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... EDITORIAL COMMENT ...

Seek Unified Phone Rate

Uniform phone rates for the north end of Halton County is under discussion by North Halton Urban Board.

In our opinion, it would be a good thing for the Milton-Acton, Georgetown area is closely allied geographically and economically and a large number of residents would benefit by elimination of toll charges.

There is a decided trend at increasing toll free areas by the Bell Telephone Company Georgetown, for instance, now has free direct dialing to Acton, to Huttonville

and Snelgrove and Victoria. Addition of Milton and Erin would be of further benefit to individuals and merchants and would be well received by a majority of phone customers, providing the added cost was not excessive.

It is within the realms of possibility that Georgetown may also be included in a metro Toronto area at some future date. Last week the Bell company announced long range plans which will bring Streetsville, Milton and Woodbridge into the greater Toronto calling area.

Phone Progress Rapid

Progress in telephone service has been rapid in Georgetown.

Only ten years ago, local phones were serviced from a Main Street office (Holmes 5c to \$1.00 Store location) at a switchboard manned by a well trained staff of ladies.

The switch to dial telephones seemed revolutionary enough for one lifetime and when it happened there was no hint of the direct distance dialing today accepted as part of our phone service.

Change is not all advantage.

Localizing - "Buy At Home"

The Ontario government is stressing "buy at home" these days with an intensive campaign in newspapers and other advertising media.

We are told that the more buying of Ontario products, the more jobs will be created.

The same reasoning can be equally applied to a local municipality.

How many merchants localize their buying when possible and stock PLAX products produced at Smith and Stone seeds packaged by the Dominion Seed House socks manufactured in the Beaumont Knitting plant, to mention only a few?

And how many residents choose the

local product when they are buying?

How many people try to do the bulk of their grocery and clothing shopping in town? Deal with local televisions stores and jewelers? Use insurance from local agents? Use a Georgetown painter, plumber and electrician?

Here we have the government trade crusade reduced to its simplest and most understandable form.

And if a tradesman was not hired locally, he would eventually be out of business and a tradesman from another town would then have to be hired. This would mean the customer would have to pay more for the service cost would be added an allowance for transportation and travel time.

HOW TO GO IN SNOW



PRECIP SETS TRAVEL BACK 100 YEARS

WHEN SPINNING WHEELS are going nowhere get a horse. That's what this district had to do, and though the mode of travel may not be what you would expect in a jet age it gets him (and his load of logs) where he's going, and that's all that counts. Herald photographer Peter Jones snapped them as they traversed a township line near here.

DISTRICT NEWS AT A GLANCE

OAKVILLE

The Oakville recreation committee has included a millionaires program. "Some people may think this is hilarious," said Jack Ross, recreation director, "but the committee approved letting the nudists use the gym for volleyball."

BURLINGTON

A delegation from the Burlington Musical Society outlined plans for a proposed band hall and dance shell at the Recreation and Parks Committee meeting last week. Cost of the centre would be \$60,000. The delegation stressed the need for a "prevalent focal point" for the town's musical interests.

MILTON

The cause of the barn fire at Twin Lakes Resort two weeks ago is still being sought by Chief A. E. Clement of the Milton Fire Department. He is still conducting an investigation into the cause of the blaze that levelled the large barn killing 10 valuable horses and a dog.

CLARKSON

Mrs. Theresa Samson almost did a unique wire act with her panel truck last Friday. Travelling on

SUGAR and SPICE

By Bill Smiley

Look, I take it all back. I didn't mean a word of it. I'm sorry. I apologize. I'll never say sense of humour, or that it again as long as I live. Truly, I mean that part about love.

Ever since that column I wrote about my skiers reveling in real winter, things have gone haywire around here. It has snowed about 24 hours a day and about one inch per hour and blizzard force forces and the temperature has plummeted like a hawk going down for a fat hen.

a road that leads from Highway 2 to Southdown Rd, she drove her truck up the guy wire of a hydro pole. The front wheels ended six feet off the ground and Mrs. Samson, who was unhurt, had to be helped down by a passing motorist.

BRAMPTON

Brampton has bought itself a golf course if a council approved purchase offer for \$2,000,000 is accepted by the shareholders of the Brampton Golf Club. Deputy Reeve W. son commented "In my opinion it should be used as a municipal golf course until all adventures are paid for. Then it could be used for whatever purpose the town decided."

ACTON

In addition to the hockey program highlighted by the visit of Maurice "The Rocket" Richard, Acton Lions announced another big sports event for the evening of Feb. 1st. A sports celebration dinner will include speeches from every level of the amateur and professional sports world.

and the divine right of office. You never knew what you were going to get.

