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## Martin Road Honours April Centenarian

Georgetown's oldest resident will be honoured in a new street name.

Martin Road has been chosen as the name of a street which will be opened in a portion of the Delrex industrial area to service a number of small industrial lots in the north-east section.

The street is named after Joe Martin, who will mark his 100 birthday on April 1st.

Mr. Martin, father of Mrs. George Glassford, 9 Union St. and Mrs. John T. Armstrong, 23 Parkview Blvd. is a patient in Georgetown hospital at present after an operation on a broken hip.

## Three More Buyers Acquire Land in Industrial Area

With sale of land to three separate buyers, council on Monday disposed of 8 1/2 more acres of the industrial park acquired last fall from Delrex Developments.

The land, purchased at \$100 an acre, has a current selling price of \$1,000 an acre.

Endorsed Monday were sales of 2 1/2 acres to Andrew Murray Motors; five acres to H. Boehmer & Co.; and almost an acre to O & P Const. The latter firm was also given an option on a similar amount of land adjoining its purchase.

In dealing with the O & P sale, Cr. Ern Hyde told council that he wanted all members to

realize that a letter from William Schenk, Jr., read earlier to council, dealt with the same parcel of land. The land adjoins a new factory being built by Mr. Schenk to house his knitting business.

Council decided that the O & P offer was more attractive as a building will be constructed this year.

**SIGNS OF SPRING**

Reg Williams of Stewarttown is the first to report the annual sign of spring.

Mr. Williams tells us that he saw a crow this week, some time before the birds normally appear.

## Order Flasher Lights For Highway Islands

As a safety measure at the Maple Ave. highway crossing, council on Monday ordered flasher lights which will be installed on the mid-highway islands. Cost is \$400.

Crs. Ballentine and Hyde opposed the purchase, not because the flashers are not needed, but because further safety measures are being considered and they consider it uneconomic to introduce these one at a time.

Possibility of traffic lights and a warning flasher at the intersection is being considered.

## Betty Ann Tripp is Tiny Talent Performer

Another Georgetown youngster will be seen on the Channel 11 program Tiny Talent Time soon.

Betty Ann Tripp, 11 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tripp, 22 Park Ave., was in the station's studios Monday to take part in a show taped then for showing in two weeks. It will be aired on Sunday Feb. 13 at 4:30.

Betty Ann sang Life's Balcony at the taping. She is a pupil of Mrs. Robert Allen, 47 King Street East.

# Expanding From States GF Breaks Sod for Plant

## Reappoint Six, Add Two Councillors to Commission

The 1966 industrial commission was appointed by council on Monday.

Serving on this year's group will be six of last year's seven members, plus two council members.

Reappointed to the commission are Alex Blackwell, Connell Smith, Sam Penrice, James Linton, William McNally and Roy Wilson. Councillors Roy Ballentine and Ern Hyde complete the 8-man commission.

Malcolm Freeman, who resigned to seek the position of reeve in the December elections, was the seventh member last year.

Council reached a stalemate two weeks ago over the question of the number of councillors who would be members, and

## Seek Uniformity in District Schools

Principals from 15 public schools met at Georgetown's Harrison school Wednesday afternoon and continued discussion on a guidebook for teachers.

This is aimed at bringing more uniformity in students' tests and report cards in the inspectorate of O. G. McDowell, which includes schools in Georgetown, Esquesing and Nassagaweya. Wednesday was the third workshop, and at the final meeting of the year in May, results will be compiled and finalized.

Harrison principal Hazen Allen is chairman of the group this year, and Park principal William French is secretary.

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## Licences Due, Name Dog Tax Collector

Milton Harker was reappointed as collector of dog taxes by council on Monday.

A suggestion at the meeting by Joseph Kirley, assistant dog controller, that his department handle sale of tags was discussed at the meeting. Council expressed some interest and hinted at the possibility that later in the year the tags might also be sold in this way, but took no action on Mr. Kirley's request.

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## Furniture Joins List of Georgetown Products

With a brisk wind whipping snow with gale force, a ground breaking ceremony introduced Georgetown's newest firm, General Fireproofing, to a group of civic officials and industry representatives Thursday morning.

The stormy day delayed the arrival of the Hon. Stanley J. Randall, Ontario's minister of economic and development who was to have helped, push the plunger for a dynamic blast. In his place, Deputy Reeve W. Hunter assisted company president John A. Saunders and Mayor Joseph Gibbons.

An initial force of 75 to 100 will work in the 150,000 sq. ft. plant which will be built on a 43 acre site fronting No. 7 highway when it is completed this fall.

But the company, largest U.S. producer of office furniture, is confident that staff and plant size will soon expand.

At a dinner which followed at North Halton Golf & Country Club, a Galt man, Wm. S. Craig, who will be Georgetown manager, was introduced.

