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HOISTING CENTENNIAL SYMBOL

MAYOR JOSEPH GIBBONS and Councillor William Smith, chairman of council's Centennial committee, inspect the Canadian Centennial flag just prior to the raising of the flag over the town's municipal building Sunday. The ceremony took place after council attended a New Year's Day church service in St. George's Anglican Church. The flag raising was the first of a long list of observances and events planned here to mark the Centenary.

Make Centennial Year a Banner One, Mayor Urges

A call to all citizens and organizations to make the centennial year a banner one was issued by Mayor Gibbons at the inaugural meeting of council Tuesday night.

He stressed the impossibility of council alone making a success of it, but maintained that the leadership of C. William Smith, and the programme already outlined would insure a fitting celebration.

He recalled changes and additions made during the past year in the police department, and space needed for the police and all municipal business, in the coming year.

"This will be my last public reference to the famous or infamous water storage tank," he remarked. He described the tank as an annual, needless reckless expenditure of \$20,000 for twenty years. Possibly we would have been better off financially to have supplied champagne instead of water, he joked.

He predicted that Georgetown would survive and prevail despite the Plunkett Report. "We will concentrate on keeping a stabilized tax rate, making Georgetown not only a place where people want to live but can afford to live."

He foresaw the completion of the Mountainview bridge this year and explained the cost sharing between the CNR, the Transport Board, and County Council.

In conclusion he paraphrased one of the late President Kennedy's well known statements, "Don't ask what your town can do for you, but what you can do for your town."

The oath of office was administered by clerk C.G. Benham, while the devotional period was conducted by Rev. F.N. Young and Father Oiger D.

G F Aiming at February Start

Local History Could Be Fine Centennial Project in Georgetown

Rev. Collin Todd, guest speaker at the mayor's inaugural dinner, Tuesday night in Knox Hall urged every municipality in Canada to write their local history as a centennial project.

"The contributions of the reeves, councillors, mayors, fire chiefs, and all municipal officials, summed up in a history would show a combined century of thrilling public service," he maintained.

"Where do we go from here?" he challenged the group. "What is Canada or Georgetown going to be like during the next 100 years?"

He stressed that no country stands still, and pointed to the progress made in Canada over the past hundred years, from the days of the pioneers till now.

He likened Abraham and Lot immigrants to the valley of Jordan to any immigrants to Canada. He illustrated Lot's finding the city of Sodom as

Smoke Damage to House Early New Year's Blaze

A cigarette ember which dropped into the upholstery of a chesterfield caused a New Year's Day fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. Rutledge, 174 Guelph St.

The blaze was doused by firemen shortly after the alarm was turned in at 7:20 a.m., but smoke damage ran the estimated loss to \$500. The chesterfield, a rug, floor tile and walls-was included in the list of damaged items.

The Rutledges poured water on a spot in the chesterfield where the cigarette ash had disappeared before retiring convinced it was out. They woke in the early morning hours to find the house filled with smoke.

Tuesday night, firefighters were called to douse a burning car on Guelph St. opposite the Delrex Market Centre. Damage in this one was confined to motor wires.

Lack of Accommodation Problem Will Reverse Commuter Flow

Between February 15th and 20th, the giant General Fireproofing plant on Highway 7, is expected to start operations, according to general manager W.S. Craig. The exact date depends on the delivery of equipment.

While most of the executive has been hired, applications are being encouraged for other jobs. "We have had a wonderful response from the Georgetown people," said Mr. Craig, "the vast majority of whom would like to work in town rather than spend their time commuting."

He stressed that though this is the first Canadian subsidiary of an American firm this is an entirely Canadian operation.

REEVE HUNTER IS RUNNING FOR COUNTY WARDEN POST

Georgetown's Reeve, William Hunter, is one of three possible successors to Acton Reeve H.H. Hinton as Warden of Halton County. The others are Reeve William Coulter of Nasagaweya Township, and Reeve Austin Ledwith of Milton.

The election of the Warden will take place January 10 at County Council.

Whoever wins faces a tough year of upheaval. The Plunkett report on regional government in Halton and Peel Counties - or a modification of it - stands a good chance of being implemented this year, and under the plan the county council would be abolished.

So it could well be that the

Driver, Passenger Hurt in Collision

Three people were injured in a rear end collision on Maple Ave. E., New Year's Eve.

Police said cars operated by Gary Thomas Briggs, RR 2, Georgetown, and Robert James Reynolds' Phoenix, Arizona, were eastbound when the Briggs car, a 1958 Volkswagen, struck the back end of Reynolds' 1963 Ford.

Reynolds suffered whiplash, Briggs received head injuries, and C. Soper, Acton a passenger.

Born 11:59 p.m.



LITTLE BRUCE JUST MADE IT

MRS. VIRGINIA HULME HOLDS NEWBORN son Bruce Andrew who became Georgetown's Centennial New Year Baby when he came into the world at Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital at 11:59 p.m. on New Year's Day. Bruce's timing earned him a \$50 government bond put up by the town as a Centennial gift to the first baby born to Georgetown parents. He is also the first child for Mr. and Mrs. Francis Hulme, who live at 32 Park Avenue.

