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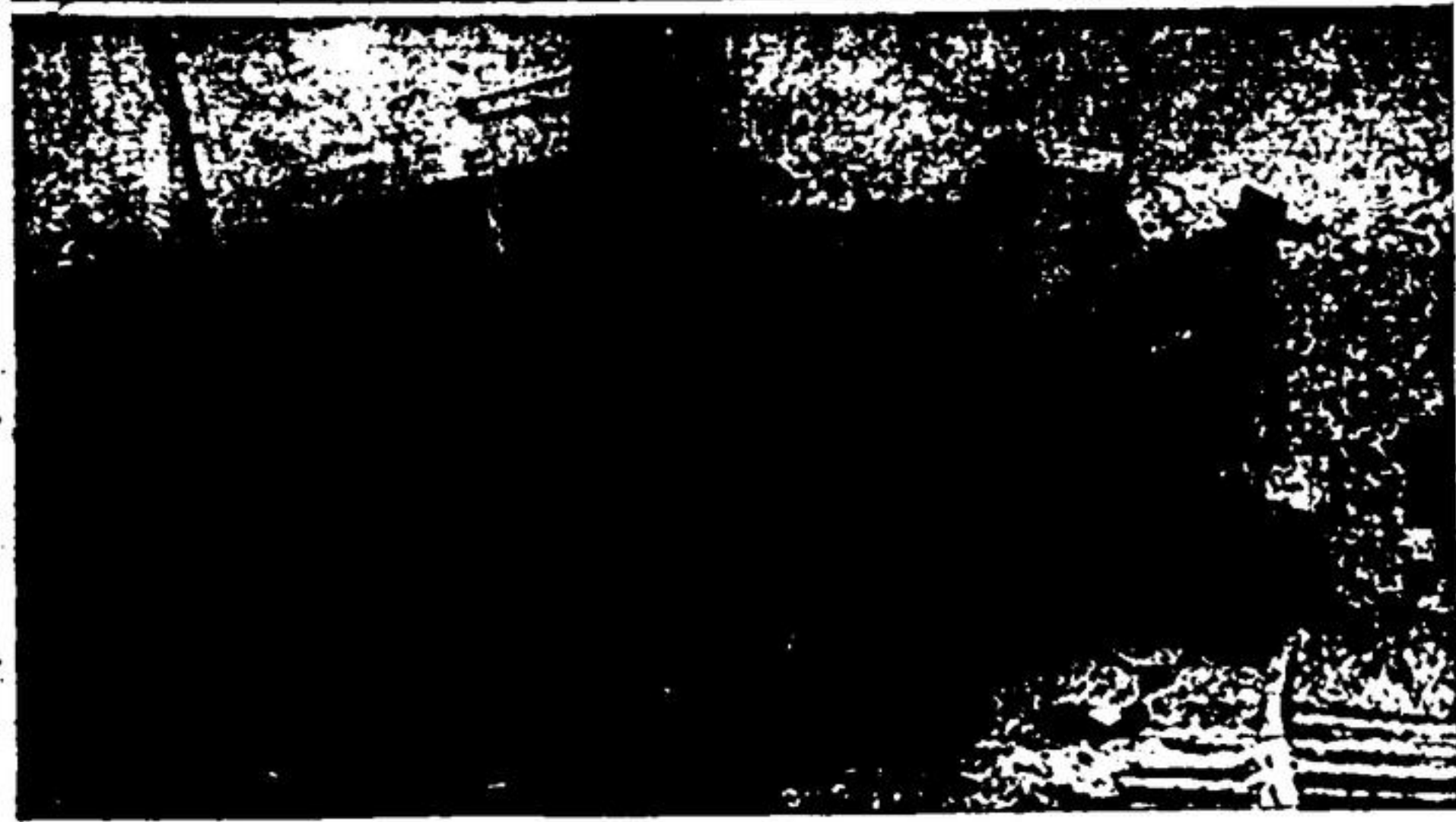
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## FRACTURED FREIGHT

THREE MEN WERE INJURED, one of them seriously, when the freight trains came together like a clap of thunder just west of the Georgetown station last Wednesday afternoon. The costly collision occurred just after a brief but violent rain storm and many who heard the impact mistook it for a final peal from the elements.

