

Bands, Beards, Bonfire — A Big Start to a Big Year

Flames flicked at the black sky, the band struck up O Canada, and the thousand or more citizens ringing the burning mountain of Christmas trees hushed and stood at attention. It was about then Georgetown's first public celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Confederation made its point.

Arranged by the Lions Club



The torch is ignited at Centennial Park

The ceremony of the first observance started at 5 p.m. at Cedarvale Community Centre in Centennial Park on Main St. S. where a flame was ignited. Council's Centennial Committee chairman William Smith touched it to a torch which D. Chamberlain, the first of the fourteen high school relay-runners, carried off toward the park exit.

When at last it passed into the hands of Mayor Joseph Gibbons on a flag bedecked speaker's platform the mayor carried it to the man-made hill and touched off the awesome blaze.

Both of Georgetown's bands, the Citizens' Band and Girls Pipe Band were in attendance alternating in entertaining the onlookers. Most of Georgetown council added to the occasion by wearing impressive beards in the fashion of 100 years ago.

Lions club President John Zorge, Mayor Gibbons and Cr. W. Smith addressed the crowd prior to the lighting.

Most of those attending took home lapel pins in the shape of the Centennial Symbol, a gift of the town.

Members of the Georgetown

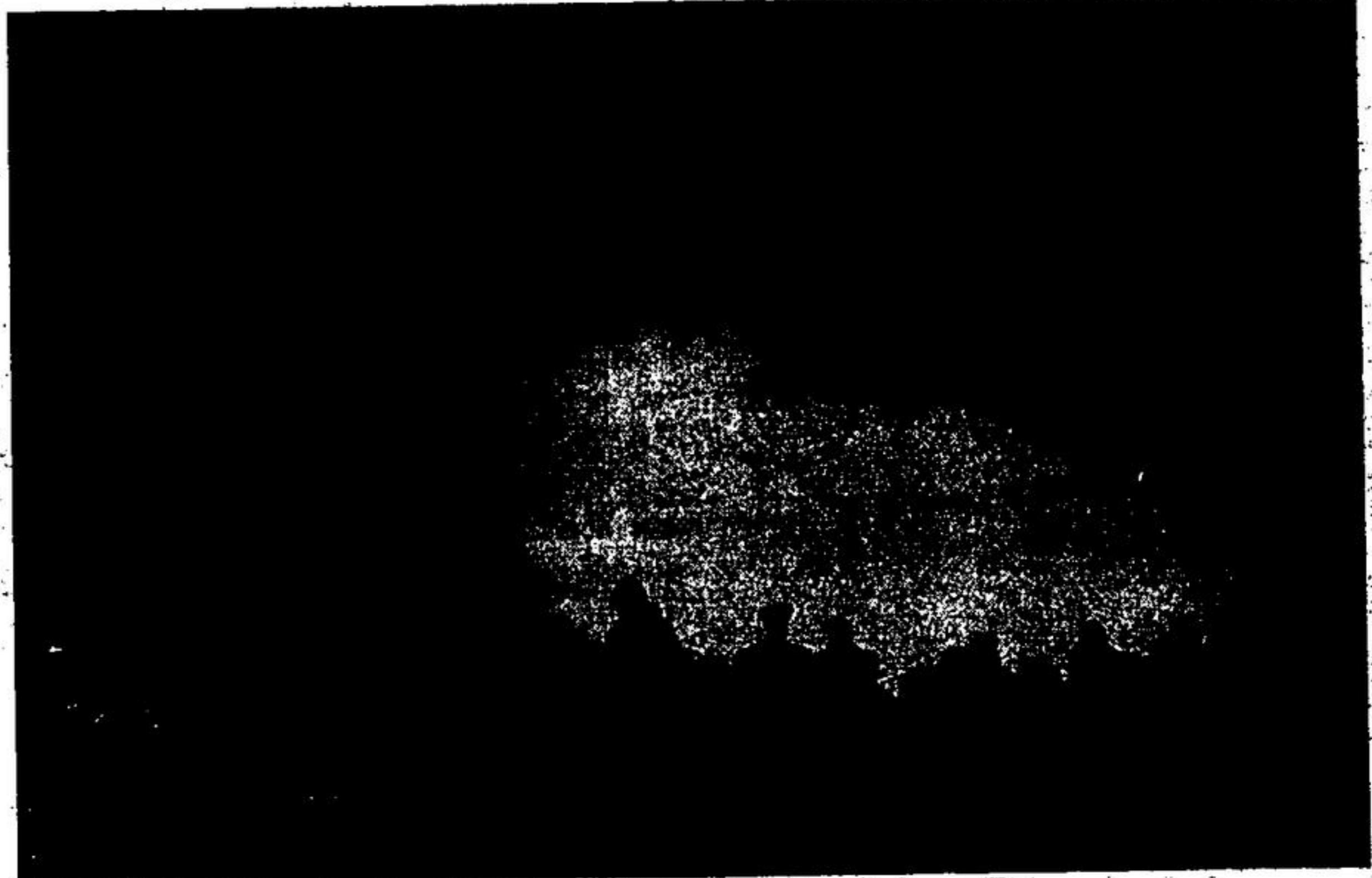
Fire Department stood by in case the mound of trees got too enthusiastic about the birthday party.

