

# NEWS of the district

## "Mature" student gets B.A....

**GUELPH**—William J. Taylor, of 20 Mont St. who received his bachelor of arts in sociology last week at the University of Guelph convocation, achieved his success with an even greater effort than most students.

Mr. Taylor began his studies 23 months ago at the age of 35. During this time, he has supported himself, his wife, and five children by working at the Ontario Reformatory as a correctional officer.

Added to that, Mr. Taylor, under the university's mature student program, worked his way through Grades 11, 12 and 13 as well as his diploma.

Now, he plans to work part-time for the Children's Aid Society as a social worker while he works on his master of arts degree.

Mr. Taylor, a modest man, said he just "heard about the mature student opportunities at the university and decided to take one."

## Hermit lives in hut...

Some charred tree limbs, a pile of cinders and ashes and a carefully built stone fireplace are all that is left of the makeshift shelter which Louis Zorka, a 35-year-old Yugoslavian emigrant, spent two weeks in on the south bank of the Grand River, about two miles east of Fergus.

He was arrested by Ontario Provincial Police, for theft of a turkey, as he lay sleeping in the thatched shelter, and was whisked off to jail. Two days later his hut burned down.

According to Constable Ed Fearon, the arresting officer, Mr. Zorka was living as a hermit not by choice but by necessity.

"Because of an injury (a hernia) he wasn't able to keep a job farming and just moved from farm to farm until he couldn't find work any more."

Const. Fearon said that Mr. Zorka was taken into custody more for his own protection than because of his alleged crime. He is not being kept in jail, the policeman said.

## George Haws lights up barbecue

**HILLSBURGH**—The appearance of a 100-year-old Hillsburgh resident, George Haws, highlighted the annual Alf Hales beef barbecue held near Arkell recently.

More than 500 attended the beef picnic held at the M.P.'s farm. The annual event is sponsored by the Wellington Progressive Conservative Association.

As well as the barbecue, there were free pony rides for the children along with games and entertainment. For the children, "Taz the Clown" was on hand while the Italian Singers entertained the adults.

## Lines make council gloomy...

**MILTON**—Milton Council isn't happy about the boundary lines drawn by Halton reeves for a regional government proposal and they made it clear to Reeve Austan Ledwith when he acknowledged he had supported the plan in the county committee.

Reeve A. Ledwith told members the reeves met with MPP Jim Snow following a letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs asking they detail their five proposed divisions of a single county. "Reeve site" there was considerable deliberation and "logic" wasn't used. It was just a case of who was to get what."

Mayor B. Best observed a lot of boundaries were obviously jugged around "so one person stays in Nassagaweya". He suggested that "the quicker county council realized it is dealing with the whole destiny of the county, the better."

"I supported the proposal. Maybe I should resign, but when you have five people just complaining and arguing you get fed up", lamented Reeve Ledwith.

## Hockey teams could fold...

**GEORGETOWN**—There's a possibility that Georgetown hockey fans may have no intermediate nor junior teams to watch this season.

Though they insist they'll ice a team, the Junior C club executive are concerned about lack of bodies at tryouts to date, a situation which will have to improve soon if the organization is to survive.

While tryouts in past seasons have drawn 30 to 35 players, the sessions to date have attracted only about nine on the average.

Conflicting rumours about the intermediate club also put that team's future in doubt.

## Scotch Block dam to be used to dump wastes?

At a Monday, Sept. 21 meeting of Nassagaweya Council, Councillor Allan Ackman raised the question of whether the proposed Scotch Block Dam and reservoir will be a dumping ground for industrial wastes.

Reeve Anne MacArthur, a member of the Halton Region Conservation Authority, told the councillor the dam site was so close to the Niagara Escarpment it would not be used to dump industrial wastes. She promised Mr. Ackman she would raise the question at the next meeting of the H.R.C.A.

Dumping of industrial wastes contravenes the Conservation Authority's purpose for setting

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## EDEN MILLS

# Intermediate ball team honored at banquet

By Mrs. R. Wright  
A successful banquet was held Saturday evening in the basement of Eden Mills Presbyterian Church for the Eden Mills Intermediate ball team and their guests, also the coaches of the minor ball teams.

A delicious hot turkey supper was served by the Ladies' Aid and was enjoyed by all. Head table guests were Coach Jack Chamberlain and Mrs. Chamberlain; manager George Bruce and Mrs. Bruce; chairman of the minor ball Don Peeling and Mrs. Peeling, and president of the community club Mr. Bob Gibbertson and Mrs. Gibbertson. Jack Chamberlain thanked all

the players for the successful year they had in winning the Guelph Township League championship and advancing to the O.R.S.A. semi-finals.

