

# Ashgrove' Hornby Congregations Unite, Created Hillcrest Church

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Congregations of two district rural churches, recently amalgamated, worshipped together for the first time Sunday, and afterwards gave themselves a new name.

Ashgrove and Hornby United Churches are now one congregation to be known as Hillcrest United Church. The name reflects the proposed location for

a new church building at the crest of a 7th line hill between the communities.

Sunday's joint service was the culmination of proceedings toward amalgamation which started over a year ago. At their annual congregational meetings in January of 1967, Ashgrove and Hornby United Churches, and both charges of Rev. Keith

Hawkes, each appointed a committee to investigate their future.

They met separately and then together and then discussed their findings with the official board of congregations. Amalgamation could eliminate a lot of duplication, would create a stronger church, and make better facilities much more possible.

In November of 1967 the investigating committees reported to their respective congregations. Each voted overwhelmingly to amalgamate, and this came about as of January of this year.

First meeting of the new congregation was held in Ashgrove United and drew a large enthusiastic group. It was an evening for both fellowship and business. Voices united in hymn singing and later officers of the new congregation were elected and a "Planning and Extension Committee" appointed to initiate plans for a new church building.

Elders are, Robert Cunningham, Lloyd May, Stan Price, Charles Austin, Ernie Gillis, Claude Picket, Fred Nurse, Vernon Picket, Harold Robson, Cliff Wrigglesworth. Stewards are, chairman James Carney, secretary Mrs. Edythe King, treasurer Mrs. Doris McNeill, Ward Brownridge, Harold Reed, Ford Wickson, Ralph Cunningham, John Wallace, Roy Wilson, Johnson Neelands, James Snow, William Wilson, Mrs. Marie Wilson. Trustees are Thomas Brownridge, Bruce McClure, Johnson Neelands, and Cliff Wrigglesworth.

Claude Picket is chairman of the Planning and Extension Committee. Mrs. Edythe King is secretary and Mrs. Johnson Neelands treasurer. Subcommittee chairmen are Mrs. William Wilson, Needs and Planning; and James Snow Finance.

The two United Church Women groups held their first meeting to organize one UCW January 31st. Forty ladies attended this time of good fellowship chaired by Rev. Hawkes who conducted an election of officers and installed the new executive. Their first general meeting was last Wednesday when

they viewed the film "The Uncommitted" and enjoyed a stimulating discussion, business session and social period.

