

Highway Paving Completed This Week if Weather OK



Heavy equipment transplanted 50,000 yards of earth in reconstructing Highway 7 in the Silvercreek area.

Department of Highways project supervisor Bill Kovacic hopes to see east meet west this week. A preliminary layer of asphalt paving extends eastward from Acton on Hwy. 7 and another from Georgetown as the reconstruction project nears completion. Kovacic says the two paved stretches will meet each other some time this week if the weather doesn't interfere.

Kovacic said in September the preliminary paving would be completed by November 15th, however the wet weather has made the progress slower than expected.

Rotation of existing utilities, including gas, telephone and hydro were major difficulties to be contended with.

During the last few weeks, heavy equipment has been moving and replacing about 50,000 yards of earth in the Silvercreek area and it is this stretch that is the last to be paved.

When completed the highways between Georgetown and Acton will have a width of 44 feet (24 feet of pavement and ten feet of shoulder on each side.

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The highway widens to four lanes at the entrances to both Acton and Georgetown and curbs are installed in front of places of business.

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SWEEPING CURVES

Wider curves at Silvercreek and just west of Georgetown's limits have replaced sharp narrow curves.

Was Farmer, Realtor Walter Fidler Dies

A real estate agent for the J. A. Willoughby firm until his retirement, Walter Harrison Fidler, 67, died in Georgetown hospital on November 12.

Mr. Fidler was born at Norval and lived all his life in the community. Son of James and Jane Ann Bird Fidler, he attended Norval public and Georgetown high schools.

He farmed for 13 years until 1945, operated a grocery store in Norval for a short time, and latterly was with the Willoughby organization.

He was a past master of Credit Lodge and a member of St. Paul's Anglican Church, Norval.

He leaves his wife Leona Featherstone, a step-son Ron and grandchildren Sandi, David and Donald; a sister Alma, Mrs. Cecil Given, Georgetown and brother William Fidler, R. R. 2, Norval. He was predeceased by brothers and sisters Wilbert,

Grace (Mrs. Harold Smellie) and Robert in infancy.

Rev. Richard Ruggle of St. Paul's Norval and Canon J. E. Maxwell, St. Stephen's Hornby, conducted the funeral service at the Harold C. McClure Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Harold Smellie, Albert Hunter, Graydon Chester, Graham Farrell, Robert Lawson and Denney Charles. Flower bearers were nephews Jim and Ronald Fidler, Peter Featherstone, Charles Hunter and Denzil, Ross and Ken Lawrence. Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

CARE OF GAME

To prevent tainting of meat, game should be dressed immediately after killing. Birds should be drawn and allowed to cool before being placed in carrying pouches. Big game should be hung to cool; leave the hide on, and cover exposed parts for transport.



Gals on the construction gang? That's right. Her name is Gail Maxwell and she's a flagman (flagwoman?) on the Highway 7 job.

LET'S PLAY BRIDGE

BY BILL COATS

I am teaching contract bridge at night school this year. At a recent class one student asked whether we should play one bid or not. All I could answer was that I found one bid to be the most challenging bids to play. Usually the strength is evenly divided and often you do not have time to find your best contract. Then this hand came up at the Acton Bridge Club just to prove my point. North dealt with both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S-7 4 3
H-A 9 4
D-K 10 5 2
C-8 5 3

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

SOUTH
—A 6 5
H-K J 10
D-J 7 3
C-K Q 6 4

The bidding:
NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST
Pass Pass 1C Pass
1D Pass 1NT All Pass
Opening lead: eight of spades

The points are almost evenly split. North-South have 21 and East-West have 19. South makes a rough estimate of his chances. He has one spade trick, two in hearts, one at least in diamonds and one in clubs. That totals five so he must find two more. One may come from clubs or diamonds and the other from the heart suit. All declarer needs to do in hearts is find out who has the queen or

better still get the opponents to lead hearts.

Declarer ducked the spade lead and return and didn't win until the third round of spades. A low diamond was led and the 10 was played from dummy. East won with the queen and faced a problem. He had no spades, a heart lead did not look attractive, declarer was leading diamonds and the club suit was short.

Finally East led the club ace and another club. Declarer won and led the diamond jack. This was allowed to win. Now declarer had to decide how to proceed. Would the diamonds split or would the clubs split?

Declarer tried the clubs first but East discarded a heart. Since East is known to have only three spades and two clubs, he must have eight red cards. They are likely split four-four. Also declarer knew that West had four spades, four clubs and two diamonds. Therefore West cannot have more than three hearts.

The hand with the most hearts is most likely to have the queen. That means that declarer should finesse East for the queen. Had he done so he would have gone down.

Instead declarer found an easier way. He let the opponents lead hearts. Declarer led his last diamond and as expected West showed out. The king was played and East won. East cashed his good diamond while declarer discarded a club. All East now had left were hearts and he had to lead one. Declarer played the 10 and claimed his contract.

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that's right. As well, we recognize that Ontario senior citizens have a right to more than just a place to live; they need a life to live. This is why in addition to new homes for the aged we've built 17 social and recreation centres specifically for elderly Ontarians. We need a vigorous economy of course, to support these important programs. And, that's where you come in. Though our productivity has doubled in ten years and our incomes in twelve, Ontarians don't sit on their successes. There's a demanding decade ahead full of challenges and opportunities to make the quality of our lives better yet. To meet these challenges we've got to believe in ourselves. Which when you think about it, isn't such a bad idea.

Everytime you boost Ontario... Ontario and Canada get a little stronger. Government of Ontario John Roberts, Prime Minister.

HOSPITAL STATISTICS

The urgent need for more beds and emergency quarters at Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital are reflected in the hospital's service statistics for October just released.

They show Medical and Surgical ward occupancy at 106 per cent, which means more beds in the hall. Children's ward occupancy is at 70 per cent and Maternity ward at 46.5 per cent.

The overall rate of occupancy for October was 88.2 per cent. In October of 1969 it was 80.2 per cent.

MORE EMERGENCIES

Emergency visits rose from 435 during Oct. 1969 to 549 in October of this year. Figures on the year to date show emergency visits at 5,565 to the end of last month. To the same date last year the total was 4040.

One of the few statistics that show a decrease is births. There were 25 births at the hospital in October, four fewer than the same month last year.

The first ten months of this year saw 284 births at Georgetown Hospital, 13 fewer than the same period in 1969.

OTHER SERVICE STATISTICS

	10 Mo. 69	10 Mo. 70	Oct. 69	Oct. 70
Major operations	161	232	18	24
Minor operations	372	504	50	65
Tonsils — adenoids	211	139	20	14
X-ray examinations	5054	6073	557	542
Admissions	1976	2051	222	229
Deaths	42	37	6	7
Daily Av. No. of pat.	59	59	59	57
Daily Av. No. of newborn	9	9	9	9
Average length of stay (days)	7	7	7	6

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