

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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Plant Closing Ends Century of Shoe-Making in Georgetown

Dayfoot Shoe Company Moved to Campbellford — Will Keep Dayfoot Trade Name in New Location.

For the first time in over 100 years, shoes are not being manufactured in Georgetown. The closing of the Dayfoot Shoe Company plant on John Street last week marked the end for Georgetown of a business established here in 1846 by John B. Dayfoot, who had started his business in Getzby in 1838. For the first twenty years, he brother Ethel W. Dayfoot was in charge of the plant, which was located beside the present building site, then John B. Dayfoot took over and moved here to make his home. The present plant was built after a fire in 1873. When Mr. Dayfoot died in 1892, his son, Charles B. Dayfoot took over as proprietor and a few years later he was joined by his brother, Harry. They operated the business as C. B. Dayfoot and Co., until its sale in January, 1946, to Edgar J. Johnston. C. B. Dayfoot subsequently sold his home here and moved to Oak Bay, B.C., while Harry Dayfoot continues to make his home in town.

Operating as the Dayfoot Shoe Company, Mr. Johnston has greatly expanded the business, shoe production being six times what it was when he took over. An original staff of five, had been increased to 26, when the plant closed. Last year, Mr. Johnston purchased the plant of Gravin-Hale Limited in Campbellford, adding a cheaper line of shoes to the quality Dayfoot grade. Subsequently he found that to accomplish his ultimate production objective, would be impossible in the Georgetown plant as the physical capacity was limited and certain equipment which he owned in Campbellford was not here and could not be purchased. The Gravin-Hale plant, on the other hand, had surplus floor space which could be used, and with definite economies which could be made by consolidating under one roof, the decision was made in favour of Campbellford.

Employees of the Georgetown plant were all given the opportunity to continue with the firm in Campbellford, and a number of the key men have gone there with the firm. The Dayfoot name will be kept and Mr. Johnston sincerely regrets that both for business and personal reasons the move had to be made.

Mrs. Johnston and her children, Fleanor, Murray and Laurence will continue to make their home here until the summer. During his two years in town, Mr. Johnston has taken an active part in town affairs as a member of the United Church, the Recreational Council and member of the High School Board.

RECOGNITION FUND OVER \$5,000 MARK

Georgetown War Service Recognition Fund now stands at \$5130.43. It is reported by treasurer R. H. Ireland. This includes a \$500 gift from the town as well as private donations. The fund has exceeded one-third of the original \$15,000 objective. At a committee meeting on Thursday, evening in the Public Library, it was decided to set June 1st as the deadline for the receipt of donations. While it is realized that the response to date would make the objective seem beyond reach it is hoped that those who have not as yet contributed anything towards a gift to Georgetown's servicemen and women will dig down and make it possible for at least a \$26 cheque to be presented to each of them.

Originally it was the hope of the committee to give a \$50 bond to each man and woman who served with the armed forces. This was later revised and the present plan is to divide the money equally and present cheques of as high a value as possible. The presentation will be made in the park on July 1st, when Branch 120, Canadian Legion, is sponsoring a big day of entertainment which will culminate with a garden party in the evening. The town is paying the cost of the garden party entertainment and the presentation will be made that evening. President Amos Early of the Legion is cooperating with the Town Council to make the day one to be long remembered by those who attend.

Meanwhile it isn't too late to make your contribution, and this can be left at the bank or with any one of the canvassers.

Social and Personal

Miss A. Coventry spent the week-end in Brampton with Mrs. W. C. Anthony.

June and John O'Neill of Toronto spent the week-end in town with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. O'Neill.

Mr. Tracy Barrager of Aurora spent Easter week with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Barrager. Mr. and Mrs. Barrager, Patsy and David drove back with him on Sunday to spend the day in Aurora.

Mrs. John Nelson of Amesdale, Saskatchewan, spent a few days last week in town with her aunt, Mrs. M. L. Near.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Param, Mrs. J. B. Mackenzie and Mrs. A. McAllister attended the funeral of the late Mrs. C. F. W. Ross in Toronto on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Speers of Toronto were visitors in town last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Smith of Toronto spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. J. Casely and family.

