

DEVELOPMENT FIRM GUARANTEES BRAMPTON INDUSTRY ASSESSMENT

Rice Construction Co. Ltd. will receive Brampton permits for building 100 homes on the former Armstrong property. Rice will be given credit for inducing Chr. Hansen's Ltd. to locate a factory in Brampton, council agreed last week.

Brampton will receive from Rice Bros. a guarantee that within two years after the issuing of the first building permit to Rice Bros. they will have attracted sufficient industry to Brampton to equal the assessment of the 100 homes. As a bond Rice Bros. will be required to post \$900 with the town as each house is sold, the bond to remain with the town until the proper industrial assessment is acquired. Should the 70-30 ratio as required by the town by-law not be met by Rice within the two years the \$900

per house bond will be forfeited. A few hours earlier Rice had offered some \$50,000 less security, offering to pay the town \$10,000 for which they would receive the 100 building permits, plus \$300 per house as a guarantee of good faith in securing the industrial assessment. Due mainly to the persistence of Councillors Russel Prouse and Fen Job the guarantee was raised more than double the figure first offered. The time limit of two years was imposed on the insistence of Councillor Bill Glenney. The rough draft of the agreement, passed by council, was the work of Mr. Prouse.

The agreement Monday ended seven months of haggling between Rice Bros. and town council and one of the most explosive issues Brampton has seen in years.

Dump Continues As Oakville Problem

The problem of the Oakville town dump, perennial source of annoyance to townspeople and trouble to councillors, confronted council once again.

"I have had 46 calls during the past two weeks about odors from the dump and papers blowing up the hill," Councillor Herbert Merry, chairman of the sanitation committee, informed council. He wanted to know if council would like another demonstration of the land-fill method, with heavier equipment than was used last time.

"I think it is the wrong time of year," said Mayor McArthur. "I suggest you wait until the frost is out of the ground."

In reply to a question from a council member, Councillor Merry stated that the heavier equipment, known as a "bull clam", would cost \$13,000. It was agreed that council would consider the matter when preparing the year's estimates.

Consultant Sought Unable to Act

Nelson township's new Planning Board heard an outline of what is expected of it and then had its first disappointment when Hugh T. Lemon, consultant to the Hamilton-Wentworth Planning Board, said he could not take on so much extra work. The board meeting in the council chamber was unsuccessful in its efforts to persuade Mr. Lemon to change his mind.

The consultant was among a half-dozen men being contacted by board members regarding the position of consultant. In a brief talk on planning, Mr. Lemon said the pressure of work with his own board was such that he could not take the heavy extra work that would be involved in the township.

Mrs. Pearl Blum and R. White appeared before the board to protest the erection of a dance hall on Headon Rd., which had been under discussion at a previous meeting, although scheduled for Feb. 25. A resolution was passed rescinding a previous motion and stating the Board did not feel that the application of the Polish Alliance Friendly Society for a dance hall to be on Headon Rd., conforms to the land-use now in existence and the Nelson Planning Board recommends to the council that the application should be refused.

Robert Serena, secretary of the Burlington and Suburban Planning Board, explained the procedure followed by his organization in the planning for the area. He also outlined much of the work that would be expected of the Nelson Board and suggested how the two bodies could work together. Col. A. S. L. Nash, of the Community programs branch of the Ontario Department of Planning and Development, was unable to attend the meeting.

Bruce Ashcroft, township building inspector, was appointed acting secretary until the board's organization is complete. The clerk, William W. Sims, had carried on the duties previously.

