

# SUPER HIGHWAY TO LINK GEORGETOWN - TORONTO

## Belfield Freeway "Will Triple Population"

A freeway linking Georgetown and Metro Toronto was one of the plans disclosed by the Ontario Department of Highways when they made public their 20-year scheme of construction in the Peel-Halton area last week.

The Belfield Freeway will run east from Georgetown, pass north of Brampton, cross No. 7 Highway east of Dixie Rd. and loop south into Metropolitan Toronto. It will cross No. 37 Highway and connect with the 401 approximately 2 miles east of 27.

The Ontario Dept. of Highways estimated the freeway will triple the combined populations

of Georgetown, Brampton and Bramalea in 15 years and quadruple it in 20 years.

The freeway gets its name from the fact it starts on Belfield Drive in Etobicoke. At the Belfield Rd. end, probably six lanes wide, an access route will take through traffic directly into downtown Toronto.

A highways department representative told the Herald the freeway may be constructed on the present No. 7 Highway section between Georgetown and No. 10 Highway or it may be built north of this section of No. 7, paralleling it. The decision will hinge on the expense involved.

He said, studies have shown that most traffic coming down No. 10 Highway through Brampton's Main St. is destined for Metro. The Belfield Freeway will drain off the Toronto bound traffic north of Brampton, he said.

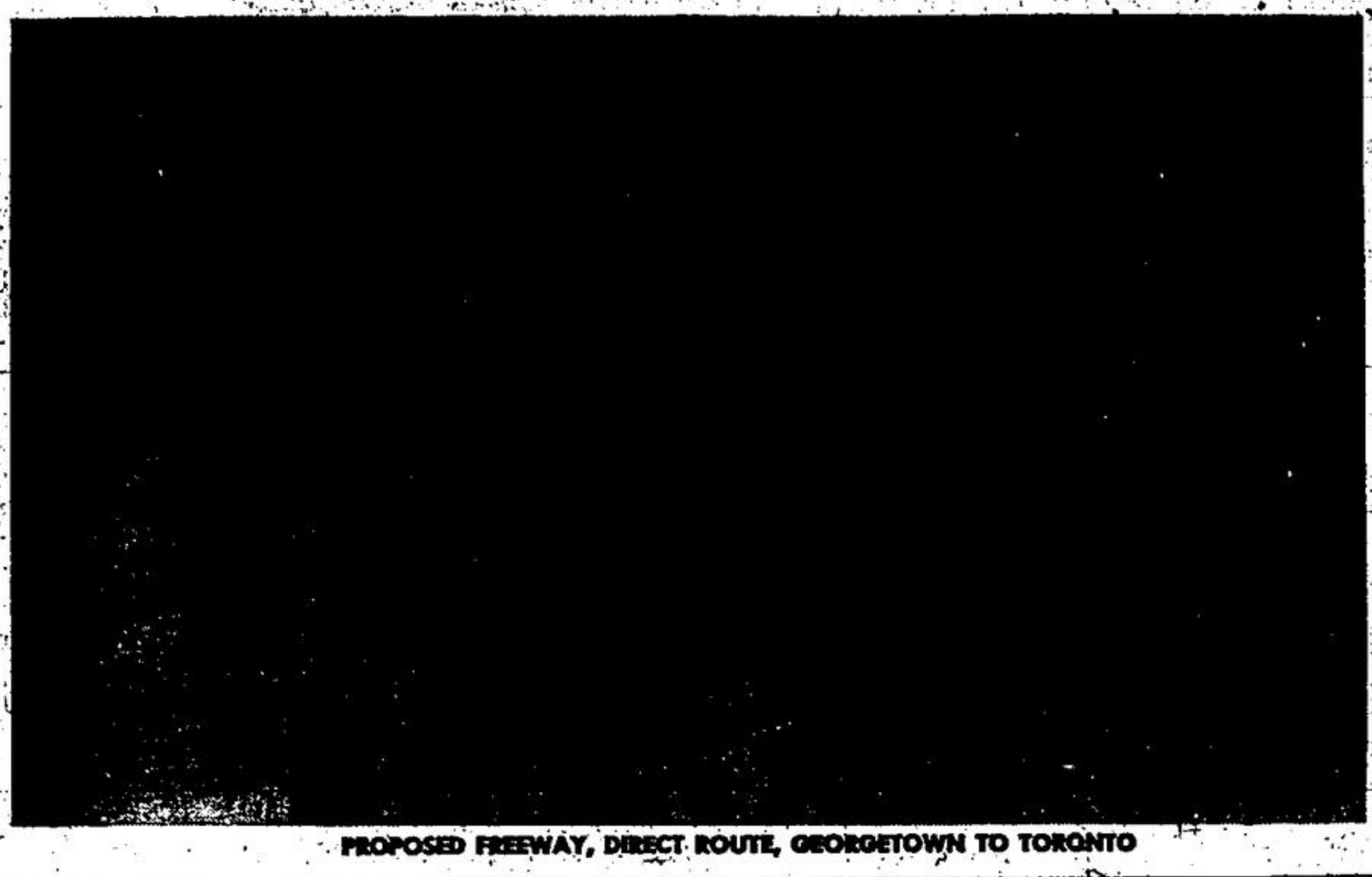
Highway No. 7 from the Belfield Freeway junction east will be widened to four lanes.

