

# Indian Village is 700 Years Old

## Important Discovery Of Iroquois History

A study of the secrets of a 700-year-old Indian village which flourished on what is now the farm of H. R. Ryerse, north Burlington, was completed last week by a team of Canadian archaeologists. The location is on the east side of Wentworth - Halton line, north of No. 10 side road.

Hundreds of stone and other artifacts, plus the residual traces of long houses and a population of 200 to 300 inhabitants. Archaeologists speculated the Indians moved away after using up the firewood in the immediate vicinity.

### LARGE PARTY

The digging was undertaken by a party which included J. V. Wright of the National Museum of Ontario, field director; W. C. Noble, University of Toronto; G. F. MacDonald, National Museum field assistant; of Yale University, Frank Vallee of the archaeological department; McMaster University; and C. M. Johnston, of the history department, McMaster University.

The crew consisted of J. M. Young, W. F. Hunter, M. Spence, A. Irvine, Miss Judy Chut, Miss U. Linnamar, Miss Diana Soland, Miss S. Tovell, Miss M. Thomas, Miss M. Soucy and Miss C. Andrews.

### TWO ACRE SITE

They carefully scraped the earth from selected points in a two-acre area to uncover 15 graves, one long house and parts of others and a palisade involving hundreds of logs.

The site was first discovered about seven years ago when the land was ploughed for what was believed to have been the first time. Previously, from the time it was cleared by early white settlers, it had been used for pasturage.

It was first excavated in the fall of 1961 by students of the University of Toronto and McMaster University under the direction of staff members of the Anthropology Department of the University of Toronto and senior students, with Dr. J. N. Emerson of that department, acting as field director. Discoveries uncovered then led to the "dig" this year.

The Indians who lived in the village are believed to have been components of the Pickering Branch of the early Ontario Iroquois, the ancestor of Huron, Petun, Neutral and Erie Indians of a later date. Evidence gathered at the site indicated they engaged in a primitive form of agriculture, but otherwise depended upon hunting and fishing for their sustenance.

### DEFENCE SITE

They apparently selected the knoll on what is now the Ryerse farm with a view to defence, archaeologists said. The topography, the remains of the palisade and the distance from navigable water led them to this conclusion.

Mr. Wright said the village was probably governed by an elective chief and by the grandmothers of the long lodge. In archaeological terms, the site is a late component of the "Pickering Branch" of the early Ontario Iroquois, and would date to approximately 1250 A.D. Another site near Pickering is an earlier representation of the same Indian cultural group, spokesman for the party said.

A fairly complete archaeological picture of this group is expected upon final analysis of material gathered.

### GROUP CONQUEST

The archaeologists believe that soon after the Burlington village was occupied, representatives of the branch appear to have conquered another group of related early Ontario Iroquois stage people, referred to as the Glen Myer Branch. These people were located in southwestern Ontario. The blending of these branches resulted in a homogenous archaeological complex which covered most of southern Ontario and portions of New York State. Out of this common base, they said, developed the Huron and Petun, in one direction, and the Neutral and Erie nations in another.

It is the late position of the Burlington site which makes it critical to further understanding of the processes involved in the blending of these two major groups, spokesman for the party said.

### 15 BURIED

The excavation has revealed one rectangular long house structure, 55 feet by 25 feet, portions of smaller houses, 15 burials, numerous storage and refuse pits, hearth floors and an abundance of artifacts and general waste. Finely decorated and modelled pottery represents the most common find among the fragmented pottery. Clay pipes were generally scarce and crude, relative to later Ontario

Iroquois elaborations of the smoking habit. Carbonized corn kernels and an abundance of deer and fish remains indicated the subsistence patterns of inhabitants.

"Artifacts were most commonly represented by triangular arrowheads, polished edges, flint scrapers and sandstone abraders. Bone tools were represented by awls and worked deer toes.

