

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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Artificial Ice Planned For Georgetown Arena

If the Ontario Municipal Board approves the issuing of \$30,000 in debentures, Georgetown Arena will have artificial ice. Council passed a resolution to this effect on Monday night, when they met with members of the Board of Parks Management to discuss the proposal which the Parks Board has had under consideration for some time. Chairman W. G. Bell gave details of the system which is estimated to cost between \$27,000 and \$28,000 and said the Board was in agreement that the system could pay its own way over a period of years in increased profits of arena operation. He substantiated this by stating the Board had a \$5,000 surplus since it was set up in December, 1943, in addition to paying for many major repairs and improvements.

Cr. Herbert said artificial ice would be a great thing to have, that he thought it would pay its way and be a success. Cr. Goodlet said he felt that if Council didn't endorse the plan, the Board might feel it was lacking in confidence. He said the town was lucky to have such an interested group of businessmen serving on the Parks Board.

Deputy-Reeve Armstrong, who is also president of the Hockey Club, pointed out that \$25,000 to \$30,000 went out of town last winter for hockey—enough to retire the whole debt for artificial ice in one year. He believed the longer training season would encourage more good hockey players to locate here, and give young folks in town a better chance to learn the game.

Mayor Gibbons said he didn't anticipate any trouble with the Municipal Board allowing the debenture issue, in view of the good financial statements of the Park Board and he would be pleased to go as a member of a deputation to Toronto to ask for this.

After the motion was passed, Mr. Bell asked for consideration in keeping the Parks Board together for two or three years, in order that they could carry out the complete program.

"You ask rather an embarrassing question," said Mayor Gibbons humorously, "if you promise me you'll keep the Council in power, I'm sure they will support you."

"I guess we're both asking a lot," quipped Mr. Bell as that part of the meeting ended.

Esqueuing Tax Rate 28 Mills Plus Trustee's Rates.

At the regular meeting of Esqueuing Council on Monday, a by-law was passed setting the 1947 tax rate at 28 mills. Trustee's rates are extra to this, and in most cases will be higher this year.

By-laws were passed adjusting the Clerk's salary and assessing a special one-fifth mill rate as membership fees for the Federation of Agriculture, and for distributing interest accruing from the Railway Bonus Fund among the school sections entitled to it.

The Reeve and Clerk were authorized to sign a gravel contract agreement with O. G. Riddell. The treasurer was instructed to pay Dale and Bennet \$175 in satisfaction in full of George Brankley's claim re bond. Road accounts passed totalled \$1825.01 and relief accounts \$23.50.

Owing to a change in the Municipal Act concerning entrance culverts, the clerk was instructed to prepare a by-law in accordance with sub-section 61 of section 405.

ROYAL BANK WILL OPEN BRANCH HERE ON MONDAY

On Monday, Georgetown again becomes a two-bank town when the Royal Bank of Canada opens a new branch in the former Municipal Building on Main Street. The building was originally designed for a bank and housed a Bank of Montreal branch until it closed during the war years. The town then purchased the building and used it for municipal and police offices and Council Chamber until its sale this spring.

Since the town vacated the building, extensive alterations have been made and the painters are this week completing redecorating in three shades of gray-green. A new vault has been constructed inside the old vault, and it is interesting to note that eighteen tons of railway rails are imbedded in the vault structure. Fluorescent lighting has been installed throughout the building.

Mr. Frank Benner, the new manager, has been in town supervising preparations for several weeks. Son

Bailey - Cummins Wedding At Holy Cross Church

At Holy Cross R. C. Church, Georgetown, on Saturday, July 5th at 10 a.m., the wedding was solemnized of Eleanor Cummins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cummins, Georgetown, and Harold Williams Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bailey of Acton. Rev. Fr. V. J. Morgan officiated.

The bride was lovely in white tulle with train, long veil and carrying a cascade of red roses. Matron of honour was her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Cummins, who wore blue brocade satin with nylon net skirt and carried a Colonial bouquet of pink roses. The bride's niece, Joan Cummins as flower girl wore a floor-length, pink tulle gown and carried a Colonial bouquet of pink and white sweet peas. The bride's brother, William Cummins, home on vacation from Persia, was groomsmen Ushers were Ernest Sigsworth and Elwin Hood.