Highways minister Charles McNaughton said his department estimates 40,000 to 50,000 cars a day will use the Belfield Freeway. With the vast increase in Toronto companies in high rise buildings the majority of workers will think nothing of a fast 20 minute downtown ride a

few years from now," he stated.

The Belfield Freeway is only part of a Halton-Peel program which will see a completely new freeway No. 403 rise from the Queen Elizabeth Way at Burlington, running 24 miles across the two counties north of Highway No. 5 and linking up with 401 east of No. 27.

Also included in the plans are a four mile spurline from the QEW to the new 403 at the 9th Line, Oakville; dropping Highway 2 and Highway 123 from the system; converting Highways 25 and 5 into four lane expressways and extending No. 25 south along the 2 lane Bronte Road from Highway 5 to QEW.



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## No New Mountainview Bridge Despite Delegation's Appeal

Another motion to launch the construction of the 9th Line bridge on Mountainview Rd. was again defeated at this week's council meeting, as it was at last week's. The vote was five to four against the motion, with no councillor changing his stand from the previous meeting.

Fourteen area residents appeared before council to protest last week's vote, with Delmar Murray presenting a petition signed by two hundred and sixty-six taxpayers, of the same opinion.

Quoting from last week's Herald, Steve Emmerson, chairman of the "big brass" referred to as "the big brass" by Mayor W. Hunter, he began, "The mayor said 'are you in favour of saving lives in a little fire?'"

"I don't think that is far fetched," he continued, "as a parent I know the feeling when I send children out on that road especially in the winter."

Deputy Reeve J. Young wondered if it was really necessary to go from a twenty foot bridge to a sixty foot bridge, especially when the road on both sides is narrow. He suggested a thirty foot bridge similar to the one on Highway 7 at Norval, with a sidewalk would be enough.

"There's a lot more traffic on No. 7 than on Mountainview," he concluded.

Cr. E. Hyde agreed with the deputy, "I feel we're wrong going hog wild with a four lane bridge," he contended. He challenged the pedestrian safety factor if the bridge was widened, suggesting the danger would be accentuated if only the bridge was reconstructed. He felt a footpath and a sidewalk would be much safer for pedestrians.

He backed Cr. Emmerson's contention that they did not know what they would pay, and claimed

ed six to eight feet of fill would be needed to raise the grade.

Cr. Ballentine supported the motion saying that the town owes the industry in that area some consideration in getting their products out to market.

In representing the petition D. Majury told of his wife counting 49 trucks and buses crossing the bridge in an hour and a half that morning. "We have five youngsters going to school, and the thought of their safety is in our minds every day till they return," he concluded.

The recorded vote saw Reeve W. Hunter, Cr. F. Harrison, Cr. R. Ballentine, and Cr. A. Speight in favour, and Mayor J. Gibbons, Deputy Reeve J. Young, Cr. E. Hyde, Cr. S. Emmerson, and Cr. W. Smith opposed.

## RYERSON GRAD.



Catherine Bishop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. (Bud) Bishop, Glen Williams, has graduated from Ryerson Institute of Technology in the Home Economics (Fashion Option) course. She is a graduate of GDHS.

# \$70,000 DAMAGE IN BLISS BLAZE

## Crew Begins Calls, Seek Federal Census Statistics

The king size job of counting noses officially began yesterday Wednesday June 1st, however very few people in the Georgetown area got a call from the census taker that day. "In fact only a small proportion of the area population will be enumerated this week," stated George Mundy, Census Commissioner for this district.

It won't be until the third day that the door knocking begins in earnest, and will continue the week starting June 6 until it is completed. The population census is expected to be completed entirely within two weeks and the farm census within three weeks.

In the Georgetown district twenty enumerators will ask fewer and simpler questions than ever before. The only one likely to give any trouble is the age question. The questions are Name? Relationship to head of household? Sex? Age? Marital status? and owner or tenant?

There are no questions on housing, automobiles, household appliances, income, schooling or religion.

Mr. Mundy stressed the need for public cooperation. He said that this need was emphasized by the slogan being used for the 1966 Census "Be Counted for Canada". The law requires everybody to answer the Census

questions, but the Census can only be complete and accurate if the public cooperates, he said.

