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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Room for Four

N.D.P. supporter, Albert Porter accuses The Herald in a mail bag letter this week of being biased, and recognizing only the two other major political parties.

Nothing could be farther from the truth.

The criticism is quite unjustified. The Herald is under no obligation to use its news columns for advertising upcoming political conventions, whatever the hue. Nor does it do so, without at least token support in its advertising columns.

However, Mr. Porter's letter brings up a point we have mentioned before. The Herald editor not only recognizes the three major parties, but wishes desperately for a fourth. Call it the Reconciliationists, the Revertists, the Old Order, or what you will, we believe Canada needs a group who want to return to the days when men were not blinded by his enterprise, his self-respect and his pride, by a cradle-to-grave philosophy which has permeated every politician for the last quarter century.

There must be more like us in Canada, who want a modicum of social benefits without the stifling oppression of bureaucracy which has permeated our provincial and federal governmental systems.

Conflicting Theories

Mr. Porter's letter prompts one query which has puzzled us for some time about the New Democratic Party.

The NDPs have been most outspoken, and in this they side with at least one wing of the Progressive Conservatives, in criticism that our economy is being taken over by foreigners, particularly the United States. Yet at the same time it seems to be a fact that a good share of the party's funds

We want health plans which will protect people against major expenditures, not one which encourages running to the doctor with every little ailment, and the doctors jacking fees up and up because they know they are assured of payment and a continuing clientele.

We want unemployment regulations which give legitimate aid when needed, not a sort of travesty where people pay in and expect to get their money back one way or another.

We want old age pensions for those in need, without the costly accounting necessary to pay these to everyone, then collect them back in income taxes.

We want the sensible old-type schools like Chapel St., not the architect's dreams which use picture windows which must then be covered with expensive drapes, flooring which irritates a teacher's feet in place of the tried and true wood.

We want government employees at Ottawa and Queens Park, qualified for their job, and willing to do a day's work.

We want Canadians to regain some of the courage, the hard work, the dreams that our ancestors had when they came to a new land to carve out a better life for themselves and their children.

comes from labour unions who are largely dominated by Americans.

Does this not place the NDP in an awkward position, should they gain power at Ottawa?

Can one deny business the opportunity to invest in Canadian industry, while accepting the dictatorship of other U.S. big businessmen — Reuthers and the Hoffas who exert such huge influence on our Canadian economy?

here, whether at such functions as the fall fair or a remembrance service, or as a speaker to a service club, or participant in a panel discussion, he has always given his best.

He has the quality of liking people, which is reflected in people liking him. And the sizeable majorities he accumulated in elections is, perhaps, more a personal thing, than an indication of Halton's political preferences.

His retirement will undoubtedly mean a much closer race this time.

THE DISTRICT AT A GLANCE

ACTON — Members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade were accorded a standing ovation by over 100 citizens and admirers gathered in Acton music centre to honour the brigade at the annual Citizen of the Year Dinner.

ORANGEVILLE — Ontario Hydro's conference and development centre, just north of Orangeville, will be viewed by the general public in June when it's expected it will be completed. A special press preview of the \$1.8 million centre was given last week.

MILTON — Milton council has authorized solicitor D.A. McConachie to make whatever arrangements he considers necessary to bring the town's annexation application to a successful conclusion. The town hopes to annex 2,200 acres, most of it from Oakville and the rest from Esqueville Township.

OAKVILLE — Two hundred and fifty Oakville residents volunteered to donate their eyes on their death, to sightless persons during an eye bank campaign conducted there by the Oakville Rotary Club. Last year the club purchased a container for the eyes, which is kept at Oakville - Trafalgar Memorial Hospital.

NASSAGAWEYA — The heavy equipment school on Nassagaweya's sixth line will be taken over as a branch of Sheridan College, probably this fall. It was announced recently the school has been in operation under the Provincial Institute of Trades and Occupations branch of the Department of Education for the past two years.

CHINGUACOUSY — Chinguacousy's 1968 mill rate will remain exactly as it was in 1967. Major factor in stabilization of the rates is Chinguacousy Public School Board's demand for only \$483,950, a drop of close to eight mills from their 1967 request.

FIRST AID FOR SICK LAWS

By Henry Stanley
Halton Agricultural Rep.

Now is the time that your lawn should receive attention. If you have poor areas in your lawn, or wish to seed a new section, this is an excellent season in which to do it. Moisture is available, the soil temperature is low, and weeds are not a problem, and weeds are not a problem, and weeds are not a problem.

Work the area well, level it, and then apply fertilizer. A mixed fertilizer such as 5-20-10 should be applied at 25-40 lbs. per 1,000 sq. feet, and raked in just prior to seeding. A seed mixture of 2/3 Kentucky Bluegrass and 1/3 Creeping Red Fescue should be seeded at 3.5 lbs. per 1,000 sq. ft. Seed 1/2 of the mixture in each direction and then rake to cover the seed to a depth of 1/8 to 1/4 inch. Rolling should then be carried out providing the soil is relatively dry.

