

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

Georgetown, Ontario, Wednesday, March 1st, 1950.

R. W. Robb Dies, Druggist Here 17 Years

Robert Wesley Robb, one of Georgetown's best known merchants, died suddenly at his home on Edith Street last Wednesday morning, February 22nd. Proprietor for 17 years of Georgetown's three drug stores for the past seventeen years, an illness three years ago had forced him to engage a manager for the store, first Neil McLennan who now operates his own store in Islington, and later the present manager, Stuart Young, a former apprentice at the store. For the past year, Mr. Robb's health had improved sufficiently for him to spend much more time at the business. He had just completed a renovating program including a modern glass front, new display cabinets and floorings which has made Robb's Drugs one of the finest buildings on Main Street.

Born 52 years ago in Owen Sound, he was a son of the late Alexander and Margaret Robb. He attended public and high school here and in 1922 graduated as a druggist from the Ontario College of Pharmacy. He spent ten years in Detroit, Michigan, and in 1933 purchased the business in Georgetown of Wray Watson, who now lives in Grimsby. He was a member of Knox Presbyterian Church. He is survived by his wife, the former Inez Aitken.

A funeral service was conducted on Friday at the McClure Funeral Home by Rev. Alex J. Calder. Pallbearers were Dr. C. V. Williams, S. W. Orr, Kenneth M. Langdon, Dr. J. B. Milne, Arnott Early and P. B. Coffin. A second service was held later that afternoon in Leith United Church near Owen Sound, the service being conducted by Rev. Arthur G. Reynolds. Interment was made in Leith Cemetery, pallbearers being Frank and Robert McKee, Wilson Buxza, William Hiddell, Albert Matchett and Allan Leslie.

Among relatives who attended the funeral service here were Mr. and Mrs. William T. Robb and Mr. Fred Robb, Timmins, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Aitken, Detroit, Miss Jean Aitken, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Robb, Mr. and Mrs. A. Leslie and Miss Margaret Aitken of Owen Sound.

James Eccles Speaker At Farm Forum Meeting

James Eccles of Norval, one of Ontario's prize-winning plowmen who has just returned from a trip overseas where he competed in plowing matches in the British Isles and toured Denmark, Ireland, and Germany, told of his trip to members of the 5th Line (West Chinguscony) farm forum at their last meeting.

The meeting was held in S.S. 2 School and after listening to the broadcast on conservation the members agreed that a local soil conservation committee would be useful for soil analysis, tree planting and creating artificial ponds. Wilfrid Leslie showed a number of slides and piano selections were played by Janet Wey. To plan the March 18th meeting, a committee composed of Mrs. John Doane, Mrs. Way and Florence News was chosen.

Curling Bonspiel Monday & Tuesday

Curlers from Owen Sound, Brampton, Fergus, Orangeville, Hillburgh, Erin and Bolton will join with local rinks in a bonspiel next Monday and Tuesday. The bonspiel will be held, as last year, on the artificial ice surface at the arena. Final details for the affair were arranged at a meeting of the local club last week. Perc Cleave, president and Nelson Robinson, secretary, are in charge and it promises, as last year, to be a great success. A novel entry this year is a rink composed of district ministers, Rev. J. L. Self and Rev. Alex Cowan of Norval, and Rev. John M. Smith and Rev. Alex J. Calder of town.

SNOW TOO DEEP HUNTING WAS BAD

The fox hunt arranged last Saturday by the Georgetown Anglers and Hunters Association was not so successful. The eight hunters who turned out found the snow too deep for good hunting and no track was reported.

Mrs. Paul Beer Tells Of South America Trip

Members of the Local Council of Women were taken on a picture tour of Mexico and South America at their meeting last Tuesday when Mrs. Paul Beer was the guest speaker. Mrs. Beer covered 20,000 miles, mostly by plane, when she made the trip last year. To illustrate her talk, she showed slides on a screen which depicted native habits, the beautiful architecture of old buildings and wonderful government buildings and universities. Native pottery work and lovely gardens were shown in the pictures.

