

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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Vote for Reeve & Council Monday

ACCLAMATION FOR MAYOR CLEAVE FOR THIRD TERM

Two candidates for the reevehip, and a total of ten candidates for Council in the three wards have qualified for election next Monday as a result of the nomination meeting held last Friday in the Library. Cr. Thos. Lyons is opposing Reeve K. R. MacDonald for the position of Georgetown representative on County Council. In Ward 1, ex-mayor Joseph Gibbons will run against the present councillor, Garfield McGilvray and Wm. P. Thompson, while in Ward 2 there is a field of four newcomers, Thos. Eason Jr., Corey Harrington, Jim Ritchie and T. L. Leslie. In Ward 3, Cr. Sid Orr will be opposed by James Goodiet and Bruce MacKenzie.

Town Clerk P. B. Harrison presided at the meeting which had a very small representation of ratepayers. Reeve MacDonald was first to speak and he dealt with County matters which affected Georgetown, particularly the hiring of a County Assessor which he opposed, but which was nevertheless voted in. The Reeve also gave the road report for Cr. Clifford Bradley, now a resident of Erin. Snow removal was a big item last year, totalling almost \$600, while over \$800 had been spent on necessary sidewalk repairs. Increased population and opening of new streets had required the services of two new men on town work.

Cities Low Tax Rate

Mayor Harold Cleave, next on the platform, dealt in a general way with town affairs. He pointed out that at present, the tax rate is the lowest it has been in 26 years, with debenture debt dropping all the time. The latter, however, will be augmented next year when the new sewage system is scheduled for installation. He took pride in the growth of the town, now numbering over 2800, and lauded the work of the Board of Trade and the newly-formed Georgetown Recreational Council.

The Mayor promised that something would be done in the spring in public recognition of the gallant work of local men overseas and praised citizens for their outstanding support of the last Victory Loan.

Sewage Installation New

Cr. Orr, giving his financial report indicated a cash surplus of about \$6,000 for a year-end estimate. The debenture debt at the end of the year will be \$62,000, mostly for waterworks. He advocated immediate installation of sewerage, saying that while labour might be cheaper later on, debentures could now be floated at 3%, and compared with 5% water debentures would result in a saving of \$55,000. This was more money than the whole cost of the labour involved.

Praise Firemen and Chief

Cr. McGilvray in his report on Fire, Water and Light praised the fire brigade for their excellent work and also spoke highly of the Police Force. He gave a general picture of what the 1946 council had done—taken the sewage vote, laid new sidewalks, a map of the town being compiled, new sub-division opened up and extensions made to water mains. He said he was running again in Ward 1, which he had tried to serve to the best of his ability for the two past years.

Centless Reevehip

Cr. Lyons announced his intention of contesting the reevehip after seven years on Council. In his report on Property, he spoke of the new fence at the park and pointed to a \$1500 item in the road report for oil and gravel which he thought could be considerably reduced by hard surfacing more streets. He thought action on sewerage installation should be dependent on whether the final estimate is much in excess of the preliminary report.

Cr. Thompson said that his committee work had been well covered by previous speakers and said that he was again seeking office in Ward 1.

Retires from Office

Cr. Jack Armstrong, in announcing his retirement as councillor for Ward 2 due to pressure of business, said he had enjoyed his two terms on council and paid tribute to the town clerk and police force for their cooperation with him.

W. H. Kentner, reporting for the Hydro Commission, said the demand for service had increased so rapidly that more power will have to be provided. An expenditure of \$21,000 will be met from surplus and will not result in any rate increase.

Criticizes Tax Rate

The only nominee for council who took advantage of the open session after committee reports was Joseph Gibbons, who said he was seeking office as a councillor in Ward 1. He questioned the Mayor's statement about a low tax rate and pointed out that the government grant for schools had resulted in a saving of 14 mills this year and that the tax rate, while appearing to drop, had actually been raised eight mills in 1944 without any large outstanding municipal expenditures.

He reminded Cr. Orr of his criticism at last year's nomination meeting of the town's purchase of the Municipal Building during Mr. Gibbons' term as mayor, and said that Cr. Orr's name appeared on a resolution saying the building was not for sale when he (Mr. Gibbons) offered to buy it this year.

Mr. Gibbons said that if elected he would do his best to see that a Board of Education, elected by the ratepayers, would replace the present system of an elected public school and an appointed high school board.

Vote on Monday

Voting will take place next Monday with the polls open from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. Polling places are as follows: Ward 1—Town Hall; Ward 2—Thos. Grive's home; Ward 3—Municipal Building.

