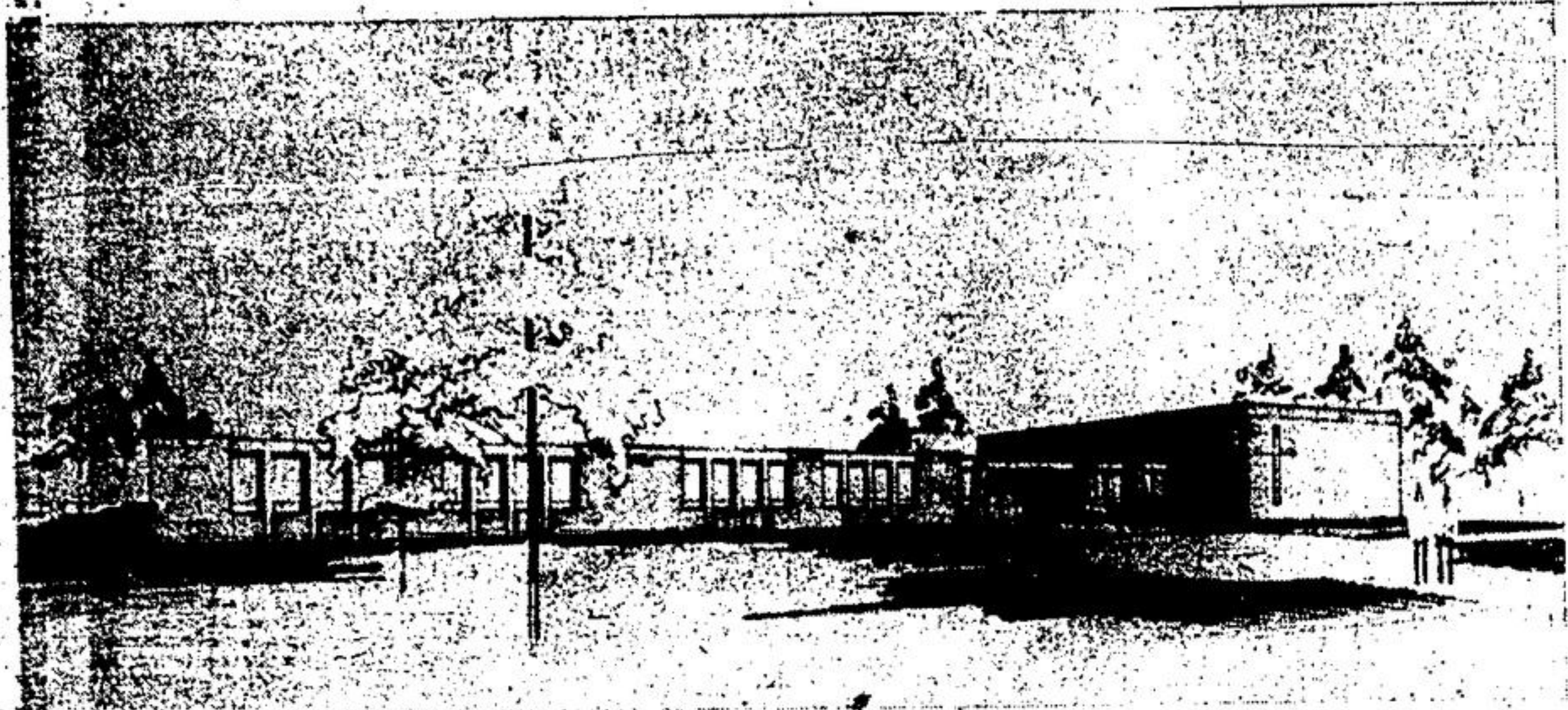


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ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SEPARATE SCHOOL



This is what Georgetown's second separate school will look like when it is completed on Pennington Cres. in the town's east end. The \$253,567 contract was awarded recently to Whitney Construction Co. Ltd., Brampton.

