

Honking Anthem, Caravan Rolls Into Georgetown

Its claxon horns blaring out the first four notes of "O Canada" the Confederation Caravan rolled into Georgetown early this morning to open a three day exhibit in Georgetown Park.

The eight giant tractor trailers that make up the Caravan were accompanied to the site by a police escort. There the drivers arranged them in a quadrangle, set up the mobile

regional exhibits, entrance gangways and bridges between trailers — and at 11 a.m. the show opened.

The Caravan's Georgetown stop will last three days, and from 11 a.m. until 11 p.m. daily visitors can experience the development of Canada from primeval times to the present.

To insure local senior citizens a chance to thoroughly inspect

the exhibits the municipality will provide free bus service to and from the park Friday afternoon. The Caravan's trailers are reserved for senior citizens only from 2:30 to 3:30 on that day.

It's not a museum or an art gallery or a history lesson. It's more like a time machine trip to visit people of all walks of life who lived and worked, laughed and wept in Canada before we came along.

This major Centennial Commission project took almost four years to produce from idea to fact.

Visitors to the show find the trailers — the biggest ever made in Canada — arranged in a quadrangle, with an entertainment stage near the entrance and towering triadetic displays inside the formation.

The triadetics tell in sound

and light and photo the development of this region of Canada. Several of them have cranks so the visitor can activate miniature shows himself.

But the main show is inside the seven exhibit trailers (the eighth provides storage for the triadetics.)

The tales are told with still and movie pictures, life-size mannequins that move, intricate

miniature figures and scenes, reproductions of full-size rooms and outdoor settings as well as hundreds of artifacts.

You experience life as it was lived in the Indian villages, a tailor shop, of Lower Canada, the gold rush days, the Roaring Twenties, and the Great Depression.

You see the Ming vases and fine silks the explorers were

seeking when they found Canada by mistake; tiny sculptured figures of the Fathers of Confederation, a rifle and gas mask of one war and bomb fragments of another, a stock tieker rattling through the '20 crash.

And the sounds of other times are all around you — the chant of the voyagers probing the heart of a continent, the

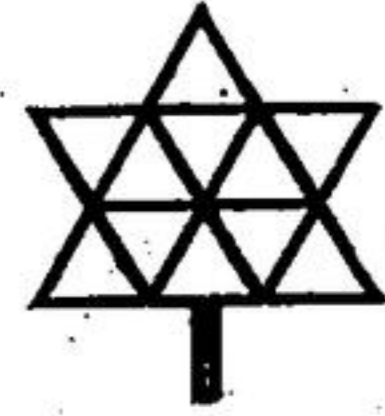
garrulous laughter of a tavern of Upper Canada, the puffing and clatter of a Prairie bound steam engine, the shriek of bomb and shell in war.

Many visitors signing the guest book after touring the Confederation Caravan feel they know a little more about the people who passed this way before us.



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Bargains Go Outdoors

Sidewalk sales are spreading in popularity. Last week merchants in Georgetown Market conducted their second annual event.

Next week, downtown merchants are planning a similar feature.

Monday council granted permission to merchants to use part of the sidewalk area for the latter three days of the week, as well as permission to a radio station mobile unit to park in the median strip.

Interview Four for Assessment Position

Four applicants for the position of assessment commissioner were invited to a council committee interview Wednesday night.

The position became open when C. J. Hibbert resigned to take a new position in Peel County. Tom James, an assessor in the department has been acting commissioner for the past month.

THREE-MAN BOARD TO DIRECT POLICE

Hire 26 New Teachers For Esquesing Schools

Twenty-six new teachers have been hired to teach in Esquesing schools this fall, with two being principals, James Kennedy leaving the North York school system will be principal at Limehouse, replacing Eric Balkind who is now co-ordinating principal of all Esquesing schools, while Mrs. Eleanor Hilton of Milton will be principal at Norval school replacing Jack Reed who has moved to the new Stewarttown Senior School.

At Glen Williams the five new teachers are Mrs. Katherine Newman of Georgetown, Mrs. Margaret Felce of Georgetown, Mrs. Winnifred Jackson of Port Dover, Mark Garner and James Barrett, both coming from Hamilton.

