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Esqueuing Electors Vote Thompson to School Bd.

Seven per cent of Esqueuing electors turned out on Monday to elect Dr. Alan Thompson, R.R. 1, Georgetown, the new member of Esqueuing School Board.
Topping the polls with 218 votes Dr. Thompson, second was James Lamond with 96 next day December 23, with poor weather conditions contributing partly to the low turn-out.
The Esqueuing School Board now consists of Dr. Alan Thompson, Lloyd Fisher, Chester Early, Russell Miller and William Lawton.



THE OLD YEAR IN PICTURES JANUARY

TOP: Baby girls Doucette and Larouque enter 1965 at Georgetown Hospital at the same time as Baby New Year. 2ND DOWN: CBC film crew occupies the Roy Thompson farm, R.R. 4, Georgetown, to tape part of farm show. 3rd DOWN: Steam engine fans greet one of the last of the iron horses as it visits Georgetown yard. 4th DOWN: Georgetown boy scouts trek the Bruce Trail North of town and find it a tough test in the snow.

DELREX SELLS OUT TO METROPOLITAN

Deal Includes Plaza, Office Bldg. Factory, Residential, Industrial Land

All the holdings of Delrex Development, Ltd. have been acquired by Metropolitan Development Co. Mayor Joseph Gibbons and E. Bruce McLaughlin, company president, released the news jointly to the Herald Wednesday afternoon.
Mr. McLaughlin, a Cooksville lawyer whose home is in Part Credit, said an official reception is being planned early in January when plans of the development firm will be detailed. Large scale promotion of Georgetown as a choice industrial and commercial location will be a prime part of the company's publicity.
The purchase included the Delrex office building, shopping plaza and the highway factory just leased to Essex Cabinet Makers, as well as the bulk of the residential and industrial acreage in the subdivision in east Georgetown.
The Delrex subdivision was created in 1954 by Rex Macleod, following his development of Randsale at Weston. The property, composed of several Esqueuing farms, was annexed by Georgetown and now contains several hundreds of homes, a shopping plaza and a number of factories.

Erin Store, Apartments Guttled, \$100,000 Fire

One of the worst fires in Erin's history gutted a store and apartments on the town's main street early Tuesday morning.
Damage estimated at \$100,000 was done to the Mr. Paul clothing store and two upstairs apartments. The store, owned by Paul MacDonald of Erin was located in a building which formerly had housed a drug store and grocery store.

Bolton Man's Widow Former Town Resident

Funeral service was held on December 18 at the David A. McClure Funeral Home, Brampton for John George Erwin of Bolton who died suddenly the previous Wednesday.
Mr. Erwin was the husband of a former Georgetown resident, Glenna Leslie, and also leaves two children, Leslie and Terry.
Interment took place in Castleside Cemetery.

Recount Finds Young Retained as Deputy

James Young retained the Georgetown deputy reeve ship which he won on December 6, as the result of a recount on Tuesday.
The recount was sought by James H. Emmerson, who tallied 1413 votes to Mr. Young's 1418 in the election.
Mr. Young's margin was increased by one vote in the recount which took place in the town's municipal building before county judge Alan Sprague.
Final totals are Young 1417 and Emmerson 1411.
Mr. Young is stepping up as a county representative after serving three years as a Ward 2 councillor. This year he has been chairman of the industrial and town planning committee.
Mr. Emmerson left council a year ago when he contested the deputy reeve's position with Wm. Hunter. He had served on council four years, also as a Ward 2 councillor.

Hunter is Running For County Warden

Georgetown Deputy Reeve William Hunter is one of three men whose names are being mentioned most frequently as the successor to Herb Merry as Warden of Halton County.
Deputy Reeve Hunter, H. H. Hinton of Acton, and Nassagawey's William J. Coulter have all been mentioned as possible Wardens in 1966. All three won elections for Reeve in their municipalities and all have been on council several years.
There is a fourth possibility, although it would be a break with tradition. Warden Merry could become the second to be re-elected as Halton's Warden.
Traditionally the wardenship alternates between the southern part of the county and the north.
There is a feeling that Burlington and Oakville might wish to maintain some control through the warden's chair because of the Plunkett report dealing with regional government.
Dr. Carl Martin of Milton was the only Halton Warden to serve two terms of office.

WILL APPEAR ON QUIZ SHOW

A town resident, Mrs. Alice Maybanks, will appear on the Abra Cadabra show on Channel 9, at 11:30 January 3. The program was pre-taped December 4.