The school is composed of eight standard classrooms, administration facilities, work and storage rooms and a large general purpose room with stage and proscenium arch and change rooms with showers

and toilets related to that room. The individual classrooms are at right angles to the corridor which can allow future adjustment to the interior space to make team-teaching rooms or smaller seminar rooms. All classrooms are equipped with audio-visual blinds in the windows which enables the teacher to control the degree of natural light required in the rooms.

The structural system consists of large precast concrete double T sections and the exterior utilizes brick and concrete to provide a minimum of exterior maintenance. Flexibility for future expansion is provided for at the end of the classrooms where additional rooms can be added and also a new wing can develop in another direction. The roof is designed as a future floor and a further eight classrooms can be installed at the second floor level. Internal flexibility is provided by the use of non-bearing interior partitions al-

lowing classrooms to adjust to team-teaching rooms and seminar rooms if and when such spaces are required. The school is finished with terrazzo floors and permanent wall finishes in corridors, washrooms and show-er rooms with painted light-weight-block in other locations. The site includes an extensive asphalted play area, parking area and walks. The site is bounded by a fence which is included in the contract.

Decide One-Way Transportation Only For Esqueusing Kindergarten

When the new kindergartens in Esqueusing Township School open in the fall, the Board will provide transportation on one way, it was decided at a recent meeting of Esqueusing School Board.

The children attending morning kindergarten classes will travel on the normal bus routes but at noon will have to be picked up by parents. The children attending afternoon kindergarten will have to be taken home by the regular school buses.

Kindergarten classes will be held at Spesside, Glen Williams, Pineview and Limehouse schools to service the whole area.

The Board received resignations from Mrs. Helen Rogvaldson, Limehouse; Mrs. Eleanor McKeown, Stewarttown; Mr. Leonard Jackson, Pineview; and Mrs. Mary Campbell, of Milton Heights.

They, in turn, hired Mrs. Marie James, Mrs. Marjorie Elliott, Mrs. Catherine Newman, Mrs. Eleanor Hillson, John Lenz, Robert Pinkerton, David Lawrence and James Kennedy.

Jack Reed principal of Norval School, will become vice principal of the new Stewarttown Senior School, and effective September 1st, Eric Balkind, principal of Limehouse School, will become supervising principal of Esqueusing township school area.

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IODE Assists In Decorating Cedarvale Entrance Hallway

The Countess of Strathmore Chapter of the IODE donated \$200 toward decorating the entrance hall at the Cedarvale Community Centre at a dinner meeting at Terra Cotta Inn, Monday, April 10.

The occasion was a birthday dinner marking the 28th anniversary of the founding of the Chapter. Thirty-one members and a guest, Mrs. B. Culver attended.

Following grace, Regent Miss Margery Mackenzie proposed a toast to the Queen. The decision to make the donation to the Community Centre was made during a brief business meeting at the conclusion of the dinner.

ennial Tea to be held on April 17, afternoon and evening. A committee was formed to arrange a programme for the June meeting, members who volunteered were — Mrs. E. Forgrave, Mrs. John Elliott, Mrs. G. Kidney, and Miss Ruth Evans.

The Regent thanked the members of the Committee who had planned the anniversary dinner. Miss Hilda Erwin, Mrs. A. W. Gilmer, Mrs. James Evans, and Mrs. Harold Seckington.

A social evening followed at the home of the Misses Margery and Jean Mackenzie, 10 Valleyview Rd., Mrs. J. Evans entertained at the organ, the members joining in a sing song, this was followed by a Know Canada contest. The hostesses were thanked by Miss Ruth Evans.

HINT TAX RATE WILL TAKE JUMP

Four Mill Increase Would Mean Extra \$15 and up From Homeowners

Visiting Lodge Officers 2 Others Hurt in Crash

Four people were in a midnight crash on No. 7 Hwy just west of Georgetown Tuesday.

In Georgetown & District Memorial Hospital with multiple injuries are Miss Marian Louise Hildon and Mrs. Louise Clark both of Toronto.

Michael Clifford Williams, of Don Mills, and Miss Wendy Marks, RR 1 Glen Williams, were treated and released.