Also on the town's initial Centennial Celebrations schedule are: a Confederation Ball; Senior Citizens Sunday; open houses at the schools; 100 Years of Fashion; Centennial Hockey Tournament; Ice Carnival; soap box races; town beautification month; planting of Centennial flowers; band concert series; track and field sports day; unveiling of Centennial plaque; aquatic day at Community pool; Centennial Carnival; Festival of Lights; arrival of Confederation caravan; Centennial Fall Fair; weekend celebrations; man and woman of the year; parade.

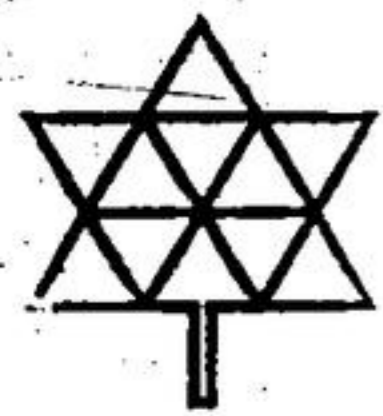
Contests for beard growing, Miss Georgetown, Mr. and Mrs. Georgetown, essays on Centennial Year; naming of the Centennial Park; and others will be features this year.

NO RABIES CASES HERE

Despite a report of rabid animals in the eastern area of the Provincial District, W. McCabe of the Health in Animals branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture reports no case in the Georgetown area.

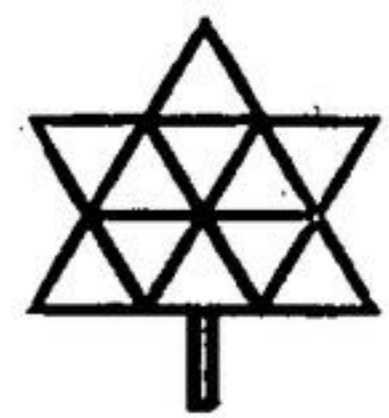


The crowd is silhouetted against roaring mountains of trees.



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Jaycees Boost Sampson 'Young Man of Ontario'

The local Jaycees will be out in full force Saturday night at the Queen Elizabeth Building, CNE, to back their nominee Gordon Sampson, vice president and general manager of the Avian Aircraft in the "Three outstanding Young Men of Ontario" contest.

Over forty nominees have been in the contest sponsored by the Ontario Jaycees in co-operation with Labatt's Breweries.

"We picked Gord Sampson for his perseverance in pursuing the gyroplane, through thick and thin," said Al Teeter, local Jaycees publicity man.

Mr. Sampson will be in competition with such well known figures as Hon. Wm. Davis, Minister of Education, nominated by the Brampton club, and Bill Crothers, the runner, nominated by Markham club.

The five man panel of judges will really be "illustrious" as TV announcers so frequently say, they are Sydney Katz, of

Minor Injury For Motorist in Accident

A rear end collision at the corner of King and Mountainview Rd. did \$250 total damage to a cab-owned by Glen Taxi and another car on Friday the 13th.

Police said the cab, driven by Thomas M.L. Brandford, of 15 Mountainview Rd., was stopped on Mountainview about to make a left turn onto King St. struck from behind by the second car driven by Jean Marie Peavoy, of Alton.

The collision occurred at 8:25 p.m. and was investigated by Georgetown Constable David Bell.

An accident involving a parked car caused a minor injury to John Wardlaw, of 15 Temple Rd., on Sunday Jan. 8. According to police he was driving east on Guelph St. when his car was in collision with a parked car registered to Harold M. Crawford, 24 John St. W. just north of Cross St. corner.

Wardlaw was treated for a bump on his forehead at Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital. Damage to the cars was estimated at \$575. P.C. Harry Liberty investigated.

A LOOK AT THE WEATHER

Date	H	L	Sr.	Sun.
4 Wed.	35	23	0	6
5 Thurs.	33	15	0	5
6 Fri.	24	8	1.1	1
7 Sat.	42	24	5.4	3
8 Sun.	32	20	2.3	
9 Mon.	29	15	1.3	
10 Tues.	33	23	2.2	
11 Wed.	24	15	Tr.	8
12 Thurs.	33	20	1.8	1
13 Fri.	38	30	0	7.5
14 Sat.	35	11	3.4	
15 Sun.	42	22	0	5
16 Mon.	25	5	5.6	6
17 Tues.	31	5	2.7	

Total snow 9.8 inches. Sunshine 57.5 hours. High 42, low 5.

YELLS "BINGO" WINS \$1,960

The biggest Bingo jackpot in years was captured at the Riviera, Norval Monday night when Mrs. Nellie Hulme, 22 Victoria St., won \$1,960, a snow balling prize which Bingo bugs have been trying for months.

