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The Editor's Column

LET'S GET ON WITH IT

Some people are hard to convince! We still hear a few earnest souls talking about what a lot of money has to be raised for servicemen's gifts — that they never think it can be done — that we should have a gift like a watch or a ring instead of a bond — that most of the money will be spent foolishly — that we shouldn't be giving individual gifts anyway, but be building a new high school or putting artificial ice in the Arena or building a swimming pool or a Y.M.C.A. or rebuilding the old town hall.

During the war we talked a lot about everybody putting their shoulders to the wheel and about everyone being in the front line — that nothing was too good for "the boys" and that when they came back again we'd show how grateful we were, etc., etc. Well, they are back now and a committee of representative citizens, with little expression from the general public as to what type of gift should be made (there were no more than ten replies received to a questionnaire inserted in this newspaper for two weeks), has decided that a \$50 bond would make a suitable gift as a token recognition of Georgetown's gratitude.

Added up, this makes a considerable sum of money, inasmuch as close to three hundred men and women will be the recipients. It is a slightly more generous gift than some of the surrounding communities have made (a good watch costs about \$40) but it is not out-of-the-way, nor more than a community which boasted of the highest per capita Victory Loan sales in all Canada, should be able to make. Glen Williams, Norval, Acton, Milton, Erin and the various Esquesing Township wards have raised money for similar gifts with a tenth of the fanfare and publicity which has been expended in the Georgetown campaign. Let's get on with the job, subdue our objections to the majority opinion and not make recognition day a cause for petty bickering and buck-passing.

It is not to be expected in a democratic community that everyone should think alike. Whatever the choice, there are bound to be some who would prefer an alternative. But it is to be expected that when a decision is made, differences of opinion will not take precedence over the common cause. It is a big thing and yet a very small thing that we are doing. If everyone will donate according to his financial ability, there will be no difficulty in raising the money.

"JUNE IS BUSTING OUT . . ."

To borrow from the popular song, "June is busting out all over" when it comes to weddings. Once upon a time, June was the traditional bridal month and the great percentage of young lovers just naturally gravitated altar-wards. Nowadays cupid seems to know no season, and this week alone we had five weddings to track down for our news columns, with at least six that we know of coming up in October.

Trying to think of a logical explanation, we have finally decided that Cupid, like man, has adopted the 48-hour week and that he just couldn't work all the weddings in for June anymore. Let's hope the little fellow doesn't ape man any further and decide to go on strike for "union security." No cupid, no weddings — and then what would become of newspapermen and clergymen, and merchants and taxi cabs and wedding cake makers.

HOCKEY'S IN THE AIR

We can't recall so much pre-season hockey talk in many a year as there is in Georgetown today, and it looks as if the John Street ice palace will be bulging this winter with the rabid fans who help to make this a "hockey town." On paper, the Intermediates are shaping up a stellar aggregation which will be hard for anyone to beat, but we won't minimize too much our neighbouring hamlets of Milton and Acton which always manage to ice a credible squad. The Intermediates are also committing themselves to sponsorship of a junior O.B.A. entry and the Recreational Council are planning an even bigger bantam and midget grouping. If there are enough juveniles, the Council is also prepared to set up a league for them, and we hear that a Main Street merchant might be interested in sponsoring an O.B.A. Juvenile entry.

While artificial ice is not a possibility for the arena this year, there is one thing which we wish the powers-that-be would secure, and that is a time clock and scoreboard. Our rink, admittedly the best in any town this size, would be much better equipped with this and fans would get a bigger kick from the games if they had a constant check on time and score. How about it, Parks Board and Hockey Club?

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When this happens, please remember she is serving more people than ever before—and that she will answer you just as quickly as she can.



Georgetown Rehabilitation Council

(In co-operation with the Department of Veteran's Affairs)

Although the office in the Municipal Building has been closed, the work of the Council is being continued. Ex-service personnel who wish information or assistance should see the undersigned at the Post Office or by appointment.

GORDON COUBENS, chairman,
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