

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Hospital Campaign Is On

Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital campaign is now in full swing, and a large group of citizens are hard at work at the various tasks assigned in the quarter million dollar money raising plan. It is one of the largest projects ever attempted locally, and one which must succeed. And there is no reason it won't if every resident contributes to the best of his ability.

Georgetown is a town with a high standard of living, and a large proportion of middle class homes. We do not have the extremes of wealth and poverty common in many other communities. Which is a good thing — and a bad thing — for the hospital campaign.

Good; because it means we should expect a larger number of people to make contributions of one or two hundred dollars. Bad, because there is no "sugar daddy" to contribute a large share of the cost. Good, because more people will feel, when the project is over, that it is their efforts, not those of a fairy godmother, which built the Hospital. Bad, because no one can be a slacker and expect George to do it.

Canvassers will soon be making their rounds. We suggest you start thinking now about what your donation will be. It will make it easier for both you and the canvasser when you are visited.

Join the Raider Fans

Hockey has come to that exciting playoff time of year, and some lively games are forecast as the Raiders scramble for their place in the sun and a repetition of an Ontario championship for a second year in a row.

Concluding a two game series with Milton for the league championship tomorrow, Raiders will then participate in a 3-team round robin for playdown position, with Orillia and Milton the opposition.

This year, Georgetown has stepped up to Intermediate A, and some classy games are in the offing. The round robin is the first hurdle, and large crowds at these games will help in many ways.

Crowd support is a well-known stimulus for a team to do its best and spectators have almost as important a part to play in a hockey game as the players. Financial support is something always needed to keep a team on the ice, and large crowds put a smile on the club financiers who spend most of the season looking at red figures and trying to make a dollar do the work of two. But most important of all, when you attend a hockey game you get full measure for your money and an evening of sport which exceeds anything the bigger leagues have to offer.

Not on Purpose, Girls!

Editorializing last week on the recreation facilities which Georgetown offers to young people, we cited a number of organizations which cater to youthful talents.

It was not intended to slight any group, and when it was drawn to our attention that we had not mentioned the Girls Pipe Band, we hasten to correct the error.

The Pipe Band, as a matter of fact, is one of the most interesting outlets for artistic talent. The brainchild of Roy MacLoughlin, who serves as pipe major, it has been a top advertising attraction for the town during the past decade. The band has appeared in many cities in Canada and

the States, has been often on parade for local events, and is a colourful part of the local scenery.

Sadly enough, at present it is suffering from a membership shortage.

Its original personnel have passed from the "girl" stage and replacements have not joined in enough numbers to replace them. The band needs new members to augment its ranks, and will welcome any young ladies who want to participate in this interesting musical hobby which combines its musical accomplishments with some interesting travelling.



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In my own family, we have already taken a halting step in the right direction. One of my brothers married an English girl, the other a Dutch girl, and I married one who is pure half-Irish, which makes her only half as hard to handle as if she were all Irish.

Anytime for world-wide promiscuity?

ECHOES

From the pages of the Herald, February 27th, 1955

The officers were appointed at the annual meeting of the high school board Tuesday. Dr. Watson is chairman; W. V. Grant, vice-chairman; E. Y. Barracough, R. B. Foulis, and J. B. Bingham, property; Dr. Watson, W. V. Grant and C. B. Dayfont, supply; P. B. Harrison, treasurer, and W. T. Evans, secretary. The attendance report showed 37 boys and 90 girls on the enrolment.

About 1:30 Friday morning the home of Mrs. C. F. Orr was badly damaged by fire and ransacked. Mrs. Orr was spending the winter in Kirkland Lake with her daughter and family. A neighbour, W. Ford turned in the alarm.

A meeting will be held in the McGibbon Hotel on Friday, March 1st, at 8:00 p.m. sharp for the purpose of arranging a horse racing meet, to be held in Georgetown on May 24th. All interested are invited to attend.

Our esteemed citizen, Mr. William McMillan, has returned after serving 33 years as a special salesman for the International Harvester Co. Mr. McMillan and his son, K. C. will open McMillan Sales on Mill St. in the premises formerly occupied by the Halton Garage. They will carry a stock of autos and farm machinery.

At the Gregory Theatre — "The Personality Kid" starring the wise-cracking wizard of the screen, together for the first time, Pat Gilbride and Gladys Farrell. "The Painted Veil" starring Greta Garbo and Herbert Marshall; "The Lottery Lover" starring Law Ayres and Pat Patterson.

Controversial Corner

by Ian Cass

I don't know whether or not Caryl Chessman is guilty of the particularly vile form of rape and kidnapping for which he was charged and sentenced in 1948. I do know that the Chairman's case is making a bigger farce of the U.S. judicial system than even Al Capone and prohibition succeeded in doing.