At Limehouse, in addition to the new principal are Miss Carol Lawrence of Esquesing, and Thomas G. Travis of Toronto.

Speyside school will have three new teachers, Miss Katherine Bowman of Thornion, Miss Vanessa Hessein, of Toronto, and the 1967 Dairy Princess Carol Swackhamer of Acton.

Pineview will see four new teachers, Mrs. Judith Bassett from Windsor, Miss Judith Rayworth of Burlington, Miss Elizabeth Belton of London and Miss Beth Buderick of Toronto.

Okay Carwash On Highway

A permit to construct a carwash which would have an exit on the highway and an entrance on Mountainview Road was granted by council on Monday to Malcolm Swim.

The new business will be located between the Fina Station and the Stannicks-Halbert Real Estate office.

Cr. Jim Young was the only opponent, saying he is still not satisfied that the business will not create a traffic safety problem with customers exiting on the highway.

Council Votes Itself Out of P.D. Matters at Special Meeting

Georgetown will have a Board of Police Commissioners.

At a special council meeting Monday, which preceded the regular 8 p.m. meeting, third reading of a by-law to establish the commission passed on a 7-2 vote. Reeve Hunter and Cr. Harrison voted in opposition.

The commission will comprise the mayor, a judge and one other citizen and will replace the present system of having a council committee handle police matters.

At the same meeting, Roy Haley was reinstated as police chief. Reeve Hunter and Cr. Ballentine voted against this motion.

Chief Haley was suspended by council on June 2nd at a meeting at which the Ontario Police Commission was asked to conduct an investigation into his conduct and performance. The chief had requested such an investigation in January, claiming his ability as administrator had been questioned on numerous occasions in the past two years. He had also asked that qualifications of all police officers be examined at the same time as to their capabilities of becoming chief executive officers.

Council was later told in a letter from OPC chairman R. P. Milligan that a suspension can be made only if the chief were charged with an offense. Mayor Gibbons said council had no thought of laying any charges but was concerned that the town is not getting the policing it requires.

Subsequently the OPC sent two men to town to conduct an investigation and their report is now in the hands of the commission.

It is believed that another special council meeting is being called later this week, and that there will be further developments in the matter at that meeting.

Chamber of Commerce Peps Up Program, Seeks Members

Georgetown Chamber of Commerce is in the midst of a promotion plan to increase membership and become a more vital force in the community.

