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## Ideas of Geo. C. McCullagh Discussed at Public Meeting

### Suggestions Made as to How to Lower Cost of Government—Other Meetings for Discussion of Unemployment, etc., will be held Shortly.

Considerable interest was shown at the public meeting held in the Public Library on Thursday, February 16, to discuss the ideas advanced by George C. McCullagh, Editor of the Globe and Mail, in his recent Sunday afternoon broadcasts.

The meeting was sponsored by Mr. Kenneth M. Langdon, who was keenly interested and had given the matter some consideration. Mr. Langdon called the meeting to order and explained that the meeting had been called to obtain an expression of opinion on the social and economic conditions that exist at the present time and for the purpose of opening discussion suggested among others the following ways of improving our present financial position. He suggested that the Senate had been fixed by the British North America Act in 1867 and little or no reform had been made in the Senate and that in his opinion this system was about a hundred years behind the time and had outlived its usefulness, and said that there were about a hundred Senators drawing a salary of \$4,000.00 a year, some saving could be made if it were possible to bring in the proper legislation. He dwelt with some detail on the existing Provincial Government, pointing out that the ridings had been fixed seventy years ago when there were no automobiles or telephones or even railway facilities and suggested that there could be a substantial reduction in the membership of the Provincial Government. He pointed out that the ridings had been fixed seventy years ago when there were no automobiles or telephones or even railway facilities and suggested that there could be a substantial reduction in the membership of the Provincial Government. He pointed out that the ridings had been fixed seventy years ago when there were no automobiles or telephones or even railway facilities and suggested that there could be a substantial reduction in the membership of the Provincial Government.

advertised and the problems of the unemployed youth and relief should be the subject of discussion for the next meeting; and that if possible some practical suggestions should be outlined and forwarded to our local representatives and if they proved sufficient merit should be brought up to him at the next meeting of the Legislature.

The meeting stressed that we, through our representatives are the government and if we are not satisfied with the present conditions we are the ones who should make an effort to improve these conditions by making proper use of the members elected to express our feelings. The meeting is non party and affords an opportunity of open discussion of civic and economic conditions now existing and something that this community would be well advised to follow up.

## ONE OF HALTON'S OLDEST RESIDENTS

### MRS. MARY FIELD CELEBRATES 90th BIRTHDAY TO-DAY

Mrs. Mary Field, Milton's oldest resident, marked her 90th birthday to-day. She recalls moving to Milton 80 years ago in a horse and rig with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bell who were among Halton county's first pioneers.

Born in Nelson township west of Milton, she has lived there longer than any other resident. She recalled the "many tall pine trees" which covered the area long ago and said she hopes the day will come when seeding trees will be planted in Halton on a large scale to re-create the forests which once existed.

In comparatively good health, she reads the newspapers daily, keeping abreast of world events. She deprecates that "hard work and lack of opportunity today" results in young people leaving the farm, for the "bright lights" of the city.

Mrs. Field resides with her daughter, Miss M. B. Field, who is registrar of deeds for Halton. She has one son, Roy, in Edmonton. There are five grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

## Halton Chapter Hold Reconsecrating Service

On Tuesday evening, Feb. 21st, Halton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, held a Reconsecrating Service in their Chapter rooms. This service was a part of a service held by the Order as a whole throughout the province at the same hour on the same night.

The service was under the direction of Ex. Comp. N. H. Tuck, First Principal of Halton Chapter, assisted by Ex. Comps. W. V. Grant, Rev. W. G. O. Thompson, D. P. Crichton, A. H. Fellar and Geo. Deason. Prior to the start, Ex. Comp. Tuck explained the objects of the Reconsecrating Service, and when it was over, Ex. Comp. Rev. W. G. O. Thompson gave a brief talk, pointing out the benefits obtained from such a service. The service itself was very impressive and was enjoyed by all present.

## R. J. GRAHAM, GEORGETOWN, VICE-PRESIDENT OF CATTLE CLUB

A definite cattle breeding program is the most practical way of boosting milk production, Prof. J. C. Steckley, superintendent of Ridgeway Experimental Farm and School, told members of Peel District Jersey Cattle Breeders' Club at Brampton on Saturday. Prof. Steckley stressed the need of keeping performance records, the present moving pictures of herds in Australia as well as in Peel.

John Pawley, Caledon, was elected president. Other officers named are: Vice-presidents, John Bull, Brampton, and R. J. Graham, Georgetown; directors, H. H. Arnott, Streetsville; Donald Bull, Norval; K. J. Davidson, Brampton; Oscar Graham, Brampton; Stewart Scott, Belfountain; Maurice Beatty, Milton; Ward Ruddlel, Georgetown; Charles McKeown, Acton.

## CAMPBELLVILLE POSTMASTER DIED FEB. 12TH

After entering his home Sunday evening, Feb. 12th, Frederic Garrett, Postmaster at Campbellville, was suddenly stricken with a heart attack, and died within a few minutes.

