WILSON URGES PLANNED STOW FUTURE

Area Development Committee "Plugs" Organized Growth.

What is the "Area Development Committee"? What are its active aims and goals in our community?

The ADC is a non-partisan and non-profit group of active area citizens who believe in the organized growth of our village as it becomes a city of size and importance.

Taking a long range view of the problems of rapid growth, using the united support of all who are willing to roll up their sleeves and go to work for the common good of all; to better insure organized growth with a planned chaos—these are some of the aims and goals of ADC so aptly presented by the Executive Secretary of the Area Development Committee, George Wilson, who was guest speaker at Stow Community Council's Annual Dinner held in Town Hall on Jan. 14.

The growth of Stow has leaped from a 1% increase from 1950 to 1950 to a 49% growth increase recorded from 1950 to 1955. Predicted future growth from 1955 to 1975 will increase 67%, which will mean 15,000 more people in the next 15 years. Where there is growth there are people who are demanding need for homes and schools. But it also means a need for industry to keep this rapid growth in balance.

New Road Authorized

At the Village Council meeting which followed the dinner, council passed resolutions authorizing the construction of Commerce Drive, a 1½ mile road through the Industrial Park tract, connecting Route 91 with Hudson Drive, at a cost of more than $175,000. The ordinance includes grading and paving the road, installing storm drains and other necessary improvements.

Mr. Wilson is in the process of promoting this special area, rezoning for industry, known as Stow Industrial Park. Mr. Wilson told the members of Village Council, "we can depend on a great future for Stow if Industrial Park realizes its full potential!"

ADC has taken on the task of attracting industries to the Stow Park area. It was also announced to council that a Youngstown contractor, Edward J. DeBartolo, President of Ohio Industrial Park Corp., has come into the park, realizing its future potential and is ready to gamble $750,000 to $1,000,000 on its development.

Stow's Bright Future

Stow has a future, a bright, growing one, Wilson said, if forethought and organized planning is put to work now. ADC is making certain of this by taking advantage of Stow's strategic location as a selling point. Nation-wide we are mid-way between New York and Chicago and state-wise directly between Akron and Cleveland. Mr. Wilson

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FOR CIVIC SERVICE

A gold key, a symbol of thanks for years of service rendered, was presented to "Billy" Grogg 2235 Graham Rd., at the Annual Stow Community Council Dinner, Jan. 14, at the Town Hall. Serving as President of the Council from 1957 through 1958, Bill has just finished a two-year term working on the Executive Committee. These have been years willingly spent for the betterment of our community.

The Grogg family, which includes Thelma, his wife; and two sons, 8 and 10, are leaving Stow. As a laboratory developer for the Quaker Oats Co., Bill is being transferred to a newly built laboratory at Barrington, Ill., a suburb of Chicago. They are hoping to find a suitable home near the new job location, the family will move sometime in the near future.

Everytime Bill looks at the huge gold key he received here in Stow, he will be reminded of all his friends here who wish

Mr. and Mrs. Young were greeted by their poodle, Mitzl, on their safe return.

First was a plane trip to Daytona Beach, Florida to spend Christmas with their son, Robert and his wife. The second leg of their journey took them (also Mr. Young's sister, Mrs. Marjory Hillebrecht, of Chicago) across country by plane to California, where they enjoyed the Rose Parade, a trip to Disneyland and San Francisco, seeing everything from Chinatown to the giant Redwood forests. These days were jammed with interesting experiences and wonder.

They then boarded a United Jetliner bound for Chicago. After cruising along at 750 miles per hour at an altitude of 29,000 ft., suddenly the captain made a startling announcement. He had to make an emergency landing because the hydraulic system had failed and the plane's flaps which are used as brakes for jet landings would not operate.

Since the pilot, Captain L.L. Jones, was near Buckley Field at Denver, Colorado, where United Airlines had given him Jet flight training, he decided to attempt a landing on familiar ground. The plane circled the field for an hour to burn excess fuel. During that period a crash crew from Lowry Air Force Base and Buckley stood by, with twelve ambulances and fire fighting equipment on the scene.

Meanwhile, aboard the huge 240 ton plane, the 88 passengers and crew of 7 were giving and taking orders, making ready for the "brakeless jet landing". Mr. and Mrs. Young, along with the other passengers, were asked to turn in any and all sharp objects, pens, watches, ladies shoes (pointed toes, especially) purses etc. These items were collected and placed safely for landing. Everyone fastened his safety belt, placed his pillow on his lap and bent completely over, grasping his ankles and held on. The Youngs said the plane was so silent, no tears or hysterics, everyone was too absorbed in silent prayer for Captain Jones and a safe landing.

