



Peter Jones, Georgetown

70 LAWN BOWLERS IN INTER-COUNTY MEET

THE GEORGETOWN lawn bowlers were hosts this year to the Inter-county meet held Saturday at the Edith St. bowling green. Here vice president Mrs. George Muckart, (bowling) and games committee members Mrs. Jack Williamson, Mrs. H. Graham and Mrs. Albert Pattenden, all of the host club, brush up their game just before the start of the competition.

Now 10,325 Residents Town Population Increases

Assessment Approaches Fifteen Million Dollars

Georgetown's population increased almost 300 in the past year, according to a report submitted by assessment commissioner Joseph Gibbons to council today. Population as of Sept. 30th is 10,325 Mr. Gibbons said. A year ago Georgetown had 10,034. The town has tripled since 1953 when there were 3779 residents. Biggest jump came in 1958 when the town welcomed 1700 new citizens. A 5.76% assessment increase finds the total now at \$14,801,020. Residential assessment is 71.51% of the total; commercial 14.67%; industrial 13.6% and farm 0.13%. Slightly over 4% of assessed property is allocated to the government grants were paid on

municipal assessment figures rather than those compiled by the 'dominion. This had been discussed at the assessors' convention and many favoured partitioning the Ontario government for a change. There has been an upward revision in assessment of business properties in the downtown area this year, he said. The county assessment had pointed out that these were too low, he said, and slight changes had been made. Georgetown is still using the county manual for assessing, he said, but while others have supposedly switched to a new system they are still following information compiled this way originally. He objects to the new departmental manual because it bases commercial assessment on rents and he feels income is not a fair measure for municipal taxpayers. "As for county equalization, I think I can produce evidence that Georgetown is entitled to a reduction there," he said.

Chances Slim for 9th Line Access to 401

Council May Try Improvement Road

Chances are slim that the provincial highway department will consider converting the 9th Line to a direct access route to Highway 401. But Georgetown council is hopeful that town and township might get together and create an 'improvement road' which would amount to the same thing. Monday a letter was read to council from Highways Minister Cass in which he pointed out that the 7th Line has been improved. "Based on the data available, it doesn't appear that any more than the normal road subsidy would be available for the 9th line," was his diplomatic answer to a delegation which approached him some months ago with the request. Local feeling is that Georgetown would benefit industrially by a 'last 401' approach and the many commuters would be aided at the same time. The highways minister noted in his letter that more signs could be added on the 7th Line indicating it as a Georgetown approach. "It appears we're getting the go-by," remarked Mayor Hyde. "Mr. Cass said lack of information from the town engineering department caused his delay in answering. But it was quite the contrary." He pointed out that a council delegation had met the minister in September, 1960 and last June a department engineer had finally appeared in town to find out what he was supposed to be doing. At that time, the town engineer had written the department explaining the population's request.

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ANNOUNCEMENT Due to ill health Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Law will not be able to receive their friends and relatives at a reception on the occasion of their Golden Wedding anniversary as announced in last week's Herald.

Marietta Will Build

Town-Delrex Cooperate On River Pollution

Several weeks of dispute about responsibility for channeling sewage from a portion of the Delrex subdivision into the sewage treatment plant ended Monday when town council agreed to provide sewer pipe and Delrex Developments agreed to install the line. Passed Unanimously

A Barrager-Emmerson motion to supply the 600 feet of pipe, which will cost \$2400 passed unanimously after Cr. Barrager recommended this on behalf of his public works committee.

Cr. Barrager said that his committee had met last week with Rex Heslop and Harold Baird of the Delrex firm for a lengthy discussion, and later the town solicitor, Mayor Hyde and himself had discussed the matter by phone with Dr. Barry, manager of the Ontario Water Resources Commission. "To create all the pros and cons would take much too long, but it boils down to the fact that my committee feels it best to cooperate with the developer in this project," said Cr. Barrager. Mayor Hyde said he agreed, though "under protest." He explained that he felt taxpayers shouldn't be saddled with a \$2400 expense which wasn't



BILL DIXON

Bill Dixon who won the world plowing championship at Gagnon, France, on the weekend of the brother of George Dixon, R.R. 4, Georgetown.

Volkswagen Wrecked Forced Off the Road

A Toronto man had his 1961 Volkswagen completely wrecked when it was allegedly forced off the road at Silvercreek last week. Del McDonald of 296 Eglinton Ave., Toronto, told O.P.P. Constable Dave Richardson that he was travelling north on No. 7 highway when an unidentified southbound vehicle forced him off the road. McDonald was uninjured in the mishap which caused an estimated \$1400 damage to the car. The accident happened at about 4:40 p.m.