Georgetown Seeks Full Time Engineer

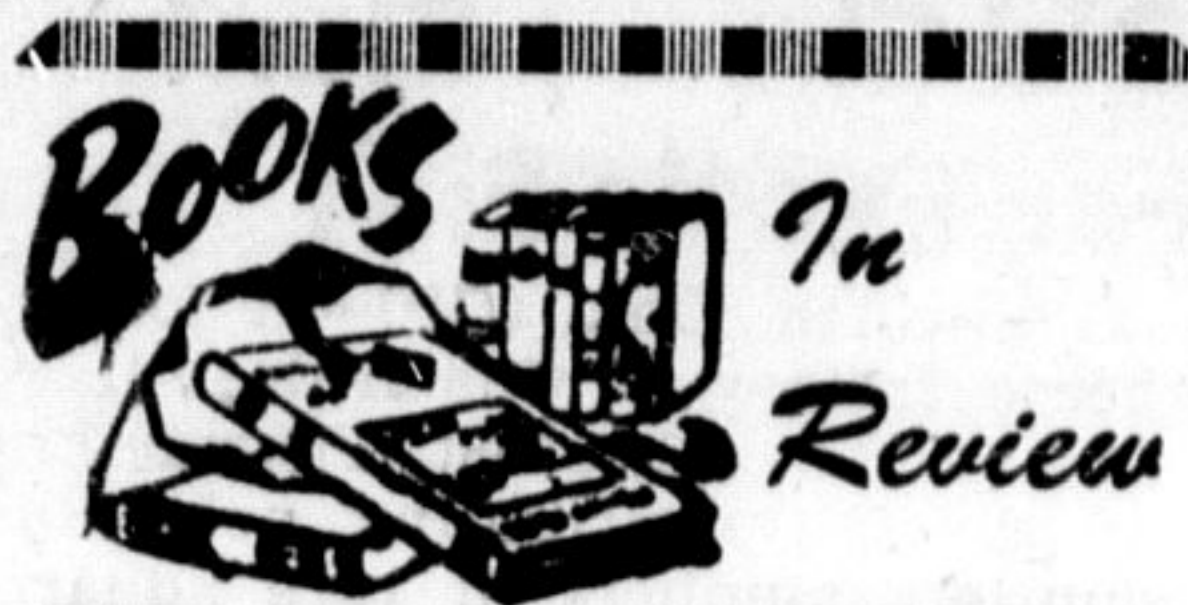
After a year's experiment in sharing engineering services with Acton and Milton, Georgetown council on Monday decided to terminate this the end of April and engage a full-time engineer who will be on the Georgetown payroll.

Ross Simmons, who lived in Georgetown since he was engaged by the urban board last year, has been paid by the three towns, and divided his duties between them until now.

Council feels that the rapid growth anticipated in the new Delrex subdivision will require the complete services of a local engineer.

A letter protesting hiring of an assistant in the town office who is not a war veteran in preference to an applicant with war service, was read at the meeting. Mayor Armstrong, to whom the letter was addressed from the Legion branch, said that he would answer the letter, conveying council's views in the matter.

MASTER ANTENNA
Victoria (CP)—British Columbia municipalities have applied for government permission to go into the television antenna business. They seek power to construct master antennas to serve householders by wire, similar to power and telephone lines.



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GEORGETOWN GIVES PRELIMINARY O.K. TO PART OF DELREX SUBDIVISION

With preliminary approval given by Georgetown for a large portion of the Delrex subdivision, detailed plans are now in the hands of the Dept. of Planning and Development.

If all goes smoothly, house building will start on the H. Craig Reid farm the latter part of May.

Queried by Mayor Armstrong as to the assessment possibilities in 1955 in the new area, subdivider Rex Heslop said: "We are geared to construct buildings up to five million dollars in gross value this year, if we get rolling soon enough. It will depend on council, the planning department and all the associated groups which must have a hand in 'Delrex'."

Council is seeking lawyer Harry Willis' advice as well as that of George Hewson, the two who acted for the town in the annexation

of the land, before final approval is given to the subdivision.

Council Monday saw plans and had them explained by Dr. E. G. Faludi who is working for Mr. Heslop as a planning consultant. The maps showed detailed development of 1034 acres of the 1754 owned by the company. Sites for three public schools and a possible new high school site, the latter at the southern extremity of the new town boundaries, have been earmarked for donation to the town. Total school acreage is 40 acres, and another 313 acres of valley land will provide a "green belt."

