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## "It's the Great Showboat" at Roxy



Here are your stars of "Showboat" . . . From left to right: Kathryn Grayson, Howard Keel, Ava Gardner, Joe E. Brown, Agnes Moorehead and Robert Sterling.

### TECHNICOLOR MUSICAL PLAYS THREE DAYS HERE THIS WEEK

One of the most enduring musicals of all time, Edna Ferber's Show Boat comes to the Roxy for the last three days of this week.

This is the third filming of the Broadway hit. In the early days of the talkies, blonde Laura La Plante starred in the movie. A later version brought Irene Dunne to stardom, along with Allan Jones, who is playing in Toronto this week in the musical show "Guys and Dolls".

The new Show Boat is in technicolor. Playing featured parts are Havelock and Magnolia are Howard Keel, seen recently in Annie Get Your Gun and Kathryn Grayson. Playing the original Paul Robeson role is negro singer William Warfield; and as Magnolia, a part which the late Helen Morgan made famous on stage and screen is Mrs. Frank Sinatra (Ava Gardner to you). Others in the star-studded cast are lovable Joe E. Brown as Captain Andy; Agnes Moorehead, Marge and Gower Champion, Adele Jergens and Regis Toomey.

Show Boat is more than a musical. It was a successful novel long before Jerome Kern composed his beautiful music "Why Do I Love You" "Bill" "Ole Man River," "Make Believe." It's heart-warming story is a blend of drama, comedy and pathos with plenty of singing and dancing. You'll want to see it.

#### FARM NEWS

##### Halton, Peel Juniors Debate Farm Accounting

"Resolved that compulsory farm accounting would be advantageous to Canadian Agriculture", was the subject of the inter-county debate between Halton and Peel Junior Farmers, held in the Junior Farmer Building, Brampton, on Friday evening last. Halton representatives, Stuart McFadden and Dick Course upheld the affirmative and while they made very able presentations, found the compulsory feature of the subject too much of a handicap to overcome. Consequently the judges decision went to the Peel team of Blanche Wanless and Wilson Doves.

Brookville and Palermo Juniors presented their respective amateur entertainment skits "Sweet Violets" and "School Days" and won high commendation from the large audience present.

Miss Helen Nesbitt, county director for Peel, presided over the excellent programme, while David Pelletier, Halton's versatile county president, led in a most enjoyable sing-song. The evening's program concluded with a dance. In short, it was a delightful evening's program and both counties may well be proud of their respective Juniors.

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## What Council Did

ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16th

Appointed William Hyde as chief Jack Harlow as deputy and Erwin Lewis, truck driver for the fire brigade.

Harry Savings, retiring chief, spoke strongly in favour of a proposed system by which Georgetown would have an agreement with the neighbouring part of Esqueping Township to supply fire protection. A similar scheme is in process of organization in Milton. This would mean the purchase of an additional fire truck and the building of a new fire hall. Esqueping shares the extra cost and the brigade membership would be extended to include more local members. Mr. Savings said that the township council seems to favour the plan. He pointed out to council that within the next few years the Bell Telephone dial system will be in operation and the town will not have the present service supplied by the company for ringing the siren. Mayor Armstrong spoke highly of Mr. Savings' service during his term as fire chief, and said that he had heard Mr. Savings intended to sever connections with the brigade but hoped that he would reconsider, for his years of experience could be of value.

Named standing committees for the year, the first named being chairman.

Finance — McGillivray, Goodlet, Marshall, Allen.

Water — MacDonald, Marshall, Hale.

Streets — Goodlet, MacDonald, Sargent, Hale.

Welfare, Light and Police — Marshall, Sargent, Petch.

Veterans Affairs and Firemen — Hale, Allen, Petch.

Industrial — Sargent, Petch, Goodlet.

Public Works — Petch, McGillivray, Hale.

Building & Property — Allen, McGillivray, MacDonald.

