



NEW PHYSICAL SCIENCES BUILDING AT UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH

Dr. W. C. Winegard, President of the University of Guelph, signs contract for the University's new Physical Sciences building, while T. A. McEwan, Chairman of the Board of Governors looks on. The new building, to house the Departments of Physics and Chemistry, will provide urgently needed teaching and research facilities. It will contain 55 laboratories, as well as classrooms, two large lecture theatres, faculty offices and the University Book Store. The building is expected to be completed in about two years time. Total cost, including equipment, will be over eight million dollars. This brings to seven the major construction projects under way simultaneously on the Guelph campus, representing a total of over 50 million dollars worth of construction.

Over 65% Canadians live in urban areas

Nearly half of Canada's population live in 19 metropolitan areas and 65% of all Canadians live in an urban area, according to recent population statistics reported by Maurice Cutler, business news editor for Maclean-Hunter in Ottawa.

The mushrooming growth of urban areas, says Cutler, is revealed in 1966 census figures being issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Fully 47% of Canada's population now live within the boundaries of the 19 centres, compared with 46% in 1961. During this five-year period,

73% of the metropolitan growth occurred in the suburbs. The 19 metro areas continue to grow faster than the rest of Canada. Their total population increased by 15% in the 1961-1966 period, compared to 5% for the rest of the country. They accounted for 71% of the gain in Canada's population during this five-year period. A total of 13 million people or over 65% of all Canadians live in urban areas with population of 5,000 and over. In 1961, 11 1/4 million or 62% lived in centres of this size. The number of urban areas has also grown from 306 to 325.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor of The Acton Free Press,

Regarding the letter in your issue of August 2 from J. Shadbolt,

Mr. Van Norman would not say sewage was backing up in his basement if it was not the case. In order to find out if it is on his own or town property, the officials should ascertain the cause.

Mr. John Shadbolt should just sit down quietly and mind his own business and let the Chamber of Commerce demonstrate their usefulness themselves and not use the "press" to insult and belittle anybody till his toes are first trampled on.

Percy Woods.

I like to express to you my great appreciation for the way your reporter worked out the interview he had with me yesterday. From experience I know how often interviewed people are mis-understood, especially when they tell about far away circumstances.

In this case my words have been rightly understood, no sensational accents have been laid, but the facts are clearly and truly written down.

A salute for this good reporter's work.

Sincerely yours,
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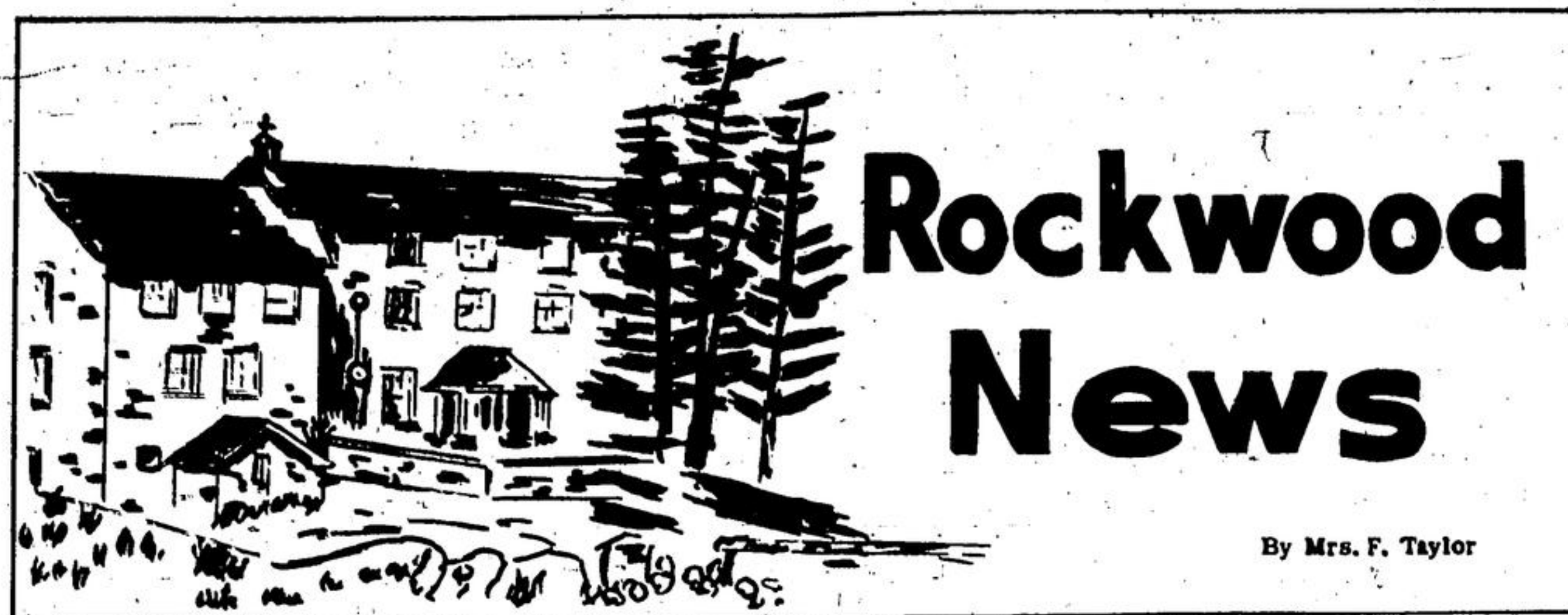
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By Mrs. F. Taylor

