

Limestone Quarry Development Opening on 600 Acres Near Town

A new limestone quarry development near Milton bears a name that has been prominent in road construction for over 40 years. James L. Franceschini, president of Associated Quarries and Construction Co. has announced that the new business will be known as the Dufferin Quarry, and will be operated in conjunction with an associated group of paving and building supply companies now owned by the St. Lawrence Cement Co. of Clarkson.

Although renowned in the highway construction field in eastern Canada, Dufferin brings to this venture their many years of experience in operating limestone quarries at Kirkfield, Hagersville and elsewhere.

The Dufferin Quarry is located about four miles northwest of Milton. The Company purchased approximately 600 acres, with

options on more property, mostly on top of the Niagara escarpment directly north of five side-roads and between the Esquesing, Massagaveys Town Line and the First Line East.

A frequent visitor to the quarry site this winter has been Dan Griese, who is the General Superintendent for all the Company's quarries. He says that production will commence in May, and that a permanent labor force of some 20 men will be employed per shift and others will be required at peak-load periods. Except for key personnel, labor will be recruited locally. In addition, a large number of local trucks will be hired to transport the crushed stone from the quarry to customers. The local Plant Superintendent will be Jack Barker of Kirkfield, who has been with the Company for over 35 years, and recently be-

came a permanent resident of Milton.

Million Tons A Year
M. S. Gill, Sales Manager of the Dual Mixed Concrete and Materials Company, who will be marketing the stone from the Dufferin Quarry, stated this week "We hope to bear an initial production target of 1,000,000 tons per year, and this figure should be increased within the next few years. We expect most of our sales will be in the greater Toronto area, and a large quantity of stone will be used by associated companies in their asphalt and concrete mixes."

An arrangement between the Sixteen Mile Creek Conservation Authority and the new quarry owners has resulted in the cancellation of an expropriation which was being considered in order to preserve the amenities of the escarpment. The Company's agreement with the Authority will ensure that the natural beauty of the area will not be destroyed and a program of planting and seeding will be carried out.

Early last June Dufferin's engineers moved in with surveying equipment, and since then the quarry has been the scene of much construction activity. An access road was cut through the old farm the First Line east to the base of the escarpment, there it widens and forms a circular yard area for stone piles. A road has also been built from the bottom almost to the top of the escarpment slope to facilitate operations.

Convey Stone To Piles
The quarry proper is located near the top of the escarpment, and the rock overburden is presently being stripped by the Whitehall Construction Company of Milton. When this has been completed, the rock will be drilled and blasted, and the loose rock loaded on off-highway dump trucks and carried to the primary crusher. Here the big stones will be reduced in size and conveyed by rubber belt to a surge pile at the foot of the escarpment, then through a recovery tunnel to another crusher. After being broken down into smaller fragments, the material will be screened into the various marketable sizes, and conveyed to the bin building or reserve stock piles.

For the time being, the crushed limestone will be loaded by machine onto trucks at the stock piles, but eventually it is hoped to install a system of loading trucks automatically while they are parked on the weight scale.



ROSEMARY CAMPBELL of Campbell Farms, Moffat, was recently awarded the 1961 Ontario championship for juniors competing in "Equitation and Horsemanship over jumps" events at horse shows throughout the province, including the Canadian National Exhibition and the Royal Winter Fair. The award is presented annually by the Canadian Horse Shows Association. Rosemary is 13 and is allowed five more years in junior competition. She is pictured with her horse, Cindy.

Elect Church Officers During Annual Meeting

(Intended for last week)
The annual meeting of the Church of Christ Disciples was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McDougall with 25 present. A pot luck supper was served previous to the meeting.

Peter Fountain, who had attended the Toc Alpha Conference in Toronto, and Brian Robertson, who attended the Older Boys Parliament in London, gave interesting accounts of activities.

A vote of thanks and appreciation was extended to the minister and the retiring church treasurer, T. D. McCutcheon.

Mrs. John McDougall presented the report of the nominating committee, which was approved without change.