Miss Barbara Michie of Brussels spent the Easter week-end with Miss Jean Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. S. Douglas and children John and Mary Elaine of Toronto spent Easter week with her mother, Mrs. J. M. Moore and the Misses Glaridge.

Mrs. Harold McCure and George, with Mrs. H. Goring and Robert of Simcoe spent Easter week with Mrs. Goring's mother, Mrs. Robert E. Lee at Richmond Hill, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Miller and daughters, Ruth, Anne and Joan were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Herb Bessey.

Colleen Todd, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Todd, celebrated her 7th birthday last Wednesday with a party. Those present included Carol and John Benham, Donald Coghane, Patsy Squires, Joan Bickle and Patsy and Betsy Wilson.

Mrs. George H. Leslie has returned from an Easter week visit in Montreal with her daughter, Mrs. B. F. Redston. She made the trip home by plane.

Mr. James Eilenton of Bowmanville was a visitor in town last week.

Mrs. Alex Lewis of Goderich spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Fred McNally.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Orr have returned to their home on Maple Avenue after spending several weeks in Florida.

Miss Ilea Bessey of the Harwood teaching staff, Toronto, spent the Easter holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Bessey.

and company of white carnations. Out-of-town guests who attended came from Toronto, Fergus, Georgetown, Guelph, Belvidere, Mono Mills, Orton, and Elora.

The bride's mother is the former Sarah Halpin of Glen Williams.

Mrs. C. F. W. Ross Was First School Nurse Here

Her friends in town were shocked to hear of the death last Friday at her home in Toronto of Mrs. C. F. W. Ross, a former prominent resident of town. Formerly Jennie Scoble, native of Tottenham, she lived in town for about ten years, where her husband had carried on the medical practice of the late Dr. A. W. Nixon. Prior to living here, Dr. Ross had practiced in Keene. He exchanged practices with the late Dr. John Paul and moved to Sunderland and later to Toronto, where he died six years ago.

Mrs. Ross was the first school nurse in Georgetown, serving in a part-time capacity during her residence here. She was a graduate of the school of nursing of the Toronto East General Hospital. She was recording secretary of the Local Council of Women and a member of Knox Presbyterian Church, where she was active in the W.M.S. of the church.

She leaves two sons, John W. of Toronto, and James F., who returned last year to his boyhood home to operate the Georgetown Taxi. She also leaves six brothers and five sisters.

The funeral service on Monday was conducted by Rev. Ross K. Cameron, her pastor at Dovercourt Road Presbyterian Church. Interment was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

D.D.O.M. PAYS ANNUAL VISIT TO CREDIT LODGE

Last Friday evening, Worshipful Master Trygve Wold and members of Credit Lodge, A.F. & A.M., No. 219, G.R.C., were honoured with the official visit of the D.D.O.M., Rt. Wor. Bro. J. W. Stoner of Kitchener. A number of visitors were present from Toronto, Fergus, Waterloo, Acton, Milton and Erin. A number of the wives of the visitors and members were entertained while the lodge met, by Mrs. Ern Beskin at her home at Wildwood.

WILLIAM DARLINGTON DIES IN BURLINGTON

Mr. William Darlington, whose wife Elma Robertson is a native of Georgetown, passed away at his home in Burlington on April 6th. Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson assisted his pastor, Rev. R. W. O'Brien at the funeral service last Wednesday, which was followed by interment in Woodland Cemetery, Hamilton. Mrs. W. F. Bradley of Georgetown, is a sister-in-law of the deceased.

NEW PROVINCIAL HERE

Replacing Constable Cooley on the local 3-man Provincial Police detachment, Constable J. W. Sheffield came from Hamilton last week to take over his new duties here. Connected with the force for eight years, he has been on highway patrol work. He is married, and the couple have one daughter.

THREE CALLS FOR FIRE BRIGADE IN WEEK

No serious damage resulted from three fires in town during the past week. On Thursday, the brigade answered a call at the home of Bert Sorrel and quickly extinguished a small blaze. Yesterday morning, a barrel of oil behind Bowers Motor Sales caught fire and neighbours who saw the large clouds of oil smoke got a scare. At supper time, a grass fire in a field near Meadowlark Growers drew the Fire Brigade's attention.

