

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Council Committee Fees

Town Council's vote for committee fees, passed at Monday's meeting, will be one more wedge in the separation of public office for the honour accorded and public office as part-time employment.

We have consistently opposed anything other than a token fee for public office, on the grounds that those who wish to help their fellowman have many choices. If they choose to seek council office, this should be on a freewill basis, devoid of any monetary consideration.

If a council position is to be regarded as one of the town's highest honours, then the present \$20 meeting fee is much too high and should be replaced with a token — a flat \$25 or \$50 yearly to cover out-of-pocket expenses.

If, as seems to now be the case, councillors look on this as a part-time job, some method should be devised to pay for the hours rendered, proper time records kept, and a basic hourly fee established.

And if this is to be the rule, then we

should expect all the town's appointed offices — groups directing the arena and swimming pool, the library and cemetery, Cedarvale Centre, to receive adequate pay for the services which they now render.

Council thus has two ways to proceed — to keep talking about how many hours they spend at the job, and thus how much more money they deserve to be paid — or to assess where time can be saved and cut the job down to size. Must councillors deal with every last detail in matters which could be handled by a town employee? Can procedure be streamlined, some committee business delegated to one man? Can councillors, who tend to keep appointing themselves to other boards and commissions, turn these jobs over to other, public-spirited citizens, and concentrate on the job they were elected to do?

Certainly we cannot continue to solicit free public service from one segment of the public, while continually increasing fees for those in senior positions.

Looking Ahead

Councillor Fred Harrison's suggestion last week that Georgetown should be considering a second cemetery site, is one which no doubt has already occurred to members of the board which oversees this community necessity.

We are unfamiliar with statistics, and though a glance at the present cemetery indicates that this is no immediate problem, forecasts of large scale town growth mean that we must look ahead to the day when this must be planned.

Emphasis on Speaking

An increasing focus on public speaking in the schools is evident in recent years, with such projects as the public speaking contest next week in which Georgetown's Roger Smith is a competitor.

But our schools still have a long way to go in fostering what should be an elementary attribute for every citizen in this day of mass communication.

Public speaking is something which, like any other skill, must be acquired. And instruction and practice are the only way this can be done.

Much progress has been made since our high school days when a student had his once-a-year speech and that was it. Classroom participation, particularly in the

In this part of Ontario, selection of a site is an important consideration.

While one should plan to have this within accessible distance of a municipality, this has become of increasing less importance in an age of rapid transit. In an area where population density will increase as each year passes, a site should be on land which does not lend itself to residential or industrial purposes, while still providing suitable surroundings for a proper burial ground.

English courses, is much more common today. But we still could use much more extensive training in the public speaking.

Every adult has the need to be able to think logically and express himself clearly at various times in life. Most men belong to organizations where they must report on projects they have headed. Speech training is an attribute for a municipal councillor or a labour union official, for a service club man or a lodge member. The art of thanking dinner caterers at a banquet becomes a chore for the man who has not acquired the speaking art.

Competitions such as those in which Roger Smith participate are doing a great service in bringing this to public attention.



SEVENTY-SIX TROMBONES

SUGAR AND SPICE

by Bill Smiley

IT'S TIME TO PROJECT

As Defence Minister Hellyer, as he presses relentlessly for unification of Canada's armed forces, marching them straight into the twenty-first century, or straight into an abyss?

It depends on whom you listen to, these days, as one admiral after another goes down with all guns blazing. But I don't like the idea myself.

What will happen, for example, to the old friendly give-and-take atmosphere that was prevalent among the services in World War II? You remember. When our air force used to bomb and strafe its own troops and ships. And the army and navy regularly took pot-shots at their own aircraft. All this jovial camaraderie will be lost.

Another thing. Who will the nor Hockey Association. The money will be used in construction of the town's second arena, to be ready by the end of the summer.

MILTON

Milton and Milton Heights residents will get letter carrier service May 1st. Milton Post Master Wallace Bell said over 2,000 homes will get delivery.

PORT CREDIT

It was reported here this week that the new community college to serve Halton and Peel will be located in neighboring Toronto Township, and will be known as the William Davis College.

ACTON

The section of Hwy. 25 north of Acton to Ospringe is slated for reconstruction. George Kerr, MPP for Halton announced

as kicking off your old galoshes and putting on a new pair of rubbers.

Let's project a little. Say 20 years into the future. Here's the picture. We have a doddering, fumbling, inefficient government. So what's new, you ask.

Don't interrupt. The only reason this government is in is that the opposition is even more hopeless.

By its tax policies, this feeble federal government has alienated both rich and poor, and has infuriated the middle class. The provinces thumb their noses at it. Quebec treats it with Gallic scorn while bleeding it to death with blackmail.

The United States is angry with it for crushing taxes on the two-thirds of the country owned by U.S. corporations. The United States is also disgusted with it for its vacillating foreign policy.