P. W. Johnson thanked Mrs. Beer on behalf of the members for her talk.

St. John Ambulance Fund Appeal Extended

The St. John Ambulance appeal for funds has been extended in town until March 4th. A local canvass committee has met with a generous response to date and feel that there are some who might have overlooked their donation. These may be sent to Mrs. Thomas Grive, Mrs. William Hill or Mr. Fred Chapman at the Bank of Commerce.

Limehouse Native Mrs. Wm. Hardig Dies

At the home of her son, Percy Hardig, Lonsdale, Mrs. Minnie Hardig died on Thursday, February 23rd. Born in Limehouse in 1889, she was the daughter of Samuel Meredith and Faith Hindle and lived there until her marriage to William Hardig in 1893. They lived for many years on the 7th Line, Ballinacred.

She is survived by her husband, three sons, Percy of Lonsdale, Herb of Highland Creek and Fred of Hornby, and four daughters, Mrs. Ed Beerman (Gladys), Georgetown, Mrs. Robert Moody (Etta), Schomberg, Mrs. Reg Irwin (Lucy) Auburn, and Mrs. Dolton Schultz (Helen), Niagara Falls. Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Florence Gill and Mrs. Etta Devett of Toronto and Mrs. Margaret Donaldson of Collingwood and one brother, William Leonard, Toronto. There are twenty grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted at the Johnstone & Rumley Funeral Home, Acton, on Monday with interment following in Coningsby Cemetery. Six of her grandchildren were pallbearers, Arthur, Glyn and Ross Moody, Wilfred and Laverne Hardig and Kenneth Beerman. Flowers were carried by Earl Beerman and Garfield Hardig, also grandchildren and Leonard Hardig.

LIMEHOUSE

Mr. A. C. Bourne was home from Ridley College for a few days recently. His parents, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Bourne returning to St. Catharines with him for a couple of days.

Mrs. E. Miller and Wm. Mitchell were highest scorers at the W. Leuchre held in the Hall on Wednesday evening. Sidney and Mrs. Kirkpatrick received consolation prizes.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Kirkpatrick and children of Drayton visited his parents last week-end.

DUKE WILSON MAKES CLEAN SWEEP BOWLING

Duke Wilson had things all his own way in the industrial bowling league last week when he established a new high single of 365 and high triple of 812. Cyril Engleby had second high single with 390 and Low Tracy high triple, 749.

Combines have 103 points to head the league and Alliance Paper is in second place with 95. Other teams follow in this order: Local 788, 843, 88; Norton Floral 83; 843 83; Miffitts 67; Naval 45; Legion 40; Lorne Scots Band 41; P&S-Tire 37.

REV. W. HUNNISSETT SPEAKER AT ST. JOHN'S

The Fellowship Quartette consisting of four students from Victoria College, Messrs. Bill Annis, Lynn Turner, Jim McEldon and Lloyd Brown, and accompanied by Gordon Thexton, provided the music for the morning and evening worship at St. John's on Sunday.

The morning worship was conducted by the minister, Rev. John M. Smith who gave the first in a series of Pre-Easter Meditations based on the life of Jesus. This message was entitled "The Baptism" and was based on the words found in Mark 1:9-11. The Quartette sang three numbers, "Gallies," "Only A Touch" and "Softly and Tenderly." Mr. Norman Laird and the choir led the congregational singing.

Rev. Wesley Hunnissett of Fred Victor Mission, Toronto, was the guest speaker at the evening service. By relating first hand experiences in dealing with the physical and spiritual need of crushed and depressed personalities he challenged the congregation to aid in meeting the crying demands of Home Missions. The demand for new and good used clothing, food, bedding and layettes is never satisfied. Every week the need is greater than the supply. The Quartette offered as their evening selections: "Wonderful," "The Wayside Cross," and "The Old Rugged Cross."

Following the evening worship a number of the congregations remained for a Fireside Fellowship and enjoyed a number of Negro spirituals sung by the Quartette. These included "Steal Away," "Have a Little Talk With Jesus," "The Gospel Train," "Go Down Moses," "Study War No More," "Jacob's Ladder" and others. A delightful lunch was served by the members of the Mission Circle. It was announced that a Family Movie Night would be held next Friday evening at 7:30. Young and old of the community are invited to attend.

