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PARIS NIGHT QUEEN

A radiant Connie Allen beams, and clutches her bouquet, after being crowned "Queen of the Prom" at Georgetown High School.

formal Friday night, the formal dance, which climaxed the school's social season, had a Springtime in Paris theme. Red Arcs de

triumph and blue Eiffel Towers decorated the auditorium walls for the occasion.

## Northern Electric Strike Hits Georgetown Families

An estimated 300 Georgetown residents are involved in a 2,600 employee strike which shut down Northern Electric Company Ltd. in Bramalea, Sunday.

The strike followed a breakdown in negotiations between representatives of the United, Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers Union Local 531 and the company at 5 p.m. Sunday, five hours before the strike deadline.

On strike are 2,000 UEW workers and 600 UAW clerical and engineering workers who have been on strike since the start of last week. Only about 400 Northern Electric staff are unaffected.

V. A. Graham, president of the electro-mechanical switching division, said Monday only the administrative employees are at work. He said the company was not making any moves at present to resume negotiations and neither was it going to ask the province to intervene.

**24 MEETINGS**  
The UEW contract expired April 20. The union and company held 24 meetings since Feb. 12 until the breakdown of talks Sunday.

A union spokesman said the company had offered them a

wage increase of six percent, three percent and three percent over three years respectively. He said the union had demanded 11 percent, seven percent and seven percent over three years.

The company and union representatives had also disagreed on vacations, cost of living allowance increases and job security.

**CATCHING UP**  
Mr. Graham said the strike would have serious effects on the company's market position. He said several bids and

quotations are under way with each bid or quotation not less than \$1-million to \$3-million. "The companies would rather deal with somebody not having labor trouble," he said.

He also said competitor companies are catching up to Northern as far as research goes. Last week, a spokesman for Bell Canada said in view of a strike by the 2,000 plant employees and the closing down, the installation of new telephone lines could be seriously affected.

**Police Blotter**  
A rash of break-ins Sunday night is being investigated by Georgetown Police.

The targets were the BP gas station and car wash at Guelph and Sinclair, Open Kitchen Restaurant on Guelph Street, and a house on Maple Avenue.

Forcible entry was made in all cases, with the safe at the BP car wash also being broken open.

No statement on the amount of stolen goods or money has been released.

Complaints of serious damage to houses under construction have been received by the police, who are keeping the houses under supervision.

Complaints of mini-bikes being ridden around Regan Crescent, and air rifles being heard behind Stockman Crescent, are also being investigated by police.



NEW HIGHWAY SECTION TAKES SHAPE

A new section of Highway 7 begins to take shape in the centre of Norval where last week a 74 year old bridge was removed to make way for progress. The bridge in the background, which carries Highway 7 traffic over the Credit River will

also disappear after the new stretch of road is completed. The project will eliminate a dangerous curve at the foot of the hill at the eastern entrance to the village. Workmen cut through steel girders at one end of the old one lane structure and a

bulldozer hauled it off the abutments. It had been used only as a footpath after the two lane span was opened in 1923. The super-structure will be melted down for scrap, and the old stone blocks will be used as ornamentation on a new 110-

## R. Cameron New Publisher Of The Herald

Appointment of Richard Cameron as publisher and general manager of The Georgetown Herald was announced this week.

He succeeds Jim Martyn, who held the position for only a matter of weeks before an urgent personal matter required his return to Western Canada.

A native of Cochrane, Mr. Cameron comes to The Herald from the Timmins Daily Press, where he was managing editor. He will assume his new duties next week.

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## Recommend Paving For Thirty Streets

If Georgetown council endorses a recommendation by the Works Committee, made Monday, a \$71,800 road programme will be carried out this summer.

The plan calls for a 2" asphalt overlay on Ann Street, Carole Street, Chapel Street West, Cherry Street, College Street, Cross Street, Dale Gate, Dufferin Street, Gibbons Place, Gower Road, Gower Court, Gray Gate, Kennedy Road, Lane Court, Langstone Crescent, Lyons Court, Mill Street, Morris Street, Moultrie Crescent, McGillvray Crescent, McIntyre Crescent, Mackenzie

Drive, Norton Crescent, Ontario Street (Ann to bridge), Reid Court, Sinclair Avenue, Temple Road, Victoria Street, Wesleyan Street, and Young Street.

An additional \$25,230 expenditure on roads is planned, if the Ministry of Transportation and Communications approves the town's supplementary request.

If the provincial approval is given, the eight roads to be done would be Caroline Street, John Street, Ross Street, Sargent Road, St. Michael Road, Stevens Crescent and Windsor Road.

## Police Will Parade To End Their Week

This week is Canadian Police Week and the Georgetown Department are now distributing "Cops are Tops" buttons to be worn on lapels.

Police Chief Floyd Schwanz explained that the word "cop" was no longer thought of as having any derogative meaning by the force.

A police parade will be held this Sunday to St. John's United Church. Approximately half the force, 15 officers, will parade to the church in full uniform, white gloves and lanyards, at 11 a.m. and attend the service.

A Georgetown police cruiser is available to schools for inspection and explanation of its uses upon request during the week.

