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REGIONAL GOVERNMENT

Do We Like What We've Got?

Regional Coun. Ric Morrow from Halton Hills (the Georgetown end) is something less than happy about some of the actions of the municipal body on which he serves. He isn't afraid to level criticisms, and he has done so.

The councillor has expressed displeasure with the design-build concept now being adopted for the Georgetown arena complex, and he's also unhappy with council's unilateral decision to whack 10 per cent from municipal spending to help keep the mill rate down.

The councillor has a point in both regards. He's taking a stand against a pattern of action that a year ago was not considered sensible by Georgetown council in connection with the arena and he sees penny-pinching now stretching into extra expenditures later.

Both matters of concern are connected. Council is worried about lavish expenditures by departments on one hand and is actually wasting money already

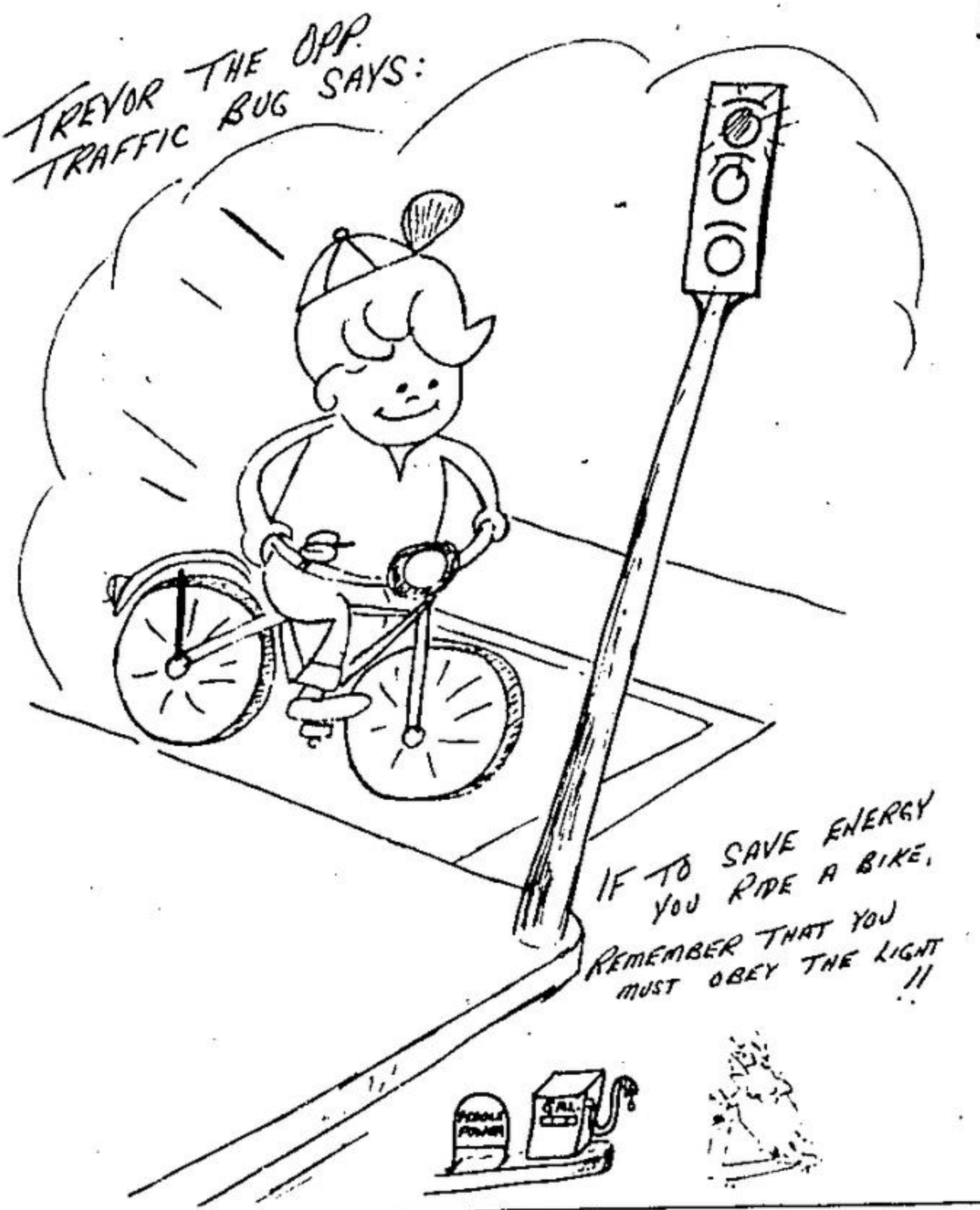
spent for services that will not be used on the other hand.

