At the Kingston General Hospital on Tuesday, December 31, 1996. George Edison, beloved husband of Rose Marie Puffer of Lakeport. Dear father of Rick and his wife Cathie of Colborne, Peter and his wife Nancy of Trenton and Debbie and her husband David of Colborne. Also missed by 10 grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Special uncle to Norma Surano of Whitby and Barbara Guthrie of Oakville. Following cremation a memorial service was held at the MacCoubrey Funeral Home, Colborne on Friday, January 3 at 2 p.m. Spring interment Lakeport Cemetery. In memoriam donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

GORMAN, JOHN PHILIP

At his home in Colborne on Wednesday, January 1, 1997 in his 85th year. Jack Gorman, served with the Royal Canadian Artillery in overseas combat WW II. Retired at 65 from CN also retired at 75 from Guaranty Trust. Will be sadly missed by his wife Lois, his children Peter and Shirley, Mark and Bev, Kathy and Brian and Keith and Linda and his step children Bob, Rick and Jan, Randy, Gord and Karen, Donna and Guy and his grandchildren Peter, Sheri, Kelly, Krystal, Jeremy, Laura, Alan, Kyle, Matthew, Jason, Luke, Ashley, Peter, Lisa, Jeremy and Elizabeth and great granddaughter Melissa. A funeral service was held at the MacCoubrey Funeral Home, 11 King Street West, Colborne on Saturday, January 4, 1997 at 2 p.m. Interment Salem Cemetery. Friends called at the funeral home on Friday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Comrades of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 187, Colborne gathered for a service Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. Those wishing may make memorial donations by cheque to the Salvation Army.

SCHURMAN, NOREEN LOUISA At the Port Hope and District Hospital on Sunday, January 5, 1997 in her 83rd year. Noreen Howl, wife of the late Herman Nichol Schurman. Loving mother of Richard of Cobourg, Nora Campbell of Hamilton, Jean Myles of Bewdley and Joan Bell of St. Catharines. Sister of William Howl of California. Mrs. Schurman will also be missed by 13 grandchildren, 21 greatgrandchildren and 2 great-greatgrandchildren. At Mrs. Schurman's request there will be no funeral or visitation. Those wishing may make memorial donations by cheque to the Canadian Diabetes Association or to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. Arrangements by the MacCoubrey Funeral Home, Colborne. 905-355-2829.

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Report of amalgamation and true: Oliver

Cramahe not looking eastward, says reeve

By Eileen Argyris

Despite information contained in a story in last weekend's Trentonian, Cramahe's reeve says the township is not considering amalgamation with Brighton and Brighton Township.

Reeve Stuart Oliver last weekend denied the suggestion that Cramahe — independently of Colborne — had any plans to join forces with the eastern municipalities.

Mr. Oliver pointed out that Cramahe "has Colborne surrounded," in a way that geographically links their destinies.

That being the case, he asked, "Why would we talk about amalgamation with

anybody, without Colborne being there?"

There was no mention of a Colborne in the Trentonian's front-page article entitled, "Amalgamation — too many options."

The article stated, in part, "Brighton mayor Bill Pettingill says he personally favours retaining the status quo. Failing that he wants the province to lay down ground rules for Quinte-area municipalities to determine the best route to take on the amalgamation highway. Right now there are several options, including Brighton Brighton, Township and Cramahe

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Township amalgamation."

Mr. Oliver acknowledged

that "there is a small portion (of the township population) that looks to the east.

"But most (Cramahe residents) residents look to the west."

He added, that is why Cramahe is currently working toward the establishment of a municipal planning authority, or MPA — as distinct from a merger — with Haldimand Hamilton, Hope and Alnwick Townships and the village of Colborne.

MPAs are a new planning tool suggested by the provincial government, that will see small municipalities band together to share the cost of a full-time planner, thus eliminating the need

for many development applications to wait for the nod from Queen's Park.

"That's what we're working on," Mr. Oliver confirmed.

Colborne and Cramahe have begun discussions on a political merger three times in recent years but, each time, negotiations have failed to lead to amalgamation.

The most recent round of talks ended last summer.

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