

# EDITORIAL

## First Notes Sounded

The first notes were sounded today and the first entries are skipping over their songs in the 24th annual Halton County Music Festival, in Milton's Knox church.

To any of those who have attended Halton schools during the past 24 years, the memories of music festival time will stand out because its approach always signified busy times for contestants and music teachers.

This year the annual event will include singing by an estimated 950 voices from the choir classes for rural schools with enrolments under 24 to the high school choirs. Solos will be presented by girls and boys from seven and under to those just under 21.

More preliminary eliminations had to be inaugurated this year to cope with the growing event as it keeps pace with rapidly expanding Halton county.

This year the event is completed in a packed two day program that includes competitions on both Thursday and Friday evening. And the annual event is not without its difficulties and problems. Schools have to arrange the transportation for the contestants, the executive has to take care of the financial problems and music teachers have to crowd in hours of practice.

From the children's point of view, the thrill of being chosen to participate, then singing for the trained ear of the adjudicator, and the breathless moment before marks are announced, all provide vivid memories.

The Music Festival has become an important phase of school life; one of the comparatively small things that go to make up the much broader aspects of a truly Canadian culture.

It is hoped the Halton festival will continue as a "sounding platform" for youth, as well as developing singers.

## The Important Person

The following appeared in the publication "Good Impressions", and should prove of interest

A customer is the most important person to enter your business premises, whether in person or by mail.

A customer is not dependent upon you . . . you are dependent on him.

A customer is not an interruption to your work but the purpose of it. You are not doing him a service by serving him. He is doing you a service by giving you the opportunity.

A customer is not a cold statistic, but a human being with feelings and emotions like yours . . . with foibles and prejudices too.

A customer is one who brings you his wants. It is your job to handle them courteously, intelligently and profitably, both for him and for your firm.

## More Underground

This age might well be termed the pipe laying age. Oil is being piped across the country. Of course, most municipalities are piped for water supply and sewers. Indications are that more lines will serve this area supplying natural gas, either from local wells or from Texas, Alberta, or some place else.

These haven't come into being yet and the Premier of Ontario announces more pipe lines to convey water from the great lakes for municipalities situated as far as 60 miles from the lakes. It's a vision of the future which may look good to places such as our town where officials are finding the ever increasing water demands of present supplies a matter of concern.

We are truly a generation of finger-tip control. Flip a tap or a button and we have service like waving a magic wand. Most of this magic service has been developed in the last 30 years and we of the generation who knew the days before these conveniences marvel much more than a younger generation who have always known these services.

Some of us, too, who recall the constant confusion of burrowing along the streets do find the digging a bit monotonous. One consolation, however, out in the towns and countryside, we have not yet started to put transportation underground.

## Brief Comment

The residents of new subdivisions these days have feelings akin to the pioneers in the matter of roads and access to properties.

The first week of getting accustomed to daylight saving is always the worst. Train schedules are the most confusing item in the changeover.

This is the week when the deadline for filing of income tax returns comes on Saturday. It's one of the payments that has to be met whether you have the cash on hand or not.

If the weather is good the week-end will see the streams of the district a favorite spot for fishermen. Of course, even the weather won't deter the fellows who really want to fish.

Wearproof cloth is not much of a threat, thinks the Fort William Times-Journal. "Most men and women are wearied by monotony. They are forever wanting a change. Even though it be woven to last a lifetime, wearers are going to seek changes in style and color year after year."

We can remember when children went to bed at the hour set by their parents, says the Peterborough Examiner. "What is wrong with modern parents, that they cannot get their children into bed if there is TV to be seen? The solution to the difficulty is not to limit the hours of telecasting, but to put some backbone into the parents. And the parent who has not asserted authority about bedtime is not maintaining a home; he is keeping a lodging house, and a very poor one."

## Take Another Look

Now that Oakville and Burlington have grown to be big towns the Oakville Record Star raises again the argument to have these towns withdraw from the county and thereby eliminate their levy to maintenance of county institutions. We believe when the city incorporation is made by a community provision is made for such a step.

The Oakville paper says that town for this year has a levy of \$68,738 and maintains that for \$5,800 a month, nearly \$200 a day, they get use of a registry office, a county judge and occasional use of the county. "The other services it gets in return for this healthy payment could be put in your eye without noticeable discomfort."

Let's look at some of these services. Half the hospital bills of indigent patients comes from county funds; the Halton Centennial Manor is maintained through the county; there are the services of the County Health Unit; the Children's Aid Society; the money returned on county connecting roads. These are just a few of the county services that come to mind at the moment. There are more of them that Oakville would find comforting to the eye if everyone would take a real look at the situation.