It used to be known as robbing Peter to pay Paul, but both guys are suffering in Halton Hills.

Coun. Morrow is providing the type of criticism that should be more in evidence at the council level, and among the public. Even the media have been a bit lazy in not hammering away at areas of expense on the municipal scene that will all become part of the record of Halton's entry into regional government.

On the face of it, we must begin to ask ourselves now if we have elected the best representatives to serve the region, and are they doing their best.

We aren't saying that our regional council is not acting in our best interests, but all of us should pay more attention to what is being done. And if we don't like what we see being done, then for heaven's sake, let's say so.



VIEWPOINT

Racial Discrimination Practised By Canadians

By G. Landborough
Terra Cotta

Canadians at present, pride themselves on an outward lack of racial discrimination. How often have you heard a friend or workmate speak of the appalling racial violence in the States? How true is it, that we don't have any real racial discrimination? Read the following then judge for yourself.

Native people (Indians) account for two per cent of Ontario's population. Of the inmates in provincial and federal jails, 12 per cent are Indian. More than half of all Indian families live in sub-standard homes better described as shacks without electricity. Only one in nine families have indoor plumbing. Approximately one in four reach Grade 8 - the end of their formal education. Of Ontario's Indian families 75 per cent exist on \$2,000 a year or less.

Every town in Ontario that borders on a reserve seems to be plagued with public drunkenness and some of all of the following: public defecation, urination, fires of unknown origin, drownings, suicides and murders.

Hector C. King, president of the Indian and Metis Association, has tried for three years to get decent drinking water for Armstrong, Ont. "I pleaded personally with Premier William Davis in Thunder Bay on October 27, 1973. Nothing has been done."

Decent drinking water would be defined as water free from human waste organisms, as recently testified by the public health department and found unfit for human consumption.

IGNORE THEM

But mind you one thing we don't have to worry about in Ontario is discrimination. Instead we just ignore our own doorstep, and campaign for help for China or India or Africa or some other deserving place where the native people don't have the benefits of the "good life" the way we do over here.

I recently spoke with a friend who had adopted two Indian children from a Kenora agency. When they asked for the children's medical history, they were

told there wasn't any. That's pretty sad, but I guess if you're making \$2,000 a year it's hard to get a doctor, let alone one who makes house calls.

The registered Indians who live on the reserves are the responsibility of the federal government. Those who live off the reserve are the responsibility of the Province in which they live. Instead of fringe benefits such as water, food and decent living conditions the Indian people should ask for something tangible like a road. Everyone knows that the government is always anxious to put in a new road - particularly a multi-million 4 year, tie-up road. Why they're doing it all the time and it's certainly much easier than handling a complex situation such as the plight of our native people.

In 1964 a brief was presented to the Ontario legislature telling of the deplorable living conditions of the Indian people. The changes since then are virtually non-existent. While withholding water and decent living standards it becomes so easy to speak of Indians that live in filth. Instead of Band-Aid the government should use the term Band-Aids because that's what the assistance amounts to a bandaid for a

further north have even stranger white man's ways to contend with. As all our native people their own language is completely forsaken, and English is taught. But such English textbooks refer to a field of daffodils, trains and buses, how strange to a child who lives in the Arctic and has never seen any of the above. But there is really no need for concern for the government has these problems under study, and we all know that takes time.

The recent armed takeover of Anishinabe Park in Kenora is merely a forerunner of things to come. Members of the Ojibwa Warriors Society armed and vowed to "fight to the death" for the 14-acre park they claim was taken illegally from them in both comical and pathetic. As the black people discovered endless patience doesn't get you anywhere. Personally, I believe in non-violent "power to the people" be they black, red, yellow or white. Let the Indians have the real power and authority to help bring about the long overdue necessary changes in their lives.

Do we have any real discrimination in Ontario? Such as the segregationist Governor of Alabama told Canadians that taunted him during his Toronto visit "If you've got any moral crusade to run, you can run it in your own country."

STRANGE WAYS

The Eskimo-Indians

READER'S FORUM

Report Is Inaccurate And Heavily Biased

Sir: An article which appeared in The Herald on July 26 concerning your correspondent's impressions of England contains gross inaccuracies. It is full of poor grammar, contradictions and heavily biased opinions.

