

# SPOTLIGHT ON THE DISTRICT NEWS

Items of interest gleaned from the newspapers of the district

## Planning Engineer For Trafalgar Hired; Safety Films Approved

R. J. Roberts, a former planner and designer in England, has been named Trafalgar's planning engineer.

Mr. Roberts, who had been operating a private architectural design business in Cooksville prior to being accepted as the township's planning engineer, will receive an annual salary of \$5,300.

Council decided to get a report on the cost of installation of lighting signals at the C.N.R. tracks on the Fourth Line from the Board of Transport.

The motion was carried after Councillor Martin Crutcher told council the Fourth Line was becoming quite heavily travelled and that signal lights were needed to prevent collisions.

Council gave its police department \$250 to prepare safety films to take around to township schools to show what children shouldn't do when going to and from school.

"I believe the police department wants to take pictures of township children coming out of school to show their safety mistakes and point these out by taking the films around to the schools," said clerk Sheldon Featherstone.

Council authorized the purchase of 1,000 square feet of land from Kingston on the Upper Middle Road near the Second Line for bridge purposes. Road superintendent Jack Orr was given permission to find suitable land for a new land fill dump site.

Council decided to extend the no shooting area north to the Upper Middle Road from one end of the township to the other as a result of several complaints from the Central Trafalgar Ratepayers' Association and individual farmers.

## Debate Surchage For New Hospital

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Milton District Hospital on Wednesday, November 23, the question of surcharge for treating patients was discussed at length. Agreement was reached on a decision to make no surcharge for any patients living in the townships of Esqueping, Nassagaweya, Nelson or Trafalgar, if these townships were issuing debentures to help finance the building of the new hospital. This decision will be of special interest to persons who are now obliged to pay such surcharges in other hospitals.

A fact-finding committee was appointed to further investigate hospital building data before a decision be made on the choice of architects.

Attending the meeting were John S. Wright, chairman of the board; R. C. MacNab, vice-president; J. Harris, secretary; Mrs. Dolbert Deans, Mrs. Chester Service and Robert Marshall and Archie Service, trustees of Trafalgar and Nassagaweya respectively. The medical committee were represented in full by Dr. C. E. Stevenson, chairman, and Drs. J. W. McCutcheon, G. E. Syer of Milton and Dr. H. R. McDonald of Kildbride.

In the first eight months of this year, imports of goods into Canada reached the all-time record high for that period of \$3,013,700,000, exceeding exports for the period by a value of \$204,000,000.

## Announce Christmas Decorations Prize

There is an extra, unexpected Christmas present awaiting some lucky and industrious resident of Burlington and its immediate outskirts. The Chamber of Commerce have announced a \$25 prize for the best outside Christmas decorations.

Homes in the area will be judged by a special panel of judges chosen by the Chamber. The contest will close at 6 p.m. on Thursday evening December 22nd. Announcement of the awarding of the prize will be made later. It is hoped that this will be an added incentive to make the Christmas spirit more evident by outside lighting decorations in the community.

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## Halton Natural Gas Co. Seeks Gas Franchise In Georgetown

"We'll be coming to council in January to seek your consideration for third reading of a by-law to give Halton Natural Gas Co. a distribution franchise," W. H. Besley told Georgetown council last week.

With Mr. Brooks of the same company he appeared to reaffirm the company's interest in serving Georgetown, as well as Milton, Acton and Guelph where similar proposals are being considered.

Mr. Besley said that building of the trans-Canada pipeline between Toronto and Montreal next year, has given his company, which is connected with the Lakeland company in the USA, a chance to provide rates which will be more favorable than any other company because of a "bulk purchase" arrangement.

Questioned whether his company would be using gas from the local Anthony Company, he said Halton Gas has written to Anthony offering to purchase their gas at the prevailing market price.

## Complain Trustees Not Co-Operating

Claiming trustees of School Area No. 1 were "not co-operating with us," Councillor Walter W. Chadwick asked Nelson council for further information before carrying out a verbal promise to supply funds for the purchase of a new school site.

Councillor Chadwick charged the school board had deliberately ignored council for the official opening of Clarksdale school, although members had been invited to other openings, he said.

When other members agreed with the awarding of the prize will be made later. It is hoped that this will be an added incentive to make the Christmas spirit more evident by outside lighting decorations in the community.

