

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Something For The Mind...

A series of public affairs lectures planned by the YM-YWCA will begin this Sunday afternoon and the Herald commends this to readers with the hope that there will be a good attendance in Holy Cross church auditorium.

A McMaster professor, D. J. Grady, will speak on Africa and its underdeveloped countries. He has first hand knowledge of his subject, for he has conducted research for the United Nations while living in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, where he taught international politics and political theory in the state university.

Africa is a country much in today's

news, as the old colonial system is being replaced by emerging states, some peaceful, some turbulent, as the European nations give up their domination and leaders emerge from the population.

It will be interesting to hear Mr. Grady's comments. It is no every day that a qualified speaker appears on a local platform and he, and the Y, deserves a good audience.

At present the Y is hoping to have Syl Appe as its next speaker, and other leads are out to find a variety of personalities who will have something to say about topical matters and today's world.

A Better Night...

Georgetown's young trick-and-treaters will be going their rounds a night early this year if they follow the edict of town council.

Besieged with enquiries about what to do when Halloween falls on a Sunday, council has decided to proclaim the official day as Saturday, Oct. 30. And it is hoped that parents and children will observe the occasion on that day, rather than the sabbath, which does not lend itself to the spirit of the occasion.

School principals have been asked to help spread the word, and householders are also warned that the annual invasion of their front door will be taking place that night.

Those with children of their own always look forward to the night when

dressing up becomes the rule. And those without children, or who have reached the years when the young ones have passed the barrier of maturity, still relish guessing identities and handing out an apple, a bag of candy or some little treat.

It is a far cry from a generation or two ago when it was mostly a night of dread, with practical jokes, and some not so practical, were more the rule. Progress has ruled out wagons on the roof, the time-honoured tipping of the little house out back, the raids on the orchards which now don't exist, and all the pranks our fathers tell us about.

Today's Halloween pranks are for the most part innocuous, and as they should be, for destruction cannot be tolerated on any occasion.

New Scholarship Fund...

A new scholarship will be awarded for the first time at the November 12th high school commencement exercises.

Established by friends of J. L. Lambert, who left his post as principal this summer, it is planned as a continuing remembrance of his thirty years of guidance in Georgetown's educational affairs.

The fund is still short of its objective and a committee is busily working at present soliciting further donations so that a substantial sum can be invested and the interest paid each year as a scholar-

ship to a deserving student.

Thomas Beer of the school staff is fund treasurer and those wishing to donate are asked to contact him immediately, so final plans can be made for this year's award.

It is a fitting tribute to a man whose term of office spanned the days when the high school was a small, 8-room building, to the present large structure with technical and vocational training added to academic. The J. L. Lambert Award will be a lasting tribute to his years at the job.

Another Possibility...

A recent suggestion that the old post office might make a good headquarters for the police department had one drawback. We did not know, at time of writing that the owners of the building had already embarked on alterations which will convert it into apartments.

Now another idea comes to mind. The old town hall on the highway, used off and on by industrial and commercial establishments, and lastly as an organization clubhouse, is becoming an eyesore — a derelict occupying a valu-

able property which is scarcely an advertising attraction as traffic flows by.

The building has been advertised for sale recently. Perhaps the town could acquire it again, rip off the top storey, and convert it into a police office which would once again put it to good use.

It has the advantage of a central location, close to the downtown commercial area. And its rehabilitation would be a distinct asset to eliminating what has become an eyesore and of little value for any purpose in its present condition.

NEWS ECHOES

From the pages of the Herald 1955 and 1945

10 YEARS AGO

- The first appearance of Georgetown Boys' Band, a group which will form Georgetown Citizens' Band of the future, was made Monday in a musical program in Wrigglesworth School. Harrison school principal Harold Henry gave a brief resume of the band's activities since its beginning in April. Lorne Scots bandmaster Alf Perrott is the leader and other Lorne Scots bandmen, Arthur Herbert, Joe Wilcox, Norman Long, Ed Peters and Ern Forgrave have also donated time to the new band.
- A lengthy battle by five local garage operators to abolish restricted hours for gasoline ended in defeat Monday when council by a close 5-4 vote decided on maintaining the present system. Garages will continue to operate under a by-law which sets daily closing hours.
- Largest robbery to occur in Georgetown district since the Beaumont Knitting Mill breakins happened Wednesday morning at Barber's Gift Shop. Some 80 watches worth in the neighbourhood of \$5,000 were taken during the night.

30 YEARS AGO

- This week Georgetown welcomes home from overseas: Pte Myrle Reid, L. Cpl. Harvey Garvin, A.B. Albert Kamshad, Pte. Clifford McDonald, Sgt. William Hewitt, Tpr. Joe Hall, Tpr. Bob Eason, Tpr. Bob Rayner, LAC Reg Bromhead, WO Gilbert Hunt, Flying Officer Les Clark.
- Last Friday night saw the Georgetown Athletic Association launched as an enthusiastic group of parents and boys met in the Odd Fellows' Hall for a social. Harold McClure was chairman of the meeting. Members of the new G.A.C. are E. V. MacCormack, Mervyn Robb, Rev. C. C. Cochran, Harold McClure, C. S. Stacey, Aubrey McVie, Alf Sykes, Sid Silver, Walter Blehn, Jack Brill, Leonard Wrigglesworth, Elmer Dron, Tom Haines and

IN THE MAIL BAG

NDP Leader Says Vote Wasted if for Masson

577 Valley Dr.,
Oakville, Ontario
October 19, 1965

Dear Sir:

The people of Halton should seriously consider the implications of a recent statement made by Mr. Masson, the Conservative Candidate in Halton. It is quite apparent when he says "I am not responsible for the decisions of Oakville Council," that he does not have the courage to publicly face up to some of the political treachery in which he evidently participated. Mr. Masson was referring to the recent attempt by the Town of Milton to expand, and Oakville's Council with Captain Masson at the tiller, for no apparent constructive reason, were able to keep progress in Halton County in the doldrums.