Anyone who has visited England will know that hamburgers are readily available, English newspapers are of the highest journalistic quality in the world, and not all English people follow a strict routine. Furthermore, anyone who has lived in England will deeply resent the assumption by your reporter that her Canadian way of life is in any way superior to theirs. As it occurred to her that the

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Georgetown

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Summer Programs Created To Provide Student Jobs

Sir: SWORD, or more precisely, Student Working on Resource Development, is only one of a number of summer programs created by the Ontario Government to provide interesting, meaningful and productive summer employment for students.

Within the province of Ontario there are more than 1,200 students employed in this program. In the Central Region alone, we are fortunate to have 153 students helping us in managing and developing our natural resources. This is in addition to our regular summer student requirements.

To the students, SWORD means, aside from summer

employment, a chance to experience and become involved in the various phases of resources development. It allows students to demonstrate their abilities and at the same time expand their knowledge.

SWORD students perform a very important and active function within this ministry and we feel their contributions and valuable endeavours should not go unnoticed.

Should you wish to assist us by informing the public of the valuable services these students are performing, please contact either our

regional SWORD coordinator Dennis Simm, at the following address:

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Ministry of Natural Resources
10670 Yonge Street
Richmond Hill, Ontario
884-9203 (416)

Or, if more convenient, the nearest Ministry of Natural Resources District Office. We will be most pleased to provide information and assist your office in all ways possible.

A. H. Peacock,
Regional Director
Richmond Hill

Co-Operation Is Required On Inflation

The prospect of a near 10 per cent rate of inflation this year justifies the attention it is getting as Canada's major economic and social problem, according to Toronto Dominion Bank economists.

The summer issue of Toronto Dominion's Canada's Business Climate points out that Canada's rate of inflation, while high, is less than that of many other nations and, in addition, Canada's real growth this year will probably exceed that of most other nations. Throughout the balance of 1974, ebbing demand will contribute less and less to inflation, while rising labor material and other costs will contribute more.

"Continuing shortages of many goods for several years offer little prospect of a quick easing of price pressures and it will take some time substantially resolved," the report said. "This much sought after improvement would be hastened by a more stable international financial environment and even more by concerted international efforts (led by the major nations) rather than by simplistic remedies attempted by individual countries."

The world-wide inflationary phenomenon, which has affected Canada less than most other countries, originated when the postwar system of fixed exchange rates collapsed in 1971. The report argues that the outpouring of U.S. dollars on world money markets caused many central banks to expand their money supplies in an attempt to maintain currency stability.

ANNUAL GROWTH

"Throughout the industrial world, the rate of annual growth in money supply from 1971 to 1973 was double that of the period from 1968 to 1971."

The resulting sharp world-wide upsurge in "real economic growth reached a peak in 1973, outpacing additions to capacity and severely straining world resources. The explosive demand for a secure supply of real assets, partly reflecting a distrust of paper assets, has been reflected in a sharp increase in the prices of raw and semi-processed materials. At the same time, there were world agricultural shortages in 1973, which doubled many farm product prices. Last fall's world oil crisis, which quadrupled many energy costs, added to the problem.

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Seasoned Campers Aware Of Hazards

People are buying tents or trailers and related equipment in unprecedented numbers - much faster than new campsites can be developed to accommodate them.

Campers with a few seasons experience are well aware of a few hazards that change from the daily routine. This list is by no means complete, but here are a few hints and tips for safe camping:

-When tenting, plastic tent-peg may perhaps not last long, but they hurt much less if fallen upon.

-If you have young children around the camp especially, drive guy rope pegs flush with the ground. Toddlers may still trip or fall over guy ropes, but at least they won't be impaled on an exposed tent peg.

-When you feel the need of an overnight heating device, make sure first of all that it works efficiently. Most important, each new season read and follow manufacturer's instructions.

-Do not cook in the tent; some form of kitchen shelter is preferable.

-In particular, and this goes for cottage and backyard barbecues as well - never ever use a barbecue or Hibachi in an enclosed space, never in home, tent, or cottage as the burning charcoal gives off deadly carbon monoxide.

-When the time comes to light lantern, do it out in the open, not in the tent or trailer.

-Many people like the lantern inside the tent, especially on chilly evenings. Guard against tipping and

knocking over. If hung from a roof support pole or similar object, use a long enough wire to have the lantern at least 12-18 inches below the roof. Lanterns give off considerable heat in an enclosed space. Don't hang on string or synthetic rope.

-Always keep a pail of water handy to douse an evening campfire. Never leave it to burn itself out - it may not!

-Never leave any campfire unattended. Do not encourage children to play around the fire.

-A fire extinguisher is a sound safeguard. Trailering, it is a must.

