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An Excellent Investment

The 6% Town of Georgetown debentures, which are now on sale at the municipal office should find a ready market among people who want a good return on their investment.

It is the first time, in our recollection, that debentures have been offered for sale publicly. Formerly, it was the custom for debentures to be purchased in a block by a bond firm, then sold to private buyers, often a single company. A depressed municipal bond market has led to this new procedure. Lack of a market for municipal debentures was caused by the simple law of supply and demand. So many Canadian municipalities are expanding like ours, that there are more bonds being issued than there are large buyers.

There can be little question that buyers will not receive their interest regularly and their full loan money back when bonds mature. Georgetown's credit is as good as any, and better than most municipalities.

Why the Two Dollars?

Every year at this time, businesses which collect and remit the 10% sales tax for the federal government receive a reminder that the \$2.00 licence fee is due. And every time we write out that two dollar cheque, we question a system which requires a fee to do someone else's work.

Over the years, more and more government tax-collecting has been loaded on business.

At the present time, a businessman collects sales tax and must send it monthly to the government. He deducts income tax instalments from each employee and remits these monthly. And he deducts unemployment insurance contributions, doubles the value by his own contributions, then buys stamps and keeps insurance books records.

Only an extreme national recession could affect the bond value, and if this were to happen it wouldn't matter where money was invested.

The debentures are designed for two types of investors. If a buyer wants to put away a nest egg for nine or ten years something to educate his children, build a new house, save up for a dream trip, he can buy a debenture which will not mature until then, and on which he will regularly be paid his 6%. If he has money which he will need in a shorter time, a year or two, there are a portion of the bonds which mature earlier so that money is only tied up for the specified period he selects.

And whichever you do, you will be helping finance our growing town, which must space payments for a number of major improvements over a period of years, just like an individual must do.

In no case does the government even supply stamped, self-addressed envelopes for this assist, but at least in the case of insurance and income tax, that is the only out-of-pocket expense involved.

Somewhere in the past, however, the sales tax licence fee was adopted, and we can seriously question the fairness of this. The two dollars in itself is unimportant, but it establishes a principle. If a fee charge is considered fair by the government, it could as easily be twenty dollars or two hundred. And if it is sensible to charge a sales tax fee, a cash-shy government someday might increase this to any amount it wished, and extend it to other phases of collecting like, insurance and income tax too.

library and recreational facilities to satisfy all tastes. Location, financing and other pertinent factors were discussed at some length and it was decided to form a committee of nine to investigate all the aspects of such a venture. A project of this kind would require the cooperation of everyone in the town it was stated and the committee will endeavour to find out, among other things, if such cooperation would be forthcoming from the citizens and various organizations. Murray MacDonald, John Ferguson, Joseph Whitford, John Hole, Roy Warwick, W. G. Brownlee, Mrs. Bernard Cassell, Mrs. Louis Bodin and Mrs. J. Van Leeuwen are members of the committee. Other business discussed was the planning of a dance tentatively for the week of March 16th.

Local Jehovah's Attend Guelph Training Program

The three-day training program of Jehovah's Witnesses held recently at Guelph was successful from every standpoint according to Otto E. Dojczman, local presiding minister.

George H. Saltmarsh, district supervisor of Jehovah's Witnesses in Ontario, conducted a ministry school class and a service meeting similar to those conducted regularly at the Georgetown Kingdom Hall.

Mr. Saltmarsh noted improvement in many features of the Circuit's preaching activity. He said that the level of the ministry of Jehovah's Witnesses today is remarkably higher than it was ten years ago and that there is every good reason to believe that "within another ten years the level will have attained a far higher plateau than at the present."

Sunday morning, conventioners put their teaching qualifications into practice by calling at the homes of Guelph residents with instructive bible sermons prepared at the previous night's session. Last minute invitations were distributed for the widely advertised public lecture "What are the Prospects for Lasting Peace?"

Five hundred and fifty filled the Collegiate auditorium Sunday afternoon to hear this vital subject discussed. With rapt attention they heard Mr. Saltmarsh explain that while it is a desirable goal, and one which people in general desire, lasting peace can never come through men's efforts.

The visiting minister then showed why men are unable to solve the problem of peace. He explained, "For two basic reasons. One of these lies within man; he is weak, imperfect and selfish. The second basic reason lies outside of man. How so? In that, as the bible clearly shows, there are unseen, powerful, superhuman creatures that dominate earth's affairs and especially influence and control the rulers, who have no faith in God." Quoting the bible from 1 John 5: 19 he substantiated his argument. "The whole world lies in the power of the wicked one."

"Satan and his demons are not interested in peace," stated Mr. Saltmarsh.

Sounding an optimistic note, Mr. Saltmarsh cited Isaiah 2: 4 as proof that Jehovah God will do what men cannot do by bringing everlasting peace to the earth. Reading from 2 Peter 3: 13 he said, "But there are new heavens and a new earth that we are awaiting according to his promise, and in these righteousness is to dwell." (New World translation).

