

Mayor Says Tax Cut Would Mean Debentures In Future

In the last of a monthly series of radio broadcasts on Saturday, Mayor Ern Hyde referred to his election defeat as "tinged with disappointment, but not bitterness."

He is disappointed, he said, because council has had a financially successful year for the town, and has paved the way for the brightest future the town has ever had.

It is important, he said, that when a person is elected for a year he should think and legislate for the future, not just for the year.

The 1964 council will start with a small surplus and a diminishing debenture debt. "It is the debenture debt that went wild from 1947 through the fifties that has been strangling the town," he charged.

Mayor Hyde said the maximum industrial development rate could be cut 4 mills in 1964, approximately \$18 to the average taxpayer. "But I pray it will not happen."

He arrives at this by noting wiping out of a \$85,000 deficit this year and retirement of debentures totalling \$20,000 in principal and interest, which will allow a total saving of \$65,000 in 1964.

"If council did reduce the rate 4 mills it would be a one year scheme and could not help placing a heavier burden on the taxpayer in 1965," he said. "We are a large progressive town and should be improving the services that have been slide for years."

"If the mill rate is reduced, he said No. 7 Highway cannot be reconstructed, needed storm sewers cannot be installed and possibly road surfaces done this year would not have their finished protection. If these improvements were delayed a year, he feels it would be necessary to debenture the costs in 1965.

If the tax rate is held at its present level, Mayor Hyde said the highway reconstruction could be done from current revenue, streets receive their protective seal and work could start on storm sewer.

He reviewed other things, which he said could be followed through on a cash and carry basis. Parks and recreation facilities, particularly in the east end, are demanded and people should have them, but only by paying out of the current tax dollar.

He referred to a \$50,000 reconstruction program on Main Street as an example of what can be done without debenturing.

Entire Married Life Was Spent on 10th Line Farm

After an illness of several months, Emma J. Hill, the wife of Ernest Rogers of Ballinacra, died at St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, on November 23rd at the age of seventy-six.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers were married in Georgetown forty-seven years ago by the late Rev. R. F. Cameron, former pastor of Knox Presbyterian Church. They had spent all their married life on the 10th Line, Esquimaux, until the farm was sold a year ago to Brigadier F. C. Wallace when they purchased a home in Ballinacra to which they had just moved.

Mrs. Rogers was the daughter of the late Robert Hill and Elizabeth Duff of the Scotch Block. She is survived by three brothers, Herbert Hill, Glen Williams, Edward Hill Jr. of Toronto; William Hill of Georgetown and three sisters, Mrs. A. Ferguson (Isabel), Swift Hill and Mrs. R. J. Richardson (Catherine) of Hanover and Mrs. A. Mimi (Nancy) of Georgetown. A brother, James, of Georgetown predeceased her.

Funeral services were conducted at the Harold C. McClure Funeral Home on Tuesday, November 26th with Rev. A. F. Cook of Erin Anglican Church officiating. Interment was in Glen Williams Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Carl Hill, Limehouse; Edward Hill, Toronto; Elmer Hill, Georgetown; Robert Gilchrist, Guelph; William Cox, Milton and Harold Wheeler, Glen Williams.

NORVAL Ensure Happy Christmas For One County Child

The roll call at the December meeting of Norval Women's Institute was answered with a Christmas gift for a child under the care of the Halton Children's Aid Society and an overflowing hamper of gifts was received.

The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Oliver Hunter, Georgetown, on Thursday evening, December 5th, with the president, Mrs. E. Burk, in the chair.

The meeting opened with the usual institute opening exercises followed by the business session which Mrs. Jack May facilitated with a Christmas solo. A Christmas music contest was won by Mrs. J. May and a song of Christmas songs was enjoyed by all. Mrs. W. Graham and Mrs. Oliver Hunter gave interesting convener reports after which the exchange of gifts was held.

Mrs. H. Snellie and Miss M. Gure assisted the hostess in serving a lovely lunch and Mrs. Claus, who had a remarkable resemblance to Mrs. H. Gollup, visited the group during the social half hour.

Two Bills Split \$1,000 Annual Kinsmen Dinner

Two lucky local men are each \$500.00 richer this week, as a result of the Kinsmen's Annual \$1,000 dinner held last Friday in the Legion Hall.

Bill English of The Royal Bank and Bill Somerville of The South-Wellington Co-op were the last two names left in the barrel after 198 other participants had, one by one, heard their names eliminated from the contest, and at this stage the two Bills agreed to split the \$1,000.00 prize.

Eight other participants each won consolation prizes. These prizes going to the one whose name was drawn first and thereafter to each 25th name drawn.

As a result of the dinner, approximately \$800.00 will be added to the Kinsmen Service Fund and will eventually find its way back to the Community in the form of Kinsmen participation in Welfare, education and youth sports activities.

The Kin wish to thank all those who helped make this a successful affair and ask all those interested to make a note that November 20th has already been booked for next year's dinner.