PNEUMONIA CAUSED BABY'S DEATH

Virus pneumonia is believed to have caused the death of Melody Susan Barth, 19-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Barth who died in her sleep on Tuesday evening, February 21st. The little girl had given, no sign if being ill when she was put to bed after supper and the tragedy was discovered by her parents when they looked into her crib when they were retiring for the night. An autopsy was conducted by Dr. W. J. Deadman of Hamilton, provincial pathologist.

Besides her parents, Melody is survived by two sisters, Marilyn and Carol. Rev. Alex Cowan conducted the funeral service on Saturday from the home and interment was made in Glen Williams Cemetery. Ross Giles and Archie Eccles acted as pallbearers.

CHECK LINE FARM FORUM VIEWS CARLING MOVIES

Conservation movies in colour, prepared and exhibited by Carling's Brewery were shown at Monday's meeting of the Check Line Farm forum when members met for review night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benner, Charles Street. The movies were shown by Mr. Welsh and Mr. Goetz of Guelph and included scenes of lumbering operations, wild life and forests and streams.

A five dollar donation was sent by the forum to the March of Dimes. Mr. and Mrs. Denney Charles will be hosts next Monday when the broadcast topic will be "Labor and Farmer - Friend or Foe?" The group intends to invite a local union representative to meet with them that night.

Storey Top Scorer Cape Breton League

Kent Storey, flashy centre star with Georgetown Intermediate until this year when he moved east with the North Sydney (N.S.) Victorias, led the Cape Breton Senior League in scoring. Kent added one more goal Saturday night in the last game of the regular 78 game schedule to make his final point total 92. He scored 28 goals and 65 assists in the league.

A Toronto boy, he got his hockey schooling in the marionettes, then moved to Georgetown to take a position with Smith & Stone, Ltd. and spark the Raiders to an Ontario championship in 1948 and a contenting spot for the championship last year when Sundridge beat them in the playoffs.

Mrs. O. Justin Dies Was 91 Years Old

A funeral service for Mrs. Margaret Justin who died suddenly on Monday, February 20, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nixon Cole, Guelph Street, Georgetown, was held last Wednesday at the McLennan and Ross Funeral Home, Guelph. Rev. W. G. Kitchen of the Church of Christ (Disciples) was in charge of the service.

Mrs. Justin was the widow of the late Obadiah Justin who predeceased her six and one-half years ago, and was a life long resident of Everton, where she was well and favourably known. She was a faithful member of the Church of Christ (Disciples) at Everton, where she was a regular attendant. During the first World War she worked diligently for the Red Cross.

Mrs. Justin had been active up to the time of her death at the age of 91 years and four months. She took an interest in local and world events and reading the newspapers and listening to the radio accounted for many of her leisure hours.

Left to mourn her loss is a family of one son and three daughters, Albert of Heward, Saskatchewan, Mrs. James A. Thompson of Erin, Mrs. R. McBride of Guelph and Mrs. Nixon Cole of Georgetown. She was borne to her last resting place in Everton Cemetery by her six grandsons, George, Wilfred and Roy Thompson, William E. and Harvey C. Hall and Douglas Cole. A granddaughter, Mrs. Joseph Hall, Jr., lives on Ostrander Boulevard, Georgetown.

Those from Georgetown who attended the funeral service in Guelph were Miss Agnes Cole, Mr. Everett Cole, Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Gower, Mrs. Wm. P. Thompson, Mrs. Leonard Harding, Mrs. Walter Peck, Mrs. Arthur Reeve, Miss Margaret Cain, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Reynolds, Mrs. W. F. Smith, Mrs. Frank Cole, Mrs. Howard Kenner and Mrs. Harold Cleave.

