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December 5th, 1949

Dear Sir:
As an interested ratepayer of Georgetown, I would like to air my views at this time regarding a number of incidents which are of vital interest to the people of our town. There is a definite feeling of dissatisfaction on the part of the ratepayers in particular because they are the ones who have to bear the heavy load of taxation thrust upon them by unwise spending councillors. This town has changed to a remarkable degree in the short time of about five years from a happy, prosperous town where everyone from the mayor to the local cops (Bill Marshall and Bill Emmerson) it was something like a big happy family. I left Georgetown for War Work in 1943. I came back again in December, 1947, but instead of the happy family atmosphere we found discontent and jealousy. Instead of the friendly hand, cold disapproval of anyone who dared to have other views than those entertained by people who wanted to make Georgetown grow. In other words little boys in long pants.

Yes, Georgetown was like a bunch of schoolboys with the growing pains. True, we must grow. The sewerage was a dire necessity, but having splurged to that staggering amount, it was time to stop, look and listen as far as any undue expenditure was concerned. I am heartily in accord with the Ratepayers Association regarding the cleansing and repairing of the old reservoir. If the meters were installed to save water they surely have defeated their own purpose since more than one of them developed very bad leaks. It seems we have plunged so far in debt that every possible means of raising money from our taxpayers has been thought of. We get a ticket for overparking, a ticket for parking in the wrong spot, etc. We can't even have a motorcycle race here without those who attend getting tickets for infraction of the law.

We created a Building By-law, but if you want to find the Inspector you must look for him on the job which may be anywhere from here to Brampton or you must look for him at his residence. When you finally get him he gets your 5 or 10 dollars but you never see him again. It seems to me that Municipal Affairs of this nature should be handled at the proper place (Municipal Offices) not at his home. When we create officers, such as this we should at least make provision of a desk or even a box to receive applications for building licenses. Half of our councillors, including the building inspector himself do not understand the meaning of the by-law. A Building By-law has its place and may be a good thing, but it was most unfair at a time when many veterans returning from overseas were desperately in need of housing.

Where, oh where was our promise to do all we could for the returned man. Most of them were living in one or two rooms with relatives. Would it not have been better to set up a committee to help such of them who had the ambition to buy a lot and build, yes even a two-room cottage that they could call home. But we in our smug complacency could not entertain such thoughts as two-room cottages. It was up to the men who fought for us to vote on that question, the handful of men we place in office have no right to decide ALL these questions without consulting the people who put them there.

Last August we ordered a sign which was not delivered till September. Not knowing the date it would arrive from Toronto we could not apply for a permit. On its arrival we had trouble locating the inspector who flatly refused to come to inspect it. After much persuasion by the Toronto firm, however, the inspection was made and permit granted. As the sign was some distance from the doorway our company gave us a little marker indicating location. One week later we had the Inspector once again demanding, in no uncertain terms that we get another permit. We approached members of the Council declaring this was utterly ridiculous but to no avail, hence we were forced to make application once again for permit. After a day or so the application was returned, it was unnecessary. Is it any wonder we, the people of Georgetown are fed up?

When we vote let us make sure the men we put in council are there not because they want the pay it provides but because they have the good of the town at heart. We want men with Level Heads to guide us. Jealousy and spite nor wise cracking scatterbrains have no place on our council. Let us choose sane, honest-to-goodness men who are loyal to Georgetown and its people, not men who think only of how much they can get out of the job, but how much they can save you and me.

A Building permit in the city of Toronto costs one dollar, in Georgetown I believe it is \$10.00. Surely someone is capitalizing on that. Then again, why does not our Council members get after new industries for our town. Even if we

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let them in tax free for a few years it still means added dollars in many other ways for all of us, including extra revenue for the town. It would be well for all of us to ask ourselves before voting: "Am I voting for the man who will help the town and me or the one who will help himself?"
— Katherine Cordaro

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH

The United Church of Canada in Georgetown was officially named on Sunday, December 5th at the regular morning worship by the minister, Rev. John M. Smith. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit the church was named St. John's. The morning message was entitled "St. John's — a Name of Significance". Mr. Smith pointed out that St. John's name lives on in Christian heritage only because of his absolute acceptance of the Lordship of Christ and his fidelity to his Master's Kingdom. Any congregation that takes to itself a

name of such significance ought also to acknowledge the Lordship of Christ and endeavour by the surrender of body, mind and spirit to serve Him well. The music for the day was provided by the choir under the direction of Mr. S. T. Faram and accompanied by Mrs. G. Kidney. The evening message was entitled "Abiding in Christ" and was based on the words of Jesus as found in St. John's Gospel, Chap. 15.

It was announced that on Sunday December 18th a White Gift Service would be held. Members and adherents of the Congregation and Sunday School are invited to bring gifts of food, clothing, playthings or money.

NORVAL

Edith Louise, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rod King, Norval, was baptized in St. Paul's Church, Sunday, Dec. 4th, by Rev. J. Maxwell. Mrs. King's parents of Saskatchewan were present at the christening.

Tom Lusty, who has been ill for several weeks in Guelph General and Toronto Western Hospitals, returned to town on Monday.

Miss Charlotte McCullough attended a board meeting of the Ladies Division of the Ontario Fall Fairs Association yesterday in Toronto.

BIRTHS
ANDERSON — To Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Anderson (Joy Rüdell) at Mount Hamilton Hospital on Saturday, November 19th, 1949, a son, Hartley Peter.

EARLY — Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Early (Mary Paul) are happy to announce the birth of their son, Philip Grant, on Sunday, December 4th, 1949 at the Private Patient's Pavilion, Toronto General Hospital.

EMMERSON — Mr. and Mrs. John J. Emmerson (Mary E. Hayes) announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Jane, on Friday, November 25th at Guelph General Hospital. A sister for Beverley and Lyn.

MARRIAGES

The marriage of Eleanor Jean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Graham, R.R. 3, Georgetown, to Douglas Edgar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hodgins, Toronto, was solemnized in Dovercourt Presbyterian Church, on Saturday, December 3rd, at 3:30 p.m. by the Rev. Ross K. Cameron.

MEMORIALS

McMURDO — In loving memory of Walter McMurdy who passed away December 8th, 1947. Just when your life was brightest, just when your years were best, you were called from this world of sorrow to a home of eternal rest. — Ever remembered by daughter Norma, son-in-law Ernie and grandchildren.

CARDS OF THANKS

EASON — Mr. George Eason would like to thank friends who sent cards and gifts to him while he was a patient in Toronto General Hospital.

Mrs. J. B. Ritchie visited in Woodstock for the week-end with Mrs. Gregory and Mr. and Mrs. G. Christian. Misses Marie and Marion Ritchie were in Hamilton visiting their sister, Mrs. C. McMenemy.

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