We imagine the rest of Halton could get along without Oakville's contribution, but could Oakville get all the services it requires for the money it contributes to county maintenance. With the decision yet pending on Oakville on annexation bid for a big chunk of Trafalgar it seems an inopportune time to raise the question of withdrawal from the county. We believe the opinion expressed by the Oakville paper is not indicative of Oakville people generally.

## Builds Voyage Means

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## Paddy's Pig

Ontario hog producers have established a co-operative which will act as a selling agency for their hogs. The action was taken, it is said, "because some members were critical of the fact that United Livestock Sales—which has acted as selling agent for the producers for the past two years—was a private company and had made substantial profits."

It's rather interesting to note that this new selling arrangement only effects persons who sell hogs for slaughter. If you want to keep pigs for pets you are not forced to become a member of the co-operative. The pet pig field apparently is still left open for lovers of animals and private companies.

## GOIN' FISHERS

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ship council that "at least one new trailer has been moved into one of the camps." Police have been called to act but the residents are unhappy.

**Out of the Dark**

In Bronte the local reeve predicted the village would be the best lighted in Canada when 26 street lights are installed before the end of June at a cost of \$1,700. "No other place will be able to compete," boasted the reeve. The new to old were compared as differently as coal oil lanterns to Aladdin's Lamp.

**Losses By-Law Battle**

In Georgetown a local supermarket owner has lost a running joust with the town fathers over a store closing regulation. A civil court judge handed down a decision last week which dismissed the local I.G.A. owner's appeal against the validity of the by-law and ordered him to pay costs to the town fixed at \$35. Original fines of \$25 still stand.

**Enough Trimmings Anyway**

In Acton recently so many fathers and sons attended the annual Y banquet for dads and lads that when it came time to dish up the food there was found to be a lack of seating accommodation. Another room and another 30 chairs were requisitioned and the event proceeded. As it turned out, there was enough roast turkey and apple pie to go all around.

**To Pick Queen of Peanuts**

In Acton to boost the sale of peanuts the local Rotary Club has sailed into its campaign with a "Queen for a Week" contest which will elect a winner (two votes on every can of peanuts sold) who will apparently get regal privileges, which include an expense paid trip to Manhattan with companion.

**CHURCH NEWS**

**ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH**  
Minister—REV. J. L. BLAIR, B.A.  
Organist, Mrs. Harold Magee, A.T.C.M.

SUNDAY, MAY 1st, 1955  
10:00 a.m.—Senior School.  
11:00 a.m.—Worship Service, Junior School and Nursery Class.  
Monday, May 2—7 p.m., C.G.I.T.  
Tuesday, May 3—8:15 p.m., the Evening Auxiliary of the W.M.S. will meet at the home of Mrs. John Purdy.  
Wednesday, May 4—8 p.m., Young People's Union.  
Friday, May 6—7:30 p.m., Boys; 8:30 p.m., Senior Choir.

**GRACE CHURCH ANGLICAN**  
Milton, Ontario  
Rector: Rev. D. A. Powell

SUNDAY, MAY 1st, 1955  
St. Philip and St. James  
8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion.  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.—Holy Communion; children's hour.  
7:00 p.m.—Evening Prayer.

**EMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Commercial Street  
(Formerly Bowes Baptist Church)  
(Meeting temporarily at Milton Town Hall)  
PASTOR, REV. R. F. SNYDER

SUNDAY, MAY 1st, 1955  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School and Adult Bible Class.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.  
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service.  
Thursday, April 28 at 8 p.m.—Women's Missionary Society at the home of Mrs. George Morton.  
Friday, April 29 at 8 p.m.—Young People's Society at the home of Mr. Robert Draper.  
Tuesday, May 3 at 7:30—Pioneer Girls.  
Wednesday, May 4 at 8:15—Prayer and Bible study at the pastor's home.

**KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
REV. E. ORSBORN, Minister  
Dr. Zanko P. Zankov, M.A., L.L.C.M., Organist and Choir Master

SUNDAY, MAY 1st, 1955  
10:00 a.m.—Senior School.  
11:00 a.m.—Junior School.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning worship, theme "A Place of Fountains."  
Evening services are withdrawn until further notice.  
Tuesday, May 3, 8 p.m.—Get-together Group. Hostess, Mrs. Reg. Marshall.  
Thursday, May 5, 8 p.m.—Maple Leaf group. Hostess, Mrs. Earl Foerter. Please remember auction sale.