The huge Jet landed at a speed of 350 miles per hour, brakeless, except for the wheel brakes, which screeched and blew every tire hole on every wheel. "We knew we were on the ground," Mr. Young said, "but the plane wouldn't stop, it just kept on going and going and fast too! We thought the screening might stop it. It seemed hours before we came to a stop, half off the runway, but upright."
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PLEASE PASS THE BREAD

We've made derogatory remarks in our columns about the high school gym. We've also advocated putting a physical education program into the grade schools.

Lest anyone draw from these remarks a conclusion that we are attacking the schools and let us state here and now, we're attacking nobody! We know the school board would enjoy a new gym too! We're attacking a lack of funds that prevents an elected body of citizens from giving the voters what they need—adequate facilities for their children's mental and physical growth.

We know more schoolrooms are needed in the immediate future. We know it takes money, money, money to build new schools. And new 'gymnasiums.' They say you can't have your cake and eat it too. But gymnasiums aren't desert; not these days. They're part of the bread!

There is a nearly finished school on Graham Rd. Bathroom facilities seem to indicate it is for junior or senior high students, but the Bellows Falls area was to be a grade school. In any case, there's no gym.

Lakeview School (whether junior high or grade school) plus the Fall Rd. School will probably vote for May, will give us additional school rooms—and will cost a good chunk of allowable tax funds. So what can we do about the gym?

We honestly believe, it's risky business to play basketball in the high school gym, referred to by our sports editor as the "cracker box." (Newspaper people are hungry, thus all the allusions to food!) Basketball cannot be properly played there. There's not only danger to the players from running into the side or seats, but isn't there a possible fire hazard in a room where the lights flicker on and off? Is the wiring really 40 years old?

Do we have to pay higher taxes to improve conditions?

Fortunately, there is another source of funds available to us. Ohio schools could be open, and with no strings attached, under liberal terms. Senator Oliver Ocasek, Principal of Tallmadge High School, has worked on the laws governing this help from the state and is very enthusiastic. Tallmadge's new high school was built with grant funds.

Shouldn't we take advantage of the liberal terms offered by this fifth richest state in the union, and have our bread and eat it too? We're not asking for jellies!

As for physical education in the lower grades, it is our opinion that, especially in these days where many children's principal exercises is walking from their front doors to the bus stop, it is up to us to see that some form of directed physical activity is offered them—yes, even forced upon them, if need be, for their health and well rounded education. Maybe a special physical education teacher could rotate between a grade, as a sort of substitute.

We want our bread and we want it too! The Board of Education should hire qualified teachers, and a nice big gym with room to play basketball.

BAND PARENTS MEET

High School Band parents will meet Monday, Jan. 30, at 6:00 p.m. in the High School auditorium. They will go to Verona and see a Brass Ensemble from Kent State University, directed by Robert Masters.

The program is open to band members as well as their parents.

Way Back When

by Frank Green

The Christian Church—How it got its land. The Editor of the Press suggested the topic for this issue—Well—

There are three things now in Stow that were here, "Way Back When." This church (16 churches now listed in the directory), the schools and the cemetery. (Ed. Note: I told you that high school was old.)

I am, this morning after Christmas day, a bit dopey, so I do not care to talk about the cemetery.

The schools are always a lively topic. So I will tell about the church.

This is the background: I am talking now about the ground on which the church building stood, not its religious background.

The church was organized in 1831. They met for some time in private houses. The Disciples, as they were called, were not the first to organize. The Presbyterian had a unit here about 1810 and had built a church in what is now the cemetery. These people were Scotch, so they violently disagreed and soon disbanded. The Disciples took over their building and used it for a long time. (Of course the land on which this building stood was donated by one of the Wetmore.)

In 1876 the Disciples built a new church. They must have been considering this move for some time for they acquired the land on which they meant to build their church in a Yankee way.

This takes some explaining.

The land was 2 acres from the southwest corner of lot 36. This is where Route 91 going north and south crosses Route 5 going east and west. The Spaghett block stands now in this corner. This is the site of Stow's Historic Tavern, Samuel Lane and other historians, including F. Green, have told of it. Briefly now I will tell how the church got the land.

The last owner of the land was Isaiah Keller. The administrator of his estate was Josiah Weinsore, who sold the land to Mr. Harlow, a trustee of the church.

