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The Editor's Corner

STREET NUMBERING REQUIRED

A growing town, particularly one such as Georgetown whose streets are not laid out on the square brings continuous new problems. Those of a major character — sewerage, new streets, hydro and water service, are dealt with by Council in the normal course of events, and minor changes are sometimes overlooked and neglected merely because they are never brought into prominence. A subscriber has pointed out that it is becoming increasingly difficult for strangers to find their way around town, and anyone who is asked, as we often are, to direct people to certain streets and houses, will agree that a system of numbered houses would be a great help. We can recall that a few years ago the job was tackled by an itinerant salesman who became discouraged part way through and left town after selling numbers to a few householders. The trouble of course was that this gentleman had no proper survey on which to base his numbering and lacked local support.

There are two ways that the problem can be tackled. One is for Council to contract for the job out of the public treasury, the other for Council to hire a reputable firm, preferably local, to take on the job as a private enterprise. Prerequisite to both plans, is for Council to number all lots in town so that numbering will be permanent and accurate. At the same time, streets should have signs to make them easily discernible.

A FAMILY NIGHT

There was a world of truth in the suggestion by Tory Gregg, speaking at the Lions hockey night, that parents should set aside one night in the week as family night, to be spent with their children. It is all too true that the majority of men nowadays, and particularly in a busy town like Georgetown, don't become acquainted with their children. In the morning Dad hurries off to work, at noon he is home but briefly for his dinner and in the evening if he does stay in, he is inclined to settle down in a comfortable chair with pipe and paper and chase the kids into the kitchen where mother in turn, who has had plenty of time to get acquainted with them through the day, shoos them into the back yard or out on the street while she does the dishes. A little effort on Dad's part to postpone his relaxation for an hour, while he has a game of catch or works a puzzle, or reads a story to junior will make a wonderful difference.

Tory also took a dig at parents who never go out to watch their children play hockey or ball and said this was unforgivable to anyone interested in raising their children to be good citizens. Here interest must be tempered with caution. While it is nice to show a healthy interest in the family's outside activities, it is not wise to overdo it, for junior at his games is learning to stand on his own feet and should not always expect dad to be too close in the background to help him fight his battles. However, the paucity of grown-ups at minor hockey fixtures in Georgetown this winter does not indicate that any boy in Georgetown is suffering from an overdose of parental interest.

POT-POURRI

Nice to see our fishing reporter, George Hoare, back on the job this week and he inaugurated the 1948 season with a particularly interesting column. Keep them coming, George! A bad spot on the connecting link opposite the golf course on Maple Avenue is being repaired, and will be welcomed by those who commute to town from Stewarttown. The new advertising campaign being conducted by J. B. Mackenzie and Son is particularly effective, tying up as it does news of local interest with the firm's business. It was the brain-child of Ken Mackenzie who runs the Acton office and sister Jean is giving him close competition as a copy writer. With the return of Stew Young to town to manage Robb's, Georgetown is in the unique position of having three local druggists who served their apprenticeship here. Stew and Bud Kentner were both with Robb's, the latter working as a graduate druggist with MacCormack's before buying out S. P. Chapman's business. Walter Cook apprenticed with MacCormack's and returned to the store after graduating from Pharmacy College. Last week's editorial suggesting that Central Park be cleaned up and beautified has received favourable comment from many readers and we are hoping the job will be tackled by someone sometime. Another business change this week with the announcement that Bruno Sciazizzi has purchased Lillico's Beauty Salon from Donna Ryan. Mrs. Lillico will continue to work for the new proprietor. We hear rumours this week that wage scales at the paper mills are being substantially boosted. Looks like full use of the park this summer with Senior Girl's

SEES ROYAL SILVER WEDDING PROCESSION

Miss Joan de Vries, who has been visiting with her aunt in England since she went to the Old Country last month, had the good fortune to view the Silver Wedding Anniversary procession of King George and Queen Elizabeth from a vantage point at Temple Bar. Joan also reports that at a tea at her aunt's home she met Lady Pentland, daughter of the Marquis of Aberdeen, a former Governor-General of Canada, and was asked many questions about Canada.

She left Tuesday for Holland where she will spend the remainder of her time in Europe, visiting with her Dutch relatives.

Softball entering the picture under G.R.C. auspices, Elmer "Sparky" Dron and Bob Ireland are guiding the organization of a team entry into a district league organization of a team entry into a district league day with four of the junior farmer teams strutting their stuff in a double-header. This league should prove even more popular than the bush league of a few years back. We've been waiting to tell readers to "take 'em off", but more and more we're beginning to wonder if this year we can't wear 'em right through the summer.

E.P. Head

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