



TULIPS IN CANADA and Holland—Every spring a 25-square-mile stretch between Lisse and Haarlem in the Netherlands bursts into brilliant color so gorgeous its beauty surpasses the fanciest imagination. From its superb and massive tulip fields like this (right) near Lisse, Holland exports more than three million bulbs each year. To Canada last year came 52,500,000 Dutch bulbs valued at more than \$1,250,000 and more are coming this year. So plentiful are Dutch

tulips becoming in Canada they are almost as symbolic of this country as of Holland. Already Ottawa, with justification, claims the title of Canada's Tulip Capital and times its mid-May Tulip Festival to coincide with the tulips peak of magnificence. Verna Rousseau is pictured beside a vast border of Dutch tulips at the foot of the Peace Tower on Ottawa's Parliament Hill. (Photos by Malak, Ottawa)

STARTLING NEW FINDINGS ALTER OPINIONS ON ALCOHOL'S EFFECT

Do you know that most of the ideas we have about alcohol and its effect on the human body are inaccurate?

These are some of the startling new findings of researchers: Alcohol is not a stimulant. It is a depressant drug.

It does not damage, directly, internal body cells. A regular drinker does not have a greater tolerance to alcohol than a non-drinker.

Neither exercise, coffee nor other drugs can speed up the sobering process.

Why has alcohol the reputation of being a stimulant, if it is not?

The answer is that most persons, when sober, do not behave in an uninhibited way. Alcohol gradually paralyzes the central nervous system, tending to affect first the outer layers of the brain, which act as our social and moral "watchdogs." The effect is to release tendencies to behave in uninhibited fashion. On the surface, such behaviour appears to be that of a stimulated person.

As more alcohol is taken, deeper brain areas are put out of order. After inhibitions go muscular controls—speech, walking, ability to react to traffic signals and so on. Eventually, if the deeper centres of the brain can be paralyzed, the heart and breathing stop and the drinker dies.

Physicians now believe that the worst damage is done to the drinker as a total person, rather than to his brain cells, or heart or lungs. Alcohol in concentrations below 15 per cent. does not seem to injure individual cells and only those of the mouth, throat and stomach are exposed to it in such concentration. In fact, death commonly follows a blood-alcohol level of six to seven-tenths of one per cent.

Why, then, do some persons become noticeably drunk on one or two drinks, while others, confirmed and steady drinkers, behave quite normally and acceptably after a half-dozen whiskies?

One explanation lies in the fact that the steady drinker has learned to adjust to the quantity of alcohol in his blood. The regular drinker is like the sailor who can walk a pitching deck or which the landlubber cannot remain upright. Whether accustomed to alcohol or not, two men of the same size who drink the same amount will have the same proportion of alcohol in their blood and will be equally intoxicated.

It is not true that black coffee, a cold shower or strenuous activity will hasten sobering. Sobriety comes only with chemical destruction of alcohol in the body and this process proceeds at a fairly uniform pace whether the drinker is asleep or awake, active or passive. The "remedies" will wake him up, the biochemists point out, but he is really, just as intoxicated as his blood-alcohol level says he is.

let me help you "fashion" your figure

Spirella

FIGURE STYLIST

mildred bell
Ladies' and Children's Wear

Delrex Pledges Aid Georgetown Rate

With Delrex Developments guaranteeing a minimum of \$45,000 in tax revenues this year, Georgetown's 1955 tax rate almost held its own with 1954.

Council struck a rate of 49 mills when the budget meeting was held. It is an increase of 4 mills from 1954.

Delrex pledged in a letter, that if tax revenue on subdivision property does not reach \$45,000, the company will make a grant to bring the town's income up to this figure.

Total revenue this year will be \$176,600 with this \$45,000 included. With estimated expenditures of \$238,000 this leaves \$221,500 which must come from taxpayers to balance Georgetown's budget. The present town assessment is \$4,320,735.

Mayor Jack Armstrong expressed his pleasure that Georgetown can boast a low tax rate.

With Brampton likely 96 mills, Acton 70 and Milton 52, it is really remarkable that we can hold the line at 49 mills, and we have Delrex to thank for it," said the mayor.

Launch New School Traf. Safety Patrols

Provincial and local safety, educational, law-enforcement and political officials were on hand Friday morning for the inauguration of the first school safety patrol to be established in the Oakville-Trafalgar area.

The new patrol is being instituted at Linbrook Public School, Trafalgar Township, where 24 boys and girls, who have completed extensive training in traffic safety, will be awarded their badges and belts.

The entire population of school approximately 300 students and teachers, took part in out-door ceremonies at which Linbrook Principal Frank Hughes acted as master of ceremonies. Many parents attended.

Constable Al Terrell, director of safety, for the Township of Trafalgar, and Fred Oliver, chief of the township police, solicited the support of parents in making the new safety program effective. He also presented badges to the patrol officers.

Trafalgar Accepts Sewage Plant Bid

A bid of \$262,321.05, tendered by Ontario Construction Company, for the building of township sewage disposal plant, was accepted by Trafalgar council Tuesday of last week.

It is expected the plant will be completed in 32 weeks, an engineer John Powell says it should be "in good working order by the end of November."

Five other bids were received. Spartan Contracting Co., \$345,958.66; Halton Paving Co., \$304,560.92; James Kemp Construction Co., \$302,874.76; Schwinge Construction Co., \$323,300.06; and the Pearce Construction Co., \$339,924.77.

Lack 60 Acres Lose Industry

Bronte could have had an industry covering 60 acres, if it had the land. But after scanning a letter from the Hamilton Industrial Commission, saying the applicant wanted a waterfront site to which would run a railroad spur, and needed 50 acres at least, village fathers shook their heads sorrowfully.

