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The Editor's Column

RESPECT OUR PUBLIC PARK

It has been drawn to our attention that youngsters and juveniles have been wrecking valuable property and defacing the grandstand at Georgetown Park, and we write these lines to point out the folly of such actions and the great disservice being rendered to one of the town's finest natural assets. Georgetown has a park to be proud of — a good track, a lovely setting with good ball diamonds, shade trees, the armouries, the Fall Fair pylon and the grandstand and judging stand. These latter two are not exactly things of beauty, being rather badly in need of paint, but they are sturdily constructed and had been put in good shape by the town men in readiness for the fair next month.

However, much of this work has been nullified by the vandalism mentioned above. An examination on Monday revealed specifically that several boards had been deliberately pulled from the bottom of the judging platform and two or three railing supports removed. Inside the building a few broken bottles were in evidence and although the floor was reasonably clean at the time, we are told that on frequent occasions the sanitary facilities elsewhere have been ignored in favour of this more convenient spot.

The grandstand has also had its share of damage and boards have been loosened and pulled off and a couple of doorways at the back of the stand pulled off their hinges. Chalk writing and pictures are also liberally plastered on the back wall, many of them not fit to mention. It is extremely discouraging for the men who had put the park in shape for the fair to find their work has to be done over, and it is indirectly a loss to the town for the time spent on this means that other things will have to be neglected.

We make a plea to those who read this to be more careful and to refrain from wilfully damaging public property. Parents can help by reminding their youngsters that the park is theirs to enjoy, not destroy, and that they should not do there what they would not do at home.

WASTE CANS WOULD HELP

While on the subject of cleaning up the park, we wonder at the same time if something could not be done about cleaning up the downtown streets. The litter of papers and garbage which remains on Main St. all day Sunday is an eyesore to resident and visitor alike. Several mornings weekly the town men sweep the streets clean, but they cannot be expected to do this job on Sunday morning too. Much of the trouble is caused by the lack of any type of waste can on the street, and if these were provided at strategic points and educational campaign launched, we think improvements would be noted.

How about the town, or the Lions Club, Women's Institute or some other public spirited organization, providing waste containers? They would have to be solidly constructed of the type used in cities. A cleaner Main Street would be a great asset to Georgetown.

SCHOOL EXAM RESULTS GOOD

The Middle School examination results which appeared in last week's Herald reflected much credit on the teaching staff at Georgetown High School and on the students themselves for an outstanding record. In 152 subjects written by 34 students, there were only nine failures, these being divided among three students.

Noteworthy particularly are the results attained by Douglas Latimer, who topped his class with ten firsts, and Douglas Alexander who followed closely behind with six firsts and four seconds. Both boys also wrote upper school Zoology and got second class honours in that. Douglas Latimer has the distinction of heading his class in his complete four years of high school and we predict that he and others of the fourth form class are heading for brilliant futures as they continue their education.

THE EX IS BACK

For the first time since 1941, the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto is on again and Georgetowners as always have been flocking down to see Canada's greatest show. Being three-parts Scotch, the editor is waiting until Press Day on Friday to visit the show, when he is a guest of the exhibition for dinner and has several free attractions provided. The prospect of trying to see everything we want to in one afternoon always frightens us — there are the printing machines, the new cars, television, the pure food building, and of course the midway, though if the prices there are as high as we have heard, it will be mostly a "looking" tour. Then we are taking in the Olsen and Johnson show at the Coliseum, being old fans of these zany comedians since we used to see them in vaudeville in

Detroit. Oh, yes — we have reserved a minute to see if we can pick out the stall in the horse palace where we slept for the last time on army pay back in July, 1945. Wonder if we'll find one of Ken McMillan's nags in it now.

Reminiscences of G.H.S.

by Howard F. Oram

The Upper School Examination results appearing in the newspapers, prompted me to get out some of my old school records, and I located the results of the old Form I or Commercial examination, in the county of Halton in 1897. The subjects were Reading, Drawing, Geography, Botany and Writing with Book-keeping and Commercial Transactions. At G.H.S., all of these subjects except Reading were taught by Mr. McLaughlin, and I can think of no one more capable for these particular subjects than he. For Drawing and Botany he was particularly good. Miss Hutt taught Reading, and taught it remarkably well. The results at Georgetown were V. C. Barber, J. P. Bellisle, (honors) H. A. Bracken, J. A. Clark, C. P. Cross, W. J. Graham, J. G. Henderson, A. C. Holmes, M. F. Hutchinson, D. McElbbon, H. G. Mitchell, P. H. Mitchell, J. H. O'Neill, H. F. Oram, E. M. Roy, L. T. Rutledge, J. Scott, F. C. Smyth, and E. M. Wilson. I don't know where Vivian C. Barber, Jos. A. Clark, Carl Cross (from Stewarttown), Will J. Graham, M. F. Hutchinson, Dan McElbbon, James H. (Jimmie) O'Neill, Mabel Roy, or Ethel Wilson are now. Joseph Bellisle, Gordon Henderson, Lewis T. Rutledge and Fennel Smyth are deceased. Harry Bracken is in Toronto. Allan C. Holmes is in Galt, Helena G. Mitchell married Frank Reed, and is I understand, in the West. Percy H. Mitchell is in Toronto and Jennie Scott is married and living in Norval.