Will allow no tax exemptions for farm land within the municipality this year. Council may, by law, give an exemption up to 4 mills for farm land which they do not feel has all the advantages of town services, if it is requested by a certain date by the owner. Only applicants this year were the Misses Moore, and council felt the exemptions did not hold in the case of their property.

Turned over a bill for \$25 from the hydro commission to the insurance company. The hydro claimed the town was at fault when a tree on John Street which was being cut down by the town men fell across a hydro wire and caused damage which it cost \$25 to repair.

Will investigate the cost of taxi licences in neighbouring towns and whether there are restrictions on the number of cabs allowed to operate.

Jack Morrow, operator of Jack's Taxi and Charles Crawford, operator of Georgetown Taxi, appeared before council to suggest that the local licence fee of \$25 be lowered, as licences were cheaper in other places. In Toronto, Mr. Morrow said, the fee is only \$8 a cab. He also thought the present operators should

be protected by legislation. Mayor Armstrong said he thought council would be treading on dangerous ground to place restrictions on certain business, but said that information would be sought about the practice in other towns.

Were brought up-to-date on the complicated bickering about a basis of county assessment, for striking the 1952 county tax rate, by Harry A. Willis, of the firm of Parkinson, Gardner, Willis & Roberts, who acted as solicitors for Georgetown in the hearings.

Mr. Willis explained that he had been retained last June by Georgetown council to act in the matter of assessing costs of North Halton high school district. Georgetown had protested the ruling of a board of arbitration to apportion school costs between five municipalities involved. The arbitrators had decreased Esqueping's costs 6 per cent at Georgetown's expense. Georgetown eventually made a proposal to accept a 3 per cent increase, and a Municipal Board ruling has been made to this effect, which will be binding for five years, unless the assessment in any one municipality increases by ten per cent for two consecutive years. Mr. Willis said this had been an excellent piece of business and would save the town considerable money in school taxes.

When Georgetown, Burlington and Oakville protested the new county equalization in October, Mr. Willis was again retained to act for the town. He took the position that the by-law was invalid, as evidence showed that county assessor Ford Rogers had proceeded wrongly. Supposedly the equalization was made on municipalities which had all been assessed under the new county system. On the contrary, Mr. Willis found that some municipalities had not finished the new assessments, and Mr. Rogers had taken estimates for these, which was illegal. Judge Robinson, he said, had taken a similar view, but had suggested that county council could iron out the matter without taking it into the courts. This had been done, at a meeting which Mr. Willis had not been asked to attend, and at this meeting, it was decided to forward a copy of a resolution fixing the equalization to all municipalities to be signed. After checking with Georgetown council, he had signed this agreement. A few days later he received another resolution which contained a "foker" which if signed would mean that Georgetown would sign away any gains made from Esqueping in the high school dispute. This he had advised Georgetown not to accept, and at present the county was in the position of having no basis on which to strike any rate for 1952.

Mr. Willis was handed a copy of a third agreement which Reeve Marshall and Deputy Reeve MacDonald had been given at county council the previous day, which was substantially the same as the first and deleted any references to the high school question. This, he said, appeared to be all right. A meeting was to be held in Milton on Friday with Judge Robinson to try and finally settle the matter, and Mr. Willis was asked by council to attend and act for the town again. Reeve Marshall then explained

that Mr. Willis had not been asked to attend the meeting because he (Mr. Marshall) understood that it was to be a meeting of county councillors only, though he had found when he got there that most municipalities had also sent legal counsel. The southern municipalities, he said, had agreed to take all but one point of the amount in dispute, and this point had been shared by Esqueping, Acton and Georgetown, Georgetown taking 4.

Appointed a committee composed of Goodlet, McGillivray, MacDonald and Allen to find out what other councils in North Halton feel about the high school question.

John Bell, Dr. J. B. Milne and Walter Heibel, Georgetown representatives on the school board, had been asked to meet with council, and Mr. Bell gave a resume of progress to date. When Georgetown joined the district two years ago, he said, the question was whether one central school would be built. Fruitless arguing for two years had accomplished nothing.

