

# News of the district

## GUELPH .....

A little bit of Australia has come to Guelph with the transportation to the university of a truck load of shrubs and small trees from the Australian pavilion at Expo in Montreal. These were obtained through Dr. William Worth, deputy commissioner general, of the Australian exhibit organization.

It was not possible to accept large Eucalyptus trees which are not agreeable with Canada's winter climate. However, healthy examples of 10 genera were obtained. These include the exotic callistemon (bottlebrush) and Livistona, (Australian fan palm). The material brought here was selected at the Expo site by A.R. Bull and J.V. Olsen, of the horticultural department of University of Guelph.

## GEORGETOWN .....

Another drive-in movie in the area is a distinct possibility by early 1968. Andrew Rouse, general manager of General Theatre Investments Ltd., Toronto asked Chinguacousy council for approval of the proposed 350 to 400 car \$250,000 theatre a mile south of Snelgrove and west of No. 10 Highway.

Santa Claus parade in Georgetown this Saturday, November 25.

The "head end" or main tower for the proposed cable television to be provided by Georgetown Cablevision Ltd. will be located on the Norval property of Toronto West End YMCA. The construction will be done under Canadian Standards Association standards, and the poles erected under the supervision of the hydro and the town engineer. The monthly rental fee to subscribers will be \$4.50 and the agreement may be terminated upon thirty days written notice. There will also be an installation charge. New channels will be added as they become available at no charge to the customer. Colour is featured on all channels.

A place for Georgetown youth to congregate is what a local group which calls itself Youth-In will have when work is completed on a coffee house in what once was the boiler room at Cedarvale Community Centre on Main St. S. Members are transforming the dingy area on the east side of the building into a comfortable gathering place with paint, carpentry and imagination. Youth-In has stolen the flower power theme from the hippies to bedeck the water pipes and walls with giant blossoms, but unlike the dens of hippydom nothing stronger than soft drinks are available. In fact literature on alcohol and drugs is in prominence on reading tables around the room.

## COOKSVILLE .....

Hospitals in Georgetown, Milton, Brampton, Oakville and Cooksville will provide clinical experience for students of the new Credit Valley School of Nursing construction of which is about to get underway. This building, located on land near the South-Peel Hospital in Cooksville will house and educate 300 nursing students. Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital's next addition will include a classroom in which nursing students will spend several days each week. Milton Hospital already has a clinical classroom.

## SRIN .....

Free rabies clinics for household pets will be held throughout Wellington County because of an increase in the incidence of the disease. Dr. L.G. Morrison, sub-district veterinarian of the health of animals branch, Canada department of agriculture, said the first of the clinics would probably be held in late November. Exact times and locations will be announced as soon as plans are finalized, he said.

## BURLINGTON .....

There's a new brochure plugging the town. It is entitled "This is Burlington - a picture story of the total living environment of the town, as seen through the eyes of its people." First copies were distributed to members of council by J. Gordon Blair, director of business development.

## Stockholders to consider amalgamation proposal for Acton Limestone Quarries

A proposed amalgamation agreement between Industrial Minerals of Canada Limited and Acton Limestone Quarries Limited will be submitted for consideration and approval at shareholder meetings of the two companies on November 28, 1967. Under the agreement Industrial Minerals would acquire the assets and business of Acton, subject to certain liabilities. Acton's operations would then be carried on as an integrated part of the amalgamated company, which would have the same capitalization and name as the present company, "Industrial Minerals of Canada Limited."

Both companies are controlled by Falconbridge Nickel Mines Limited - Industrial Minerals 66.8 per cent and Acton 54 per cent. If the agreement is approved, Falconbridge would hold 68.1 per cent of the amalgamated company.

Present shareholders of Industrial Minerals would maintain identical shareholdings in the amalgamated company, and each 100 shares outstanding of Acton would be changed into one share of the amalgamated company. Industrial Minerals has been an established producer and marketer of nepheline syenite for North America and overseas since 1937. It has mining and processing operations at Nepean, Ontario; a research and technical centre in Don Mills, and other resource holdings in Ontario and Quebec.

As part of a planned program of diversification, Industrial Minerals in 1964 acquired control of Canadian Silica Corpora-

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# — Our Readers Write —

188 Churchill Rd. Acton, Ontario.

To the Editor, Acton Free Press.

Dear Sir:

I have just been reading this week's copy of the Acton Free Press, and note with some interest the Esqueping Council has authorized Mr. George Herrington, Dog Catcher, to patrol Glen Williams two days a week for a trial period of six months at a stated cost to the ratepayers. I hope they have given him more authority than he appears to have in this area, when it comes to carrying out his job.

Early this year I had occasion to call him myself, while out for my regular morning walk with my own dog - on a leash - another dog from this area attacked him, and before I could prevent it, bit his ear, and caused him to have a very sore ear for some weeks. This happened on this road, not on private property, but when I called Mr. Herrington he informed me that he has no authority to pick up a dog on private property. Now, a dog is pretty smart, and when he sees a stranger coming towards him, either on foot or in a car, he is not going to wait for him to catch him, he immediately makes for the nearest hideout, and it doesn't matter if it is his own master's property or not. So how on earth is the Dog Catcher going to pick up dogs which are straying around causing annoyance to people, and just what does he do for the payment he receives from various townships for patrolling their respective areas?

