

OUR READERS WRITE:

Replies to town workmen

Dear Sir:
It usually would not be my habit to reply to a letter in which the writer does not sign his name, but I feel the "Town Workmen" whoever they may be, deserve a reply to their obviously misinformed comments.

They object to my comments regarding the futile attempt at filling the already water-filled potholes; let us clearly clarify this item promptly. Town workmen claim that the road was improved considerably thus preventing larger holes that would have resulted in a major repair job later on.

I agree! The improvement must have lasted at least that whole afternoon!
Now let's face it; it's very obvious that the entire street has required a major re-surfacing job for years, absolutely nothing was gained by filling water-filled potholes with a cold mix asphalt, therefore it was a waste of the taxpayers' money, and of the workmen's time, plus adding to the mess which is already there.

Now going on to town workmen's statement that the older part of town contributed to the services in Lakeview subdivision, all I can say is "so what". The homeowners of Lakeview have repaid many times over and are continuing to pay over and over again. I would also remind him of the condition of the Lakeview roads for the last 10 years, which have been pathetic, plus the fact that the money has been budgeted several times to "fix up Lakeview" but was always somehow depleted by some other little emergency. However, I must not forget that council actually came up with the amazing sum of \$10,000 for Lakeview resurfacing last year. Isn't that wonderful?

Town workmen, whoever they may be, next go on to inform me that I bought my home at a premium rate which has now doubled. Who are they kidding? If it has doubled it's been through plain hard work, and nothing else. I do not know any homeowner in Lakeview who received any "premium rate" when he purchased his home. All of us paid the market value at

that time; however most of us did have the privilege of hauling in top soil and sod to finish off the town's property from our lot lines to the ditches. Nobody saw the town rushing up to Lakeview then; even now, all ditches are maintained by the homeowners, this being a town function.

Finally, and the most comical of all, town workmen ask if I consider the job done by the town workmen in baling out my basement some time ago during a spring thaw as a waste of the workmen's time. I most certainly do! As to begin with, I do not have a basement, and secondly, no town workmen have baled out my house at any time.

However, I presume their reference is made to the time when due to bad planning and lack of council control of the subdivider who originated the subdivision, a river of water came down right through the Jeffrey Ave. part of the subdivision, and many of the homeowners had as high as two feet of water running through their driveways. If this is the episode referred to, I most certainly consider it a waste of taxpayers' money, because it should never have been permitted to happen in the first place, as council had been well aware of the situation many times before and didn't do a thing about it.

In closing, town workmen's letter seems pointless to me, as they are all taxpayers as well as I am. It should be their concern just as much as mine, and everybody else's where the taxpayers' money goes. They are paying the shot too.

In my letter, my criticism was not of the town workmen, but aimed at the obsolete system that permits these episodes to take place. In general, most people would agree that the town workmen do the best they can considering the facilities and direction available to them.

Constructive criticism is what a democratic society is all about.

Yours truly,
Iain A. Williams



"I HOPE IT'S A COUNCILLOR!"

Likes Free Press sports coverage

March 18, 1970
R.R. 3, Tottenham, Ont.

Dear Sirs:
I would like to thank you very much for the copies of your newspaper.
We were very pleased with the pictures of Jim.
Also, we enjoyed your paper. We

thought it was the best small town paper we've seen.
We think your coverage of minor sports is really great.
We were in Oakville for nine years and the children hardly got mentions.
Thank you very much.

Yours truly
Mrs. D. Wilson

Heart disease everyone's problem

Dear Mr. Coles: March 20, 1970.
Heart Month in Canada is now over, and on behalf of the Canadian Heart Fund, Ontario Division, please, accept our appreciation for your co-operation and assistance during our financial campaign in February.

Our objective this year was \$1,000,000, and although all returns are not in as yet, we are quite hopeful that our objective will be attained - maybe surpassed.

Without your willing co-operation in communicating our needs to the public, the Canadian Heart Fund would not be able to express such an outlook.

Heart disease is everyone's problem - and again our thanks for helping us bring to the public attention that - research should be everyone's responsibility.

With best wishes.

Yours very truly,
Ontario Heart Foundation

John Root's Irish up on St. Pat's day

When Wellington-Dufferin M.P.P. John Root wants to pay tribute to the Irish in the Ontario Legislature on St. Patrick's Day, it isn't often a matter of dispute.

