

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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Friday Storm Damage is Extensive in Town and District

A rain and windstorm last Friday about 5 p.m. did considerable damage around Georgetown and district. The storm was one of the worst for some time, and was accompanied by hail, thunder and lightning. Hydro power was interrupted and falling trees disrupted rural telephone service, with some lines still not in operation.

Property damage around town included Dick Grace's house on the northern outskirts of town, where an uprooted maple tree damaged a corner of the veranda and the garage was blown down. The garage roof was carried to Erwin's field and the door was blown over the Erwin house and lodged in a gully at the back.

At the high school, the bicycle rack was wrecked and Jack Tost's garage behind the school was blown on top of Weston's Bread house. Several trees on the high school grounds and on Victor King's property across the street were uprooted. Windows in Mrs. George Davis' home were broken. The Wellington Willett family took to the cellar when their chimney was blown down, but not before one slight casualty occurred when a flying brick struck a member of the family. The kitchen was badly damaged. A garage on the property was also a casualty. A large tree on Frank Sykes' property on Market Street fell on a corner of the house and damaged part of the roof.

The storm was particularly heavy around Hunter's Inn and the J. A. Strang home next door had its chimney wrecked and several windows broken. At Bedell's next down the line only seven fruit trees in a two-acre orchard were left standing.

When a garage at the Alliance Paper Mill was torn loose from its foundation, Mr. John Bingham's large Buick car was dragged with the garage for several feet. Windows were broken in both the Alliance and Provincial mills and ventilators knocked off the roofs.

Hard and soft maples and fruit trees at the home of W. H. Preston on King Street were uprooted and the storm cut a wide swath through College View where dozens of shattered trees were left in its wake.

There was a similar story throughout the surrounding countryside. The barn of Willard Laidlaw at Norval was almost completely wrecked and Laird's fields at Norval was covered with felled trees which were blown into the flats. Poles and trees were down at Roy Parrott's farm and a large number of trees down at Ashgrove School. The roof was blown off Wellington Stringers' barn on the 8th line as was the roof of Spencer Wilson's barn, where a hay rack was also turned over and wrecked.

At the farm of Mrs. W. A. McClure the silo was overturned and a purchased bull was killed when struck by lightning. Mr. Edgar Beene in the Limehouse district had part of his barn roof blown off and a number of fruit trees blown down.

The Glen occupied damage fairly well though a new look-alike silo on James Eagles' farm was down and Clifford Cook's barn on the 6th line lost part of its roof.

Heartiest loser in this district was A. J. Murray of Acton district whose entire herd of 20 purebred Jerseys was killed when struck by lightning in a field on the farm as they took to cover under a tree.

BEARS, BISON LEAD IN BANTAM PLAY-OFFS

Playing off in the semi-finals of the Bantam softball league last Thursday and yesterday morning respectively, the Bears and the Bisons are leading in the race for the McLennock trophy. The Bears beat the Cubs 4-3 and the Bears upset the mighty Tigers 13-9 to hand them their second defeat in seven games played. The teams are playing a three-game series with the two winning teams meeting in a championship match. The league is sponsored by Georgetown Recreational Council.

Apologies are for the long delay for a mix-up in reporting in last week's Herald. It was drawn to the editor's attention when a possible discrepancy interviewed him on Thursday morning and asked how come the scores which appeared when the games hadn't even been played. By way of explanation, we were doing some "dummy reporting" — that is, writing at 100 in advance and filling in dummy scores which were to be changed when the results were known. Unfortunately, in the rush of press day we forgot to about the team and our face was over-redder when we learned that the games hadn't even been played.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to thank Smith & Stone Active Service Fund, Soldiers' Commission and other organizations for sending me cigarettes and pencils while serving overseas.

— Gordon King



BRIDAL PAIR

Mr. and Mrs. John Cordaro cut their wedding cake at the reception following their marriage in Toronto on July 3rd. Mrs. Cordaro is the former Katherine Preston who formerly operated the Empire Lunch in town. Mr. Cordaro is a Toronto confectionery manufacturer.

J. A. STRANG DIES SUDDENLY AT HOME

A resident of Georgetown for the past five years, John Alexander Strang died suddenly at his home on Tuesday, July 16th. Mr. Strang was born in Garrafraxa Township near Fergus in 1883. He had his schooling there and went to Fergus to learn the bakery trade. In 1905 he bought a small bakery in South River and made his home there with his wife, the former Margaret McGregor of Elora until 1918, when they moved to St. Catharines. Here he was in the bakery business for a short time, then had a grocery store and a small fruit farm. In 1923, he once more entered the baking business at Blyth and later opened a similar business in Harriston. Retiring in 1940 he purchased the Morley Pettit property in town and had since made his home in Georgetown.

