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(Eleventh in a series of messages about Delrex and what it means to the Georgetown area.)

Within the next few years, Delrex will become home to more than 10,000 people. Many of these new Georgetown residents will live in houses built by Rex Heslop Homes Ltd.

During the past 10 years, this company has built more than 1,000 homes in Metropolitan Toronto, mostly in new developments in Etobicoke Township. This experience and vast knowledge of good construction techniques brings two great benefits to Delrex residents.

First, they know that any home built by Rex Heslop Homes represents the best possible value for every dollar spent. Secondly, other contractors who build homes at Delrex must, to remain in business, build homes which are of sufficient quality to compete with Rex Heslop Homes.

Rex Heslop Homes are designed by staff architects and all construction is supervised by foremen who are constantly on the job. Excavations, framing and carpentry are handled by Rex Heslop Homes Ltd., while other work is contracted out to firms of proven ability.

To lower costs and provide a saving for the home buyer, all lumber is pre-cut in the modern mill owned by Rex Heslop Homes Ltd. Kitchen cupboards, windows and door frames are pre-fabricated in the carpentry shops and trucked to the construction site to save labor costs.

Although a home is ready for occupancy within six to eight weeks after the excavation has been started, this can in some cases be speeded up to provide occupancy in as little as four weeks.

During this time, 40 or more workmen will aid in the construction. Included are four or five bricklayers and two assistants, three plumbers, two or three plasterers and two assistants, 12 carpenters, four lathers, two electricians, two heating men, two shinglers, two or three painters and two or three men laying hardwood floors.

### KEN McMILLAN JOINS HUNTER REAL ESTATE

Ken McMillan, International Harvester dealer here for several years, and recently manager of the McGibbon House, has joined the W. F. Hunter real estate organization.

Mr. Hunter, whose head office is located in Brampton, now has three local salesmen, Jan Meyer, Ed Tyers and Mr. McMillan.

Jack Yoksim has replaced Mr. McMillan in his hotel position.

## Subdivision Complexities

Problems of roads and drainage have bobbed up with the opening of each new Georgetown subdivision and Monday saw another delegation visiting the council meeting to complain.

They had council's sympathy, and while it might not seem so to people who are living in the present chaotic conditions, a solution is bound to come and a year from now they will look back on present problems as one of the dark spots in what, we hope, has been an otherwise pleasant introduction to Georgetown.

Residents in the Valley Hill district have had a rougher time than possibly any others, for they are dealing with a complex problem of a land owner

and a contractor disputing behind the scenes, and a drainage situation which the town engineer thinks may only eventually be solved by storm-sewering.

But looking backwards; we remember what Normandy Blvd. was like when wartime housing was erected the year the war ended. And we remember each subdivision in turn, when residents, bogged down in mud, came pleading to council for action.

Perhaps in future, new legislation which gives council more control over road conditions, by making contractors post a bond, will bear fruit. But we venture to say that there will never be an utopian subdivision where farmland is converted into residential lots, without certain inconveniences the first year.

## The Good with the Bad

Frequent visits of new residents to town council meetings is creating a healthy situation, too, for it is making taxpayers aware of how municipal government operates.

All too many of the older Georgetowners know little or nothing of the town's administration, for it is human nature to become interested only when one has a specific request to make, and only a handful of citizens attend even one council meeting during the year.

There is no better introduction to a town for new people than to see council in action, to meet councillors personally and to watch how the large volume of public business is handled, from the smallest request for a tag day or removing a tree, to the

large questions of sewers, water supply, schools and new roads.

There is no one who would not benefit from an occasional visit to listen to elected representatives as they deal with this multiplicity of business. The Herald reporter does his best to publicize town affairs, and indeed believes that this is the most important part of the weekly news budget. But cold print cannot always interpret the whole tone of a meeting, and one must be present to get the overall picture.

So it is that our newer residents will be better informed, and after their immediate problem is solved, more aware of the large task facing present-day councils, by their attendance at meetings.

## Victoria Day Celebration

It is several years since a public celebration was planned in Georgetown for Victoria Day, and we are looking forward to seeing the park filled next Monday.

Aside from the opportunity of getting out to enjoy the varied program planned, a good crowd will show the hospital committee that their work is recognized and that they have public support in quantity for the huge task ahead in building a Georgetown hospital.

Like any other large project, there is terrific

behind-the-scenes organizing needed for any project requiring the amount of money which a hospital means. The Delrex gift home is in itself a mammoth task, and it is only the starting point.

The least the general public can do to encourage men and women who are giving their time and talents to the job, is to show support by attendance at the park on Monday. And the program has such variety that there is appeal for everyone, so a good time is assured.

## Pot Pourri

A couple of well-known Harrys will be in the Owen Sound lacrosse lineup this year, one of the teams which Georgetown N & Gs will meet. Harry Lumley, of the Maple Leafs hockey team, and ex-pro Harry Gazzari, stocky defenceman with Meaford Knights this year, are both members of the Owen Sound team. . . . A district farmer complains of a metal water trough at his barn being wrecked with a bullet hole, and asks hunters to be more careful in the vicinity of farm buildings. . . . We try to keep names straight in the Herald, but now and then we slip. Last week, reporting news of teachers, we reported Hazen Graham as assistant at Chapel St. school, when it should have been Hazen Allen. The week before, mentioning new officers of the Catholic Women's League, we consulted the voters list for a name and came up with Mrs. Earl Neil, only to find later

that Mrs. Reuben Neale, who lives in the same part of town, was the proper one. Sorry! . . . Sunday evening's television blackout was the only inconvenience which a widespread storm brought to Georgetown. Sections of Toronto and Hamilton, and part of New York state were without hydro for several hours, while residents in the Windsor area cringed as tornadoes whipped around them. . . . One terrific lightning bolt hit the television aerial at Trevor Williams' home on Parkview Blvd., and made a shambles of the interior of the TV set. . . . An interesting phenomena to one not versed in the technical aspects of hydro was the slowing action on electric clocks when the power wavered for several minutes here. The lights dimmed several times during the height of the storm without actually going out, and electric clocks lost some four minutes during this period.

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