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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Payroll

... shows decaying teeth. We were once a man and a job. There were once a man and who existed on the payroll.

There were more young people in the payroll because there were not as many grown men, let alone teenagers, on the payroll.

... because of the realization that education a man was not a man a value which has been ...

... Of course they were in depression, but we were in a depression which can be just as bad as the fact, because even a man could earn a lot of money in a day. Now the man must ... for that.

... Don't be fooled by the ... which ... Today you ...

... students ...

... You ...

... that you ...

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... We neurotics of the frantic twentieth century have a genius of sorts. We can take almost anything that is simple, clean and beautiful, and make it complex, sullied and a garish monotony.

... but not quite. We have ...

... In the good old days, the good old families rose early on Christmas day and went to church, where the parson gave them a two-hour appetizer.

... Then they went home and ...

... That's YOUR ancestors I am talking about. Mine were among the people the ladies were taking the food to. I can just see them, kicking the pigs under the bed when her ladyship came in, turning their forelocks, scraping their feet, and saying "Fank yer, Milady, Fank yer, Mum," as she pulled from her basket one of the geese that had died of one, and one of last year's bottles of blackberry brandy that had gone vinegary.

... However, that's not what I started out to say. Well, despite all the waiting and throwing of hands in the air at the paganism and commercialism of Christmas today, I feel that we have failed, somehow, to rein Christmas.

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... Witness groups of youngsters singing carols at homes for old people.

... Witness high school kids selling Christmas cards for UNICEF, to feed little, starving children abroad.

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth give I unto you. — John 14:27.

The Prince of Peace offers us a peace so superior to that which the world offers that it defies comparison. All one can say is "Yes" and "amen".

MAIL BAG

Seeks Residents Petitions Asking Access to Highway

The Editor
Georgetown Herald
December 11, 1963

Dear Sir:

Highway 401 passes some 6 or 7 miles away to the south of Georgetown.

It would be well to 20 miles away.

There is no question that the lack of a proper access road from the area to Highway 401 takes away a great deal of the usefulness of this superhighway for residents of this area.

If there were an access road, it would not be difficult to place on those rural concession roads which were never meant as today's traffic. Equally important of this area would have a much better chance to attract those industries which are in Georgetown which are completely bypassed.

The Council of the Town of ... the Ont. Dept. of Highways to construct such a road in my opinion the only body to be financially able to undertake such a project.

The Dept. is responsible has been very encouraging.

Yet we are unable to speed up departmental procedures as the presentation of a large number of petitions of local residents.

I am certain that to thus date area residents of an access road to 401 is of vital importance and I am encouraged to ask you to make your good offices available for the collection of letters or signatures asking for this. The petitions could then be forwarded to the proper authorities.

Yours truly,
Charles Hildebrandt

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NEWS ECHOES

Echoes from the pages of the Herald, 1953 and 1958

10 YEARS AGO

- Barely 600 voters cast ballots as three 1953 councillors and a hydro commissioner were returned to office and three new councillors elected here Monday. Re-elected were Garfield McGillivray, Doug Sargent, and Harry Hale. New councillors are Irwin Noble, Walter Gray and Thomas Lyons, defeated in 1951 after 12 years in office. Re-elected Hydro commissioner is E. W. Binkley.
- Donald Cleave, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Cleave, returned yesterday from Mexico where he accompanied cattle exporter W. T. Craig Reid with a carload of Holsteins purchased in Ontario for Mexican ranchers.
- Five year old Trudy Emmerson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joé Emmerson, whose birth date is the same as Prince Charles, sent a birthday card to the Prince and Monday's mail brought back an acknowledgement of thanks and best wishes for Trudy's birthday.

25 YEARS AGO

- Eight hundred children from Georgetown and vicinity met Santa Claus when he made his annual visit Saturday. Santa arrived about 3:00 o'clock and joined the parade which marched down Main St. to the large illuminated tree at the Main Mill corner. The kiddies were given bags of nuts, candies and oranges by Santa, who was represented this year by W. H. Long.
- At the completion of play in the November bridge tournament finishing Dec. 5th the standing was: F. Spires and C. Benham 1st with 345 pts.; R. Prust and S. P. Chapman 2nd with 330 pts.; W. Roney and F. Gilmer, tied with L. Humberstone and William King for 3rd with 320 pts.
- At last night's council meeting Mayor Gibbons intimated that the question of a sewage system for Georgetown and an addition to the high school would be put to the property owners in the very near future.

GIFT GIVING

While none can deny that there are commercial aspects to our modern day celebration of Christmas, it must be remembered that each of us observe Christmas in our own way.

Gift-giving is in keeping with the spirit of Christmas — if it is done with emphasis on giving and sharing, rather than on being sure that we give each individual a gift that is as good or better than the one we receive from them. It is even more in the spirit of Christmas if we give to the less fortunate, with no expectation of receiving something in return.

Let us enjoy the practice of gift-giving by keeping it in its proper place. We'll enjoy the holiday if we give wisely. We will give with pleasure if we give no more than we can afford.

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