### A Good Year Gone

Milton had a busy year in 1950 and before we start in 1951 let's just catch up on the events that made last year interesting and progressive.

Council dropped the tax rate 10 mills to 39 as compared with the year before. Revised water rates promised more revenue and a search for a new source of water to meet the increased demand was begun.

Baseball champions for the 1949 season were honored in 1950 and the Intermediate hockey team took the Intermediate A title in their group.

Paving on Highway 25 was begun last year with the acceptance of a \$100,000 contract. Although the whole highway was not surfaced before the frost set in, plans call for an early completion of the new surfacing this year.

St. Clair Lodge reached a milestone in freemasonry last year when it marked its 90th Anniversary with a suitable celebration.

Big news of the year was the operation of the sewerage system. In July of last year a small piece of paper came to our office telling of the commencement of operation. After months of preparation, dug up streets and inconveniences, the system was switched into operation.

Sponsored by the Halton Crop Improvement Association and the Halton Hog Producers Association, the annual Seed Fair was a big success. Over 400 from all parts of Halton attended the

Milton Band, conducted by Ralph Whetstone, held their first concert last year. The very successful event was the result of hard practice and the members and conductor are to be congratulated on the result.

A wild winter storm in February blocked roads, cancelled buses, disrupted telephone service and delayed trains. It took a full day to clear the roads for automobiles.

The County assessment and the North Halton District High School tax levy caused some excitement in municipal circles. Both issues were settled before the year ended.

Milton was the centre for a discussion on rural fire protection. No direct plans were made and the issue appears to have been forgotten.

Winding up the year's business Milton Council accepted the tender for the laying of water mains and storm sewers as an improvement to Main St.

It was a busy year in Milton during 1950 and now, launched in 1951, we look forward to a year comparable to or better than 1950.

### An Interesting Story

Statistics may not be very attractive but they certainly tell an interesting story. For instance, there are seven Ontario towns that operate their municipal government entirely apart from the adjacent county councils. They are Brockville, Trenton, Smiths Falls, Ingersoll, Gananoque, St. Mary's and Prescott.

The statistics released by the Ontario Department of Municipal Affairs prove once again that it is cheaper to live in the country, too. In 1949 the per capita tax levy in Ontario's 29 cities averaged \$52.35 whereas the same figure for the towns and villages was \$34.44 and for people living in townships \$32.38.

The rural residents are more careful in their financing than their city cousins. While the 29 cities cut their per capita debt from \$192 in 1926 to \$75 in 1949, it still remains far above the \$40 per capita debt of the average township. The towns and villages of the province have not had such an auspicious record. The average per capita town and village debt in 1926 was \$107 and it is now just under \$80. That is twice the average in the townships. Town and village per capita debt was down to \$48.85 in 1945 but the last five years showed an increase of 60 per cent, which is quite a climb in the municipal world for Ontario.

### What a Beautiful Day

The holiday season this year has brought sur-New Year's lacked its usual road blocking storm. | guid?'

COLUMN STREET ATTACK AND ADDRESS ASSESSED ASSESS

It was in all a very pleasant holiday. Just I back from the New Year's festivities we recall a

first radio report we had heard all day. ary pattern of favourable weather this year, too. li was a White Christmas even though the snow was not as abundant here as further north. trip through Arthur and Durham proved that the snow had been falling. Beside the road one car was almost completely buried and in one town a detour was necessary while workmen busily cleared the street.

### Predictions?

New Year's is the time for resolutions and predictions. The latter strikes a number of contradictory notes but because of the quantity some of the attempts at forecasting the future are bound to be right.

One business leader suggests an ambitious stock piling program because of an imminent war with Russia's Communists. Reading another forecaster who claims to have predicted the '29 crash, we find strong advice to the contrary. He feels that Russia would not make war this year.

business. War with Russia seems to be the big stumbling block in all predictions. War and peace naturally affect the economy of the country as quite drastic opposites. No person's advice is as good as one's com-

mon sense and we certainly don't intend to clutter up more space by making any personal pre-

### **Television Infant**

When you speak of new developments the mas Eve caller." conversation seems naturally to turn to television, one of the latest electronic developments of the last half century. Just as readily as you speak of it most people agree that it is in its in-

Whether in its infancy or not, it is definitely leaving its mark on the age. Color television, recently approved by the American government, was condemned by one speaker we heard addressing a group of several hundred potential 1.V. stars, writers, producers and directors.

The method by which color is brought to the screen, he explained, was by two sets of whirlers, one on each side of the screen, equal to the width of the screen. His idea was that that Twenty Years Ago method of color T.V. would take up most of the living room.

Most reports on the progress of television, of course, come to us from our friends in the United States. Down there, television salesmen have launched campaigns telling parents they are failing in their duty towards their children if they don't provide them with hours of television and County branch of the Ontario De- cial services were held at Grace a set to invite their small friends to watch.