The policy of the Milton Council in planning industrial expansion in a business like and aggressive manner is highly commendable, on the other hand the policy of the Oakville Council "waiting for spill-over industry," is definitely lacking. There are many people who would like to know why the Oakville Council opposed progress in Milton, not the Plunkett report please, and why they have adopted a policy which

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"And they came to Him and awoke Him, saying, Master, Master, we perish. Then He arose and rebuked the wind and the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm." Luke 8:24

Life has no storms that will not vanish at the command of the Saviour.

would seem to retard progress in our town. The Oakville business community should certainly be asking the last question. One cannot help but wonder if envy or shame was the stimulus that prompted the Oakville Council under Mayor Masson to pursue such an obstructive course with regards to Milton, and by what means they were able to influence the Municipal Board.

The over-riding issue here is, that Mr. Masson stood four-square in the path of progress in Halton riding and now he presents himself as candidate to represent all the people of that riding in Parliament. I suggest to the voters of Halton, that you look beyond the shallow promises of airports and harbors to the more basic political issues.

Consider the whole man, his political record, his party, and what they represent. Having done this you will surely realize to vote Conservative is to waste a vote.

Yours truly,
Wm. Gillies,
Oakville

SUGAR AND SPICE IN DUTCH WITH DAUGHTER

by Bill Smiley

My daughter is furious with me. Again. She's at that age, 14, when daughters have very little difficulty in becoming enraged with their fathers. This occurs, of course, only on days when they're not sore as a boil at their mothers.

She has good reasons, of course. She claims I'm crabby in the morning and grumpy at night. This is because I'm always bawling up the stairs to fall her to get a move on, in the morning and hollering up the stairs telling her to get her light off, at night.

She calls me an old crack when I refuse to play badminton with her, because of my burly size. And when I do play, and beat the crap out of her, she is like all women. She accuses me of cheating, or playing like a big bully.

She goes livid with rage when I try to help her through some situation I know will be tough. "What do you think I am, Dad, a child?" But she grows purple with passion when I remind her that she's not an infant and can just keep looking for her lost gym suit and I don't care if her P.T. teacher does kill her and

she can play basketball in her underwear, for all I care.

She boils with bellicosity when she wants help with her homework and I remind her that she thinks I'm stupid and she'd better do it herself.

When I play the heavy father, moralistic and conventional, she calls me, in disgust, an "old poke." When I get gay and kick up my heels and become the life of the party, she is miffed and makes cracks about my lack of dignity.

In fact about the only time we seem to be on our old basis of true buddies is when she's trying to wheedle some money. Then her true sweetness and my innate generosity shine through and we get along beautifully. Until I remind her that she's to be in at 11 p.m., even if it is Friday night.

Oh, well, that's about standard, these days, for a healthy father-daughter relationship. But this week she went off like a skyrocket.

I decided to use a portrait of Kim in my English teaching. It was painted, and extremely well done, by Jean Hay, whose daughter Princess and Kim were bosom pals, then, about age nine.

I took the painting to school, held it up for three minutes for the class, then told the students to describe the impression it made on them. Results were interesting.

Quote: "He wasn't very old, perhaps about ten, but the eyes were those of an old, tired man. An overworked man."

Quote: "I think that this child is a bedraggled orphan, wishing for parents to love and care for him."

Quote: "Tears of pity and forgiveness could almost be seen dripping down the boy's rusty cheeks."

Quote: "It is a picture that leaves the viewer with a feeling of deep concern."

Quote: "His large, sad eyes, little face, told his story better than a thousand words."

Quote: "His ears drooped like a dog's when it knows it has done something wrong and will be punished."

Quote: "I got the impression that he was very sad and lonely, perhaps an orphan who had gone without food" for some time."

Just a sample. Titles were such as: The Boy; The Lost Orphan. One imaginative lad called it The Last Jew and suggested the child was waiting to go off to the gas ovens.

What young lady of 14, who is dabbling with lipstick, wears a bra, and has been out on a date, wants her name bandied

PLACE A BOOK IN THE HANDS OF YOUR CHILD

Five-year-old Colleen Smith is a lucky child. She has a book and she loves it.

So? Too many children live in homes where books are not considered important; some with no books at all. The result can be utterly tragic in terms of

unfulfilled minds, school drop-outs, human failures.

This month Canada's vast Home and School movement launched a \$50,000 public information campaign to combat the problem. The objective: to reach every parent over the next two years with urgent messages about the profound im-

portance of books in the growth of their children.

It's just one part of a Centennial project made possible with donations pledged by the greater number of Canada's 3800 local Home and School associations; donations from outside groups and individuals have been received and are most welcome.

about the school as: an old, tired man; an orphan; a sad dog; a dirty face; a rusty-cheeked. And worst of all, a boy, ninety per cent, of them thought she was a boy.

Maybe she had some excuse, after all, for coming home from school, those brown eyes like boiling chocolate, with, "DAD! I could murder you!"

211 ACRES NOT 500

A story in the Oct. 14 issue of The Herald was in error in stating the OMB has allowed Milton to annex 500 acres of Equestrian Township. It should have been approximately 211 acres.

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