

# Reserve Judgment on Milton's Bid For 579 Esqueging Acres

Judgment was reserved when the three day annexation hearing at which Milton bid to gain 579 acres from Esqueging Township and 1,308 acres from Oakville concluded Wednesday of last week.

The Town of Milton has applied to the Ontario Municipal Board for the annexation because it feels it will stagnate without the room to expand.

Should Milton be granted the annexation the town's land area would be tripled. The town's present area is 1,064 acres.

Presiding member of the Municipal Board, A. H. Arell, declined to set a date when a decision on the application will be rendered.

"There is a lot to consider," he stated when asked if judgment would be withheld until after the Plunket needs study on Halton and Peel is completed.

During the Tuesday session Auditor H.A. Laver appeared to outline detailed economic considerations. He noted there

are twenty people in the Esqueging Township area in question and 318 in the Oakville area. Total assessment in the Esqueging area is \$164,478 and in the Oakville area is \$1,251,222.

The auditor noted Esqueging would lose 1.37 per cent of its total assessment and Oakville .99 per cent. Milton would gain 15.10 of its total assessment.

Esqueging rates for residential of .6409 would go up to .4449 and commercial .6978 to .5019. Oakville's residential rate would go up from .5430 to .5470, and commercial rate of .6030 to .6060.

Mr. Laver explained however that those people in the Esqueging area for which Milton had applied would experience an increase of 15.40 mills in their residential rate and 16.85 mills the commercial rate. This would be partly offset by lower hydro, water and sewer rates.

During the first session Monday, Esqueging solicitor T. H. Van Niekler and Oakville solicitor John Depew urged discontinuing the hearing until

the Plunket needs study was presented. Mr. Depew said a decision would prejudice the Peel-Halton needs review by Thomas J. Plunket.

Numerous witnesses were called by all three communities involved in the hearing.

## NORVAL

### Many Friends Fete Bride Sharon Burk

Congratulations to Sharon Burk and Keith Preston who were married in Norval United Church, September 18th. They will make their home in Georgetown.

Sharon Burk, daughter of Mrs. Amy Burk and the late Edward Burk, was honored by several showings previous to her marriage.

Her cousin Geraldine Little of Cookville assisted by her sister Mrs. Marjorie Stringer of Brampton and her mother Mrs. Sylvia Burk of Brampton held a tea cup shower in her honour.

Miss Lynn Bell of Streetville, her maid of honour, assisted by her sister-in-law Mrs. Yvonne Bell of Streetville and Mrs. Susanne Johnson of Brampton entertained at a linen shower.

Mrs. M. Crawford of Glen Williams entertained the Preston family at a miscellaneous shower.

Joanne MacEachern held a linen shower at her home for the nurses at Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton.

Mrs. Marie Murray assisted by her daughter Norma entertained the neighbours of the town line at a miscellaneous shower and the ladies of the Norval United Church U.C.W. held a miscellaneous shower.

Unit One of Norval United Church U.C.W. met at the home of Mrs. J. P. Doane on Thursday afternoon, September 21st, with Mrs. Marshall, President, in the chair. The devotional was taken by Mrs. G. Miller and the chapter from the study book was given by Mrs. J. Laidlaw.

Mrs. Don Murray and Mrs. R. Irwin assisted the hostesses in serving lunch.

Congratulations to Julian Reed who won two gold and two silver medals in singing competitions held at the Canadian National Exhibition recently.

Also congratulations to Gayle Lyons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Lyons, who won first prize with her call at Brampton Fair.

Get well wishes are extended to Mrs. Edith White, Bill Jarvie and Miss Margaret Russell, who are all patients in Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital. Home from hospital are Cecil Adams, Norman Fendley and Mrs. E. Jung.

# Barbershoppers Give Program For Halton Manor Residents

An evening of rousing vocal music, sung by twenty-five men who belong to the Georgetown Chapter of Barbershoppers, was provided for the residents through the Verdum Rebekah Lodge of Georgetown at the September birthday party held on Tuesday evening, September 14th.

The Rebekah Lodge was represented by a group of members, among them the Noble Grand, Mrs. F. Eason and the Vice-Grand, Mrs. J. Barton. Mrs. Eileen Johnson was the convener.