# DISTRICT NEWS AT A GLANCE

### BURLINGTON

Two parties of American visitors have complained to Burlington Chamber of Commerce that they have not received exchange on their US funds spent there. "It is the chamber's considered opinion that the problem on American money will assure us of a big influx of visitors from the south for the time being," a spokesman said. He urged business men to give them the full rate of exchange.

### ORANOVILLE

An Oranoville boy, Gary Riggdon, was rushed to the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto by an OPP officer last week with a snake bite suspected to have been inflicted by the deadly Mississippi rattlesnake. He was playing with friends near his home when bitten. His face started to swell and he was rushed to Dufferin Area Hospital and then to Toronto where the anti-venom was administered. He was released two days later.

### STREETSVILLE

Toronto Township council will seek legal advice on the question of local commercial establishments remaining open for business on a legal holiday. Council took action after receiving a letter from a township resident complaining of the lack of respect for Dominion Day. He maintained all places of business, other than gas stations and drug stores should be closed by law.

### COOKSVILLE

Toronto Township council has endorsed in principle the locating of a liquor store in Cooksville. A local builder is being holding discussions with the Liquor Control Board and they are interested in having a store built in Cooksville.

### OAKVILLE

A course in instruction in conservation work to start this fall is being planned by the Oakville YM-YWCA. In preparation for this project to be known as the Resource Ranger program, a group of boys are now being trained as leaders.

### BRAMPTON

Eleven months after Harry Hergardson of Brampton tossed a note in a bottle from the steamer Saterdam he received an answer from Spain. Written on June 17, the letter told him a group of six boys and girls had found the bottle at Caravia, Asturias.

### MILTON

The Kelso Dam swimming pool was closed by Halton County Health Unit's Dr. H. E. Newman because it was too muddy to swim in. The new \$10,000 pool has no filtration system. The 1,000 people there still had to pay 50c to get in, but had to settle for a dunking in the 26 foot deep man made lake instead.

### ACTON

A full recreation program for the entire town will be undertaken by an experienced recreation director and arena manager-to be hired as soon as possible. Decision to form a seven-man recreation committee was made unanimously by council last Tuesday.

### THE DATE BOOK

July 29, 1849 (93 years ago) Novelty Booth Yorkline born; July 30th, 1843 (99 years ago); Auto pioneer Henry Ford born; Aug. 1-31, National Sandwich Month; Aug. 2, 1934 (28 years ago), Adolph Hitler proclaimed himself Reichsfuehrer of Germany; Aug. 3, 1492 (470 years ago) Christopher Columbus set sail on voyage which resulted in discovery of America; Aug. 4, 1790 (172 years ago), U.S. Coast Guard established.

# Milton Would Annex 585 Esqueusing Acres

## County Town Seeks Oakville Land Too

Submission of an inch-thick report containing proposal for annexation of 2,400 acres of land by the town of Milton as suggested by Derek Little, planning consultant, was no shock to Esqueusing Council last week, although they learned that of this amount, 1,430 acres are in Esqueusing. The balance is from Oakville.

Although township council first read the report when they received a copy from Milton council last Friday, councilors were well aware the planning consultants had been working in the area since last January.

### Request Reduced

During a joint meeting of Milton and Esqueusing township councils, Esqueusing councilors listened as Milton councilors outlined their views on the annexation report. Some relief was in order when it was learned Milton council's request for land would be reduced to 585 acres in Esqueusing and 303 acres from Oakville.

Members of the annexation committee in Milton say Esqueusing township might be justified in protesting the loss of such a large area as the one outlined in the report; however the smaller area Milton council is interested in annexing should raise no objections.

Further meetings will be held all summer.

Immediate annexation of 2,400 acres of Esqueusing township and Oakville land surrounding Milton's north, west and east boundaries was recommended in the town of Milton's annexation report prepared by Municipal Planning Consultants. The report was kept a well-guarded secret until last week.

