

# NEWS of the district

## Hydro pay raises

GEORGETOWN—Members of Georgetown Hydro Commission and the Water Commission had their pay raised, to equal the per meeting rate of councillors, thirty dollars a meeting. Previously they received twenty dollars a meeting. These changes are retroactive to January 1st, 1969.

In addition each chairman will be paid an extra three hundred dollars a year. The Hydro Commission consists of chairman John Y. Armstrong, hydro commissioner Jerry McCaffum, and Mayor "Steamer" Emmerson. The Water Commission consists of chairman Roy Ballentine, water commissioner F. Winston Smith and Mayor "Steamer" Emmerson.

Resolutions requesting the raises were passed by the two Commissions then presented to council, who okayed them. However, the vote was not unanimous, Cr. Ric Morrow vigorously opposed it, claiming the raise indicated they did as much work as councillors. "I do not see how it can be as involved and time consuming as council," he contended. "They are not involved in nearly as many different decisions, as we are, and do not have the same responsibility," he maintained. While admitting he voted for his own pay raise, he said he would oppose this one.

Deputy Reeve Arthur Speight defended the work of the Water Commission, pointing out the amount of work in bringing in a new well, and the amount of criticism if water runs short.

## New golf pro

GEORGETOWN—Donald Findley, newly hired golf professional at North Halton Golf and Country Club on Maple Avenue has just returned from a winter season as golf and sports director on a Caribbean Cruise ship out of New York.

Last year he was teaching professional and assistant to a former North Halton pro, Doug Bruton, at Northwood Country Club in Downsview.

Prior to that he was assistant pro at Trafalgar Golf and Country Club, and first assistant to Murray Tucker at Board of Trade Golf Club. While at the latter club he received the "assistant of the year award" from the Canadian Professional Golfers' Association.

He succeeds Peter Carter who resigned as North Halton pro a month ago.

## Legion lady life member

GEORGETOWN—An honorary life membership in Georgetown Legion was presented to the Branch's first lady honorary member, Miss Dorothy Stone. She has been over the years an ardent supporter of Branch 120 and during that time has been curator of the memorial book which is in the auditorium. She has zealously kept it up to date with an artistic touch which must be seen to be believed. It is a book of sadness but beautiful due to the efforts of Miss Stone.

The emblems displayed by the initiation teams were painted and donated to the Branch by this honorary member. She has contributed much to the Branch. "The membership was long overdue," wrote the Georgetown Herald's Legion columnist.

## Reverse the image

FERGUS—Universities in North America are getting the reputation as being hotbeds for radicals. But educators say this is not the case and a Fergus man will be taking part in a communications experiment this summer in an attempt to inform the public about the true picture.

David Beatty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beatty of Fergus, will be one of 26 students from Michigan State University in Lansing, Michigan, who will be taking part in an experiment in communications this summer. The purpose of the experiment, which will be in the form of a two-month excursion through the United States, is to make it evident to American citizens that the vast majority of college students are not demonstrating radicals.

Expenses for the trip will be met entirely by the efforts of the students. They plan to work in fields, restaurants, at state fairs or anywhere they may be of assistance. Composed of musicians, artists and teachers, the group hopes also to provide an educational experience for the towns it will visit. By co-operating with local citizens, the students hope they will be able to leave favorable impressions in the minds of as many people as possible.

David, who graduated from Fergus District High School in 1961, is a graduate student in communications at MSU.

## Champion changes

MILTON—Several changes have been made on the staff of the Milton weekly paper, the Canadian Champion. Jim Dills becomes publisher, Roy Downs editor and Marvin Grove advertising manager. Mr. Downs was formerly news editor; he's been with the paper 14 years now. Mr. Grove has just joined the staff there. The Champion is a sister publication of the Acton Free Press, and is printed at Dills Printing plant in Acton.

