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Hardtop Sideroad Would Link Georgetown Area to 25 Hwy

Esqueing - Nassagaweya People Debate Future of Winding Road

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would be taken to minimize damage to trees.

FEARS MORE TRAFFIC

William Johnson, one of several residents of 15 Sideroad who spoke at the meeting, said he was concerned about the road being used for a quarry operation. He said the province was cracking down on quarry operations operating on the easement face. He suspected the road would be the main route for quarry trucks if they decided to quarry at the front or back of the quarry instead of on the face.

Glen Pearce accused the county of being too dollar conscious. He opposed the 100 foot road and asked why the speed limit on the road could not be made 25 miles per hour. He said the county was tempted to make the road at DHO standards so they could receive provincial grants. He asked the committee to use county funds and make a road suited for the people of the area. He opposed any change in the rural character of the road.

ANNUAL REVIEW

County engineer D. J. Corbett told the meeting the section of 15 Sideroad east of Speyside is programmed for reconstruction in 1973 and 1974 but no work is programmed yet for the section west of Speyside. He indicated that section of road will be reviewed annually and work done according to need and availability of funds.

"The road serves as a rural collector and the majority of the motorists using it have their origins and destinations in the immediate area between Guelph Line, Highway 25, Stewarttown and Georgetown," Mr. Corbett explained.

Outlining the problem, he noted the road base is deficient and there are 11 deficient curves, eight deficient grades and six locations with inadequate stopping sight distance. These deficiencies, either singly or in combination, provide the potential for accidents and as traffic increases the chances for accidents will also increase. A motorist can presently drive at an average of 38 m.p.h. but the safe speed on many of the jogs is considerably less than 38 m.p.h.

MUCH WORK NEEDED

His brief outlined improvements to the road which are being considered. He noted the base would be strengthened, drainage improved and jogs, steep hills and sharp knolls will be straightened. The engineer noted plans calling for a 22 foot hardtop road with eight foot shoulders will provide needed room for snow storage, emergency manoeuvres and stopping or parking, he noted.

Mr. Corbett said the road would be programmed for a speed of 55 m.p.h. and a speed limit of 50 will be allowed. He assured people every effort

CHILDREN IN DANGER

R. Lawson told of a series of eight accidents on one jog last year. He recalled an accident where a car landed two feet from a house he owns. "If the children in that house had been playing in the yard they would have no doubt been killed," he said.

At least two people were concerned about the distance a house has to be from the road. Mr. Corbett said there was no hard and fast ruling but where possible the houses are left and where they have to be taken, all attempts to negotiate a fair deal are made.

TAKE A BEATING

J. Kiteley told the committee if they widened the road and made the proposed improvements they would do it for those who travelled it, not for those who lived near it. "It is my personal view that if this jogs through we'll take a beating again. This road is not for us," he declared.

Norman Bird, added a light touch to what might have been a hot meeting. He warned about spending too much money to save trees. Not only the contractors but the motorists are tough on the trees, he noted. Since the road had been hardtopped he had six cars hit his fence. Three went through it and his cattle got loose. "The other three didn't go through



WATCH HIM JANET, HE'S FEROCIOUS

Pupils at Joseph Gibbons public school on Jocelyn Crescent took time from their studies recently to enjoy a different kind of circus. The animals and performers in this extravaganza were their school mates. Above, is a tense moment in the show when wild animal tamer Janet Ambridge releases a snarling tiger - Matthew Carter.

TWENTY READ FOR 10 PARTS Have Six Weeks to Build 'Gazebo'

Readings for Georgetown Lit. from happening again, the tie Theatre's 4th and final play Wednesday night performance of the 1970-71 season: "The Gazebo" by Alec Coppel, were held 9 and 10 March.

Over 20 people tried out for the parts which Director Des Nicols awarded to Ed Arcuri, Pat Kentner, Derek Joyner, Bob Lee, Sue Dunning, Lilian Barker, Ken Hill, Ian Lee, Chris Walker and Dan Wagstaffe.

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Convict Two for Golf Club Entry

Two young men were convicted last week of breaking into North Halton Golf & Country Club.

