

# THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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## Georgetown Town Council

### Held a Busy Session

Deputation from Township and Town Officials Appointed—December Relief Cost \$174.49.

Council met on Tuesday evening at the Mayor Joseph Gibbons in the Reeve George Davis and Councilors Joseph Hall, A. E. Cripps, E. Brown, James Costigan, Thomas McDonald and the new member K. R. McDonald of Ward Three present.

Mr. McDonald was welcomed to the Council Board by Mayor Gibbons and Messrs. E. R. Magloughlin and Frank McDonald asked Council for a renewal of their pool room licenses at 50 percent reduction.

Moved by Hall, seconded by Cripps that the pool room licenses of E. R. Magloughlin and Frank McDonald be renewed at a fee of \$15.00 per table. Carried.

Messrs. A. Herbert and Ian Imrie on behalf of the Lorne Scots Band asked Council for a grant to assist in financing the Band.

Moved by Lyons, seconded by Davis that the Lorne Scots Band be given a grant of \$250.00. Carried.

Messrs. N. Robinson, Deputy-Reeve, A. Wilson and representative ratepayers of Esquimaux, addressed Council regarding the condition of the hill on the 8th line at the South end of Esquimaux Street, and asked that the hill be made safe for the increasing traffic.

It was decided that a committee from the Town Council and Township would deal with the matter and it was hoped that this long standing piece of roadway may be put in satisfactory condition for all concerned.

Moved by Hall, seconded by Cripps that the following accounts be paid: J. McDonald, \$2.10; C. Thompson, court services, 4.00; W. Ward, court services, 4.00; Esquimaux Electric, 66.15; Esquimaux town truck, 3.50; W. Mills, town truck, 4.00; W. O'Neill & Son, w.w., 1.25; B. Mackenzie & Son, coal, 26.50; M. Langdon, legal fees, 15.00; C. O. McClure, ambulance, 10.00; W. G. Marshall, postage, etc., 19.00.

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### St. George's Annual Vestry

On Monday evening the annual vestry meeting of St. George's church was held in the basement, the Rector presiding.

After the signing of the declaration the meeting was declared open. The Apostles' Creed was recited and the opening prayers offered.

The chairman asked Miss Yvonne Adams to act as Vestry Clerk in the absence, through illness, of Mr. Wallace Thompson.

After brief remarks by the chairman, giving his statistics for the year, including the naming of those who had passed to their rest since last vestry meeting, during which recital the Vestry stood, the report of the Churchwardens was presented by the People's Warden, Mr. P. D. McNally, showing a somewhat improved financial condition.

Reports were then presented by the various church organizations, and adopted by the vestry. All organizations were functioning satisfactorily, and their funds were shown to be in a wholesome condition.

The Rector then re-appointed Mr. Elmer C. Thompson as his Churchwarden. Mr. Thos. Eason was elected People's Warden by acclamation.

The sidesmen were re-elected. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Thompson were elected auditors.

The Rector was designated as the proper person to represent the church property on the Voters' List.

Votes of thanks were tendered the Rector and his wife, the Churchwardens, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bradley, chairman and organist, and the organizations of the church, for their faithful performance of their duties.

The meeting then adjourned.

A congregational meeting was immediately convened, for the purpose of electing a lay delegate to Synod. Mr. Elmer C. Thompson's term having expired. Mr. E. J. Goodier was elected for the period of three years.

The meeting then adjourned, and the benediction was pronounced.

The Woman's Auxiliary served refreshments after the meeting, for which they received the Vestry thanks.

### H. C. ROSS JOINS WAMPOLE'S

The following from January "Dealers' Helps," issued by Wampole's, refers to a native of Georgetown who is well known in town and vicinity:

"Mr. H. C. Ross, who has joined the Wampole Sales Staff as our representative for New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.

"Mr. Ross is of Scotch descent, and it is of interest to note that his great grandparents came to Canada about one hundred and twenty-five years ago and settled in the district which is now the site of Georgetown, Ontario—where the subject of this sketch was born and where he received his primary and high school education.

"Mr. Ross decided to enter the profession of pharmacy, and after serving his apprenticeship he graduated in pharmacy in 1937.

"We welcome Mr. Ross to the Wampole organization and take pleasure in presenting him to our many friends and customers in the Maritimes, whom we feel confident he will serve both faithfully and efficiently."

### MILTON COUPLE WED 53 YEARS

Residents of Milton for 55 years, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Mills of Mill street celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Babcock Milton.

Mr. Mills who is 75 years old, was born at Speydale, in Halton County, while Mrs. Mills, who is 71, was born at Palermo. They were married in the old Presbyterian Church on Martin street, Milton, which is now the armory.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Mills belong to Knox Presbyterian Church, Mrs. Mills being an active worker in the Ladies' Aid, of which she is a life member. Mr. Mills is a member of the Loyal Orange Lodge, Milton.

