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**HALTON'S 1960 WARDEN** is Reeve Douglas Sargent of Georgetown, centre, who was named to the post at the inaugural meeting of county council Tuesday afternoon. Crown Attorney P. K. McWilliams, left, administered the oath of office to the county's new chief magistrate, while retiring Warden John A. Milne presented the Warden's gavel.

Beats Phillips 14-13

## Georgetown's D. Sargent is Warden

Reeve Douglas Sargent of Georgetown was chosen Warden of Halton County for 1960 by fellow county councillors at the inaugural meeting on Tuesday afternoon. He defeated Trafalgar Reeve Alex Phillips in a close race for the seat, by a 14-13 open ballot.

The new Warden is a veteran of nine consecutive years in Georgetown council, and for the past five years has been a representative to County level government. Stanley Allen, Halton Manor superintendent, was the last Georgetown Warden five years ago, and prior to that, the Wardenship had not been held by the municipality for 21 years.

### Devote Best Efforts

"I promise to devote my best efforts to serving you and the County well," he said in thanking the members. "I feel confident I can count on each and every one of you to lighten the big load."

Following the announcement of the 14-13 vote, Reeve Phillips offered his congratulations to Warden Sargent and asked members to make the vote unanimous in his favor. Crown Attorney P. K. McWilliams administered the oath of office to the Warden, and retiring Warden John A. Milne, Nassagaweya's Reeve, presented the gavel.

### 1917 Warden Present

Among the spectators at the inaugural was Charles Readhead of Lowville, who held the post of Warden in 1917.

Council members this year are Warden Sargent and Deputy Reeve Walter Gray of Georgetown, Reeve John Goy and Deputy Reeve Jack Hargrave of Acton, past Warden John A. Milne and Deputy Reeve Archie R. Service of Nassagaweya, Reeve Campbell Sinclair and Deputy Reeve Wilfrid Bird of Esquimaux, Reeve Arthur M. Desjardine and Deputy Reeve Mrs. Mary S. Pettit of Milton, Reeve Alex Phillips and Deputy Reeve Fred Near of Trafalgar, Reeve F. I. Ryckman and Deputy Reeve William J. Bennett of Burlington, and Reeve Herbert Terry and Deputy Reeve Fred C. Tilley of Oakville.

### Jacklighters

Two Kilbride men were arrested Sunday evening and charged with jacklighting deer. Halton Game Warden R. M. Reid reported.

He said he seized a .303 and a light after chasing their car through a cornfield. A court case is pending.

Council's striking committee, composed of the Reeves of each municipality, named the following committees for 1960:

Agriculture and Reforestation: chairman Sinclair, Service, Merry, Ryckman and Near.

County Buildings: chairman Desjardine, Tilley, Bird, Gray and Hargrave.

Finance, Hospitalization, Assessment and Civil Defence: chairman Tilley, Milne, Phillips, Bennett and Goy.

County Roads: chairman Milne, Phillips, Bennett, Desjardine and Sinclair.

Legislation, By-laws and Reception: chairman Ryckman, Pettit, Service, Bird and Merry.

### Seven on Planning

Planning: chairman Phillips, Service, Merry, Ryckman, Hargrave, Bird and Pettit.

Printing, Education and Special Communications: chairman Goy, Sinclair, Bennett and Near.

Halton Centennial Manor Board: chairman Milne, Sargent, Goy, Desjardine and Phillips.

Board of Health: council appointments are Pettit and Goy. Other members are W. T. Dales, Robert Marshall and Ray Thompson.

County Board of Audit: The

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## Ontario Steel Plating Closes

The Plating Department of Ontario Steel Products Company Limited will close on January 29th, Ian Fleming, manager of the Milton Division of Ontario Steel announced this week.

An estimated 100 employees will be affected by the close. Ontario Steel Products Co. Ltd. president, E. S. Byers in a letter to employees explains the plant closing would be for an indefinite period. He pointed out that for some time it had not been economically sound to continue the operation, and there was nothing in the immediate future that might change that situation.

Mr. Fleming emphasized that the Spring Manufacturing section of the Milton plant would not be affected by the closing of the Plating Department.

The Plating Dept. covers an estimated 40,000 square feet.

The Milton Recreation Committee was formally established on Monday when Milton Council gave two readings to the necessary by-law. Named to the committee were Ed Gawronski and Herb Higgs for three year terms, Ian Scovell and Neil H. McPhail for two year terms and Lorne Evans for a one year term. Council representatives also named for a one year term are Reeve Art Desjardine and Deputy Reeve Mary Pettit.

Following approval of the by-law Mayor Childs said he would arrange a preliminary meeting of the group as soon as possible that it might arrange meeting nights and a chairman to begin functioning immediately.

The seven member group was formed following endorsement of the idea by many local organizations. Council referred the matter to the Arena Board for study and that group recommended early establishment of the Committee.