A dim picture. Yes, but there is one flaming torch in the heart of this darkness. That is Uniforce.

It's the only thing in the country that Canadians are proud of. It is a crack force in every sense. Every one of the 100,000 men is handpicked. They are the physical and mental elite of the generation. Their pay equals that of the average university professor. Their equipment is the best in the world. Their esprit de corps is superb.

And they've earned the right to swagger a bit, and push civilians off the sidewalks and openly pinch the bottoms of young matrons. In the Lower Frongosia incident, they proved themselves a tough, efficient and ruthless fighting machine. In the Upper Cambodia affair, they stamped out communism, socialism, democracy and the entire native population in two weeks. Time Magazine nicknamed them the Canadian Cobras.

And the creator of this magnificent fighting force, sewed by the whole world? Two-fisted jut-jawed Joe Garibaldi, the aggressive young Defence Minister, the only man in the cabinet

NEWS ECHOES

From the Herald of 10 and 20 Years Ago

1956

The first in a series of telecasts which will depict the life of a typical Ontario farm boy appeared Sunday afternoon on the Junior Magazine program over C.B.T. The program has particular local interest in that it stars 13-year-old Keith Ella of Hornby.

Deposit slips dropped by careless thieves while carrying a cash register from the Exchange House early Saturday morning led to the recovery of \$36 of the total \$250 taken in a second store break-in. Constables Nelson Trafford and Ted Scott are investigating.

At a high school open house Friday night awards were presented to Robert Hess, Harry Greig, Douglas Wrigglesworth, Betty Greig and Leanne Darou.

1946

J. Amott Early was elected president of Branch 120, Canadian Legions at the annual meeting Thurs. The other officers are past president James Murphy, 1st vice-president Jack Tost, 2nd vice-president Robert Early, secretary Wallace Thompson, treasurer William Roney, Sgt. at Arms Thomas Given, executive committee: Charles Boyle, Herb Harlow, Sr., Thomas Parry, Gordon O. Brown.

A dinner under the co-sponsorship of Director Howard Wrigglesworth of Esquering Agricultural Society was held for local and district school teachers in the McGibbon House last Thursday. The purpose was to discuss the prize list for the school exhibit at the fair this fall. Attending were: Mrs. M. H. Moyer, Miss Jessie Wilson, Miss R. Piercey, Miss McCrea, Mrs. Wolfe, Miss M. Roszel, Miss Ismay Kean, Mrs. W. Beaumont, Mrs. H. Barber, Miss J. Ruddell, Miss Mildred Eason, Miss B. Hulme, Miss L. Scott, Mrs. J. Tapp, Mr. H. Wrigglesworth, Miss Charlotte McCullough, Mrs. John Hunter, Mr. P. W. Cleave, and Mr. G. L. McGillivray.

who got things done. And people done in.

Before entering politics, the Honorable Joe, as the papers called him fondly, had fought his way to the top in the trade unions, thus learning what democracy was all about. His tough, no-nonsense treatment of creeping socialism in union ranks made him feared and respected by all. He ruled the unions fairly, with an iron hand. As President of the Canadian Destruction Workers' Union, he once shouted from the platform, "If you can't beat 'em in the union hall, beat 'em in the alley!"

Oh, dear. We've run out of space. But all will be revealed in next week's column. In the meantime, don't rush out and buy a shotgun, or start forming a resistance movement.

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FOR SALE



HARLEY TO HALTON

Weekly Observations by
Dr. Harry Harley,
M.P. for Halton

ON A NORMAL working day it is not uncommon now to have nine separate Committees meeting in an effort to get through items of business before Easter. My own Committee Drug Costs, and Prices, is meeting three times daily in order to complete its report. This explains the noticeable lack of Members in the House of Commons during the sittings at the present time as many of the Members are scattered throughout the building attending Committee meetings.

I AM VERY pleased that the Federal Government has now approved Phase I of the Flood Control Programme of Oakville at a total estimated cost

of \$2,386,000. This cost will be shared by the Federal and Provincial Governments and by the Halton County Conservation Authority. The Federal Government's contribution will be \$804,750, (37% of the total cost).

I AM SURE the residents of Halton are aware that the widening of the Queen Elizabeth Highway has been carried out to approximately the Ford Motor Company. This decision at this time will allow for further widening and reconstruction of the Queen Elizabeth Highway as the Flood Control Programme does influence the culverts in this area.

IN THE MAIL BAG

KNEW PAY, SO WHY RUN FOR OFFICE?

14 Elizabeth Street,
March 17, 1967.

Dear Sir:
I have just read Deputy Reeve Speight's proposal for an increase of \$10.00 a meeting.

I understand at election time these men ran for offices for the good of the town, now it seems, in my mind anyway, that some are more interested in what they can get out of it for themselves.