At a reception at the Oddfellows Hall, Mrs. Cummins received, wearing a green figured dress, black and white hat and a yellow rose corsage. The groom's mother assisted, wearing a blue dress with white accessories and corsage of red roses. Guests attended the wedding from Toronto, Weston, Hopeville, Port Elgin, Brampton and Acton. Following a wedding trip, the couple will reside in Georgetown.

Heart Attack-Fatal To Harry E. Stapleton

Marry C. Stapleton, well-known Norval resident, died suddenly early Friday morning, June 27th, of a heart attack. The son of the late John Wesley Stapleton and Saphrona Miller, he was born at Concession near Brighton in 1886 and came to Georgetown when a young man, where he first worked picking apples with George Herrington. He learned the baking trade and was employed for many years as a baker with the late Hugh Livingstone and Norman Brown and of late years he had been employed with Victory Aircraft at Malton.

Mr. Stapleton had lived in Norval since 1938. Surviving are his wife, formerly Mabel E. McCartney and seven children, Cecil of Brampton, Oaf of Acton, Albert, Georgetown, Mrs. Wade (Lillian), Cooksville and Edward, Alma and Lloyd, of Norval. There are seven grandchildren. He also leaves two sisters, Mrs. W. E. Cole and Mrs. R. W. Cole, of Hamilton.

The funeral service from his home on Monday, June 30th, was conducted by Rev. F. J. Dunlop. Pallbearers were Edward Bignell, Brampton, Joseph Murray, Lew Laird, Fred McCartney, Charles Boyle and Clifford Moreton. The many floral tributes were carried by Nick Brown, Ted Louth, Wes Louth, Ray Pomeroy, Bert Scott, Gordon Spence, Norman Robertson, Grant Young, Earl Marchmont, Reg Ryall and Mac Watson.

Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

John Henry Robbins, 50, of R.R. 5, Milton, was instantly killed when a CPR freight train struck his car at a level crossing Monday evening. It was the second fatality in less than a year at the crossing where Earl Timbers was fatally injured last November. Mr. Robbins was returning from work at the Inter-Provincial Brick Plant.



HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN GOVAN FEASLON & LINDSAY ARCHITECTS

Plans for a new 545-bed Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto have been announced by the Board of Trustees. The new structure will be erected between Gerrard and Elm Streets, with main frontage on University Avenue. The volume of the building will be 5,000,000 cubic feet and will be constructed of concrete and steel with exterior walls faced with brick and stone trimming. The hospital is expected to be opened in 1949. The hospital will serve building will contain eleven floors and is expected to be opened in 1949. The hospital will serve all parts of Ontario. Funds for the building were collected during a Province-wide appeal two years ago.

Council Asks Coach Lines Discuss Main St. Bus Re-Route

Georgetown Council has asked officials of Gray Coach Lines to meet with Council and discuss re-routing their buses along Main Street. The local agency at Long's Confectionery was closed last Saturday and buses re-routed along No. 7 highway, stopping at corners for pick-ups. This action by the bus company followed a request by Council asking for the re-routing, passed at the June 2nd meeting. The motion was moved by Deputy-Reeve J. Jack Armstrong and Reeve Alex Maclaren and was carried by a majority recorded vote, with Mayor Joseph Gibbons and Cr. Thos. L. Lyons and Harry Hale voting against it.

Council's action Monday night followed a wave of public protest over the disruption of travel facilities, first indication of which appeared in a newspaper advertisement in the issue of the Herald printed last Thursday. Dissatisfaction was particularly noted among the downtown merchants, and bus patrons who had to wait in the rain on Sunday vociferously condemned what they felt was unwarranted interference by Council with local transportation.

A lengthy letter from the bus company was read by Mayor Gibbons at the Council, in which they criticized Council for requesting the re-routing. (Full text of the letter appears on another page of this issue.) No comment was made when the letter was read, but Reeve Maclaren introduced the subject later in the meeting when he asked if Council was going to let the matter go by default. He thought that if the company had asked the police if buses had interfered with downtown traffic, they might have had the courtesy to ask Council why the request to reroute them had been made by Council.

Gibbons — I thought they might have expressed appreciation of all the consideration they have received from the town in past years.

Maclaren — This hasn't been all one way. They aren't a philanthropic organization. I've waited many hours in crowded terminals and this route is always the last one to get a bus.