A 17 year old youth pleaded guilty to breaking into the club on August 28. However, it wasn't until Georgetown police were questioning him October 23 that it was learned he had committed the offence.

Court was told \$22 was stolen from the club's cash register. Judge R. J. Graham remanded him until March 31 for preparation of a presentence report.

TURNED SELF IN

A 23 year old man, also of Georgetown was given a suspended sentence and placed on probation for six months after breaking into the club October 20. A watch was taken from the club, court was told. Five days later the man turned himself in to Georgetown police.

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but they hit the fence and didn't really help it" he quipped.

JOGS STILL THERE

He spoke of a discussion he had with the reeve of Esqueing in 1960. "Don't put up a permanent fence; we're going to take the jogs out of the road," the reeve said. "That was over 20 years ago and the jogs are still there," Mr. Bird noted.

He said the road was being used more all the time. "The fine folk of Georgetown use it to get to Mohawk," he added.

Ron Davis, a farmer on 15 Sideroad Esqueing, and one of several who have favoured widening and improvements on the road since the beginning said the road couldn't be built and maintained unless it was wide enough and the water and snow had some place to go.

He said if the road needed to be 100 feet wide to be maintained and be a safe road, that is what should be done. He said the road was impassable several times this year and school buses couldn't get through.

"Guys coming around there don't know about the sharp turns," he said, adding that children shouldn't have to travel to and from school on the poor road.

WHY SUCK DUST

He and Joe Windmoller told of occasions when they spent a full day (and several times when they worked for an hour and a half) to get their trucks up the hills during bad weather. They urged that work be done.

"Why should we sit back sucking dust for three months of the year and travelling on a dangerous road for the rest of the year while someone else uses the money?" he asked.

No decisions were made at the meeting but the road committee will consider suggestions made by ratepayers at future committee meetings.

Co-Operation with Photographer Guarantees Happy Memories

"For the first few hours of a girl's marriage, her photographer should be more important than husband-to-be," is the opinion of a well-known professional photographer, who has taken hundreds of wedding photographs.

He advises girls to co-operate completely with their photographer for a wedding album that will provide happy memories 25 years after the big event itself.

The bride-elect should get in touch with a photographer at least four to six months before the wedding date. Always pick a professional photographer, he advises, rather than relying on family shutter-bugs.

SHOP THOROUGHLY

He stresses that a bride-elect should shop thoroughly - look at wedding albums of friends and relatives; check the local newspaper to see whose pictures appear the most often and reproduce best; visit various studios, looking at model wedding albums. The bride-to-be ought to know exactly what she is getting for her money.

Prices vary according to area and services required. A minimum black and white photographic set for \$65 could include a dozen different eight by 10 shots of the wedding. A \$250 set, also black and white, might include a wedding album with anywhere from 25 to 40 shots of the wedding, a small wedding album for each parent and a dozen wallet sized prints.

COLOUR

More and more girls are having color pictures taken of their weddings. Colour can cost as much as double the price of black and white, but usually is less than that.

When it comes to the wedding itself, "it's the photographer's show; he has to run it the way he wants to." The bride should arrange with her church and minister for their co-operation if she wants particular shots which could involve disrupting the normal pattern of the ceremony.

Wedding photographs usually begin at the bride's home, about one half hour before she leaves for the church, with a series of pictures taken with her parents and bridesmaids adjusting her veil, or her outdoor shots.

MANY SHOTS

At the church, the photographer may take as many as 15 to 25 different shots, including a number of standard poses.

The typical poses include the formal bridal party, the ring ceremony, the wedding procession, a pre-wedding picture at the church with the bride and her mother, the cake cutting ceremony and the throwing of the bridal bouquet.

NORMAL MAKE-UP

The photographer suggests the bride should wear normal make-up for her photographs. Heavy theatrical make-up not only will look unnatural, it won't be attractive.

He also says the bride-elect should not be surprised if the photographer requires a deposit of at least 25 per cent of the cost of the pictures.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Jordan River rises on the slopes of Mount Hermon, then descends sharply as it flows through the Sea of Galilee before emptying into the Dead Sea, 1,290 feet below sea level. Hydrographic surveys have shown the river could provide power and irrigation for Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and Israel if peace comes to the Middle East.