The information given to the census taker is absolutely confidential. There are no exceptions whatsoever. Even the Dominion Bureau of Statistics may not divulge any individual statistics to any other Federal Government agency. Thus the individual need not fear that information given in confidence can be used for purposes of taxation, investigation, or regulation of any kind.

Census taking is not one of these "new fangled meddlesome ideas". In fact, early records show that in Babylonia in 3,000 B.C., in China in 3,000 B.C., and in Egypt in 2,200 B.C. population and agricultural censuses were carried out.

The Romans were assiduous census takers under the King, the Republic and the Empire. Julius Caesar gave the Census its name "Censere."

So when the doorbell starts ringing, don't assume it's another salesman, open the door and welcome the official "nose counter."

## Children With Matches Blamed For Signal Company Fire Monday

Georgetown police stated Wednesday morning that juveniles suspected with causing the \$70,000 blaze at the Eagle Signal Division of the Bliss Company Ltd. on Guelph St. east Monday night will be charged this week.

The fire damaged the rear of the company's warehouse, large quantities of new cardboard cartons, a van, and smoke and water caused damage to electronic assemblies in the plant and inventory.

The blaze was discovered at 5:30 and raged out of control until 9 p.m. Firemen doused the last flames shortly before 11 p.m., but Fire Chief Ernie Lewis posted two men at the scene during the night, and kept one hose coupled to a hydrant.

A Bliss employee, Ernie Gray turned in the alarm. He was about to leave when he noticed children near the back of the plant. He chased them away from the building and then noticed flames licking from a lean-to shed attached to the company's warehouse. An employee of neighbouring Standard Products spotted the smoke at about the same time and turned in an alarm seconds later.

Chief Lewis heaped praise on Bob Webster of Eagle Signal and Bill Weir of Standard who, operating their employers' lift trucks, hauled flaming debris through the back wall to allow the hose men to get at the base of the flames.

A company spokesman, Donald Knudson, said the overall damage will run between \$60,000 and \$70,000. On top of this will be loss of production. All of the firm's thirty employees were at work the next day, however, most of them checking on damage to assemblies.

It appeared at one point that the fire would break through to the main work rooms and a paint shop full of highly flammable materials, but the firemen were able to halt the progress of the flames just short of the section.

Chief Lewis said the nature of the fire's origin delayed the triggering of the company's sprinkler system. He said the fire crept through to the warehouse from the lean-to shed under the metal sheeting wall and consequently got a good foothold in lower layers of cardboard cartons before the heat was sufficient to touch off the sprinklers.

Eagle Signal moved into the former Sykes Tool plant five years ago.

## Reject \$2100 Offer For Hyde Park Lots

The offer of purchase for lots 1 and 2 on Hyde Park Drive, made by Charles Dykstra last week was turned down by Council Monday night.

Charles Dykstra appearing before Council said the name on the offer could be changed from his own to John Medema. He said Mr. Medema was unable to be here last week.

"I would definitely like to know what they are selling for," stated Mr. Dykstra, "it looks silly to refuse \$2,100 when they were selling so cheaply before."

Coun. A. Speight asked when council decided to put the property in the hands of a realtor. "Mr. Dykstra's offer clearly said that the town would pay him ten per cent."

"At no time did the property committee place town property in the hands of a realtor," Coun. Emmerson declared.

Mr. Dykstra told council he would present another offer, with the name of the builder on it.

## U of T, Western Accept 7 Town Gr. 13 Students

In a radically new departure in Ontario's secondary educational system, seven members of the Grade 13 classes at Georgetown District High School have been accepted as university students in September.

Until this year, results of the Grade 13 departmental exams, issued in August, were necessary before any high school student was certain of being able to continue on to university.

Under the new plan, applicants who had high marks in Grades 11 and 12 and did well on their Christmas exams and Easter Grade 13 exams have been notified that they will be unconditionally admitted to university.

While final Grade 13 results will not affect their acceptance, exams must still be written in the subjects required for admission. These will be used as the basis for admission scholarships.

Six students accepted at the University of Toronto are Eleanor Brown, Ragnar Eeg, Yolanda Goudekettling, Simon Liewellyn, Cornelius Sommer and Philip Walker.

James Harris has been accepted as a student at the University of Western Ontario, London.

## Rexway Drive House New St. John's Manse

St. John's United Church has purchased a house at 82 Rexway Dr. as a new manse. The house formerly owned by Richard C. Perrot, became the church's last week.

The house at 51 Market St. which for years served as the church manse, has been sold to O. R. Morgenstern.

Current residents in the manse are Rev. and Mrs. Ian Fleming and family.