They still enjoy excellent health, and are keenly interested in baseball and hockey, enthusiastically following the progress of the home teams.

The couple have six children, three daughters and three sons, also three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A candidate for parliament declared: "The people of this country must grow more wheat!"

"How about hay?" yelled a heckler.

"I'm talking about food for manning," retorted the candidate, "but I'll get around to your case in a minute."

## MILTON DOCTOR DIES SUDDENLY

### DR. W. E. ROBERTSON STRUCKEN AT WHEEL OF CAR

A heart attack while he was driving to an emergency call caused the death on Sunday of Dr. W. Edgar Robertson, 61, one of Milton's most prominent citizens.

His car went out of control on Main St. struck a parked car owned by Dr. G. D. Denton and careened across the street to smash into H. A. Cavell's garage. The impact broke the garage windows and demolished the door.

Dr. Robertson is a first cousin of Dr. D. E. Robertson of the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto who was trapped in the Moose River mine some time ago.

Coroner G. E. Syer said Dr. Robertson lived only a few moments after the car crashed into the garage. An inquest will be unnecessary, he said, as death was due to heart failure.

A graduate of the University of Toronto, Dr. Robertson went to China in 1906 and founded the Presbyterian church mission hospital at Hengchow. During his 20-year sojourn as medical missionary in China, he sent a number of Chinese youths to U.S. universities at his own expense.

Returning here in 1933, he purchased the home in which he was born and where his father, Dr. David Robertson, practised medicine. Since then he has been associated with Dr. C. K. Stevenson of Milton. Dr. Robertson was a director of the Milton Brick Co. which his father founded.

He was an elder in Knox Presbyterian church, president of Milton Bible Society and a former town councillor.

Surviving are his wife, one son, Dr. W. Edgar Robertson of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto; and a daughter, Betty, Toronto.

### CORRESPONDENCE

#### MR. MORLEY PETTIT WRITES FROM THE SOUTH

Albany, Ga., Jan. 12, 1939.

Georgetown Herald, Georgetown, Ont.

Dear Editor:

Thought you would be interested to know that we had a very pleasant trip down here and are settled to the South here again. We left home the 15th of December, before New Year's and had a very good time until leaving Detroit. After that there was no more joy payment and the snow had not reached the Kentucky mountains, so driving conditions were splendid.

The mild weather you are having brings us summer weather, and if you were here I fear you would be compelled to "take 'em off" even though they may be back on again any day, as January and February usually bring the kind of weather in Georgia that we have at home in November.

Some of the home friends have said they enjoyed the stories about colored people, so here goes. Yesterday a colored man called looking for work. He said he had been with a contractor on "instruction work" but that job "give out." Sounds like Amos 'n' Andy. The new wage hour law setting a minimum of 25c per hour is working hardship with the cheaper colored labor who are glad to get ten and fifteen cents per hour and are worth no more. As there were already plenty of twenty-five cent men the jobs now go to them or remain undone.

Our old black cook and "wash lady" who was toothless last year has her new teeth so here goes. Yesterday she made of gold just as her natural ones were. I had known that these people would have perfectly sound teeth gold crowned as a beauty aid, but did not know before that the custom extended to store teeth. In this case it seems to be effective for when I called for the washing just now she had an old black man sitting by the fire and she was dressed up and her face well powdered and radiant like her gold teeth. She is a widow, but it looks like not for long.

That is all this time.

Morley Pettit.

### PROTECTIVE BODY ELECT OFFICERS FOR 1939

Annual meeting of the Halton Protective Association, which was formed 37 years ago for the recovery of goods stolen and apprehension and conviction of thieves, pertaining chiefly to the farm, was held in Milton last week.

President W. E. McCready stated that no losses were reported during the year and no losses have been reported since 1936, when some sheep were stolen during the summer. Secretary-treasurer Robert Bush, Jr., reported a bank balance of \$1,206.

Officers for 1939 are: W. E. McCready, president; Will Chisholm, vice-president; Robert Bush, Jr., secretary-treasurer. The following directors were elected: Nelson township, E. A. Cartwright, Stanley Agnew, William Shields, Roy Johnston; Nassagawaga township, A. Anderson, E. Elton; Trafalgar township, J. J. Wilson, Frank Cartwright, R. R. Anderson, E. H. Galbraith; Milton, John L. Hardy, Dr. C. Healy.

A car belonging to Thos. A. Blazock, M.P.F., was stolen from in front of the United Church one evening last week.