Mr. Keller had just died. This land had become valuable. When it was advertised for sale, there were several town people who wanted it. They knew the church also wanted it badly.

Instead of Mr. Harlow bidding directly for it, he got a lawyer from Kent to bid for it. When the lawyer got the land, he at once sold it to the church, but when they came to build they still needed more land. This they bought from Mr. Wilson.

This transaction and further history of events that have happened in lot 36 are told in my story of the Tavern. That was published in the Community Church News, Feb. 27, 1942. Much of the history of really exciting events in early Stow times was told by A. Lane in his "50 Years of Summit Co."

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The most repeated word in school these days is "exams." Everything seems to be building up to that forced timetable of Jan. 21 and 22. These are the two days set aside for the students to suffer...
Mr. and Mrs. Ross Holden, 1966 W. Arndale Rd., spent last weekend in Pittsburgh, Pa. They attended the National Chincilla Breeders of America show. Mrs. Holden reports she saw some fabulous styles in stoles and boleros, valued from $200 to $300.

Getting reacquainted with her grandchildren since Christmas Eve is Mrs. Eleonora Heichelbeck, of Miami, Fla., visiting her daughter, Mrs. Vesta Hibbert, 3953 Darrow Rd. She has been visiting other relatives in Mansfield, Ohio, and is looking forward to seeing many of the Stow people she has met on previous visits, as she is staying for a time after the arrival of her 14th grandchild, due later this month.

Donald Bock, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bock of 3459 Charing Cross Dr., was admitted to Children's Hospital Jan. 13, for surgery. He hopes to be back home in a few days.

Annual Scout Night To Be Observed.

All Highland Scouts will be honored when the P.T.A. holds Annual Scout Night at the meeting Wednesday, Jan. 27, beginning at 7:45 p.m. in the auditorium. Girl Scout Troop 273 will sing the invocation, which will be followed by the Flag ceremony, with all Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts participating. After a short business meeting a Charter will be presented to the Boy Scouts.

Mrs. W. Brown, Girl Scout Representative to the Highland P.T.A., will introduce Mrs. J. Leaure, Stow Neighborhood Girl Scout Chairman and all Girl Scout and Brownie Troop leaders of the Highland School Troop. All Boy Scout Troops and Cub Scout Den mothers will be introduced by Mr. A. Porter, who is the Boy Scout representative to the P.T.A.

Troops will perform skits and demonstrate crafts taught in Scouting before the meeting is drawn to a close with the Boy Scout Prayer and the singing of "Taps".

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Miss Gail Louise Wise

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard L. Wise, 220 S. Shore Blvd., Waverly, O., announced the engagement of their daughter Gail Louise to Kenneth Frederick Cardew of Cincinnati.

Miss Wise is a graduate of Waverly High School, Class of 1956. She formerly attended Stow schools. She is now employed as a secretary for the Tarlington-Van Atten Co., Cincinnati.

Mr. Cardew is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Cardew of Cincinnati, and is associated with Radio Station WXNT, Portsmouth.

At the regular monthly dinner meeting of the Echo Investment Club of Akron held on Monday Jan. 11, Leo Landoll of 1745 Ritchie Rd. was elected to serve as President of the group.

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BULLDOGS DROP 2

Last week saw Stow High drop two basketball games to Wadsworth and Ellet, respectively.

They lost to Wadsworth at home in a much closer game than the final score of 61 to 49 would indicate.

Stow jumped off to a 13 to 10 lead at the first period end. Before the second quarter was halfway complete, the Wadsworth team took a 7 point lead. The Bulldogs fought back to come within 3 points at the half-way mark, 26 to 29.

Don Gray did a particularly fine job of defending out front and forced Wadsworth to turn the ball over several times.

Questionable fouls called against Gray on what appeared to be cleanly blocked shots didn't help the Stow cause. The result was a five point deficit at third quarter's end.

The fourth quarter was a wild and woolly one which saw the Bulldogs battle five sharp-shooters and two whistle-blowers to within a mere 2 points at one stage.

It was at this point that Buckholder, one of the leading scorers for Wadsworth, chipped in 4 quick fielders to put the game out of reach for Stow.

Westgate managed 14 points and Sandercoss cleaned the boards but it just wasn't quite enough. The game was played under the usual adversities—flickering lights, menacing stage, etc.

Last Friday night saw Stow traveling to Ellet fresh from the defeat by Wadsworth.

Ellet employed a full court press and upset the Stow back court men to the point that they lost the ball on numerous occasions. This, plus the fact that Larry Moore was laid up with a bad foot, enabled Ellet to emerge the victor with a 57 to 49 score.