Knox W.M.S. Easter Thank-Offering

The Women's Missionary Society Thank-Offering of Knox Presbyterian Church was held in the basement of the church on Wednesday, April 9th. It was a beautiful spring afternoon and a goodly number of members and visitors were present to take part in and enjoy the service.

The president, Mrs. W. T. Sinclair, opened the meeting with prayer. The devotional exercises were taken by Mrs. R. Hepburn and Mrs. W. R. Cromar. Mrs. Hepburn read a passage of Scripture from Luke 23:1-28, which was followed by a few remarks by Mrs. Cromar entitled "Why Weep for Christ?" based on part of verse 28 "Weep not for me but weep for yourselves." Her talk stressed that Christ does not want tears, but repentance. He wants us not to gaze upon the Cross but take up the Cross and follow Him. Christ does not want our pity but our allegiance. Mrs. C. C. Cochrane followed with prayer.

The speaker for the meeting was Mrs. J. E. Ostrom who gave a splendid address on "Thanksgiving," based on Psalm 92. From the many, many things for which we should give thanks Mrs. Ostrom chose three, thanks for freedom from want and penitence, thanks for cessation of hostilities, and thirdly and most precious of all, thanks to God for His great gift to the world, His own Son.

The soloist for the meeting was Mrs. Fred Shortill, who sang two lovely appropriate selections "Beyond the Dawn" and "The Old Rugged Cross." Mrs. Milton Bird moved a vote of thanks to those taking part in the program.

At the close of the meeting lunch was served and a social half-hour was enjoyed.

Stewarttown

Master Paul Lawson of Acton spent the Easter holidays here with Mrs. H. P. Lawson. The annual meeting of the Esqueving Women's Institute was held in the Council Chamber last Tuesday. In the absence of the President, Mrs. H. P. Lawson occupied the chair. The meeting opened as usual with the Institute ode and the Secretary's minutes. The report of the last annual meeting was read. The officers for 1947-48 are: President, Miss Beatrice Standish; 1st vice-president, Mrs. H. P. Lawson; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. A. Pirie; Sec.-Treas, Mrs. A. Grant; District Director, Mrs. Walter Lawson; Flower Committee, Mrs. Lawson; Programme Committee, Mrs. J. McLennan; Mrs. A. Pirie; Press, Mrs. Mary Baily; Auditors, Mrs. H. P. Lawson, Mrs. M. Baily.

The Institute is anxious to gather material for its Lady Tweedsmuir book, and would like anyone knowing any historical facts of the village and vicinity to pass the same to the Institute, preferably written — also old pictures.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell of Toronto were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Sanford on Sunday.

Miss Eleanor Smith took charge of the music at the service at St. John's Church, Sunday afternoon, which took the form of a memorial service for Archbishop Owen, late Primate of the Church of England.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Huffman and son Michael of St. Catharines were Easter visitors with Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Beam of Toronto spent the week-end in town with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Deans.

HOCKEY HOPES FADE WITH 9 - 5 LOSS IN THIRD GAME

Gay Crowd at Halton Juniors At-Home

The Brant Inn at Burlington again provided the setting for the second annual At-Home of the Halton Junior Farmers last Thursday and there was a large attendance of junior farmers and their friends from Halton and neighbouring counties. The young ladies looked charming in their evening gowns and the Jack Ryan Orchestra from Hamilton dispensed excellent music for an estimated eight hundred dancers.

The dance was arranged by the executive, composed of Edna Atkins, president; Cameron Wilson, 1st vice-president; Gordon Leslie, secretary; and George S. Atkins, past president. Patrons and patronesses were Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Whitelock, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Crawford and Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Fisher.

During the intermission, George Atkins presided over a number of lucky draws, with Mrs. Crawford drawing the tickets. Prize-winners included: Mrs. Bob Hoare, Georgetown, (4 passes to the Brant Inn); Marguerite Murray, Ingersoll (43 donated by J. A. M. Taylor, Hornby); Ken Gemble, Westworth (passes to the Rose Room Georgetown); Mildred Lucas, Appleton; Jean Chester, Norval, and Mrs. Davidson, Acton, all of whom won theatre passes to county theatres.