McGowan's Will Move to New Main St. Location

McGowan's Specialty Shop is planning a change of location. The store, established last summer in a small building at the bus stop owned by Mr. John Cordaro, will move to the store in the O'Neill Block recently vacated by Maher Shoe Stores. The O'Neill Block, built by the late J. N. O'Neill, was sold a few years ago to Victor Diglins and is now owned by Kenneth M. Langdon. The McGowan Store will be located in the part of the building which was originally Mr. O'Neill's office and was used as an office by Georgetown Taxi before Maher became the tenants. Maher Shoes bought out Ross Thompson a few weeks ago and moved to his store at the other end of Main Street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McGowan, who operate the specialty shop, moved here from Lucan last year and are living on Ostrander Boulevard. They have an attractive store which specializes in ladies and children's wear and their new location will give the advantage of considerably more display space.

Fletcher - Bianchi Wedding Held at Brampton

Edith Lucy Bianchi, daughter of Mrs. Emily Bianchi of Norval, and the late Mr. Bianchi, was married to Jack C. Fletcher at Brampton Presbyterian Church manse on Saturday, February 18th, Rev. William Weir performed the ceremony. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Fletcher of Dunnville.

The bride wore a white satin gown with beaded front, finger tip veil and carried a bouquet of white carnations. Attending her was her sister, Mrs. Don Foreman, who was gowned in blue silk, a head-dress of blue and white carnations and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. Robert Fletcher was groomsmen for his brother.

A reception was held at the Oddfellows Hall where the bride's mother received the guests wearing a black dress, matching accessories and a corsage of pink carnations. The groom's mother assisted, wearing a rose dress, black accessories and a corsage of pink carnations. For a wedding trip, the bride changed to a grey suit with navy accessories. The couple will live in Toronto.

TORONTO SKATERS APPEAR IN ROSE GARDEN ICE FOLLIES

THE WEATHER

Mr. Editor: This week's summary shows the coldest and stormiest of the winter. The average minimum of zero is away below the normal February average.

The following poem from the Saturday Evening Post, describing the reaction of lots of people to the stormy weather.

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Sentimental people cheer it;
Busy snowplows work to clear it.
Weather experts try to map it;
News photographers all snap it.
Skis and snowshoes always need it.
Tardy stenos often plead it.
Children jump with joy about it.
I can get along without it.

Date	Max.	Min.	Snow
Feb. 20	6	-14	
Feb. 21	7	-6	5"
Feb. 22	12	0	6"
Feb. 23	26	8	1"
Feb. 24	24	12	2"
Feb. 25	20	-6	
Feb. 26	19	6	1"
Average	15.28	Zero	14"

Full Recreation Program for Next Two Months

The recreation program for the next two months in Georgetown offers plenty of variety designed to interest people in all age groups. Playoffs and finals in the GRC Industrial and minor hockey leagues are due to start soon. GRC crews are being awarded to the five top men in the bowling tournament at the Lucky Strike who will enter the CBA championships in Toronto. A curling bonspiel will take up the arena for two days next week and during Easter week the Lions Club is planning a soap box derby.

During Easter week an all-star midwest hockey team will compete at Weston and a Pee-Wee team at Guelph. The figure skating club is planning an ice follies in April and the GRC a hobby and craft exhibition the last week in April.

Enrolment in the ballet classes conducted by Mrs. R. B. Canham every Monday at the Oddfellows Hall is steadily increasing. If finances are keeping any young people away they are asked to contact Miss R. Piercy at the high school or the recreation director.

With only one more week of regular play Businessmen are sure of first place in the industrial hockey league. Smith and Stone could tie them with a win next week. Next week's games will be on Wednesday due to the curling bonspiel. The coaches have armed themselves with extra rule books, pads and sticks and even spare false teeth for the playoffs. Coaches are: Ern Thompson, S&S; Don Barger, Businessmen; Nels Robinson, Norval; Mal Beaman, Meadowlens; Spike Scott, Alliance; Bill Hewitt, Provincial.

UNITED MINISTER AT ACTON DIES

Rev. Louis Pickering, for two years minister of Acton United Church died in Toronto General Hospital last week at the age of 55. He had been ill with a heart condition since last fall. Rev. A. O. W. Foreman, a former minister at Ballinacred, had been serving as minister at the church during his illness.

