

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Industrial Mall New Concept

If plans being made by a construction firm materialize, Georgetown will have its first industrial mall next year.

Land being purchased in the eastern industrial area, will contain such a building and there is every indication that it can be a profitable venture for the builders, for small industries, and for the town's tax treasury.

The idea has already been tried in some of the larger metropolitan sections with good results.

An industrial mall is patterned like a shopping plaza. It has a number of industrial locations, with removable steel walls which allow premises to vary in size according to the needs of the lessee.

It has all the advantages of a retail plaza — central heating, joint maintenance, parking facilities and a concentration of in-

dustry in one location. It can be more attractively constructed as one unit, than can a number of small plants. It is a venture in which an investor will participate more readily than he would in building one small factory on speculation.

It is handy for industries which are in allied fields to be close at hand. There are possibilities of sharing office help. Construction cost is somewhat cheaper than several individual buildings. Janitor service is more readily available because of the size of contract involved for such a building.

Because less ground area is needed when several industries are in one building, there is a distinct advantage to the town, with a higher amount of taxes paid than if a similar number were staggered in different locations.

Fall Fair Community Showplace

For the 120th time, district people will be flocking to Georgetown park on Saturday for the annual show by Esquering Agricultural Society, familiarly known as Georgetown fall fair.

While essentially the fair has not changed in more than a century of history, the years have brought some changes.

This year, for the first time, there will be a quarter horse show which promises to be a crowd pleaser. Time has shoved the heavy horses, once a main attraction, into the background. In future there will be no competition here, although it is hoped some of the district breeders like Stan May will still be showing these magnificent creatures on a non-competitive basis.

The hall exhibit reflects changing times too, although there seems to be a trend back to fanciful work and knitting which a few years ago had almost disappeared from the

women's field. Baking continues to be popular, and a section for boys is always a crowd pleaser here.

Midway, horse races, flowers, Women's Institute displays are still among the fair's attractions. This year, with all the new car models released, there should be an excellent opportunity for a look at the latest cars.

There are refreshment booths galore, many of them with home baking. Candy floss, novelty booths, craft displays, cat club competitions, fill the park to catch the eye of fairgoers.

And if all this isn't worth your admission ticket, there is the opportunity to say hello to friends in and out of town that you see infrequently, for the motto of the fall fair has always been "Meet your friends at Georgetown fair."

See you Saturday.

Good Citizen Leaving

Georgetown is losing another good citizen this week when Rev. John McMullin begins a new pastorate in Hamilton.

Mr. McMullin, who has been rector of St. George's Anglican for the past five years, has been a popular member of the community. While his primary concern as a minister has been with members of his parish, he has taken a keen interest in municipal affairs and has made a wide circle of friends among townspeople of other faiths as well.

Mr. McMullin has been a forceful, lucid preacher whose sermons have provided

information and instruction of uniformly excellent calibre. His wise counselling in public and private, his kindness and concern with people who cannot attend church regularly because of physical infirmities, his genuine love for his fellowman, will leave a memory much longer than his few short years as a Georgetown resident.

His work in the parish was recognized in a material way on Sunday morning when a well-filled purse was presented to him from the congregation, and in a more important way in the comments of the overflow congregation as they said goodbye at a reception following the church service.



THE JACK SPRAT FAMILY

Smiley Takes His Stand

A chap, called Richard J. Needham writes a daily newspaper column in Toronto. Quality and content range from high-class to hog-wash, but it is eminently readable.

Needham is not a true humorist, but has a sharp satiric sense, a wild imagination, and a clear view of the ridiculousness of many of our moral, social, political and economic fairy tales.

Despite the clear view, he is an incorrigible romantic, a 1966 model Don Quixote who tilts at windmills with a typewriter, forces flowers on strange ladies and thinks of life and love in capital letters. He's a literary burglar and a bellowing non-conformist. Interesting fellow.

But he has a couple of blind spots. He hates the educational system and has a blatant contempt for today's young people. Sounds psychological. Perhaps he was turfed out of school, or dropped out, or had some rotten teachers. But he despises the whole business.

For him, the educational system is a vast, soul-less monolith, whose sole aim is to crush the spirit of youth, indoctrinate it with all the wrong ideas, and fail to teach it anything about LIFE. He's great on LIFE.

For him, teachers are a bunch of dull clods, whose only desire is to stuff kids with useless information and promptly squelch any signs of initiative or creativity.

Halton Conservatives Plot Future of Two New Ridings

Progressive Conservative Association members in Halton County are gearing for battle already even though the trumpet call for the next provincial or federal elections has not been sounded.

Provincial and federal ridings are being changed drastically under the current redistribution program. The next elections will be fought on these boundaries.

This also means the Halton Conservative Association will be split to accommodate the changes.

The new provincial ridings will become Halton East and Halton West.

September 26 at 8 p.m. the Halton West conservatives gathered at the Estaminet Restaurant to plot their future, set up a constitution, ratify a constitution, and appoint delegates to the Ontario association convention in Toronto the last three days of October.

Halton East conservatives will organize their new association October 12 at the Oakville Legion Hall.

The redistribution will mean both new seats will be up for grabs. George Kerr, the Burlington lawyer who currently represents the present provincial riding of Halton will remain in the Burlington area to be a candidate for the Halton West riding.

The federal conservative associations will meet this fall to prepare for the federal convention in November.

Federal Riding
The federal Halton riding is being split also. The new Halton-Wentworth riding will include Dundas, East and West Flamborough and Nassagaweya Township and Burlington. The Halton riding will contain Esquering, Milton, Georgetown, Acton, Oakville and Erin.

MPP Kerr, however, warned that because of the large population, the Halton-Wentworth riding could be changed again.

The Oakville Conservative Association is planning a picnic early in October where redistribution may be informally discussed.

Dr. Harry Harley of Oakville currently represents the federal riding of Halton.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Beast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth." Proverbs 27:1

Don't keep today waiting with tomorrow's plans. "Whatever your hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might."

For him, modern students are a sorry lot, unadventurous, inarticulate, security-minded and materialistic.

Well, I'm here to tell brother Needham it's time he got into the twentieth century. His ideas are pure poppycock.

Sure, the educational system is a vast monolith. What do you do with 6,000,000 kids? Shove them into the streets to learn about LIFE? But it's far from soul-less. On the contrary, it's composed of men and women with intelligence, goodwill and understanding, who work tirelessly to improve the system for the benefit of the students.

Sure, teachers are dull clods. Some of them. Just as some doctors, lawyers, ministers and columnists are dull clods. But the great majority work their heads to the bone, shoving, urging, exhorting, encouraging and leading the youngsters to adulthood.

And the students? Are they a sad, beaten crowd, cowed by authority, eager for security, afraid to think for themselves? This is what Mr. Needham, with his Victorian view of schools, would have us believe. Hah!

A few are. But the majority are just the opposite. They are rebellious, daring, adventurous and just busting to have a whirl at life, as youngsters have been since the time of Socrates.

Right now my son, who is 19 is either hitch-hiking across Canada, on his way home, or headed for Mexico. We're not sure. Right now, my daughter who is 15, is belting out folk songs which she wrote herself, to keep her mind off her sore ears. She had them pierced yesterday, for earrings.

And right now, all over town 1,200 kids from our high school are ignoring their homework and watching TV, or shingling pool, or gassing on the phone, or falling in love, or riding motor-cycles. They're certainly not cowed by authority, or squelched by the system, or indoctrinated by anything, except human nature.

Don't be naive, Mr. Needham.

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