White Egret is Rare Visitor to the District

Mrs. S. G. Bennett, Scotsdale Farms, spotted an unusual bird recently, which resembled a crane, yet did not have all the characteristics. She sent a description to conservation authorities and was told that it was probably a white egret. Egrets are found in most parts of the United States but are not too common in this area. However, the conservation department has had reports of at least ten spotted in Ontario recently.

Mrs. Russell Miller Heads Home & School

Several items of business interested members of the Stewart Home & School Association at their first meeting of the new term Thursday, September 23rd. A new executive committee was named at the well attended meeting. The president is Mrs. Russell Miller, 1st vice president Mrs. H. Nurse, 2nd vice president Mrs. Maidment, secretary Jake Tjart.

Award Contract for Presstite Plant Here

Georgetown will have another industry operating by March. A contract has been awarded a Toronto firm for construction of a plant on Armstrong Avenue for the Presstite Division of Canadian-Marietta of Ontario, Ltd.

The 19,000 square-foot, one storey building will have an initial staff of 25, according to a company spokesman, and will be producing sealants, insulation and caulking compounds and other industrial chemical products. Contract for the building has been given to W. H. Dodd Construction Co. Ltd. of Toronto.

Canadian Personnel Division, O-Cedar Division and Canada Brick. One company man, J. Wesley Parker, of the engineering staff is already a town resident at 11a Mackenzie Drive, with his wife and daughter Kathy, a Grade 13 student at GMS. They have another daughter, Mrs. Roger Creel who lives in Hammond, Indiana, and a grandson Michael Creel. Presstite was founded in 1924 when there were less than 25 recognized applications for sealants. Today the firm manufactures more than 400 specialized products which are used in automobiles, aircraft, refrigerators, stoves, highways and bridges, skyscrapers, electronic cables and many other applications.

Two Baptist Churches In Spiritual Crusade

Members of First Baptist and St. Paul's Baptist are joining in a spiritual crusade next week which will see special services in both churches during the week. A special young people's rally on October 14th is one of the features. Dr. W. Bertram King, formerly pastor of a large church in Atlanta, Georgia, and now liaison representative of the Southern Baptist Convention to the Baptists of Canada is speaking at the services. He has preached at many Canadian churches following pastorates in Indiana, Maine and Washington, D.C. and in Atlanta. A native of Philadelphia, he is a graduate of Southern Baptist Seminary and did graduate work at Princeton and the University of Philadelphia. He is now living in Toronto.



Dr. W. Bertram King

Proposes Tax Exemption For Fall-Out Shelters

Are fall-out shelters exempt from municipal taxation? was a question posed to assessment commissioner Joseph Gibbons by Deputy Reeve Elliott at Monday's council meeting. Replied to by the negative, the deputy thought council should consult other municipalities with a view to seeking such exemption. No Permits Sought No part of a building is tax exempt, Mr. Gibbons told council, but taxing a shelter would mean an insignificant tax rise. There are no local shelters on the present assessment roll, and town engineer Bligh continued that no building permits have been sought for any. Only Fifteen There have only been 15 permits issued in Toronto and they are all existing on permits there" contributed Cr. Jim Brown. Mayor Hyde wondered if a shelter would not add to a building's value, indicating that he does not share the tax-exempt opinion.

Prolific Aster

A prolific aster is reported in the garden of Agar Ostrander, R.R. 4 farmer. Mr. Ostrander says that he counted 98 blooms on the plant which produces a mauve flower.

WHAT COUNCIL DID

Islands Here To Stay Mayor Infers

"If same people could visualize what Main St. would look like with islands then surely the same people can visualize what it would be like without them," was Mayor Hyde's cryptic answer to Cr. Wm. F. Hunter. Cr. Hunter had suggested Monday that after a trial period of centre islands, it would only be fair to have a trial period with the islands missing before council makes its decision for or against centre street lighting. Still Enforced The mayor said that even without islands, the town by-law calls for a centre median strip. And present traffic regulations would have to be enforced by the police unless the by-law is changed, he added. "It would be nice to see lights on the islands and then they could be properly evaluated," said Cr. Cass who is an outspoken supporter of the new idea. Mayor Hyde said traffic control has been a tremendous improvement over the former system. Hold-Ups "I've seen hold-ups while drivers are backing into a parking spot," said Cr. Hunter. "But removal of the islands wouldn't make this any better," replied the mayor.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest C. Alcott of St. Catharines wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Barbara Jean to Mr. Robert Haydon Yowart, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Yowart of Port Credit. The marriage will take place on Saturday, October the twenty-eighth at four o'clock in St. Paul's United Church, St. Catharines.



FIRST COMMUNION FOR THIRTY-SEVEN AT HOLY CROSS

THIRTY-SEVEN second graders from Holy Cross Separate School took their first communion Sunday. Teachers Miss L. Campbell and Miss B. Creusot were assisted by Miss K. Gillis in preparing the children, and supervising their training. With the class here is Father Olgar Devent, They're holding up their certificates of First Communion.

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