

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### Welcome Marietta!

Official opening of the Prestite Division of Canadian Marietta Limited yesterday is welcome news for Georgetown.

We wish the town's newest industry a prosperous and happy future, with plenty of business and steady growth of the type which has made present industries a stable part of the town's economy.

The large industrial area in the eastern part of Georgetown is now on the move and Marietta is the third major building to be erected where dozens are visualized. Like Graham Bell and Stawford Products, it is completely modern in design and a handsome addition to what was

a rural landscape only a few years ago. It is particularly pleasing to know that Marietta is a large, stable corporation with branches in both Canada and the States, and that a local location was decided only after an exhaustive study of many Ontario communities.

It confirms what everyone in town believes—that we have that something extra to offer, and is a sure sign that the rolling mill so often talked about has started on its progressive course.

We hope to put out the welcome mat many times over in these next few years as others follow Marietta to a fine town.

### Equalization Again

Allocation of county costs always seems to be a trouble spot and this year Georgetown is protesting an unfair share in its allocation.

There has been some improvement since the days when every local assessor was on his own and there was wide variance between towns and townships. Since a county system was inaugurated several years ago, there has been a growing tendency to use a standard basis and there is hope that eventually all municipalities will be using similar figures and no equalization will be necessary at all.

The Department of Municipal Affairs

### Rodeo on Tap

Only two weeks until the Lions Clubs big June event, the Rodeo, which is earning Georgetown a niche in the entertainment hall of fame.

The town has derived much favourable publicity since the Lions decided three years ago to boost their substantial hospital donation with a western type extravaganza. Each year the idea has gained ground, with store employees donning western regalia during the preceding week, a big parade and a fine show at the park.

This year two performances are scheduled, afternoon and evening.

The popular beef barbecues will be

issued a manual a year or two ago, but many municipal assessors felt it was lacking in some of its clauses. Some are using it, some aren't, the latter including Georgetown. It is being revised at present and if the department can come up with a neat perfect guide, perhaps future county councils will have one less problem with which to deal.

Meanwhile, Georgetown must fight for its rights and according to the local assessment commissioner, the town has a real "beef" as spot checks by the province proved 2% lower than his figures, while the county assessor claims his own spot checks are 3.5% higher.

on the menu and there will be pony rides at the fair grounds for the children.

And the Norval Rivera is joining in with a special Friday night rodeo dance with proceeds going to the Lions and their project.

If you haven't seen the rodeo, this is your chance to view what draws people to Calgary from all over the world each year. And, though on a smaller scale, the local show is in every way on a par with the thrills and entertainment which the Calgary Stampede provides. If you've been there before, we know it will take no urging to draw you again to the park on June 16th.



SPRING STYLES

One of a Series....

## Fluoride In Your Drinking Water

It may be next year or it may be next week, but sometime in the near future, Georgetown will be faced with the fluoridation question. This column is not to sway opinion but to inform readers of the facts about fluoridation based on information from the Health League of Canada.

The American Medical Association recently reiterated its support of fluoridation as a safe and practical method of reducing the incidence of dental caries from childhood into adulthood, according to the Health League of Canada.

In a telegram to the chairman of the American Dental Association's Council on Dental Health, during the Council's recent 12th National Dental Health Conference, F. J. L. Blasingame, M.D., executive vice-president of A.M.A., said, "We are gratified that the theme of your program, 'Action Program in Dental Health', will be implemented by a major discussion on the need for public understanding and acceptance of fluoridation of communal water supplies as a highly desirable health measure."

Pro-fluoridation forces throughout the country are mobilizing, according to a News release from the Health League of Canada. A movement is on foot to organize citizens' committees for fluoridation where ever the subject is a live issue. Recently such a committee was formed in Lethbridge and started with a group of about 20 members from all walks of life, under the name of the Committee for the Truth About Fluoridation. Meetings were held and anti-fluoridation propaganda was answered, sentence by sentence. The committee was formed in May to inform the public on the issue and to urge residents to get out and vote. A Citizens' Committee for Fluoridation is being formed in Metropolitan Toronto where a Metro-wide vote is to be held, likely in December. League will continue its campaign.