HORNBY

The Hornby parish of the Anglican Church has secured the Rev. H. Leighton, who is a Licentiate of Theology, as rector. His duties will begin on Sunday, December 2nd, and will include the Anglican churches in Hornby, Norval and Stewarttown. He has previously served at Shanty Bay, Hanlan's Point, Toronto, and Nobel, and has been editor-in-chief of the "Canadian Churchman," an Anglican church paper. We wish him every success in his work amongst us.

Mr. Fred Robertson has sold his house and lot to Mr. John Clayton of Toronto.

As for our sick folk, Mrs. Edward Bridgen is quite well again, and still at the home of her son Murray, and Mrs. Bridgen, Mrs. William Bailey has returned to her home and is well again. Mr. James Bailey is about the same. Mr. John Ford is slightly better, and Mr. John King has all but recovered from his recent attack of shingles.

On Sunday, November 18th, the United churches welcomed the Rev. A. O. W. Foreman of Ballinacraig to their pulpits. The pastor, Rev. Fred Ainsworth, was in Churchill preaching the anniversary sermons. Mr. Foreman had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Thompson of the Hornby store and post office.

The Woman's Association of the Hornby United Church had a two-day quilting bee at the home of Mrs. Cliff Wrigglesworth during the early part of last week.

At the last meeting of the Bethel Y.P.U. Tom Alderson was elected representative to the Official Board of the Hornby charge. Lola Merry sang a patriotic solo, "Dear Land of Home" to the tune Finlandia. Mrs. Emerson Ford told the story of "The Man Without a Country." Mr. Ainsworth gave the second talk on church membership. Games were played, and the meeting closed at about 10:30 p.m. About 35 were present. There will be a special speaker and refreshments this Friday evening.

C.S.M. David Bowman Third District Man to Win M.M.

Third Georgetown man to win the Military Medal, CSM David Bowman is receiving the congratulations of friends for this recognition of his gallant service with the Canadian Army Overseas. News of the award came in a letter to his wife from Ottawa last week, the full text of which follows:

"It is with much pleasure that I write you on behalf of the Minister of National Defence and members of the Army Council to congratulate you and members of your family on the honour and distinction which has come to your husband, CSM David Bowman through the award to him of the Military Medal in recognition of gallant, distinguished services in the field."

Letter to the Editor

Georgetown, Ontario.
21st November, 1945
The Editor,
Georgetown Herald,
Georgetown, Ont.
Dear Sir:

The problem of housing our returning veterans is a most serious one with us, and, indeed, it seems as if we had come to the end of our tether. We are again appealing to the citizens of Georgetown to help us to find accommodation for these men and their families, by making any unused space they have available.

A number of people have said, "It is true I have some unused space in my home and I would be glad to make it available to a veteran, but for one thing. What happens if I get an unsatisfactory tenant? Under present regulations it is almost impossible to get rid of him. I have to give six months' notice and that, according to my understanding is not always very effective."

This need not be entirely correct. There is a section (Section 13) of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board Order No. 294 which leaves an open door. Sub-section "C" says that a landlord may recover possession of the accommodation in accordance with the law of the Province if the tenant is in possession under a lease for a term certain of five months or less made on or after October 1st, 1943, provided that this clause shall only apply to the first such lease made in any period of twelve months.

This means roughly, that if a landlord makes an agreement to rent for five months or less with a tenant, he can get rid of that tenant under the normal process of law as if there was no Wartime Prices and Trade Board non- eviction regulations. People, before committing themselves to a long term agreement, can protect themselves under this particular sub-section. We feel this should be widely publicized in this community.

Our present campaign to secure unused space is only to cover the emergency period. Five months housing this winter would be a God-send to many veterans. It will get them over the hard months of winter and allow them more time to arrange for other housing, when materials and labour will be more readily available.

Anyone who will do this much for those who did so much for them should write or call the Georgetown Rehabilitation Council (Offices at rear of Municipal Building, upstairs. Hours: Tuesdays and Fridays, 8 to 9 p.m. and Fridays, 3 to 4 p.m.) or get in touch with the undersigned at the Post Office.

Gordon Cousens,
Chairman,
Georgetown Rehabilitation Council

BIRTH NOTICE

MAGWOOD—Dr. and Mrs. S. Magwood (nee Peggy Adams) wish to announce the birth of their son, Peter Stuart, on Tuesday, November 20th, at Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton.

DEATH NOTICES

REID—At her home in Glen Allan, on Friday, November 23rd, 1945, Sarah Matilda McKane, beloved wife of the late Timothy Reid.

DOBSON—At his home, Mill Street, Georgetown, on Friday, November 23, 1945, George Dobson, beloved husband of Alice A. Thompson and dear father of Isobel and Mary.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the acts of kindness, messages of sympathy and beautiful floral offerings received from kind friends and neighbours during our recent bereavement.—Mrs. George Dobson and girls.