For established lawns an application of 10-10-10, at approximately 15 lb. per 1,000 sq. ft. is adequate. This farm fertilizer is much cheaper than ordinary lawn fertilizers and is equally effective providing it is spread properly.

Weeds are emerging. Dandelions can easily be eliminated by an application of 2, 4-D. As soon as the temperature is 80 degrees or higher you should spray the dandelions — do not wait until they mature and the seeds blow around. If Creeping Charlie or Chickweed are problems, the 2,4-D should be mixed with Mecoprop or Fenoprop (Silvex). The early spring, when these weeds are just growing rapidly, is an excellent time to eliminate them from your lawn. The one thing causing more grief to lawns than anything else is the cutting of the grass at too low a height. As water becomes scarce, and the temperature gets warmer, the roots dry out and the lawn turns brown. By keeping the cutting height at approximately 2" this can be remedied.

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ONE OF A SERIES

Market Value vs Assessed Value

By Marshall Bain
Georgetown Assessment Commissioner

HALTON EAST M.P.P. JIM SNOW REPORTS



THE MAJORITY of the time of the Legislature for this past week has been spent on the consideration of the Estimates for the Department of Health. The Health Department, being one of the largest individual budgets for the current year, has taken considerable time and debate and as of this date, is only about half completed.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL has announced that the government has recommended to the Lieutenant Governor that the Law Enforcement Act, 1967, be made effective April 1st, 1968. This Statute which will provide basis for compensation for injuries received by persons assisting police officers in the enforcement of the laws will be welcome in its application throughout Ontario. All matters relating to the administration of the Act and to claims under the Act, should be directed to the secretary of the Board, Mr. Gordon Mullin, 31 Edgewater Avenue, Toronto 18, Ontario.

DURING THIS week the Legislature gave second and third reading and received Royal Assent from the Lieutenant Governor for Bill No. 89 an Amendment to the Planning Act which will affect the rural areas of the Halton East Riding as it now deletes the clause whereby parcels of land of 10 acres or more do not require Committee of Adjustment approval prior to land separations.

ON WEDNESDAY afternoon the Honourable Darcy McKeough, Minister of Municipal Affairs introduced the legislation for the setting up of a first regional government area in Ontario. This is the Ottawa-Carleton area and includes mainly the City of Ottawa and the County of Carleton along with other adjacent areas. Several studies have been made throughout the province, considering all aspects of regional government including the one we are most familiar with, the Plunkett Report for the Halton and Peel area. The Carleton legislation is the outcome of the report made in that area along with many consultations with the representatives of local government.

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SUGAR AND SPICE by Bill Smiley

Please, Keep It Simple

Don't be surprised if you hear of Chas. Whipp turning up in Rio de Janeiro under an assumed name, like Horace N. Buggie Whipp.

It's taking a terrible beating on the polls, all the way from Chilliwack, B.C., and North Battleford, Sask., right down to the east coast.

Maybe Charlie has received the same amount of mail on his poll, but I doubt it. And thanks, all you kind, warm people who took the time to encourage me to go on telling it as it is, and telling Charlie that... well, never mind. Let's drop it. He's probably a nice guy who has to snarl at somebody every so often to retain his sanity. I do.

Like right now. My wife, who has been away at college for six months, is lying on the obsequious. After half a year of cooking, I'm still doing it. She had an operation, but it wasn't on her mind. Or her tongue. They're as active as ever.

My kid, who has about 20 days to avoid being a Grade 12 failure, and at the same time is supposed to be preparing for her A.R.T.C. exam, is lying in the neck, groaning, will...

My son left Monday for the wilds of Northern Quebec, to make his fortune. For the 4th time. With a little stake from

When the Assessor views a property to place a value upon it, he must realize that the type of construction is similar to other buildings in town. Therefore, when he makes his valuation he must be sure that he is placing the same value per unit on this building as he has previously in assessing similar buildings. The onus is on the assessed taxpayer to point out to the Assessor, that he is not equitably assessed in relation to similar properties in the town.

In Georgetown we consider also, type and quality of construction, plumbing, heating, additions such as finished rooms in basements and garages also the use of the building is put to and in the case of income producing property, we also consider the rental value.

If the Assessor uses his guides and manuals in the best possible way he finds that the assessed value will consistently represent a certain percentage of actual or market value.

When the market value for houses increases drastically as is the case in Georgetown, the assessment must be increased to obtain approximately 1/3 or market value.

When property sells it must be assumed that the typical sale with typical financing would indicate that this would be the best present day market value of one property and others similar to it. A true sale must be considered "Arms Length" or defined as a sale from a willing seller to a willing buyer with reasonable time to decide on the part of both parties and that the sale was not under any economic pressure.

All the guides, manuals and sales data do not cover every situation, for the Assessor, he must rely in many cases on a sense of good judgment and his experience.