Mr. Strang was well-known as a newspaper columnist and for some time contributed a column to the Herald which he called "As We See It." He had written a similar column in the Harriston Review during his residence in that town.

He leaves his wife, formerly Margaret McGregor and an only son, Max, of Toronto. There are two brothers, Jim and Gavin of Sundridge, and two sisters, Miss Catherine Strang of Sundridge and Mrs. Alp of Granton.

A private funeral was held from the McClure Funeral Home on Thursday. Rev. C. C. Cochrane conducted the service and pallbearers were Bodes McClure, Jack Williamson, Sid Morris and George Munson, Bert Gardiner and Jack McEachern of Harriston. Interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown.



SAFETY THEATRE ON RAILS
DESIGNED to give more than 2,000 men of the Canadian Pacific Railway on coast lines "visual" education in general train, tracklocking rules and safe practices, a theatre on rails has begun its run of tours from the Head of the Great Lakes to the Atlantic seaboard. When schools reopen children at district points will be invited to visit the car, in which have been transported all the features of a modern theatre, and see films which will teach them to avoid trespassing on railways and to prevent crossing accidents.

— Canadian Pacific Railway Public

THE WEATHER

(By H. L. Hunt)
Well our prayers have been answered. Rain came at last but with such a rush that serious damage has been done in widely scattered parts of the country. We are reminded of the remark of the old Scotchman under similar conditions "Thanks, Lord, but be reasonable."

Here are the local records:

	H	L	Rain
Tue., July 16	75	45	
Wed., July 17	83	46	
Thur., July 18	83	46	
Fri., July 19	93	65	.85"
Sat., July 20	80	63	
Sun., July 21	79	61	
Mon., July 22	77	56	.75"

KNOX CHURCH SCENE OF TOST-HILL WEDDING

Knox Presbyterian Church, decorated with gladioli, delphinium and roses, was the setting for the wedding on Saturday, July 20th, of Jessie Irene Hill, daughter of Mrs. Edward Hill and the late Mr. Hill, and Harold William Tost, son of Mrs. Albert Tost and the late Mr. Tost. Rev. C. C. Cochrane performed the ceremony and the wedding music was played by Mr. Kenneth Harrison.

Given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Percy Hill, the bride wore white organza with an embossed design of lily-of-the-valley and orchids. She wore a finger-tip veil and sweetheart headress and carried a bouquet of red roses, bouvardia and baby's breath. Her only attendant was her sister, Mrs. Jack Cunningham, wearing pale pink organza, sweetheart headress and carrying pink roses.

Groomsman was Mr. Herber Harlow and ushers were Ross Hill and Alfred Tost. During the signing of the register, the groom's sisters, Mrs. Herbert Harlow and Mrs. James Bell, Milton, sang "I Love You Truly."

A reception followed in the church basement. Mrs. Hill receiving in a black and white silk jersey with black accessories and pink rose corsage. The groom's mother assisted, gowned in green and white printed silk with white accessories and corsage of yellow roses.

For a honeymoon trip to northern Ontario, the bride donned a two-piece gold dress with brown accessories and a corsage of yellow roses. They will take up residence in Georgetown.

Wedding guests were present from Hamilton, Seaford, Stouffville, Toronto, Guelph and Milton.

NORVAL MAN'S MOTHER BURIED IN STREETSVILLE

Mrs. Herbert F. Chester passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Noble on July 12th. In her 78th year, she was a member of one of Streetsville's oldest families, being the daughter of the late William Graydon. She was the mother of Graydon Chester of Norval.

WELCOME HOME

Cpl. Gordon King

Serving with the army in England since March, 1945, Cpl. Gordon King arrived in Georgetown last Wednesday after crossing on the Georgia, Gordon, who is the son of Mrs. Kathleen King and the late Mr. King, enlisted in October, 1944, and was at Brantford and Camp Borden before going overseas. He has been a member of the 2nd Canadian Special Infantry Battalion. He was employed with Smith & Stone Ltd. at time of enlistment. He is married to the former Jean McEnery. His brother, Perc King served with the Lorne Scots overseas.

MUCH WORK FOR BELL TELEPHONE MAINTENANCE MEN

The Bell Telephone Company reports that as a result of the electrical storm over the past week-end, well over 100 telephones have been out of order and every available man is working overtime in order to get these phones working again.