For the Botany examination I can still remember the plant that Mr. J. S. Deacon, the Public School Inspector for Halton, and the presiding examiner, brought in for identification. I often see it on the outskirts of Toronto, and while I don't know its name I have never forgotten it. He got it out of the low-lying land east of what used to be Arnold's glove factory, and which we used to cross to get down to the shopping district on Main Street. In any case I didn't identify it. Some day I may take a sprig of it home and with the aid of an old botany text book find out its name. The certificate for this examination is dated from the Department of Education, Toronto, August 21, 1897.

Four New Members Join Busy Bees W.I.

Four new members were welcomed to the ranks of the Busy Bees W. I. at the August meeting held at the home of Mrs. Jennie Howard. The president, Mrs. Alf Allen, led in prayer to open the meeting, followed by the singing of "The More We Get Together." Roll Call was answered by "My mother's maiden name." Minutes were read and adopted and Mrs. Cox gave the financial statement.

Mrs. O. Locker gave a report on quilt making and it was decided to make another crazy quilt and proceed with another quilt that the club has been asked to do. Mrs. Davenport read an article from the Farmer's Magazine, "An Institute Paper," and Mrs. McLean read one on "Canada's Peat Bogs." Miss Eileen Allen gave a reading "Grandma Says."

A letter from the Navy League telling of their needs in peace as well as war-time was read by Mrs. Cox and a donation of \$5 was made for merchant seamen. Mrs. Alf Allen was elected delegate to the W.I. convention and Mrs. John Frank as second auditor. The meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer and a social time was spent over refreshments served by the hostess, Mrs. W. E. Britton offered her home for the September meeting.

1947 FALL FAIRS

O.N.E., Toronto	Aug. 22—Sept. 6
Edmira	Aug. 29, 30, Sept. 1
Chealey	Sept. 5, 6
Cooksville	Sept. 12, 13
Fergus	Sept. 12, 13
GEORGETOWN	Sept. 12, 13
Grand Valley	Sept. 11, 12
Mount Forest	Sept. 8, 9
Oshawa	Sept. 8—10
Brampton	Sept. 16, 17
Caledon	Sept. 19, 20
Galt	Sept. 18—20
Shelburne	Sept. 16, 17
Arthur	Sept. 23, 24
Bolton	Sept. 26, 27
Milton	Sept. 26, 27
Owen Sound	Sept. 27, 28, 29
Acton	Oct. 3, 4
Stouffville	Oct. 4
Toowater	Sept. 30, Oct. 1
Erin	Oct. 11 and 13
Schomberg	Oct. 10, 11
Woodbridge	Oct. 11 and 13
Wingham (Horse Show)	Nov. 6
Royal Winter Fair	Nov. 18—26
Toronto	

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LIMEHOUSE

Miss Molly Robertson, R.N. of Toronto and Mrs. Kerr of Brandon, Manitoba, have been recent visitors with the Roughlys.

The Hills of Acton visited the Wrights on Sunday evening. Mr. Berg spent the week end at Windsor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brown and Betty Ann attended the Ingram re-union at Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Sherman's, Mississauga Rd. a week ago.

Ruth Brown has been visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Brownridge's. Mr. and Mrs. Alex Currie and family enjoyed a motor trip to the Niagara Peninsula on Sunday.

Lillie Mae Lockhurst of Meadowvale has been holidaying at the Mitchells.

Mrs. B. Monroe of Oaklands, Cal., has been visiting her brother, Mr. J. L. Ellerby and Mrs. Ellerby.

Many valuable and useful articles were displayed at the Limehouse Memorial Hall for the W. I. bazaar on Wed. afternoon. Although the heat was oppressive quite a number turned out to buy and to enjoy the tea served later on.

A number of local ladies are planning to attend the Guelph area W.I. convention to be held at the O.A.C. on September 4 and 5.

A very pleasant evening was spent in the Hall on Friday evening when friends and neighbours gathered to shower Miss Mary Kirkpatrick and Mr. Ralph Turner with many useful and lovely gifts prior to their approaching marriage. Mrs. Ellerby was chairman for a short musical program, solos by Anna Spitzer and Doris Harding accompanied by Mrs. E. Karn and an instrumental by Eleanor Spitzer. The young couple were then presented with their gifts, each later expressing thanks in a few well chosen words. After lunch a few dances were enjoyed.

Mr. Bill Newton of Barrie is spending a few days with his parents here.

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