

MRS. BEWELL GUEST SPEAKER AT FIFTY-FIFTY CLUB

Mrs. Harry Bewell gave an informative talk on gardens and gardening at a meeting of the Fifty-Fifty Club of Georgetown United Church, which was held last Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whitmee. Following the talk, a contest on naming flowers and vegetables was conducted, with Mrs. C. S. Jeffery and Reg. Broomhead, prizewinners. Mrs. Reg.

Broomhead, an English war bride, was officially welcomed into the club. Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Whitmee and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Ellis, who were joint hosts for the evening.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank friends and neighbours for their expressions of sympathy and floral tributes in the death of our mother, Mrs. William Halpin. — The Halpin Family.

Educational Report Submitted at County Council Meeting

RECOMMEND AREAS FOR BURLINGTON, OAKVILLE AND ONE FOR NORTHERN PART OF COUNTY

Mr. J. M. McDonald, Acton, presented the report of the Consultative Committee on Education at a special meeting of Halton County Council held in Milton. This committee was formed to inquire into the advisability of establishing larger High School Areas in the county as recommended by the Provincial Department of Education. Also present at the meeting were other members of the committee: W. B. Shipley, Oakville; M. McRobinson, Burlington; L. L. Skuce, F.S.I. and secretary for the committee, and also W. Stewart from the Department of Education.

Mr. McDonald, in giving his report, stated that the Committee had been guided by the following factors:

1. That every child in the county should have equal opportunity of securing education best suited to his or her requirements, irrespective of where the home is located.

2. To create school districts large enough to ensure an attendance that could allow optional subjects, in addition to academic ones to be taught—thus permitting the child a wider range to choose from in order to satisfy personal preference of special ability.
3. Accessibility, including therewith distance to be travelled, road conditions, and in the northern areas, which are more sparsely populated, central location.

4. Minimum cost to all ratepayers. The school districts recommended were as follows:

1. Oakville-Trafalgar District—High school to be located in Oakville.
2. Burlington-Nelson District—High school to be located in Burlington.
3. Northern Halton District—with a school to be located at Speyside or some other central point and to include the remainder of the County, being the towns of Milton and Georgetown, village of Acton, all of Equeusing and Nassagaweya and part of Nelson. Transportation would be arranged by a schedule of school buses which would be free of charge to the pupils.

The cost of this revised system of High School education would be approximately between 4 and 5 mills for each district.

Burlington and Oakville are strongly in favor of the move, but many of those present at the meeting were agreed that it might be quite a problem to get the idea sold to those living in the northern end of the county, since it would probably mean the High Schools already in existence would be discontinued and a new school built at Speyside to serve the combined areas. A committee was appointed to go into the matter of forming a High School zone for North Halton and were as follows: Messrs. K. R. MacDonald,

Georgetown; W. Murray, Equeusing; Dr. O. H. Heslop, Milton; Lloyd Crawford, Nassagaweya and Chas. Kirkness, Acton.

The clerk was asked to have a by-law prepared for the regular meeting of the County Council on Tuesday so that those wishing to take advantage of this new scheme may do so without further delay. (To become effective January 1st it is necessary that a by-law be passed before July 1st).

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Mr. and Mrs. Hogg have purchased and are now living in the house formerly owned by Mr. Sidney Silver at the corner of King Street and the Ninth Line.

UNITED CHURCH CHOIR SOCIAL

The ladies of the United Church entertained the choir and the Sunday School Orchestra at dinner and a social evening last Thursday in the Sunday School Rooms. After a delicious chicken croquet dinner, the evening was spent playing crokinole. Don Parker took several group pictures during the evening. The ladies were thanked by S. T. Faram on behalf of the choir and Howard Lillico, on behalf of the orchestra.

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