Miss Hildon and Mrs. Clark, Rebekah Lodge officers, were returning home after attending a special lodge meeting here. They were westbound after missing the turn at the corner of Main and Guelph streets for Toronto.

The collision occurred about half a mile east of the Limehouse sideroad.

Constable Penrice of the North Halton detachment of the OPP placed the total damage to the cars at \$1,500.

Williams and Miss Hildon were driving.

A tax hike which could cost home owners from \$15.00 per year up in their tax bill was forecast at Monday's council meeting.

Councillors had copies of a draft budget before them, and although no specific discussion took place on it, the subject was skirted several times during the meeting.

Last year's tax rate, maintained for a third straight year, was 75.46 mills for residences. A house assessed at \$5,000 thus produced about \$375 in taxes for the town. A 4 mill rise this year would create an extra \$20 in tax revenue.

It was when a motion to purchase a new panel truck for the fire department was tabled that the impromptu budget debate occurred.

Mayor Gibbons and finance chairman "Steamer" Emmerson bitterly opposed the motion, particularly as the cost of the new vehicle had not been included in the draft budget.

Both reiterated their prior opposition to a new ambulance which has been already ordered, claiming the town cannot afford it at present.

The mayor argued strongly that it is possible and necessary to hold the present tax rate this year.

"Who told us we would have to fold up our ambulance service if we didn't buy a new Cadillac," he said. "The ambulance men are taxpayers and realize how important it is to keep a sensible tax rate. So are the firemen, and they aren't pushing for a new vehicle."

"We are spending over \$17,000 for an ambulance, now we want to add another \$4,000 for a fire vehicle. We're going to be known as the Cadillac council," he stormed.

"Cr. Smith is an avowed tax riser and complains our taxes are too low," he said. "Reeve Hunter wants us to add a clerk administrator to the town payroll. I'm naming men who are

going to be responsible for a hike in taxes."

He criticized a \$15,000 grant to the library board as far too high.

"They are paying higher salaries than council feels it can afford for its own employees," he said. "In all my years in council there has never been a time when council has lost the confidence of taxpayers as it has today."

"What one of us would buy a Cadillac if they didn't need it just because they get back 50 per cent in government subsidy?" he continued. "Subsidies can be dangerous, encouraging us to spend money just because we get some of it back."

The mayor said he is appealing to council to hold the tax rate.

"It has a direct bearing on our getting more industry and the first question a prospect asks," he said.

Deputy Reeve Speight argued that the new ambulance, with a 50% subsidy every year won't cost the town anything, whereas a cheaper vehicle would be no good in a few years.

"The town is growing fast and it won't be long until we have to have more help in the water department," he said, adding that the time is coming when there will have to be a slight rate increase.

As for the library board, they are entitled to every cent they get he said, and the town is fortunate in having a good board and an excellent librarian.

"The ratepayers expect with mounting costs and growing services to pay a reasonable tax increase," he said.

"Don't fool yourself, taxpayers are tax conscious and watching every move," snapped the mayor. "Two councillors have said publicly that council has no leadership. I wouldn't follow their leadership if they stick to the tax rise they advocate."

Cr. Roy Ballentine, who is ambulance chairman, denied allegations by the mayor that the new ambulance purchase had been bulldozed through council and that it was untrue that the government had said the GVAS could not operate unless it bought a new vehicle.

He said the new provincial Ambulance Act laid down regulations which a town must follow.

"But they didn't say we had to buy a Cadillac," said the mayor.

Cr. Steamer Emmerson said he opposed purchase of both an ambulance and a fire vehicle, not because they aren't needed but because he favours a survey of all possible purchases, and then a decision for the most important which can be included in the budget.

"The fire vehicle wasn't even mentioned when we drafted the budget," he said.

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Fifteen Win Prizes At Kintennial Ball

Fifteen people at the Kintennial Ball in the Riviera Friday evening took home bonuses.

Door prizes were won by Mrs. M. Mugford, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sunnucks R. White, D. Thornton Albert Emman, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Paul, and Joseph Gibbons, all of Georgetown; Robert Anderson, Port Credit; Bob McClelland, Rexdale; Mrs. Robert Meyer, Kitchener; and Dennis Laverly, Willowdale.