Accompanying Mr. Saunders to the ceremony were top company officials and members of the board of directors from Youngstown, Ohio. Herbert C. Williamson, Jr., GF vice president in charge of divisions and subsidiaries, was chairman. He said his firm chose Georgetown because of its proximity to Toronto, the available labour supply and land suitability.

Mr. Randall, who arrived in time for his dinner address, welcomed GF to Canada, and pointed out that the building boom calls for more and better office furniture.

"In Toronto alone, a skyrocketing market, should provide you with limitless sales opportunities. In 1965 Ontario building permits averaged 20 percent above 1964."

Saying that Ontario has the highest Canadian retail sales and 40% of Canada's personal income, he boasted that Ontario is the world's champion of high living.

"We in Ontario own more per capita than even the U.S.," he said.

While operations here will first be on a modest scale, Mr. Saunders said in a speech that within three years it is planned to make Georgetown a fully integrated manufacturing facility.

He said it could parallel a plant in North Carolina, started in 1963, which today employs 400. GF products will be marketed throughout Canada and probably be exported also to other Commonwealth nations.

Mayor Gibbons extended a civic welcome to GF, expressing the town's pleasure in having the first Canadian branch of an important U.S. firm locate here.

The Georgetown plant will be GF's seventh plant. Others are in Youngstown, Ohio; Sturgis, Mich.; Charleston S.C.; Forest City, N.C.; San Luis Obispo, Calif.; and Elizabethtown, N.Y.

## Snow Delightful Experience For Visiting Mexican Boy

While the snow and cold may be a source of annoyance and discomfort to most of us, to one thirteen-year-old Mexican boy, presently visiting in Georgetown, it is a wonder and a delight.

Thomas Aja, (pronounced Aha) has been visiting with W. T. Craig Reid's of Chipper Court, since November 25th. On his arrival he was extremely disappointed to find no snow, however, January has made up for it, and he has delighted in snowhaling and tobogganing with the Reid children.

Thomas, of Tom, as he is known in Grade Six of Harrison School where he has been a student, lives on a large farm twenty five miles from Mexico City. And it is indeed large, there are 600 cows to be milked, necessitating a large number of farm hands.

Mr. Craig Reid, who sells

cattle to Mexico, met Tomas' family about fourteen years ago, and has visited them frequently since. Last year Tomas' cousin was a guest of the Reids, while two other cousins are presently visiting in Ottawa and Toronto.

Tomas will fly direct to Mexico City to rejoin his seven brothers and sisters, for whom he has bought many presents. If he manages to shake the cold he has picked up he will leave for home this week.

He has also picked up a fair amount of English while the Reids have picked up some Spanish.

If everything goes as planned, by this week-end Tomas will be sitting in sun-drenched Mexico, talking about the beautiful white snow up in Canada, and the lucky people who live with it all winter.

## A LOOK AT THE WEATHER

	High	Low
January:	12	-8
26 Wed.	12	-8
27 Thurs.	13	0
28 Fri.	12	-8
29 Sat.	13	-1
30 Sun.	13	-1
31 Mon.	21	10
February:	23	18
1 Tues.	25	18
High for January, 55, Jan. 1		
Low for January, -15, Jan. 12		
Precipitation for January 20.17" snow.		

# Super City Would Have Georgetown As Its Hub

A super city extending as far west as Aldershot, east to Port Credit and north to Orangeville with Georgetown at its geographical centre is the recommendation in a report which has been accepted in principle as Oakville's brief to Thomas Plunkett, regional government study commissioner for Halton and Peel Counties. All municipal councils, county councils, conservation authorities, boards and commissions in the municipalities in the area would be scrapped.

The city would have a population of about 250,000 at its birth and a fat equalized assessment of \$524,752,375.

The necessity of getting up such a regional unit and arrangements for financing it are contained in the 25 page report which will be sent to Thomas Plunkett.

The brief says a single regional unit comparable in size to the logical region for Metro Toronto is necessary in order to avoid the fusion of Toronto and Hamilton.

Government would be by a single municipal council consisting of a mayor and ten elected councillors elected on the ward system with 10 wards, each comprising about 25,000 people.

Huge agricultural tracts

would be established within the municipality, these to be given over permanently to agriculture.

Election of the councillors according to the brief would be for a minimum of two years, preferably three or four.

A single social and welfare agency for the proposed municipality would combine all social services including homes for the aged, child welfare and public health, and all local boards of education and public utilities commissions would be abolished and replaced by a single board and five man elected PUC for the entire area.

"No smaller unit will balance the influences of Metropolitan Toronto and Hamilton," the brief states.

## Tuberculosis X-Ray Unit Visiting Here February 28

A total of four x-ray technicians, six nurses and two units will be used in Halton County during the proposed Tuberculin test an x-ray survey, which will begin on Feb. 1st.