Mrs. Hulme told the Herald yesterday she had given no thought to how she would use the money. She received a cheque for the amount Wednesday morning.

Town, Township Smolder Over Fire Protection

Re-Elect Boyle Chairman Separate School Board

At the brief inaugural meeting of the Separate School Board, William A. Boyle was re-elected chairman of the Board, Ed Malison was again appointed secretary-treasurer.

Robert Thompson was appointed chairman of finance committee, M. Gerald O'Dwyer, chairman of transportation committee, the three man management committee consists of Stanley Walsh, William A. Boyle, and Ted Rawlinson, public position in the bilingual section.

"Pay 45% or No Service" Georgetown Tells Esquesing

The high cost of firefighting is becoming a hot issue between Georgetown and Esquesing.

Monday night, after meetings with Esquesing's fire committee which resolved nothing, council issued an ultimatum to be accepted or rejected by Esquesing by February 24th.

The town is asking that Esquesing pay 45% of the town's fire budget, but will include the maintenance of Esquesing's fire truck for that amount.

Cr. James Young claimed that 48% of the fires occur in town, and 52% in the township, and pointed out that the mileage in the township was four or five times more than covered in town.

"Without the township we could cut our budget 50%," said the township. "Our ed assessment of Georgetown industries pay the men when they are at fires. It's time we stopped subsidizing Esquesing not only in the fire department but with the arena, and the library," concluded Cr. Young.

New Road to River Drive Now in Bridge Project

A change in the grade approaching the proposed new bridge on Mountainview Road, Avenue East might be given up, brought a call reception from council.

At council Monday, Cr. William Smith explained that this would mean the town will get the grant on the whole distance down to River Drive, instead of the original 500 feet.

A suggestion from Dams Laws: Deputy Reeve F. Rogers, Reeve H. Hinton, Deputy Reeve C. Menefy, Deputy Reeve G. Currie, Reeve W. Hunter.

Manor Committee of Management: Reeve H. Hinton, Reeve H. Merry, Reeve G. Gallagher, Reeve A. Ledwith.

Museum Board: Deputy Reeve W. Hoey, Reeve H. Merry. The warden is an ex-officio member of every committee.

Council Appoints Community Centre, Parks Board Members

Appointed to the Community Centre Board for the management of Cedarvale Community Centre, by council, Monday night were: Mrs. J. Rundle, Mrs. A. Sutherland, Mr. Chris Walker, Mr. R. Johnston and Mr. Jim Warren.

Mr. Johnston and Mr. Warren fill the vacancies created when Rev. Ian Fleming, and Mr. Al Brewer left town.

Georgetown's Reeve Hunter Is County Road Chairman

Georgetown's Reeve W. Hunter may have lost the chairmanship of the town road committee, but he was appointed chairman of Halton County council road committee, at last week's county council meeting.

The committees are as follows, with the first named the chairman:

Roads: Reeve W. Hunter, Georgetown, Reeve G. Leslie, Esquesing, Reeve G. Gallagher, Burlington, Reeve H. Merry, Oakville.

Agriculture, E.M.O. and Planning: Reeve G. Leslie, Deputy Reeve W. Hoey, Nassagaweya, Deputy Reeve F. Oakes, Acton, Deputy Reeve H. Day, Oakville, Deputy Reeve C. Menefy, Milton.

Finance, Welfare and Assessment: Reeve H. Merry, Reeve G. Leslie, Reeve F. Rogers, Deputy Reeve C. Menefy, and Reeve W. Hunter.

Property, and Office Administration: Reeve G. Gallagher, Deputy Reeve G. Currie, Deputy Reeve H. Day, Deputy Reeve A. Speight, and Deputy Reeve W. Hoey.

Child Welfare Committee: Deputy Reeve H. Day, Reeve A. Ledwith, Deputy Reeve A. Speight, Deputy Reeve G. Currie, Deputy Reeve F. Oakes.

Board of Health: Reeve A. Ledwith, Deputy Reeve F. Rogers, Deputy Reeve F. Oakes.

Personnel, Legislation and By-Laws: Deputy Reeve F. Rogers, Deputy Reeve F. Oakes, Deputy Reeve W. Hoey, Deputy Reeve C. Menefy, Deputy Reeve G. Currie, Deputy Reeve H. Hinton, Deputy Reeve A. Ledwith.

BEARDED IN THEIR DEN



TOWN FATHERS ADOPT THE 1867 LOOK

THE FATHERS OF CONFEDERATION? Guess again. A cough-drop company's advertisement? Nope. Would you believe Georgetown's Centennial Year Council? The town fathers posed in the facial foliage for The Herald photographer after donning it for a recent council meeting. They repeated their "spirit of 1867" look for spectators at the Centennial Bonfire of trees Saturday. Surrounding seated Mayor Joseph Gibbons, from left, are Cr. William Smith, Cr. Wheldon Emmerson, Reeve William Hunter, Cr. Robert Francis, Deputy-Reeve Arthur Speight, Cr. Fred Harrison, Cr. Roy Ballentine and Cr. James Young.