## Lions are Active in Community Service Work

The regular meeting of the Georgetown Lions Club was held Monday evening 8th line at the McElbannon Hotel. As this meeting followed closely an important adjourned meeting in connection with the Dental Clinic, a guest speaker was not engaged, and the time was well spent in bringing the business up to date. The meeting was well attended and enthusiasm was manifest throughout. After partaking of an excellent supper, sugary correspondence was dealt with followed by reports from the various committees.

Safety Patrol is now fully equipped and in operation at the Public School and the valuable assistance of Principal Wrigglesworth and the teachers in educating the children in this safety movement is appreciated, and promises well for the success of the effort being put forth to protect our children.

The Dental Clinic has made an excellent beginning. The initial survey made recently discloses an appreciable number of needy cases requiring attention and these are being proceeded with. The loyalty and support of our local dentists in undertaking this important work so willingly is just another indication of what is being done to serve the community.

The Lions Club propose to hold an ice carnival, if arrangements can be made and weather permitting, about the middle of February. Full announcement will be made of this when definite arrangements are made.

A three day celebration is under consideration for around the early part of August, commencing on Saturday before Civic Holiday. It is rather early to predict just what the program will be but it is suggested a major band tango, sports, memorial service, garden party and other features will be undertaken. A strong committee has been formed and it undoubtedly will be an outstanding event.

An interesting item on the program was the presentation of the president's button to Lion Chief McClure, and which was ably handled by Past President Grant. The button is set in diamonds and is a real work of art. The presentation is in recognition of excellent work done by the Chief and as a pledge of the loyal support of the members.

Tall Twister Gray as usual added to the merriment of the meeting with one of his humorous stunts and this was a huge success.

The meeting adjourned with the singing of the Maple Leaf as usual.

### WENT TO WEDDING ON HORSEBACK

Tuesday of last week marked the 56th wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. David Campbell, Caledon. The day was marked by a family gathering. Both well-known citizens of the village, Mr. Campbell is 81, and his wife 74. Both enjoy good health and take a keen interest in current events.

Mr. Campbell recalled that on their wedding day, over half a century ago, snow drifts had so blocked the Centre road, at that time a mud trail, that guests were forced to abandon cutters and sleighs and continue to the wedding, which took place at Caledon, on horseback.

Recalling the time when huge lumbered wagons made their perambulatory trips to Brampton with farm produce, and returned laden with groceries and implements, Mr. Campbell observed that it was not an unusual occurrence to become stuck in the mud in the swamps just south of the Caledon Mountains for hours at a time.

The couple have been residents of Caledon district all their married lives. Mr. Campbell followed the trade of a stone mason and in his capacity worked on many of the farms in northern Peel. He is a member of Wamock L.O.L.

The family of five is made up of three sons and two daughters, John, Terra Cotta; Andrew, Caledon; Melville, Alton; Mrs. John Speers, Caledon and Mrs. Ben Graham, Brampton. There are twenty-eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.—Peel Gazette.

### UNION CHURCH HAD PROSPEROUS YEAR

The annual meeting of Union Presbyterian Church was held on Monday, January 9th, and was largely attended.

Reports from the various organizations of the church were very encouraging and the financial statement showed a substantial surplus after all accounts had been paid.

Hon. President and Chaplain—Rev. W. G. O. Thompson.

Hon. President and Assistant Chaplain—P. D. McNally.

President—E. Holmes.

Vice-president—C. Gargent.

Secretary-treasurer—E. E. Young.

Auditors—T. Herbert, S. Dewhurst.

Entertainment Committee—C. Gargent (convener); E. E. Young, E. Holmes.

The new president was then requested to take the chair Mr. Holmes thanked the club for the honour done him the year a good one. The Rector then pronounced the benediction and the meeting closed. The rest of the evening was spent in games.

A social evening for members and their wives, and the heads of the church organizations, is being held on Thursday, Jan. 19th.

### SONS OF ST. GEORGE ANNUAL MEETING

On Thursday evening last the annual meeting of the Sons of St. George was held at the Rectory, the president, Thos. Herbert, in the chair. The meeting was opened with prayers by the Rector.

Reports were presented, showing a good year's work, and the commendation of those who had carried on.

The Rector was then requested to take the chair for the elections, which were as follows:

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## Parliament Now in Session

### Will be Busy, Active, Lively

Increase in Canada's Defences and Trade will be Important Part of Discussions—Also Unemployment.

### Midway Overhadows Better Fair Phases

J. A. CARROLL, ONTARIO DIRECTOR OF FAIRS TOLD PEEL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Educational features and not carnivals or midway shows receive first consideration at district fairs, J. A. Carroll, Ontario director of fairs, told Peel County Agricultural Society on Saturday last at their annual meeting held in Brampton.

"It does seem unfortunate at so many fairs when people go through the gate there is that big midway which makes it difficult for them to reach more important features," said Mr. Carroll. He suggested that best locations, instead of being given to amusements, should be used for judging rings or stock exhibits.