Stow trailed by only 15 to 13 at the first quarter mark and by 30 to 25 after. This was mainly due to Coccozzo's sharp shooting as he netted 8 points in a brief appearance. Joe couldn't seem to keep from fouling and as a result was whistled out of the lineup with five personals in less than 10 minutes.

Sandercoss led the Stow cagers with 15 points and one of his best performances to date. He also did a fine job under the boards. The entire team, however, was guilty of some erratic passing and ball handling which was responsible for the defeat. Maybe the bright lights bothered them?

At any rate here's hoping they find Tallmadge a conquerable foe in tomorrow night's tilt in the "crackerbox."

WADSWORTH 61

G  F  T P

Bennard  3  1  7
Burkholder  7  1  15
Lyren  9  7  25
Yantleiner  1  0  2
Graham  2  1  5
Porter  2  1  7
Total  24  13  61

STOW 51

G  F  T P

Gray  2  0  4
Westgate  4  6  14
Coccozzo  4  2  10
Moore  4  4  12
Sandercoss  4  3  11
Total  18  15  51

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"H.F.'s Basketball Team Bounces Back"

After losing to St. Anthony 23-21 Wednesday, Jan. 13, Holy Family's basketball team bounced back to beat Immaculate Heart of Mary by a score of 20-19 when they met Saturday, Jan. 16, at St. Vincent's Field House in Akron.

Bouncing, but not enough to chalk up a win against St. Anthony in the first game were; Ray Habyan, 10 points; Tom Smitch, 10 points; Bill McMilihren, 1 point for foul shot. The cagers who turned on the steam to bring about the victory over Immaculate Heart in the second game played

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Robert Reynolds, president of Stow Community Council, was the Master of Ceremonies for the dinner, which was under the expert planning of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Cowles, assisted by I.O. Palmer and Howard Poole.

Many others certainly helped to make this one of the most successful dinner meeting to date. Mayor Montelth introduced many prominent "waltz"s including the newly elected and retiring Village Councilmen. Also attending as special guests were Ralph Strehlberg, Product Superintendent for GMC's Enfield Division; E.L. Hillier, Assistant Director of the Chamberlain Laboratories; Douglas Talbot, Public Relations Director of the Chrysler Stamping Plant at Twinsburg. The Plant Superintendent of Morgan Adhesives Co. Plant on Route 91 D.D. Wilcox was unable to attend due to a small fire in the coating machine at the plant, but sent regrets to the committee.
POLICE HOLD SCHOOL

Newest school in town is a series of classes for all Stow policemen and Civil Defense workers, set up by supplemental training by Chief Woodard, Captain Harper, and Mayor Charles Monteith.

Last Thursday those three opened classes officially. Tonight members will hear Lt. John Strob, Akron Police Department, speak on "The Career Policeman."

Next Thursday, Darrell Wagner of the Cuyahoga Falls force will show slides documenting "The Reconstruction of a Murder."

NIGHT PATROL

A-hack, a-hack
Which child is that
In the dead of night
When I'm cozy and warm
Is coughing? In spite
Of my warning of boots,
Of mufflers and caps,
Keeps hacking at intervals
Like leaky old taps?

A-hack, a-hack,
So armed with a bottle
And my trusty cold spoon
I go stalking the hall
To the door of each room.

I listen and shiver
Which one might get sick
But all I can hear
Is the old clock tick.

So I crawl back in bed
To get warm once more.
Then I'm almost asleep
When I hear as before --

--- Gracious Sakes.

ESCAPE (cont'd from p. 1)

A burst of applause rose from all the passengers to show gratitude to the captain for his safe landing.

But the frightening experience wasn't over. The crew then began to evacuate the plane as quickly as possible. Getting 95 people out fast was no joke. Officials were afraid of fire and explosion everyone moved with speed through the three exit doors. It's a 40-foot drop out the door of an airliner this huge.

Ladders were extended; some used an inflated rubber chute; some were carried down on makeshift seats of canvas. Luckily there was no fire and the luggage and personal items were then returned to the passengers.

You'd think after this lucky escape from death itself, these airborne travelers would have called it a day and called the nearest R.R. station to continue the trip. But no sir, they all turned around and boarded another plane (not a jet, this time) and continued on to Chicago, without incident, thank goodness.

The Youngs returned home safe and sound on Saturday, Jan. 9. All this happened on Jan. 6, 1980, the very day 34 people were killed in an airliner explosion and crash at Bolivia, N.C.

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