The late Mr. Garrett was born in Nassagaweya and lived in that district all his life. Twenty years ago he was named postmaster in the village of Campbellville, a position which he held until the time of his death. Prior to becoming postmaster he was employed as a clerk in Ealey general store. Mr. Garrett was widely known throughout the district and was held in the highest esteem by a wide circle of friends, to whom the news of his death came as a great shock. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and a Mason.

Surviving are his widow, in Campbellville, one brother, Leonard Garrett, in Winnipeg; and one sister, Mrs. William Daley, of Aldershot.

## Georgetown Going Ahead

### AUDITORS' REPORT SHOWS A HEALTHY FINANCIAL CONDITION

The Auditors' report for the year 1938, which will be available to the ratepayers in a few days, shows the Municipality to be in a very sound financial condition.

The statement shows an operating surplus of \$5,800 and a steady reduction in the debenture debt from 1932 to 1938. Bank loans were reduced \$6,845 last year and the municipality's liability in connection with Housing was reduced by \$14,733. Of the current tax-roll payments, were as follows: Education \$22,266.79; debit charges \$11,582.20; county rates \$7,423.89; relief and hospitals \$1,681.29; fire protection and street lighting \$4,620.74; streets and roads \$3,643.71; library and cemetery grants \$2,266.00; bank loans reduction \$6,845.00; miscellaneous, including maintenance, administration, etc., \$9,810.65.

In discussing the report at last night's Council meeting the auditor pointed out to the members of the Council, that if the present policy of economy is pursued, a substantial reduction in the tax rate could be realized in the future.

## Fire at Grandview Apartments Saturday

The firemen were called to the Grandview Apartments about 12 midnight on Saturday, when a basement fire was reported. The blaze, which is thought to have started in a pile of clothing in the wash room, was soon extinguished when the water was turned on, but before the building was filled with smoke and some damage done to tenants washing machines. All damages were covered by insurance.

## RECORD ENGLISH WHEAT CROP

The area under wheat in 1938 in England and Wales was 1,830,263 acres, which is 98,428, or 6 per cent greater than in 1937. The estimated yield per acre at 20.3 cwt. was the highest ever recorded, compared with a ten-year average of 17.6 cwt. The increase in the acreage, together with the record yield, accounted for a rise of 33 per cent in production which increased from 1,393,000 tons in 1937 to 1,856,000 tons in 1938. This is the highest crop production since 1921.



### NEW BANK OF MONTREAL BUILDING FOR TORONTO

The site for the proposed new building for the Bank of Montreal is on the northwest corner of King and Bay Streets with a frontage on King Street of 94 feet and on Bay Street of 152 feet.

The building will be sixteen storeys and basement and sub-basement, the lowest floor being some twenty-six feet below the sidewalk. The ground floor to be occupied by the Banking room and also the second floor will cover the whole site while above this there will be a set-back at the north and south of about twenty feet. The remaining fourteen storeys will form a massive tower with the upper storeys enriched to form the crowning motif. The material of the whole exterior will be stone and granite.

The building throughout has been designed in a classical style and has been kept simple and restrained in character in conformity with the best elements of the modern school of thought in architecture.

There will be two entrances, the one on Bay Street leading to an elevator lobby with four large, fast elevators serving the super-structure and through this lobby into the Banking room.

The entrance on King Street will be purely the Bank entrance. It will lead to a vestibule with a stairway on the left to the security vaults and other Bank departments and an elevator on the right serving that portion of the building above and below occupied by the Bank's own offices. From this King Street entrance one will get a view of the main Banking room running the whole length of the building. The chief feature of this room is the imposing colonnade of dark marble columns stretching the full length of the room and separating the public portion and those members of the Bank's staff in contact with the public from the general working space. In so far as making a monumental feature of the dark marble columns, this interior will have something of the same classical character as the Banking room of the Head Office in Montreal which ranks as one of the most impressive and outstanding Banking rooms in the world.

The building has been designed by the well-known firm of architects, Chapman & Oxley of Toronto. The associate architects are K. R. Blatherwick and H. S. Maxwell of Montreal.

## Council Anticipates Reduction in Tax Rate for This Year

### Auditors' Report Presented and Accepted—Other Motions Dispose of Town Building Lots.

### HIGH SCHOOL BOARD

#### DR. A. McALLISTER WELCOMED AS NEW MEMBER TO THE BOARD

The regular monthly meeting of Georgetown High School Board was held on Monday evening, Feb. 13th. Members present were the chairman, Mr. C. B. Dayfoot, Dr. F. R. Watson, Mr. R. B. Foulis, Rev. W. G. O. Thompson and Dr. McAllister.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Accounts totalling \$188.92 were presented, and on motion duly seconded passed to be paid.

Mr. Dayfoot welcomed to the Board Dr. A. McAllister, who has been appointed by the Town Council to fill the vacancy occasioned by Mr. W. V. Grant's resignation. He also expressed the thought that he would miss the co-operation and generous support which he had received at all times from Mr. Grant, and from Mr. J. H. Bingham and Rev. W. G. O. Thompson, retiring members of the Board, regretting that the recent amendment to the Ontario Secondary Schools Act has reduced the number of Board members from six to four. The County Council is now limited to one appointment. Mr. Dayfoot feels that the task of successfully guiding the activities of the high school will fall rather heavily upon the four members of the Board.