Scott Block Neighbours Honor Van Fleet Family

Friends numbering about a hundred, met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Van Fleet on the 4th Line last Friday evening, April 11th, for a farewell party for them before they leave the district. Mr. Van Fleet has sold his farm to Mr. Ray Weatherall of Lakeview, and the Van Fleet family will be moving to Acton this spring.

Cards and dancing occupied the early part of the evening, and the highlight came when everyone was called to the dining room and Mr. Thomas Michie read a presentation address. Mrs. J. G. Gillies presented Mr. and Mrs. Van Fleet with a beautiful silver tea service — tray, tea pot, cream and sugar — and their sons, Donald and Burness, were each given a handsome leather wallet, the presentations being made by Fred Ruddle and Lloyd Fisher. Mr. and Mrs. Van Fleet and the boys thanked their friends for the lovely gifts.

A bountiful lunch was served, after which dancing was resumed till the wee sma' hours. Messrs Norton Brothers and Scott provided excellent music with Jack McGibbon as floor manager.

Will Explain V.O.N. Set-Up For Georgetown

A matter of importance to Georgetown ladies will be discussed this Friday afternoon when the Local Council of Women has asked Miss Hickleborough, representing the Victorian Order of Nurses, to speak to them and explain how the system could be adopted in Georgetown. The meeting will be held in the Public Library at 3 p.m. and all the ladies of the community are invited to attend.

FOURTH GAME TONIGHT IN BRANTFORD — PLAY NEXT IN WATERLOO IF GEORGETOWN WINS

Playing their third game with Brantford Redmen in the Waterloo Arena Monday night, Georgetown Intermediates alighted their chances of coping the "A" championship. The 9-5 victory for the Brants gives our opposition three straight games in the 4 - of - 7 series, and Georgetown must win the next four games to come out on top. We're still hopeful of a win tomorrow night in Brantford, and if the Georgetown defence tightens up and our forward line shows up the way they did in the first ten minutes Monday, Brantford might be in for a surprise.

That first ten minutes by the way, was alone worth the admission price for the Georgetown fans as the Paper-makers kept goalie Cockburn on his toes with a wave of shots which kept kept from denting the twine. Brantford, however, made their few shots count for two goals and the result was never much in doubt from that time on.

Art Hurst was back in a Georgetown uniform for the first time in many games, and Junior Beaumont stole the show with a brief appearance in the waning minutes of the game, when he repped in Georgetown's fifth goal. Kent Storey played a heady game for Georgetown and goalie Rhodes was the king-pin of the team keeping the score from getting into the higher brackets.

The third period was rough and referee Patterson handed out ten penalties. Linn was the bad boy of the evening with six of the 23 penalties and Brantford was three men short on two occasions.

Brantford — Goal, Cockburn; defense, Cheatham, Smith; centre, Wilson; wings, Linn, Campbell; alternates, Hewson, Whack, Pidgeon, Plumley, Caddy, Barclay, Young.

Georgetown — Goal, Rhodes; defense, Stropshire, Birtwistle; centre, Storey; wings, Del Beaumont, Ezeard, alternates, Hurst, Ferri, M. Beaumont, Gibson, D'Block, Chris, Patterson.

Referee, Patterson, Toronto; Linesman, Scott, Toronto.

First Period	
1. Brantford — Campbell (Wilson)	6.30
2. Brantford — Campbell (Linn, Wilson)	7.15
3. Georgetown — Storey (Ezeard)	11.30
4. Brantford — Pidgeon (Hewson)	14.35
5. Brantford — Hewson (Pidgeon)	16.50
6. Georgetown — Birtwistle (Penalties — Cheatham, Linn, Stropshire)	18.47

Second Period	
7. Brantford — Linn (Wilson)	1.05
8. Brantford — Cheatham (Penalties — Linn (2), Stropshire (2), Smith, Del Beaumont, Hewson, Hurst, Plumley)	14.35

