

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Hope It Doesn't Happen

Plans of Canadian National Railways to scrap two trains which provide handy commuter service to Toronto will not find favour with Georgetown residents who count on this to get them to and from their place of employment.

The railway says that it loses money on the train leaving Georgetown at 7.02 and the return train leaving Toronto at 5.25.

Discontinuance would mean that only those who work downtown with a 9 a.m. starting time could use a later morning train. While everyone would be forced to catch a later train home from the city at 7 p.m.

Actually it would mean that our already crowded highways would have to funnel several hundred more people from Georgetown, Brampton and Malton by car to their work, compounding an already serious traffic situation.

We would think that, instead of talk

of curtailing train service the situation should be in reverse.

Certainly commuter business is going to become more and more urgent in the future, and a GO train type of transportation will have to come to Georgetown some day. If anything, the government should be discouraging commuting by car. There seems no end to the millions being spent on superhighways, and the wider the roads, the more snarls this makes on city streets.

The day could soon come when it would be physically impossible for Toronto to handle all its passenger cars on downtown streets at certain times, and the only solution will be to stop access after a certain number of vehicles enter.

Channelling the money spent on highway construction into a GO train system could, in the long run, be an economy. It's worth a study.

Needed, New Curse Words

If the University of Waterloo student newspaper is indicative of other college publications, there is urgent need for some new, dirty words to be coined.

The latest issue contains two of our more descriptive curse words reproduced seventeen times on one page, a religious oath, and a derogatory cartoon lampooning a world-renowned Christian evangelist.

The immaturity and bad taste of those responsible is a prime example of the need for some control. How university officials, government and responsible college students can stand for such slurs on good taste, is a puzzlement.

If our universities are going to adopt the language of the slums, borrow the words which the illiterate use for want of a wider vocabulary, then it's time the so-called educated put their minds to work on some additions to our slangage.

Surely we should expect something greater from the small group which seems to have taken control of the Waterloo Chevroon. Pity our next generation if these foul-mouthed characters are to gain positions of

importance in the social and business world of the mid-seventies.

Language obscenities are only one sin committed by the self-styled intellectuals who seem to regard a university paper as their private playground at Waterloo.

The paper carries on a continuous anti-American, anti-establishment, pro-communist tirade. It goes out of its way to harass and embarrass faculty and administration. It damages the university image as a seat of learning. It would make any parent think more than twice about sending his young son or daughter there.

It creates a mental and social pollution as serious in its way, as the physical pollution so much in the news today.

Today's philosophy of no censorship, anything goes, has never been more apparently wrong than allowing a small group to thumb its nose at convention without retaliation.

Any good school teacher knows that he must allow juvenile pranks up to a point, and that his students must know when that point has been reached.

Can universities be different?



"IF CHARISMA WON'T WORK I'LL TRY JUDO"

IN THE MAIL BAG

Wants Culprits' Names In Court Convictions

Fort Norman, N.W.T.

Dear Sir:

As a subscriber to The Herald and former Georgetown, I read with regret the recent article relating about the police raid and arrests stemming from the illegal use of drugs.

I have often wondered why The Georgetown Herald seldom, if ever, publishes the names of persons involved in criminal offences, especially after court conviction. Possibly this is beyond your power and is policy set down by your employer. I cannot see what benefit it serves and feel your policy only leads to conjecture and rumour spreading, which I can well imagine was rampant after the above-mentioned incident occurred.

I am sure you will agree that one of the prime responsibilities of a newspaper is to inform the public in the most factual and fullest means at its disposal and this, I feel, does not include the omission of anything the paper has the legal right to print. In this day and age when there is continual outcry, often unwarranted, about infringements of people's rights, why should we protect those that disregard the rights of our laws. Often public recognition of the wrongdoer's identity is feared more by the culprit than appearing in court.

I am well aware that the names of juveniles cannot be published when they are involved in offences and there is sound philosophy in this ruling. Your paper's policy, it seems, treats everyone convicted of an offence as if they were a juvenile. Very few other newspapers follow this line. Let's in the future have all the facts which Freedom of the Press has given you, as a newspaper man, the Right to print.

— Yours truly,
T. A. Dobbie

IN THE MAIL BAG

Reverses Opinion, Says Ad Hoc Hearing Good

Dear Sir:

My letter of last week expressed keen disappointment regarding the meeting of the Ad Hoc committee on religious education in our schools.

This week however, I humbly apologize for my hasty conclusion that the trustees were not interested, and by their many questions to those who came to that meeting I must retract that statement as this was the most interesting meeting that we have attended to date.

Speaking for the Pentecostal Church was Mrs. Tholman who gave many points in support of religious education in the schools.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Hackett, R. R. 6, Milton also testified to the eagerness of the pupils at

the School for the Deaf to learn more about God and His holy word the Bible.

Another speaker was Mr. Maryfield (not sure if spelled right) and Miss Latimer of St. John's Church (United) of Oakville who said "We must stand up and be counted for Christ."

If the meeting of two weeks ago was a disappointment, the one held this week was a joyful experience that more than repaid us for the effort we made in attending.