Centennial celebration planned opening of municipal building

Rockwood - Eramosa Township Council met recently in the Council Chambers with all members present. Also attending were the road superintendent and the Clerk.

Following the adoption of the minutes, several items of correspondence were read and discussed.

THERE WAS one land severance recommended by Council to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval. Council also approved the grant of 50 each to Acton Fall Fair, Eric Agricultural Fall Fair and Ferguson-Wellington County Fall Fair.

The members extended their appreciation to John Root M.P.P. and the Dept. of Highways for development road 927 (Fall St. Rockwood).

It was moved that the treasurer be authorized to pay Armstrong Bros., Brampton, 80% on the work performed on this road in the amount of \$5,016 as approved by the Dept. of Highways. THE COUNCIL authorized the Clerk to call for tenders in the

construction of the Township garage as soon as the final approval of the plans is received from the Dept. of Highways.

It was carried that Council authorize the reeve and clerk to execute an agreement between the Township of Eramosa and the

Ontario Water Resources Commission on behalf of the Village of Rockwood.

DUNCAN McPHERAN was chosen chairman of a committee after considerable time was spent on discussion of Centennial celebrations for the official open-

ing of the municipal building. The remaining members were appointed to help in the plans.

Accounts in the amount of \$60,999.72 were passed for payment and the Council will meet Tuesday, Sept. 5 at 7:30 p.m. or at the call of the Reeve.

Board postpones demolition of old school at Rockwood

Due to delays in demolishing the old portion of Rockwood public school, the Eramosa school board has decided to take no action on demolition until 1968. The required renovations and repairs will be made ready for kindergarten in September.

Trustee Waideil was authorized to have a dead elm tree cut down on the Rockwood school property.

The board decided to request a rebate of taxes on property purchased from Burton Hill.

Dr. B. T. Dale, county MOH, was granted use of the school auditorium for use in a health program.

Purchase of a stove and refrigerator for Rockwood Centennial school was authorized.

The board held its first meeting in the board room at Rockwood Centennial school. The meeting was chaired by Murray Smeltzer. Also present were trustees Dr. R. J. Hilton, Ross McDougall and Douglas Batten-

am, principals Grant McRae and Ronald Marlon.

Dr. Hilton tendered his resignation as trustee since he has moved to Guelph; resignation effective July 31. The chairman and members of the board expressed their regret at Dr. Hilton's removal from the village and thanked him for his work on the

board since his election in December 1959. Mr. Smeltzer expressed the board's appreciation of Dr. Hilton's efforts as chairman of the personnel committee.

The board will appoint a replacement to the unexpired portion of Dr. Hilton's term and this appointment will be made at the next meeting on August 8.

Over 90 attend summer Bible school at Everton

Rockwood - "Walking Jesus Way" was the theme of the Everton Bible School, that drew an average daily attendance of over 90 from the entire community.

Mrs. Donna Bateman was the director and the school was divided into seven classes.

