

## News of the district

### Ghouls interrupted in Milton

MILTON — An attempted grave robbery in Milton's pioneer cemetery on Bronte St. over the Dominion Day weekend probably failed because the intruders were scared off.

Last week a town resident noticed fresh dirt in the north-west corner of the cemetery beside the P. L. Robertson factory on Bronte St., and found someone had dug a coffin-shaped hole six feet by three feet in front of one of the tombstones.

Milton police report whoever opened the grave came within about six inches of reaching the casket when they quit.

The grave, 110 years old, is marked with a weathered headstone indicating it was the grave of Thomas H. Thompson, who died November 4, 1858 at the age of 56 years, 11 months and three days. There have been no recent burials in the old cemetery — the most recent date of death on any of the headstones is 1937.

Police said an American couple had enquired about old graves shortly before the occurrence, however, no one made a note of their name. Local cemetery records do not go back to 1858 and to date police have been unable to find any living relatives.

Meanwhile a check of early Canadian Champion records left the impression Thomas Thompson's remains may not lie there after all. He died in 1858 but the pioneer cemetery was not opened until 1860. It is even possible Mr. Thompson may have been buried elsewhere and the stone was moved to the Thompson family plot after the town's first cemetery opened in 1860.

### Hail on 10th line "size of golf balls"

GLEN WILLIAMS — Efforts from on high to supply additional golf balls for the Carling Millar golf tournament weren't appreciated on the 10th hole of Esquesing. Friday evening, July 5, was an evening which will be long remembered by a few residents on the 10th Line.

About 6:30 p.m. a storm broke and amid high wind and rain, the hail came with a roar. Hail, which was literally the size of golf balls (small ones, maybe) but still the largest hail anyone had ever experienced in this district.

It cut off flowers, vegetables, took down branches and leaves were strewn all over just like the falling of leaves in the fall. It broke windows and was so thick it lay like a carpet on the ground.

The cattle were so frightened they ran to try to get away from it. In fact the cows on one farm which were enclosed in a yard ready to go in the stable for milking, stampeded, broke down a gate and ran.

### Buses on and off Main St.

GEORGETOWN — The Gray Coach bus line route in Georgetown, which has been shuttling back and forth on and off the main drag like a badminton bird, is again up in the air.

A Georgetown Herald editorial which attempted to make some sense out of what was called a "comic opera" was out of date before the last issue was on the street. Georgetown council pushed the buses off the Main St. a few months ago — then began to back-track.

Suggestions flew thick and fast. One morning parking meters placed in front of the bus depot were removed, then a fast change was made to move back to the alternate route. Bus drivers seemed to take any route they pleased.

The last word received, which indicated the buses would return to the Main St., was also up in the air.

### Recommend low rental houses in Fergus

FERGUS — Fergus is also in the market for low rental housing from Ontario Housing Corporation. A report from the O.H.C. recommends the town give approval to building 18 family dwelling units and 28 senior citizen dwelling units.

A previous survey in 1962 showed no need for public housing. Meanwhile population has increased from under 4,000 to nearly 4,700. Senior citizens comprise 17.5 per cent of the population compared with a provincial average of 11.7 per cent.

Fergus could have housing with rents geared to income in "not more than 18 months and possibly less," an O.H.C. representative told council.

### Erin students on trip to Quebec

ERIN — Cessie and Obar Ross, students of Erin District High School are among those on a two-week student exchange trip to Quebec.

Twenty-five hundred students are taking part in the program from July 3 to July 15 and will be touring 50 communities from the Montreal area to the Gaspé Peninsula. The participants are living in Quebec homes with French speaking students.

The exchange is under the sponsorship of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, with the help of a grant of \$20,000 from the travel and exchange division of the Canadian citizenship branch.

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**SERVICE TOTALLING 97 YEARS** has been given Esquesing Township by these three officials it was noted during a presentation to K. C. Lindsay; at left, marking his 25 years of service as clerk and treasurer. Art Benion, has served as assessor of Esquesing since 1935 adding 34 years to the total, and George Currie, the current reeve; counts his service at 38 years. He has been reeve four times, was warden of Halton in 1936 and has been deputy reeve or on council for the remainder. (Staff Photo)

### Hold Snow reunion at Hornby farm

Over 90 descendants of Thomas Snow and Mary Luxton gathered for the sixth annual Snow reunion at the home of Jim and Barbara Snow, Pineland Farms, Hornby, on Sunday, July 14.

Main event of the day was a bounteous buffet style picnic dinner. One of the older members of the family, Edward Snow, enlightened the gathering with his recollections of past happenings in family history.