The evidence in this case has probably been considered and examined by more members of the legal profession than any other case of its kind. The supreme court, and the word 'supreme' is surely used loosely, has considered fifteen appeals. The evidence, for and against, has been presented in every possible manner by a battery of lawyers. Chessman's attorneys have had twelve years in which to produce every possible argument for clemency or change of sentence. On every occasion the result has been the same — the verdict has been guilty and the sentence upheld. It is doubtful if any other convicted criminal has ever had so many opportunities to establish his innocence and be freed.

In the eyes of the law of the country, Chessman is guilty of an offense punishable by death — of this there can be no doubt — but the sentence has not been carried out. If this situation had arisen because his defense had established doubt of his guilt then justice would have been done but this was not the case. For the past 12 years attempts have been made before many courts to establish doubt of guilt and they all failed. The twelve year old legal circus which wound up being front page news last week was sustained by one thing — legal technicalities. The Chessman case makes one thing clear, if you have enough legal assistance you can delay the course of justice indefinitely in the United States.

The same lawyers who used every legal technicality and manoeuvre to delay sentence, who took a confirmed court decision back into court time and time again, are now suggesting that the delay which they achieved can be used as a lever to obtain clemency for the accused, because of the "cruel and unusual punishment he has suffered" in view of the fact that one of the rape victims has been in a mental institution since 1949 and will probably remain there, this appeal doesn't impress me very much.

The one thing that worries me most is not that Chessman will escape execution, although he certainly will, I am most perturbed to see that the course of justice in the great United States of America is being determined by notorious, public pressures, legal manipulation of technicalities and "distorted publicity" which appears to be more interested in the delay of execution than it is in the facts of the case. To say it all, and this is most frightening, the eleventh hour reprieve came, not as a result of new evidence or new circumstances, it came because the Chessman case had become a political hot potato.

On February 17th and 18th, Governor Brown of California announced that no action by him to order a reprieve was possible, that the Constitution did not permit him to take such action. On February 19th, Governor Brown announced that he had ordered a 60-day reprieve. This complete about-face was

apparently caused by a telegram from a Junior Assistant Secretary for Inter-American Affairs which expressed concern over possible hostile demonstrations during President Eisenhower's forthcoming tour of South America, if the execution took place.

I cannot help wondering sometimes if the members of the legal profession are as dedicated to the cause of justice as their noble promises imply. Sometimes it seems that some attorneys are interested more in frustrating the cause of justice, more interested in loopholes, more interested in personal success and reward than in the vindicating application of real justice. What brand of integrity is it, when a lawyer successfully defends a criminal whom he knows to be guilty? Why, then, who he becomes a politician, as so many do in Canada, should he not just as staunchly defend politicians which he knows to be unjust?

I see that the indictment against Dave Beck, retired Teamsters president, has been dismissed. He was accused of receiving \$200,000 as a "loan" from trucking company officials. The case was not even fully heard in court as the Taft Hartley amendment covering such transactions was not in effect at the time of the loan. Ho-hum! Oh well! The only crime that was successfully charged against Al Capone was evasion of income tax. One is forced to the conclusion that the most important aspect of making money in the U.S. is not how you make it but that you make sure Uncle Sam gets his share.

Caryl Chessman will never go to the gas chamber now and his books may become best sellers. This has been achieved, not in the cause of justice but on the threshold of notoriety — you don't execute a figure of worldwide fame. It may even be that the Chessman case will hasten the abolition of the death penalty in California. This will bring satisfaction to the abolitionists in Canada but it will make a mess of the accusations that it is those who wish to retain capital punishment who are being emotional. If Governor Brown was receiving thousands of letters a week on the Chessman case it is quite certain that public emotion had been aroused — appeals to reason never get that sort of reaction. In fact I wonder if the thousands who were worried about the execution of one perverted sexual monster managed to summon up the energy to write to anyone when millions of Jews were being executed in Germany, thousands of Poles in Warsaw, or Hungarians in Hungary. How does that saying go "You don't need talent if you've got a good publicity agent"?

DRIVER EDUCATION

Milton High School District Board gave permission, at their regular meeting Monday evening for the Milton Safety Council to have use of a room at the high school.

Consideration was given the driver education course and its introduction on an extra curricular basis. Members reviewed that there was no teacher qualified to give the instruction presently on the staff. It was agreed to consider introduction of the program possibly after Easter if any member of the staff had the necessary training.

MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT

Publicity Director, Georgetown Hospital Building Campaign

Behind every active treatment bed the many scientific advances of modern medicine are centered to make your hospital a place of healing — operating rooms, x-ray, physiotherapy and occupational therapy departments, to mention just a few. Expensive but so very necessary, these items are one reason why the "cost per bed" for new hospital construction seems high.

