

What will we do to appease the car?

Lifestyles

Why, oh why can't we think big? Ours is one of the biggest boom areas in the world. It's more likely that in 50 years 100 million people will live in southern Ontario alone. An estimate of close to 50 million cars for that kind of population is not-out of the question, not to speak of those lovely trucks, vans, stretch limousines, motorized hearses.



John Sommer
IDEAS AND THE ARTS

The motor car is our proudest achievement. The motor car is a great evolutionary step forward. The dependency that has developed between mankind and the motor car is comparable to that between the snail and its shell. Without the motor car we are naked, our private parts exposed to a sneering world. The motor car is our mother and father, our wife and husband, our mistress and lover, our sole comfort. The motor car is our Lord. We must not worship any other gods beside HIM.

Therefore; Shouldn't we widen our roads to accommodate all these dear vehicles, and don't we need new roads, lots of them, to let the golden traffic flow everywhere until every part of the province will reap the benefit of it?

With such a sweeter and glorious future ahead of us, couldn't our

engineering department surprise us with something truly dazzling? Plans so fabulous that we would squeal with delight? Proposals so vast and progressive (at least as progressive as our federal ruling party) that every opposition to them would have perished at once? Designs so forcefully sexy that we would simply have swooned away?

Instead we get this timid little Mickey Mouse plan: The widening of Guelph Street from Maple Avenue to Main Street, requiring the demolition of about 12 old houses and a former old factory and a few trees only. Where is the grand vision in this? Eighty-thousand dollars for preliminary design costs and all we get is this? It's enough to make me weep. We might as well leave everything the way it is.

Why can't we have something spectacular? Something in tune with the age of speed? Something at least as exciting and as photogenic as a motor car accident?

Some input is obviously needed. O.K. How about this: We dig a trench from Norval Hill to Moore Part that will accommodate a super highway 10 lanes wide in each direction. That means that every present building along Guelph will have to go. Don't grieve. Most of the stuff isn't much good anyway. Over this trench we erect a huge, long shopping centre, all glassed in, with hundreds of

bridges with moving walkways criss-crossing the highway, to enable us to admire the never-ending traffic underneath. We will drive with our cars right into the basements of the shops we want to shop in. Escalators and elevators and moving sidewalks will wish us up and down and left and right and backwards and forwards. The air in that glittering structure will always be warm and scented like on a Caribbean island. We will never know what the season is outside. The shops will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and rock music will play around the clock. How happy we will all be in this heaven on earth. Right?

Well, maybe I am going a bit far. Maybe six lanes in each direction is plenty. These details have to be worked on. But the concept is sound. Great for business, great for our image in the world. Very American. Tourists will come from all over. When they return home they will say: "We went to Georgetown. We have seen the future. It is beautiful." Amen.



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Good Friday, April 13: 1:00 p.m. - Children's Liturgy of Good Friday
3:00 p.m. - Solemn Good Friday Liturgy
Holy Saturday, April 14: 8:00 p.m. - Solemn Easter Vigil
Note: NO 7:00 p.m. Mass
Easter Sunday, April 15: Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12 Noon, 3:30 p.m. Mass in Portuguese

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION FOR HOLY WEEK

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11: -after 7:30 p.m. Mass until 9:00 p.m.
HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 12: -3:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.
-after 7:30 p.m. Mass until 9:00 p.m.
GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 13: -10:30 a.m. until 12 Noon
-after the 3:00 Liturgy until 5:00 p.m.
-after the 7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross until 9:00 p.m.
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