

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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SANTA CLAUS COMES TO TOWN ON SATURDAY

P. B. Harrison Announces Retirement as Clerk-Treasurer

There was a moment of stunned silence at Council meeting on Monday evening following the reading by Mayor Gibbons of a letter from P. B. Harrison announcing his resignation as clerk-treasurer of the town for reasons of health. The Mayor pointed to Mr. Harrison's capable performance of his duties for the past twenty-three years, and said he deeply regretted the resignation of one who has held the key position of municipal government, and whose honesty and ability have been above reproach. Mr. Harrison's advice had always been helpful to him as a Council member and he said it was going to be difficult to fill his shoes.

Each member of Council rose in turn and expressed similar thoughts, Reeve Maclaren saying he thought it fitting that a suitable recognition of regret be placed on the minute book and a motion to this effect was made by himself and Deputy-Reeve Jack Armstrong.

Mr. Harrison will relinquish the office sometime in the new year, having indicated his willingness to stay on the job until another man is hired and to assist the new man in becoming familiar with the position.

In view of the decision of K. M. Langdon to retire this year from the position of tax collector, Council members favoured combining this office with the clerk-treasurer and a motion was made by Crs. Goodlet and Herbert to advertise for applications for the joint position. The job will carry a \$2000 yearly salary and applications will be accepted by the clerk until 7 p.m. on January 10th.

TICKETS SELLING WELL ON LIONS CHRISTMAS DRAW

Main feature of the Lions Club dinner meeting in the McGibbon House on Monday evening was the completion of plans for the community Christmas tree on Saturday when the club will sponsor Santa's annual visit to Georgetown. A large Christmas tree from the farm of Lion James Ballantine is being erected at the four corners and it will be the scene of much activity on Saturday when Santa is scheduled to arrive at 3 o'clock. This year, he has given definite assurance that he will be on time and there won't be any long waits for the distribution of bags of candy, nuts and fruit which mark his visit. A letter appearing in last week's Herald was brought to the club's attention, in which a mother asked if some arrangement could not be made to have the younger children see more of Santa and not be pushed aside by the exuberance of the bigger ones. It was decided to have the small children with their parents go to a designated spot and be given first chance at receiving their presents.

Lion Dick Licata, who is in charge of the event, reported ticket sales brisk on the lucky draw which helps to pay for the day. This year the club is making particular efforts to sell an extra supply of tickets as they are installing sanitary facilities at Teen Town Hall and it is hoped to raise a good part of this estimated \$400 expenditure by sale of extra tickets. Twenty five chickens and geese, two or three turkeys and a special of a large doll dressed in ten one dollar bills are offered as prizes in the draw.

Don't forget to buy tickets — and be on hand at 3 p.m. this Saturday for the big event at the Main and Mill Street corner.

Mrs. George Gray Was Former Georgetown Resident

Funeral services were held yesterday at the Trull Funeral Home for Mrs. George Gray, conducted by Rev. Clifford Cluff, her son-in-law by marriage. Mrs. Gray was the former Mrs. Herbert Craven and lived in Georgetown for five years, where she and the late Mr. Craven were employed at the Arnold Glove factory. They were members of Georgetown Methodist Church. They moved to Toronto thirty-four years ago and Mr. Craven died several years ago, his wife later marrying Mr. Gray. Interment took place in St. John's Cemetery, Norway.

WHAT ESQUEUING COUNCIL DID

ON MONDAY, DEC. 15th

Established by by-law a Community Hall at Stewarttown, with the following as a Board of Managers: Reeve George Cleave and Deputy-Reeve George Currie (Township Representatives), Mrs. Walter Lawson, Mrs. Robert Cunningham, Milton J. Brown, William Alexander, H. Craig Reid.

(First reading moved by Currie and Bird; 2nd and 3rd readings by Leslie and Bird.)

Appointed Edwin Harrop as member of the North Halton High School Board for 1948-49, and Arthur Beaumont for 1948.

(Moved by Reid and Bird)

Took no action on a request by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stewart asking consent of Council for annexation to Acton village of that part of their farm adjoining Wallace Street to a depth of one hundred feet.

Paid sheep claims totalling \$167 to:

C. G. English, sheep injured, which had to be destroyed, \$16; lamb killed, \$15; T. H. Price, lamb killed, \$15; A. N. Stark, valuator, (3 trips), \$12; Cecil Chisholm, calf killed, \$12; Emmet McGibbon registered ewe killed, \$50; registered ewe lamb killed, \$35; Meldrum Stark, valuator (3 trips), \$12.

Council expressed their appreciation to Reeve George Cleave for the courteous and impartial manner in which he presided over the year's meetings.

Paid to members meeting and mileage accounts as follows:

Reeve George Cleave — \$163.00
Dep. Reeve George Currie — 147.80
Cr. George Leslie — 139.40
Cr. H. Craig Reid — 139.40
Cr. Wilfrid Bird — 129.40

Purchased a snow plow and double wings from Dominion Road Machinery Co., at \$3178.00 plus sales tax and installation.

