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### EDITORIAL COMMENT

#### No Reason for Change

The impending plebiscite on a twoyear term for municipal officials has noth-: ing particularly in its favour - and some definite disadvantages to a two-year term for councillors.

. Its proponents point to a saving in: election costs, a better chance for new councillors to familiarize themselves with municipal procedure, and adoption of more long-range - improvement programs as sallent features of two years in office.

The saving in election costs is minute. A new councillor with anything on the ball should not take a year to get perking. And there are no particular projects which cannot be planned over a longer term than a

The arguments for a two-year term could be equally applied to three years, five, ten . . . or life.

There is no quarantee that because a council knows it will be in office for a double period, it will attack problems with more vim, or implement improvements which it might otherwise ignore.

Quite the contrary. Councillors, being human, like all men, could procrastinate.

> nities are not only going to be allowed to splurge - they are actually going to be encouraged to underake projects forbidden up-to-now Extra government grants are

business. We hope council will keep a wary eye don't you're either dead or when your fine fire of indig

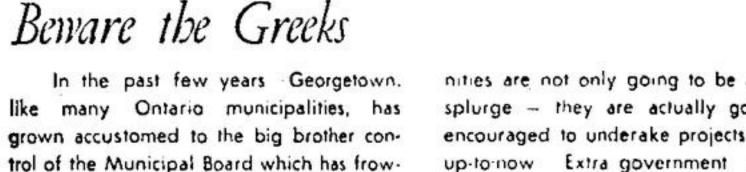
Two years look like a long time, and important projects might actually be shelved with this comforting knowledge that council could do it at a later date.

The yearly municipal election is a timehonoured one, and we can see no place. that Gorgetown has particularly suffered because of it.

There have been years when ratepayers were satisfied or apathetic and a whole council has been returned by acclamation. There have been other years when there was almost a complete turnover. Good councillors have been tossed out by voters on occasion; and ineffectual ones have been retained.

A two year term would not alter the facts of democracy -- that voters do not always make the best choice. But would it be any particular advantage to retain a good man an extra year when one takes the same chance of retaining a weak one?

We intend to vote against a two-year term on December 2nd. And we hope that a large majority of voters will express the same opinion as they did when the same question was placed before electors a few person was placed before electors a few persons and the second se years back.



are for absolute necessities like schools, water and sewer improvements. It has worked particularly to our town's advantages for rapid growth and rigid economies during depression years accounted for an inordinate number of

ned on debenture issues unless they

which have taxed Georgetown's borrowing power to capacity. Now, just as we have learned to live within our means, comes a reversal in sen-

large capital expenses in the postwar years

lor government philosophy. According to new legislation, commubeing made available to municipalities, provided the project is one which would not be undertaken in the normal course of

on this gift from above.

"Beware of the Greeks bearing gifts" umn. as we have learned in the past.

For while ostensibly it might cost only a few dollars out of one pocket to pave the lems as easily as the govern- ger highways, and smaller was that I find this commis says she simply must have streets with gold, there is only one place ment dies" that senior governments get the money to foot the subsidies - right out of that other has a problem - too many years, the commission amoun-

## Most Important Meeting

Tonight, Georgetown's most important annual meeting will be held in the auditorium of Wrgglesworth School.

Following a one-hour nomination period, candidates for municipal office council, public school board and hydro commission, will be stating their platforms to what should be an overflow house.

It is the one evening in the year when voters see candidates on the public platform, when present councillors and aspirants for office appeal for support in public life.

There are speeches good and bad, promises and excuses. There are genuine statements and politicial procrastination.

either positively or negatively. Able men are sometimes reduced to jelly, while glib political types sound impress to the problem or he doesn't ment, segregation or culture sive Members of the present council have He stops paying his bills tries and it appoints a Royal Comto get Mom off the bottle and mission. This sounds more imthe advantage of being known . . . and the disadvantage of creating opposition along the kids a helt on the ear, and "committee," but serves the the way if they have been worth their salt talks his neighbor into help same function. ing him put on the storms. and voted as they believed

On occasion the meeting has been Or, if he's another type, he is study by the top men in marred by regrettable incidents, sparked by pulls his head into his should the land, the commission staover-enthusiastic attendants. Some years, he'll win a sweepstake, that unemployment is bad, or that mour, enough drama to satisfy audience ar. and candidates, and to start the town on the annual guessing game revealed the first Monday in December when ballots hope Not so the government. Hingualism and Biculturalism. are counted and winners announced.