-Do you have a spare wheel for a trailer?

-Never pitch a tent under a single tree, no matter how desirable the shade may be, in case of thunderstorms. In wooded areas, select a site where the tent is beneath smaller trees amid several taller ones.

Have a happy - and safe - camping trip!

-Safety Canada

Bible Verse

"This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear." Acts 2, 32-33

Heaven is the work of the Trinity. Everything is on time and in tune with what God the Father has planned and promised. The man looking for real fulfillment will find it as he becomes a part.

QUEEN'S PARK Special Measures Assist GO Train

BY DONO'HEARUN
Queen's Park Bureau
Of The Herald

TORONTO Better late than never!

The government is trying out double-deck coaches on its GO trains out of Toronto.

The CPR uses double-deckers on its commuter service out of Montreal and GO is borrowing some of its coaches for a two-week trial.

Half a dozen years ago Liberal Donald Deacon, who had surveyed commuter services in Chicago and other centres suggested GO should use double-deckers.

He was laughed at. But now GO, which has been a Liberal proposition from the start, has turned out to be so successful that the government is faced with emergency measures.

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match his quickness and wit in parliament.

But with Stephen it's a case of "No, thank you."

He has a very comfortable home with a young family.

And he can scent blood in the next provincial election.

It was notable in the recent federal vote that though the NDP lost seats in Ontario it pretty well maintained its popular vote.

LABOR PRESSURE

A piece of good news is that forecasters are now saying there will be a severe labor shortage in Canada by 1980.

Good news - but also bad news.

For labor shortages also mean inflationary pressures as wages rise with them. And it will be harder than ever to restrain what appears now as our almost uncontrollable inflation.

The shortages also impose a further test on government.

Will they look to the future and see that men and women are trained in the proper skills.

Or will they follow their normal course of being behind need and not start the required training programs until the demand is overwhelming.

What's Wrong Here?

We must be getting inured to inflation.

Otherwise, where are all the loud outcries that should accompany rumors of fantastic reports about giant increases in the price of antifreeze.

Can you imagine it? Antifreeze that could be bought for \$5 little as \$2.50 a gallon last year going for \$20 a gallon now? True or not, shortage or not, the prospects alone are staggering. Yet motorists have hardly given a toot.

Ripoffs no longer seem to matter in magnitude. And the current talk about antifreeze and its costs, all based on supply and

demand, can't be construed as anything but a ripoff, real or imaginary. But where do we start to show our concern?

Canada, it is said, is not affected as much by the current round of world inflation as other nations, but in some areas, the affect seems to be overly pronounced. If antifreeze, indeed, is approaching gold in value, then we are all headed for a real winter of discontent.

If the price of antifreeze is shooting skywards, then can other prices be far behind?

Something's wrong here.

Humor Where You Find It

Humor is where you find it and sometimes it turns up in the most unexpected places.

A routine-looking promotion package from Abitibi Provincial Paper contained a portfolio of bonds, ostensibly a promotion piece for fine paper. But the sample pieces contain some amusing reading.

Consider the promotion piece for The Superior Wholesale Boring and Hole Company Ltd., which states in part: "The Company offered prompt delivery of most standard-size holes from conveniently located warehouses, and would dispatch crack teams of specialists equipped with picks, shovels and mules to execute special orders for odd-size holes with lightning speed. Failure to devise an accurate method of keeping track of holes stored in inventory eventually led to the Company's demise."

Now that's funny. Then there's the Household Gobar Fly Exterminator And Calculator Co. Ltd., which ac-

identally discovered that a fly-counting gadget could be used for other purposes than counting flies. But, "internal dissension between those who favored continuing dedication to the Company's sacred mission to kill flies and those who favored further diversification eventually tore the organization apart."

According to the Metropolitan Tramway Racers' Benevolent Fund, the fund was started to aid those conductors injured in the line of duty while racing their tram cars on crowded city streets.

Disappearance of tramways gradually reduced the sport, "but in certain backward cities the old excitement still reigns as souped-up trams go rollicking down the track in death-defying duels of skill and daring."

The humor has made what would tend to be regarded as corporate junk mail much more entertaining. And isn't this what junk mail of all sorts could use? We could laugh all the way to the waste basket.

ECHOES FROM THE PAST

10 YEARS AGO

An air drama ended in a park pancake in Georgetown when RCAF officer cadet Harold Knox, of Paigrove crashlanded in a small rented airplane. He wasn't injured. He said he mistook Georgetown for Brampton where he had rented the craft, and he crashlanded in the fairgrounds. Alerted residents, sensing his plight, turned on car headlights at the park to guide him in the dark.