AMONG THOSE teaching and helping were Mrs. Legge, Nancy

Hortap, Elizabeth Jackson, Norma Wheeler, Evelyn Dolmar, Sandra Peart, Lorraine McDougall, Linda Garner, Judy Ellis, Muriel Kingsbury, Linda Garner, Trina Lindblad and Mr. Legge.

Hilda McKensie was pianist for the group and in charge of refreshments.

THE GROUP collected over \$37 and made 31 Vietnam school and hygiene kits. The school kits have crayons, pencils, pads, sharpener and eraser while the hygiene kits hold a towel, baby powder, soap, comb and mirror.

Moonlight ride highlight of Trail Riders' weekend

Rockwood - Mr. & Mrs. Norman Barnes of Tottenham were judges for the Trail Ride sponsored by the Rockwood Trail Riders recently. The Riders were hosts to others from many parts of Ontario to an overnight camp, a 15 mile trail ride, a steak barbecue, campfire and a moonlight ride. On the Trail Ride, the horses were put through a series of obstacles along the route.

Awards were made around the campfire to the winners among the thirty horses and ponies who took part. Ribbons were given to both junior and senior divisions. A beautiful moon made possible a leisurely ride for the equestrians at midnight.

THE NEXT day started with an early cook out breakfast and then a rousing game of broom polo got underway. The men took to the field with two, four man teams and later the girls showed the men how the game should be played.

A noonday shower forced the group into tents and trailers to eat lunch but when it cleared all were ready for the gymkhana games at 1 p.m.

A FLAG race around the pond, a hat exchange race, apple race, boot race and ring sparring were all greatly enjoyed. There were junior and senior divisions in each of these games. The highlight of the day was a one mile relay race with teams of three riders competing.

The champion ribbon was won by Henry Bullock of Burlington for senior high point winner of the weekend. Jean Pettitt of Guelph took second place.

Junior honors went to Marlene Welsh of Palmerston with Lynn Duncan of Rockwood winning the reserve.

The friendly, congenial weekend will long be remembered by all with pleasure.

Centennial dance in school

The Centennial celebrations in Eramosa Township have been a success, even if the weather did not always co-operate.

The Junior Farmers are doing their part and have planned a Centennial Dance for August 11 at the Eramosa School.

There will be dancing both inside and out, with prizes for the best Centennial costume and the best of the Centennial beards.

This is an event for the entire family with adults charged 75¢ and children free.

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OBITUARY

Shirley Watson district farmer

District farmer, Shirley F. Watson, R. R. 1, Limehouse, died in Georgetown and District Hospital on July 22 in his 76th year.

Mr. Watson's wife, the former Emma Burt, predeceased him, and he is survived by son and daughters Burt Watson, R. R. 2, Acton; Mrs. Lois McLean, R. R. 2, Acton and Mrs. Irma McEneary, R. R. 1, Limehouse; sister Mrs. Myrtle Bielby, Niagara Falls, brother Ray Watson, Grimsby, and four grandchildren. A brother Perry Watson predeceased him.

FUNERAL SERVICE was held July 25 in the Rumley-Shoemaker funeral home conducted by the Rev. Robert Scriven of St. John's United Church, Georgetown. Interment was in Fairview cemetery, Acton.

Palbearers were John Sprowl, Griffin Sprowl, Wilfred Harding, Jesse McEneary, Clayton Sinclair and Melvin McCullough.

Flower bearers were Mac and Calvin Sprowl, Don Brown, A.D. McEneary and Ted Brown.

Own fire department for Esquesing township?

Councillor Tom Hill warned Esquesing council last week, "they would have to be prepared to pay," to set up their own fire department in the present Esquesing Fire Area No. 1.

He went on to tell council of a trip to fire departments at Nobleton and Schomberg, and their operations.

He stated the firemen are paid five dollars a call, and a dollar a meeting and practice.

The committee will continue studying other rural fire departments.

While Cr. Tom Hill urged costs in all the fire areas of the town-

ships be the same Cr. Pat Patterson argued that education costs all over the townships should also be the same. "People should pay the same in Norval, Limehouse, Glen Williams, etc." he challenged.

Clerk K.C. Lindsay pointed out that this legislation was set by the province.

In 1966 Canada's highway accident toll was 5,258 dead, 160,656 injured. Property damage totalled \$650 millions, reported the Canadian Highway Safety Council.

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