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## Who Owns Shot Deer? Decisions Date Back To Days Of Early Rome

The deer hunting season brought with it the usual number of disputes as to who owns the deer once it is shot. In some cases, hunters shot deer which were being driven by other parties or by other parties' dogs. In other cases, disputes arose when a hunter killed a deer which had been wounded by a member of another party. Often, conservation officers of the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests are called in to settle such disputes and give quick judgment on matters which have exercised legal minds for centuries.

"Who owns the game?" The question goes so far back into history that the Roman rule, as quoted by Justinian, specifies that wild animals become the property of him who reduces them to possession. Until they are reduced to possession, however, they belong to no one.

District Forester Douglas N. Omund explains.

"For many years in England, all wild game was held to be the property of the sovereign who could hunt himself or delegate the right to hunt to certain people, usually landowners. Blackstone, in his commentaries, takes this interpretation. Subsequent uses in England, however, show that only certain species of game and fish are actually royal property, notably swan, sturgeon and whales.

"The ruling English case on the subject now, recognizing the right of Parliament to legislate regarding the taking of game, does not place all game in the category of royal property. Since most Canadian law is derived from English Common Law, it is safe to state that the actual killing of a wild game animal is what decides its ownership and then only if its killing involves no infraction of existing law.

"Pursuit of an animal does not constitute possession, nor superficial wounding. The man who kills it and takes possession of the carcass is the owner.

"For most people, of course, the unwritten laws of sportsmanship

## Nelson Ignores Planning Board

Nelson council at a meeting last week, chose to ignore statements from the Burlington and Suburban Planning Board billing the township for its share of the planning budget.

Instead, on motion of Councillors Walter Chadwick and Loren Laing, it was decided to notify the Acton Board that the \$186 left on credit to Nelson township for 1954 be used to pay for work performed for Nelson Planning Board during 1955 in full of account.

The motion passed without a word of comment, although the matter had been the subject for much debate at frequent times during the year.

Another "break with the past" came when the same councillors presented a motion that the "clerk call for tenders on all insurance for the township." It too passed without comment, although members earlier in committee had discussed the time-honored practice of splitting premiums among various agents in the township.

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ard fair play provide all the answers needed to settle disputes of this kind," Mr. Omund points out.

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WATSON'S MUSIC STORE	BOB RIDSDALE	HINTON'S DEPT. STORE
MANNING ELECTRIC	COOPER'S DRUG STORE	HINTON'S 5c-\$1 STORE
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ACTON HOME FURNISHINGS	BRAIDA SHOE STORE	BAXTER DRUGS
SYMON HARDWARE	THE KAYE SHOPPE	GORDON'S HARDWARE
BONNIE WEE HAT SHOP		RACHLIN JEWELLERS

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BRADLEY'S MEAT MARKET	RUDDICK'S GROCERY
GEORGE BENTON	MARKS' GROCERY
FRANK'S GROCERY	LOVELL'S MEAT MARKET
LEDGER'S I.G.A.	CARROLL'S GRAND UNION
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Consult the above merchants for Christmas Eve Hours

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Florida No. 1 ... Marsh Seedless	New Crop ... Fancy Quality	1 lb. pkg.
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10 size 96's <b>49c</b>	IGA ... Delicious Rich Christmas	1 lb. size
IGA Brand ... Selected Quality 1 lb. bag	<b>FRUIT CAKE</b>	59c
<b>CRANBERRIES</b>	Peek Frean's ... Mrs. Peek's Christmas	1 lb.
25c	<b>PUDDINGS</b>	49c
California Red Emperor	Favorite Brands	Ctn. of 200
<b>GRAPES</b>	<b>CIGARETTES</b>	2.99
2 lbs. 29c	For Holiday Pictures ... Westinghouse No. 5	Ctn. of 12
Florida ... Selected Firm Ripe Cello Pkg.	<b>FLASH BULBS</b>	1.78
<b>TOMATOES</b>	Monarch ... Fruit	16 oz. pkg.
15c	<b>CAKE MIX</b>	49c
California Iceberg ... Crisp Solid Jumbo Hd.	IGA ... Choice Halves ... Ripe 'n Ragged	2 - 20 oz. tins
<b>LETTUCE</b>	<b>PEACHES</b>	39c
19c	Swift's Jewel	1 lb. pkg.
Florida New Crop ... Green Pascal lg. stks.	<b>SHORTENING</b>	25c
<b>CELERY</b>	Aylmer ... Sweet	16 oz. jar
2 for 19c	<b>GHERKINS</b>	29c
	IGA ... Family Pack Assorted	4 lb. Ctn.
	<b>BISCUITS</b>	99c

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