GLEN WILLIAMS

On Thursday afternoon, the Ladies Guild of St. Alban's Church, and their friends were entertained at a lovely tea on the lawn at the home of Mrs. Herb Preston. Mrs. John Hooper was the joint hostess.

Mrs. S. Groat of Georgetown added to the afternoon's enjoyment by reading teacups. Forty ladies were present, and the collection of \$18.00 will be added to the building fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Masales of Detroit, were week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blyth moved to their new farm near Acton last week. The Glen is sorry to lose such good neighbours and friends.

ASHGROVE

Miss Viola Bridgen of Toronto is enjoying two weeks' holidays with her parents.

Miss Bonnie Carlisle of Silver Creek is spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brownridge.

Miss Jean Wrigglesworth of Milton Heights is visiting her sister Mrs. Horace Barnes.

Haying is over and the hum of the binder cutting wheat and barley is heard in the fields.

The storm last Friday afternoon did considerable damage breaking limbs from trees, and causing disruption in hydro and telephone lines. The cows had to be milked by hand on many farms, and housewives had to resort to coal-oil lamps or st in darkness. No one likes storms of this kind.

At a pot luck supper held by the United Church W.A. at the home of Mrs. Fred Sinclair a week ago Monday, presentations were made to Mrs. Harvey Clarke before her departure for Brampton, and to Mrs. Reg Broomhead, a war bride member of the group. Mrs. Wm. Deans presented Mrs. Clarke with a picture from the ladies of Group 3, and Miss H. A. Staunton presented a crystal candy jar from the W.A. as a whole. Mrs. R. C. Todd presented a salad bowl to Mrs. Broomhead from the W. A.

We See This Week

—That Richardson's Hardware are displaying plastic bathroom sets made in Collingwood by a former Georgetown resident, Lloyd Sanderson.

—That a new sidewalk is being put in on Main Street in front of Ready's and Georgetown Furniture Sales. Reeve Brothers are the contractors.

—That Jack Brill stayed in Georgetown when his family moved to Toronto and is working at the Provincial Coating Mill.

—That Wibb Bradley's house behind the old Barber Floral Co. is nearing completion.

—That Sarah Street, running into King Street across from Clay Products is to be opened and that Smith & Stone Ltd. will build two houses on it.

—That machinery is being installed in the O'Neill building on Main Street in preparation for the setting up of Federal Sales and Engineering in the building.

No Change in Baseball Standing as All Teams Win One, Lose One

The baseball picture in Halton kept its status quo last week as all four teams won one and lost one in their two league games played. There is quickening interest as the regular schedule nears its end. Oakville is leading the league by a slight margin, with Acton and Milton tied for second place and Georgetown in the cellar spot. Anything can happen yet and if Georgetown wins tonight against Acton, they may be in second place depending on the outcome of the Milton-Oakville match.

Last Wednesday night in the park Georgetown lost a close decision to the county town when Milton made four hits count for three runs, while Georgetown's six hits netted only two.

Evans' error in the third, which allowed Anderson to score on a hit and run play and Brush's 3-base hit in the fourth, which drove in another run tied things up after Georgetown's early lead, and a string of three Georgetown errors in the sixth inning gave Milton the winning run.

A highlight for local fans was in the third inning. Bill Ritchie, hitting a double, was trapped on a steal between second and third. Milton's second baseman threw to third, and the ball hit Ritchie in the small of the back and bounced to the sidelines allowing him to score safely. Paterson was on the mound for Georgetown, with Blinco hurling for Milton.

On Saturday at Oakville, Georgetown trimmed the league-leaders 7-4. Making his first appearance of the season, Win Wheeler pitched the first four innings, allowing Oakville only two hits. Paterson took over the pitching chore for the remainder of the game. Pat Walker was warming up the old left hand and fans are expecting to see him in action again this season.

The new red, white and black crests and the red "G" on the sleeves add dash to the Papermakers' uniforms. The crests were donated to the team by the North American Life through their local agent, Howard Graff.

Halton Intermediate O.B.A.

	P	W	L	T	Pct.
Oakville	15	8	7	3	.533
Milton	13	6	6	1	.500
Acton	13	6	6	1	.500
Georgetown	13	6	7	4	.482

Games Last Week
July 17 — Milton, 2; Georgetown, 2
Oakville, 9; Acton, 2
July 20 — Georgetown, 7; Oakville, 4
Acton, 7 — Milton, 5

Games This Week
Tonight — Georgetown at Acton
July 27 — Acton at Georgetown

ARTS AND CRAFTS MEET

On Thursday, July 19th, a meeting of the Arts and Crafts of Georgetown was held at Elgin Park. The President, Mrs. M. E. Moore, opened the meeting and welcomed the guests. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary Mrs. D. W. Barnes, and the Treasurer's report given by Mrs. L. G. McClure. The members brought pieces of their handwork for a permanent collection for exhibition purposes. After several minutes of business were discussed, the meeting adjourned. A pleasant hour followed in the garden and over the tea. September meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Beaumont in Glen Williams.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express thanks to friends, neighbours and organizations for their kind words and deeds during the sudden illness and death of my husband.