Photo by Jay's Studio, Georgetown.

### WHAT COUNCIL DID

## EDITORIAL, MAIL BAG LETTER ARE CRITICIZED BY MAYOR

Two items in last week's Herald, one an editorial, one a mail bag letter, were a target for comment by Mayor Ern Hyde at the conclusion of Monday's council meeting.

It is customary in council for members to express themselves freely, he said, and at times there is some buckering.

"But I don't think we have ever criticized each other in the press," he said, referring to a letter which Cr. Ian Cass had written to the Herald last week concerning his position on a council matter.

Mayor Hyde said that at election time, it's every man for himself, but he does not consider it the thing to do for councillors to express criticism of their fellow members other than at council meetings, or in election speeches.

The mayor then criticized a Herald editorial on salaries for council members.

"Council has for a long time been criticized in the press for accepting pay," he said, "and it's a matter I feel very strongly about."

Although editorials have mentioned it so often, he continued, no council aspirant has ever run on a platform of free service, and it is a matter that has never been taken up by anyone else.

"The editor is supposed to be doing a service to the public, and possibly his personal thoughts are running away with him," he said.

A comparison between men working in service organizations and councillors could not be made, he said. Certainly a

man works hard in a service club, but when a man gets on council it changes his whole mode of living.

"It's far from just sitting here and collecting \$13 a meeting," he said.

Many municipalities have chosen to increase council pay this year, he said, but Georgetown's council has gone in on a platform of economy, and this should be drawn to the public's attention.

"It's poor taste to suggest a council and a service club are doing a similar job," he continued. "Anyone who has been on a town council realizes this isn't recreation."

Councillors meet week after week, he pointed out, have committee meetings and are constantly on the telephone.

"We change our whole mode of life for the town," he said.

Mayor Hyde said he doesn't think the editor attends council meetings without thought of remuneration either.

"He's here to get material to sell his newspaper, and his best thunder comes on Monday nights," he said.

"When the Herald says it won't charge any more for work it does for the taxpayer, that's the time to suggest that councillors get no pay," he concluded.

Cr. Ian Cass commented briefly as the mayor concluded his remarks.

"I can't agree with a councillor's position in letters to the paper," he said, "but it would be too involved to get into a discussion at this late hour."

Chingacousy Council to discuss an improved road to Terra Cotta Conservation Area. The road is the joint responsibility of both townships. A request will then be forwarded to J. Daley of the Parks and Integration Board of the Provincial Government.

### Induction Service for St. Andrew's Minister

Rev. J. M. Miller of the Cooksville presbytery was the presiding minister when Rev. E. Ewart Madden was inducted as minister of St. Andrew's United Church last Wednesday evening.

An Oakville minister, Rev. D. Sloan, delivered the sermon at the induction service which was followed by a social hour. Hymns sung during the service were "We Love the Place O' God," "The Church's One Foundation" and "Glorious Things of These Are Spoken." The Order of induction conducted by Rev. Miller followed the second hymn.

During the social hour Mrs. Rex Heslop and Mr. Bridgen spoke for St. Andrew's, Mr. Alex MacLaren for St. John's United, M.P. for Hutton Stan Hall, for Eden, another church under Rev. Madden's charge, and Rev. West of Palermo, the father of Mr. M. West of St. Andrew's. The speakers were introduced by the clerk of sessions, Kelvin Brown.

### Piano Recital by Mrs. Newman Pupils

Marjorie Campbell Newman, A.T.C., held her annual piano students' recital on June 23rd at her home near Ballinacross.

Those participating were Christine, Pamela, Nicholas and Simon Earl, David, Hugh and Christine Brewster, Brian and Ross Wicks, Susan and Judy Asseltine, Heather and Phyllis Barber, Colleen Cummins, Mitchell Wagstaffe, Mary Harlow, Elspeth Macintosh, Billy Matthews, Lyn Hewson, Sharon Puckering, Lorraine Symmes, Barbara Whitmore and Mary Baker. Due to illness Mary and Michael Hill were unable to be present.

Little Christine Brewster presented Mrs. Newman with a gift on behalf of the students and Brian Wicks presented her with a lovely corsage.