Masonic Funeral for George Dobson, Prominent Citizen

Death came suddenly to one of Georgetown's best-known and best-loved citizens at 6:30 p.m. last Friday, when Mr. George Dobson suffered a heart attack during the supper-hour and passed away almost instantly. The late Mr. Dobson had been in ill health for several years, but bore his sufferings with true Christian spirit and always had a cheery word for his host of acquaintances in town.

Born in Mohill, County Leitrim, Ireland, 46 years ago, he was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dobson. Coming to Canada in 1922, he was employed in Toronto for two years, with the Toronto Suburban Railway, and came to Georgetown as station-master in 1924. In 1925, he was married in Toronto to the former Alice Thompson of Belfast, Ireland. Of late years he had been employed, when health permitted, in the insurance office of Mr. Elmer C. Thompson. Surviving are his wife and two daughters, Isobel and Mary at home, a sister Isobel (Mrs. Simpson) Belfast, and four brothers, William, Dublin; Robert, Mohill; Rev. Herbert Dobson, Chicago, Ill.; and Edward, with the RAF in England.

A private funeral service, conducted by his brother was held on Monday afternoon, followed by a public service at the McClure Funeral Home, in charge of his pastor, Rev. R. C. Todd. A profusion of lovely flowers bore silent tribute to the fond place he occupied in the hearts of the townspeople. At the graveside in Greenwood Cemetery, a Masonic funeral service was conducted by W. Bro. Ross Thompson, Master of Credit Lodge, assisted by V.W. Bro. W. G. O. Thompson, chaplain of the Lodge. Pallbearers were six fellow-Masons: Walter T. Evans, Walter Lawson, Fred McNally, G. W. McIntock, Alex. Kean and Fred Armstrong.

Prominent in Masonic circles, Mr. Dobson was a past master of Credit Lodge A.F. & A.M., No. 219, GRC, and a past Z of Halton Chapter, R. A. M., No. 234, GRC as well as being secretary of the latter for a number of years. He was an active member of Georgetown United Church and served on the Board of Stewards of the Church. He was also a member of Coronation Lodge, No. 212, L.O.L., Toronto.

Eleanor Smith, Jennette Hore Tans in Lions Amateur Finals



REV. J. S. HARRINGTON

Special speaker at the open meeting of the Bible Society in the United Church last Wednesday was Rev. J. S. Harrington.

THE WEATHER

By H. L. Hunt

And winter came at last. The ground is frozen hard, which puts an end to garden operations for the year, unless it might be to rake up a few more leaves and cover lightly tender plants against alternate freezing and thawing. For we are getting now and then a bright sunny day and then a few dark and cloudy ones. This is the time we can take time to call on some of our friends or enjoy a friendly book. From now on till Spring our efficient librarian will see us often.

Here are the local weather records:

Date	H.	L.	Precipitation
Tues. Nov. 20	34	26	
Wed. Nov. 21	36	20	
Thurs. Nov. 22	32	24	.50" rain
Fri. Nov. 23	37	20	
Sat. Dec. 24	31	20	.50" snow
Sun., Nov. 25	32	24	
Mon., Nov. 26	34	23	

Over two hundred were turned away at the door of the Gregory on Monday when the theatre was filled to capacity for the third and final amateur show sponsored by Georgetown Lions Club. In two previous Monday night shows, junior and senior winners had been chosen to compete for the \$88 offered in prize money.

Lion Chief Clarence Benham was chairman for the show on Monday with Jack Thompson once more filling the master of ceremonies post. Judges were Gordon Vivian and Cecil Chinn of Brampton, and Bruce McKee of Milton, and they had a difficult task for every entry was of grade A calibre.

Topping the senior group was Eleanor Smith, tap dancer, with Jean Blair, vocalist; Hugo Tapp, pianist and Geraldine Kendall, vocalist, following in that order.

Junior winner was Jeanette Hore of Brampton, with Marlene Budd and Diane Hillock, second, Donna Burrows Brampton, 3rd, and Evalonne Smith, fourth. All these young ladies were tap dancers and pupils of Miss Gertrude Cain.

Entertainment during the judging was provided by Irene Mitchell May and Alf Sutton, who also acted as accompanists, Gertrude Cain and Jean Blair.

Recreation Council Recruits Juvenile & Midget Hockeyists

At a meeting held in the Municipal Building last Wednesday, it was decided by the Hockey Committee of the Georgetown Recreational Council to have district boys interested in playing midget and juvenile hockey this winter to report to the Town Hall on Friday evening, November 30th, for the purpose of signing contracts.

The committee reported that a tentative schedule had been drawn up and the Board of Parks Management would be approached with a view to the use of the Arena on Tuesdays and Fridays after school, Thursday nights and Saturday mornings. A number of men will be approached and asked to serve as coaches for the teams. Necessary equipment has been ordered and all signs point to a good season of hockey for the young folk.

