

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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Georgetown Raiders Oust Markham Win Intermediate 'A' Championship

Decisive Victory of 4 Games to 1 Clinched Title for Georgetown

Team Has Envious Record — Were semi-finalists in 1946 and Contenders for Title in 1947 — Wild Celebration as Team Returns Home — Girls' Pipe Band Leads Early morning Parade — Fire Siren Arouses Town-folk — Congratulations from all Corners.

With hundreds of their supporters on hand at the Ottawa Arena last Thursday night, the Georgetown Raiders captured the Intermediate "A" hockey championship by defeating the Markham Millionaires 4-3 in an overtime session in the fifth game of the play-off series.

While the Georgetown Hockey Club has had an enviable record in hockey circles down through the years, the victory of this year's team has solidly set the name of Georgetown in the records for all time to come. The team deserves all the praise and congratulations they are receiving for a great display of hockey throughout the entire season, and if there be still greater laurels to be fought for, we can count on these boys battling on till the final bell.

This is the first O.H.A. title a Georgetown team has held since the Arena was built in 1923, and with the series won the fans went wild with excitement. The Girls' Pipe Band were on hand with their music and when the special train and the team returned home paraded to the four corners of the Main Street where Mayor Gibbons officially congratulated the team on behalf of the town. The fire siren aroused those who had retired to tell of the victory, and many more joined in the celebration which culminated in the wee sma' hours of the morning.

But let a word be said for the losers. The Markham team played some grand hockey too, met defeat with flying colours and were the first to congratulate the winners. By the fact that the fifth game went into overtime play, one can appreciate the calibre of both teams. The Markham team were Intermediate "B" finalists last year, while the home team were "A" finalists, being eliminated by Bradford Redmen.

The Thursday game at Ottawa was in all probability the best game of the series. Both teams tore into the game with all the steam and pep at their command, and went the full twenty minutes of the first period without a tally.

In the second frame Hal Gibson, who starred brilliantly throughout the game, opened the scoring, while Markham came back quickly to even the count, and with another counter took the lead. However, before the period ended Patterson had again tied the score.

The third period ended with the score still deadlocked, each team having added a goal by Gibson and Lawrie. The overtime session was a hectic affair. The minutes ran into seconds until there was less than a minute left to play. Gibson swept in from the wing, and intercepting Storey's pass, rifled home the championship goal.

Hal Gibson played a wonderful game. His fine skating, passing, scoring, earned for him the first star of the game. While Gibson sparked his team to victory, he was well backed up by every man on the team.

It was a great series, a championship well deserved.

Markham—goal, Harpur; defence Perry, Stark; cen., Bangay; wings, C. Nesbitt, Stark; alternates, Milroy, Lawrie, Watson, F. Scott, G. Scott, Rumney, A. Baker.

Georgetown—goal, Rhodes; defence, Birtwistle, Binsell; cen., Storey; wings, M. Bradbury, Gibson; alternates, Patterson, Nash, L. Bradbury, Ferri, Martin, Beaumont, Murdock.

Officials — Charley Good, Al Woods.

First Period
No scoring.
Penalties — Patterson 2, Milroy.

Second Period

1. Georgetown—Gibson 3-0

2. Markham—Bangay (Nesbitt) 8:05

3. Markham—Nesbitt (Bangay) 12:28

4. Georgetown—Patterson (Gibson) 19:01

Penalties — Gibson, Murdock, Stark, F. Scott, Storey.