## SMILE

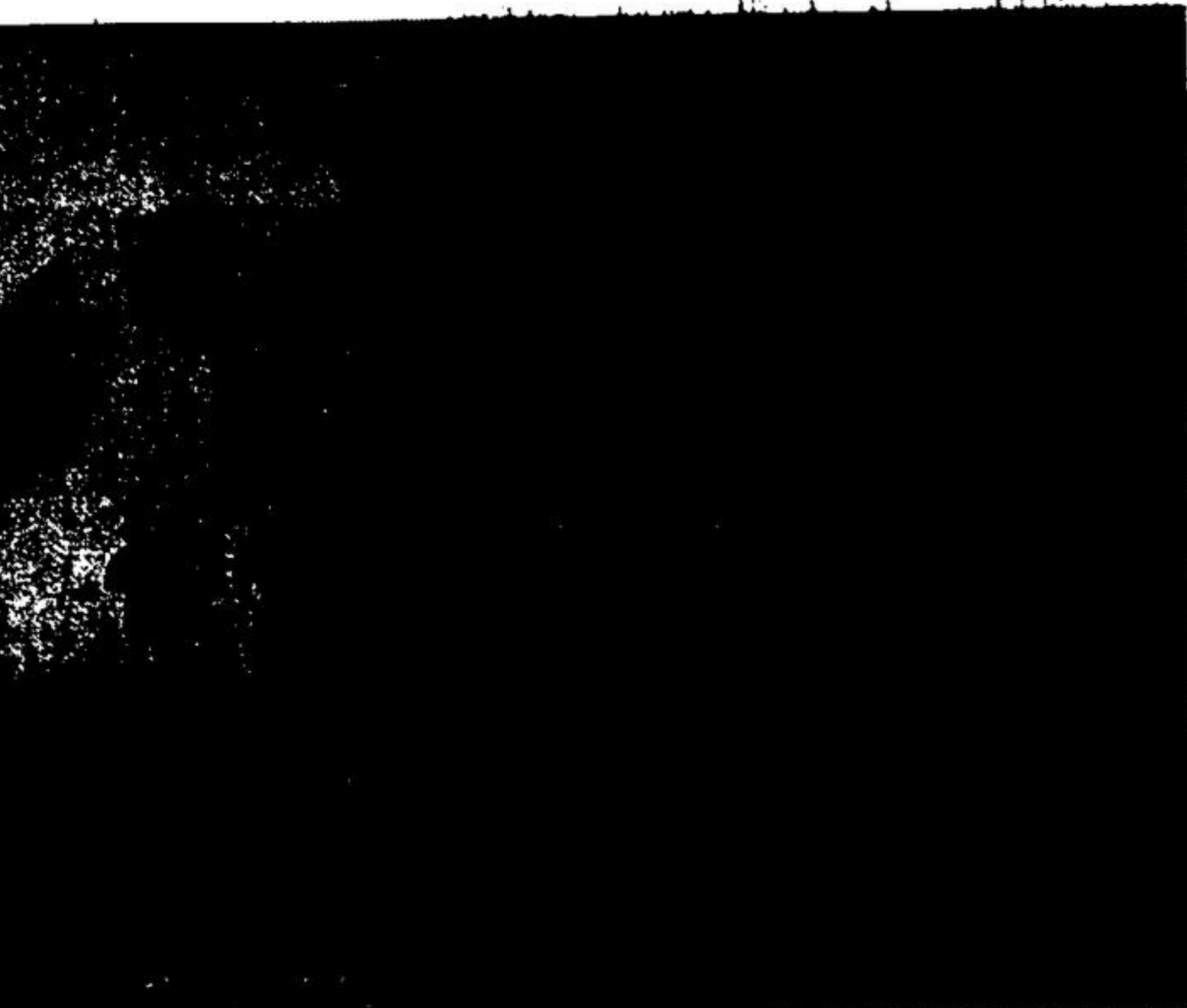
At the peak of the cold and virus season last winter the family doctor was giving a record number of penicillin injections. Tacked to the door of his inner office one afternoon was this notice: "To Save Time Please Back Into Office."

## GOING TO AFRICA

A recent graduate of the school of nursing at St. Joseph's Hospital, Toronto, Adrienne Nurse is planning to spend two years in West Africa with the Canadian University Services Overseas.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nurse of Ashgrove, she received the Dr. Horace McMaster Memorial Prize for general excellence in nursing at the graduation ceremony for a class of 97. She is a graduate of Georgetown District High School.

## PLANT THREATENED . . .



SMOKE EATERS BATTLE EAGLE SIGNAL BLAZE

GEORGETOWN FIREFIGHTERS POUR WATER INTO THE burning warehouse at the rear of Eagle Signal Ltd., Guelph St., where a fire late Tuesday afternoon did extensive damage and momentarily threatened to raze the main plant.

## Car Hits Bridge Wall, Then Speeds Away

Georgetown police are investigating a hit and run accident at the White bridge on Main St. which occurred late Monday afternoon.

Chief Constable Roy Haley said witnesses reported a car slammed into one of the bridge's iron walls and then sped away. There was no damage to the bridge.