## New store owners

TERRA COTTA—Terra Cotta General Store has changed hands. A Georgetown man and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Walter (Red) Asseltine will be the new proprietors as of May 1, and Mr. Asseltine will assume the duties of postmaster as well.

They have purchased the business from Mr. and Mrs. Bob Footitt who have operated it for six years, since taking over from George Rayner.

Mr. and Mrs. Asseltine have sold their house and will be moving into living quarters at the store. The Footitts are returning to Georgetown, where Mr. Footitt was a member of the volunteer fire department when he lived there previously.



ED WILSON, PAST MASTER of Credit Lodge, Georgetown, presents a color photo of a previous presentation by Walker Lodge to the Georgetown lodge. Worshipful Master Don Van Fleet, accepts the picture while Walker Lodge Past Masters Ted Franklin, Lorne Youngblut and Syd Newton, all involved in the Credit Lodge presentation, look on. (Staff Photo)

## BALLINAFAD

# Family gathering in hall to celebrate 90th birthday

By Mrs. R. Shortill  
The building and repairing boom seems to have hit Ballinafad again this spring. Cellars are being excavated in preparation for building and painting, cementing and other repairing is being done.

Mr. and Mrs. Russ Somerville, Connie and Kathy visited the Harry Shortill family on Sunday. Little Robin Matthews had the misfortune to fall against a stone cutting her knee badly, necessitating a trip to Georgetown Hospital where the wound was closed with stitches.

A fair crowd attended the musical concert presented by a group of people from Fergus at the Community Centre on Saturday night, sponsored by the recreation committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Trimble who now live on the Seventh Line had their church membership transferred from Erin to Ballinafad Church on Sunday at service.

Also baby Lita Marie was tendered the sacrament of Baptism by Rev. K. Johnson. Members of the Trimble family were present to witness the event. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Trimble to our congregation and little Lita will receive our prayers and friendly concern.

Monday evening last a Stanley Brush demonstration was held at the home of Mrs. Floyd Shortill. It is a pleasure to us to receive a call from Mrs. Dorothy Cox, periodically. Mrs. Cox is our Avon Representative.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson, Eden Mills had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Shortill and family on Sunday. Several For Sale signs are in evidence "here and abouts".

Mrs. Marjorie Newman has sold her home on the Seventh Line. This is the former Vannatter home—a fine old country mansion with an historic background.

## OSPRINGE

# Hot beef supper is well attended

By Mrs. D. G. Robertson  
Mr. John Sim of Toronto was a weekend visitor with Mr. and Mrs. D. Stewart.

Mr. Norman Clark, father of Mrs. W. Faulkner, First Line, is a patient at Guelph hospital having suffered a severe stroke. Mr. George Cordona was fishing over the weekend at Owen Sound, but without any luck.

Mrs. Jean Jackson, First Line, has sold her farm and purchased a home in Acton.

Friends of George Lang are sorry to learn he is confined to his home, under a doctor's care, but wish for him a speedy recovery.

Miss Helen Clarkson of Orangeville spent a week with her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grundy.

The men of the local Presbyterian church held another very successful Hot Beef Supper on Saturday evening, attended by a large crowd.

Miss Nancy Grundy, Guelph, spent the weekend with her mother Mrs. Florence Grundy.

## EBENEZER

# Mystery of death subject of sermon

By Mrs. R. McLean  
Mr. Finley's sermon dealt with the doctrine of immortality or eternal life. The mystery of death will never be fully understood. In St. Paul's time, referring to seeing through a glass darkly, the mirrors would be apt to be made of copper, which would be quite dull, if not kept shone. The Christian is the only message which gives hope of life beyond. How impatient we get with physical limitations, the sins that never leave us. The last thing anyone wants to talk about is death. What a glorious thing for the soul to find its real sphere in the life beyond. Death is not going into darkness, but going to Him.

Darlene Wheeler's friends will be glad to know she is recuperating at home following surgery.

John Benvie is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph. All wish him a speedy recovery.

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