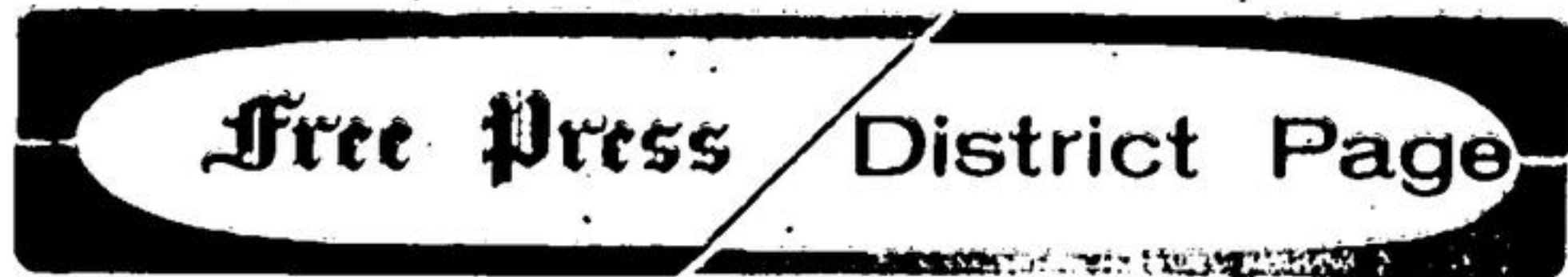
He then handed out 8 x 10 colored pictures of the team to each player. The bat-boy B.J. Legate presented coach Jack Chamberlain with a wallet on behalf of the ball team and thanked him for a job well done. A plaque in appreciation of many years' service was presented to Ted Barden from the '69 team, also a new ball which the players all signed.

The Eden Mills and District Community Club held their monthly meeting Monday

evening and arranged for the annual meeting to be held in November with everyone invited. Instead of a evening of cards, Tony Vos of Eden Mills, an ardent photographer, will show pictures he has taken in and around the village. Plan to be there for an evening of entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Jefferson have been holidaying at Sunridge for a few days.

Damage has been done at Eden Mills Presbyterian Church where several stained glass windows have been broken by vandals. The O.P.P. have been notified.



## County Board guess is wrong

# Enrolment 1,215 below projective

A drastic reduction in elementary pupils across the county, down 1,000 from Board of Education projects, was reported to members of the County Board Thursday by Assistant Director D. S. Lawless.

Projected secondary school enrolment was down 215. Mr. Lawless pointed out the previous years in the Burlington area had indicated 18.4 per cent of the population increase represented students. This year the factor was only 8.03. He told Board members he was unable to explain the significant difference in the Burlington area.

Projections for enrolment in the north education area were within 184 of the anticipated elementary pupils in the grades in the kindergarten there were

63 more pupils than projected.

Enrolment at the secondary level showed an actual at Acton of 482 compared with a projected 494. At Milton 883 enrolled compared with the projected 890 and in Georgetown 1,449 enrolled compared with a projected 1,440.

Mr. Lawless emphasized the factors which influenced the projections have remained constant over the last few years but applying the factors to projections for September 1969 produced results significantly inaccurate."

He attributed the over-estimation of growth to a slowdown in house construction and sales. He noted a conservative assessment of the number of unsold or unrented completed dwellings revealed

1,005 units in Burlington, 455 in Oakville and 100 in the north.

The decline in anticipated enrolment required a reorganization of staff and a reduction of 20 assigned teachers in the elementary schools. In the schools with significant decreases in enrolment the principals have been given the option of reducing staff to meet the approved teacher-pupil ratio or using the extra staff to cover all supply teaching needs within the school.

The significant effect on the current budget will be reflected in 1970 because of the 1,000 decrease in expected enrolment. Revision of the capital budget will also be necessary to determine how many of the projected new facilities will be required, Mr. Lawless concluded.

## Tougher laws for quarries

Tougher laws to control stone quarries and gravel pits in Ontario are being prepared for presentation to the Ontario Legislature this winter, according to Mines Minister Allan Lawrence.

Some quarries and pits in the Halton area have been a source of controversy in past years. The new laws would require greater control over rehabilitation of the pit or quarry and would also call for new safety, noise and dust control.

Mr. Lawrence said up to now quarries and gravel and sand pits were under municipal jurisdiction but it wasn't working out, due to lack of funds and staff to administer the proper controls.

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## SILVERWOOD

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# Pro-Teens name officers W.I. hear "Big Brother"

By Mrs. H. Scott

The Silverwood and Limehouse Pro-Teens met at the home of Mrs. Bomholt on Saturday morning for elections of officers and a lesson in cooking.

President is Connie Bomholt, secretary-treasurer Suzanne Ruddell, telephone convenor Wendy Hannah, exhibit conveners Cathy Lindsay and Sheila Henderson.

The girls worked on their menu sheets and Swiss steak was the cut of meat. The girls learned how to prepare it and afterwards ate it for their dinner. The next meeting in two weeks is to be at the home of Suzanne Ruddell.

Mrs. Clare Wilson is a patient in Georgetown Memorial Hospital at present. We hope it won't be long.

Mrs. G. Smith was hostess Thursday evening, Oct. 9 to Silverwood Women's Institute. Mrs. I. Carmichael, historical research and Mrs. H. Scott, public relations were joint conveners of this program. Meeting opened with O Canada and Mary Stewart Collect.

Mrs. Marchington, Mrs. Norton and Mrs. Cowar attended the area convention at Guelph this past week. Mrs. G. Henderson attended the district Directors' meeting at Milton and gave an outline of things discussed and aims for future activities.

Six members of Silverwood W.I. joined Norval members for a tour of the St. Lawrence Starch Co. at Port Credit this past week.

Mr. Simpson, Georgetown, was guest speaker after the business session and gave an outline of The Big Brother

rewarding experience that comes with week to week contacts were outlined. He answered many questions from interested members.

Mrs. H. Scott thanked Mr. Simpson on behalf of the members. A social half hour brought the October meeting to a close.

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