Worst offender of this I've ever experienced was a stone Churchill. One time in France, we were warned a Very Important Person was visit our wing, which was the dive-and-rocket fighter-bom from a field in Normandy. sneered. Figured it would some crummy Air Commander who would try to convince that our young, juicy, lives were fair exchange some vague crap labeled "democracy" or "human rights."

Nonetheless, we spitted polished. And cursed. On the big day, we were drawn to a hollow square, on the Pilots' silk scarves were embroidered for shirts and ties. It was beds for polished shoes by heads for caps at the right and boards for clean-shaven faces. Officers in front, other in the rear, where they well should be in a democracy.

A little plane hopped the hedge and butterflyed into the square. The motor was cut. A massive figure, rather an old sea-lion, struggled of the rear cockpit, and stood on the wing. We didn't need a lotting sign to tell us who he was. He grinned, I'll swear his eyes twinkled, as he looked us over.

Then he lifted his right arm, as though to make the V-sign. Instead, he made a rude gesture, then beckoned. The "four rocks" safely in the rear were nobody would be offended by their cheap uniforms and low pay, could take a hint. They gave one wild cheer, and ran toward the plane. So help me, several officers in the front

have had this week was a letter from our sister-in-law, who is wintering in balmy old, toasty (for days) old, sweet old Puerto Rico, in the Caribbean, stating that she had just recovered from the heart, who should have been worst off that she had ever dodging about the airfields of France in a tiny, unarmed aircraft.

To top it all, the inspector of coming to the school this week. This event causes roughly the same panic among school teachers as an announcement that like the kind Julius Caesar used Princess Margaret would be around for tea on Friday would cause among a gaggle of housewives.

It reminds me of the alarm and despondency that used to take over at any camp during the war, when it was learned that a senior officer would be making an inspection of the camp. Everybody knew perfectly well that the old trout would merely toffer around the camp, inspect a guard of honour, and head for the officers' mess to maintain that purplish complexion he had taken so many years to acquire.

But there was always the chance that he'd be one of those managers who actually wanted to taste the slop about to be served to the other ranks, instead of joining the officers over their Scotch and steaks. Or one of those nuts who actually drew a white glove along that window sill looking for dust. Or one of those friends who actually heaved that soldiers, or airmen, or ratings, were human beings and asked them all sort of human being questions to the commander after detention of military discipline and morale.

