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Town Planning Necessary

Town planning was little more than a pleasant theory comparatively few years ago. Now, in most communities, it is a reality. Indeed, in the rapid industrial and residential expansion of Canada it is a necessity. Some cities and towns have been alert to the need for regulated growth, while others have allowed their expansion to proceed along haphazard lines. The former are pleasant, progressive communities; the latter are full of headaches for themselves and everybody else.

Every community regardless of its size, has a pattern, which is the result of the social, economic and physical forces which first molded it and are acting upon it. Some of the forces are obvious and measurable. Others may still need study. A town plan cannot change the natural forces, but it can guide them, control the rate of change and smooth out difficulties.

The character of a village or town is determined to a large extent by the principal resources which led to its development. A mining town is different from a market

town. A summer resort may spread along a shore line, while a town whose industry is directly concerned with imports and exports clings to the harbor area which itself set the original pattern in settlement and industrial growth.

The pattern of a town is also a result of its site. Geological situation, hills, rivers, coastlines govern its shape and the uses of its land resources. Land subject to flood or incapable of being well drained may be developed into park areas; flat dry stretches invite industry; hillier land may become a fine residential area. In this way a town is divided by geography into areas.

The manner in which the areas are developed should be the result of careful study and regulation if the town is to be something more than a haphazard, badly organized collection of houses and factory buildings. Town Planning, therefore, is simply a realistic attempt to study the growth of cities, towns and villages; and to prevent unhealthy and inefficient development. Its aim is to provide better living conditions within a community.

"Way Back When"

Excerpts from the files of The Liberal
 Home paper of the Richmond Hill district since 1878

APRIL 26, 1888
 A meeting of the Directors of the Richmond Hill and Yonge St. Agricultural Society was held in Lorne Hall on April 21.

Moved by J. Boynton, seconded by J. Cherry that a Fair be held in the Park on May 24.
 Messrs. Sanderson, Playter and Trench were instructed to procure a band for the day.
 Booths will be rented for \$5, and a concert program will be held in the evening.

J.A.E. Switzer and F. McConaghy reported for their churches that they were willing to forego church concerts on the evening of the 24th in favour of the Fair.

Chattel Mortgage Sale
 The household effects of the Grand Central Hotel, Richmond Hill, will be sold under a chattel mortgage on the premises on Saturday, May 5, 1888, at 11 a.m. Terms cash. Salem Eckardt, auctioneer.

Mr. F. Kirkby, village confectioner, is the inventor of a new temperance beverage called Kermelina, which he recommends very highly to the public. He has obtained from the Minister of Agriculture a copyright for this drink which is purely vegetable.

Last Monday a team of horses owned and driven by J. Lackie made things lively for a while. When the driver alighted from his wagon in front of Mr. Hall's store, the horses became frightened and bolted. In their frenzy they tore up the lawn of the Methodist church breaking two young maple trees and spoiling another. After breaking loose from the wagon, they started north and were finally

caught near the 2nd con. of Markham. Jimmy Lackie was handed pretty roughly at the beginning of the episode and now goes around with a short step and a long one.

APRIL 25, 1907
 A warm discussion took place in Parliament on Monday when a bill was before the house asking that the radial railway company be allowed into the heart of the city of Toronto.

The prize lists for the annual Fair are printed and will be put into circulation in a day or so.

A few years ago, people scarcely knew whether to accept or refuse a piece of silver money with a hole in it or a piece that had been plugged. Such pieces are now refused by all banks.

Workmen have been at work, inside and out, completing the renovations on the Methodist Church.

APRIL 2, 1924
 Two lines of automobiles advertised in this issue and now obsolete are the "Star" and the "Overland."
 Advt.: Bus line — to and from Toronto every half hour on the hour and half hour; same old fare 20c.

The Richmond Hill Horticultural Society has purchased a sprayer for the use of the members. Membership in the society may be obtained for a fee of \$1 per year.

APRIL 25, 1946
 Provincial Police report the worst traffic jam since the war on Yonge St. between Richmond Hill and Thornhill last Sunday night. St. Mary's Anglican Men's Club has revived the favourite old sport of "pitching horseshoes."

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

CHEERFUL FUNERALS
 An elderly clergyman told me recently that several times in recent years when about to conduct a funeral service the bereaved have made two requests about the service; first, that it be short, secondly, that it be cheerful rather than depressing.