Three to Hospital After Collision on 7 Highway

Thomas Mervin Brandford of Mountainview Rd., Georgetown, and Edward Carroll and George Logan, both of Rexdale were injured in an automobile accident on No. 7 Highway north of McCullough's Corner Thursday.

They were taken to Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital after cars driven by Brandford and Carroll collided.

North Halton OPP Constable T. Penrice estimated total property damage at over \$2,000. OPP officers investigated two other accidents on the Georgetown outskirts. Later Thursday night, cars operated by Maurice Rodgers, RR 2, Georgetown, and Glendon Scott, Limehouse, collided on No. 15 Sideroad near Stewarttown resulting in \$150 damage.

On Monday, an accident opposite Norval Cemetery damaged cars operated by Anita Maud Webb, of Upper Canada College, Toronto, and David

Slippery Road Causes Beaver Lumber Accident

A slippery road was blamed for an accident at the corner of Mill and Water Streets New Year's Day which damaged two cars and a lumber shed.

A 1956 Ford driven by Arthur Keith Hall, 59 Byron St. received \$850 damage and a 1964 Comet driven by Ross Lawrence Butler, Acton, received \$300 damage. Ninety dollars damage was done to the shed.

According to police, the eastbound Hall car skidded on the slippery Mill St. surface into the Butler car. The Hall vehicle continued on striking a shed owned by Beaver Lumber Co.

Police Report New Year Quiet in Town

Nobody from here spent New Year's Day in the Halton County jail cells at Milton.

Inspector Harley Lowe told the Herald that on duty police found New Year's Eve and the small hours of New Year's Day "very quiet."

Endorse Petition to Pave Sideroad Twp. Inaugural

The inaugural meeting of Esqueving Council, Tuesday afternoon followed the pattern of all inaugural meetings, with a swearing-in ceremony conducted by the Clerk, K.C. Lindsay followed by a brief devotional period led by Rev. F.N. Young of Knox and Limehouse Presbyterian churches.

Also in the tradition, appointments were made for the year. Edmund Harrop and Delmar French were appointed to the Halton County Planning Board, Cr. Tom Hill to the Ballinacree Community Hall Board and deputy reeve George Currie, and James Carney to the Hornby Parks Board.

Cr. Tom Hill and deputy reeve G. Currie were appointed to the Credit Valley and Halton Region Conservation Authority respectively.

Mrs. Alex Orr, of Acton, and Miss Hilda Earle, RR 1, Georgetown were appointed to the Board of the Sunshine School for the Retarded.

Council endorsed a petition of the ratepayers that No. 5 Sideroad from Highway No. 25 to Chinguacousy boundary be taken over by the county as a County road, and paved as it is everywhere else but in Esqueving.

This petition had already been presented to the county by ratepayers but the county insisted on the resolution coming from the township not from the ratepayers.

A letter of appreciation will be sent to the principal of Milton High School for the donations sent from the pupils for inclusion in Christmas welfare hampers which were distributed throughout the township.

Reeve George Leslie stressed the importance of having a meeting with Georgetown regarding the fire protection costs. "Since we made the agreement in 1953, the areas of Stewarttown, Limehouse, etc. have doubled in size, so I can understand Georgetown wanting more money, but not 40% more."

Clerk K.C. Lindsay, in reply to a question from new coun-

Advise Parents Dispose of Raggedy Ann Dolls

Georgetown Fire Chief Erwin Lewis has asked The Herald to relay a warning to Georgetown and district residents who may have explosive Polish Raggedy Ann type dolls in their homes.

The faces of the dolls are made of nitro-cellulose part of the gun powder family, and flare up if brought close to intense heat. The dolls vary in size. Most are about 12 inches. They are dressed in peasant dress with red, yellow or blue braided hair.

They went on sale just before Christmas for 97 cents.

A British make which is safe is identical except for a marking on the foot. The British dolls have "A.D. Sutton and Sons Import Style 555 England" marked on the foot. The Polish dolls just have "Made in Poland."

Some 1,200 of the dolls were sold in the Toronto area, but as far as can be determined none have been sold by Georgetown stores.

Chief Lewis advises parents to dispose of the dangerous dolls by burning them in an incinerator.

31 Fatalities During 1966

Thirty-one auto fatalities were registered in Halton County during 1966. The figure appears about average with yearly highway deaths in the county ranging anywhere from 24 to 40.

NICEST GIFT



CHRISTMAS MOTHER AND CHILD

GEORGETOWN'S ONLY CHRISTMAS DAY Baby was Kevin Andrew Hunter, born to Mr. and Mrs. William Hunter of Delrex Blvd. The infant, seen here with his mom, was born at 9 a.m. He has a four year old sister, Camilla, and two year old brother, Scott.