— Mrs. J. H. Lillio

Merchant's Death Shocks Georgetown Community

Succumbing to an illness of only a few days' duration, J. Howard Lillio, prominent Georgetown businessman passed away in Toronto Western Hospital last Wednesday evening, July 17th. Mr. Lillio had been rushed to hospital the previous Saturday when complications set in after an attack of influenza, and though everything medical science could do was done, he failed to rally.

Mr. Lillio was the son of the late William and Emma Lillio and was born near Woodville in Victoria County. He was a veteran of four years' service overseas in the first World War joining the army when he was only 17 and serving with the 43rd Highlanders. After returning from overseas he operated a hairdressing establishment in Little Britain and twenty-two years ago he came to Georgetown and opened a similar business here which has grown to be one of the most successful in Georgetown. Originally located in the Lane Block, the business was moved to its present location in the Gibbens Block ten years ago. Associated with him in the business was his wife, formerly Pearl Webster, who came to Georgetown with him as a bride.

Besides being a successful businessman, Mr. Lillio had taken an active part in community life. A faithful member of the United Church, he was teacher of a boys' Sunday School class, and leader of the Sunday School orchestra. He was a member of the Board of Trade and of the Bowling Club, and was manager of the Businessmen's softball team. Surviving besides his wife are seven brothers and four sisters: Wellington, Virden, Man., George and Clarence, Woodville; Elmer and Ernest, Peterborough; Wilfred and Gordon, Toronto; Mrs. Charles Napier (Edith), North Bay; Mrs. Ernest Wright (Dorothy) Woodville; Mrs. Robert Markle (Jen), Toronto and Mrs. Howard Hall (Grace), Little Britain.

The funeral service on Saturday was held from Georgetown United Church, with Rev. R. C. Todd in charge of the service. Mrs. R. H. Wright played favourite hymns softly on the organ during the service. Pall-bearers were Jack Arnold, Norman Burns, Harold Cleave, Mervin Robb, Graham Farnell and Howard Wrigglesworth and the beautiful floral tributes were carried by members of his Sunday School class, Emory Thompson, Bob Jim, and Claire Burns, Clifford Taylor, Douglas and Ralph Peck, Jack Tapp and Ross Petch. Interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown.

Entertainment, Fun for All in G.R.C. Holiday Show

A big list of competitors is expected for the track and field meet scheduled for Georgetown Park on Civic Holiday, under the sponsorship of the Recreational Council. Medals, cups and trophies valued at \$100 are being offered for the 40 events which make up the afternoon show. Entry forms are available at the Herald office or from the director, Hal Newman at his office in the old Town Hall.

A list of the events will be available this week-end and this will also be published in next week's Herald. A tag-of-war event promises to draw a number of local teams to compete for the trophy offered.

Close on the heels of the successful Dominion Day garden party in the park another such event will be held in the evening. The six-act variety show is headed by Doug Bonanza comedian and master-of-ceremonies who toured overseas with the Army Show. Another well-known artist is Johnny Perkins who has led the orchestra at Casa Loma and is a favourite pianist and tenor. Johnny is also a radio star, appearing on the Latin-American Hour and the CBC House Party.

Radio songstress "Lenore" and Roger Craig cowboy minstrel, will handle the vocal end of things and a novelty dance team, the Valley Girls will set everybody's toes tapping with their dance routines.

The magic act, without which no garden party is complete, is billed as "Cavalry Magic" and "Hark Magic."

GEORGETOWN JUVENILES OUT, AS ACTON WINS TWO

Georgetown Juveniles bowed out of the O.B.A. picture when Acton, winning their first game of the season, took them by a 6-4 score in Acton Park last Thursday evening. Just to clinch things, the Acton lads gave Georgetown a 5-4 drubbing in the park last night, scoring all their runs in one big inning.

Milton and Oakville will play off for the championship in the league, which has seen good ball games in a shortened six-game series. Though the Georgetown team didn't manage to win many games, most of the season's close and many of the players show promise of developing into future professional ball players.