About the length of sermons the request for brevity is understandable. I have seldom known anyone who enjoyed long sermons. When a growing boy my favorite preachers were the short-winded kind and I haven't changed. If, in my own preaching I have ever been guilty of long-windedness I here humbly and abjectly apologize.

The second request — about making funeral services comforting, even cheerful, is slightly surprising. And yet, why should it be? I think it is natural, especially in the case of those who have lived a full life, that the attention of mourners should be directed to a wider and deeper view of the occasion.

One of the most gifted women of the last century was Harriett Martineau. She was a distinguished journalist and author, whose counsel was sought by the leading parliamentarians of her generation. Miss Martineau became a sceptic in religion and

TODAY'S QUOTATION
 Our quotation today is a saying by Jesus:
 "In my Father's house are many mansions."

published several books which were termed atheistic.

In accounting for her scepticism, Harriett Martineau was very frank. She wrote: "I find religious people often just as worried and unhappy as those who are irreligious. It seems to me that if I believed what these people say they believed, I would never worry about anything. Even death, instead of being something to mourn about, should be an occasion for deep joy."

I have always felt that Miss Martineau had a strong case. Her brother James, was a distinguished clergyman but she said that his friends were all too serious, lacking in cheerfulness.

In non-Christian lands death is invariably marked by what are often ostentatious displays of grief which must have had a depressing, almost unhealthy affect upon the bereaved and their friends. However, we are not thinking of such people but of devout church members who are completely crushed to the ground when bereavement comes. Apart from anything else it must make onlookers feel that religious belief is not a potent factor with such people.

All visitors to Rome are interested in the catacombs; the burying places of the Romans. It is still possible to see the epitaphs written before and after the advent of Christianity. The

earlier ones speak of the dread and apprehension with which even the wisest and best regarded death. They died in fear; here and there, is a faint hope that in the world to come life might not be wholly ill. The words, "Forever Farewell" occur frequently.

The advent of the Christian era is marked by a complete reversal in the tone of the epitaphs. To the early Christians the place of interment was no longer a tomb but a sleeping place. Repeatedly the glorious, deathless hope is expressed: "Laid to rest in the sure and certain hope of a glorious resurrection." In literally hundreds of cases the note of hope was triumphant.

I believe the tone of funeral services has vastly improved during recent years. I have often been deeply touched by the tenderness and wisdom of officiating clergymen. They have endeavored to comfort and heal and that is all to the good.

When John Wesley was dying he said: "The best of all, God is with us." He was in his eighty-eighth year when he passed on but when his friends gathered around his bed he led them in a clear voice in a favourite hymn: "I'll praise my Maker while I've breath."

And when my voice is lost in death,
 Praise shall employ my nobler powers;
 My days of praise shall ne'er be past,
 While life and thought and being last,
 or immortality endures.

New UNKRA Head



JOHN B. COULTER
 Lieutenant General John B. Coulter, of the United States, now heads the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency. The retired American officer had served with the U.N. forces in Korea and was then director of the UNKRA Washington office.