United Church turned down an offer of \$95,000 from the town of Georgetown for the Cedarvale school property, but Coun. Bill Smith said he was confident some agreement of sale could be reached. The councillor said the building and 24 acres of land would be an ideal recreation site for the community.

Ron Lytla was named new chairman of the town's industrial commission, succeeding deputy reeve William Hunter.

Herbert C. Lewis of the Georgetown High School teaching staff was one of 335 secondary school teachers attending a summer refresher course sponsored by the provincial department of education.

An A & P food ad in The Herald listed smoked hams at 49 cents a pound for shanks, 53 cents a pound for butts and 57 cents a pound for whole hams.

Four players from Glen Williams, Tony Zilio, Blake Inglis, Max Stafford and Ron Ritchie, and three from Hornby, John Jarvis, Charlie Gillies and Jamie Cunningham, were part of the team that represented Halton Rural Softball League against International Harvester in a game at Palermo

20 YEARS AGO

William Kelly, son of Georgetown's clerk-treasurer John D. and Mrs. Kelly, and a graduate of the local high school, was promoted to general superintendent of distribution of Consumer Gas Company, of Toronto.

Georgetown N&Gs won a close match in lacrosse, defeating the visiting Dundas team 9-8. Dundas led 7-5 at the end of the second period. Joe Caruso had three goals for the home team, while Junior Beaumont had two.

Midshipman Paul Barber, spending a two-week leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Barber, was off to a new posting to HMCS Trinity at Halifax.

A group of friends held a farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Harry Billington, who were moving to Texas.

30 YEARS AGO

At a special mid-summer convocation, Rev. Charles Cochrane of Knox Presbyterian Church, received his bachelor of divinity degree from Victoria College, University of Toronto.

Severe electrical storm struck the Georgetown area, and knocked out substantial portions of the town's electrical service. Chimney in the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Barber on King Street was struck by lightning and a telephone pole in front of the home of William Cunningham on Chapel Street was blasted apart by lightning.

Hugh Dickie of Georgetown was appointed to the office of grand steward, acquiring the title of very worshipful, at a meeting of the Grand Lodge of the Masonic Order in Toronto.

From an advertisement for Dominion Stores in The Herald: coffee, 35 cents a pound; mustard, 25 ounces for 14 cents; tomato juice, two 20-ounce tins for 17 cents; corn flakes, two large packages for 15 cents and crackers, a one-pound package for 19 cents.

Terra Cotta United Church Sunday School annual picnic was held at W.F. Hunter's Credit Flats, under the supervision of teacher Miss Pearl Kennedy of Georgetown.

BILL SMILEY

It's Farewell To Europe, He's Stuck At Home

Well, I thought this column would have a fairly exotic date-line: Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Rue de Something-or-Other in Paris.

That's what I had in mind for the summer. My young brother has an apartment, with lots of sleeping space, in the Black Forest of Germany, or the Schwarzwald, as we jet-setters call it.

He offered it to us as a base for hanging around western Europe. It was ideal. About five hours from Paris, the same from Switzerland, Denmark, Belgium, Berlin. A day to Sweden. A mere bagatelle to Holland.

I had it all worked out. A one-day trip to Zurich, a two-day spree in Paris, a smash at a Munich biergarten (that's a coffin where you have to keep your socks up),

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That's why I'm not writing this column from the Eiffel Tower in Paris or God's Baddburg in Germany.

It all started with the Good Samaritans. You may recall that I wrote a column a few weeks ago about some former students who came around and fixed my garage door for nothing. They absolutely refused to accept a cent. It gave me quite a warm glow at the time.

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\$500. Fair enough, in these days. I could have done it myself, but I'm not going to climb a fifty-foot ladder unless there's a mighty fair damsel at the top. And all they found was a horse's nest.

Next. The boss, who still calls me "Mr. Smiley" or "Sir", bless him, said "Sir, you've got troubles, with that roof." My heart sank. I've been through it before.

Well, I don't have to go into detail. Any home-owner knows the rest. The roof is shot, everything is rotten, though it hasn't leaked a drop since we came here.

The only thing leaking is the downstairs toilet, just after we've spent \$16 having it "fixed."

Farewell, Amsterdam. Farewell, Copenhagen.

Hello, roof. Hello, bank manager.

I shouldn't complain, I guess. Suppose those boys hadn't come to fix my garage door. I might have been lolling around in Copenhagen, saying, "Pas de nuit, cherie, instead of answering the door ten times a day to loan the construction gang a screwdriver.