A red rose corsage was given to the elderly ladies of the family headed by Mrs. Wreatha Huggins, in her 90th year, and including Mrs. Emma Barry, Mrs. Isobel McDowell, Mrs. Florence Snow, Mrs. Phildola Snow and Mrs. Margaret Snow. White carnation boutonnieres were presented to the oldest gentleman present, Abbie Anderson, in his 92nd year, and Edward Snow.

Youngest child present was Anna Marie Drysdale of Brampton. A full program of games including swimming in the most welcome and spacious pool was enjoyed by many. Those present expressed their approval of a well spent day.

### Erin township passes by-law licence dogs

Erin township council passed a by-law at the last meeting to license dogs in the township. Smith's general store in Ballinacree, Robertson's grocery, O'Grady's, and the clerk's office at Hillsburg have been set up to sell dog licenses. All former by-laws relating to licensing of dogs were repealed.

Council passed a resolution to donate \$800 to Erin Agricultural Society and \$100 to Acton Agricultural Society to assist their fairs in the betterment of agriculture. The Hillsburg Horticultural Society was donated the sum of \$35.

Under the Dog Tax and Livestock and Poultry Protection Act, the following accounts were ordered paid: Mack Bros., one lamb killed and one lamb injured \$25; C.G. Bryan, one trip inspecting \$5.

A special meeting in June passed a by-law for supplementary road expenditures of \$32,000 for 1968. Reeve Jackson presided and all councillors were present.

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### BALLINAFAD

## Given family return from Pacific visit

By Mrs. R. Shortill

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doucet and son Joseph of Sydney, Nova Scotia arrived by train on Sunday last to spend their vacation with relatives in Ontario. This week they are visiting their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Doucet of Ballinacree. On the weekend they went to Sarnia to visit Mr. Doucet's brother. They are enjoying the beautiful Ontario scenery.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gore of London, England, spending two weeks with Mrs. Gore's sister, Mrs. Archie Lawr and Mr. Lawr. This is their first trip outside England. They are very excited about their visit to Canada. While here, Archie and Mary are taking them on trips to Niagara Falls, Toronto, and other points of interest. They have journeyed at the wonder of that great panorama. Also they have been given the privilege of visiting Upper Canada Village and Muskoka. They will have pictures and details to relate to their four sons when they return home. We welcome them to our little community for the fortnight and trust that the enjoyment of their holiday here will be complete.

Billie Black, one of our Ballinacree boys who now resides in Fergus was one of the Acton students who left Malton airport last week for Europe.

Miss Susan Nielsen of West Hill was spending a few days this week with Karen Shortill and her family. Susan called on some of her old friends, among whom was

Mrs. Scull, her former music teacher.

Mrs. Newman held a recital of her piano pupils a week ago in Georgetown. Mrs. Marie Anderson was one of the participants.

Debbie Wayne and Blake French have been visiting their grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Dan Campbell, who have returned to their home in Acton for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Burt and Doris attended the Nelson Reunion at Terra Cotta last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Given, Maggie and Kathy, have returned from a three week motor trip to the Pacific Coast. They visited Vancouver Island, Stanley Park and the Zoological Gardens. They comment on their very breath-taking journey through our Canadian Rockies. They took in the Calgary Stampede and while in Calgary had a visit with their wonderful old uncle Malcolm Given. Mr. Given, who is 90 years old, is as alert as can be and reminded of his nephew and family of his Ballinacree days, and of his old school pals, when he went to Peacock School with his mate Sandy McLean, with whom he walked to school each day.

The Givens family called on other relatives in the western provinces.

The Ballinacree Young folks who went over to Churchill for Bible school held the culmination evening Friday night at Churchill with their parents and friends. All enjoyed the program.

Several interested people turn-

ed out for the Cemetery meeting. Trustees Robert Wayne, Fred J. Shortill and Richard Shortill were appointed. Miss B. Hills who had been secretary-treasurer for 36 years felt that she no longer could act. Mrs. Vera Sanderson was appointed to take her place. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. William McEneaney who were married in St. John's United Church, Georgetown, on Saturday July 13.

The Sinclair Reunion was held at the Community Centre. This family has a "got together" each

year here and how pleasant it must be to have this visit with each other. The guests were the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. John F. Sinclair. It was held on Sunday July 14. Games and a picnic lunch were enjoyed.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed in the church on Sunday. Rev. Johnson's discourse was on the implication of the sacrament on the lives of the participants.

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