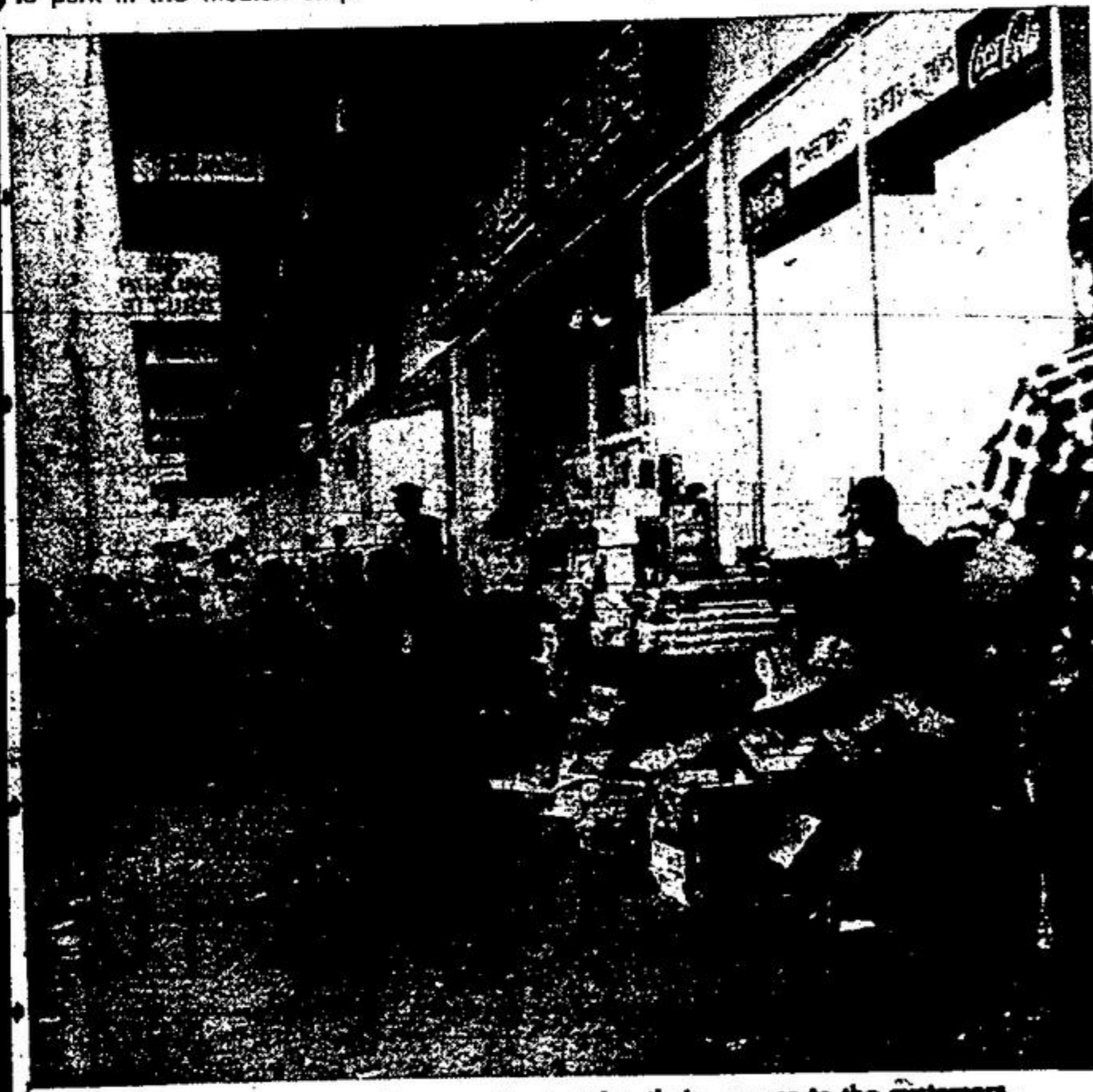
The Chamber is considering a "Get Acquainted" night in October open to all interested citizens in town, with possibly a representative of the Ontario Chamber as guest speaker. Later, at a business meeting, a budget and year's program would be presented.

Later, there would be more social and business meetings, with an annual meeting scheduled for May or June.

Irwin Noble was elected president at a recent meeting, succeeding Dick Licata, who has taken the post of treasurer. Murray Henley continues as secretary. Bob Lane is 1st vice president, and Sandy Mackenzie, 2nd vice president. Alex Blackwell, Wm. F. Hunter, William Cronar and Connell Smith are directors.

Committee chairmen include Jim Warren, civic development; Ed Wiener, retail; William McNally, industrial; Walter Biehn, public relations; George Miehms, ways and means; Jim Jones, social and arrangements.

The Chamber is discussing suggestions for improvement to the entrances to town and has examined pictures of other town entrances to get ideas.



Georgetown Market merchants take their wares to the customers.



A mannequin smiles from inside a shop window as mother and daughter stop to inspect the bargains in summer dresses in front of a plaza store.

Plan Reduced Speed Limit On Highway Through Town

Motorists on Highway 7 will soon be having a more leisurely trip through town as it is planned to reduce the present 45 and 35 mile limits on the rest of the highway to a flat 30 miles per hour.

Council on Monday took first action to reduce the speed limit, passing a new by-law to provide a 25 miles per hour speed limit from Maple Ave. to Kennedy Street, north of the highway bridge.

And police chairman Jim Young said that at a later date

Jail Guards Certified, Become Bargaining Unit

Twelve guards at the Halton County Jail have been certified as a bargaining unit by the Ontario Labour Relations Board following a hearing in Milton Wednesday of last week.

Spokesmen for the guards are expected to meet soon with members of the Halton County Council personnel committee and personnel officer John Watson.



RING AROUND THE FATHERS

RANK AND FILE CANADIANS in sculptured figures revolve slowly around a disc carrying figures of the Fathers of Confederation. This sculpture by Sylvia Lefkowitz of Montreal and Milan, especially for the Confederation Caravan and Train, is part of the Caravan display in Georgetown Park from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily until Saturday night.