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### Hockey Team Get Windbreakers at Club Dinner

At a chicken dinner in their honour in the McElbion House last Tuesday night, Georgetown's hockey team, finalists in the Intermediate "A" play-downs last year, were presented with windbreakers and crests by the Hockey Club. Jack Armstrong, president of the Hockey Club, was chairman and called on several dignitaries at the head table for a few remarks, including Mayor Joseph Gibbons, Reeve Alex MacLaren, W. G. Bell chairman of the Board of Parks, Jack Shropshire, playing coach of the team and manager Ern Thompson.

Mr. Bell said that the Parks Board was at present getting data on the cost of artificial ice and serious consideration was being given to installing a system in the arena this year. Jack Shropshire announced that he was moving to town soon and would represent a well-known insurance company as their agent here.

Main speaker of the evening was "Tiny" McPadden, vice-president of the Ontario Hockey Association and manager of the Galt Red Wings, one of Canada's best junior teams. Mr. McPadden said that the "banquet league" made this the open season on the O.H.A. executive who try their best to administer hockey in Ontario for the 22,500 hockey players under their guidance. While decisions may not always prove popular he said they were made according to a constitution which every club had had a hand in framing. He said that personally he was against the waiver rule which one club had taken 100% advantage of last year to push Georgetown into "A" hockey, and that he was going to do his best to have it rescinded. At the same time, he said it was not his intention to allow a team to import players who continued to live in outside centres, as this would eventually lead to the breakdown of the whole O.H.A. system.

Mr. McPadden drew a round of applause when he said that Georgetown was one of the greatest hockey towns in the province.

Ken McMillan introduced Tory Gregg, former professional hockey player who is now program director of radio station, CKNX, Wingham. Tory is no stranger in Georgetown, where he has been announcer at the fall fairs for the last three years. He



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paid tribute to the greatness of Georgetown as a hockey town and said this was shown by the fact that seven well-filled special trains took fans to follow the team on out-of-town trips last winter. Because of this interest, he said he felt Georgetown would be in a position to put in artificial ice, even though it is an expensive proposition.

The highlight of the evening then came when Ken McMillan assisted Jack Armstrong in presenting windbreakers to the team. Presentations were made to Leigh Bradbury, Dolly Beaumont, Jack Birchwistle, "Bungy" Ward, Bill Chris, Hal Gibson, Murray Ezeard, Jack Shropshire, "Bobby" Patterson, Johnny Rhodes, Nick Ferri, Al Scott, Kent Storey, Gord Diplock, Art Hurst, Art Murdoch, Jack Kemshead, Junior Beaumont, Gordon Spence, Harvey Lesty and Manager Ern Thompson. The windbreakers are handsome red leather with blue sleeves and red, white and blue trim.

The evening ended with public dancing to the Modern Aires in the Rose Room, where the hockey team were guests of honour.

### Nelson Township Interested In Farmer's Compensation

Nelson Township Unit of the Halton Federation of Agriculture recently held a special meeting to discuss the Ontario Government's proposed farmers' compensation plan. A committee was appointed to meet and discuss with the council the feasibility of Nelson Township applying for this service, and Council in turn decided to cooperate with the Federation to further investigate the matter by consultation with Hon. Thomas L. Kennedy, Minister of Agriculture.

Stanley Hall, M.P.P., arranged an interview on Monday, May 12th, and a group journeyed to Toronto and met Mr. Kennedy. Those making the trip included president William Dales and secretary Vernon McArthur of the Nelson Federation of Agriculture, Paul A. Fisher, president of the Halton Federation, clerk John A. Pettit and Cr. William Hume.

The delegation was informed that the minister is not prepared to accept applications from more than three township municipalities wishing this service. Farmers Compensation is a new venture, and factual information must be obtained from this sample before correct assessments can be set up and a government policy established for the whole province.

The proposed plan necessitates passing of a by-law by the township which would automatically give all farmers coverage. R. S. Hestherington, field man for the Halton Federation believes there is sufficient interest in Nelson, to warrant Council taking this action, and says he be-

lieves many farmers employed in urban centres during the war years are refusing to return to the farm because of this lack of compensation coverage.

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