Last Sunday, Youth Officer Al McQueen gave an address during the service at Knox Presbyterian Church. He spoke on the role of the police department in the community.

Chief Schwanz states that "the community has a right to be proud of the personnel in their police department".

## Says Food Bill Not the Reason Seed Sales Up

Cecil Davison, Dominion Seed House general manager, says they have been considerably busier than in other years, but wouldn't attribute the increase in seed sales to higher food costs. All types of seeds increased in sales, he told The Herald this week.

The company has taken on extra seasonal and part-time staff.

Mr. Davison attributes the increase in business to a greater interest in backyard gardening. He explained that people are using their free time to garden rather than go to their cottages.

## No Mail Monday

All Post Offices will be closed and there will be no letter-carrier delivery throughout the Central Ontario Postal District on Victoria Day, May 21.

On Sunday, May 20, there will be normal Sunday pickup from street-letter boxes. "Special Delivery" service will also be in effect.

On the holiday Monday, customers who normally pick up their mail from post office lobby "lock" boxes will be able to do so, where staff is on duty and boxes are normally accessible on a "round-the-clock" basis.

On May 22, regular postal service resumes in the District.

## Esqueing Chambers For North's Council?

The Ministry of Treasury Economics and Intergovernmental Affairs were sent a letter recently stating the preferences of Esqueing Council as regards to the location of the municipal offices of the proposed area municipality of North Halton, under regional government.

Council was informed Monday night that the ministry would leave such matters entirely to the discretion of the local council concerned. It was stated that to do otherwise would be to interfere with the local decision-making process and thus seriously to undermine one of the principal objectives of regional government reform.

The ministry added that if the new area municipal council found that there were special circumstances justifying provincial financial assistance, it might approach the government at that time. It was stressed that the policy in the past has been to concentrate the ministry's attention of the regional level, since this is where the heaviest costs in respect of new office accommodations are usually incurred.

Councillors stated following the meeting Monday night that they would like to see the Esqueing Township Building used as the borough council chamber.

**Cabin Gone**  
The log cabin on Mill Street, which has been the location of Evans Insurance, Gougeon Furniture, Neil Music Centre and Initiative '72 over the years, was dismantled this week. The logs were trucked from the site yesterday. The cabin was built about 22 years

## Tow Chain Breaks Car Hits Triangle

A '67 Volkswagen parked in front of the owner's house, had \$100 damage done to the left rear fender, May 4. The car owned by Leslie Batten, 82 Stevens Crescent was parked in front of the house when the damage occurred.

An accident at Maple and Tyers, May 5, at 6:50 p.m. resulted in a total of \$225 damage. The '68 Falcon driven by Neils Bombholt, Con. 8 Esqueing, received \$125 damage, and the '73 Cutlass, driven by Woodrow Hamilton, 322 Delrex Blvd. \$100 damage.

Damage totalling \$900 was done in an accident near Todd Road and Mountview, May 10, at 9:55 a.m.

Anne Teeter, 21 Mountview Road North, turned off Mountview Road on to Todd Road, and her car collided with a parked '66 Chevelle owned by

James Redford, 83 Delrex Blvd.

The Teeter car, a '72 Gremlin, had extensive damage to the front amounting to \$700. The Chevelle had an estimated \$200 damage to the rear.

A bent sign, a broken curb, and the gouged lawn at the junction of Main Street North and Guelph Street, show where a towed vehicle broke loose from its chain, and careened into the triangle of land last week.

Friday, May 11, a '71 Valiant driven by Giancarlo Ricci, of Port Credit was towing a '62 Buick, driven by Ronald Southern of Etobicoke, when the chain broke.

Damage to the Valiant amounted to \$80 and to the Buick \$400.

# Regional Announcement Possible Tuesday: White



SORTING FOR RECYCLING

Terry Newman and Karen Follow, of 2nd Norval Brownies separate the bottles collected in Saturday's bottle drive. The returnable bottles are taken back to the stores, and the non-returnable ones to the

reclaiming centre at Dominion Glass in Brampton.

## Hydro Says Power Could Be Affected By Sub-Station Delay

A letter was received by Esqueing council Monday from Mr. F. Ellis, analytical property planner for Ontario Hydro. It requested that council amend Esqueing Township Holding By-law 29-69 as amended, to permit the erection of distributing stations on part of Lot 10 Concession 7 and another on part of Lot 32 on Concession 5 in the township.

The letter explained to council that Hydro's engineers are concerned that the continued delay in obtaining

permission to erect distributing stations at these locations, especially in the Ashgrove vicinity, could seriously affect the power supply within Esqueing Township.

Correspondence had been received from Hydro's supervising engineer outlining the need for distributing stations in the Ashgrove and Ballinfaad areas, June 22, 1972.

Esqueing council decided there was no change in their decision, and to let Hydro take it from there.

## Garbage Issue By No Means Dead: GUARD

GUARD members have unanimously agreed that the garbage situation in Esqueing is not dead by any means.