Eason — I agree with Reeve Maclaren. They should have talked it over with us.

Herbert — The bus patrons on Saturday were up against it with no depot to wait in.

Lyons — The highway corner wasn't a very good place to wait when it was raining.

Goodlet — That shows how much they think of their patrons.

Hale — I voted against the motion to reroute buses and I'm still against it.

Thompson — I'm making a motion to rescind that motion. I've had my hair pulled enough over the week-end.

Hale — Mr. McClintock (the bus agent) is an ex-serviceman and deserves some consideration.

Goodlet — Mr. McClintock told the Mayor and me last night he didn't care if he ever got the agency back.

Herbert — I think elderly citizens deserve consideration. Two elderly ladies had to walk up the hill and wait for the bus at the highway this week-end.

passed June 2nd to reroute the Gray Coach Lines be rescinded and the coach line asked to reroute buses along Main Street.

Reeve Maclaren said that instead of such a resolution, he would rather have bus officials come and meet Council. "I think we should bring them to task," he said.

Gibbons — I voted against moving the buses, but I don't like the company's attitude.

Goodlet — Is there a bus that can turn either corner on its own side of the road?

Hale — What difference does that make?

Lyons — I haven't heard of a doctor being blocked on Main Street yet.

Maclaren — I don't think that's an argument at all.

Herbert — One evening there were six buses on Main Street. Had there been a fire there would have been trouble.

Maclaren — This thing needs discussing.

Gibbons — I would support a motion asking them to come to a meeting.

Maclaren — Passing Cr. Thompson's motion would mean we are turning tail and running.

Cr. Thompson asked for a recorded vote, and Reeve Maclaren moved an amendment that bus officials be asked to meet with Council and discuss re-routing the buses as formerly. The motion carried, Hale, Lyons and Thompson voting against it, and a recorded vote was then taken on Cr. Thompson's motion as amended. This also carried with Hale, Lyons and Thompson in the minority vote.

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Horton of Hensall called to see Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blehn on Monday.

Mrs. R. Waddie is holidaying with her son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Matson, at Norland.

Celia Ann Atwood of Peterborough has been spending some holidays at the home of her grandfather, T. W. Treanor.

Mrs. Hill of Bolton, Lancashire, England, spent last week in Georgetown with her niece, Mrs. William Carney.

Mrs. Walter Blehn and Carolyn are visiting for two weeks with Mrs. C. E. Blehn at her summer cottage at Inverhuron Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Cummins flew to New York City on Sunday with their son William, who is returning to his position with an oil firm in Persia after a vacation in town.

Heather Rasmussen of Brampton spend a few days last week visiting in town with her grandmother, Mrs. Fred Broomhead and uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. Jim Presswood.

Mr. and Mrs. John Macdonald, Glen Williams, left Friday evening to visit their daughter and friends in Victoria, B.C., returning by way of the United States where they are stopping at San Francisco, Los Angeles and New Orleans.

What Council Did

ON MONDAY, JULY 7

—Endorsed the proposal of the Board of Parks Management to install artificial ice in the arena and decided to send a joint deputation to ask the Municipal Board for approval to issue \$30,000 debentures to cover the cost. (Moved by Armstrong and Maclaren).

—Discussed with a delegation of ratepayers including Mrs. W. Whyte, E. B. Swackhamer, William McDonald, and D. F. Wright, the possibility of opening a roadway into their properties at the back of Maple Avenue in order that lots could be sold for building. It was felt that the only logical entrance was by a continuation of Joseph Street thru properties owned by John Bingham and T. J. Fisher. The property owners with the Mayor, are meeting with Mr. Bingham tomorrow to discuss the question.

—Discussed with town solicitor K. M. Langdon and engineer C. R. Haggy the question of easements for laying sewer pipe through private property. Mr. Langdon reported that purchase of the Tyers property for the disposal plant was almost completed and that Mr. Tyers was giving extra property for a road allowance into the plant.

—Asked Gray Coach Lines to meet with Council and discuss re-routing the buses as formerly.

(Amendment, moved by Maclaren and Herbert, to a motion by Thompson and Lyons that the motion passed on June 2nd to reroute the buses up the highway be rescinded and the company asked to reroute them along Main Street. The amendment was carried, Hale, Lyons and Thompson voting against it.)

