

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Seek Consultant Advice

Council's action in seeking advice from a firm of consultants on a plan to add a population of 10,000 in the south end of the municipality, is eminently wise.
Georgetown's transition from a little town of 2,500 to its present population of close to 13,000 has not been all smooth sailing.

gave a large share of protection, but still did not demand enough in the way of roads and storm sewers.
Today our subdivision by-laws have been updated to provide safeguards against most of the major expenditures which could plague the tax rate. But when it comes to such a large proposal, it is a difficult task to ask council to decide on its merits.

Youth Speaks Up

A Herald editorial on censorship aroused considerable interest, including an unprecedented four Mail Bag letters, all critical on our stand that censorship of student publications is necessary.
Others, who did not write letters, presented arguments on both sides.
We were impressed with one young man's opinion that some adult censorship is necessary, too. It is Canada's shame that we have not only allowed an infiltration of smutty American magazines and degenerate European movies, but we have stood idly by while the Canadian Broadcasting System, which takes a healthy chunk of our tax money, has produced shows which are not fit for a stag party, and certainly

ly not fit for the eyes and ears of young Canada.
We expected, and appreciated, the reaction from teenagers. It has not changed our opinion, and these young people, in their formative stages of thinking, will be the first to agree with us some years hence.
If we have anything to add to what has already been said, it is to wonder at adults who lend encouragement to the younger generation to express themselves in opposing the authority of adults. Granted, the adults haven't done too wonderful a job of making this sad old world anywhere near perfect, things could be tougher yet if we are to deprive young people of the guidelines of experience.

No Longer Rural

If one still thinks of Esqueusing township as a bucolic rural retreat, mainly inhabited by farmers and a few urban devotees of country living, last week's news about a township fire department will soon dispel this.
The township council's action in initiating its own department, with tenders called for its own firehall, is a startling example of the fact that the township is rapidly being urbanized.
The move is logical, of course, for figures show that over half of the township's assessment is derived from urban type houses and industry. And as each year passes, this ratio, will increase, for it never

happens that houses will be torn down to be replaced by farmland.
One wonders at what future date, Esqueusing may cease to exist as a municipality. Already it has lost some of its acres to neighbouring towns. Eventually, like Nelson and Trafalgar townships, it may disappear into one or more larger areas, with three towns breathing down its neck, and Georgetown, particularly, already eyeing more industrial land in its economic dreams.
In one aspect Esqueusing shares the tragedy of the fertile land around Ontario's metro region. What should remain farmland cannot escape the fate of urbanization as the cities sprawl farther and farther, devouring the countryside in their path.

FROM MY KITCHEN WINDOW

CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS

Margaret Gordon
Everywhere you look, people are making preparations for Christmas and the holiday season. Have you started yet, or are you a person who enjoys a last-minute rush?
A few days ago we walked into a downtown store, one of the many decorated inside and out with festive trimmings.
"Oo, mommy, look at the pretty decorations," my son remarked. "It must be time to get our Christmas tree up."
Once children see one sign, they seem to think that Santa is on his way, and everything must be done at once. Since we have been talking about all there is to do to prepare for the occasion.
Shopping can be fun or difficult. Have you heard remarks like these? "I don't know what to give great-aunt. She's got everything, but I do like to roam around in the homes. I helped something for my niece, but I haven't seen her for so long I don't know her size." "Look at this beautiful sweater. If my husband gives me a cheque, maybe I'll buy that. Usually the money gets spent on everyone but me." "Whatever I buy for

THE DISTRICT AT A GLANCE

There are cards to be signed and posted, turkeys to be bought and stuffed, presents to wrap — the list seems endless.
Why do we do all this each year? The answers are found in the birth of the Christ child that first Christmas morning, and in the family circle as carols are sung, gifts opened. Wouldn't you say it's a matter of loving and a feeling of goodwill to all?
ACTON — Skating on Fairy Lake is going to be different this year. Dredging operations have created a flow of water which will slow the freezing process. Last week children started onto the thin ice apparently unaware of the new hazards created by the dredging project.
BRAMPTON — For the second time in a matter of weeks an outbreak of head lice was discovered in a Brampton school last week. Public health nurses were called in by Principal Ron Mellon when he found lice eggs in the hair of four of his McHugh School pupils.
MILTON — "It was the same old story — we had the fire nearly out when we ran out of water" Chief A.E. Clement of the Milton Fire Department explained after a family of seven was left homeless by a blaze that completely destroyed their home.
OAKVILLE — United Auto Workers' Local 707 president Ed Bruce said he intends to nip in the bud any attempt by Ford of Canada to install television spy cameras in its Oakville plants. Ford officials say the closed circuit TV would be used only for security reasons.
ORANGEVILLE — Pedestrians have a false sense of security when they use crosswalks in