The annexation proposal would triple the size of Milton if it were accepted by Milton council but councilors decided to reduce the request for more land from that given in the report.

### South of 401

The area recommended for annexation included all that portion of Esqueusing lying south of Highway 401 from the Naaagweya - Esqueusing township line on the west to the point where Highway 401 crosses the Esqueusing - Oakville base line on the east. This part of Esqueusing contains 1,430 acres and is populated by 306 residents. It includes the Milton Brick plant and Milton Heights.

The planner Derek Little said Highway 401 is a logical boundary and Esqueusing could not hope to develop or service land below the highway. In Milton's revised request they will not seek the Milton Brick plant and Milton Heights.

The revised area proposed by Milton council includes all of the area south of highway 401 north of the base line, extending from near the present westerly boundary of Milton to the point where highway 401 crosses the base line. This includes the new county building and the golf driving range, two garages and farm properties.

The area proposed from Oakville is immediately east of the town of Milton from the base line on the north to the School for the Deaf on the South, stretching one-half mile to the east.

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Order of Nurses for Canada in Whitley.

An honoured guest at the wedding was Mrs. Thomas Dixon, mother of the bride and only living grandparent of the bride couple. Guests attended from Georgetown, Glen Williams, Norval, Toronto, Ottawa, Whitby, Thamesville, London, Windsor, Sudbury, Sarnia and Chatham.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a floor length gown of silk organza over taffeta with a chapel train. The neckline, sleeves and waist were bordered with Battenberg lace re-embroidered with pearls. She wore her mother's wedding veil of silk illusion, held by a crown of pearl blossoms. Her jewellery consisted of an heirloom pearl "sunburst" pin and a single strand of cultured pearls. She carried a spray of white roses with trailing ivy.

The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. Steven Eldridge of Glen Williams, as matron of honour. Bridesmaids were Miss Catherine Dickson, Chatham, sister of the groom and Miss Chrysal Jackson, Scarborough, a cousin of the bride.

They were gownned alike in Dresden blue embroidered silk organza over taffeta, street-length, fashioned with short sleeves, rounded neckline and bouffant skirts. Matching flowered headresses and accessories of white provided the finishing touches. The matron of honour carried a spray of yellow sweetheart roses, shasta daisies and trailing ivy and the bridesmaids carried sprays of shasta daisies and trailing ivy.

Malcolm Dickson of Thamesville was groomsman for his brother and ushers were Morley Snary of Sarnia and Malcolm Couits of Toronto.

White Gardenias

Following the ceremony, a reception took place in the Yellow Brar Inn in Brampton. Mrs. Dixon greeted guests wearing a street length sheath dress of cherry rose silk chiffon with matching shoes, white accessories and a corsage of white gardenias. Mrs. Dickson received her son, dressed in a street length sheath and jacket of navy silk and white accessories. Her corsage was of pink sweetheart roses.

The bride and groom travelled to eastern Canada for their honeymoon. The bride's travelling costume was a spring green silk shantung sheath dress and matching jacket with bone accessories and a corsage of bronze Cybidium orchids. Mr. and Mrs. Dickson will be living at Camp No. 1, K.V.P. Co. Espanola, where Mr. Dickson is employed. Mrs. Dickson formerly worked with the Victoria

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## MR. AND MRS. ROBERT MCGUGAN

CAROLE ANNE BILLSON became Mrs. Robert Reginald McGugan in St. George's Anglican Church on Saturday, July 14th. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Billson of 25 Raylawn Cres., and the groom is the son of Mr. Reginald McGugan of Brantford and Mrs. W. Fallowfield of Hamilton.