If they did not want to do the duties for \$30.00 a meeting,

then why did they bother to run, I imagine there are a few more like me "wondering".
— Mrs. Johan Chard.

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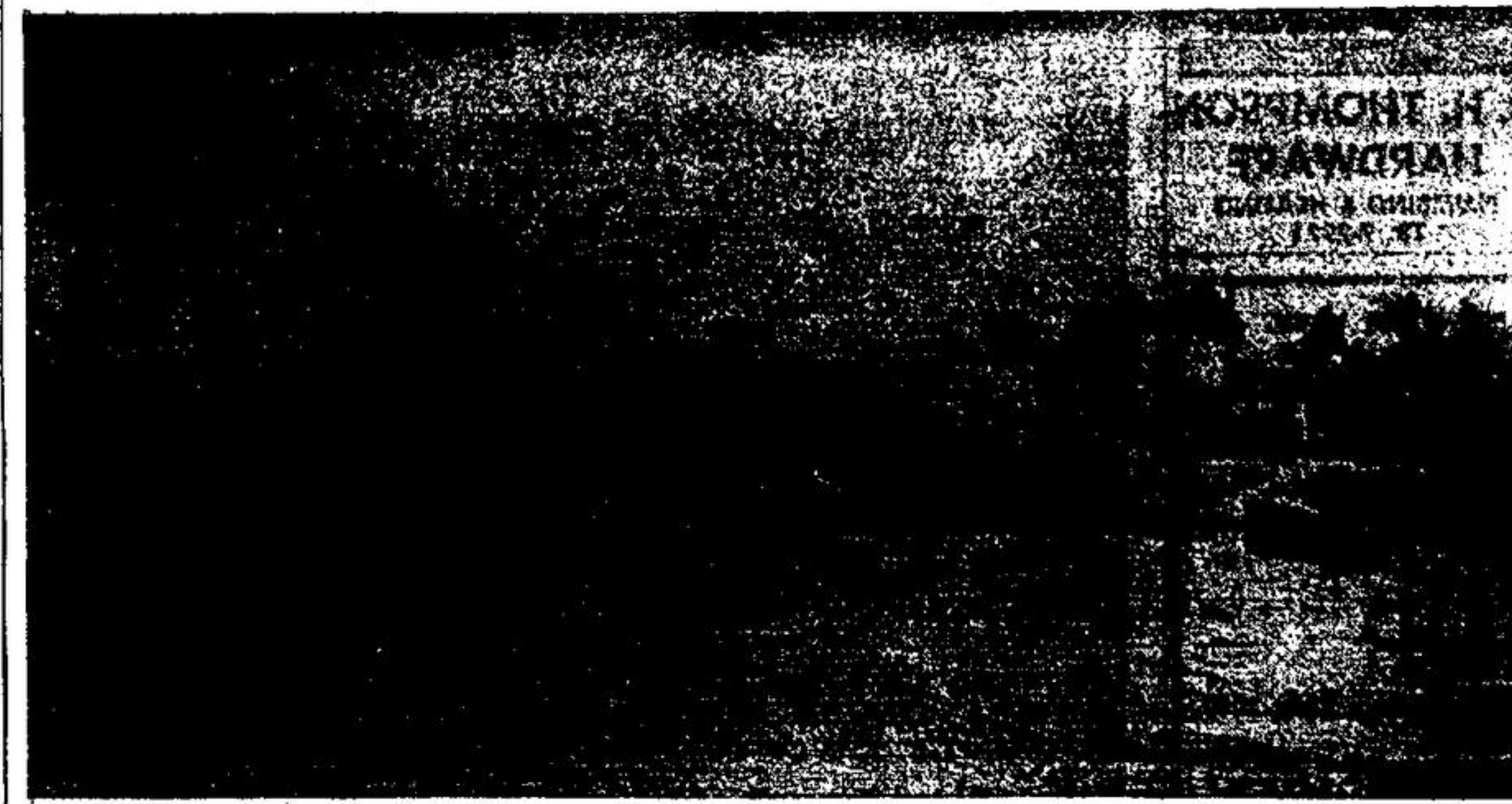
ORANGEVILLE

Police are investigating a robbery at Lisanti Tile which netted a thief or thieves \$360. A police officer noticed the store's door unlocked while making his rounds.

BRAMPTON

A cheque for \$10,000 was received this week by Mayor William Brydon from Brampton Mi-

TURNING BACK TIME SERIES



GLEN THRIVING VILLAGE AT TURN OF THE CENTURY

THIS PANORAMA SHOT of the middle of Glen Williams village was taken from a dam a few yards upstream from the bridge on the community's main road, just after the turn of the century. The large building in the centre is the Barreclough Mill which was razed by fire a decade ago. The postcard from which this photo was taken was loaned to The Herald's 'Turning Back Time' series by John Evans, 60 Edith Street.