The salesmen go to great lengths to explain to parents the psychological effect television has on their children.

Television can be a great educational asset if t is used properly but this half-baked appeal to parents to protect their children from a feeling of being left out is somewhat disheartening for an industry as new as television.

Quite a number of years ago, Professor Thorstein Veblen expounded a theory which he called "conspicuous consumption". The theory deals basically with buying things to keep up with the neighbours. And from the United States comes an example of that where people are buying imitation television aerials and erecting them on the roof-top. Quietly they sit back with the satisfaction of having kept up with the neighbors in a cheap way. Veblen had a lot to say about

Another angle on the television story is one only recently uncovered. Thieves go into a high class suburb, look for television aerials and make a note of the house for a quick robbery.

Television is definitely making a mark on our age and its potentialities are great. All that remains to be done will take time but we certainhope it will not have its growth stunted in the type of programs it features.

### Editorial Notes . . .

This item clipped from an English newspaper further evidence that the Britisher has not lost his sense of humour: "Mr. Charles Garland, Vice day. President, National Union of Manufacturers, said at Manchester yesterday: "Our grandfathers worked six days a week, walked to church on Sundays and sang: 'Work for the Night is Coming.' Now their grandchildren work four days a week, take a bus to church and hear a hired prisingly fine weather. Christmas was white and choir singing: 'Art Thou Weary, Art Thou Lan-

For pay boosts to the armed services, the great many storms that blocked roads and start- | civil service and the Mounties, national expendied the year off with a blast. One storm in par- | ture will be increased by \$46,500,000 a year. ticular we were driving through with the car | Whether the increase is as good as expected in radio issuing repeated warnings that "only fools the services is not known. Government employwould drive tonight, don't drive". That was the ees have to wait until Parliament approves of the new schedule which is not so good. And The Christmas weather followed its custom- there are 6,000 who will be laid off next April, which in itself is a government admission that there has been over-staffing. Employees who have been working 39 hours a week or less will be required to work longer hours. Can that be termed austerity? All in all, most Canadians will approve of remuneration of all employees in the public service adequate to the times in which we are living.

### NORTH EAST WEST SOUTH

Milk for Winnipeg The first man to sell bottled milk For several years he was on the Churchill's paintings this year. the only completely white man of agreement, "I am delighted at the the group. He came to Oakville in opportunity of having my painthe declared in an interview, "I've Since rights to 18 cards were Forecasting the future is a rather difficult been a Methodist for 80 years."

> Christmas Visitors Three homes in Oakville were skillfuly painted Christmas cards broken into on Christmas eve and again next year. another sometime over the same week-end, according to the Oakville Trafalgar Journal. At the latter home, the thief or thieves took for proof and posterity that Mrs.

tween Christmas and New Year's. | ment.

NEWS FROM ALL DIRECTIONS

An article in the Christian in Winnipeg, James H. Elliott, cele- Science Monitor reprinted in the brated his 85th birthday in Oak- Guelph Mercury, tells of the arville last week. "I'm in fine shape," rangements which resulted in the he declared. Born in Lanark Coun- sale of Christmas cards carrying ty, he went west in the eighties. reproductions of some of Winston council of Assiniboine, a munici- Evidently Mr. Churchill cabled the pality west of Winnipeg and he was firm making the cards after the 1918. Although not definitely stated ings exhibited in America through as Mr. Elliott's recipe for longevity, the medium of Christmas cards." purchased and only seven were

printed this year, the rest will be

available for interesting as well as

Bowled Over The Georgetown Herald records

blankets, apples, a radio, Christ- Al Zeravlev set a new record when mas presents, some liquor and tob- she bowled an almost perfect game acco. But left behind, either by to end her frames with a total of error or barter, was part of a 405. The previous record there was roast chicken. As the Journal puts 404 bowled by Hugh Dickie two it, "Santa was not the only Christ- years ago. The boxes carried two spares, then nine strikes and a nine point score on her last ball. She Erin did not publish a paper be- won a turkey for the accomplish-



## THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

adian Champion of January 1, 1931 adian Champion of January 2, 1901

A one month course in Agricult ure and Home Economics will be out to Bastedo and Co. and left held in Kilbride community hall from January 6th to January 30th speaking and debating.

From the Bureau of Municipal Affairs issued from the office of Milton, for the year 1929.

other exemptions, \$228,000; assessed Dawson. for schools only, \$8,600; rate, taxes amount \$19,700; debenture debtgeneral, \$23.043; schools, \$88,857; municipal utilities, \$14,482; Assets. Champion were entertained \$247,953; Liabilities, \$138,080; taxes Mayor Deacon at his residence. and rates, \$40,828; all other receipts, \$21,409; total receipts, \$62,237. Expenditure-schools, \$30,879; municipal debt charges, \$8,824; general government, \$35,224; total expenditure, \$74,927.