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Move Eight from Head Office to S & S Local Plant

The sales service department of Smith and Stone Ltd. has moved from the Toronto head office at 50 St. Clair Ave. W. to the Georgetown plant.

Henry Martin, vice president of the company, whose office is also now located in Georgetown, told the Herald this week that the move has been made to bring sales and general administration in closer contact with the manufacturing plant.

The switch involves eight staff members who will now be in the Georgetown office.

Visits Family While On Course in Toronto

The W.I. met at the home of Mrs. Paul Spitzer, Thursday evening.

Mr. Shirley Watson spent last week with his brother, Mr. Wray Watson, Guelph.

We are pleased that Mrs. Wilfred Harding is making good progress in Guelph General Hospital following an operation about two weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nemes and family spent the week-end with the Honnans, Guelph.

Elling Berg Jr. (Chemical Engineer with B.A. Oil in Calgary, Alberta, is in Toronto for a week's course at BA head office. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Berg, Limehouse.

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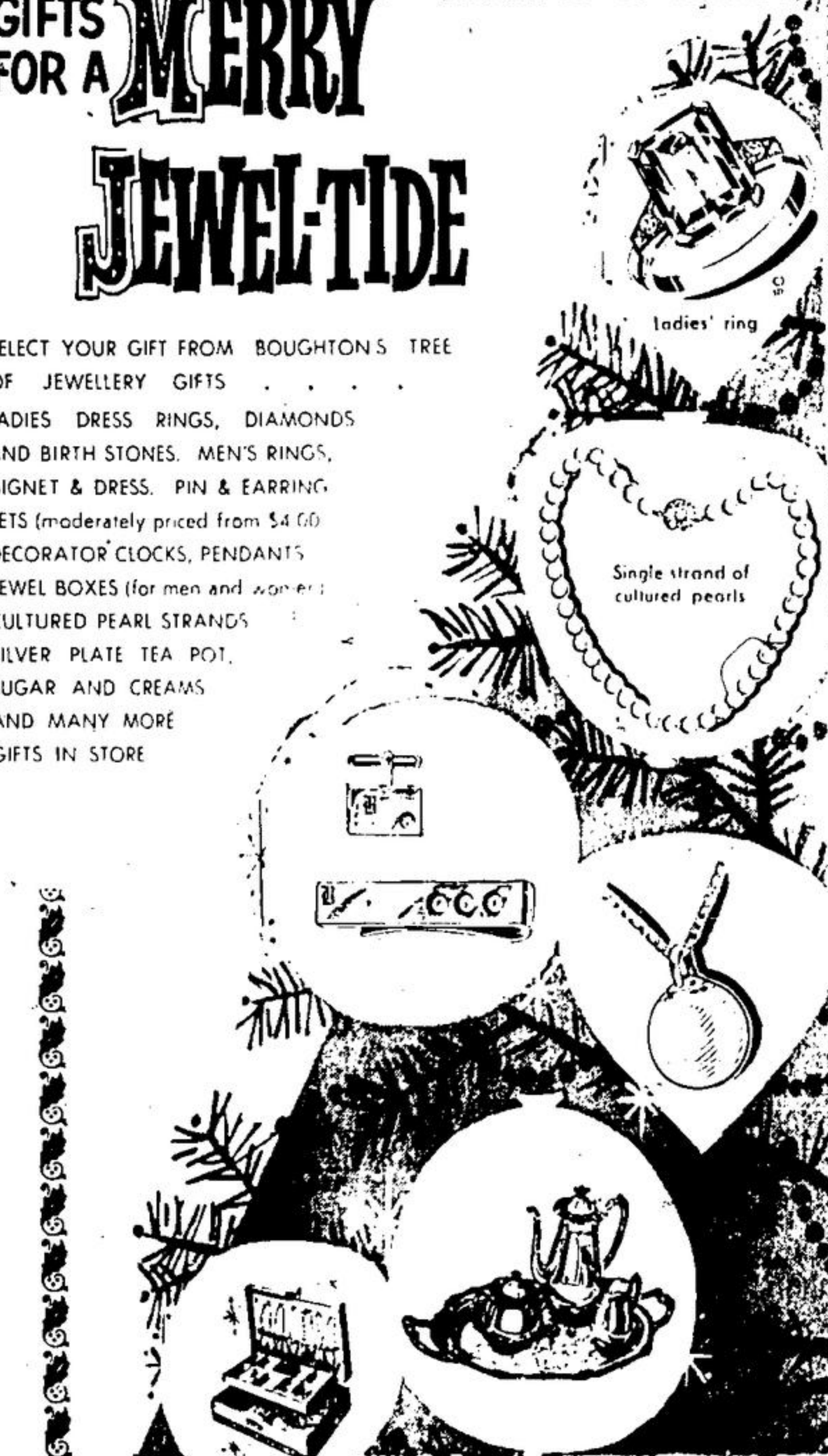
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