This being the annual meeting of the year Mr. Dayfoot vacated the chair to the Secretary.

By motion of Mr. Foulis, seconded by Dr. Watson, Mr. Dayfoot was re-appointed chairman for the year 1939. Mr. Dayfoot resumed the chair and proceeded with the other appointments.

Mr. Foulis and Dr. McAllister were appointed to be a Property Committee; Mr. Dayfoot and Dr. Watson supply committee.

Mr. Walter T. Evans was re-engaged as secretary; Mr. P. B. Harrison as treasurer; Mrs. Freure as attendance officer, and Mr. John Evans as caretaker. All at same salaries as before.

After some discussion on the proposed year's requirements, the meeting adjourned.

Town Council met at 8 p.m. on Tuesday evening. Mayor Gibbons in the chair, and Councillors J. Hall, T. Lyons, A. E. Gripps, J. A. Cossigan, N. H. Brown and K. McDonald present.

The Auditors' report was received as presented by Mr. Leaven, and considerable discussion took place. A reduction in the 1939 tax rate is anticipated.

Moved by K. McDonald, seconded by N. H. Brown, that the Auditors' Report as presented for the year 1938, be accepted and 100 copies be printed.—Carried.

Moved by K. McDonald, seconded by A. E. Gripps, that the tender of Mr. K. M. Langdon of \$100.00 for Lot No. 77 on Edith St. in the town of Georgetown be accepted.—Carried.

Moved by J. Hall, seconded by Thos. Lyons, that the tender of Miss Marguerite Bingham of \$60.00 for Lot No. 88 on McNabb St. in the town of Georgetown be accepted.—Carried.

## George Thorpe, Conservative Federal Candidate

BURLINGTON MAN CHOSEN AT CONVENTION IN MILTON LAST FRIDAY NIGHT

Conservatives from all parts of Halton County met at Milton last Friday Night to elect a candidate to contest the Halton riding in the next Federal election. George Thorpe of Burlington was selected by the convention delegates to carry the Conservative banner in the next election on the fourth ballot. The names of Messrs. G. E. Elliott of Milton and Mr. Hallett of Burlington were also proposed, but Mr. Thorpe was the choice of the delegates.

The principle speaker of the evening was T. A. Thompson, M.P. of Lanark County, who discussed the political issues of the day.

A large representation from Georgetown was present at the meeting.

## EIGHT V.C. HOLDERS TO MEET ROYALTY

All Ontario holders of the Victoria Cross, except those resident in Ottawa, are to be presented to Her Majesty, the King and Queen, at the reception to be held in the Legislative Chamber at Queen's Park on May 22.

The V.C.'s resident in Ottawa will be presented at the Ottawa reception. Eight V.C.'s will be entitled to appear at the Queen's Park function. They are as follows: Capt. Charles Rutherford, Sergeant-at-Arms in the Legislature; Capt. H. B. Geary, Sgt. Harry Robson, Lieut. W. I. Rayfield, Sgt. E. J. Holland of Cobalt, Sgt. W. Merritt of Sault Ste. Marie, Sgt. Colin Barron and Thomas W. Holmes. Capt. Rutherford, who resides in Colborne, is a frequent visitor to Georgetown.

## LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN ELECT OFFICERS

The annual meeting of the Local Council of Women was held at the home of Mrs. J. B. Mackenzie. The officers elected for 1939 were as follows:

President—Mrs. J. B. Mackenzie.  
1st Vice-president—Mrs. A. H. Feller.  
2nd Vice-president—Mrs. Ralph Ross.  
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Helene Lawson.  
Recording Secretary—Mrs. R. Paul.  
Treasurer—Mrs. W. F. Smith.

Splendid reports were read and the Local Council closed with a very successful year.

## RADIO LICENSES TOTAL 1,162,880

Figures Given to House of Commons for Nine Months—1,140 Fined

Convicted of failure to obtain radio licenses, 1,410 persons were fined during the first nine months of the current fiscal year, Transport Minister Howe, told a questioner in the Commons.

During the period 1,162,880 licenses were sold for \$2,679,216. Of this \$194,581 was paid in commissions to salesmen and administration costs were \$81,264.

Private radio receiving licenses issued in Canada for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1938, were 1,104,207 compared with 1,038,500 for the fiscal year 1936-1937.

Mr. Howe also said that there were 4,403 radio licenses of other classifications issued in 1938 compared with 3,726 in 1937 and 4,494 for the nine months ended December 31, 1938.

## McINTOSH APPLE A LEADER

According to the statistics just published of the sales of fruit nursery stock during the year ended May 31, 1938, McIntosh continued to lead all other varieties of apples, accounting for twenty-five per cent of the total sales. The most popular stock of early varieties of apples was Yellow Transparent, and sales of Wealthy came first on the list of fall apples.