The words, "United we stand, divided we fall" were never so apt in the past as it is today.

And as if it were a good omen, the meeting opened with The Lord's Prayer, thus vindicating the words of Mr. Bristow, we open our meetings with The Lord's Prayer.

After the meeting the visitors were invited to coffee and biscuits and gathered in little groups to discuss the points brought out by the various speakers. Those who opposed religious education were the Bahais and Mrs. C. L. Rea of Acton.

We came away with thankful hearts that there are still those who are ready to stand up for the faith once delivered to the saints which include, The whole word of God.

Our God is not dead. He still guides the universe. One look at the desolation of the moon surface should have convinced us that God created the earth for the habitation of man.

Sincerely,
— Katharine Cordaro

IN THE MAIL BAG

Terms Mayor 'Good Sport'

City of North Bay, Ontario, Canada

Dear Mr. Editor:

This is to publicly thank the citizens of Georgetown and their good Mayor, Steamer Emmerson for participating in our Winter Carnival and for being such a fine sport.

It is always refreshing to the writer to find men like Mayor Emmerson, who in addition to his good sportsmanship, is a sincere booster for his own community. This is a great asset for any community.

I am taking the liberty of course, of forwarding a copy of this letter to Mayor Emmerson.

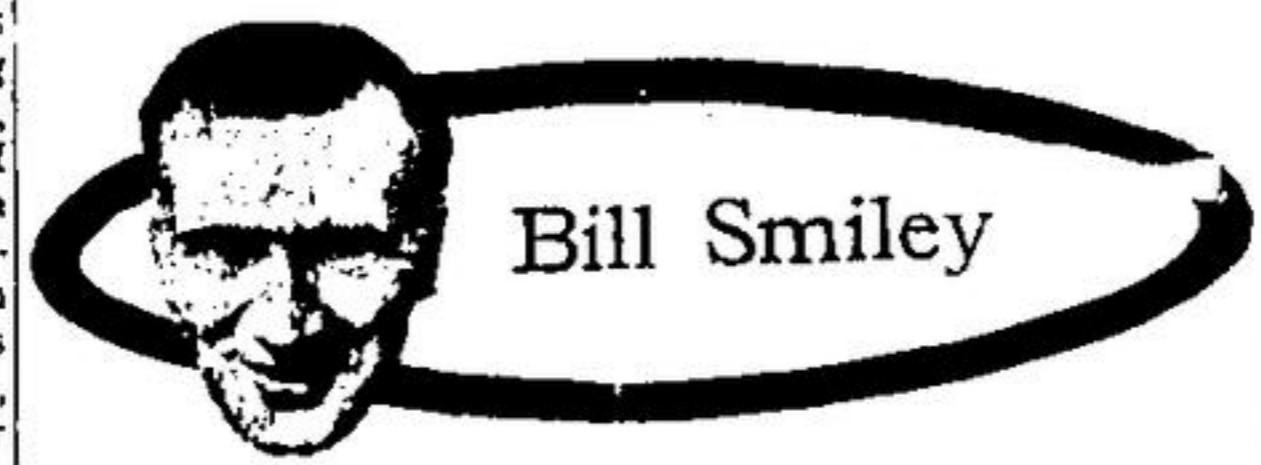
Yours very truly,
Merle E. Dickerson
Mayor

Residents' Protest Scraps Brick Plant

Strong protests from neighbouring residents have convinced Canada Brick to scrap plans to build a large brick plant on a 225 acre site between Terra Cotta and Cheltenham.

Residents of the area said they were worried about noise, dust, and pollution to the Credit River.

An application by the company to rezone the lands from agricultural to industrial had been made to Chingacousy Township Council. Council learned last week that plans were abandoned.



Bill Smiley

EVERBODY NEEDS A GLOW-ON

Beginning of March, and our neighbours still have their outside Christmas tree lights glowing.

Glowing with rage? Glowing with passion? No, they're just glowing because the snow is so deep they don't get out to unplug them.

But glowing is something there should be more of, especially in the miserable month of March. There must be something in this sad, rotten, mixed-up wonderful world to glow about. Let's find it, you and I together.

So, what glows? The sun. People. If the sun, or people cease to glow, they're dead. Ashes. Dust.

Just as our neighbors' Christmas tree lights are still glowing because they can't get at them for snow, our spirits, and yours, I hope, are glowing because they too, are still plugged in, and no amount of snow and ice is going to stop them from casting their light. There's always something to glow about, though at times our light seems to be hidden.

Our daughter is not as sick as she seemed. She's sticker,

and full of beans and plans and smiles. Glow. And that very evening she's completely pooped and depressed. Unglow.

And my wife, after 20 years of worrying and sweating about the kids (unglow) because they don't have any life insurance, has finally decided that it's high time she started worrying and sweating about me. Glow.

There are all sorts of things to turn off and on about, besides belated Christmas tree lights.

There's the state of your health, for example. If you can get along on anything less than all fours, you're in business. Ask any arthritic.

There's the state of your mind. If you have an IQ of 80, relax. It's probably higher than any mark you ever got in school. If you have an IQ of 150, relax.

Who needs it in this push-button world?

