

Gets Important Post With Toronto Conservatory

David Ouchterlony has been appointed supervisor of branches for

the Toronto Conservatory of Music. This well-known Toronto musician numbers Kenneth Harrison of Georgetown among his organ pupils. Mr. Ouchterlony will be in charge

of all the branches, giving special emphasis to the standard and methods of teaching. He was until recently head of the music department of Upper Canada College after having spent several years in the same capacity at St. Andrew's College, Aurora. He is also organist and choirmaster at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church, Toronto.

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ASHGROVE

Miss Irene Huffman of Toronto is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Graham.

Little Sandra Carney of Alton is visiting her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wrigglesworth.

We listened with interest to one of our local young ladies, Miss Betty Ruddle who was a guest on the Jack McPherson broadcast at 12.45 on Thursday, July 10th telling of the little European child the Norval Juniors have taken an interest in and pictures which is being carried on.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Anderson were on a boat trip to Midland over the week-end.

Guests at Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson's on Sunday were Mrs. Arthur Wilson, Georgetown, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Wilson and family of Toronto and Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Wilson and son John Gordon from Norval.

STEWARTTOWN

The July meeting of Esqueping Women's Institute was held Tuesday evening in the Council Chamber, Mrs. H. P. Lawson presiding. Meeting opened with the Institute Ode followed by a report of the 35th Anniversary meeting. A letter was read from Mrs. W. D. Johnston of Georgetown acknowledging the birthday cake received. Mrs. Johnston was present at the organizing meeting 35 years ago. Mrs. McLennan, Agricultural Convener, read of a farmer's holiday being organized, and the use of penicillin in agriculture. Mrs. J. O. Murray presented current events. Mrs. Walter Lawson gave a brief account of the Dundas Centenary.

The roll call at the August meeting is to be answered with "A history of your home and property" to be written and handed to Mrs. W. Lawson, Historical convener. Mrs. McLennan conducted a quiz on flowers. Lunch was served at the close of the meeting.

Miss Beatrice Standish is visiting with relatives and friends in Calgary. The village was serenaded Friday night by the life and drum band of L.O.L., Stewarttown (or was it Saturday morning) The Orangemen paraded in Fergus on the 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lawson and daughter Beth have been visiting for a few days with Mrs. Lawson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Huffman and Michael of St. Catharines week-ended with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Smith. Evalonne Smith went back with them for holidays.

Miss Ruby Tennant has been visiting in Georgetown with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pendley.

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matter and it is yet to be appointed. In considering this High School Area we in Georgetown need to get clearly in our own minds what it is we want for our town and our young people.

Do we want to preserve our pride by being able to say we have a Georgetown High School (no matter what the variety and quality of courses offered by that School) or —

Do we want to provide the best courses of Secondary School education that are possible under the conditions likely to prevail during the next 20 years.

The kind of school that is possible — the variety of courses — the quality of teachers, equipment, curriculum, etc., depend chiefly on two fundamental conditions.

1. The prospective number of pupils available for the School.

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2. The ability of the ratepayers included in the area served to pay for the necessary buildings, equipment, teachers, etc.

Experience throughout Ontario indicates that a High School will enrol about 3 per cent of the population in its area. The population of the North Halton District including Georgetown is between 12000 and 13000 and would provide an enrolment of about 400 High School pupils. Putting Georgetown population at 3000 or more Georgetown alone could provide an enrolment of 100 pupils for a High School leaving 300 pupils for the Area School without Georgetown.

Which condition provides our young people with the optimum chance for a modern education — an enrolment of 400 or 100?

The assessment in the whole North Halton area including Georgetown is such that a 14 to 17 teacher school with 400 pupils or more including buildings, equipment, transportation and operation could be run on approximately a 4 mill basis so far as the ratepayers are concerned. This estimate is advanced by the Department of Education. 4 mills is just what it costs Georgetown now for High School purposes. If Georgetown remains out of the balance of the area will probably have to raise 4 1/2 mills for High School purposes. Under the Area School the Department of Education pays 75 per cent of the cost. If Georgetown stands alone it will be necessary soon to build a new school and with the maximum enrolment possible Georgetown ratepayers will have to carry much more than the 25 per cent as under the Area plan because the proportion paid by Government is limited to a maximum amount per pupil.

Can we afford to maintain a Georgetown High School which will provide the range, variety and quality of education our young people deserve?

I am opposed to building an Area High School out in the open country away from all conveniences, necessities and amenities. The Board, if it decides so to build will, in my opinion meet with very serious obstacles to the successful operation of such a school. However, Milton School Area is now dissolved — Acton, Milton, Esqueping and Nassagaweya are now in an Area High School District — If Georgetown stays out the School will almost certainly be built at Speyside. If we enter the area we may have sufficient influence to bring the School into the outskirts of Georgetown.

In any case I do not believe that the Georgetown High School Board and Town Council alone should accept responsibility for such a serious far-reaching decision. A ratepayers' meeting should be arranged at which all relevant facts and figures could be presented and the decision to enter or remain outside the North Halton High School area could be registered later by a general vote of those qualified.

With the above ideas in mind and with a responsibility for legislating on behalf of the whole county as well as for Georgetown and with the conviction that municipalities involved were doing the wise thing for themselves in asking for the creation of a District High School area, I voted for the by-law creating the Area. So far I can see no reason for changing my opinion or my vote.

If you, Mr. Editor, require any assurance on the matter please accept mine for what you may consider it worth that the representatives of every other municipality in Halton County are just as good as, but no better, than Georgetown's in strength of character, clarity of opinion, decision, faith in their municipality's fu-

ture and their ideals. Inter-community relationships and cooperation are not helped by such editorials as yours of July 9th.

Yours Sincerely,

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Research workers today are constantly opening up new fields of Canadian endeavour, giving wider scope for Canadian skills.

Science in Canada before the war had already to its credit several achievements of world significance—among them, Rutherford's original work on radio-activity, Saunders' development of Marquis wheat, Banting's discovery of insulin.



In 1939 began a cooperation in research never before attained in Canada. The contributions of Canadian scientists in such fields as atomic energy, radar, aircraft design and the development of super-explosives, won world recognition.



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