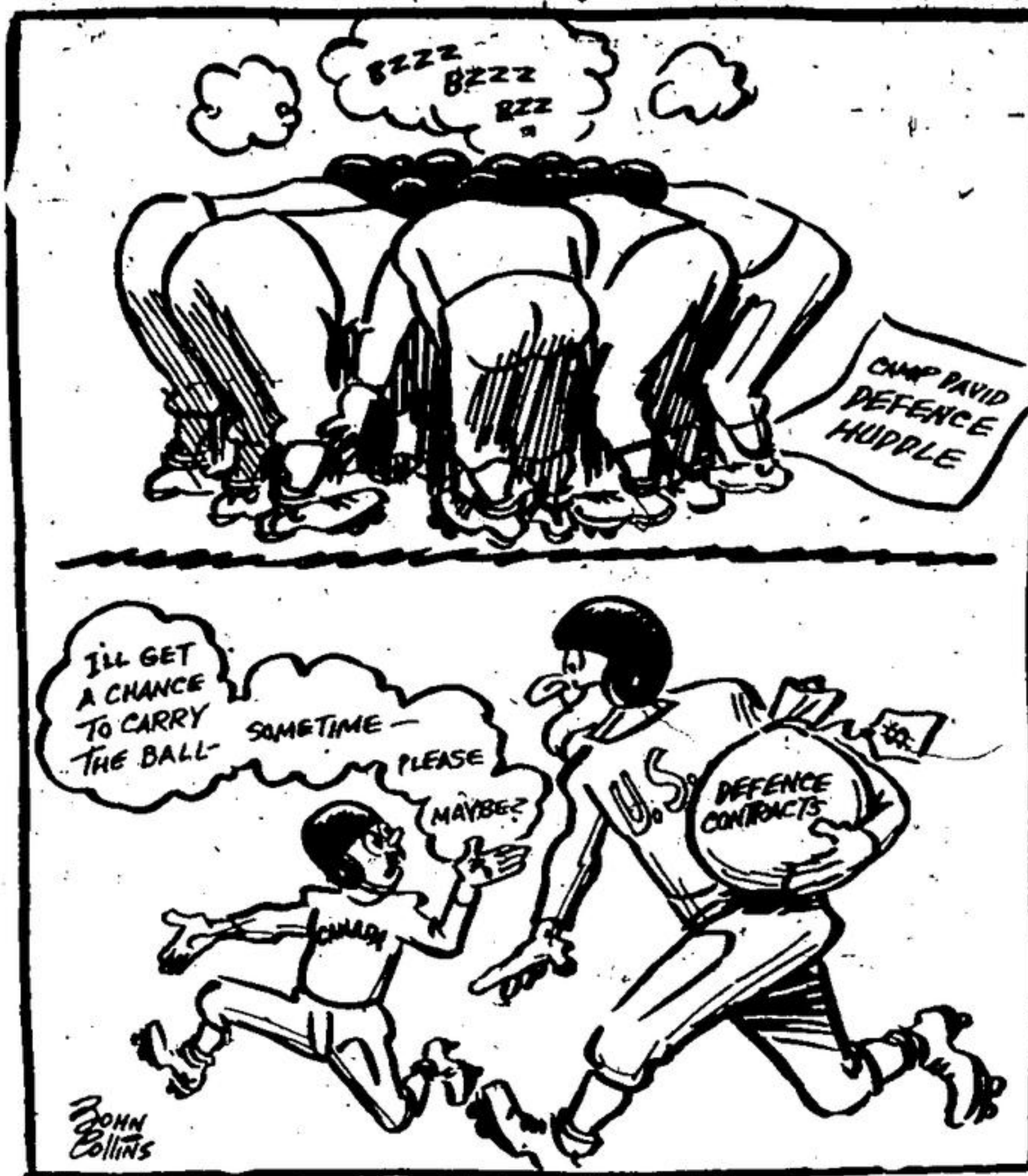
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TEAMWORK WORKS TWO WAYS

Royal Bank Newsletter

Building a Better Community

Of particular interest to Georgetown was a news letter published by the Royal Bank of Canada last month dealing with the problems of the adjusting community. The letter is welcome verbal sedative for a town with growing pains and such an excellent piece of writing and the advice it contains is well worth the reading time. The letter is printed in its entirety below. Study and digest it.

BUILDING A BETTER COMMUNITY

Community, in the sense of a better community does not mean a municipality, a trading area, or a district. There is a richness in the word 'community' that goes far beyond all these and has something to do with the flowering of human lives.

People in good communities are neighbours in the democratic process. They cooperate and collaborate to solve problems and make improvements. They are comprehended in St. Augustine's definition of human society: a group, large or small, of people united by agreement as to the things they love. The dynamic quality that makes a community good does not reside in the official structure, but in the interests, desires and purposes of the people in it. If a community wishes to improve itself in Canada it has freedom to try, without coercion or external control. Citizen knowledge, interest and action are the lifeblood of our democratic society.

