



**BOAT BUILDERS ITCHING TO LAUNCH THE CRAFT**

Tom Darcie, 84 Charles Street, puts a bright finish on his sail boat, one of the many basement and garage products that will be tested with maiden cruises as soon as the weather warms up. It is during days such as these that the made boats, and even factory made jobs, get extra paint and polish as their owners dream of the wet blue yonder.

The increase in the mill rate is miniscule, but the 1970 price tag on Halton county government will be \$1.2 million more than in 1969.

County Council has approved a \$4.4 million budget which includes pay raises averaging seven per cent for county employees.

Half the hike in total spending — more than \$800,000 — is a result of the county's takeover of welfare services. The local share of the welfare budget is only \$221,000, with provincial grants making up the balance.

Of the total to be spent, \$2.6 million has to be raised from tax on Halton property. The general government levy of \$1.7 million will require a tax of 3.8 mills. The road levy of \$900,000 calls for a tax of 2.1

mills. The combined mill rate will be 6.0 for 1970. Last year's rate was 5.93 mills.

Although the mill rate is virtually the same, more revenue will be realized this year because of an increase of roughly 20 per cent in equalized assessments.

**Rezoning-Endorsed  
New Church Planned**

Rezoning from R1 to R3 residential status was approved for a Mountainview Rd. South property at Monday's council meeting.

The land is the site of a new church planned by the Christian and Missionary Alliance. The church, for which David Phillips is minister, presently holds services in Centennial public school.

**Entertains for  
25th Anniversary**

Mrs. Phidela Drouillard of 30 Shelley Street honoured her daughter Mrs. Annie Gates of Rockwood on her 25th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Gates received numerous gifts from some 22 guests at the Tuesday evening affair. High light was a baked ham dinner. The bride and groom's children all nine of them, were there, as well as the bride's brothers and one sister — Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Snow of R.R. 1, Georgetown, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Snow of R.R. 1, Georgetown, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Snow of R.R. 2, Georgetown, Miss Lydia Snow of Burlington, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bell of Georgetown and Mr. and Mrs. Barry Wood of Guelph.



Bill Smiley

**YOU CAN'T WIN 'EM ALL!**

There's nothing like a little of cash vetoed anything like change at this time of year that, but she had a wonderful plan. My brother-in-law and I were going to Florida, when the school holidays were coming up. And she was right. Most of our friends were going somewhere: Sking, Florida, Jamaica, Mexico, South Carolina.

**SILVERWOOD**

**Elect Mrs. Marchington  
President, Silverwood  
Women's Institute**

A new slate of officers, headed by Mrs. Harry Marchington, as president, was elected at the annual meeting of Silverwood Women's Institute on April 9, when Mrs. F. Campbell was hostess.

Members paid dues and gave suggestions for program improvement during roll call. The birthday party at Halton Manor was discussed and a committee appointed to arrange it. Arrangements were made for a catering job, the 4-H summary day at Stewarttown on April 18.

Mrs. George Henderson had attended the district directors' workshop and gave a report and future activities. An invitation was accepted from Limehouse W. I. to share in a short course to be held this fall.

The Dr. Ethel Chapman scholarship fund was discussed and it was decided that the money should be sent immediately. The birthday euchre and quilt raffle was reported very successful.

A bake-off was judged by Mrs. McKinney, Mrs. George Ironside, and Mrs. Henderson won prizes for jelly rolls, and Mrs. Marchington and Mrs. Henderson for butter tarts. Mrs. Cassar presented Mrs. McKinney with a gift in appreciation. The bake-off entries were served as lunch with coffee.

Officers serving with Mrs. Marchington for the next year are: Mrs. L. Giffen, 1st vice president; Mrs. Fred Duffield, 2nd vice president and secretary treasurer; Mrs. M. Corbett, assistant; Mrs. George Henderson, district director; Mrs. George Burt, alternate; Mrs. J. Cassar, Miss I. Moore, branch directors; Mrs. Donald Lindsay, pianist; Mrs. D. Williamson, Mrs. G. Burl, auditors; Mrs. Harry Scott, public relations.

Conveners are: Mrs. Ironside, agriculture; Mrs. Lindauer, Canadian industries; Mrs. Giffen, education; Mrs. K. C. Lindsay, citizenship; Mrs. Campbell, historical research; Mrs. Cassar, current events; Mrs. Burt, home economics; Mrs. W. R. Norton, health; Mrs. Lindauer, fruit and flowers; Mrs. Marchington, history curator; Mrs. Beoney, Mrs. Cassar, courtesy.

— Alicia F. C. Scott

of hamburger gone out in garbage, rotten. Eventually, I made a mess of crumbled buns in a large tin of spaghetti sauce, which is pretty strong without spaghetti.

House was cold. Turned heat well up. Nothing happened. Steam heat. An hour later it was 80. Turned heat way down. Nothing happened. Steam. Tried washing dishes. No hot water. Afraid to go out to show, or anything, because of faulty key. Might never get in again. Suggested "Let's get the hell out of here and check in at a hotel." No takers. Too tired. Watched TV and went to bed.

Next day same thing. Hot water came on, for no reason but wife and daughter bickered most of day, also for no reason had company. Sent out for food. Stayed up too late. Fell asleep. Awoke to great squabble and daughter leaving, with her cats. Persuaded her to settle down. Three a.m. and no buses running. She's not so dumb, and agreed.

Third day, worse. Freezing rain and snow outside, no food and raw nerves inside. My wife was right from the start. It was just like home. And my exam papers were still in the suitcase.

Finally took bull by horns, and went out on town. Downtown packed with solid mob, barely moving traffic. Had beautiful dinner in crowded joint, after standing in line for half hour. Hamburg for me, coffee for the girls, who were not hungry from feminine peering the truck be displayed.

At last saw a one hour revue, at 11 p.m. Home at 12.30 a.m.

Next day, took Kim down to her house, with cats. All food we'd brought for her was eaten.

Back to house. Wife slaving to clean up, I said: "I'm going home. Period!" For once, no argument. Home through blizzard. Stopped by cop. But, ah that home sweet home. No cats, no kid.

There's nothing like a little change.

**Township Fire Pumper  
On View at Convention**

Esquimaux's new fire pumper not yet delivered will be on display at the Fire Chief's Convention in Stratford, May 4, 5, and 6, but deputy reeve Tom Hill is not at all happy about it.

The dealer, C. E. Hickey and Son wrote council, asking for their approval before putting it on display. All members of council but the deputy reeve okayed it.

"We'll look like a damned silly bunch if we have a fire, and the old truck breaks down, while our new one is sitting up in Stratford on display," commented Tom Hill. He contended if the fire truck was ready, and not being delivered to Esquimaux, the dealer should be charged for displaying it. The other members of council could find no harm in letting the truck be displayed.

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