### Attend Brother's Funeral Service

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McNally, Miss Lena McNally and Mr. William McNally were in Belleville on Friday to attend the funeral service for Samuel P. Herrington who died on Tuesday in Belleville Hospital.

Mr. Herrington, who was 83 years old, was a brother of Mrs. Fred McNally.

Born in Brighton Township, he was one of 9 children of Henry and Jane Anne Herrington. He was a painter and decorator, working in Belleville and vicinity.

He leaves his wife, 9 children, 28 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Fred McNally of town and a brother Clinton Herrington of Rochester, N.Y. The late George Herrington of town was another brother.

### WHAT COUNCIL DID

## Okay Installation of New Sign on Dairy

A discussion in which some councillors appeared to oppose permission for a hanging sign at Sloan's Dairy, but ended in unanimity when a recorded vote was taken, was the opening item of business at Monday's council meeting.

While sympathetic with the improvements being made to the Walter St. premises, Rev. Nargent and Cr. Cass expressed reluctance to support the motion.

"Our zoning by-law is meant to eliminate overhead signs in time," said the reeve.

"We have a by-law that is specific. If we don't agree with it, we should change it," said Cr. Cass.

Cr. Kelly explained that the sign will replace one taken down in the remodeling and that the by-law isn't meant to give an owner remove any existing signs.

"The by-law is idealistic and if we were creating a whole new town our decision might be different," said Mayor Hyde, who pointed out that building improvements add to assessment and commercial beauty.

The by-law allows council to give an okay in such a request, he said.

"You can't expect a man to tear the front off his building to hang a sign," remarked Cr. Harrison.

Permission was given Cr. Assety who made the request on Mr. Sloan's behalf, when councillors all voted in favour of the motion.

An okay was given to a water line from Sinclair Ave. to the new St. Paul's Baptist Church. The church is to pay installation costs and the line will serve until a planned Birch service goes down Mountain view Rd. at a later date.

A letter from the Canadian National Railways complimented the local police force on its cooperation during the investigation of the train crash last Wednesday.

# Calamity Junction Again, Freight in Spectacular Crash

Information about basement "fall-out shelters" which will be published in government pamphlets led council to arrange a meeting with civil defence workers at a later date to discuss the subject.

Council first a request by Peterborough council to endorse a motion asking that police and fire departments be operated under one administration. Locally, fire service is operated by volunteers, council decided, and such a combination would not be workable here.

Calamity Junction unleashed its train wrecking voodoo again last Wednesday when a head-on collision snaked diesels and cars along the juked section of the CNR main line, just west of the station.

Most seriously injured in the spectacular crash was a fireman, Leslie Esson of Stratford, who was trapped in the cab of a diesel engine when an empty coal gondola from another train hurled four diesels shearing the top off Esson's before tumbling down a steep embankment on the south side of the tracks. The top of the cab came to rest nearby.

Lloyd Butt, the engineer in the Toronto bound freight stayed with his engine and suffered a slight face laceration while the other members of the crew jumped before the impact. The engineer of the way freight