Under the heading of municipal waterworks we learn that Milton's system was installed in 1887; popu-

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Norris celewedding at the home of their dau- the farmers and others in that disghter, Mrs. Wm. Anderson on Mon- trict are now enjoying the comforts

# Fifty Years Ago

Taken from the Issue of the Can- Taken from the Issue of the Can-

Miss Malloy, milliner, has sold

The opening of the 20th Century under the auspices of the Halton was duly observed in Milton. Spepartment of Agriculture. The ag- Church, commencing at 10.15 p.m. riculture course will deal with live and closing after midnight. The atstock, feeds and feeding, dairying tendance was large. At midnigh veterinary science, poultry, soils. the town bell rang, the carpet facfertilizers, field crops, vegetables tory whistles blew and there was a and small fruits, insects and fungus lively fusilade of either giant fire diseases, noxious weeds, farm ac- crackers or guns. The noise was counts and management, public fairly deafening, but did not last

Wm. Elliott and Robt. Dewar. who left Milton together in June the Provincial Secretary we glean 1899, for the Northwest Territories. the following statistics regarding both got home last week. Mr. El liott had had employment on a Assessed population, 1775; asses- steamer which runs on the McKensed acreage, 400; Land, \$142,410; zie River. Mr. Dewar was in charge buildings, \$869,245; business, \$64,214; of a fur trading post, at Fort Good income, \$10,000; total taxable as- Hope, 1600 miles north of Edmonton sessment, \$1,085,869; statutory and and about 400 miles north east of

On Friday evening the members Office Hours: imposed-municipal, 22 mills; am- of the town council, except Mr. ount, \$24,078; schools-rate, 18 mills, McDowell, who was ill, Ex-Mayors Robertson and Dice, Editor White of the Reformer and Panton of the MARRIED

HUNTER-MURDOCH-At the res idence of the bride's mother, or January 1st by the Rev. Mr Saunders, Robt. E. Hunter, of Luther, to Susan, daughter of the late Jas. Murdoch, Ashgrove.

Seventeen wards of the Childlation served 1800; earnings for ren's Shelter, (Gordon Home) here 1929, \$3,433.93; operating expenses were treated to a Christmas tree and capital charges, \$1662.92; profit on Christmas morning when Santa \$1771.01; assets, \$50,000; liabilities, Claus (W. P. Cooke) distributed

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7.00 p.m.—Evening Worship. Monday, January 8 - 4.15 p.m., Mission Band will meet in the

Tuesday, January 9-The regular meeting of the Evening Auxiliary of the W.M.S. will be held at the home of Mrs. K. Foster at 8.15 p.m.

noon Auxiliary of the W.M.S. will hold their January meet Campbell Wilson at 3 p.m.; the Young People will meet at 8 p.m. in the Sunday School

### ST. JOHN'S, NASSAGAWEYA ST. GEORGE'S, LOWVILLE

Rev. R. E. Porritt, Deacon in Charge SUNDAY, JANUARY 7th, 1951

First Sunday after Epiphany 11.00 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon at St. George's. 2.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer Sermon at St John's.

-Meeting of St. George's W.A. at the home of Mr. and Mrs S. Currie. Everybody Welcome

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7th, 1951 10.30 a.m.—Sunday School. 6.45 p.m.—Communion Lord's Supper. 8.00 p.m.—Evening Service. Tuesday, January 9 at 8.30 Prayer and Bible study.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7th, 1951

Rev. E. Orsborn

in the Sunday School room.

Tuesday, January 9, 2.45 p.m.-

Friday, January 5th, 2.45 p.m.

Aid in the School Room

M.S. meeting at Mrs. W.

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11.00 a.m.-Morning Service.

7.00 p.m.-Evening Service.

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eption Service. Nursery Class and Junior School.

Sunday School room; 7 p.m., C.G.I.T. will meet in the Sunday School room; 8.15 p.m., a meeting of the Official Board will be held in the Ladies' Parlor.

Thursday, January 11-The After-

First Sunday after Epiphany 8.00 a.m.-Holy Communion. 10.00 a.m.—Sunday School 11.00 a.m.-Choral Holy Commi ion and Sermon. 7.00 p.m.—Choral Evensong

Friday, January 12 — The Trail

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Wednesday, January 10th at 2 p.m.

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Wednesday, January 10-4.15 p.m. Junior Choir; 8 p.m., Senid Thursday, January 11 — 3 Little Helpers; 4.15 p.m., Jun ior W.A.; 7 p.m., C.B.L.

And Ye Shall Know the Truth an the Truth shall make you free". Jno. 8:32 THE CHURCH OF CHRIST **OMAGH** 

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