Third Period

5. Markham—Lawrie 9:18

6. Georgetown—Gibson (Storey) 18:51

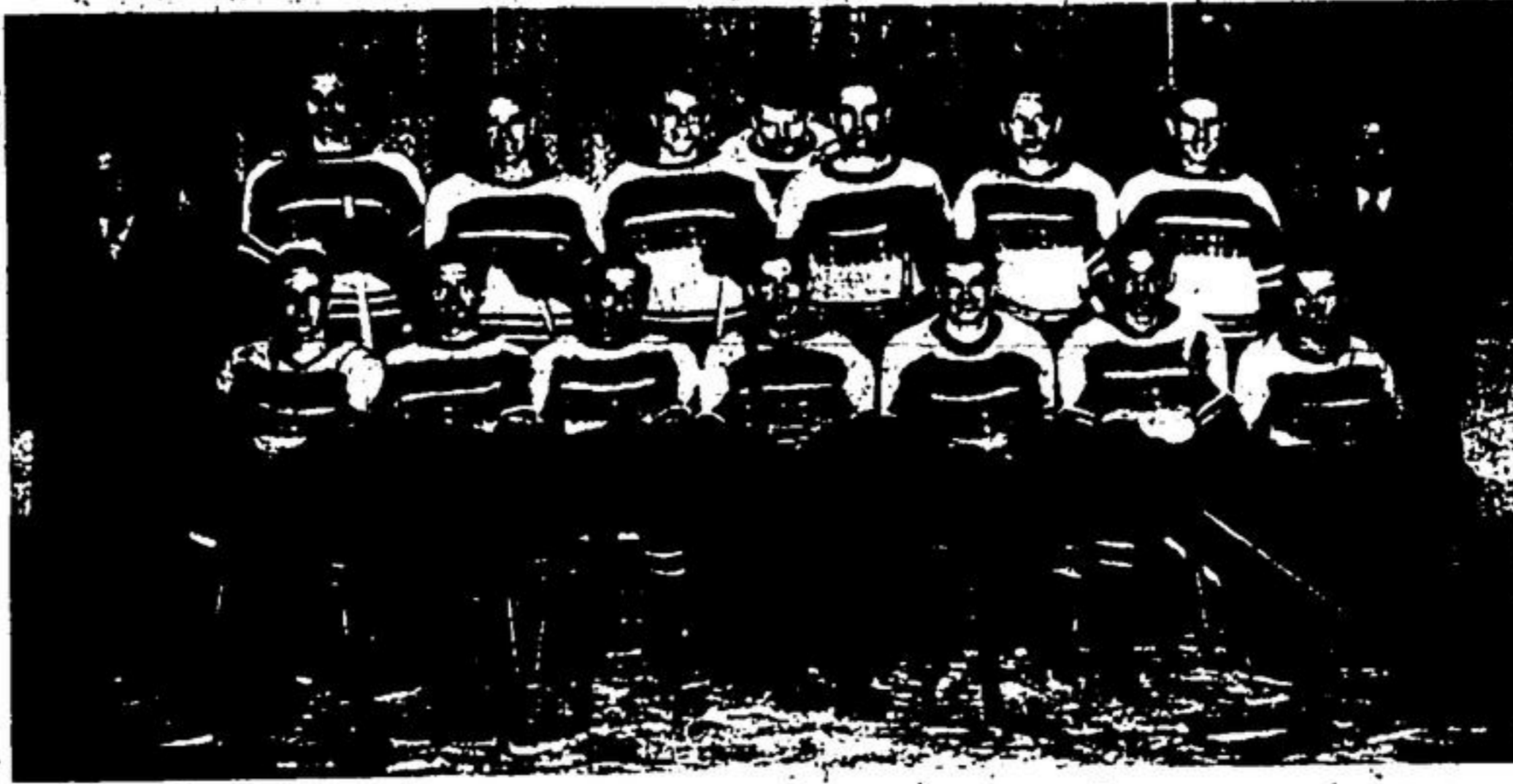
Penalties—Murdock, Binsell, F. Scott, Milroy, Gibson.

Overtime Period

7. Georgetown—Gibson

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The Intermediate Champs of 1948



The smiling group above was snapped by Albert Simson after downing Markham and winning the Ontario championship. Standing left to right; Coach Doug Runions, Scotty Patterson, Rene Martin, Ken Nash, Earl Emond, captain Jack Birtwistle, Kent Storey, Eddie Binsell, Manager Perc Blackburn; seated, Hal Gibson, Max Bradbury, Nick Ferri, Jack Rhodes, Leigh Bradbury, Del Beaumont, Art Murdock.

— Photo by Albert Simson

MUNICIPAL BUILDING DEDICATED SUNDAY MORNING

Briefly and impressively before a gathering of town officials including the Council, Hydro Commission, School Board and Fire Department members, the new Municipal Building was officially dedicated on Sunday morning. Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson conducted the service which included the recitation of the 8th psalm, in which Rev. R. C. Todd assisted; the Lord's Prayer and prayers for the King, the Nation and the Town. The singing of God Save the King ended the service, after which those present attended the service at St. George's Church, where Archdeacon Thompson preached an inspiring sermon on good citizenship and the responsibilities of public officials.

The sentence of dedication pronounced by the Archdeacon was as follows: "To the glory of God; for the use of the Mayor of Georgetown, the Council, the Officials, the Citizens, the transaction of all business for the welfare of our town and its people, and all good works, we dedicate this place, the Municipal Building of Georgetown, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Amen."

