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HIGHWAYS MINISTER DAVE BOLDT cuts the ribbon officially opening Gabriel's lust Wednesday. Looking on are left to right: A. A. Mastalish, Reeve of the R.M. of Fish Rev. Father A. Duhaime and Premier W. Ross Thatcher.

Gabriel's Bridge officially opened

Last Wednesday, October 23, several thousand people grathered at the new Gabriel's Bridge site to watch the phasing out of a colorful part of our history and the usnering of the new. It was the occasion of the official opening of Gabriel's Bridge and the closing of Gabriel's Bridge and the closing of Gabriel's Ferry. Highways Minister Dave Boldt cut the ribbon to open the bridge.

Guest speaker. Hop. W. Ross Thatcher, terined the event symbolic of what is happening all over Saskatchewan. New and better facilities of every kind, he said, are replacing the old and the out-dated.

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The bridge, costing "somewhat more than \$600,000," is the fifth built in Saskatchewan since the present government took office. It will serve some of the finest farming areas in the west, said Mr. Thatcher.

In reference to the name of

"we are perpetuating the name of a giant among men of the early days of the Canadian West. we are remembering a historical figure."

While to some he was a "mere rebel", Gabriel Dumont to all was willing to stand up and fight for what he believed was right, said Mr. Thatcher, and added we are paying tribute at the same time, to all courageous people who settled the Saskatchewan Valley region.

Other platform guests at the opening included Rev. A. Duhaime of St. Michael's Indian School, Duck Lake, who spoke the invocation; Frank Hamm, Reeve of the R.M. of Fish Creek, Miss Felicite Dumont, Duck Lake, grandniece of Gabriel Dumont; L. T. Holmes, Deputy Minister of Highways and C. Mamczasz, pre-

sident Charlie Mamczasz and Company Ltd., general contractors of Calgary, who presented the scissors to Hon. Dave Boldt for the ribbon of the program was the unveiling of the plaque bearing the name of the bridge, by Miss Dumont.

Entertainment was provided by the Rosthern Band under the direction of Mel Wallace. Ian Stockan, Langham, was chairman

rollowing the ceremonies at the bridge the official party and the news media moved to the ferry to participate in the final crossing hosted by CFQC's morning men Wally Stambuck and

Honored



Maralyn Dianne Friesen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Friesen, Rosthern, was awarded the medal for general proficiency at the final commencement exercises of St. Paul's (Grey Nuns) School of Nursing in Saskatoon on Sunday, October 20.

Miss Friesen, a 1966 graduate of Rosthern High School, is a member of the 1969 class and has one more year of studies left.

bridge More than opening 300 banquet attend

Over 300 invited guests sat down to a sumptuous banquet at the RJC auditorium last Wednesday evening, marking the highlight of the official opening of Gabriel's Bridge. The banquet was sponsored by the Saskatchewan Department of Highways.

Hon. Dave Boldt, Rosthern MLA and Sask. Minister of

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Highways was the main speaker. He reviewed the changes which had taken place in the Valley area since 1964, mentioning in particular the highways and natural gas programs.

On the basis of the present constituency, said Mr. Boldt, not one urban community had natural gas prior to 1964, despite the fact that they were relatively close to two main trunk lines. Today, he said, as a result of a new policy negotiated with the Minister in charge of the Power Corporation, every community, with the exception of Alvena, has natural gas.

Mr. Boldt outlined the highway program undertaken in the Rosthern constituency, including No. 5 through Langham and a new grid road to connect Dalmeny to No. 5. A stub road linking Hepburn to Highway 11.

Was oiled last year and the department is committed to Waldheim to provide oiled stub roads to Highway 11.

Referring to Gabriel's Ferry, Mr. Boldt said it would be ta-tcontunued on last page)

Solved

Water

problems

made on the recommendation of representatives of the company which supplies the treating equipment.

The investigations revealed

Low water pressures, which have bugged the staff at Rosthern Union Hospital for some time, have been solved.

According to hospital administrator Joe Habetler, the problem, which at first appeared to be of a serious nature, was solved after investigations were

Civic election **notes**

The investigations revealed plugged filters which cut down the flow of water and reduced the pressures. The filters have since been cleaned and the problem cleared up.

In other busines at a recent board meeting two bursaries of \$250 each were awarded to Miss Sandra Lehmann and Miss Marilyn Dueck, both of Rosthern. They enrolled in nurses' training at the Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Arts and Science in Saskatoon.

It was also revealed at the meeting that two representatives from the Saskatchewan Hospital (Contunued on Page 7)

An election for reeve in the R.M. of Rosthern was assured Monday when incumbent Frank Hamm and Wilmer H. Roth both filed nomination papers. In Division 5 incumbent B. M. Friesen will be opposed by David W. Klaassen. Peter Yaniw, Division 1, and George F. Guenther, Division 3, were re-elected by acclamation.

R.M. OF DUCK LAKE

A newcomer to civic politics, Leonard Thille of Rosthern, was elected reeve of the R.M. of Duck Lake by acclamation. Incumbent Jerry Como retired after 12 years on the council, the last four of which he served as reeve. A contest shapes up in Division 1, with Ernest Isinger and Wilfred Pelletier contesting the seat. Henry Neudorf in Division 3 and Wm. J. Bergen in Division 5, were re-elected by acclamation.

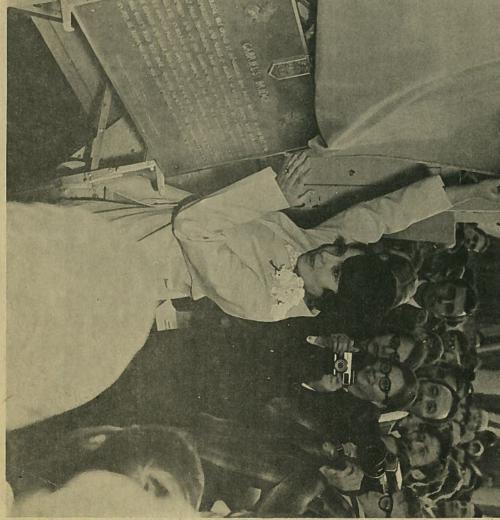
DUCK LAKE

TOWN COUNCIL

Mayor Alf Maier was the only candidate to file nomination papers on romination day and will begin his third term in that office next January. All three incumbents are seeking re-election: Joe Fayant, Clarence Lanovaz and Eugene Tournier. An election was necessitated when newcomer Edwyn Debray threw his hat into the ring.

POLLING DAY

Elections to fill all vacancies on rural municipal councils, town and village councils and school boards will be held Wednesday, November 6. Check posters and advertising for correct times and polling stations.



MISS FELICITE DUMONT unveils the plaque bearing the 1 and a brief history of Gabriel Dumont. Miss Dumont, a grand student at Stobart School in Duck Lake. The unveiling took pl monies last Wednesday. the new Gabriel's Bridge of Gabriel Dumont, is a the bridge opening cere-