Hospital Board, Doctors Plan Memorial to Doctor

In view of the tragedy that occurred last Thursday, claiming the life of a Georgetown physician, a special meeting of the Medical Association and Hospital Board was held early Christmas Eve.
The chairman, John T. Armstrong, presided and opened by thanking all for coming. "It speaks well for any group that can have a perfect 100 per cent in attendance on such short notice and upon this particular evening," he said.
Mr. Armstrong then referred to the tragic car crash that claimed the life of Dr. Bebenek, and told of receiving many enquiries from the general public, as well as board and medical members, as to the advisability of starting some type of memorial fund. He said that he would like to have the group discuss the feasibility of the idea, and to suggest what form it should take.
All those in present favoured the idea, and a motion was unanimously passed to establish a commemorative fund, in memory of Dr. Bernard Bebenek.
A committee, composed of four doctors and four board members was established, and it was decided that any organization or individual wishing to contribute, could do so. The Hospital Board, the Medical Association, and the Hospital Auxiliary, indicated that each of their respective groups would contribute to the fund.
The committee will decide on the form of the memorial and it will be announced later in The Herald.
Any group or individual wishing to contribute, may do so by leaving their contribution with the administrator, Fred Whittaker. Or for any information regarding the fund, phone Mr. Whittaker or board chairman Mr. Armstrong.

Will Hold Inquest Into Death of Dr. B. J. Bebenek

Ontario Provincial Police said yesterday an inquest will be held into the death of Georgetown doctor, B. J. 'Bernie' Bebenek, 32, who died moments after his small car was involved in a two-car crash on an ice coated hill on Main St. south, Thursday afternoon.
Eight people in the other car involved were taken to hospital and all but two were released following treatment.
Still in Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital are Cathy O'Hearn, R.N. 3 Georgetown, 9 year old daughter of the driver, with a broken ankle and fractured pelvis, and 7 year old Tracy Thorpe who suffered back injuries and shock.
Also in the O'Hearn car were the driver, Mrs. Doreen Mary O'Hearn, and sons Johnny, 7, and Kenny, 10 months, and a neighbour, Mrs. Helen Thorpe, and son John, 3, and Lori, 18 months.
Two of the injured were transported by Georgetown Volunteer Ambulance Service, and the rest by Ontario Provincial Police cruiser.
North Halton O.P.P. who investigated the crash said the Bebenek car was northbound on the road when it collided with the southbound O'Hearn car. The impact flattened the front of the doctor's car and crushed the left side of the O'Hearn vehicle.
Other than for the surface of the hill, the road on which the accident occurred was comparatively free of ice. The slippery conditions would surprise both drivers.
The O.P.P. Sergeant driving one of the two O.P.P. cruisers at the scene said the fog at the time was not heavy enough to hamper vision. Cat. Joe Yeldcamp of the North Halton O.P.P. investigated and Georgetown Police Department assisted at the scene.
The date of the inquest has not yet been set.
Dr. Bebenek started his medical practice in Georgetown in July, 1961, in association with Dr. C. V. Williams and Dr. Alan Thompson.
A Toronto native, he attended Humberdale Collegiate, obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree at University of Toronto and in 1960 graduated from the Faculty of Medicine. He interned for a year at Toronto Western Hospital before coming to Georgetown.
He was a member of the group which was instrumental in establishing the YM-YWCA in Georgetown.
He leaves his wife, Joan Caris, two children Scott and Kevin; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bebenek, Toronto and three brothers Henry, Walter and Stanley, of Toronto.
Funeral service took place on Monday at the Butler Funeral Chapel, Irlington, with Rev. Ian Fleming of St. John's United Church and Rev. George East of Irlington officiating. Pallbearers were Dr. Alan Thompson and Phil Armstrong, Georgetown, Dr. Victor Kurdyak, John Fenton and Richard Smith, Toronto. Interment was in Park Lawn Cemetery.



A LOOK AT THE WEATHER

December	High	Low
22 Wednesday	36	11
23 Thursday	43	29
24 Friday	44	32
25 Saturday	25	34
26 Sunday	12	9
27 Monday	27	—
28 Tuesday	27	20

Precipitation: Rain 2.0 inches, Snow 2.75 inches.
Alicia E. C. Scott

Metal Furniture Plant To Start Construction January 27

The firm is the largest manufacturer of business furniture in the United States. Metal desks, chairs and filing equipment are scheduled to be produced in the Georgetown plant. Initially the firm will employ 75 to 100 people and eventually the firm hopes to employ as many as 200 here. Products will be marketed throughout Canada and probably will also be shipped to other Commonwealth nations.
Mr. Saunders, who also is chairman this year of the Business Equipment Manufacturers Association, the industry's trade organization in the United States, said the growing Canadian market for office furniture prompted GF's decision to build a plant in Georgetown. The company has been exporting furniture from the U.S. to Canada for several years.
Herbert C. Williamson Jr., G. vice-president in charge of divisions and subsidiaries, said several Canadian locations were studied before Georgetown was selected. Proximity to Toronto, available labour supply and suitability of the land were three factors that influenced the decision, he said.
The real estate transaction was handled by William F. Sannucks, Georgetown realtor. Georgetown council has co-operated by closing a portion of Todd Rd., and allowing sewer and water lines to be rerouted to accommodate the new plant.
General Fireproofing Co., now entering its 64th year, operates six business furniture and equipment manufacturing plants in the U.S. The main plant is in Youngstown, Ohio, with others in Sturgis, Mich., Charleston, S.C., Forest City, N.C., San Luis Obispo Calif., Ellcottville, N.Y.