The new subdivision will comprise an industrial area west of Highway 7, commercial in the No. 7-9th Line area, and three residential areas east of the highway, which can be developed as separate entities.

Members of the public school board attended the meeting and were given council's O.K. to have plans drawn for one new public school.

Recommend Parks In Omagh, Palermo

The Trafalgar Parks Committee, headed by Councillor Ernest Henderson recommended that Trafalgar Council purchase land in Palermo and Omagh for sports park facilities.

The recommendation stemmed from the north-west Trafalgar Property Owners' Association's request for five or six acres for a ball field behind the new Palermo school, when it was learned Council had excess park funds amounting to \$5000.

School Board Chairman E. J. James attended the meeting and said that a park site or ball field would fit in quite well with plans for the school, which is on the Second Line at the edge of the village.

Probably Buy 25 Acres
"The Parks Committee felt that now was the time to purchase park property," said George Richards, president of the Property Owners' Association. "Councillor Ernest Henderson said that if the Council waited too long there wouldn't be any decent land available for park purposes."

Mr. Richards added that there were approximately 20 to 25 acres in the field where the Palermo school and proposed ball field is situated, and that the Parks Committee were thinking of purchasing more land than the requested six acres.

Palermo ball teams have been playing in George Fox's pasture field to date.

Combined Operations Field
Mr. James said after the joint meeting he didn't anticipate any quarrel in the future between the Parks and School Boards, such as has taken place recently in Oakville. "We've seen to it that ample land will be available at Palermo for expansion, and both Boards agree that though under the Parks Commission, the land can be used later, if need be, for playground space," he explained. "The two Boards went into that question thoroughly, so there would be no misunderstanding later."

The land which the Parks Commission would buy for a ball field at Omagh is a makeshift field which ball players in the area have rented for years. "We understand the owner would now be willing to sell it," said Mr. James.

MORE SUBSCRIBERS
Regina, (CP)—Annual report of the Saskatchewan telephone department says there were 60,422 subscribers to rural and independent telephone systems in Saskatchewan in 1953, an increase of 11.

Board Approves Bronte Subdivision

Bronte's proposed new housing subdivision on the west side of Mississauga Road received conditional approval from the Oakville-Trafalgar Bronte Planning Board at its regular meeting. It was recommended by the planning consultant that the village assume the streets in the subdivision, that the Halton Health Unit's approval of the septic tank facilities and the minimum lot size of 50 feet be obtained, and that the subdivider be required to dedicate the usual 5 per cent of the total area for park purposes or make a cash contribution. Houses will be set back at least 20 feet from the street-line.

The board gave its approval for the development of 21 lots in the subdivision, on the understanding that adequate provision be made for turning circles until such time as development proceeds. Two lots must be inspected further before they can be built on. Owner of the subdivision is Jeff Cossen of Bronte.

BIG ICE PLANT
Watford, Ont. (CP)—Representatives of civic, business and social organizations in Watford and surrounding townships have agreed to install a \$30,000 artificial ice plant in the town arena.

To aid disaster in any part of the world your Canadian Red Cross stockpiles emergency relief supplies in Switzerland, Australia, Turkey and France.

Council Seeks Site For New School

The Oakville Public School Board, wished town council every success in its endeavour to find suitable property to replace Central School grounds. "But they'll have to do more in ten weeks than we have been able to do in four years," said chairman Allan Weatherstone, when the board agreed to give council to June 1 to find a new school site.

The board was in receipt of a letter from the council stating (a) council would seek suitable land for a site, (b) the site would be acceptable to the school board, and (c) no steps would be taken toward taking over Central commons until (a) and (b) stipulations had been met. Of course, council can't take the land without full approval of the school board in any event, Mr. Weatherstone pointed out.

Council has been desirous of purchasing the Central School property as a site for a new municipal building at a nominal fee of one dollar, which the board found acceptable providing a suitable replacement site was available.



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