Accolition of houses, shops and factories may be as small as a hamlet or as big as a metropolis. It may not be the most beautiful in Canada, or the most efficient, or the most dignified by public buildings and statues, but it can aspire to be a lovable community. Its men and women can make it so. Plato was strongly impressed with the social nature of man, and with the need to think about society in its relation to man's life. In his study of ethics, instead of enquiring into the characteristics of a good life in an individual, Plato endeavoured first to determine the characteristics of a good State. Having found what these are, he believed that it would be perfectly easy to infer what are the characteristics of a good man.

It seemed to Plato that there were four virtues required for the existence of an ideal State, wisdom, courage, temperance and justice. These are qualities which will serve as a standard of judgment and behaviour in building a better community. To have a community men must work together; to have a better community they must have common principles. Their individual purposes need not be all the same but the basic things in which they believe must be identical. They must live by the same rules.

The intimacy and stability of the small town or neighborhood have been severely shaken by technology and mobility. We find it difficult to contrive new gadgets and yet hold fast to old institutions and forms of behaviour. But we can be comforted by the thought that if community life is somewhat imperfect

the fault can be corrected by more earnest planning and doing.

Sense of Community

What is the core of community building? It is not a master plan or a detailed blueprint, or the acquisition of park space or the flotation of loans. It is the spirit of the people.

When neighbours start asking questions about the future they are developing a community feeling. When they ask: "Where are we heading, what can we do to make and keep our neighbourhood a good place to live?" then they will find the resources to face the future with confidence and anticipation.

Most of us would admit that we are not satisfied with what is mediocre. We have higher values. But to gain what is excellent is not enough that we wish for it. We need to exert ourselves to get it, being dissatisfied to settle for anything less than the best.

People cannot live in isolation; so they need to plan for getting along together. Machines, possessions and utilities are useful only to the extent that they add to the comfort of living. They do not substitute for the feeling of friendship and communion. One of the exciting things about any neighborhood is that it consists of people who differ in background, in their recognition of civic problems, and in their acceptance of proposed solutions.

We have a larger number of cultures represented in Canada than in most countries of the world, and this merging of cultures contributes to the richness and diversity of life. The varied folkways, languages, customs, craft skills and ideals can be shared, so that the community becomes the handiwork of all.

Where there are different folkways, there is need of tolerance. The good community is not built by people who think that their preferred way of living is the only right way. We need skill in the process of working together. We need to take our places as members of groups. Our education system, recreation programs and progressive health plans can be deprived of their goodness if we allow our community to become poisoned by bigotry or snobbery.

Getting Started

What are the causes of civic apathy? They include a feeling of defeatism and discouragement; failure of the authorities to bring civic matters within the field of interest and concern of every representative segment of the people; failure to communicate, to explain, to consult; scepticism about the good that can be contributed by individual effort.

Another difficulty in some municipalities is the jangle of competition among elected representatives, social and civic agencies, and voluntary associations. Their competition for the attention, the energy and the support of the people results in confusion out of which arises a feeling of "what's the use?"

A democratic society needs an orderly process for consid-

ering its problems. All the elected and voluntary groups having to do with education, health, town planning, recreation, social service and general well-being need to develop consultative machinery. Coordination (continued on Page 5)

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25 Years Ago

ECHOES

There was a good attendance at the concert given by the Lorne Rifles (Scottish) Band in the Gregory Theatre last Sunday evening. The proceeds were given to the Town Relief Committee. Artists included Omar Diggins, S. Bland, Miss Margaret Dickie, ATCM, Misses M. Williamson, E. Tost, D. Bessey, M. Tost, Jennie McDougall, T. Eason, I. Emslie, W. Emslie.

On Sat. December 1st an election will be held to choose a Halton representative for the Ontario boys parliament. Bruce Kennedy of Georgetown and Gordon Johnson of Burlington are the candidates.

St. George's annual bazaar held last Saturday was again very successful. Those in charge of the booths were: Mrs. W. V. Grant and Mrs. A. Lawson, homebaking, Mrs. W. Bullivant; fishpond, Mrs. Coffin, and Mrs. Francis; country store, Mrs. E.

Young, and Mrs. J. Kelly; fancy work, Mrs. Wallace Thompson; hot dogs, Mrs. Maynard; Daughters of the Church, Mrs. F. Herbert.

Hunters returning from the north woods report an abundance of deer and stated that both moose and bear were also to be had with out much difficulty. It is estimated that four out of every five hunters succeeded in bringing home a deer.

\$500 DAMAGE IN PLAZA COLLISION

Five hundred dollars was the estimated damage in a two-car collision at the Guelph St. entrance to the Delrex Market Centre last Wednesday.

A 1950 Volkswagen driven by Nick Yabro of 58 McGillivray Cres. was westbound on Guelph and making a left turn into the Plaza when it collided with a 1955 Chev driven by Murray Ross, 140 Guelph St. Ross was leaving the plaza parking lot and about to make a right turn onto the highway.

The Yabro car suffered the brunt of the damage, about \$300 worth. Cst. Evane Rollins of the Georgetown Police Dept. made the investigation.



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