Research and Education

Support for your hospital means support for research and education, for both are considered an inseparable part of the hospital's services in caring for the sick of the community. Although these functions may vary according to the size of the hospital, they are nevertheless an integral part of the operation of every hospital large or small, and in varying degrees add still more to the cost per bed.

For hospitals across the country, it is the beginning of a new era — an era that brings with it challenges which can only be met by the cooperative effort which has sparked the growth of our entire hospital system. The two major factors contributing to this changing pattern are: the introduction of a government hospital plan and the continuing growth of our nation and our community. Both these factors have resulted in a greatly increased demand for hospital services.

Count on Cooperation

To meet this demand, an extension of hospital facilities is inevitable. This means that communities such as ours have to count heavily on the cooperation of all groups within its boundaries and beyond for that matter, for the utmost financial support if the health needs of our residents are to be met.

It was never the intention of the Government to use the new hospital plan as a means to finance hospital construction. However, the Provincial and Federal governments have made it possible for hospitals such as ours to be reimbursed for providing care to insured patients. These reimbursable costs are operating costs only and include such items as administration, salaries, and wages, maintenance, etc. The cost of building the hospital, along with other capital expenditures are not included. So remember when you give to your hospital fund YOUR HOSPITAL IS MORE THAN A BUILDING — AND IT'S MORE THAN A BED, upon 24 hours every day, IT'S trained people, IT'S operating rooms, IT'S housekeeping, IT'S engineering services. A modern hospital is ALL THIS — PLUS.

Says Corner Writer's Remarks Unjustified

72 Sargent Road, February 20th, 1960

Dear Sir:

As a pilot with TCA I wish to object strongly to the opening tone in Controversial Corner in last week's Herald.

By implication Ian Cass suggested that a TCA flight from Cleveland, on which he was a passenger, was not conducted in a proper manner and his conclusion on the subject suggests that he arrived in Toronto more by luck than judgment. All this because he heard a chance remark by the Captain. I would like to point out to Mr. Cass that all TCA pilots are fully aware of the consequences of taking off with snow on the wings and because the Captain wanted the snow removed quickly does not mean that he did not want it done properly. A quick take off, within the bounds of safety, would be desirable to prevent further accumulation of snow on the wings and also because of deteriorating conditions at the field.

Safety, Mr. Cass is TCA's primary objective in the flying business.

The crew of your aeroplane would have at least 30 years flying experience and that experience combined with the current information enables them to make any decisions. I suggest that your assessment of the situation was made with lack of experience and no information.

Therefore, Mr. Cass, I suggest that if you have any new theories on aerodynamics which you feel would be of use, that you write them down and send them to the proper authorities. The alternative suggestion is that you do not inflame the public with your ignorant assumptions.

Yours truly,
K. L. BUNKLEY

Claims Steelworkers Are Not Paid in Proportion to Price

February 17, 1960

To the Editor,

In The Spectator a contractor eltes the total difference in the labor cost (at \$2 an hour as against \$3 an hour) on a theoretical job, as being \$108.77. My question is, does that increase the price of his tender by \$109.67 or \$1,000? The Steel Co. of Canada granted their employees a raise that would properly have entitled them to raise the price of steel \$3.50 a ton, but they raised the price of steel \$12 a ton, and who gets the blame? The steelworkers of course. Studies conducted by many enlightened show that production increases when a coffee break is introduced.

The cost of labour is a factor in reckoning any cost depending on the ratio involved. In the manufacture of cigarettes 3% of the selling price goes to labour. In the manufacture of shoes, as much as 28%. The cost of productive labour on a car in 1957 was \$75. The car sold for \$2,600 in the U.S.A.

If F. E. Groh would tell us what percentage of his total contract price he paid to labour, the picture would be less clouded.

We must realize too, that the workers are potential customers and if they are paid retarded wages their ability to be customers is also retarded. The ultimate result of this trend can only be a repetition of the dirty thirties, when workers and contractors both suffered.

Jack Henry,
E. R. J. Oakville.

February 13th Was IODE Founder's Day

Saturday, February 13th, 1960, marked the 60th anniversary of the IODE. The Order was founded by Mrs. Clark Murray of Montreal and the first chapter was formed in Fredericton, N.B.

There are 604 chapters of the IODE from the Yukon to Newfoundland, with approximately 32,000 members, 432 chapters in Ontario with a membership of 16,371 helped observe the 60th anniversary.

To commemorate the 60th anniversary, the Order is presently engaged in a special Eskimo project, the building of a community hall at Frobisher Bay, costing \$20,000.00. Ontario chapters have undertaken the sponsorship of 110 destitute and refugee children.

TODAY'S HEALTH HINT

Don't put your elbow out too far.

It may go home in another car.

—Burma Shave

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