Mr. Pickering had previously held a pastorate at Barrie. He leaves his wife and two sons, John of Capreol and Louis of Toronto. One son, Robert, was killed in the war.

PLOWING MATCH THIS YEAR AT ALLISTON

The Northwaga Valley Plantations and neighbouring farms near Alliston will be the scene of the 1950 International Plowing Match according to a 1950 announcement from J. A. Carroll, Secretary-manager of the Ontario Department of Agriculture. No definite date has been set but it is expected that it will be sometime in October.

With Betty Haddock, gold medalist and Joyce Comris-Pinner at featured stars, the Rose Garden Ice Follies played to a well-filled arena last Friday night. The show, sponsored by the Girls Pipe Band, had a cast composed of members of the Granita Club, and the University Club. The rose garden idea was carried out in an elaborate decorating scheme, designed by Pipe Major Roy Magloughlin with Jack Wilson, local landscape gardener in charge of arrangement.

Norman Falkner, one-legged skater amazed the crowd as he did last year, with his figure skating. Diminutive Toby Keeler and 12-year-old Michael Penner were the pick of the younger performers, along with Charles Snelling and Peggy Brown. A stand-out in the chorus was Amy Smith, who also skated a specialty number with club professional James Francis. The Three Bumps provided comedy. Riley Bhothour came out from Toronto to emcee the show as he did last year. Ross Brown's Orchestra from Toronto provided the music and during the intermission the Girls Pipe Band paraded on the ice and played a few selections, including the currently popular "Hop Scotch Polka."

IN THE MAIL BAG

February 25, 1950

Dear Mr. Editor: With reference to the letter appearing in your paper recently headed "Transients" we of the committee administering the Poppy Fund desire to take exception to some of the remarks contained therein. We wish to state that all ex-servicemen have always been looked after by the above fund. No bona fide ex-serviceman has ever been refused a meal and bed for 21 years.

Regarding sleeping accommodations it is impossible in these times to provide beds and in that event these men have always been given a travelling ticket. Regarding the drink, it is regrettable that these ex-servicemen or civilians, should be so judged. In many cases these men have been brought to the position they now find themselves by their service to the cause of freedom and justice. We feel it is far from right to brand most, if not all, transients in need as drinkers or gamblers.

The Poppy Fund works without fanfare and it would surprise many to know the actual number of transients helped on their way. We heartily agree that arrangements which have been underway for some time be made for both ex-servicemen and civilians during the winter. After all, whatever may be the cause of their downfall, they are human.

The Poppy Fund Committee

NEW CUSTOMS MAN

Everett Cole, for many years collector of customs and excise has been required to resign his position in the local office in W. S. Matthew, who comes here from Toronto.

Five Bowling Champs Will Compete at G.B.A.

With twenty five of Georgetown's top bowlers competing, the first three games of a nine game tournament were played last Saturday at the Lucky Strike Club. The tournament will continue for the next two Saturdays before final winners are declared. Top five men to date are Everett Wilson who bowled a good 788, Al Norton 729, Maurice Herbert 704, Jim Valentine 691 and Nip Shipway 687.

The tournament winner will receive the Lucky Strike challenge cup and second prize is a pair of Brunswick bowling shoes. The five best bowlers will constitute a Georgetown entry in the Canadian Bowling Association matches in Toronto later this winter. There is a possibility that a tournament for ladies will also be held at the local club.

Scores of other contestants on Saturday were: Ernie Peters 688; Harvey Chappel 648; Bob Hall 624; Hugh Dickie 622; Al Kirby 621; Bill James 607; Lew Broadhead 601.

Duke Wilson 601; Jim Graham 584; Bill Burtshaw 582; Dave Stamp 583; Jim Curly 548; Bill Anderson 548; Jim Henderson 543; Harry Chapin 518; Guyard Wilcox 509; Ross Norton 502; Les Bailey 489; Fred Steyer 482; Keith Hamilton 471.