The new Municipal Building, a handsome addition to Main Street is an enlargement of the Waterworks Building and was contracted locally by J. B. Mackenzie and Son. The building was greatly enlarged and is finished in yellow brick with large windows and venetian blinds and fluorescent lighting throughout. It includes a large front office for the clerk with smaller tax and water office adjoining and built-in vault. Behind this are washrooms for ladies and men, a small office for the assessor, and the Council Chamber, 21 ft. square runs across the back of the building. The pump room remains as formerly, and on the north side of the building is the Provincial Police office and detention cells for men and women. Mastic tile in 2 tone brown is laid as flooring throughout the building, which is hot water heated with coal burning furnace.

I.O.D.E. 9th Anniversary Dinner at Limehouse

The 9th anniversary of Countess of Strathmore Chapter I.O.D.E. was celebrated on Monday evening with a turkey dinner in Limehouse Hall served by the Limehouse Institute ladies. Thirty-one members attended the dinner, which was convened by Mrs. Ern Batkin. Miss Ruth Evans sang two solos, accompanied at the piano by Miss Hilda Erwin. Winner at court whist were Mrs. Harold Hancox and Mrs. J. S. Hughes with Mrs. Tom Howson getting consolation prize. Cookies and tea were served after cards. Mrs. Batkin had also arranged a number of unique contests with small prizes for the winners.

Mrs. L. McClintock presided at a brief business meeting when \$5 was voted to Hilton Music Festival. Mrs. Frank Benner was appointed representative for the Institute for the Blind and Mrs. Norman Verdec will assist here in convening a tag day in May. Several books have been sent to the adopted northern school and a bale of clothing will be forwarded after the May meeting which will be held at the home of Miss Ruth Evans.

Official Opening of Scott Motor Sales on Saturday

The new building on the Queen and Guelph Street corners which houses Scott Motor Sales will be officially opened this Saturday with a "house-warming" to which all district people have been invited. One of the most modern garages between Toronto and Guelph, the new building has been used for the past two or three months since the local General Motors agency moved from its former location at the top of Main Street hill. With the completion of painting the offices and show room in two tone green last week, the building has now been finished. A feature of the opening will be a display of new models of Chevrolet, Oldsmobile and Chevrolet trucks. Visitors will see the large, well-lighted shop, the equipment of which includes a twin hoist and single post hoist, a steam jenny for motor cleaning, and an exhaust system which draws away all fumes. The building has fluorescent lighting throughout, and is oil heated.

On Saturday, the garage will be open from three to five and from seven to ten in the evening, when all visitors at the garage during these hours will receive lucky number door tickets for a number of valuable prizes which Mayor Joseph Gibbons will draw for at nine o'clock.

William Robinson and Sons of Guelph were contractors for the building.

The site of Scott Motor Sales new building has an historical relationship with General Motors for the original building there was constructed by the last GMC dealer here, J. N. O'Neill and Son, as a service station operated in conjunction with their downtown garage. It was later bought out by the B.A. Oil Company and operated as a garage station by different local men including Jack Squires

and Bruce MacKenzie. It was closed for a few years during the year. Scott Motor Sales is operated by Art Scott, who has been in the garage business here for ten years. Zone of influence of the dealership extends to Milton, Acton, Hornby, Campbellville, Limehouse, Glen Williams, Terra Cotta, Cheltenham, and Norval. The present staff includes a shop staff of five men, Fred Maveal, Joe Ambrose, Cecil Walker, Cecil Adams and Tom Ledwidge, with Art Speight as service manager and Jack Hamilton and Pat O'Malley in the parts department. A native of Limehouse and son of Mrs. John R. Scott of Georgetown and the late Mr. Scott, Art is one of the youngest G.M.C. dealers. Besides operating a growing garage business, he is active in town and district affairs as a member of the Lions Club of which he is 2nd vice-president, the Oddfellows Lodge, Knox Presbyterian Church and the Hilton Garage Operators. Married to the former Myrtle Kirby of Glen Williams, they have three children, Sandra, Karen and John.

Ten Year Dealer Certificates to Local Garagemen

As a feature of a dinner meeting for district Shell dealers at Orangeville last week, two local garagemen, David Saxe and Art Scott were presented with framed scrolls signifying ten years of pleasant business relations with the company. Among those who attended the dinner were Gordon and Dean Harloy and Percy Olney of Georgetown, George Preston of Glen Williams and Charles Jeffery of Caledon.