SHAKING THE TREE

HARLEY TO HALTON



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

THE GOVERNMENT has survived its first vote of non-confidence moved by the New Official Opposition Mr. Robert Stanfield. This occurred during the last supply motion for the current fiscal year and will be the last formal vote of confidence in the Government until April, 1968. There undoubtedly will be other opportunities, however, such as on the taxation measure that will be introduced next Thursday night by the Government. On the actual vote itself the Government had a 14 vote advantage, and at no point during the two-day debate did it appear to be in any serious difficulty.

SUGAR AND SPICE by Bill Smiley ARMPITS AND YANKS

Just a few observations on life in general, this week. I saw a play last weekend that would have made my little old mother's hair stand on end. Even though she wouldn't have understood it. It is called Fortune and Men's Eyes. Some of the language was straight off the walls of a public lavatory.
It's a play that will shock and sicken some people. And perhaps that is not a bad idea. It has paths and a macabre humor. But lavatory walls are a part of life. There's no sand to put your head in. Only the toilet bowl. And, while this is one way of washing your hair, it is not highly recommended.
This, again, by a logical association of ideas, brings us to hair. Hair on head is good. We'll agree to that. The balding man suffers. The balding woman dies a thousand deaths. Hair on legs is good if you are a man, bad if you're a girl. Same with arms. Chest? No question. How about armpits?
Armpits take us back to deer hunters and deer hunters to draft dodgers, so the circle is almost complete.
And my students, when I give them an essay to write, say, "But sir, what can I write about?" Answer: if you want to be a writer, write!
The reason I'm a bit misanthropic this week is that it's snowing. I hate snow.

Change Regulations For Water Safety

Effective February 1, 1968, the Leader-Patrol Awards will be a pre-requisite for all Red Cross Water Safety Instructor candidates. Since September the new age limit of seventeen years for instructor candidates has been in effect (as opposed to 18 years previously). The age limit of 16 has now been dropped to 15 for Leader-Patrol Awards. Any inquiries re courses are to be directed to Mrs. Bowden 877-4407.
It's the only place in the world where he can get back to the primitive pleasures of man: rude jokes around the fire; that has nothing to do with money or position; the feeling of battling against the elements; the absence of all stress except the physical; the eating of half-burned meat; the belching and the breaking of wind; the dreamless sleep of an animal after a day of exhaustion.
The killing of the deer is unimportant. He has proved to himself, by George, that there's a little juice in the old carcass yet, that he can take it without whining, and that he's liked for himself, not because he can do something for somebody.
This brings us, by a logical association of ideas, to modern theatre. It's concerned with the very same thing: a man trying to prove himself. The deer hunter would laugh at the playwright and playwright would laugh at the deer hunter. Each would think the other was emotionally crippled.

NEWS ECHOES

- Georgetown council has accepted with regret the resignation of clerk-treasurer P. B. Harrison for reasons of health, the resignation to take effect when a successor is hired early in the new year.
Riley Brethour, proprietor of Georgetown Dairy, was painfully injured in an accident at the dairy last night. While moving some equipment a heavy radiator dropped on him breaking a bone and crushing the toes in one foot and badly bruising his other leg. He was taken to Guelph General.
Esqueusing council this week established by by-law a community hall at Stewarttown with the following as a board of managers: Reeve George Clave, Deputy - Reeve George Curry, Mrs. Walter Lawson, Mrs. Robert Cunningham, Milton J. Brown, William Alexander and H. Craig Reid.
Local arguments about the Joe Louis - Jersey Joe Walcott fight will be settled when a news film of the fight appears at the local Roxy this week.
Georgetown council heard at their meeting this week that the new Municipal Building would possibly be ready for occupancy in January. Reeve Alex MacLaren was appointed to name a committee to furnish the new building.

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IS THERE A SANTA CLAUS?

Seventy years ago, eight-year old Virginia O'Hanlon wrote an appeal to Frank P. Church of the New York Sun: "Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?"
The same question is still important especially to the thousands of children on hospitals across the country.
Some lie in bed attached to a thin plastic tube leading to a plastic bag. It might be a bag of whole blood. It might be one of the many products de-

Orangeville Chief of police Jack Kent said all but one of the crosswalks are illegal because they do not meet Department of Highways regulations.