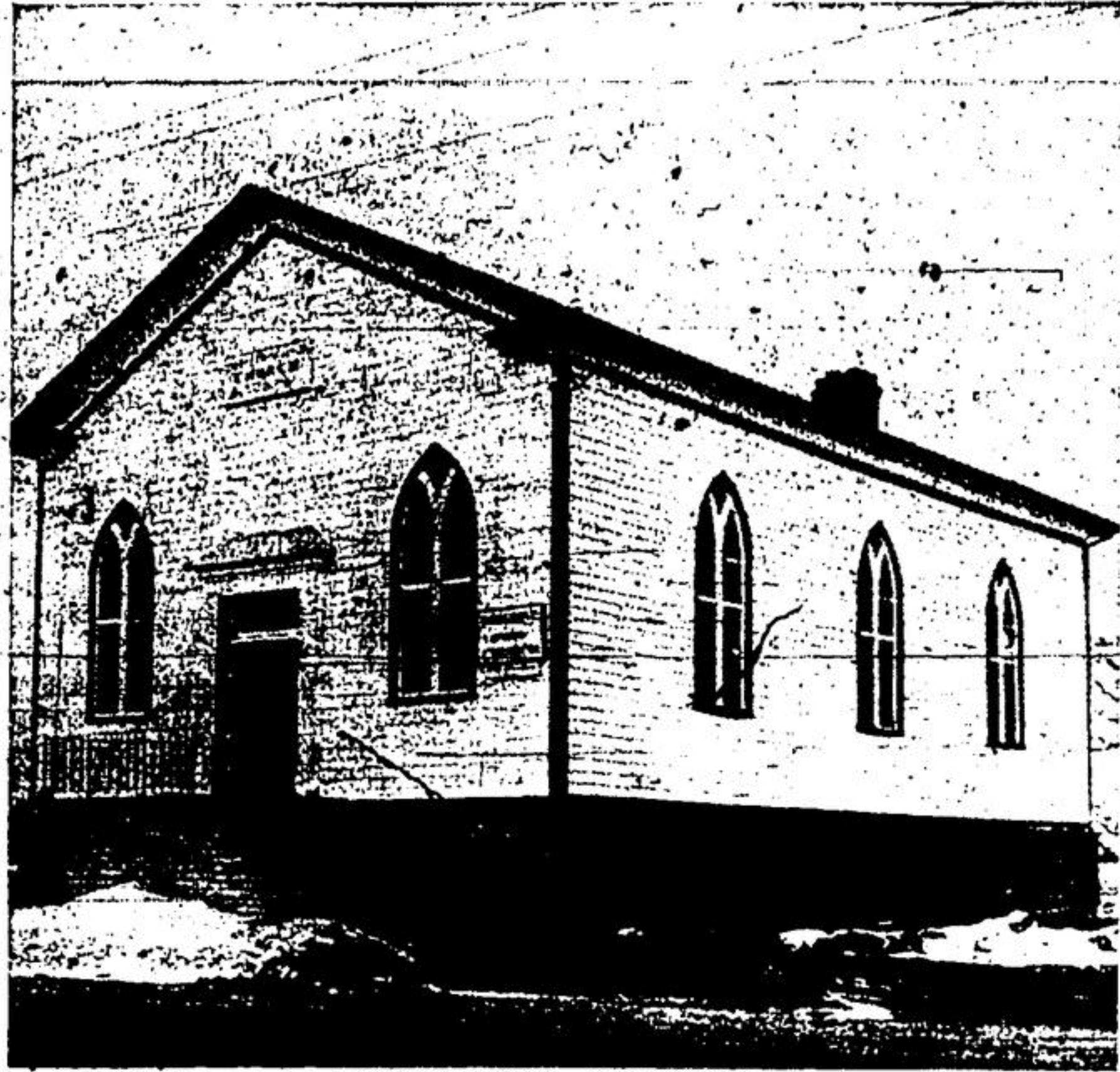
The Hillcrest UCW executive includes president Mrs. Cliff Wrigglesworth, vice president Mrs. Ward Brownridge, record secretary Mrs. Vernon Picket, corresponding secretary Mrs. Lew Sampson, treasurer

Mrs. Harold Robson, assistant treasurer Mrs. George Wilson, and Unit Leaders Mrs. James Snow, Ward Brownridge and Mrs. Harold Reed.

Sunday, enthusiastic worshippers crowded the Hornby church for their first service of worship and fellowship as one congregation. Over 60 boys and girls overflowed the Sunday School in

the church basement. A congregational meeting afterwards selected the Hillcrest United Church name.

Now all attention is focussed on the proposed new church building. A stewardship campaign for the new building will run from March 10 to April 3.



ASHGROVE UNITED



HORNBY UNITED

## London Businessman Was Former Town Resident

A former Georgetown resident, Elmer David McCumber, 40, died in St. Joseph's Hospital London, on February 12th, shortly after suffering a heart attack at his home, 278 Deer Park Circle.

He operated the E.D. McCumber Real Estate and Insurance Agency in London, and was a member of the London Real Estate board and the Independent Insurance Agents Association.

A native of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, his parents moved to Georgetown when he was a child and he attended public and high school here. He was employed with the Canadian Bank of Commerce here and in Toronto, and later with the Wapona Mutual Insurance Co. before going into business for himself. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

He leaves his wife, the former Betty Grant, two children, Elizabeth Ann and Grant Robert, his mother, Mrs. A. S. McCumber of Georgetown, a sister Erma, Mrs. L. A. Hain of Toronto and brothers Earl of New Toronto and Vernon of Georgetown. A brother Loren died in 1926.

Close friends and business associates were pallbearers at the funeral service at the Needham Memorial Chapel, London, Rev. John J. Jennings of Oakridge Presbyterian Church conducted the service. Interment was in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, London.

