

# Baseball, Soccer, Tennis in East End Park Plans

By next summer a five and half acre park running from Weber Drive beside Kennedy School through to Delray Boulevard, should be filled with children or grown-ups playing a variety of games.

The town graded the land after the Lions Club proposed to create the park on the town-owned property.

The Parks Committee of the Lions Club is headed by Lion Ernie Sykes, and his committee members are Stan Wade, Fred Zorge, Ray Harlow and

Don Langton. In addition to this new park they still plan to go ahead with renovations to the existing park.

The Lions Club would like to get in touch with all recreational groups, throughout the winter, to find out just what they want, before definitely deciding what should go in the new park.

GLEN WILLIAMS

## Church Party for UNICEF Canvassers

The CGIT and Explorer girls enjoyed a Halloween party in the church basement last Wednesday evening following their canvassing for UNICEF.

Angela Spence is recuperating at home after having her tonsils out last week in Georgetown hospital.

The November meeting of the United Church Women was held Monday night at the home of Mrs. Wm. Everson, Confederation Street.

The president, Mrs. Paul Wagstaffe opened the meeting with an article entitled "To Be Alive" and scripture from John 10, followed by singing, "The Old Rugged Cross" and prayer.

The secretary, Mrs. Heinz Steinfalt read the minutes. An invitation was extended to ladies to a meeting at Huttonville United Church on November 27.

A comical article on the trials of a nominating committee was read relating all the excuses members can find for not accepting an office in the group.

Cards and flowers had been sent to the sick. A financial report was given by Mrs. Fred Engleby. A prayer by the president closed the meeting and a lovely lunch was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barth, Faye and Trevor of Ingersoll spent the weekend with the C. Barths.

We extend congratulations and best wishes to Barbara Thompson and Norman Rhynold of Milton, who were married last Saturday in Knox Church, Milton.

— Mrs. Cecil Barth

SMILE

When a rich man loves them and leaves them, he usually leaves them plenty.

# Says Correctional Institutions Can't Be Far From Urban Areas

The majority of inmates of the proposed Halton-Peel Maplehurst correctional centre will not be dangerous offenders who would pose a threat to surrounding communities.

Escapes invariably try to get as far away as possible and he can recall no incidents of people in the immediate vicinity being attacked, according to Douglas Penfold, director of the professional services division, Ontario Department of Correctional Services.

He gave three reasons for not moving such institutions far from settled areas: professional training and treatment staff are far more easily obtained near urban centres; the new department of correctional services act provides for prisoners to work on projects in or near the local community as part of their rehabilitation training; public transportation and good roads are needed for visitors such as relatives, members of the clergy and professional people.

The new regional prison will replace the century-old county jails in Halton and Peel. It will be built in central Halton.

Both jails have been the targets for mounting criticism and a recent report on Halton jail described the facility as antiquated and in need of immediate replacement.

The most recent investigation into Halton jail came after four prisoners, one a convicted murderer, escaped. One of the four is still at large and the other three were caught within 24 hours after their jailbreak.

Penfold, co-author of the book, "Crime and Its Treatment in Canada" reviewed the field of crime and its prevention. He said inmates are sent to reformatories in Ontario for correction and rehabilitation, not punishment or retribution.

He said the new Maplehurst regional prison will consist of three units, a reformatory and a training centre for younger offenders, both with 200 inmates and a regional detention centre for 50 prisoners. The detention centre will replace the century old Halton County Jail

which has been repeatedly criticized by grand juries, and the Peel County Jail.

Penfold said a target date for completion of the first two units for a total of 400 inmates has not yet been set. The detention centre will be built later.

The department would like to commence construction as soon as possible.

Penfold stressed that the first two units, which will house inmates not incarcerated in Mimico Reformatory, will have greater security than Mimico. Perimeter fences around units will make them almost 100 per cent escape-proof he said.

"You can design escape-proof prisons and keep inmates under conditions I certainly wouldn't want to be associated with," he said.

Maplehurst inmates will receive skilled and semi-skilled training and even academic instruction for light industrial work.

Penfold said trade training in itself does not particularly contribute towards rehabilitation, since most prisoners are capable of learning these skills before they enter reformatory.

"The fact is they have attitudes which need changing before these training programs can take effect," he said.

The speaker said some trades can even increase a prisoner's skill as a criminal. Welding, for instance, can be used to cut open a safe.

The main factor contributing to their attitudes is their inability to accept authority figures Penfold said. Resentment of authority figures can sometimes be traced to their experiences with parents, teachers and others during their youth.

He said much will depend on the ability of the reformatory staff to treat inmates so that they want to change their attitudes towards society and authority.

In his personal opinion too much stress has been laid on psychiatry as a means of pro-

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viding answers to all behavioral problems of inmates.

"I believe that a hospital not a jail is the place for psychiatric treatment," he said.

Mrs. Smith: Your son, looks like his father.

Mrs. Brown: Yes, he can never find anything.

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