All systems had been discussed, one, two and three schools and at present a motion was on the school board's books to build new schools at Georgetown and Acton and retain the present one in Milton. The Dept. of Education which originally recommended a central school in the country, has done an about face, said Mr. Bell, and now says it should be in a town, but still holds to the idea that one central school is best. The school board must initiate action, he continued, but four of the five councils involved must agree or the Department of Education will not act. The matter is strictly political, he said. The school board owns no school in Acton, and has a poor one in Georgetown and the Georgetown members would like advice from council as to how they should proceed this year.

Asked individually by Mayor Armstrong for opinions, the consensus of council seemed to favour trying for one school for Acton and Georgetown, but if this did not work, to go ahead with two new schools. Mr. Heibel said he believed before any new building plans were discussed.

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MRS. T. M. STITT

A recent bride in Toronto was Linda Ginsburg who was married to Thomas Murray Stitt, of Fort William. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Ginsburg, and granddaughter of Mr. Morris Saxe of town. Mr. and Mrs. Stitt are honeymooning in Florida.

Telegram photo

#### GLEN WILLIAMS

##### ANNUAL MEETING OF GLEN UNITED CHURCH

On January 14th, members of the Glen United Church held their annual meeting. Rev. Alex Cowan acting as chairman. Members of the board of stewards were reinstated, Mrs. Curly Wheeler, Mrs. Albert Presswood, John Wagstaffe, William Schenk and Alf Goodwin, with Bert Bullock, added to the board. Clayton Allen, Norman Felker and Jack Addy comprise the board of session and Mrs. Herb Hancock and Alf Goodwin are auditors. Other church officials are: Mrs. Curly Wheeler, Missionary maintenance; Mrs. Norman Felker, envelope steward; Mrs. Jack Addy, organist; Alf Goodwin, assistant organist; Mrs. Cecil Barth, secretary; Mrs. Selker, Mrs. Addy, Mrs. Wheeler, sick committee. Reports of the different organizations showed that the church had enjoyed a good year and Mr. Cowan extended his appreciation to all for their splendid work.

On the same day the annual meeting of the Sunday School was held. Mr. Cowan also presiding at this. Alf Goodwin is superintendent with Leslie Deforest assistant, Gail Wheeler secretary, Ruth Presswood treasurer, and Gail Wheeler, pianist. Teachers in the Sunday School are: Intermediate boys, Les Deforest; Alf Goodwin; Intermediate girls, Mrs. Win Wheeler; Primary girls, Ruth Presswood, Mrs. Curly Wheeler; Primary boys, Gail Wheeler, Marie Gibbs; Beginners, Mrs. John Wagstaffe, Mrs. Herb Hancock.

#### FARM NEWS

##### HALTON JERSEY COWS COMPLETE RECORDS

There was considerable Jersey activity in the County of Halton in December, 1952, judging by the number of records that have been completed. One of the highest records in Canada was that completed by Lindale Estella Lucile, 120608, bred and owned by Maurice C. Beatty of Milton. At nine years Lucile produced 10,804 lbs. of milk, 723 lb. of fat in 365 days qualifying for a gold medal certificate.

Other cows were reported from Lindale, also from the herd of G. H. Hume & Son of Milton; W. J. Cleave and Son, Norval completed re-completed records and in the herd of Lloyd Crichton at Georgetown, Norval Volunteer's Rose, 182211, produced a junior four-year-old record in 365 days of 7,854 lbs. of milk and 464 lbs. of fat.

The high-producing herd of Hans Krois at Oakville, which is jointly owned with Mrs. Belle Layne, has a high record in produced by Highland Oak Pansy, 147809. At seven years Pansy produced 9,439 lbs. of milk and 580 lbs. of fat in 365 days. Howard R. Laidlaw, Norval, reports a 417-lb. senior two-year-old record in 365 days; George Hewer at Moffat reports two two-year-olds with good records completed in December.

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