In a letter from the Arena Board, on the subject, it was pointed out a early meeting should be arranged with Lloyd Minshall, representing the Community Programs Branch of the Department of Education. The letter noted there appeared to be a

definite lack of program for senior high school students, young adults and senior citizens living outside Halton Manor. "Perhaps the largest field of endeavour for a Recreation Committee would be the operation of a summer program for children in the parks," the letter noted. It was referred to the newly organized Committee.

Representing the Milton Safety Council, Tim Milloy outlined plans for a driver improvement school and asked council to pass a by-law requiring every licence applicant of 16 or 17 to submit

proof of having taken the course before being granted a driver's licence. He noted a letter from the Safety Council would formally request this action. Members of council asked further detail, however, on similar operations in other centres before considering a by-law.

Appointments approved at the meeting included:

● Councillors Charlton and Wilson to the Milton Planning Board as council representatives and Norm Pearce as a representative of the Industrial Commission.

● H. Griswold, G. Roberts and R. Brush to the Arena Board.

● Reeve Desjardine, Deputy Reeve Mary Pettit and Councillors Merritt, Pearce and Johnson to the Court of Revision.

● G. Roberts to the Planning Board for 1960 and 1961 and George Purdy to the Board for 1960, 61 and 62.

● Councillors Johnson and Charlton to the Arena Board.

Alterations to the traffic signal system at the corner of Main and Martin St. were discussed with consideration to a lighted sign indicating no right turns on the red lights, and a larger walk and no walk signal. Foreman Bruce McKerr outlined specifications of the lights and costs.

A letter from the Minister of Highways noted officials from his department would be in Milton this week to discuss improvements to the Main-Martin traffic flow. Consideration of the signals was left until the recommendations of the department were received.

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## Rotary 13th Anniversary Party Sees Humorous History Told

Marking the 13th anniversary of the club, members of the Rotary Club of Milton held past presidents' night under the direction of charter president Ken Dick and past president Norm Guild.

Members roared with laughter as past presidents reviewed the earlier years of the club. Charter president Ken Dick cut a large birthday cake resplendent with the Rotary emblem and presented a certificate of merit to Gord Gowland. Each past president also received a similar certificate including Ken Dick, Gord Gowland, Bob Reed, Mike Ledwith, Gord McIntosh, Jim Dills, Norm Guild and John Ostler. Certificates were also to be forwarded in the names of Dave Davis and Dr. F. Babcock.

A two piece orchestra of Wally McCutcheon and Don Merritt provided music for a song led by Mike Ledwith. Guest of honor, Warden Doug Sargent and Deputy Reeve Walter Gray of Georgetown and Reeve Cam Sinclair of Esquimaux joined Reeve Art Desjardine, Milton, to form the county council quartette for a number during the sing song.

During the business session of the meeting club members approved a donation of \$200 to the Minor Sports Association and purchase of a walker for Halton Centennial Manor at a cost of \$115.

Each past president reviewed some of the highlights of his

year, most in humorous fashion, including the first fund-raising project of a garden party in the agricultural grounds, the development of the annual farm picnic, the beginnings of the Saturday morning minor hockey project, the teen town efforts, the peanut daws, the purchase of the park, the appearance and lack of appearance by Gracie Fields, the car trouble, Mart Kenney and his appearance in the arena, the renting of the Brant Inn for an evening and dozens of humorous side-lights.

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May Increase Rates

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THREE NEW SIGNS advising motorists of the route off Highway 401 to Highway 5 and the Queen Elizabeth Way were erected Wednesday by the Milton Safety Council. Const. Ron Rupert and safety council chairman Tim Milloy are seen with one at the Base Line-Martin St. corner. They hope the signs will assist lost motorists, and of course there's a "plug" about safe driving on each sign.

## J. Rush Chairs Hydro Commission Lighting, Rates on First Agenda

Jack Rush was named chairman of the Milton Hydro-Electric Commission at the inaugural meeting of the Commission on Tuesday evening. Other commissioners present at the first meeting of the year were Mayor S. G. Childs and Bill Rowney.

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## Sports Inside

No less than 15 stories on sports are found in this week's issue as the Champion's sports staff brings you all the sporting news.

Milton split a pair of Intermediate hockey games with arch-rivals Georgetown this week. Stories on page 4 and 9.

Junior Bowling is a contentious subject. Columnist Bruce Hood and organizer Jack Charlton explain their views on page 4. Meanwhile on page 9 is a roundup of the week's scores in adult leagues.

It was light night at the arena Tuesday, as two industrial teams clashed with sticks and fists. Report on page 5.

Coming soon in sports—ice fishing, what's new in golf, more photos, Minor Hockey Week, and personalities in the sports scene.

## Mould Better Drivers

# Adopt Driver Improvement Course

Milton Safety Council adopted preliminary plans for a local driver improvement course at their regular meeting Thursday evening, and named a committee of five to study, finalize and implement the program. Aimed specifically at the teenage driver in the 16 to 20 years age group, it will also improve driving habits of all age groups.