An average of 20 units of blood is needed for every case of open heart surgery.

## LET'S PLAY BRIDGE

BY BILL COATS

When you direct a bridge tournament as I did recently, you will notice on a few hands a result completely out of line with all other results. It is very enlightening to look at such hands and I wish to present one here.

On this hand, East is dealer and North and South are vulnerable. All I know is that the final contract was six no trump so I have had to construct a reasonable bidding sequence.

**NORTH**  
S-J 2  
H-K 9 5 4 2  
D-A K 5 2  
C-7 6

**WEST**      **EAST**  
K 10      S-7 6 4 3  
J 10 3      H-Q 8 6  
Q J 10 8 7 6 3 D-VOID  
9      C-Q 10 8 5 5 2

**SOUTH**  
6-A Q 8 5  
H-A 7  
D-9 4  
C-A K J 3

**Probable bidding:**  
EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH  
Pass 1 S 3 D 3 H  
Pass 4 C Pass 4 D  
Pass 4 S Pass 4 N T  
Pass 5 S Pass 6 N T  
All Pass

Opening lead — Queen of diamonds.

As stated earlier, I can only guess at the bidding. The final contract was 6 no trump and declarer made that contract. The result is unusual in that although no one else bid a lam, no one else made 12 tricks either. Supreme efforts then result from overbidding.

How can South make six no trump? There are four spade tricks plus two in hearts, two diamonds and 3 in clubs. That is only 11. Where there are 11 tricks there is often a queeze for 12. West must guard diamonds, East must guard

## Winner at Guelph Bridge Club Member

A member of Georgetown duplicate bridge club, Richard Raymond of Brampton, teamed with Mrs. Viola Naylor, won the mixed pairs event at a bridge tournament in Guelph last weekend.

A number of other Georgetown members competed including Miss Marjorie Mackenzie and George Ellenton, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Coats, Aetion and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Harbour, Erin, in the Friday night affair.

On Saturday, Mike Lorusso, and Jim Kalil were third in the evening session in open pairs and Richard Raymond and Duke Wilson qualified for the final, George Ellenton and Clayton Harbour, Bill Harbour, and Brian Hamilton were also in the competition.

On Sunday, a Georgetown team took fifth place — Mike Lorusso and Duke Wilson, Bill Coats and Richard Raymond.

## Expresses Concern About Proposed Slaughterhouse

Concern over a proposed slaughterhouse on the 7th Line near Stewarttown brought John Bird to Esquimaux council, Monday night.

He told council he and some of his neighbours wanted more information, since they were worried about possible run-off in the watershed.

Mr. Pat Patterson stated he had been called and questioned about the drainage system.

"From the newspaper account" said Mr. Bird, "I understood the neighbours were to be contacted, well I haven't been asked."

Mr. Robert Lawson agreed that was one of the conditions, but explained the terms of reference were "adjoining landowners."

"I don't really think that would include you" said Mr. Lawson.

"I understood it as the two owners across the road, and the

## PROCLAMATION RED CROSS MONTH

WHEREAS, the month of March has been designated Red Cross Month in Canada, and has been recognized in this humanitarian work in this community and communities such as this throughout the world,

THEREFORE, by virtue of a resolution passed by the Municipal Council, I do hereby proclaim the month of March 'Red Cross Month' in the Town of Georgetown.

JOS. GIBBONS, Mayor

## Ontario Conservatory of Music Appointment



The Ontario Conservatory of Music, celebrating its 25th Anniversary, announces the appointment of Mr. Dixie Dean, to the position of Director of the Teaching Division, in its 70 Ontario Studios. Mr. Dean's experience covers many years with the CBC, private radio, National Film Board, composing and playing in concert work. He has been head of the Pietro Deiro accordion school in New York city, and his own accordion school in Toronto. For several years, he was director of the accordion division of the Music Con-

## ONTARIO CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

## Haltom East NDPs Back Tax Hike Opposition

The federal NDP caucus has received full backing from Haltom East Riding New Democrats in its efforts to prevent the proposed five per cent hike in income tax.

At a meeting in Haltom Thursday night local members supported a move to send a recommendation to the caucus at Ot-

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