Elders, John McDougall, Roy Hindley, Alex Kingsbury, T. D. McCutcheon, William Stewart; deacons, David Robertson; Eric Currie, Don Fountain, Peter Fountain, Duncan Kingsbury, Brian Robertson, David Stewart, Stanley Stewart; trustee and property committee, Duncan Kingsbury, John McDougall, David Stewart, Jack Stewart, David Robertson.

Secretary, Mrs. Duncan Kingsbury; treasurer, Mrs. David Robertson; assistant treasurer, Mrs. John McDougall; organist, Miss Marilyn Kingsbury; assistant organist, Mrs. Alan Lillie; auditors, Mrs. Harry Horrip, Miss Jennie Towell.

A vote of thanks was extended

to Mr. and Mrs. McDougall for their hospitality. The meeting closed with a hymn and prayer by J. D. McCutcheon.

Mr. and Mrs. Giles of Guelph visited Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Benham.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jestin and Mr. T. D. McCutcheon visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCutcheon and Dianne, Kitchener.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fuller, Toronto, visited on Saturday with Mrs. John Alton and Miss Jennie Towell.

BALLINAFAD

Scouts Play Erin Defeated 7 to 4
(Intended for last week)
The Ballinafad Boy Scouts played a game of hockey with the Erin Scouts on Friday night at Erin with Erin winning 7 to 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Himes left on Tuesday for Florida.

Mr. Sam Snow is in Toronto hospital undergoing treatment on his back.

Mrs. Donald McLean, who has been in Guelph hospital is convalescing at her home.

Achievement day for the home-making girls was held in Milton on Saturday.

Quite a number from this community attended the Acton ladies' fair board euchre and penny sale on Saturday night.

OBITUARY

Postmaster at Grimsby Beach Lived in Old Stone School

Allan Mortimer Smith, 48 Park Road N., Grimsby Beach, former postmaster at Grimsby Beach died Sunday, January 21, at O'Brien's Convalescent Home, Grimsby, after a lengthy illness.

Mr. Smith was well known throughout the community both as postmaster and fruit grower. He had resided at Grimsby Beach since 1930, moving here from Toronto. Taking over the postal position, he carried out the extensive duties from 1938 until 1957 when illness forced his partial retirement. He was born in Acton, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sidney Smith. Their home, Fairview, is the old stone school.

Dr. V. Fenn, M.D. St. John Speaker

Dr. Victor D. Fenn, Acton resident and former medical practitioner in India was guest speaker at the St. John Ambulance meeting Friday evening February 2, and outlined the medical man's viewpoint on Civil Defense.

Presbyterian by faith, the deceased was an active adherent of St. John's Presbyterian Church, Grimsby.

Dr. Fenn dealt with the drastic results in case of nuclear warfare and outlined possible measures of assistance involving St. John Ambulance brigade.

During the first world war he enlisted as a gunner in the 6th battery, attached to the Canadian Artillery force. He served in France with the Second Division Ammunition Column, seeing action in Belgium. He was a grandson of Col. Wm. Allan, founder of the Halton Lorne Rifles of the Argill and Sutherland Highlanders of Hamilton.

The guest speaker was introduced by Division Superintendent Robert Hart who told the members that Dr. Fenn who was born in the East, was educated in India and received his medical degree from the University of Calcutta. Mr. Hart stated the speaker had been in Burma when the Japanese raided and after the war he worked with UNICEF.

He is survived by his wife, the former May Crittenden, one cousin, Sidney Anderson, Tallahassee, Florida, and one niece, Mrs. Nelson Howe, Alameda, California.

Dr. Fenn was thanked for his most interesting and informative talk.

Funeral service was held Tuesday afternoon, January 23 with Rev. Russell Hall, officiating. Interment was made at Queen's Lawn Cemetery.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Some find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand as in what direction we are moving. To reach the port of heaven, we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it; but we must sail, and not drift, nor lie at anchor.

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Chimneys Down
If Santa Claus has a master plan of all chimneys in Acton, it had better be revised smartly. Four chimneys at the town hall were torn down by Western Contractors.

Several weeks ago, council decided the chimneys were in a dangerous condition and agreed to have them removed and one replaced with brand new brick. Old bricks tumbled down to the ground last week.

Mount Etna, in Sicily, has erupted violently 80 times during the period of written history.

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