# Promotion Lists For George Kennedy School

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| <b>KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE ONE</b><br>Mrs. F. Feiers, Teacher<br>Mrs. C. Willson, Assistant<br>Karen Archibald, Julie Ashley, Andrew Baines, Shelly Baker, Leonard Barrett, Guy Bloor, Ruth Boyling, Robert Bragg, Susan Brown, Archibald Chisholm, Sherrie Chisholm, Michael Coburn, Jeffrey D'Amico, Walter Delroyn Kops, Randall Dubien, Bradley Edgar, Douglas Enman, Gary Ewing, Sharon Faulkner, Diane Fournier, Guy Giddings, Darlene Gusk, Gillian Hammond, Linda Hanson, Lorraine Hanson, Peter Haynes, Kerr Hestrom, Gloria Hildebrandt, Terry Holloway, Patricia Holotluk, Stephanie Hurst, Jessie Irons, Kaylene Kins, Colleen Kimberley, Ursula Knabe, Susan Kozell, Dan Lanagraff, Pauline Lang, Kerry LaPointe, Darlene Larenby, Marlene Larenby, Terry Lee, Rosemary Leder, Michael Livingstone, Stephen Lovell, Michael Matchett, Susan McCartney, Stuart McDonald, Thomas McKay, Mary McLoughlin, Lynn Melcombe, Catherine Moran, Gail Nicholson, Karen Nicholson, Gail Ogilvie, Kim Poyntz, Mark Pratt, Terry Richmond, Nancy Rollins, Carol Russell, Gerda Seitz, Denise Sander, Teresa Spingola, William South, Lisa Walker, Sharon Watson, Robert Westrope. | <b>GRADE TWO TO GRADE THREE</b><br>Miss L. Loughhead, Teacher<br>Joan Ackrod, Paula Andrews, Suzanne Bulmer, Alan Burt, Norman Brooks, Steven Carter, Kevin Castator, Moira Chisholm, Janet Cox, Jacqueline Desjardis, Richard Dubien, Paul Ewing, Lisa Gillet, Brian Glanville, Richard Groulx, Michael Hanna, Thomas Hanson, Joseph Hawk, Peter Henderson, Craig Johnston, Christopher Jones, Kenneth Lang, Deborah Lazier, Gerald Livingston, Jacqueline Lukins, Phillip Marsh, Lynn Mitchell, Geoffrey Pantling, Donald Porter, Phillip Price, Gloria Reid, Janet Richmond, Marie Sadler, David Smith, Jacqueline Treashy. | <b>GRADE SEVEN TO GRADE EIGHT</b><br>Mr. C. Pinkerton, Teacher<br>Patricia Billson, Carol Boulton, Michael Cunn, James Dalziel, Nancy Durno, Douglas Fowler, Suzanne French, Atreya Ganton, James Gleason, Norman Hamilton, Sharon Hawkins, Terry Hay, David Hetherington, Charles Hume, Beverley Johnson, David Johnson, Marie Lang, Lawrence Lukins, Margaret Mitchell, Georgina Nisner, Linda Ogilvie, Donald Parsons, Sandra Piotrowski, Kathleen Pratt, Steven Rayner, Dianne Selis, Cheryl Sellmer, David Shoebridge, Stephanie Smith.   |
| <b>GRADE ONE TO GRADE TWO</b><br>Miss M. Mulray, Teacher<br>Darlene Algar, Linda Andrews, Randy Anthony, Mary Jane Ballentine, Andy Camman, Charlene Coburn, Peter Copland, Graham Dearsley, Joanne Dermott, Lorraine Enman, Christopher Fournier, Shirley Graham, Audrey Haggins, Andrew Heerschap, Sharon Holloway, Russell Housego, Graham Korbey, Shirley Leves, Joanne Lovell, Gary Matchett, Sally McArthur, William McElin, Cheryl McLaughlin, Vernon McLaughlin, Gordon McNelly, Mark Mitchell, Teri Mountsteven, Herbert Osborne, Paul Rogers, Cindy LaRussell.  | <b>GRADE THREE TO GRADE FOUR</b><br>Miss M. Barth, Teacher<br>Heather Baines, Margaret Barnes, Beverley Barrett, James Boland, Valerie Butler, Bruce Castator, Rebecca Cooper, Constance Copeland, Joan Fournier, David Isles, David Irons, Leslie Johnson, Sandra Kimberley, Elaine Kirk, Stuart Kirkwood, Christine Korbey, Lynda Manceby, Denise Marsh, Anne Melcombe, Linda Monkman, Jan Moran, Monica Nicholson, Laura Osborne, Lynda Penney, Wendy Price, Michael Seathal, Laura Smith, Timothy Swin, Stewart Syrett, Richard Unterleiter, Lynne Wildman.  | <b>GRADE FIVE TO GRADE SIX</b><br>Miss F. Stull, Teacher<br>Nicholas Brown, Albert Crane, Dennis Dick, Scott Douglas, Spring Gillet, Tim Haar-meyer, Robert Housego, Harry Lieder, Donna McKay, Gwen Mackenzie, Gayle McLaughlin, David McNeilly, Stephen Norrie, Gary Power, Lynore Walters, Roderick Wilkinson, Lynne Yates.   |
| <b>GRADE ONE TO GRADE TWO</b><br>Miss E. Avery, Teacher<br>Ann Bradstreet, Dennis Casady, Linda Criloholow, Cheryl Dieckman, David Hayes, Loren Hestrom, Louis Karollidis, Leslie Kimberley, Cheryl Milward, Dorothy Russell, Ross Sellmer, Ross Taylor.  | <b>GRADE FIVE TO GRADE SIX</b><br>Mrs. B. Norton, Teacher<br>Coby Camman, Valerie Coburn, Cindy Cooper, Lois Dueckman, Sandra Dubien, Martin Fowler, Paul French, Lesley Gillet, Dwayne Hay, Donna Hayward, Jeffrey Hetherington, Yvonne Holloway, Stephen Howard, Susan Howard, Diane Kirkwood, Isabel Lieder, Patrice MacKay, Marilyn MacKenzie, Robert Melcombe, George Nurse, Dianne Pantling, Susan Price, Jacqueline Rayner, George Sellmer, Brian Williams.   | <b>WHAT COUNCIL DID</b><br><b>Building Checks Finance Problem</b><br>A suggestion by Crown Attorney Peter McWilliams the Halton towns should have a qualified building inspector or make regular inspections of buildings to see that they conform with by-law regulations would create a financial problem in Georgetown in Mayor Sargent's opinion.<br>A letter, sent to councils by Mr. McWilliams, referred to findings of a coroner's jury in a local fire in which Niels Jacobson lost his life.   |
| <b>GRADE TWO TO GRADE THREE</b><br>Miss E. Avery, Teacher<br>Suzanne Algar, Linda Billson, Myerell Boyrouge, Bruce Boyling, Martin Bragg, Corinne Daley, Stewart Dalziel, Deborah Durno, Lora Fournier, Linda Kirk, Bruce Martin, Nino Martins, David McDonald, George Millis, Ronald Morgenstern, Catherine Parsons, David Powell, Guy Poyntz, David Rogers, Robert Rudy, Timothy Tolton.  | <b>GRADE SIX TO GRADE SEVEN</b><br>Mrs. J. Peterson, Teacher<br>Paul Barlow, Linda Barrett,  | <b>LOCAL BAHAI'S YOUTH SEMINAR</b><br>Georgetown Bahai's were hosts at a picnic held Sunday afternoon, July 22, at the Waterfalls Playground. Of the 80 people present, some had come as far as Welland, Scarborough and Forest. The picnic was the concluding feature of a Bahai Youth Seminar held over the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Miller of 22 Shellby.<br>Miss Ella Quant of Niagara Falls, New York, who has been a Bahai almost 80 years, spoke at the picnic of her meeting Abdul-Baha, the son of the founder of the Bahai Faith, when he visited North America 50 years ago. |