Mrs. Barton called the Barbershoppers to the stage and introduced them to the audience. Mr. Jim Turnbull announced the selections and Mr. David Morgan was the director.

From their first song, "You're as Welcome as the Flowers in May" to the last one, "Keep America Singing," their choice of songs and the manner in which they sang them delighted the audience. Among the songs sung by the Barbershoppers as a group were "Give My Regards to Broadway," "After Dark" and "Mary O'Mine." They also sang "My Gal" which will be the test piece at a competition to be held in Hamilton this fall.

A brief talk describing the growth of Barbershoppers music in the last 30 years was given by "Steamer" Emmerson. Mr. Emmerson then called on three other Barbershoppers, Jim Turnbull, Dave Morgan and Glen McKnight to join him in a quartet selection, "Kentucky Babe." A special version of "Let Me Call You Sweetheart," with the audience joining in was directed by Charley Kelly.

At the conclusion of the program, the guests of honour, those residents having birthdays in the month of September,

were invited by Mrs. Barton to take their places at the head table. These were Mrs. E. Hills, Mrs. E. Hoare, Mrs. M. Shaw, Mrs. J. Mason, Mrs. A. Ross, Mrs. P. Green, Mrs. M. Forbes and Messrs. H. Hargreaves and J. Golden.

Each guest of honour received a birthday card and a \$1 bill. The Happy Birthday song was sung for them by the Barbershoppers.

The head table had a centre bouquet of dark red roses, flanked by two other bouquets of summer flowers. The refreshments were — sandwiches, a wide variety of fancy small cakes, ice cream and birthday cake, all donated by the Rebekahs and tea and coffee.

The Rebekahs of Georgetown have entertained the residents of the Manor on several occasions and each occasion has been very enjoyable one. The residents hope that there will be many more in the future.

# Official Greeter At Plowing Match

John T. Armstrong will again be Halton County's official greeter at the International Plowing Match on the Massey Ferguson farm at Milliken, it was revealed at Halton County Council meeting last week.

Georgetown's deputy Reeve W. Hunter heads the Industrial Display Committee, and will be responsible for Halton County's display in the tent.

Both Mr. Hunter and Mr. Armstrong will be on hand the greater part of the four day Plowing Match, Oct. 13, 14, 15, and 16.

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# LET'S PLAY BRIDGE

BY BILL COATS

Now that summer is over, bridge is sure to come. At least this is true in this district. The Acton Bridge Club has started its fourth season and weekly reports of the happenings, bridge wise, will be appearing in this column.

The first hand that I would like to show you concerns a use of the "double" call in bridge. Now normally to double a contract means that you don't think the opponent will make it.

The double I wish to show means the same thing but has an added request. It asks partner to make a certain lead because you feel that if he doesn't the contract will make.

A double of a no trump contract tells partner to lead a suit that you have bid if you have bid one or a suit that he has bid, if he has bid one. But what does it mean if neither you nor your partner have bid? In that case it calls for the lead of the first suit bid by dummy.

Let's look at this in action. This hand occurred at a duplicate bridge game in Erin. Neither side vulnerable. Dealer, South.

North		South	
S-A K 10	H-J 10 6 5	D-J 9 6 3	C-A 9
West		East	
S-J 5 2	H-Q 8 7 3	D-K Q 8 4	C-5 2
H-9 3	H-K Q 8 7	D-5 2	C-Q J 5
D-K Q 8 4	D-5 2	C-5 2	C-Q J 5

The bidding:  
South West North East  
Pass Pass 1 H Pass  
2 N.Y. Pass 3 N.Y. Dble.  
Pass Pass Pass

I was sitting in the East position and made the double of 3 no trump. I wasn't sure that we could defeat the contract but I was almost positive that without a heart lead, declarer would make 3 no trump.

Without the double, West will lead a diamond and with the clubs lying favourable, declarer can take three spades; a heart, two diamonds and three clubs for nine tricks. But look what happens when West leads the heart nine. Declarer must work for the extra diamond trick and before his work is done, the defense can take two diamonds, two hearts and a club for a one trick defeat.

A double of a no trump contract says — I think I can defeat the contract if my partner will lead.