(Moved by Reid and Bird)

Passed accounts including Roads, \$10,592.35; Thompson's Hardware, on account, \$1000; Hawes and Nelson, \$2432.08; Relief, \$39.65; Dale and Bennett, 1947 legal account, \$236.35; Prov. of Sask., charity, \$20; Federal Fire Insurance, policy on Township Hall (G. C. Brown, agent), \$40; Canadian General Insurance, bond on tax collector, G. C. Brown, agent) \$37.50; Board of Health, miscellaneous expenditures, \$80.06.

The Reeve and Treasurer were empowered to pay any December road accounts submitted by the Road Superintendent.

Nomination Day was set for Monday, December 29th, with elections if necessary for Reeve, Deputy-Reeve, Councillors and three members of School Area No. 1 Board to be held on the Monday following.

WED AT ST. PAUL'S MANSE IN BRAMPTON

On Saturday, December 6th, Rev. John McDermid officiated at the wedding of Patricia Sinclair, daughter of Mrs. Martha Blackstone, to Theodore Edwin (Ted) Darlington. The ceremony was performed at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church manse in Brampton.

The bride wore an Arabian Night blue wool dress with silver sequin trim, grey hat trimmed with American Beauty blue feathers and grey accessories, with corsage of pink roses.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in Toronto at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. N. W. Blackstone. Her mother received the guests, wearing a black dress and hat with white carnation corsage. The couple left on a honeymoon trip to St. Catharines and Buffalo. They will reside on the 8th Line, just below Cedarvale Farm.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to thank friends and organizations for cards and cigarettes sent to me while I was a patient in Toronto General Hospital.

—George Walker

Hey, Kids!



I'm coming to Georgetown on Saturday, December 20th . . . meet me at the Community Christmas tree at the Mill and Main Street corner at 3.00 p.m.

Tell your Dad and Mom not to forget to buy tickets on the annual lucky draw . . . Sponsored by the Georgetown Lions Club there are prizes of turkeys and chickens and a special prize of a doll dressed in \$1 bills. Proceeds from their sale helps to pay for my visit to Georgetown.

SEE YOU SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20th

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tyndall of Centre Island, Toronto, spent last week in town with his mother, Mrs. W. W. Tyndall.

Jim Blair, Jr. was taken to Toronto East General Hospital last Thursday, where he underwent an operation for acute appendicitis.

Mr. John Shingby of Norval is recuperating in Guelph General Hospital after an operation which he underwent recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stockford and Miss F. Morrow attended the funeral in Toronto yesterday of Mrs. George Gray (formerly Mrs. Herbert Craven of Georgetown).

Dick Riddall flew to Toledo, Ohio, on Monday with a group of Airway Sanitizer Vacuum Cleaner salesmen who were taken on an inspection trip through the company's plant.

George Walker is home from Toronto General Hospital where he was treated for blood poisoning caused by infection in a cut over his eye which he received at work.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Cave of Toronto were week-end visitors in town with his mother, Mrs. T. R. Cave and sister, Mrs. Ross Thompson.

Wayne Riddall, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Riddall had an unfortunate accident recently when a pair of scissors he was playing with pierced his left eye. He is back home again after treatment in Toronto General Hospital and it is believed the eyesight will be saved.

Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson officiated at a communion service in All Saints Church of England, Erin, on Sunday morning, when the confirmation class celebrated their first communion. Mr. C. N. Blagrove, student in charge of Erin, occupied St. George's Church pulpit in his absence.

On the occasion of her birthday last Saturday, a group of friends held a surprise party for Mrs. T. R. Cave at her apartment in the Valleyview. Mrs. Frank Sykes, Mrs. Norman Snyder and Mrs. E. R. Robinson, were prize-winners at euchre and after refreshments, Mrs. S. Groat read tea-cups. The group presented Mrs. Cave with a lovely box of stationery. Those present included Mrs. Fred Broomhead, Mrs. W. V. Grant, Mrs. S. Groat, Mrs. Frank Sykes, Mrs. Norman Snyder, Mrs. E. R. Robinson, Mrs. Dan Livingston and Mrs. Ballantine.

DAIRY OWNER INJURED LAST NIGHT

Riley Brethour, proprietor of the Georgetown Dairy was painfully injured in an accident at the dairy last night. While moving some equipment, a heavy radiator dropped on him, breaking a bone and crushing the toes in one foot and bruising his other leg. He was taken to Guelph General Hospital this morning for treatment of the injuries.

What Council Did

THE WEATHER

Mr. Editor: This past week's low of 7 above zero marks the winter's lowest so far. It came rather suddenly and was certainly felt after the rainy weather of the week-end.

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	RAIN
Dec. 8	38	30	.86
Dec. 9	31	22	
Dec. 10	26	7	
Dec. 11	34	10	
Dec. 12	31	20	
Dec. 13	26	18	
Dec. 14	33	18	
Average	31.28	17.85	.86

IONIC MALE CHOIR CONCERT LAST WEEK

Under the sponsorship of the United Church choir, the Ionic Male Choir of Brampton provided a treat for music lovers last Wednesday when they presented a concert in the United Church. The choir is directed by Mr. W. E. Capps and their repertoire included both classical and popular songs in group and solo work.

