

Nomination Meeting

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sidewalk improvement program. The road committee will end the year with its \$50,000 budget

balanced, he said. He outlined the highway program which includes new pavement, storm sewers, curbs, sidewalks and sodding. Total cost



Please Vote For

'Honest John' ELLIOTT

COUNCIL CANDIDATE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10

I handle and balance \$62,000 monthly for the CNR at your station master.

IF ELECTED

- I will work for more commuter trains to Melton & Toronto
- I will work to eliminate the rough railroad crossing at the station.
- I will work for a two-lane road under the tracks at John street

I am doing service work for our youth, the poor, the elderly and disabled.

GEORGETOWN NEEDS a young ex-serviceman in council who is familiar with your town.

If you were not there, ask others about my nomination speech.

I am willing to listen to you with an open mind, and prepared to help you help yourself.

PLEASE GIVE ME ONE CHANCE

And I Will Run for Deputy Reeve in Two Years

Yours Economically,

JOHN ELLIOTT

To the Electors of the Town of Georgetown:

As a candidate for your 1957 Council, I would like briefly, to express my reasons for asking your support in the coming election.

Our debenture debt is almost \$2½ million, this represents a per capita debt of approximately \$400. We must realize there are major expenditures such as schools, waterworks, sewers, etc., that must be debentured but we must also realize that we must carry on our taxes, such expenditures as sidewalks, storm sewers, etc., and we must not overburden ourselves with too much of this type of progress in any one year.

With this method of financing, and with the debt that has already been incurred we certainly cannot expect to see a low tax rate for some years to come, but we should see, with careful municipal administration, a gradual improvement in the economic structure of Georgetown.

There has been much said about the industrial growth of Georgetown and this we realize is the salvation of our economy. It has been proven as ratepayers, we cannot leave the establishment of industry in the hands of Delrex Developments alone. We must have available, in other parts of town, serviced land at a reasonable cost, to attract industrialists.

I ask you to support the money by-law for the renovation of our Arena. Although this will add \$111,000 to the debenture debt, I feel sure the Board of Parks Management can put this on a paying basis and repay this debenture without any addition to our tax rate. It is essential to the people of Georgetown to have a recreation centre that can be used twelve months of the year and also realize the full value of money we already have invested in this building.

In view of the fact that the large amount of annexed land could place a tremendous burden on the taxpayers who have been paying taxes for many years, I would consider it my duty, as a member of the Council, to be very cautious in future spending until the annexed area has produced a substantial amount of industry.

With your support on Election Day I feel confident I can render a useful service to the people of Georgetown.

ERN HYDE.

ELECT SAM REID

for COUNCIL



At a regular lodge meeting of Lodge 717, Turbo held in the month of November, 1956, Sam Reid, who has been a shop steward for 4 years, was endorsed by the lodge as a responsible candidate for a councillor's position in the town of Georgetown.

The Platform of Brother Reid Is Found In Three Parts

1. More organized industry for the town of Georgetown.
2. Keep taxes to a minimum without jeopardy to growth
3. More recreation facilities for teen agers.

WITH THESE PLEDGES PUT FORWARD WE ARE SURE THAT BROTHER REID WILL RECEIVE THE SUPPORT OF THE GEORGETOWN ELECTORATE AND WILL BE SUCCESSFUL IN ATTAINING THIS OFFICE.

will be \$60,000 and he feels it money well spent on such a fine town improvement.

"I'm not only throwing my hat in the ring but my whole body" said Cr. Gray, indicating he would devote his entire attention to the job if elected for another term.

"How long does it take to have something done when you ask for it?" asked a ratepayer W. O. Brownridge. Mr. Brownridge said he had asked council in 1951 to repair a sidewalk in front of his house and was still waiting for it.

Another ratepayer, Mrs. Alex Calder asked about a sidewalk in the park district to connect with that on Maple Ave. She said children have to walk through muddy sections on their way to school.

Mr. Gray said it would be necessary for residents to petition council which would then give their request consideration.

Wants 2-Way Radio

Cr. Alfred Sykes reported both for his own welfare, light and police committee, and for veterans' affairs and firemen, which committee had been headed by the late LeRoy Dale.

The general efficiency of the police force is excellent, he said, and he suggested that in future a 2-way radio would be helpful on both the police car and the fire truck.