Third Period	
9. Georgetown — Ezeard (D. Beaumont)	21
10. Brantford — Linn (Barclay)	6.40
11. Brantford — Hewson (Caddy, Whack)	7.17
12. Georgetown — Birtwistle (Gibson)	12.40
13. Brantford — Wilson (Campbell)	15.34
14. Georgetown — M. Beaumont (Penalties — Campbell, Chris (2), Young, Storey, Cheatham, Linn (2), Smith, Ezeard)	19.50

TOWN OFFICIALS ATTEND UNITED CHURCH WORSHIP SERVICE

Town officials including members of the Council, the works department and the fire brigade, as well as the assessor and town clerk, attended the morning service at the United Church on Sunday. Mayor Joseph Gibbons read the lesson from Chapter 80, Isaiah. Rev. R. C. Todd's sermon was based on the text: "I will make thy officers peace and thine enemies righteousness; thy people also shall be all righteous." The lesson, he said, described a perfect town where religion was part of every-day life and where the officers (the town council and the assessors) did their jobs for God. He asked those present to aspire to make Georgetown such a town and devoutly compared municipal projects to the Old Testament terminology. He said he hoped that council would consider making such a church service an annual event.

The musical part of the service featured a quartette from the choir composed of Mrs. A. B. Vanmeter and Misses Ruth Brown, Margie Hunter and Bobal Coburn.



ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BLOOD-TYPING GROUP

Pictured above are some of the members of the local St. John Ambulance Blood Typing Group. Standing (left to right) — Marjorie Evans, Sarah Black, Mrs. Arthur Scott, Dr. C. V. Williams, Mrs. T. F. Orlove, Mrs. L. Smith, R.N., Mrs. Edna Cook, Mrs. George Harrington. Seated (left to right) — Margaret Cain, Mrs. Walter Peck, Mrs. William Hill, R. B. Foutz, Mary Watson, Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson, Dolores McElroy, Mayor Joseph Gibbons, Mrs. W. F. Smith, Arnot Early.

GREGSON — ROBINSON NUPTIALS IN HILLSBURG CHURCH

Easter lilies and pink and white anemones made a pretty bridal setting in St. Andrew's Church, Hillsburg, on Saturday afternoon for the wedding of Marjorie Loren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Robinson of Hillsburg, to Gordon Earl Gregson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Gregson, R. R. 1, Hillsburg. Rev. McKenzie officiated and Miss Marguerite Thompson played the wedding music.

Escorted by her father, the attractive bride entered the church wearing a wedding gown of white satin fashioned with sweetheart neckline, the long sleeves terminating in points at the wrists. The graceful skirt flared to a full train, and she wore a long veil and carried a bouquet of red roses and maiden-hair fern. As maid of honor, the groom's sister, Miss Lois Gregson, wore a blue taffeta dress with net skirt, matching headdress, long white gloves and carried a nosegay of pink and white roses with sweetpeas. The senior bridesmaid, Miss Joyce Leitch, wore blue taffeta, with net skirt, matching headdress, long white gloves and nosegay of pink and white roses, and sweetpeas. The junior bridesmaids, Miss Mildred Robinson, sister of the bride, and Miss Lorna Gregson, sister of the groom, were dressed alike in pink taffeta with matching headresses, long white gloves and carried nosegays made of blue iris and white sweetpeas. The groom's niece, Bonna Gregson, was flower girl, wearing a dress of yellow taffeta with net skirt, matching head-dress, forget-me-nots forming her nosegay. The bride's brother, Murray Robinson, was page. Mr. Lorne Robinson was best man, and Mr. Delmar French of Hillsburg, Mr. Clarence Beatty, Hillsburg and Mr. Elwood McMillan, Mono Mills, were ushers.

Mrs. Robinson received the guests in her home, wearing a dress of powder blue crepe, with black accessories and corsage of pink roses, assisted by the groom's mother in pinked gray crepe, with mauve accessories and corsage of mauve sweetpeas. For a motor trip south, the bride chose a dress of gray crepe, with fuchsia corsage and hat, black accessories

and corsage of white carnations. Out-of-town guests who attended came from Toronto, Fergus, Georgetown, Guelph, Belvidere, Mono Mills, Orton, and Elora. The bride's mother is the former Sarah Halpin of Glen Williams.