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OTTAWA REPORT

BI-MONTHLY OBSERVATIONS BY DR. HARRY HARLEY, M.P. FOR HALTON

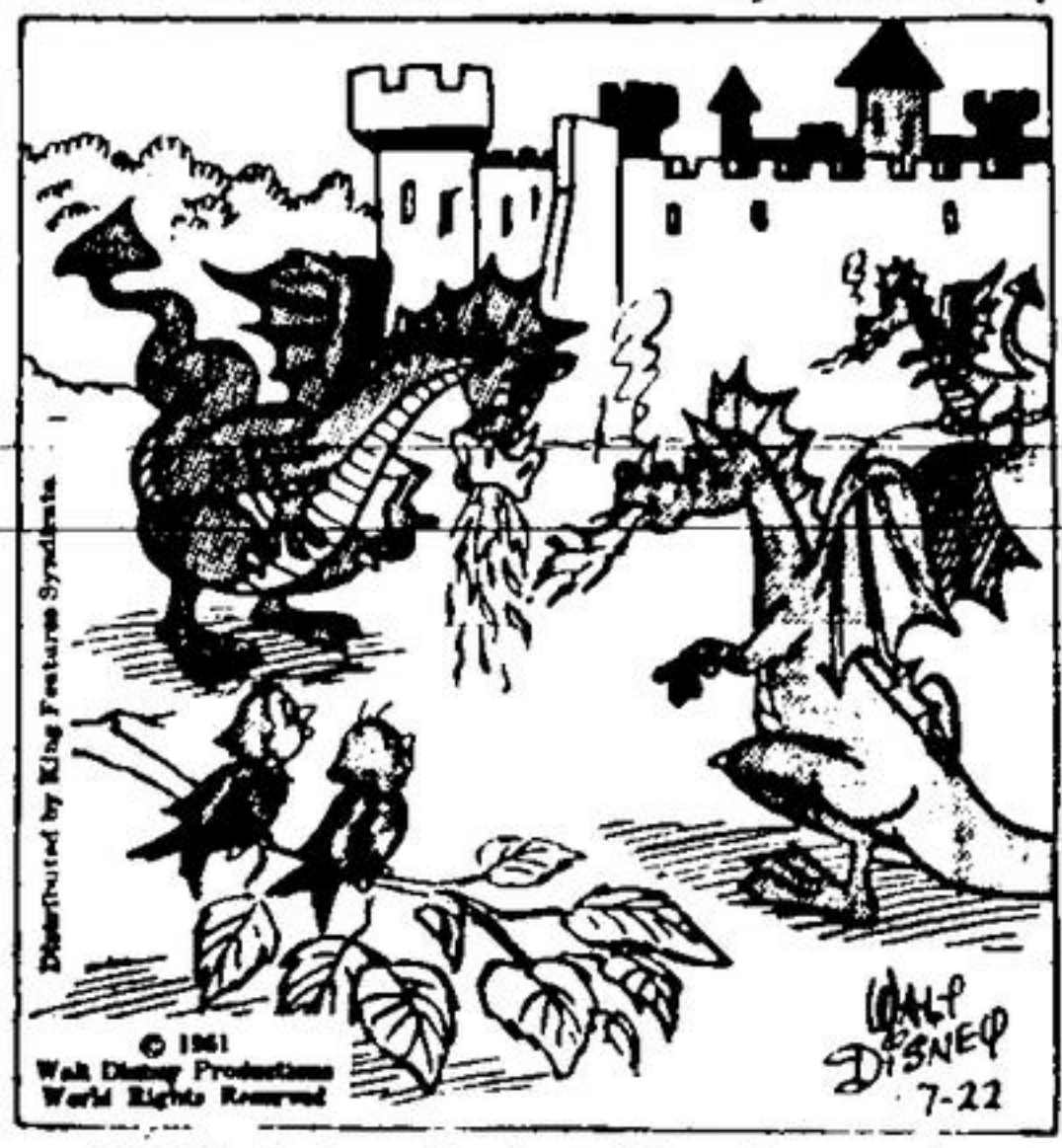


The House of Commons has reopened. The two first days of the session have been devoted to the National Economic Development Board. This resolution is being debated at present. It has been pointed out that all these boards are part-time appointments only with the exception of the chairman of the National Economic Development Board. It would appear therefore that this doesn't appear to be a serious approach to the cure of economic problems of Canada which all agree are present. The remainder of the members are part time only. This has been called cocktail planning, that is planning as something the members of the boards do after they are finished their normal work.

On Thursday and Friday, the at general disarmament. We be responsible, for Parliament was estimates of the Expenditure. At least in peace and time but not opened until late Fall and for a long time to come. We must cut out one of the Christmas recess could have been shortened as we suggest. The Prime Minister has one of the prime functions rested that we discuss the five here is to safeguard the expenditure. Supply Motion left before the future of your money and it end of the fiscal year March 31, would amount to if we did as Mr. Pearson would suggest as one and limit the debate to suggested passing 6 billion dollars of expenditures in 10 days. This would be a definite 6 million dollars a day.

I would like to make a tax change in Parliamentary practice. I am sure that you, as tax payers and would limit debate and papers would prefer that we discuss on how the taxpay (most on normal procedure, and spend money is spent. The 200 goes into sufficient detail on equipment is short of time for these estimates to be sure that which it has to assume full rest our tax dollars are spent wisely.

MERRY MENAGERIE By Walt Disney



"I'd like to have the burn-ointment concession around here!"



"PLEASE CONFINE YOURSELF TO CHOPSTICKS"

ECHOES

From the pages of the Herald, February, 1953 and 1958

10 YEARS AGO

● A report on water samples taken by the North York Health Unit showed that Georgetown water was Grade 1. Mayor Armstrong said there had been reports around town that the water supply might be responsible for jaundice and other illnesses prevalent at present and that the report should quell any such rumors.

● Two new businesses will be opening soon. Leo Renner has established Leo's Electric Service on Main Street and George Kent of Port Credit will re-open Fairview Inn on Guelph Street.

● Georgetown wives had an opportunity to see just how hard their husbands work at industries this week. Chamber of Commerce officials designated this week "Georgetown Industrial Week" and the major industries opened the doors to the workers' wives and the rest of the general public. Some of the husbands did not take too kindly to the intrusion by wives since their old excuse that they work too hard to help with the supper dishes no longer holds water in many cases.

25 YEARS AGO

● Mr. Samuel Harrison was presented with a beautiful chess mantle clock by members and ex-members of Knox Church Sunday School for his faithful services as teacher and superintendent for the past 27 years. Miss Marjory Hunter read the address and Miss Mary Watson made the presentation.

● About 10:30 on Sunday night thieves broke into William Beamish's garage at Norval and got away with \$75 in cash. A couple of boys passing noticed the garage door open and notified Mr. Beamish, who discovered the money had been stolen. Chief Marshall of Georgetown is investigating.

● A large crowd attended the dance held last Friday night in the arena under the auspices of the Georgetown Siam Club. The music for the evening was supplied by the Georgetown High School orchestra under the leadership of Mr. Paul Barber. Winning prizes were Miss Florence Brandford and Miss Peggy McLaren. The hostesses were Mrs. C. H. Barber, Mrs. J. A. Early, Mrs. R. Paul, and Mrs. F. D. McNally.