The town has added 100 street lights this year, and now has a total of over 400, he said.

"I've heard at several council meetings that we need still more, and I agree with you" he continued. He pointed out also that because some areas have become built up since installation of street lights, there are places where fixtures should be changed to be more effective.

Welfare was dismissed with the happy report of a \$621 expenditure which he hopes will never be exceeded in future years.

Good Fire Equipment

Purchase of a \$21,000 fire pumper this year has made the Georgetown department the most completely equipped in Ontario, he said, quoting the provincial fire marshal.

"Have we a big enough police force to properly police Georgetown?" was a question from ex-councillor James Goodlet.

Mr. Goodlet said his question was prompted by non-enforcement of the Main St. parking by-law which he says is disregarded by motorists and police.

Mr. Sykes answered that, although the town is slightly under the one policeman per thousand and population recommended, that Georgetown is getting 24-hour protection.

Hydro Big Business

Graham Farnell, hydro chairman this year, who will commence his fifteenth year as a commissioner in 1957.

He outlined the growth of hydro, citing income of \$2280 in 1923 to \$132,000 in 1953 and \$270,000 in the current year. An increase of over 200 customers in the year has raised this total to 2173 at present.

Anticipating further expansion, Mr. Farnell said that capacity of the Cross St. substation is being increased by 50%. He spoke with pride of the new hydro building which will be officially opened in mid-December. It will be a distinct advantage to have all hydro equipment under one roof at last.

High School Addition

Briefly reporting as a member of North Halton high school district board, James Goodlet told about plans to tear down the old part of the high school after an \$8000 addition is completed.

A gym and auditorium are out of the question at present, he said, because no government grant is available for this type of construction.

Ray Salter, public school board chairman, expressed the hope that the new Harrison school, ori-

ginally scheduled to be ready in December, would be opened sometime in January.

Delayed at first by a steel shortage, there has been a further delay caused by shortage of glass and the building is 3 weeks behind schedule.

"I don't suppose any board has been so unpopular with parents as ours" he said "but believe me, we explored all possibilities before deciding on a 2-shift school this term."

Explains Planning Board

A new report at the meeting was that of the planning board, formed during the year and given by chairman Edwin Wilson.

Mr. Wilson defined the function of the board "to continuously survey the town's assets, study and correlate them and make recommendations to council which will result in orderly development of Georgetown."

The board has had problems, solved some of them, and he bespoke tolerance and consideration from residents while the board tries for the best solution of problems.

Arena Financing

The proposed \$111,000 arena remodeling will be entirely financed by the 1-mill grant which the board of parks receives from the tax treasury and profits from operating the building, said Harold McClure speaking for the parks board.

The building, constructed some 35 years ago is basically a fine structure, but must be put in proper repair or it cannot continue operating, he said. A \$30,000 debenture for artificial ice has been paid off in 9 years, and a 15-year debenture for improvements is planned to be retired in similar fashion.

A yearly cost of \$11,000 for this will be met from a town grant of at least \$8,600 plus operating profits which last year were \$3500. The new building will provide year-round activity by hard surfacing the ice surface, as well as opportunity for extra profit, he said, because of this.

J. L. Lambert, library board chairman, expressed his pleasure at having some 1300 people using the library service now. A projector and film library are now available at a small fee, he said, as an extra library service.

He expressed regret at the death of Harry Adams, former secretary-treasurer of the board and a valued member.

Industry and Economy

With council and board reports concluded, town clerk John D. Kelly, who was chairman of the meeting, called on five new nominees who, with four councillors seeking re-election, will contest six council seats in next Monday's election.

Seeking new industry and practicing public economy were mentioned by practically all candidates as they stated their reasons for running for office.

"It's not my intention to condemn the present council for I feel they have acted within their conscience" said Sam Reid, "but that doesn't mean I have agreed with everything they've done."

In an oblique reference to the long-debated Swanek storm sewers, he promised to examine any new building project carefully to see that Georgetown's obligations are clearly outlined. To keep taxes at a minimum, new industry will have to be introduced, he said, promising to represent the whole town and show no partiality to any one group.

Mail Delivery, Street Signs

Candidate Sid Hardie said he would like to see mail delivery

and street signs on council's program next year. Sidewalks in the east Georgetown area and street lights at the highway intersections are also suggestions he has to improve the town.

