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### Chatting ... With Anne

There were smiles and tears, but they were happy ones, last Tuesday when Vi Louth came home after months of being in hospital. We were all glad to see her, and she apparently was glad to see us. We hope for good health for you in the future, Vi.

Frank and Loda Yates have moved into their new home, which they bought from the J. B. Mackenzie estate. They have the place looking very nice with new paint and paper, and are happily getting settled. The house is on Albert Street, where Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bonfield formerly lived.

Something that is really very nice is the new home of Pete Vorrege, who is putting all of his skill into the finishing of his new home. The plaster in the living room has that deft touch that is only acquired by an expert.

Riley is going around with his chest out these days, and who can blame him? Grandfather Brethour is also very proud of his new grandson. Congratulations, Riley and Mrs. Brethour.

Georgetown lost one of its best-loved citizens in the passing of Mrs. Henry Francis. We feel for you who have lost a mother, because we also have lost a friend.

We couldn't help but notice a lovely monument to the memory of Mrs. Tom Elson. This beautiful stone is in the form of gates ajar, and is a lasting tribute to the memory of the late Mrs. Elson. There are many beautiful monuments in our Greenwood Cemetery, but this one seemed specially nice. Mr. Elson is at the moment recovering from an operation in Guelph General Hospital, and we do wish you good health, Tom.

There have been all sorts of things said about the rubbish lying around town, but what else is there to do with it? We never thought that it would get to such a state that the Editor would have to go out sweeping on Sunday night, or that he just trying to get in early start for Monday?

Stafford and Mrs. Grant are holding day-long and Jack Whitney is taking care of the Post Office in their absence. Due to Mr. Grant's state of health, they are having a very quiet holiday.

No matter where we go, we always like to read the home town paper. When we are having holidays, we still like to read it. Some of our friends like reading it too, and often borrow it, which reminds us of an item we read a long time ago. With no offence to the farmers, because I think farmers are the salt of the earth, this is the item. A farmer rather than subscribe to his home town paper, sent his boy to borrow a neighbour's. The lad knocked over a stand of bees. His father, hurrying to help him, ran into a barbed-wire fence, gashing his leg and ruining a pair of overalls. Hearing the noise, his wife rushed out, upsetting a four gallon can of cream into a basket of kittens, drowning the latter. At the same time she dropped and broke a new set of false teeth. During the excitement the daughter eloped with the hired man, the dog broke up eleven setting hens and the calves got out and chewed up a line of washing hung out to dry. All to save two dollars and a half, the price of the subscription to his home town paper. That reminds us, have you looked at the date on your Herald label?

We hear many nice remarks about that poetry of Mr. Bill Taylor of Water Street.

Did you ever drive around Georgetown early Sunday morning? There is something in the quiet of the Sabbath that is good for your soul and the sound of the Church bells pealing is soothing and restful. On Sunday morning I talked to an elderly man who was admiring his garden, and he said he did not go to church, he didn't believe in it, he had no religion. At the same time he had a beautiful garden which he was admiring, and he said he had faith in his garden that it would be better than it had ever been. I beg to differ with him in that remark that he has no religion.

There is no unbelief; Whoever plants a seed beneath the sod -- And waits to see it push aside the clod -- He trusts in God. Anne

### Former Georgetown Man - Prominent Educationalist

The editorial page of the July 8th edition of the Winnipeg Tribune contained an article in the "Get Acquainted" column about a former Georgetown man, Dr. Floyd Willoughby. He is a brother of Mrs. Harry Stockford of Georgetown. Two brothers, Elmer and Rev. Bertin Willoughby, who was once minister here at the Congregational Church, now live in Chicago, Illinois.

Here is the article:

It is perfectly obvious that the foundation stone of a democracy is the educational system. Therefore, those responsible for education should constantly search it on many grounds and insure in the interests of the safety of democracy, that schools are manned by men and women of high ideals, broad outlook, education and culture.

Those words were recently spoken by Dr. Floyd Willoughby, principal of Kelvin High School. In broadly analyzing the ideal teacher he might well have described himself.

Few teachers in the city's history have been more admired by colleagues and fondly remembered by pupils than Dr. Willoughby.

Former students now grown to middle age remember his days as science teacher at Kelvin when he used to delight in putting his hand against a tap of running water to spray the class. Today his eyes still mirror a puckish twinkle beneath their heavy brows. His sense of humour is still refreshing.