# OTTAWA REPORT

BI-MONTHLY OBSERVATIONS BY DR. HARRY HARLEY, M.P. FOR HALTON

not consulting the Provinces be hope this Procedure Committee ment. fore announcing the programs will speed up the work of the which are partly within provin. House of Commons. As an ex ' clal jurisdiction. They are par ample, the other day a third, ticularly referring to the 'des reading of a Bill was called

ignated area, the Municipal De. This is usually routine, the Bill velopment and Loan Fund and having been fully debated and : passed earlier. It could be acthe Canada Pension Plan. IT HAS REEN pointed out complished in two minutes that a recent Federal-Provincial actually took two hours and Conference had been held, furty five minutes. First an which all provincial represents, amendment was proposed by tives were most pleased with, the Leader of the Opposition. and another conference is plan. What he could have done in Terry Harley Aileen Bradley ned for the end of November, three minutes he took thirty | News Editor

ment. When the amendment of began, by the Tories. When the am to the Bill at all, but were hi-

THIS NON-CONFIDENCE mo- eight minutes to do. The next tion was amended by the NDP twenty two minutes were occuwhich changed its entire mean, pied with questions over wheing, and was interpreted as a ther the amendment was in orvote of confidence rather than der. The Speaker ruled it was non-confidence in the Govern- and debate on the amendment

the NDP was voted on, the Go- IT WENT ON and on, mostly Leslie Clark Dave Hastings vernment supported it opposed on matters that did not relate ended motion was voted on, all ghly political and partisan in the House of Commons unani- character. It finally passed mously passed it, to encourage the House of Commons at fi(K) further provincial consultation pm, after two hours and forty. Association and the Ontario on these matters. Despite the five minutes of wasted talk and fact that the Government ap a recorded vote, the result be-

THE SIXTH and last Supply peared to vote against itself, ing the same as though voted Motion for the Session has this was not interpreted as non-jon immediately. For this reason been debated. Again the Con- confidence in the Government, the rules must be changed to servatives presented a non-con, and the supply motion itself, allow reasonable debate and fidence motion, this one con- passed without a recorded vote, argument without wasting a demning the Government for: AS I HAVE said before we great deal of time in l'arlia

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ers and hopes. He hopes that tex, in a 784 page brief, that procedure has been almost deadly dull. But Mother will join AA, that the segregation is silly, or that culusually there is enough spice, enough hu- klds will stop bullying him, time is good and that it'll be a mild wint-You think I'm exaggerating? Tell me, then, why the Gov-Either was he has to make ernment recently appointed a decision whether to act of the Royal Commission on Bi-

Municipal, provincial or fed Because it didn't know what to eral, it has a much neater way do about all the fuss the peopout of dilemmas it appoints a le of Quebec have been mak body to look into the matter ing? You're right. And in this case, body and

corpse are often sydonymous | I wish the commission noth ing but the hest. But I am cer Ask a municipal council for tain that its public hearings new street lights, adequate will do more to increase sewage disposal, or patches French English irritations than for the potholes. It listens po-lessen them And I am equal litely, and promises to "refer ly certain that its findings

NEWS ECHOES From the pages of the Herald, 1953 and 1938

10 YEARS AGO

 Bunny Morganson of the Toronto Telegram, Gordon Alcott, hill NHL originator, and at Patterson, OHA official were the guest speakers at Little NHL night sponsored by the Legion Monday night. The hall was packerl for the occasion

 A ricer hunting party from Glen Williams made Thomas Richard Hunry's column in the Tely with this story. One of the party, while tramping the northland, saw a bear and shot it. He had been told always to shoot a bear twice, so he did. His pals came running and just to make sure put a third bullet joto it. Then they walked over to it to discover the thozen carcass had been dead for over a week, having been caught in a share.

25 YEARS AGO

 Attendance at the high school starch at 151, 15 more. than last year at this time it was learned at the Commencement exercises. Thursday. Chairman of the pro-

gram was C B Dayloot, • (Read it and weep) . . . Georgetown stores are selling giant ten pounds of sugar for .49 cents

 Esquesing council as re-elected by acclamation at the Esquesing tromination Monday. They are C. H. May, G. W. Mintay and Edwin Harron. George Curre and 11. A. Robinson are candidates for the Reeve's chair, W. A Wilson and Wesley Murray for Deputy Reeve.

that Canada has no culture at

school classes filled with people madly "taking" conversational French But never mind, we have a commission to look into the matter, so all is in all have problems. If you mittee." Six months later

rich, and in either case have nation has fizzled out, the no business reading this col-council announces that the resint neither, neither.

voters could solve our prob for more hooze outlets, for big All I wanted to say here When an ordinary person studying the matter for two promises to be awkward.