Throughout the drive to find all the unknown cases of tuberculosis in Halton County, tuberculin testing clinics and mobile x-ray units will visit all principal communities, beginning with Norval, Georgetown and Acton on Feb. 28th.

The staff and equipment is supplied by the Ontario Dept. of Health, at the request of the Halton County Tuberculosis Association.

The nurses for the survey have been specially trained for this type of work, and have

been holding similar clinics all over the Province for the past four years. The x-ray technicians are also carefully selected, some with as much as 20 years experience in Community Mass Survey work.

Rev. M. Estabrooks, Survey Chairman, said today that every person attending the clinics will receive a confidential report of the test or x-ray. "The great majority will show clear and healthy lungs," he said. "Most cases discovered will be in the early stages when tuberculosis can be most quickly and easily cured," he added.

The survey will begin on February 28th and will continue until April 8th.

## Weather Causes Rash of Accidents Last Week

A two-car collision at the corner of Guelph and Durham St. was the most serious of six motor vehicle accidents handled by Georgetown police this past week.

Police said a car driven by Jack Heppes, 3 Lane Court, was southbound on Durham St. and making a left turn onto Guelph was in collision with a car operated by Craig McMullen, 109 Mill St., Acton, Saturday afternoon.

Georgetown police constable Harry Liberty placed the property damage at \$600 to Heppes' Chevrolet, and \$400 to McMullen's 1963 Valiant.

A passenger in the McMullen car, Wilbert McMullen, R R 1, Acton, suffered the only injury, a bump on his head.

Two Vauxhall's collided at the Main and Mill St. intersection Tuesday afternoon, resulting in \$225 in property damage.

Police said a 1960 Vauxhall driven by Marlene Hurley, 27 Park Avenue, was northbound on Main when in collision with a 1965 Vauxhall driven by William Briggs, 70 Prince Charles Drive. The latter vehicle was southbound and making a left turn onto Mill Street.

Cst. William Koeslag investigated this one and estimated property damage at \$125 to the Hurley car, and \$100 to the one operated by Briggs.

Two Ramblers came together in an accident Monday afternoon at the corner of Rexway Drive and Mountainview Road.

A 1965 Rambler driven by Jeanne Getty, 21 Shelley St., was westbound on Guelph and making a left turn onto Rexway Drive when the car skidded into a 1964 Rambler driven by Mary Louise Hurley, 33 Ewing St. The Hurley car was on Rexway approaching the stop sign.

Damage to the vehicles was about equal and totalled \$150 according to the investigating officer P.C. R. D. Martin.

Damage estimate was \$400 in a collision opposite 90 Mountainview Road Sunday involving cars driven by Thomas Hill,

Glen Williams, and Barbara June Storch, 74 River Drive.

Mrs. Storch was proceeding south on Mountainview when in collision with the Hill car which was entering Mountainview from a driveway.

Hill's 1962 Plymouth suffered \$300 damage and Mrs. Storch's 1963 Corvair \$100 damage, according to Cst. William Koeslag who handled this one.

A similar accident involving a car entering Mountainview Road from a private driveway occurred Thursday, Jan. 27th. P.C. William Bell said a 1968 Chevrolet operated by William Leroy Lenden (Smith), Toronto, was making a right turn from a private drive opposite Meadow Glen Growers onto Mountainview when in collision with a 1961 Ford driven by Theodoros Van Klink, R R 4, Georgetown. The Van Klink car was southbound.

Estimated damage here was \$125 to the VanKlink farm and \$50 to Lindensmith's.

Earlier the same day P.C. Henry Vanderstuij investigated an accident at the intersection of Albert and Murdock streets in which \$225 damage was done to cars driven by George Wayne Riddall, 142 Reaway Dr., and Franklin Fuller, 72 King St.

Riddall was moving north on Albert St. in a 1964 Chevrolet and Fuller was eastbound on Murdock in a 1961 Chevrolet. Riddall's vehicle took the brunt of the damage, about \$150 worth. The accident happened at noon.

## Social & Personal

Mr. James McQueen from Edmonton, Alberta, spent a few days recently with his niece, Misses Jean and Margery Mackenzie, 10 Valleyview Rd.

Andrew Murray, Sr., proprietor of Andrew Murray Motors, has returned from a vacation trip to California. He travelled by plane, and in Los Angeles identified Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sullivan and Mr. and Mrs. William McCracken.



DYNAMITE BLAST BREAKS G. F. GROUND

GENERAL FIREPROOFING Company president John A. Saunders (left) and the Hon. Stanley Randall, Ontario's minister of economics and development. A dynamite charge broke ground at the site of General Fireproofing Company plant in Georgetown's industrial park Thursday.

Dinner at North Halton Followed Ground Breaking