Teachers all over Canada are aware of Dr. Willoughby's worth because of his services on many committees forged in their behalf. He is now recognized as one of the Dominion's leading educationalists.

He was president of the Manitoba Teachers Society from September, 1942, to April, 1944; president of the Canadian Teachers Federation from August, 1944, to August, 1945; member of the Canadian - United States Committee on education from 1945 to 1947; head of the Canadian delegation to a world conference of teachers held in Enchott, New York in 1946 and in the same year was named by Prime Minister King as a member of the Canadian delegation to the general conference of UNESCO, held in Paris.

In 1945 he travelled across Canada for the Wartime Information Board giving lectures on national unity in all major cities, and on behalf of the Canadian Teachers Federation presented to the House of Commons a brief on reconstruction in education. This man with the twangy Down East accent was born in Stouffville, Ont., some time ago. When you are old as I am you don't brag.

He was educated in the schools of Markham, Ont., received his bachelor of arts degree at McMaster University, went on to the Ontario College of Education. In June, 1931, he was honored with a doctorate of pedagogy by Toronto University.

After his graduation from high school he taught at a rural school in Burlington, Ont., for two and one half years before going to McMaster University. It was there that he decided to make education his life work.

Daniel McIntyre, on a hunt for teachers in 1914, found him ill with pertussis in a Toronto hospital and persuaded him to come to Winnipeg. He has successfully served as science teacher at Kelvin, which he joined in August, 1914; as supervisor and principal at Mulvey's School and since September, 1946, as principal of Kelvin.

Brooking "no regrets" and having found in his profession "immense satisfaction and a very happy time," Dr. Willoughby lists three needs for any man who would be a success: "A liking for his job, a belief in a brighter future, and satisfaction springs partially from a belief in a brighter future for education. I believe there is a dawning awareness among business men and labour and professional groups, among all classes, of the value of the right kind of education to the future of any democratic way of life."

Dr. Willoughby, who still retains a youthful interest in games as a constant spectator at hockey, baseball and football matches, makes only one concession to his years, and that with a rather mischievous smile.

"When I was young I had two nicknames: Curly for my hair, and Brandy, for my freckles. All I get nowadays is Doc, but when you reach my age they do not bother to think up any new names for you."

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### Funeral Service Held for Mrs. H. Francis

A resident of Georgetown for the past thirty-eight years, Mrs. Henry Francis died at her home on John Street on Wednesday, August 11th after a short illness. Formerly Barbara Wells Saunders, she was born in London, England 76 years ago and came to Canada with her husband and family in 1907. They lived in Deseronto for a few years and then moved to Georgetown in 1910.

Mrs. Francis took an active part in town affairs as a member of the Legion Women's Auxiliary, St. George's Church W.A., and the Local Council of Women. During the war she worked with the Red Cross and contributed many articles of knitting and sewing for war work. As a practical nurse she had for many years served on maternity cases and liked to recall the fact that she had assisted more than 100 of "her children" to enter the world.

Predeceased by her husband in April, 1931, she leaves a family of six daughters, and one son: Barbara (Mrs. C. E. Davis), Lyla (Mrs. Harry Savings), Dorothy (Mrs. Albert Carter), Nellie (Mrs. Perc Chapman), Edith (Mrs. David Bowman), Lille (Mrs. Thomas Given) and Edward, all of Georgetown. Another son, Henry, was killed in the first World War. A brother, Edward Saunders lives in Georgetown and another brother, William Saunders, in Belleville. There are fifteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The funeral service was held from her late home to St. George's Church of England for service on Saturday afternoon. Aehdecon, W. G. O. Thompson conducted the service and pall bearers were Donald Latimer, Clifford Hiltz, Fred Armstrong, Fred McNally, William Ritchie and William Hyde. The Legion W.A. service was conducted at the graveside in Greenwood Cemetery, with Mrs. J. J. Kemshead in charge.

### AWARD CONTRACTS FOR CREDIT SPAN

County Engineer N. L. Powell recently announced the awards of contracts for building the new bridge at Meadowdale, Lot 10, Concession 3 West, Toronto Township, crossing the Credit River.

John Patterson Construction Co. was awarded the contract on general structure at \$41,690, and work has already been started on the bridge. Hamilton Bridge Co. has separate award for steel at a price of \$81,876.

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