The major prize, Expo Passports, was won by Mr. McClure. Dignitaries at the ball were Mayor Gibbons and Cr. Wm. Smith, of Georgetown; and representing the Association of Kinsmen Clubs, Maurice Damude of Welland; Lloyd Horne of Port Colborne; Bill Stewart of Kitchener; Bob Lissard of Kitchener, and Dick Drew of Hamilton.

The Kintennial Ball was sponsored by the Georgetown Kintette Club.

Gas Pump, Car Damaged In Two of Week's Fires

A gas pump was ruined in a fire at Bailey Fuel Sales, RR 1 Georgetown, Monday afternoon, apparently the result of a short in the wiring.

Men at the scene dumped a chemical extinguisher on the flames and had them reduced when firemen arrived. The alarm was turned in at about 4:30.

The back seat of a late model car owned by Bob Walters, George St., was burned and smoke damage was done to the rest of the car's interior in a fire Saturday at noon.

Walters, who had left the car unlocked outside his residence, Friday night discovered it full of smoke when he returned from his job Saturday at noon. Cause was not determined.

Firefighters did little trouble dousing grass fires, the fifth and sixth of the season, Sunday. They rushed to check burning grass north of Limehouse at 11 a.m. and in Hungry Hollow Mountainview Rd., south, at about 2:25.

Name Colonel R. J. Graham New Halton-Peel Magistrate

Colonel Robert James Graham former chief of staff Eastern Command, Canadian Army, was sworn in as a magistrate for Halton and Peel counties this week.

The ceremony was conducted by county judge Allan B. Sprague.

Colonel Graham, father of 3 children, retired from Army life in 1966.

He became chief of staff, Eastern Command (the four Atlantic provinces) in 1959 and was promoted to the rank of Colonel.

From 1962 to 1965 he acted as military advisor to Canadian High Commissioner for India, the honourable Roland Michener.

Judge Sprague, in introducing Col. Graham to Halton's judiciary and members of the Bar, described him as "a man of many seasons."

"He brings with him many experiences and qualities which should enable him to be a good magistrate," he added.

CHIEF MAGISTRATE

The new magistrate was al-

Up Area Requirements For Township Building

With Reeve George Leslie casting the tie-breaking vote, Esqueusing council, Monday night, upped the minimum size of a lot from 15,000 square feet to 20,000 square feet, and increased the necessary frontage from 100 feet to 125 feet. The minimum depth would then become 160 feet.

In favour of the motion was Cr. Jim Goodlet, and Cr. Pat Patterson, and the Reeve. Opposed were Deputy Reeve George Currie and Cr. Tom Hill.

In presenting the Committee of Adjustments' recommendation, chairman Ted Harrop pointed out that space between houses would be increased, and a better water supply ensured.

Cr. Tom Hill challenged the increase in frontage to 125 ft. He claimed it was unnecessary since by increasing the area alone the well and septic tank would be farther apart. "It shouldn't be a hard and fast rule," he opined.

Launching into his favourite theme, Cr. Pat Patterson stated "You'll have to decide whether we're urban or rural. You're sitting on the fence, and nobody on this council has the intestinal fortitude to stop it, except me," he concluded.

A second recommendation from the Committee of Adjustments was held over for legal advice. This one advocated no separations at all on farms under fifteen acres, one separation from farms between fifteen and twenty-five acres, two separations between twenty-six and fifty acres, three separations between fifty-one and

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GRIT LEADER HELPS SKUCE LAUNCH CAMPAIGN

FROM LEFT ARE Robert Skuce, Mrs. Skuce, Mrs. Robert Nixon, and Mr. Nixon, leader of the provincial Liberals, and Maurice Manderson of Georgetown, president of the Halton County Liberal Association. Mr. Nixon was at Hornby Towers Golf Club Saturday night when Robert Skuce launched his election campaign. He is carrying the Grit banner in the new riding of Halton East, composed of Georgetown, Esqueusing, Milton, and Oakville.