Father of Four Killed When Sewer Caves In

William Balusiak, 45, of Port Robinson, an employee of the Scott-Jackson Construction Company, which is installing the new sewerage system in Georgetown, was almost instantly killed last Thursday afternoon in a cave-in. The accident occurred on Emory Street, near the Queen Street intersection, where a big steam shovel was digging a sewer trench four feet wide and ten feet deep. Balusiak was working in the trench with a hand shovel in company with Thomas Yatemann, 20, who was laying tile. When a fellow worker shouted a warning, Yatemann managed to jump back and was buried to his waist in the falling earth. Balusiak, however, had no chance to save himself and was buried three feet deep.

Within five minutes rescuers had cleared the clay and sand from his face, but severe injuries including a fractured skull, fractured ribs and internal injuries had taken his life.

Albert Dawson, who lives across the road from the accident scene, heard the shouts for help and rushed to the trench to assist in digging. Doctors C. V. Williams and R. T. Paul were both called to the scene but could do nothing for the unfortunate accident victim. The accident was investigated by Cpl. R. Reynolds and Constable J. W. Sheffield of the local Provincial Police and Dr. C. K. Stevenson of Milton, was coroner. A post mortem was conducted by Dr. Deadman, provincial pathologist, of Hamilton. Mr. Balusiak is survived by his wife and four children.

Sundridge Beats Acton for "B" Championship

Acton Tanners were beaten in three straight games by Bucko McDonald's Sundridge team in the Intermediate "B" play-offs last week. Game scores were 12-6, 7-5, and 11-5, and Acton, after a good season, hangs up their skates almost but not quite Ontario champions.

A Hockey Pictorial This Week

We are particularly proud of this issue of the Herald, containing as it does pictures of the four G.R.C. bantam and midget finalists and Georgetown's Ontario champion Intermediate "A" team. Thanks go to Albert Simson whose excellent photographs made the pictures possible. His work is becoming increasingly popular in town and he has already had many requests for copies of the pictures.

As a service to hockey fans, orders for either the picture appearing in the Herald or another standing pose may be left at the Herald Office. Prices for 9 1/2 x 7 pictures are: Unmounted, \$1.00; Mounted, \$1.50; Framed, \$2.50. Pictures may also be ordered from Mr. Simson direct or by sending money either to him or the Herald.

WHAT COUNCIL DID

ON TUESDAY, APRIL 13th

Passed a building by-law for Georgetown.

(First reading moved by McCumber and Whitnee; 2nd and 3rd readings by Goodlet and Hill)

Hired Ronald (Don) Arthurs and Erwin Lewis as town employees at a rate of 85c an hour for a 44-hour week, plus time and a half for overtime. They will replace Jack Kern and Orby Herrington who resigned from their jobs last week-end.

(Moved by Goodlet and Herbert)

Increased the salary of Town Foreman Alf Collins from \$2000 to \$2300 yearly as of April 1st.

(Moved by Goodlet and Herbert)

Hired Mrs. Henry Toat as caretaker of the new Municipal Building at a salary of \$40 monthly. Two tenders had been received, the other being from Mr. S. Hunt at a \$50 salary.

(Moved by Armstrong and MacLaren)

Granted permission to A. G. M. Bruyns to have two trees removed from in front of his home on Charles Street.

Discussed at some length water service extensions, chlorination and the town water supply. A motion by Whitnee and Goodlet said that due to the great demand for water extension, Council felt it impossible to proceed with the King Street extension to Smith and Stone's plant No. 2 at the present time.

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Water Service Interruption

SUNDAY, APRIL 18th

Householders are notified that there may be a service interruption this Sunday between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. while repairs are being made to a damaged screen at the reservoir.

Raiders Enter Eastern Canada Finals

PLAY SATURDAY, MONDAY AT OSHAWA — ON TO QUEBEC NEXT WEEK

Georgetown Raiders, with the Ontario championship tucked under their belts, head for bigger things this week-end when they team with Dolbeau (Que.) Castors in a best 3-of-5 series for the Eastern Canadian championship. The Castors took Bathurst (N.B.) Papermakers in three straight games and should provide formidable opposition for the Raiders, though it's hard to make any predictions till the teams play their first game.

The series is under O.H.A. sponsorship, with that organization paying the bills. The first two

games will be played in Oshawa this Saturday and Monday, with special trains both nights leaving Georgetown at 5:50 p.m. to take the fans who follow their favourites. The remaining games will be played at St. Joseph d'Alma, which is in northern Quebec on Lake St. John in the Saguenay district, and are scheduled for Friday, April 23, Sunday April 25 and Tuesday, April 27th. The team will leave town by special coach either Wednesday night or Thursday morning, and any fans interested in making the trip should contact Lorne Peters, Jack Armstrong or any members of the executive. Train fare is approximately \$40.