"We haven't that much land—at least not at present," said Reeve Thomas Millward. He said later that the Commission told him the company would employ a large number of men.

Building Started On New Firm

Construction has started on a new addition to the Georgetown industrial scene.

Varian Associates of Canada Ltd., subsidiary of a California electronic company, is building a one-storey, 10,000 sq. ft. floor space factory on property at the Mountainview Rd. River Drive corner which was purchased from Alex MacLaren.

Varian expects to be in production by early fall in this, its first plant in Canada. At least four executives are planning to move to town, including Wesley Carnahan, who will be general manager.

Head office of the company is in Palo Alto, California.

The building will be of modern design, finished in buff in an L-shape. There is possibility that the floor space will be increased by an addition at a later date. Gordon S. Adamson, Toronto is architect.

Brampton '55 Rate Likely 66 Mills

Brampton's 1955 tax rate is likely to be 63 mills. This rate was tentatively agreed to by council after a five hour meeting last week. There is the possibility of one-half mill being added to the rate dependent upon acceptance or refusal by the municipal board of the Brampton District High School Board request to have \$26,500 in capital expenditures included in their 1955 levy.

All budgets, but those of the high school and the work's committee, have been completed. In all probability, there will be a further reduction in the budget of the work's committee, although it is not expected to be large enough to alter the mill rate.

Assessment in Brampton for 1955 is \$11,576,154, an increase of better than \$1,000,000 over the 1954 figure of \$10,559,184. The 1954 tax rate for Brampton was 62 mills.

Trafalgar Named New Planning Area

Trafalgar has been named a subsidiary planning area and township council last week named A. Hoodley chairman of an eight-man Trafalgar Planning Board.

Graham Hall, Frank Stark, N. L. Small, Murray Inkster, councillors Martin Crutcher, and Fred Near and R. G. Ware will serve on the board with Mr. Hoodley.

A Department of Planning and Development letter said that the Trafalgar Planning Board could undertake matters of municipality concern—and was given full authority of the Planning Act.

Councillor Martin Crutcher said that township planning would first go to council, then to the new subsidiary Trafalgar Planning Board, and finally to the Oakville-Trafalgar-Bronte Planning Board. The board was instructed by council to meet as soon as possible.

Bronte council expressed the opinion that it wasn't satisfied with the authority given to Trafalgar and would consequently take it up in a committee meeting.

Four in Running For Oakville Post

The 30 odd applications for the position of Town Manager of Oakville have been winnowed down to four whose qualifications seem to meet the bill.

The committee, consisting of Deputy-reeve Savin, councillor Davis and councillor Card, met and did the pruning.

Mr. Davis says the committee plans to go to Niagara Falls, Cratham and Sarnia this week to see how their municipalities' town manager systems operate and that it will then interview the reduced list of applicants.

Continue On Own To Establish Force

Georgetown Council has refused to co-operate in a game of "have and have not" with the Attorney General's department about provincial policing.

A letter from the OPP commissioner said that an original decision to pull provincials out of towns over 2,000 has been reversed.

At the same meeting a letter of acceptance was received from Roy Haley, East York, Georgetown's new police chief who begins his duties June 1st, as well as letters from three unsuccessful applicants who would take positions on the force.

"Before these applications were opened," said the mayor, "I had the town clerk contact the commissioner, as I had heard rumours of a change. We were told that there was no question of leaving the OPP in towns of 3,500 or over."

Council decided it would be unfair to the new chief to change plans now and that a department which changes its mind once can do so again. The new chief will be consulted about the possibility of engaging the men applying for positions as constables.

Pollock and Campbell
Manufacturers of
HIGH GRADE MEMORIALS
MEMORIAL ENGRAVING
62 Water St., North GALT
Telephone 2048

If It's Printing
Call
The Acton Free Press
Dills Printing & Publishing Co. Limited
Phone 174 Acton, Ont.

AD 480

When James the Well-known Bee Was always glad and grin And then he had our certified Now they call him Talking Man.

State Farm Mutual announces
NEW RATES
on auto insurance averaging
15% LESS
than rates charged by most other companies for liability, collision, and comprehensive coverage.
CALL ME FOR DETAILS
W. H. DENNY
39 Brock St., ACTON

Sunshade
Ventilated All Aluminum
AWNINGS
FINEST AWNINGS AND CANOPIES IN NORTH AMERICA

CONVENIENT TERMS

AT PRICES YOU CAN AFFORD
Local Representative
H. L. Brown
PHONE 147 ACTON



MASSEY-HARRIS MACHINES TRACK-TESTED for DURABILITY FIELD-TESTED for EFFICIENCY

TESTING — TESTING — TESTING —
Testing is never-ending at Massey-Harris. Track testing goes on day and night, winter and summer at the Massey-Harris-Ferguson Test Track. Tractors and implements are checked with electronic equipment for stress and strain analysis. They are endurance tested for ability to stand-up under long usage and are given severe shake-down tests over the bumps to check resistance to breakages.

Steel, paint and other materials are analyzed and tested in the factory laboratory to insure that they meet requirements and specifications—careful check is kept on foundry castings—inspection departments make constant

assembly and run-off tests on production machines.

Field testing is a constant year round activity of the engineering divisions of Massey-Harris-Ferguson. Machines are sent south in the winter time and follow the harvest north until freeze-up to give new models as much work in the field as possible. Machines are tested under many varied conditions for ability to do their work well, for ease of handling, for economy of operation, and for capacity to do a good job. Well designed, well built and thoroughly tested Massey-Harris and Ferguson machines offer outstanding features in modern equipment. Your local dealer will be glad to give you full particulars.

MASSEY-HARRIS-FERGUSON LIMITED
Makers of High Quality Farm Implements Since 1847