Mr. Carroll told of a recent observation tour of communities in the northern part of the United States where fairs are held.

"In New York state more substantial grants are given than in Ontario, but there are just as many fairs in financial difficulty," he told the agriculturists there. New York State is ahead of Ontario in the promotion of juvenile agricultural education, Mr. Carroll said.

H. A. Dolson, a director of the society for some years, received the first agricultural service diploma awarded in Peel county by the Ontario Association of Fairs. He has missed only one annual meeting of the Peel Society in 35 years.

William Bovaird succeeds Alex. McKinney, Jr. as president. Watson Wiggins and Charles Pendley are vice-presidents, and Fred McBride of Milton continues as secretary. Directors appointed are: Toronto township, Douglas Duntun, Haddon Pegg, Fred McBride, Elmer Piercey; Chinguausay, H. A. Dolson, Alex. McKinney, W. Bovaird, M. Ackroyd, J. M. Fraser, Clarence Hutton; Brampton, C. E. Fenley, Charles Strangways, A. E. Milner, F. Baxter, L. J. C. Bull; Toronto Gore, Wilbert Nix, Charles London; Albion, Leonard Verner; Caledon, W. Wiggins.

### By Spectator

Ottawa, Jan. 17th.—The new session has commenced its labors at the capitol. Parliament has a heavy agenda before it, if we are to judge from the Speech from the Throne delivered by the Governor General, Lord Tweedsmuir, at the opening on Thursday. Parliamentarians will be very busy if they hope to close the session before the arrival of Their Majesties on May 15th. It promises to be an active lively session with an election hovering somewhere on the outskirts of the session, members when they rise to speak will be addressing their constituents as well as the speaker of the house as the time is drawing nigh when the tenure of their seat in the house will depend on the goodwill of the electors and it is most important that that goodwill be kept fully repaired and in perfect working order. Political issues will be defined clearly and forcefully although some heavy artillery will doubtless be held in reserve until the election campaign opens.

The new National Conservative leader, Dr. Manion, has been cordially welcomed to the house by the Prime Minister and other members.

The Speech From the Throne

A feature of especial interest although fully expected was the promise in the Speech From the Throne of an increase in Canada's defences. "The uncertainties of the future and the condition of modern warfare make it imperative that Canada's defences be materially strengthened." The speech mentioned that two years ago the appropriations for defence were increased. The program of defence will now be further expanded. Particular emphasis will be laid on air defence.

Purchasing Board for Defence

Another very interesting feature of the government's programme of legislation in relation to defence is the establishment of a "Defence purchasing Board." This board will purchase equipment for the defence service and will have power to ensure that in the case of private manufacture, profits will be reasonable and the public interest protected. (This measure is the result of the Bren Gun inquiry. It is an effort to institute the most efficient method possible of carrying out this increasingly important and heavy public service.)

Trade will play a very important part in parliamentary discussions. This was made clear in the Speech from the Throne which said the government would ask parliamentary approval to the new pact with the United States which came into operation at the beginning of the year. This pact has "involved a thorough going revision of the Canadian tariff structure, and a reduction of taxes on trade much greater than that made by any previous parliament, or by any other country in recent years." This treaty and the agreement between the United States and the United Kingdom which were signed simultaneously were "A constructive contribution towards a betterment of world conditions." Negotiations are likely to be opened shortly for a new agreement between Canada and the West Indies. The pact which has been in force since 1925 will terminate on the last day of 1939. The Tariff board is going to study sugar duties and other tariffs and it is hoped a new treaty "mutually beneficial" will be negotiated.

### Unemployment

The federal government "notwithstanding constitutional impediments to effective action" will join with the provinces in a further determined effort to meet the immediate situation. The government's programme of public undertakings will be expanded. With provincial cooperation municipal programmes of civic improvements will be aided by the federal government. To help single unemployed men forest conservation measures will be extended to other work of national importance.

The youth training movement which has shown good results will be expanded.

The speech referred to the division of responsibility for unemployment under the B.N.A. Act, and the increasing assumption of responsibility by the federal government. Measures taken by the government to stimulate private employment were reviewed, the housing and municipal improvement acts, aids by subsidies and otherwise to the mining industry, the public works programme, aids by the federal government to the provinces in highway construction, land settlement, farm employment and forest conservation. There have also been the grants-in-aid to the provinces.

The crop failures in the West and the business recession in other parts of the world have intensified the unemployment problem, and this has set out more clearly the obstacles which the division of constitutional authority places in the way of a solution. The report of the Commission on Dominion-Provincial Relations will be received by parliament during the session. A national conference will be called to discuss the report and among the questions to be discussed will be unemployment and social services. The government still believes a national unemployment insurance plan is essential to any general po-

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