—Declared August 4th as Civic Holiday. (Moved by Hale and Eason)

—Asked the Dept. of Highways to repair No. 7 highway between Victoria and Queen Streets.

(Moved by Thompson and Lyons)

—Passed payment of \$6867.28, the County rate for 1947. (Moved by Maclaren and Armstrong)

—Instructed the Clerk to write to Esqueuing Township concerning joint maintenance of the boundary road running from Hunter's Inn to the bridge.

—Authorized the Road Committee to purchase sufficient gravel to finish the War-time Housing road. The matter of roads and sidewalks was brought up by Cr. Hale and Road Chairman Lyons said work was supposed to start on the road the next day. It was not feasible, he believed, to put in sidewalks this year as the land had to settle.

(Moved by Lyons and Herbert)

—Were asked by Cr. Lyons if it was Council's intention to build any sidewalks this year. A request had been received from Ernie Rawson for a sidewalk in front of his property on Caroline Street. Cr. Lyons thought it might be a good idea to put a sidewalk in from the street to the ticket office at the park, but others thought a cinder path would be as good.

—Deputy-Reeve Armstrong mentioned cesspool trouble at War-time Housing and said there seemed to

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Mackenzie Apartments Are Now All Tenanted

The Mackenzie Apartments on Mill Street have now all been leased and the housing shortage in town is further eased. Tenants of the four apartments are: Mr. and Mrs. Wray and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wicks, who have come from Oakville to open the Georgetown 5c to \$100 Store; Mr. and Mrs. John "Sooty" Patterson; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Curran; and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hansen.

Turner Family Marks Anniversary

Woodland Park, Markham, was the setting for the gathering of the Turner clan to mark the 106th anniversary of William and Abigail Turner's settling on Lot 29, Concession 3, Pickering, in Ontario County.

Descendants of these United Empire Loyalist folk were present from Hamilton, Oshawa, London, Milton and many other parts of Ontario. Games were a feature of the program and prizes were awarded to winners as well as to those who travelled the greatest distance to attend and also the youngest and oldest guests. Some of those carrying off souvenirs were: Mrs. Dewart Carson, Hamilton; William Miller, Toronto; Mrs. J. H. Turner, Milton; Brenda Carol Turner, Hornby; and Mr. and Mrs. John Galbraith, Strathroy.

Plans for the 1948 reunion at Miles Park Erindale, were made and officers re-elected as follows: Stanley Turner Hornby, president; Miss Goldie Coyne, Toronto, secretary. Speakers included Mrs. M. Coyne, William Turner, Fred Turner and John Galbraith.

Glen Williams School June Promotion Lists

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Ireland, Douglas and Elizabeth, Mr. and Mrs. Nels Robinson and family of Norval were week-end guests with Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Scott at their summer cottage at Barrillia Park, Lake Simcoe.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Emmerson and children Beverley and Lynne have moved to Inglewood and their house on Riverview Crescent is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hancox and children Ruth and Billy. Mrs. Hancox and the children have been living in Toronto since Mr. Hancox joined the Smith and Stone staff here some time ago.

On Monday evening, Mrs. William Bullivant was hostess at her home on Charles Street at a kitchen shower in honour of Miss Doris McDonald, bride-elect of this month. Highlights of the evening was a mock wedding with Mrs. Jim Clark as the bride, Mrs. Frank Muffin, the groom, and Mrs. Alfred Collins, the minister. Mrs. Vincent Hepburn was groomsman, Mrs. William Hunter bridesmaid, and Mrs. Mary Robinson and Mrs. Ron Lechner, ushers. Mrs. Gordon Bouskill was the bride's mother and Mrs. David Woods, her sister.

GRADE I to II

Honours: Edith Beaumont, Elizabeth Ward

Pass: Charles Gibbs, Joan Hills

GRADE II to GRADE III

Honours: Donald Alexander

Pass: Marlene Cain, Donna McQuarrie, Laura Young

Recommended: GRADE III to GRADE IV

Honours: Barbara Eves, Eva Garvin, Elsie Larsen, Myrna Norton, Barry Tuttlek

Pass: Roger Addy, Judith Beaumont, Donna Bennett, Marie Gibbs, James Schenk

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