The speaker next showed why Jehovah's new heavenly government—the Kingdom—will destroy the present world system. The most important reason is that Jehovah's name and sovereignty are involved. He must be recognized as the most high over all the earth (Psalms 83: 18). A second reason is that God's purpose is to have this earth inhabited by righteous creatures, all following his laws. What Jehovah has purposed, he will bring to pass. (Isa. 46: 11).

Showing how lasting peace will come, Mr. Saltmarsh declared that it will be by means of God's war of Armageddon. A discussion of scriptures such as Zeph. 1: 14, 17 and 18; Zeph. 3: 8 and Zechariah 14: 13 made clear the scope and extent of this war from heaven.

Contrasting the wars of the nations with Jehovah's battle of Armageddon Mr. Saltmarsh continued, "These wars sweep multitudes into the grave without distinction as to guilt or innocence. Jehovah's war will be selective, killing only the wicked, none of the lovers of righteousness that seek him."

"The battle of Armageddon is righteous and in harmony with Jehovah's attributes of justice, power, wisdom and love. It kills those deserving to die, it will not destroy those who love righteousness and are desirous of living eternally in peace, and who are determined, by God's undeserved kindness, to pursue peace."

The Watch Tower Society representative stated that since 1914 the present troubled system has been living in its "time of the end", as indicated in Matt. 24: 24, Luke 21 and many other scriptures. He emphasized the urgent need for men to learn Jehovah's will, accept it, and dedicate themselves to serve him.

Following the hour long discourse, assembly overseer Fred J. MacNamara of Oakville gave a summary of the study lesson in the current Watchtower magazine dealing with The Song of Solomon.

Circuit supervisor J. A. Mumby next talked on the subject "Show Respect for Jehovah's Organization" in which he encouraged all, particularly the younger ones, to recognize this instrument which God is using to carry out his work on the earth.

In his final address to the assembly George Saltmarsh spoke on "Accepting Responsibility in the New World Society."

The delegates departed from the three-day training session,

Charles Renwick Installed First Principal of Chapter

Charles Renwick, 18 Victoria Cres., was installed as first principal of Halton Chapter, R.A.M., No. 234, G.R.C. at a ceremony which took place in the Masonic Hall, January 15th. He succeeds Wm. B. Hamilton, 66 Prince Charles Dr.

Other lodge officers installed to serve in 1958 are: Irwin Noble, 118 Guelph Street, 2nd principal; Jack Armstrong, 23 Parkview Ave., 3rd principal; Jack Addy, Glen Wil-

lanms, scribe E; Edwin Wilson, Valleyview Rd., treasurer; Frank Wilson, R. R. 2, director of ceremonies; Sam Penrice, Glen Williams, principal sojourner; Bev. Moody, Glen Williams, scribe N; William Kindrade, 14 Ostrander Blvd., senior sojourner; John Gunn, 34 Maple W., junior sojourner; George Sivill, R. R. 1, Georgetown outer guard; Ed Hall, 16 Margaret St., Gordon Harley, 33 John St. W., Bernard Dunning, 40 Shelley St., Thomas Niven, 2 John St. E., masters of the veils; Alfred Goodwin, 25 Albert St., organist; and auditors, E. L. (Jack) Arnold, 32 Church St., and John D. Kelly, 11 Albert St. Ex. Comp. George C. Brown, Norval, was assisted by several past principals of the Chapter, in officiating at the installation. Rt. Ex. Comp. John Frey, Guelph, who is grand superintendent of Wellington District also took part in the ceremony.

FARM NEWS HALTON FARMERS VISIT HOG CO-OP HEADQUARTERS

J. E. W.

Wednesday of last week saw some 37 Halton Hog Producers pay a visit to Ontario Hog Producers' Co-op headquarters on Dundas Street West in Toronto. The group was received by J. R. Kohler, manager of the Ontario Hog Producers' Sales Agency, and Jim Boynton, secretary of the Ontario Hog Producers' Cooperative. While we were unable to accompany the party, all reports would indicate that the members of the party were impressed with the efficiency and thoroughness with which the Sales Agency is operating the business. Telephone keeps the office constantly in touch with all markets in Canada as well as some of the more important U.S. markets. A huge blackboard on which is listed all hog buyers' names, their respective daily and weekly purchases, the price paid, etc., was on display.

"I returned home," stated A. R. Service, secretary of the Halton Hog Producers, "impressed by the fact that here was an efficient business set up in a democratic manner by the producers themselves."

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Local Lodge Entertains Rebekah Vice-President

Tuesday evening, January 21st, members of Verdun Rebekah Lodge entertained the vice-president of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, Mrs. Mabel Maybe of Tillsonburg, and Mrs. Margaret Gibbons, district deputy president, Toronto, and guests from Floral Rebekah Lodge of Brampton. The initiation staff conferred the Rebekah Degree for two members, Mrs. Richard Budgett, 41

Normandy Blvd., and Mrs. Ivan Elliott, 13 Temple Road. At the conclusion of the meeting the social conveners and members of their groups served a buffet, salad luncheon in the downstairs banquet room.

Thursday evening of the same week forty members, including the initiation staff, travelled by Georgetown Transportation bus to Hamilton where they were entertained by the members of Justice Lodge after they conferred the degree for four new members of the Hamilton Lodge.

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