And then there's your spiritual life. If you believe that God saw the little sparrow fall, hully for you. And if you won-

der why He didn't do something about it, you've got plenty of company.

And, of course, there's pollution, the poor man's Communism. It's the capitalism of the 1970's. Everybody is against it. Except the big industries and the hydro and government and the town that wants a new industry at any cost. No-glow.

And there's inflation. This produces a very definite glow, especially among the middle class. Some of them are glowing so brightly they're apt to blow a fuse.

But there's always the Just Society. Just what, and just where, and just when, have yet to be resolved, but there's no question that we have a Just Society. Just as long as you're in the \$20,000 to \$30,000 bracket. No, definitely, glow.

We all glow occasionally. Let's try to glow a little brighter. But anybody who glows all the time should take a cold shower.

Sometimes my wife is sad. Sometimes she is wonderful. And sometimes she just plain glows. That's the best. Try it.

NEWS ECHOES

From the Heralds of 10, 20 and 30 Years Ago

- 1960**
- Avian Industries Limited announced last week that their company is beginning full production of the much talked-about go-kart.
 - A dam which would create a recreation lake in the Hungry Hollow part of Georgetown won't come in the immediate future unless the town finds a fairly god-mother. Reporting to council Credit Valley Conservation Authority officer Alex Maclaren said the million dollar dam would be a major financial responsibility for the town. The dam would receive a 25 per cent grant from the government and other municipalities would contribute, but the major part of the balance would have to be footed locally.
- 1950**
- Jack Sheffield, officer in charge of the local Provincial Police detachment has received a promotion to corporal. A member of the local detachment for three years, he assumed command last year when Corporal Reg Reynolds was transferred to Dundas.
 - The GRC hobby show was an outstanding success. Over 700 attended the three day show in St. John's auditorium last week to view the exhibits and see the stage performances. Everyone was loud in their praise and it was a most auspicious start to what everyone hopes will be a yearly event.

SAID IT IN '68

Conservation Authority Wants Terra Cotta Stay Picturesque

CONSERVATION COPY

Picturesque Terra Cotta with its scenic winding road has recently hit the headlines in papers across Ontario. Peel County engineers propose to widen and straighten County Road Nine into the village from the east — their excuse being to provide better access to the Terra Cotta Conservation Area, operated by the Credit Valley Conservation Authority.

As long ago as September 1968 the Credit Valley Conservation Authority went on record as opposing the modernization of this road to the extent proposed by the County of Peel. A resolution to this effect was passed unanimously and presented to the County at that time.

PRESERVE AND ENHANCE

It is the considered opinion of this Authority that the natural scenic beauty of this portion of the County Road (from the Fourth Line to the Town Line between Peel and Halton Counties) is an asset to this section of the Credit River Watershed.

Therefore be it resolved that the Credit Valley Conservation Authority request the County of Peel to preserve and enhance as much as possible the natural scenic beauty of this portion of the County Road when the proposed improvement works are undertaken.

This is still the feeling of the Authority . . . as of February, 1970. It is felt that some improvement can be made in the existing road without destroying the naturally beautiful valley. This is part of the joy of visiting Terra Cotta . . . a leisurely drive through over-hanging trees along the spark-

ling river to the picturesque village . . . then on for picnics and swimming at the Conservation Area.

TWO AUTHORITIES

Regional Government is much in the news these days. Looking at the map of the proposed Peel-Halton Regional Area from the viewpoint of the two conservation Authorities in this district, it can be seen that the Region encompasses both Credit Valley and Halton Region Conservation Authorities.

Early in discussions about Regional Government in Peel-Halton, Honourable Darcy McKeough mentioned that there was some thought of making conservation a committee of the new regional council. This has not been recently mentioned but it still sticks in the minds of ardent conservationists in these areas.

At the inaugural meeting of the Credit Valley Conservation

Authority it was again discussed and the following motion passed unanimously.

Whereas it is the belief of the members of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority that the administration and planning of conservation programs can best be achieved on a watershed basis,

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Credit Valley Conservation Authority strongly recommends to the Minister of Energy and Resources Management and to the Minister of Municipal Affairs that the present watershed system, as it applies to representation organization and jurisdiction, be continued until the practice of regional government will have been established, or, at the least for a period of five years.

Copies of this resolution were sent to the Honourable George Kerr, the Honourable Darcy McKeough and all members of Parliament in the Credit River Watershed.

Economize, Shelve Peel Field Study Centre Plan

A field study centre to be built near Terra Cotta has been temporarily shelved as a result of the Peel County Board of Education's \$40,000,000 budget.

The centre, to be located on 175 acres north of Terra Cotta was planned to include dining and dormitory facilities for students on weekend and week-long science excursions.

RELUCTANT

Although the board already owns the land, there is only a garage on the site. Board mem-

bers had hoped to be able to build the centre out of this year's budget, but in an effort to keep costs down, reluctantly put the scheme aside.

Students will still be able to visit the area on field trips.

DID YOU KNOW?

Eight to 12 rigid laboratory tests are performed on each blood donation to ensure that it meets the high standards of the Canadian Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service and Canadian hospitals.

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