"Politicians have a habit of making statements one day and then contradicting them the next," was the consensus at the regular meeting of GUARD (Group United Against Rural Dumping) at the home of Fred Brooks last week.

They also stated that they are still anxiously waiting the hydrologist's report and discussed the need for retaining a lawyer, should the report be favourable and Indusmin Quarry Ltd. proceed to obtain their permits.

Indusmin proposes rehabilitating its quarry near Limehouse with baled meto refuse.

All members expressed agreement that recycling is the only answer to the massive garbage disposal problem. GUARD will endorse any persons or organizations who can come up with favourable methods of recycling.

## Attic Fire

Fire damage estimated at \$1,000 was done to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerrard Wilcox, 142 Guelph Street, Friday morning.

Smouldering insulation in the attic was doused by Georgetown firemen using chemical extinguishers.

The alarm was turned in at 11:30 a.m.

## Georgetown Complex Plans Detailed to Acton Council

Georgetown Community Facilities chairman Larry Mogg made a 10 minute presentation to Acton council on Georgetown's planned recreation complex last week. The presentation was made earlier to Esqueing Township council who asked that Acton receive the same information.

Mr. Mogg had requested that \$60,000 in an unallocated Esqueing fund go towards the project.

Georgetown proposes a \$1,100,000 recreation package involving an arena, swimming pool and auditorium.

The Community Facilities chairman solicited Acton council's support for the township fund.

He said it would be unwise not to consider the people of the area with regional government looming.

Acton Deputy Reeve Peter Marks said Georgetown's plan would be timely for Acton since the facilities would be just 15 minutes away.

Councillor Norm Elliot referred to the Georgetown plan as a "possible monster". He said he foresees Georgetown having a big denture for sewage in the next few years and is worried about what

things will cost under regional government.

Councillor Chapman wondered about ice time for Acton, and Councillor Marks also had doubts about Acton's participation.

Regarding administration, Mr. Mogg said he presumed recreation would be administered through the new North Halton region.

## TORONTO BUREAU OF THE HERALD

Provincial Treasurer and Intergovernmental Affairs Minister John White has committed himself to making an announcement on Halton Regional Government planning next Tuesday or the following Monday.

Mr. White had been expected to make an announcement this week. He was asked by the Toronto Bureau of The Herald Tuesday afternoon when the announcement could be expected. His reply was that it would be announced next Tuesday or the following Monday.

In a special interview with the Toronto Bureau earlier, Mr. White admitted there are no problems with regional government planning programs for Halton and Peel. There are some problems in the Oshawa area, but the major concern, which he believes is holding back all the announcements, is to reach a decision on the Hamilton-Wentworth plan.

**FOUR AREAS**  
In speeches by Mr. White and his parliamentary assistant A. K. Meen at a large gathering of municipal politicians at Mohawk College in January, a Halton region split into four areas was proposed.

Georgetown, Acton and the northern two-thirds of Esqueing and Nassagaweya townships would make up the North Halton unit. Central Halton would embrace Milton, shallow slices of Esqueing and Nassagaweya, and northern part of Oakville. Oakville would remain intact, excluding the northern sector, and Burlington would be the fourth unit with West Flamborough and Waterdown.

North Halton would send four members to a 23-member regional council.

**PROPOSED CHANGES**  
A brief from Georgetown council a few weeks ago proposed dropping the southern boundary of the North Halton unit to Highway 401 rather than No. 5 Sideroad, and including the northern half of Nassagaweya in with Wellington county.

The Georgetown brief also urged the inclusion of small communities, many of them cut in half by boundary roads, in the northern borough.

Georgetown's proposal also strongly urged the direct election of regional members by the voters, rather than members of the local council deciding amongst themselves who should sit on the regional tier.

**Money From The Big Walk Passes \$16,000**

Over \$16,000 has been received from those who participated in the Peel-Halton YOU Walk on Saturday, May 2. Organizers of the event say \$16,272.98 has been collected and they have reason to believe the 1973 walk raised more than the \$29,449.38 sum received in the 1972 walk.

Participants who did not take their money to the collection depots can leave them at any branch of the Royal Bank in Halton or Peel counties. Sponsor sheets should be left at the bank with the money.

Walkers started the 26 mile route from Georgetown and Brampton check points.

**PRESS FOR BY-PASS**  
"I'd be happy with an overlay, and put pressure on the province for action on the by-pass," said Reeve Ric Morrow. He added "of course the by-pass could take years".

Deputy Reeve Ernie Bykes said it should be referred to a committee of the whole, since there seemed to be too much indecision and lack of knowledge.

## Guelph Street Widening "Needs More Discussion"

A plan to widen Guelph Street to make one extra lane from Maple Avenue to the junction with Main Street North, would necessitate the cutting down of 13 trees and the trimming of eight others, Frank Morette, Works Superintendent, told Georgetown's works committee, Monday.

He emphasized the trees would be replaced with 4" diameter trees in the fall, placed further back in case of any future widening. He said St. George's Church would lose three trees.

"We could scrap the whole idea," suggested Cr. Mike Armstrong, "after all what are we going to gain?"

Cr. Ern Hyde replied there would be a third lane for left turns.

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