In the next article we will deal with Assessments as the basis for taxation and its relationship to the taxes and the mill rate.

Steel Milk Tanks New Township Industry

A new industry manufacturing steel milk tanks for transport trucks will soon build a 10,000 square foot factory and six employees' homes in Esqueville Township near Milton. Township officials reported, Tuesday a building permit has been issued to Paul Krohnberg of Krohnberg Manufacturing Limited, West Hill, for the \$50,000 plant. The firm owns 30 acres on the former Marshall farm on the Base Line Rd. where Highway 401 crosses the Base Line. The firm also plans to build six homes on the site.

NEWS ECHOES

From the Herald of 10 and 20 Years Ago

1958

Speaking to home and school association members on Monday evening, a Halton County Health Nurse said Georgetown public school children, have as many cavities in their teeth as all of the other school children in the entire county combined. The information was based on a recent survey of county school age children by the Health Unit.

Sod was turned at a ceremony Sunday evening for a new rectory for St. Alban's Anglican Church, Glen Williams. It is the first stage in a building program which will eventually see a new parish hall and a cloister which will house the church, rectory and hall in one building.

Meeting fees for eight Georgetown councillors were increased to \$13 and the mayor's allowance to \$1500 yearly at Monday's council meeting. The council increase passed by a slim 5-4 margin on a recorded vote.

Lawrence Rayner, 12, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orval Rayner, Paper Mill Rd., is in Guelph General Hospital recuperating from injuries received in a shooting accident Saturday. The boy was shot when a bullet, fired by another boy, ricocheted off water.

Corporal Reg Reynolds, head of the Georgetown Provincial Police detachment, since its inception here has been transferred to police headquarters at Dundas.

1948

The Lions are planning to erect a bandstand in the park and are selling tickets on a number of valuable prizes.

Smith and Stone Limited have added plant No. 3 in Georgetown by purchasing the former Georgetown Manufacturing Company plant on Academy Road.

plet is not designed to help you. It's deliberately cloaked in language that the ordinary man does not understand.

For the guy on a salary, it's comparatively simple. His tax deductions, however they hurt, are made at source. But for the small businessman, the farmer, the contractor, it's a maze of pitfalls and pratfalls.

Here's a sample of the sparkling prose of the revenue man. It's entitled: **BALANCE PAYABLE OR REFUND:** It says, "As indicated on the T1 General Form, your Balance is to be determined by subtracting from your Total Payable (Tax and/or Cen-

ada Pension Plan contribution Payable on Self-Employed Earnings) the total credits (Tax deducted per T4 and T4A slips. Amounts paid by instalments and Canada Pension Plan Overpayment.)

What does that mean? And why the brackets? And why the capitals? It's not English. It's not comprehensible. It's pure gobbley-gook.

Ah, I guess I shouldn't get so annoyed. I can take it. I'm still working. But my heart goes out to all those on the fringe, who've worked like dogs all their lives, and wind up with dog food.

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IN THE MAIL BAG

Accuses Herald of Bias Against NDP Politics

87 Sargent Road,
Dear Mr. Editor:
It seems that your newspaper adheres to the dietum of the Toronto Star that there is room only for two political parties in our questionable democratic society.

I am inclined to agree but very much disagree on the choice of parties to remain. This is all prompted by your paper failing to carry a news release last week concerning an NDP nomination meeting.

Whatever the reason for failing to do so, the suspicion is that the habit of conformity and blind allegiance to traditionally oriented thinking political parties have led your board of management to disregard newer parties with new ideas that will benefit the Canadian populace.

The Tories although they created confederation, have been unable to make changes to the BNA act to conform to other progress over the passing years.

The Whigs have been talking of a Medicare Plan for the people just talking.

We are threatened with becoming a satellite country because of too much foreign investment.

If new political thinking is discouraged, it could well be the main reason that soon we will cease to remain an independent nation.
—Albert Porter

Gives High Praise to Youthful Marchers

117 Moore Park Cres.
Georgetown, Ontario
May 6, 1968.

Dear Sir:
Those who would deny the activities, or lack of activity of our present day youth, would have had a rude shock if they were out on the highways this last Saturday. The vast majority of the Oxfam walkers were young people, both those in Grade School and those in High School.

Expect 45,000 Voters Eligible in Halton

Approximately 45,000 voters the 180 polls. There will be two urban polls and one at each of the 36 rural polls. The 180 polls will be broken into eight polling districts. There will be 26 polls in Oak-

They were living proof that our youth still has 'guts' and that many thousands of them do care about their less fortunate fellows.

They were there in shorts, they were there in pants; they were there in leather jackets and in blue jeans; they were long haired and they were short haired.

They were tired but one could sense a grand feeling of participation and a feeling of comradeship. It was a privilege to be associated with these young people.

The community spirit met along the way was also a worthwhile experience and one which will grow with the next walk, when incidentally, I feel sure that we shall get more parents marching along with their children.

Well done Georgetown Youth.
Sincerely,
Richard C. Perrott.

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