Georgetown will have to have industrial development if taxes are to be kept reasonable, he believes, admitting that he has no solution for new industry other than persistent effort.

"Does Mr. Hardie say the most important thing is to keep taxes down?" was a question posed by a ratepayer, R. C. Warren, who said Mr. Hardie had contradicted all his points.

Mr. Hardie said that one of the reasons he is running is to have some representation in council from the eastern section of town presently not represented, and that he thinks the town should be split into wards. Offering to answer Mr. Warren's questions if he posed them one at a time, the meeting chairman interrupted and said he thought answers had been adequately made.

For a United Town

Candidate John Elliott said Georgetown is too small to be divided into the "old town" and the new subdivisions and that he seeks to represent the whole town. "I've no axe to grind, I've been to council on several occasions and I know there's a lot of work, and I'm prepared to do it" he said.

Mr. Elliott sounded an economy note, saying that with a 2-million dollar debenture debt and bank loans of \$450,000, Georgetown must pull in its horns and spend only what is absolutely necessary. He said he would try through the CNR development department, to bring new industry. Giving a brief biography of himself, he said he is most happy as a Georgetown resident and finds the people friendly since settling here two years ago when he was appointed CNR station agent.

Pay-as-You-Go Policy

Candidate Ern Hyde, former town superintendent intimated that he favours a pay-as-you-go policy when he cited the debenture debt.

"I've listened to council reports about what they've done, but none of it is paid for" he said. "We owe over two million dollars. It represents better than one-third of our assessment, and it must be paid back."

Mr. Hyde said perhaps some of the reason Georgetown has had poor luck in attracting industry is this debt.

"Make the price of land more attractive and our national debt a little lower" was his suggestion for industrial promotion.

A Lot to Learn

"I'm running because I've got so much to learn" was Fred (Tut) Harrison's summing up of a number of questions which he posed.

Mr. Harrison said there has been a lot of talk about new industry, and the only place it can be put is in the new (Delrex) subdivision.

"It was called a city near Georgetown in a Toronto paper," he said. "Is it going to provide its own water system and sewage disposal plant?" or is Georgetown going to service these new buildings on the outskirts of town with water and sewerage?"

Council has made a nice job on the highway, he said, but he would like to see it continued up past the school where drainage is bad.

Mr. Harrison's speech concluded a lengthy meeting which lasted until almost midnight, one of the longest on record for a town nomination meeting.

RE-ELECT Walter H. Gray FOR COUNCILLOR 1957

I have enjoyed three years as your representative on the Municipal Council. It has been an honour as well as a pleasure for me to serve you.

With three years' experience I am asking for your support for the year 1957 and if elected I will give my time to the interest of the ratepayers of Georgetown.

If you wish a car on election day to take you to vote, Call TRIangle 7-2716. It will be supplied for you.

VOTE HARRY HALE AS YOUR COUNCILLOR FOR 1957

ELECTION MONDAY, DECEMBER 10th

Fred "Tut" Harrison

SOLICITS YOUR VOTE

FOR COUNCIL

AND PROMISES A SQUARE DEAL

FOR EVERY TAXPAYER

Vote Hardie

ON DECEMBER 10th

DEEDS, NOT PROMISES

If elected I will serve you with integrity

FOR THE SAME SOUND, SANE GOVERNMENT WE HAVE TRIED TO GIVE YOU OVER THE PAST TEN YEARS

VOTE TO RE-ELECT

Garfield McGilvray

FOR COUNCILLOR FOR 1957

Thanks

TO THE ELECTORS OF GEORGETOWN FOR YOUR CONFIDENCE IN ELECTING ME YOUR MAYOR IN 1957

JACK ARMSTRONG

Thank You!

TO THE ELECTORS OF GEORGETOWN MAY I OFFER MY SINCERE THANKS FOR MY ACCLAMATION AS YOUR REEVE FOR 1957.

I WILL CONTINUE TO WORK IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CITIZENS OF GEORGETOWN AS A WHOLE AND TO GIVE YOU GOOD REPRESENTATION IN COUNTY COUNCIL.

STAN ALLEN

SYKES OFFERS HIS SERVICES IN COUNCIL

VOTE

ALFRED SYKES

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10th, 1956

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