But the deputy leader of the N.D.P., M.P.P. J. Renwick, thought there were other things more important for the Irish on this particular 1970 St. Patrick's Day. He tried to block Mr. Root's remarks and reopen discussion on the reported closing of the Dunlop Rubber Company in Toronto.

Mr. Renwick was disciplined by the speaker for duplicating his earlier remarks and when Mr. Root got up to speak, the N.D.P. M.P.P. Member said: "Mr. Speaker, I am not prepared to be made a person who cannot speak on a matter of urgent public importance in this House while they go on to a fatuous talk about one ethnic group in this community. Now let us cut it off - cut out the nonsense and let us get on with the business of the people of this province. It is just a lot of =/=/+ nonsense."

Mr. Speaker: Perhaps we could have some order and hear the honorable member." Several more interruptions were heard before Mr. Root gained the floor. Then he went on: "Mr. Speaker, the Irish people have made a great contribution to this nation, in spite of some of the comments that have just been made a few minutes ago, and I pay my tribute to them and to their patron saint, St. Patrick.
"My home township carries the Irish name of Erin. It started

to develop 150 years ago. We welcome within its boundary people who draw their blood lines from many racial origins and there we live together in peace and harmony. I would hope the members of this Legislature would adopt the same sentiment as we carry on the debates in this House."

At this point there were numerous interjections.

Mr. Root continued, "Mr. Speaker, as I listen to some of the comments across the way, I am reminded of something my father told me when I was a boy. He said if you kick an empty barrel you will get a lot of noise; if you kick a full one you will not get very much.

"Mr. Speaker, I have great pleasure in bringing you the greetings from my home Township of Erin and the Village of Erin, which are so attractive that even in the set-up of a Halton-Peel regional government they tried to draw us into that area. However, we stated our position.
"All the best to you, sir, on this St. Patrick's Day."

Indusmin exec. takes course

G. P. Reynolds, production superintendent, Indusmin Ltd., Acton, graduated on February 27 from the National Crushed Stone Association's Supervisory Training Program directed by Dr. B. H. Jarman, Management Consultant, Middletown, Virginia.

The course was held at Airlie House, Warrenton, Virginia, February 22-27 for the purpose of increasing the knowledge of supervisory methods; stimulating the investigation of good management concepts; studying the application of modern business methods; exchanging management ideas and information; fostering acceptance of the new and different; and stressing the application of the human factor in management.

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C.A.S. director panel moderator

Dr. Gordon Askwith, Executive Director of Halton Children's Aid Society in Milton, will be moderator at the Peel-Halton Regional Conference, to be held April 10 to 12, at Port Credit Secondary School. This year's conference topic is "People Power". Dr. Askwith will cover the subject "Exits from Poverty", concluding with a panel discussion on guaranteed annual income. All panelists are specialists in the social planning field.

This conference is co-sponsored by the Ontario Welfare Council, the Department of Social and Family Services and the public and private agencies in the counties of Peel and Halton.

Award grants to Authority

Provincial grants amounting to \$42,000 have been approved for the work of the Grand River Conservation Authority M.P.P. John Root reports this week.

Two grants of \$13,500 are being awarded to the Conestogo Lake Conservation Area and for work at the Belwood Lake Conservation Area. A further grant of \$15,000 is set aside for capital improvements in the Luther Marsh Conservation Area.

Held best cards

Winners of the euchre at the L.O.L. hall, Crewsons Corners, Saturday:
Ladies' high, Florence Teneycke, Low, Debbie Dewar; Men's high, Harold Campbell; low, John Dewar; lone hands, Gertrude Clarke; door prize, Willa Morrison.

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Mrs. MacArthur still against regional gov't.

Halton County is not ready for Regional Government just yet, according to Nassagaweya Reeve Mrs. A. MacArthur. Mrs. MacArthur said the future of Burlington and the prospect of a jetport for North Halton should be settled before the County enters regional government either alone or with Peel.
Mrs. MacArthur voted against a resolution that would see Halton push for regional

government as a unit with five local municipalities and internal boundaries to be decided later. The resolution was passed at the March meeting of County Council.
An amendment to the original motion was submitted by Deputy Reeves Gordon Agnew of Nassagaweya, Tom Hill of Esquesing and Ted Tyler of Acton. The amendment outlined a large territorial boundary for

Acton. Mrs. MacArthur voted against the amendment, not for it as reported earlier.

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