### Diary of a Vagabond

By Dorothy Barker

ALBERTA GOVERNMENT INFORMS WOMEN

According to the Alberta Government's official bulletin, that province has just issued a booklet containing a summary of the various laws in force in Alberta of particular interest to women. The new publication explains women's legal rights, privileges and points of law in such matters as the franchise, citizenship, property and civil rights, matters relating to marriage, welfare of children, labor welfare and criminal offences.

Officials point out that the new booklet is intended only as a guide to the general effect of the various laws and statutes of the province.

I cast my first vote in the federal election and am well remember the support my mother gave me for the franchise for women, stated by Emily Murphy, a Mrs. Edwards whose initials escape me, Nellie McClung and Mrs. R. R. Johnson. At the time my mother was a member of the editorial staff of the Calgary Herald and wielded her writing ability in support of a cause she recognized as a forward step in the emancipation of Canadian women. Fortunately her editor was of the same opinion, for adverse publicity at the time could have prolonged the undertaking to provide voting privileges for females who had reached their majority.

I often wonder if western women realize what their privilege meant to their existence in a democracy and what mean

ing the word "freedom" has in our way of life. This was brought home to me the other day, when a bit of reading gave me an opportunity to prep behind the bambus curtain.

The understanding of freedom as we know it has apparently little or no similar meaning for women in Communist-dominated Asia. They were recently honored on the occasion of "International Working Woman's Day." The celebration did not include any awards for culinary skill, an accolade for the best homemaker, nor the honor of making the list of the 10 best dressed women of the year.

My source of information stated there were no statistics regarding the number of women who drive their own cars or how many labor-saving devices they own. There were some statistics, however, mentioned over Radio Peking that should provide us with something to think about.

For example, North Korean women were called "mainstays at all fronts in the Flying Horse production movement." There are more than 50,000 North Korean women engaged in industrial production and they account for 35 per cent of the nation's industrial labor force.

More and more women are taking part in agricultural activities. The radio report said 140 women are chairmen of agricultural co-operatives. Forty North Korean women have been awarded the title "Heroine of the Republic" or the title "Labor Heroine" for their efforts in boosting industrial production goals.

As for platforms, they are even more confusing. The whole thing reminds me of one of those Three Stooges comedies, one of the parties nails a plank into his platform. As soon as he turns his back to get another plank, one of the other comedians walks away with the one he has just nailed down. While each of the three is trying to build a platform with planks swiped from the others, their ideal cousin is down in the basement constructing a massive platform which he will never be able to get either out of the cellar window or up the cellar stairs.

The giveaway programs have also become inextricably interwoven. By this time I haven't a clue as to which party is giving the biggest old-age pension, which is giving away free medicine, which is going to reduce taxes, or which is going to end unemployment by sending all the unemployed to school.

WE KNOW HOW TOO

This is reminiscent of our war-time effort. There seems room for gratitude that our women, if they choose, can stay within the home harbor these days. Canadian women, in these hectic war years, proved they had a natural aptitude for industry. Today the majority are proving they make excellent home bodies. We have some institutions such as beauty contests, bake-offs, an addition to long and bridges that might look pretty ridiculous to laboring Asian women when they get a chance if ever to peek through their bambus curtain at us, but at least we have a provincial government in Canada interested enough in women's civil rights to produce a guide for any female who asks for one.

Boat owners! Your Red Cross reminds you never to take chances with uncertain weather. Head for the nearest sheltered spot.

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## SUGAR and SPICE

By Bill Smiley

Yellow suggested I write a column this week about the election. "You know the sort of thing," he said slyly. "Don't ask me, I'm not a politician. I'm a columnist who is in favor of the scared stiff of offending his common man and motherhood, and that all parties are against war, lung cancer, crop failures, and the other three parties."

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Then we'd give everybody a straight dollar a month per birthday. If you were 7, you'd get seven dollars a month. If you were 84, you'd get \$84 a month. What could be more fair? And it's the only thing I've ever heard of that might ease women over that 39-mark gracefully.

And that seems to be my only solid contribution, until I can spend another week of analyzing the campaign. Let's see now, if we can get things straightened out a bit before we leave it.

By George, it is a lot clearer when you just sit down and cogitate about it for a few minutes, isn't it?