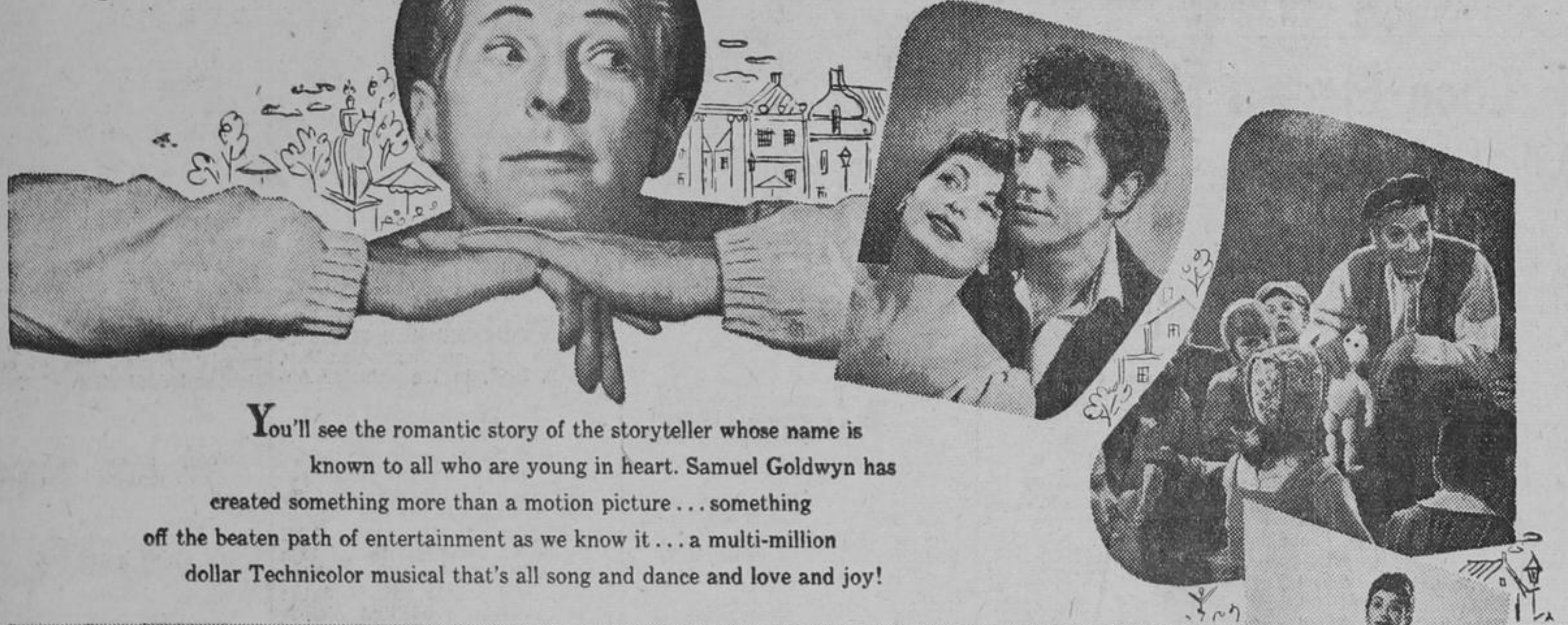
CANCER THROUGH THE AGES
 Cancer, a disease probably as old as mankind, is still much of a mystery to medical science. It is known, however, that some forms are curable and that others may be controlled. The essential thing is to have diagnosis and treatment as early as possible before the disease becomes established. Therefore, anyone who has any suspicious symptoms should seek medical attention immediately. There is a good chance of cure if cancer is treated early enough — but time is the important factor. A medical examination is wise if there is any suspicion of the disease; if there is no cancer, the doctor's report will set the mind at ease.

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St. Laurent Endorses Shut-Ins' Day June 7
URGES REMEMBRANCE OF SICK
 The Shut-in's Day Association "International" is to be commended for again this year sponsoring Shut-in's Day on the first Sunday of June.
 Shut-in's Day is meant to remind us of those of our fellow citizens who, because of age or disability or illness, are not able to lead the normal type of active and busy life, and to suggest that we do something to help make them feel as they should, that they are part of our community, that they also have a contribution to make to the general well-being of us all.
 It is with this in mind that I should like to extend to all shut-ins my greetings and best wishes for the future, and to commend to all Canadians Shut-in's Day.
 LOUIS ST. LAURENT,
 Prime Minister,
 Ottawa, 1953.

JACK FRASER BUYS TOP HEIFER AT McDONALD SALE
 The fifth McDonald Farms Sale at Cayuga, New York, on Saturday, May 23, brought a top of \$11,750 for the twice "Excellent" cow, McDonald Farms S. Marguerite, 13,431 lbs. milk and 759 lbs. of fat as a Junior 3-year-old and 13,807M 792F as a Sr. 4-yr.-old. This price was paid by Edward B. Hensie, Kingston Springs, Tenn., for the daughter of McDonald Farms Steadfast that was sold privately in 1952 for \$21,000, and McDonald Farms Kings Keepsake, "Very Good" 12,847M 732F as a Sr. 4-yr. old that topped the 1949 McDonald Sale at \$14,500.
 Marguerite's son, McDonald Farms Pre Statesman, topped the bulls offered in the 1952 McDonald Sale at \$7,300 and two of her grandsons through another son sold for \$5600 and \$5200 in this sale.
 Jack Fraser, Fraserdale Farm, Concord, purchased the top selling bred heifer, McDonald Farms Jolly Pamphila at \$4,000. She was the second high selling female and she was a daughter of McDonald Farms High Neptune that was out of the "Excellent" cow, McDonald Farms King's Jolly Lady 15,575M 869F as a 7-year old and by McDonald Farms Hightime. Her dam, McDonald Farms King's Monita, 11,484M 590F as a 2 year old is a Myhaven King daughter out of a "Very Good" Foremost Prediction daughter that made 14,422M 746F.

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