A \$15 donation has been received by the organization from Verdun Rebebek Lodge. A. O. McBride was made convenor for boxing, and Ed Silver convenor for basketball. It is also hoped to get a badminton league organized in town this winter.

Bible Society Open Meeting

Rev. J. S. Harrington, gave a most challenging address at the open meeting of the Bible Society in the United Church last Wednesday evening. Rev. Harrington is a grandson-in-law of the late Canon F. A. O'Meara, second rector of St. George's Anglican Church, Georgetown, whose son, born in Georgetown, later became Principal of Wycliffe College University of Toronto. The late Canon O'Meara was at one time missionary to the Indians on Manitowish-land where he was the translator of the Bible into the Ojibway tongue.

One of the great challenges facing the Church today, said Mr. Harrington, is the replacement of the Bible in the ravaged lands of Europe among the displaced people. Challenging, as well is the tremendous increase in the number of people who are able to read. In the last few years millions of people in India and Africa, particularly, have learned to read because of the simplified script introduced by missionaries. Because of low wages, no profit-making concern can afford to supply literature to them. Only the Bible Society is able by the assistance of Christian people, to subsidize the distribution of low-cost editions of the Scriptures among them. Also in this connection the speaker observed that out of the Soviet Union's campaign of Adult Education the last several years have seen two million new readers in Russia, where it is not likely there are more than 100 million copies of the Bible in existence. These are some of the opportunities challenging the Church of which the Bible Society is going to attempt to take advantage of.

The Society re-elected all officers and set the first Sunday in December as Bible Sunday. On that date collections for the Society's work will be taken in the Georgetown Churches.

Welcome Home

Cpl. Horace Blyth

Home, after nearly three years overseas, to greet his wife, and a little daughter, Sharon, whom he saw for the first time, is Cpl. Horace Blyth, of the Lorne Scots. Horace returned to Canada on the Queen Elizabeth, arriving in Georgetown last Thursday morning. Cpl. Blyth enlisted with the Toronto Scottish Regiment on July 20, 1942, but after reaching England he was transferred to the Lorne Scots, and has served with them ever since. Cpl. Blyth saw service in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany.

Pte. Dave Woods

Pte. Dave Woods was another Georgetown serviceman to return home on the Queen Elizabeth. Pte. Woods went overseas with the Lorne Scots in 1942, later transferring to the Royal Regiment of Canada. He served in Belgium, Holland and Germany. Cpl. Woods married the former Ruth Miller, and they have one son, Keith. Before enlisting, Dave was employed in the Bakelite Department of Smith & Stone Ltd.

Social and Personal

Mr. Corey Harrington, President of the Ontario Poultry Confederation, is judging at the Owen Sound Poultry Show this week.

Dr. J. Bateman and Mrs. Bateman Sr. of Montreal attended the funeral of the late Mr. George Dobson on Monday.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Godfrey this week were their nephew, Cpl. Andrew Douglas and Mrs. Douglas of Rochester, Michigan. Cpl. Douglas has just returned from service in the Philippines with the American mechanized cavalry.

Little Barbara Finlay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Finlay, celebrated her second birthday last Saturday with a party at which the following children, with their mothers, were guests: Michael Matson, Brampton, Judy Bonathan and Bonnie, Carolyn Biehn, Paulene Watson, Lynn and Monty Hyde, and Stephen Saxe.

St. George's choir gathered at the home of the choirmaster and organist, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bradley, last Sunday evening to honour a faithful choir member, Mrs. Gordon Brown, who is leaving Georgetown for England on Tuesday. On behalf of the choir, Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson presented Mrs. Brown with a sequin trimmed handbag, expressing at the same time, the regret all felt at Mrs. Brown's departure. A pleasant social time and refreshments were enjoyed. Mrs.

Brown will travel to England on the "Empress of Scotland".

Ontario Imperial Vets Meet

The Imperial Section of the Canadian Legion held its quarterly meeting in the local Legion Hall, on Sunday, Nov. 18th. Most branches in Ontario were represented by visiting delegates including the Dominion and Provincial presidents. A parade was held to the cenotaph, led by the Lorne Scots Band, and the Dominion president placed a wreath in memory of Imperialists who lost their lives in the war. Van. W. G. O. Thompson, chaplain of Georgetown branch read the prayers. After the parade, J. Murphy, Imperial President of Branch 130, thanked all those assisting in the parade and before opening the meeting asked all comrades to remember CSM Wm. Carney, who passed away the previous Friday night. The gavel was handed to the Provincial President who thanked Mayor Cleave for turning out on the parade, also President S. P. Chapman for the use of the rooms, the ladies for refreshments served and the Band. Mayor Cleave extended an official welcome from the town to visiting delegates.