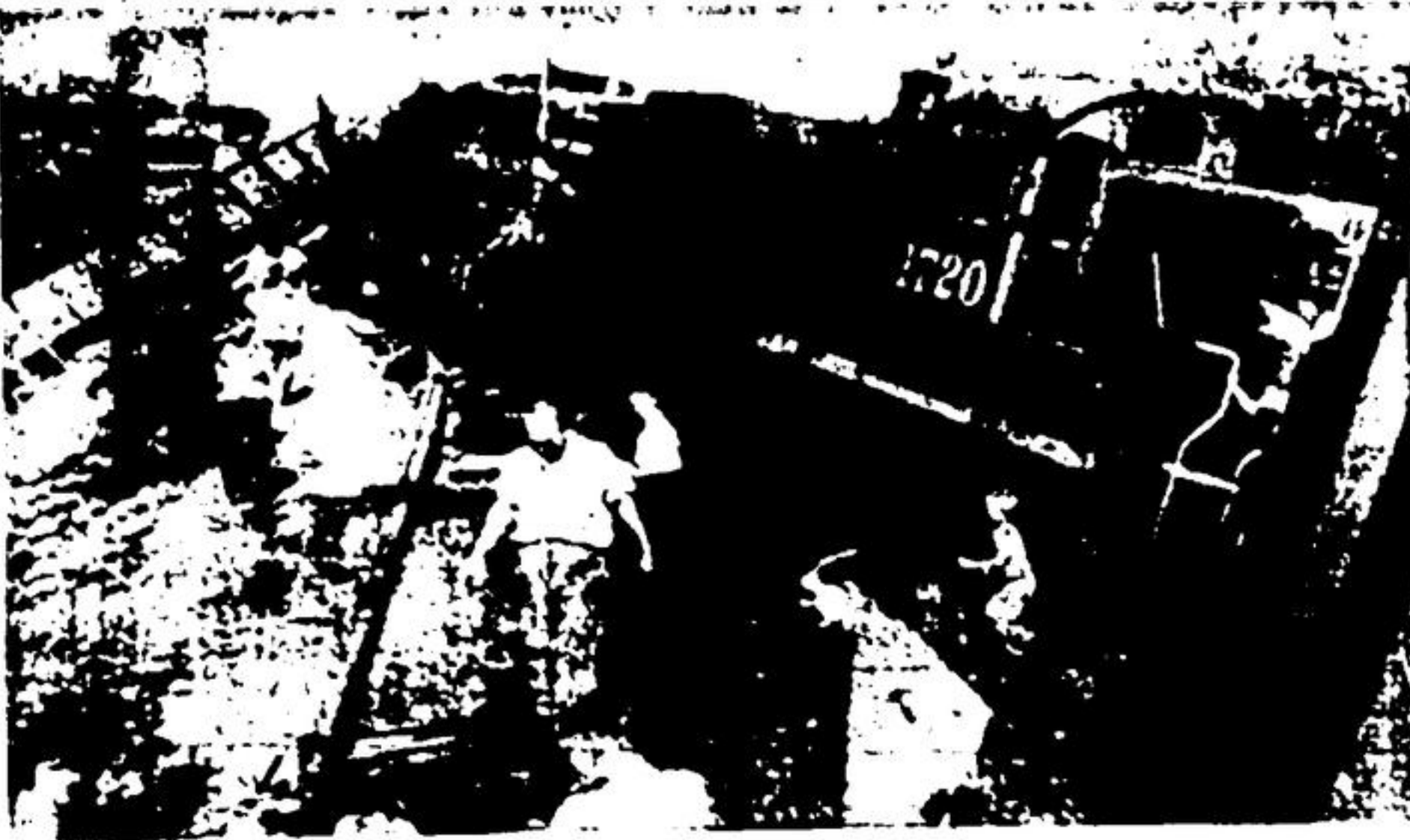
## Fireman, Engineer Injured But Diesels are Only Fatalities

which was backing onto a siding when the regular freight came into view. George Gravel of Stratford, also jumped when he saw the other train bearing down on him.

Only five of the 37 cars involved in the wreck, and the four diesels, were derailed. Three of the diesels were of the Toronto bound train.

The injured fireman was freed by Sgt. Ted Scott and taken to Guelph General Hospital by the GVAS with head, back and internal injuries.

Twenty-two section men worked for thirteen hours straight to have the scene cleared of wreckage and new tracks laid and ready for rail traffic the following morning. A Toronto daily wildly estimated the damage at close to a million dollars but CNR officials stated the total was closer to \$30,000.



LIKE METAL PUZZLE

CARS AND DIESELS tumbled on the bank of the steep embankment just west of Georgetown station after a Toronto-bound regular met a way freight head-on last Wednesday evening in the lengthy and spectacular history of the local train yard known to railmen as Calamity Junction or the graveyard of trains. One car, an empty coal gondola cleared all four diesels before bouncing down the bank.

Photo by Jay's Studio, Georgetown.

## Passenger Service Ends Northern Line Railway

ASHGROVE

### Two Parties for Local Couple Mark 25th Anniversary

A very pleasant evening was spent at Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carney's home on Saturday when thirty friends and neighbours surprised Mr. and Mrs. Charles Austin. A social time was enjoyed after which Mr. Carney called on the bride and groom of 25 years ago to congratulate and express the good wishes of their friends. Mrs. Cliff Hunter and Mrs. Fred Nurse presented them with a silver meat platter and gray coat, after which Mrs. Austin thanked the kind friends for their good wishes and lovely gift. A delicious buffet luncheon was served to conclude a most enjoyable evening.