SUGAR

and

SPICE

quest would cost too much.

Ask a federal government

I think you'll agree that we the matter to the proper com-

storm windows not on yet-he the hest solution is an increase

That is, he finds a solution do something about unemploy-

onto the bingo games, gives posing than the town council's

has to do something about it, in the sales tax

tle, children getting lippy, the factors, it has decided that --

revert to the GENERAL VOTE have embarked on a full-scale pioca pudding

And anyone in his right mind knows this country is not ted bent and broken by the Milton Council approved an apbilingual, despite all the night 'don't be a square' attitude pheation to the Ontario Mundo not care en nigh to take a cil also sought assistance from .

make up their own minds as FOR THE WEEK schools, and it immediately ap sion idea fascinating It's the new drapes to match the new. If any of you lack wisdom, points a commission. After solution to every problem that rug she had to buy to match let him ask of God. - James

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be a resounding NO vote on the

Wouldn't it be grand if we. Ask a provincial government

system to obtain and maintain, search for thieves who netted the best available material for \$1,500 in a restaurant break-in After all, everyone agrees our elected bodies, all. And here we have a comtian, as I see it, there should Hamilton Ti Cat Football club, mission to investigate two cul-

question 'Why" -- because, at every turn, the moral fibre of MILTON in rapid fire ac old and young is being twis- tion, and without discussion, and the 'what's the difference' icipal Board for permission to line of reasoning ... Granted issue debentures of \$170,000 many, many people are accept- for the development of the Keling the view of the masses on so wells Monday. That would these matters, because they double the water supply Coun-

However, all this is none of Stand But, for many people the Federal Municipal Loan my business. I'd love to be bi. who still have a conscientions Fund lingual and bicultural but I feeling, that whatever race aint neither. And I dare: 17 you color or creed, they happen to BIBLE THOUGHT

> the new chesterfield, just cool 1:5. her with, "I've appointed a The Almighty is the abund-

THE MAIL BAG

Dear Mr. Editor:

2-Year Term, Sunday Sport

First of all I wish to assure if not for public worship, at you that I am not running for least for private meditation.

... or from any office in the do not deny the right of any Municipal field, nor am I pro-'individual to play golf, swim, moting . . . or knifing . . . need- if he so desires and feels in his ling??? any candidate.. Accord- own mind that such activities

ingly I trust what I have to say are for him, a means of guardwill be accepted as strictly edi- ing his faith and ideals. Howtorial and not advertising mate ever I do strenuously object to

It appears that we will to be those who are promoting rom: sasked on our ballots this year mercialized and organized sport

to signify our wishes on the and such activities on Sunday,

Two Year Term, and Sunday of trying to explain to my chil-

Sports, etc. On the two year dren that every day in the week

term, may I say that for a small is just another day . . sp what

nagement of the town's affairs. Canadian Petrofina Ltd., and

rather than taking the attitude Union Carbide Canada Ltd. will

On the Sunday Sports ques was from ticket sales for the

town, the two year term is a the hell is the difference!!!

very stupid way to save a few

pennies. One or two bad gues-

ses in electing members of the council can cost us many many

times the amount spent on an

annual election. We have seen

glaring examples of this in the

not too distant past. The standdard cliche used by members

of council "It takes us half a

year to learn the ropes' is to

my mind so much political pro-

paganda. Any man interested

in making himself a useful

member can do so by studying

the Municipal Act listening to

the Town Clerk, and using a

bit of business settee in the ma-

that "Having been elected. I am

now indispensable, and an au-

It is my opinion that we

should stick to the ONE YEAR

TERM and in fact, should also

thority on everything."

10 Albert St. to whether they will hold one

day a week as a day set apart,

being put into the position by

AT A GLANCE

OAKVILLE - A mammoth

industrial complex reported to

cost \$75,000,000 will be located

here. The complex, involving

bring to Oakville its third oil

refiners and its first large -

BURLINGTON Town police

Thursday, Most of the money

scale perto chemical plant.

-C. DAVIDSON

Ex-Councillor Says "No"

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