1. The suit that I have bid but if I haven't bid;
  2. The suit that my partner has bid but if neither of us have bid;
  3. The first suit bid by dummy.
- Monday winners: 1st Harry Frost and Bill Hamilton; 2nd Bill Harbour and Bob Dixon; 3rd Mr. A. Dawson and Jack Coats.

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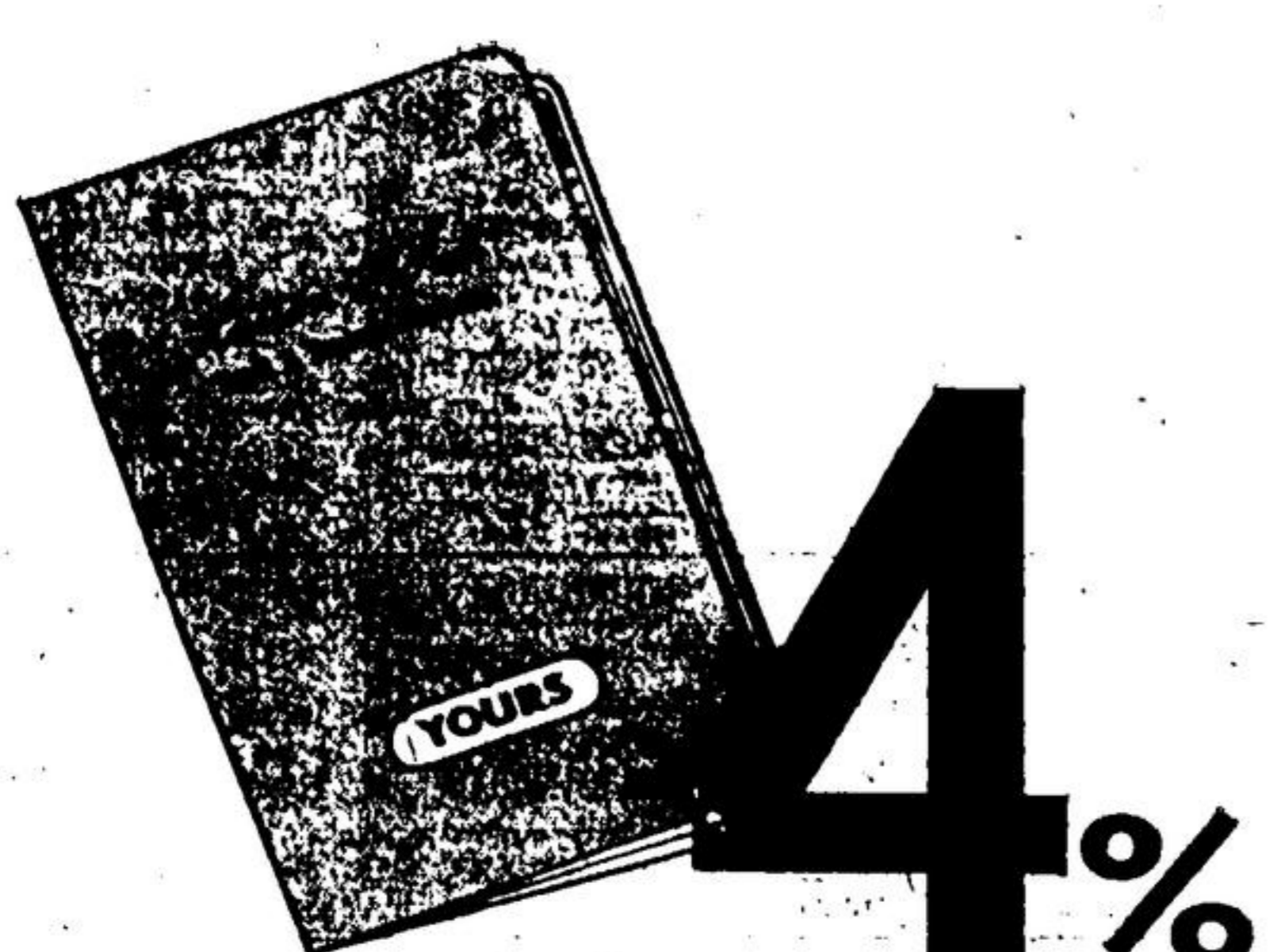
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