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YOUTH KILLED IN PLUNGE OVER BANK

Funeral Today for James Guyett Victim of Monday Night Accident

James Albert Guyett, 18, of Brampton, was killed Monday night when his 1966 car plunged over a steep bank just north of Stewarttown.

The accident happened at about 10.30 and was investigated by North Halton OPP constable Joe Feldcamp who estimated damage to the car at \$1800.

A funeral service will be held this afternoon at the Harold C. McClure Funeral Home for the dead youth who leaves his mother, Mrs. Jean Burli, of 125 Prince Charles Dr., and brothers John, Robert and Ronald, owner Dr. J. H. Chamberlain. An autopsy to determine the exact cause of death was performed Tuesday morning. Police said the youth was alone in the car.

Not Much Love at Love-In Cum Rumble

Moonbeams from the larger lunacy and a love-in of sorts provided Acton police with a psychedelic weekend capped by warnings, one arrest and the loss of dental porcelain.

In the jargon of bleeding hearts they were presumably just looking for love with an assortment of persuaders including fists, chains and sharp whittling equipment.

A gang of Georgetown hearts and flowerists swapped cultural quotes and blows with Acton youths in a running rumble that broke out in a teenage dance in the Acton arena.

The love-in halted by police resumed after midnight with the rival gangs playing hide and seek through town to the eastern limits.

The factions halted at a service station to refuel their differences then they revved up their love energies and collided head-on with all available tinker toys including an axe, according to an eye witness.

Police broke up the early Sabbath bout and arrested an Acton swinger who balked at regaining his cool. One youth lost molars in the fray.

After resting from their exercise, the out-of-towners headed back Sunday afternoon, presumably in quest of more warm hospitality in the scenic setting of Acton park.

Acton police kept the daylight love-in under control.

Partly-Paid Fire Department Proposed by Councillor Hole

"It's time we started thinking of a partly paid fire department," Cr. John Hole told council on Monday.

He cited the fact that Milton, a much smaller town, already has one paid full-time staff member, and said Georgetown should have at least two.

"I disagree," said Reeve Wm. P. Hunter. "We have an excellent volunteer brigade, and as long as they're willing to continue it suits me."

Cr. Hole said the department favours the plan themselves. "With fifteen to sixteen thousand people here now we have got a lot to think about," he said. "The time is coming when we may need a second fire station. And we're not going to have volunteers forever."

Reeve Hunter said the department had voted a year ago to remain as volunteers. "That has no bearing on our decision," said Cr. Bob Francis. "It is getting harder and harder to cover the town on a volunteer basis and I agree with Mr. Hole."

Also indicating agreement, Cr. Bill Smith said that many towns already have two or more paid men.

"We had 65 grass fire calls in three weeks this year," said Cr. Hole. "Some employees told the men they would have to decide who they are working for with so much time off work."

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Taxes High? Schools That's Why: Currie

A letter from Derek Candan herzig, 3rd line, criticized a variety of Esquesing township matters, at council Monday.

He claimed the discussion about the Pineview school addition revealed some quotations he considered unacceptable for members of council. "It comes out back passing," he maintained, "if the rooms are needed let's get the job done."

He asked where the tax money was going and why the taxes are so high. Another "why" was "Why does it take till early August to get the frost trucks out of the road," and another "why" was "ditch maintenance" and "why not dust control on all the roads." A surprising "why" was an complimentary one, "why is the snow removal the best in the area."

"It's simple to answer why the taxes are high," said the reeve. "he says to in ahead with Pineview, and education is where most of the money goes."

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Council issued instructions Monday to the men to divide the town into two equal parts with each to be responsible for his area.

Last week council amended the by-law to require builders to fence all house excavations where water might collect.

Action followed the drowning of Glen Philip Osborne, 23 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Osborne, 78 Weber Dr. The youngster drowned in four feet of water in a house excavation on the street on August 10th.

Members of Halton Hills Ratepayers association attended last week's council meeting with president D. C. Berry as spokesman to seek action to avert further tragedies. A number of members also were present on Monday to hear council's newest action.

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