"We feel this course is a very necessary thing for Milton, and want to waste no time in getting started," president Tim Milloy stated. "It is in the best interests of all the citizens of Milton, through this safety council, to ensure that a course is started and maintained, so that the high accident rate and needless loss of life may be brought to a halt."

Maybe Three Lessons

Original plans call for a four hour course to be covered in two evenings, but there is a possibility that films and slides which are available, may extend the lessons

to a third or fourth evening. "The 16-20 age drivers are the people we are mainly interested in," said the safety officer, Constable Ron Rupert of Milton O.P.P. "The accidents in the 16 to 20 age group are fantastically high compared to other age groups. . . they have the potential of making the best drivers, but through lack of knowledge of the driving rules and a showoff nature, they are in the worst accident category."

Ask By-Law

In order to get this group to participate, the safety council plans two ideas—to make the lessons as convenient and interesting as possible, and to approach council for permission to establish a by-law whereby all persons age 16-17 making application for a driver's permit in town, must produce a driver improvement course certificate. This would force 16-17 year olds just starting to drive to take the course, and adults, whether beginners or ex-

perienced, would also be welcome for lessons.

Two films on perception of driving hazards, and a test on signs and signals, are available for the course. The chairman has suggested that time be taken in the course to show the working of an automobile. Lectures, visual aids, demonstrations, studies of accident reports, literature from the Department of Highways, questions and discussion periods would round out the course.

"The whole purpose of the course," summed up the chairman, "is to create or mould a proper driving attitude in the minds of those who attend. We cannot endeavour to teach a person to drive an automobile, but we can concentrate on teaching the rules of the road and importance of obeying them."

Named to the committee were Mr. Milloy, Const. Rupert, Jack Schill, Bob Mackay and Tom Cumella.

## Tempers Flare for Two Hours

# Refuse to Allow Use of Industrial Sewer for Commercial Block

Milton Council Monday night, after two hours of discussion, flaring tempers and argument, approved the signing of an agreement with Oakview Developments for installation of a sewer line to serve the James H. Matthews Co. but refused to include a clause that would permit the same line to serve a commercial development that would be located in Trafalgar Township.

After lengthy discussion, a motion to allow the line to serve a shopping centre that might be built over the Milton boundary in Trafalgar, was defeated on a vote of 5-4 with the Mayor casting the final vote to break the tie.

The agreement, approved by council in the form submitted by

K. Y. Dick and strenuously objected to by John Tamai representing Oakview Developments, provided for the developer to connect a 12 inch sewer line to the existing town line on Ontario St. and extend it east to the town boundary.

Mr. Tamai asked that the same agreement cover service to the proposed shopping centre. Several members objected to this, arguing they had negotiated with Trafalgar Township only to service the industrial lands of the area and at the time of negotiations no commercial section was discussed.

Action Denied Approval

Mr. Tamai countered that at the time industrial lands were being discussed the land for a shopping

centre, partly in Milton and partly in Trafalgar, had not been zoned to accommodate such a development. He noted that following his request Milton Council had agreed to rezoning the town land for a shopping centre and recommended similar action to Trafalgar. The developer contended this action led him to believe he would be able to service the land from Milton services.

Councillor Johnson noted that if the shopping centre buildings were built in Milton, only a permit would be necessary to connect the centre to the sewer line, but if the buildings were in Trafalgar an additional agreement would have to be negotiated.

Mr. Tamai noted the installa-

tion of the sewer line was costing his firm nearly \$6,000, to take the line from Ontario St. connection through a section of the town to the town boundary.

Councillor Charlton summed up that the request to serve the commercial section was new that night. "We agreed to the original request to serve the industrial area. I'm opposed to selling services to develop a commercial section in another municipality."

On a resolution to provide the service to the commercial section Reeve Desjardine, Deputy Reeve Pettit and Councillors Merritt and Pearce supported the move. Opposed were Councillors Charlton, Johnson, Reid, Wilson and Mayor Childs.

When the result of the vote was known Mr. Tamai indignantly protested he would not put in a sewer under these conditions. "Why rezone the property if you don't plan to service it? Matthews and Cr. can take down their steel as far as I'm concerned."

Reeve Desjardine decried the action of council, noting the amount of work the Industrial Commission had done last year to get the James H. Matthews Co. to locate on the site.

Council proceeded to give approval to the by-law authorizing the signing of the agreement, allowing Oakview Development Co. to install the sewer to the industrial area.



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INAUGURAL MEETING of the Milton Hydro-Electric Commission was held Tuesday evening in the Commission offices with Jack Rush named chairman. Shown with Mr. Rush are commissioners S. G. Childs, W. Rowney, and secretary-treasurer O. Hadley. Members of the Commission meet monthly. Mr. Rush was elected to the Commission in December for a two year term.