Less than a month ago I had occasion to call him again, this time I did it through Mr. McGeechie. A dog had attacked my small grand-daughter, who had just been put out to play in her own garden, bit her on the chin, and scratched her cheek. This same dog was afterwards seen scrounging in garbage cans which had been put out for collection that day; also later the same day outside the M.Z. Bennett Public school vomiting at the side of the highway.

Mr. Herrington eventually came to see me about 8.30 p.m. that evening, for details of this happening. He again told me he had no authority to pick up a dog on private property. What is the use of paying this man ratepayer's money if he isn't given any authority to carry out the job he is supposed to do.

As you can probably gather from this letter I am a great dog lover, but believe that they should be kept under control as my own dog is; he is walked at least four times a day on his leash.

During my walks with my dog I frequently see other dogs roaming around other people's property, many of them without collars, dog tags or any kind of identification, many of them stray across the highway in front of oncoming trucks and cars, some chase vehicles, small children and even adults, myself included.

I take this opportunity to appeal to all dog lovers and owners of dogs, please take proper care of your dog, if he gives you pleasure he is surely worthy of your care, and make sure he doesn't make a nuisance of himself to your friends and neighbours.

A special footnote to Esqueping Council, make sure you give your ratepayers value for money, by giving this Dog Catcher the authority he needs, to carry out his job.

Yours truly,  
Margaret E. Wright

November 20, 1967

Dear Mr Coles:

We are returning herewith a copy of your paper and two pictures of the Acton Legion Choir, which you so very kindly lent us. We used a picture and a write-up about the Choir in our local paper prior to the appearance of the Choir here in Tillsonburg. You may already know that due to a breakdown of the bus, the Choir arrived in Tillsonburg just as the service ended. The congregation had not yet left, and they stayed to hear the selections that the Choir were to have used in the service. Following these, the Choir sang several

other numbers, and the public was thrilled.

Thank you most sincerely for your kindness, and I must add that the town of Acton and the Acton Legion must be very proud of the Chorallers. Again, our most grateful thanks, to both you and the Acton Legion Choir.

Very sincerely yours,  
E.H. Friend, Sec. Treas.  
Royal Canadian Legion,

Royal Canadian Legion,  
Branch 153,  
Tillsonburg, Ont.

DEMOCRATIC RIGHT  
TO VOTE IS LOST

Dear Sir: December in Canada's Centennial year of 1967 will be a black, black month in Nassagaweya's history, for the tax payers have been denied their annual vote and the democratic right to elect their representatives to Council; for in 1966 the majority of the Council thought they were doing such a good job that they could dispense with democratic principals, and gave themselves a two-year term.

It may be argued that at the polls in 1966 these people were re-elected and that justified their decision, but the taxpayer should have had the right to vote on a one or two year term, as a separate issue.

We in Nassagaweya have long been envious for our lively and interesting elections. Now I suspect the apathy will set in and interest will lag, the Establishment will prevail, and the Park Barrel flourish.

William A. Johnston,  
R.R. 2,  
Rockwood.

# Harley to Halton

by harry harley m.p.

Since our last column most of the time in the House of Commons has been devoted to the debate on capital punishment. It is hard to tell what the result of this debate will be as the vote is expected to be quite close.

It is of course a "free vote" which means that confidence in the Government is not involved, and if the Bill does not pass the Government does not have to resign as would be the case if it was a normal bill. In this way Members of Parliament are free to vote as they see fit.

This bill will abolish capital punishment except for the murder of peace officers and prison guards.

The Bill will be in effect for five years at the end of which time it will have to be reviewed by Parliament. While it was first thought the Bill might be voted on after one or two days debate, it is now obvious that it is going to take much longer than this.

On one day for example an attempt was made to "adjourn" the debate, which has the effect of postponing the debate for that day only. As the House was only 30 minutes from the end of the day's normal business, it is hard to understand what the particular Member (a Creditiste) had hoped to accomplish by this maneuver. Incidentally it was defeated relatively easily and the House went on to the other business as listed.

It is expected that the next item of business for Parliament will probably be the conclusion of the debate setting up the Department of Consumer and Cor-

porate Affairs under the Registrar General, the Hon. John Turner. This does not add a new Government department but is an extension and further development of an already existing one.

The new Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Stanfield, has now taken his seat in the House of Commons. The Conservative Party were present in large numbers

## Joint meeting

Burlington's industrial commissioner, Gordon Blair, will be speaker when the Acton Development Commission and Chamber of Commerce hold a joint dinner Thursday, November 30, in the music centre.

Rolls and muffins which have hardened may be freshened by sprinkling with water, placing in a brown paper bag and warming in a hot oven for a few minutes.

and one of the few Members noticeably absent was the Member from Prince Albert, the Honourable John Diefenbaker.

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