**CALVARY TABERNACLE**  
Pentecostal Holiness  
BRONTE ST.  
Pastor: Rev. A. C. T. Sara

Friday, April 29 — Young People's Society. Special music and singing. Speaker Rev. J. H. Taylor. All young people are cordially invited.  
SUNDAY, MAY 1st, 1955  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship.  
7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.  
8 p.m., Wednesday, May 4—Missionary service. Special speaker 8 p.m. Friday, May 6th—Young People's

**ST. JOHN'S, NASSAGAWEYA and ST. GEORGE'S, LOWVILLE (Anglican)**  
Rev. R. P. E. Jeffaries, Rector

SUNDAY, MAY 1st, 1955  
Second Sunday after Easter  
10:00 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Church School at St. John's.  
11:15 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Church School at St. George's.

## THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

### Fifty Years Ago

From the issue of the Champion of Thursday, May 4, 1905.

The new pipe organ for the Methodist Church has arrived and the workmen are busy installing it.

The amounts of the Government grants to Halton High Schools for the year ending June 1905 are Oakville, \$571.43; Georgetown, \$619.24.

A deputation of women from Toronto, Hamilton, London, Barrie and other points waited on the premier yesterday, asking for the extension of the municipal franchise to all women on the same basis as it is now granted to widows and spinsters. Mr. Whitney promised earnest attention.

The old office of the Bank of Hamilton has been demolished and workmen are now engaged on the foundation of a new one on the same site. The office will be 23 by 65 feet and will be equipped in the most modern style.

The last and best of the series of University Extension lectures in aid of the Milton Public Library, will be given on Friday at the Town Hall.

On Monday evening the Town Council granted leave to Messrs. Clements and Co. to erect a wooden building, covered with sheet iron, within the business district of Milton. "Subject to the fire limit by-law."

There is no fire limit by-law in force in Milton. That passed in 1889 has been found to be null and void on account of a blunder made by those who framed it. It was not necessary for Clements & Co. to ask for the leave and the leave granted was farcical. At present any Milton property owner is free to exercise his own discretion and use his own taste in the erection of buildings. Anything will do, brick, stone, concrete, boards, logs, slabs, birch bark or sods. Judging from the action of a majority of the members of council, at the same meeting, in defeating a motion for the introduction of a practical fire limit by-law, this free and easy state of affairs is likely to continue.

### Twenty Years Ago

From the issue of the Champion of Thursday, April 25, 1935.

Milton town council has appointed Harry London to the housing committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Blamplaid and Mrs. Menzies of Buffalo, visited relatives in town over Easter.

Mrs. J. P. Bartleman of Timmins, has been visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hemstreet.

On and after May 4th relief vouchers will cease to be issued to all able bodied men living in Milton. Children will be glad to learn that scientists now claim young grass is more valuable a food than spinach.

In order to alleviate relief needs in Milton, the town council has decided to distribute seeds and potatoes to those on the list of relief recipients. Distribution will be in the hands of Councillors Dr. C. Martin, Dr. E. Robertson and Wray Bousfield.

Jack Carlton won the 4 lb. 8 1/2 ozs. Easter Egg at Barnard's confectionery store. Four contestants guessed the same weight, 4 lbs. 9 oz. and in the draw Jack drew the lucky ticket.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wheeler, on the eve of their departure for Guelph, where in future they will reside, were recently entertained by friends at a banquet at the home of Mrs. R. W. Phillip. Mrs. Wheeler received a smoking set. At the home of Mrs. R. W. Phillip, Mrs. Wheeler received a radio lamp.

Spot radio advertising on Sundays will be eliminated over all Canadian stations beginning May 5.

The Milton Community Campaign came to a close on Saturday night. Eleven business men sponsored it for 25 days. Fred Walker of Nelson Township won first prize \$300. The following were also prize winners. Mrs. George White, Mrs. Walter Hayward, Georgina Gastle, Mrs. R. Dredge, Harvey Philip, Edna Stevenson, Mrs. W. R. Allan, Evelyn Walsh, Marian Martin, George Coulson, Mrs. N. Lawrence, Mrs. Fred Stringer, Mary Spence, Helen Sloane (Jarvis) Mrs. S. F. Love.

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Going West—9:04 a.m.; 6:36 p.m.; 1:10 a.m. Daily except Sunday.

**CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAY**  
Going North—7:58 a.m.  
Going South—7:10 p.m.

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