Last week thirty relatives entertained the same couple at a dinner at The Manor in Guelph and later they had an enjoyable evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Swanson at Rockwood.

### Linda English Judged Best Student at Kennedy School

Top student at George Kennedy Public School this year is Linda English, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max English, Weber Dr.

Linda won the Hyman Silver Memorial Award and on the last morning of school was presented with her cheque by Principal Hazen Allen during a class assembly.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Himes had his brother from Galt visiting with them for the week-end.

### Family, Friends Surprise Couple on 40th Anniversary

A surprise anniversary party was held for Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Willett on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary Saturday, June 18th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Norton, 31 Arlette St.

A buffet supper included a beautifully decorated three tier wedding cake given the couple by their five daughters, Mrs. Cliff Norton, Mrs. Peggy Wylie, Mrs. Herb Robinson, and Mrs. Gerald Fendley, and Mrs. Art Sheppard.

Mr. Willett's mother, who is 87, was in attendance as well as Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Spence, Mr. and Mrs. William Korzak, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Karas, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith, Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Orby Herrington, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Norton, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Norton, Mr. and Mrs. William Norton, Mr. Albert Livingston, Mrs. Ernie Simon, Mrs. Alan Norton, Mrs. Marg Puckering, Mrs. Louise Christie, Mrs. Alf Collins, Mrs.

## Hospital Building Boosts Esquering Permit Figure

A whopping \$1,253,125 was the value of building permits issued in June in Esquering township. However, included in that total is \$1,100,000 for the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital. The remainder were residences.

Another request to have a house moved into the township was received by Esquering Council. Mr. P. Darou wants to move a 825 square foot house from Thistleton to Glen Williams. "If it complies with the by-law, why not?" quizzed councillor George Leslie. "After all," added Deputy-Reeve Bird, "we allow them to build that size." "As a rule those moved houses don't assess very high," replied Reeve Cam Sinclair.

"This one is only seven years old," explained Clerk K. C. Lindsay, "and there wouldn't be \$50 difference in assessment between a new house and a seven year old house."

"Where do we draw the line?" Deputy-Reeve Bird asked, "we should have a definite policy," he concluded.

"Well, do we stick with our guns and stop them coming in?" demanded the reeve. "How about a certain assessed value?" suggested Geo. Leslie.

"How about the building inspector looking over the house," suggested the reeve, "and if it's a good house he can give us his recommendations." "The inspector will be paid by the

owner for his trip," the reeve added grimly.

It was decided to investigate the possibility of having a by-law to govern the moving of houses into the township.

Miss J. McGeahy, a Streetsville realtor, appeared before council seeking permission to build on four one-acre lots she owns on the eighth line. One of the lots was released two years ago under the "250 a lot for capital school costs" agreement.

"The houses will sell for \$12,500 including an acre of land," "Not an unreasonable request," commented the reeve, "however, the point is, do we allow extra building or not?" "I don't see anything wrong with it," stated the deputy reeve, "They're good houses."

"One thing with N.H.A. houses you are sure of the taxes," opined the reeve.

At the suggestion of Coun. G. Leslie a combined meeting of the Planning Board and Council will be held to discuss it.

Esquering's share for 1960 of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, and the Sixteen Mile Creek Authority was authorized to be paid. Their share of the Credit Valley costs for the year is \$2590 and for the Sixteen Mile Creek is \$1404.

Esquering Council will meet



OFF THE (WELL-BEATEN) TRACK  
TWISTED METAL is all that remains of the cab of the way freight diesel where fireman G. Esson was trapped until police freed him following the head on collision on the CNR main line last Wednesday afternoon. Both the Main line and Hamilton line were cleared of wreckage and relaid in 13 hours.

Photo by Jay's Studio

ENGAGEMENTS  
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McGuigan announce the engagement of their daughter Margaret Mae to Mr. Bernard Neil Dore, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dore of Toronto. The marriage will take place on Saturday, July the thirtieth, at three o'clock in Knox Presbyterian church, Georgetown.

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