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## The Editor's Corner

### GRC IS DOING FINE WORK

Council made the only decision possible last week when a motion to increase the grant to Georgetown Recreation Commission was turned down. There can be no justification for council striking a tax rate and then revising an estimate. The time for debate is before the budget is adopted and council cannot conscientiously deviate from this if they are to do a proper job.

There are times, of course, when additions to the budget have to be made because of emergencies or changed conditions. If these are substantial, however, a debenture issue is often used rather than paying out of current revenue, and it is seldom that any council has a substantial deficit at the year end.

While the grant for GRC this year will remain at \$400 it is to be hoped that the officials of that organization will carry on with what resources they have and continue the program which last year proved so successful. Individual councillors have offered to assist in a campaign for funds and there is no reason that an organized campaign cannot raise any reasonable quantity of funds for furtherance of a recreation program. It is fortunate that GRC has capable executive leadership along with the services of a part-time director who is a past master at organization. This year should see the program bearing full fruit and any major changes in personnel would hamper its aims.

### FINALISTS AGAIN

As expected the Raiders had little trouble ousting Lakefield from the Intermediate B hockey playoffs and now will meet Sundridge for the championship. It is quite a record which Georgetown has rung up on hockey competition these past three years. This will be the third straight year that the Raiders have been finalists. They won the championship in 1948, lost out to Sundridge last year in a hard-fought series and now once again are on the threshold of a championship.

Despite poor attendance all season it is expected that the playoffs will bring the full houses which the hockey club executive have been hoping for. This time, we can be assured that the scores will not be lopsided and there should be plenty of excitement when two top teams meet with the championship at stake.

### MERCHANTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED

It is to be hoped that the request to council by the Retail Merchants Association for a revision in parking regulations will not be ignored. Merchants are in the best position to judge public opinion concerning this and the complaints have been many. Georgetown has always lacked adequate parking facilities and the problem is enhanced when twenty or more spaces are cut out.


The restoration of angle parking on Main Street except for one side of the block from the McGibbon House to Georgetown Dairy should solve the congestion problem caused by Gray Coach bus traffic, as the buses turn at the main corner. Angle parking, with a one-way street on Mill will create additional parking spaces with no danger of traffic jams.

We would suggest a one month experiment for the merchants' plan.

### POT POURRI

It is particularly timely that the Roxy Theatre has a March of Time feature 'The Fight for Better Schools' on its program next week. Georgetown at present is faced with the problem of providing more public school accommodation, and better high school facilities have been needed here for years. The picture should give some useful information on the subject. . . . Nice to know that former Georgetowners think of us sometimes and we were pleased to receive a copy of the Amarillo (Texas) Times sent by Doug Greer, en route to his new home in California, and a copy of the Yuma (Arizona) Daily Sun from Frank Tighe, who moved there recently. Both men are former Smith and Steners. . . . Mrs. Frank Binnie of Lindsay writes that she is visiting for a time in Parry Sound and is having her Herald forwarded there. . . . Weather predictions to the contrary, Easter Sunday was one of the nicest Easters we can remember and churchgoers turned out en masse to our five local churches. . . . As a judge of the essays written by high school students, we couldn't help noticing some glaring errors in spelling and would suggest that students brush up on this important phase of education. It is a subject which should not have to be taught in high school and can best be learned by dictating reading. . . . An interesting item is noted

In a recent edition of the Kitchener Record. It is a story of the orchestra and glee club at Elmira High School with pictures. Three nephews of Mr. and Mrs. Pius Rau were in the pictures — Vincent Rau, a member of the Glee Club, and Richard Tapping and Tommy Potter, both of whom play in the orchestra. . . . A Bert Simson, local photographer, did a particularly good job of photographing the GRC hockey teams which played in the finals. The five winning teams appeared in last week's Herald, and these with the opposition teams are all featured in the Herald window this week.



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