Edward Townsend Was Brick Plant Superintendent

For many years superintendent of the Halton Brick Company plant at Terra Cotta, Edward Townsend died at his home in Norval on Sunday, December 7th, at the age of 77. He was the son of the late John Townsend and Margaret Stringer and was born on a farm at Terra Cotta, where he attended school. After farming for a few years, he sold the farm and took a position with the brick company, where he worked until his retirement in 1936, when he moved to Norval.

Mr. Townsend was prominent in church work, and when he lived in Terra Cotta he was an elder of Union Presbyterian Church and for many years was superintendent of the Sunday School. Since moving to Norval, he had served as an elder at Norval Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife, the former Ellen D. McLean of Erin, whom he married in 1904, two children, William E. Townsend and Mrs. Oliver Hunter (Margaret) and one granddaughter, Thelma Hunter, all of Norval. Predeceased by three sisters, he also leaves a sister, Mrs. Charles McEwen of Acton.

The funeral service on Wednesday was held from his home to Norval Presbyterian Church where Rev. J. I. Self conducted the service. Mrs. Francis Thompson sang "In the Shadow of His Wings". Pallbearers were Albert Dolson, Andrew Macdonald, Thomas Macdonald, Robert Reid, Arthur McClure and Lester Brown. Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

Met for their 27th and last meeting of 1947 in the Municipal Office in the Post Office building.

Accepted with regret the resignation of clerk-treasurer P. B. Harrison for reasons of health, the resignation to take effect when a successor is hired early in the new year.

As Tax Collector K. M. Langdon had announced earlier in the year that he was quitting this position at the end of 1947, decided to combine this with the clerk-treasurer's job and advertise for a man to fill the office at a salary of \$2000 a year.

Declared Friday, December 26th, as Boxing Day and a civic holiday.

Discussed several details of sewerage with W. W. Scott of Central Mortgage and Housing and Engineer C. R. Hagay.

Heard that the new Municipal Building on Main Street would possibly be ready for occupancy in January. Reeve Alex Maclaren was appointed as a committee chairman, with power to name his own committee to see what furnishings would be needed in the new building.

Town Assessor J. A. Early reported that he expected taxes would be paid on the new assessing system for the first time in 1950. He is averaging five houses a day under the new system.

Cr. Thos. L. Lyons, who lost out by 4 votes to Ray Whitmore as councillor from Ward 3, expressed his pleasure at being associated with the 1947 Council and wished every success to the new council.

Mrs. Arthur Williams Was Glen School Teacher

A former resident of Glen Williams, Mrs. Arthur Williams, passed away at her home in Red Deer, Alberta, on Wednesday, December 10th, and was buried on Monday in Glen Williams Cemetery. Formerly Erma Norton, she was the youngest daughter of the late Theophilus Norton and Jennie Johnston. Her father was school-teacher at the Glen and she followed in his footsteps, also teaching at Palermo and in the west, where she met and married her husband, a mining engineer, thirty years ago. They first resided at Saunders, Alberta, later moving to Red Deer. She was a member of the Methodist and later the United Church.

Surviving besides her husband is one sister, Ida Norton of Red Deer. A sister, Maude, predeceased her. She was a cousin of F. T. Lamb, and Mrs. William McClure of Brampton and J. A. Johnston of Toronto Gore.

Following the funeral service in Red Deer on Friday, the remains were brought to Glen Williams for burial, when Rev. F. J. Dunlop officiated at the committal service.

Georgetown Mayor Visits Norval Juniors

Mayor Joseph Gibbons of Georgetown was honoured guest at the monthly meeting of Norval Junior Farmers and Junior Institute which was held on Tuesday, December 9th, at the home of Ward and Doris Brownridge.

The boys' meeting was taken up with a discussion on the recent broadcast over radio station CHML by a group of Halton Juniors including Craig Reid, a member of the club. At the girls' meeting, Miss Lamey Kean described her trip west last summer. She was particularly impressed by the redwood forests in California. Roll-Call at the girls' meeting was answered by an exchange of gifts.

Mayor Joseph Gibbons of Georgetown was a guest at the joint meeting and praised the good work of the Norval Juniors and their influence in creating good citizens and good farmers of the future. He expressed the good will which exists between the rural and urban residents of the Georgetown district.

Ward Brownridge and Lamey Kean were chosen to represent Norval in the count debate to be held in February. Plans were also made for a 15-minute program which Norval Juniors will put on at the county rally in Milton next month.



A record shipment of mail, largest ever to leave a Canadian port, was carried to the United Kingdom on the Canadian Pacific cargo-passenger ship Beaverford which sailed from Montreal for Liverpool November 23 with 19,750 bags of parcel post, in addition to 10,850 tons of regular cargo, including the heavy deckloads of logs, shown above, and 28 passengers. In the above picture, the last bags of mail in the record shipment, which weighed 800 tons and occupied 152,410 cubic feet of space were being loaded. The mail, a large part of which is made up of Christmas packages, is packed 25 feet deep in the hold.