GERSHWIN DIED YOUNG

George Gershwin, of all modern American composers probably the best known in Europe, died in 1937 at the early age of 39. The Book of Knowledge describes how he grew up in the field of popular music and entered the ranks of the immortals with his great folk opera "Porgy and Bess."

## ECHOES

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### 10 YEARS AGO

- Plans for improvements at the park, sparked by the Chamber of Commerce are rapidly taking shape. The improvements will include the installation of picnic tables and swings. It is also hoped to construct permanent washrooms.
- Construction has started on a new drive-in theatre, just south of Brampton, which will serve this area. Location of the 12 acre site is on the north side of Chinguacousy Base Line which enters No. 10 Highway at Brampton golf course. Purchase of the land was made by Sam Findgold of National Theatre Services, which controls theatres in Georgetown, Brampton, Acton, Oakville, Woodbridge and Cooksville in this area.
- Another local man has spotted a mysterious "flying saucer". He was watching two jet planes fly across the horizon last Wednesday morning when his attention was taken by a queer disc shaped object which seemed to dart around in the clouds then head straight up into space. He had a good view of the object and his experience has brought speculation again what these phenomena might be. A number of other local people have reported sighting the "saucers."

### 25 YEARS AGO

- On Monday evening St. George's Tennis Club staged a tournament at their courts here with Milton. The local club won nine of the eleven sets. Playing for Georgetown were Hazel Walker, Mary Feller, David Crichton, Jack Crichton, Joe Hall, Bessie Walker, Florence Bradford, Florida Feller, Bill-McNally Reg Broomhead and Ross Duncan.
- Two severe electrical storms Friday and Saturday and a heavy downpour of rain Saturday night and Sunday afternoon brought relief to an almost scorched community. During the height of the intense heat wave temperatures topped the 100 mark. In the story finale several huge trees were felled by lightning in the Silvercreek district and crops were felled by the heavy rain. Power was cut off low College View all Saturday night, and the Presbyterian Church at Norval was also hit.
- At The Gregory Theatre—Sinner Take All, starring Margaret Lindsay and Bruce Cabot; Silent Barriers, starring Richard Arlen and Lilli Palmer; nd Mountain Justice, starring George Brent.

## DISTRICT NEWS AT A GLANCE

### BRAMPTON

The four Peel County candidates in the June 18 election shared the Composite school stage Monday and explained their party platforms to the public and each other. The panel debate program was sponsored by the Northwood Estates Ratepayers Association and had John Fox, manager of CHIC as moderator.

### ORANGEVILLE

An Orangeville man, Walker Montgomery, is selling show harness to the Concord Ranch in San Mateo, California, at \$1,000 a set. Eight sets of cleaning patent leather were shipped to California last week. Mr. Montgomery is one of the few makers of the special hand-made show harness anywhere.

### MILTON

Ontario Steel Products plant manager, Kenneth Campbell objected to Milton councilors on Monday about a serious drop in water pressure at the local plant on Friday evening, May 18 He asked council for an assurance that the situation would not repeat itself. He said production had to be curtailed because of the drop.

### STREETSVILLE

Gladwin W. Clipperton of the Streetsville Lions Club was elected District Governor of District A2 at the Lions Convention held May 27-30 in Hamilton.

### MALTON

The Ontario Municipal Board has handed down a decision on increased residential development for the Malton area. Dalewood Estates now has the OMB permission to proceed with the construction of 500 dwelling units on their holdings east of the 7th line.

### TORONTO TOWNSHIP

Toronto Township voters will settle the issue of having liquor outlets in the township on June 9th. This will be the first township plebiscite under the Liquor Control Act.

### OAKVILLE

An advertisement in the Oakville Journal inserted on behalf of a client by the Ford Real Estate and Insurance Firm has sparked much speculation in that area. Punchline of the ad reads: "Wanted: 1,000 houses for new industry." A "quick phone survey" by the Journal revealed that neither the Real Estate agency, the town's industrial commissioner or the Ford Motor Co. there had any idea who placed the ad. The agent said it was placed by a representative of the interested party.

### MERRY MENAGERIE

By Walt Disney

Walt Disney 8-18

"Evolution-wise, we haven't changed in fifty million years, and personally, I find it dull!"