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What Council Did

ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4th

Will install sewerage and water service extensions on Arletta Street immediately.

For some time, there has been delay in sewerage Arletta Street because a petition under the Local Improvement Act did not have enough signatures. The proper number have now been received, and Cr. Goodlet pressed for immediate action to clear up unsanitary conditions caused by poor drainage. A petition was also received from property owners in the Orr subdivision asking for sewerage there and this will be considered this year also. It is also expected that a petition will be received from residents along the highway on the eastern side of town for sewer extensions. Wm. B. Hamilton and James Schofield were at the meeting to ask for this and they were advised to circulate a petition and return to a future meeting.

Will seek an agreement with Esquimaux Township concerning payment for the Georgetown fire truck when it answers calls in the country.

The Chief William Hyde asked council for advice on what to do in case of calls being received from out-of-town. Such calls are always an emergency, said Mr. Hyde, and it puts the brigade in a difficult situation unless they know what council's policy is. At present, the brigade can go out of town on orders of the mayor, reeve, deputy reeve or fire chairman. There was considerable discussion about a matter which all councillors admit is a tricky point. Cr. Hale thinks the brigade should answer all township calls or none. Cr. Goodlet said no calls should be answered until some working agreement was made with the township, and Deputy Reeve McDonald agreed with him. Reeve Marshall pointed out that the brigade is maintained and paid for by Georgetown taxpayers and their first duty lies here. Cr. Peitch mentioned that Georgetown depends on the country for business and that in cases where the brigade can be of help it does not seem right not to do so. Cr. Allen said work done in the past by Glen Williams and Norval had been appreciated and he would hate to see any firm policy laid down. Cr. McGilvray said it is difficult to lay down any hard and fast rule, as it depends on whether the equipment can be of value. Reeve Marshall mentioned a fire at the Iamond farm in which the Georgetown brigade could be credited with saving the property.

It was decided to let the matter stand as it is at present, until the fire committee meets with Esquimaux council.

At the request of the fire chief, a "no parking" ban will be put on one side of Cross Street. Parking on both sides of this street hampers the brigade in taking the fire truck out of the fire hall.

Lowered the taxi licence from \$25 to \$15 a car.

Charles Crawford and Jack Morrow, who had appeared at a previous meeting returned to ask for lower licence fees. Fees in Brampton it was reported are \$15, \$10, \$5, in Acton \$10-\$5 and in Milton \$5. Several councillors said they thought taxi operators are making a mistake in asking lower fees as it might encourage competition from part-time operators.

Granted the Lions Club use of the park on July 17th for a garden party.

Will have brush cut on Ontario Street, in answer to a request from John McDonald, who said brush was so thick that cars could scarcely travel the road.

Cr. Goodlet, who is road chairman, said there was a possibility that Ontario Street could be hard surfaced this year, to provide a good roadway to Smith & Stone. The government will pay a 50% grant on this road.

When a rumour had been heard that General Electric had taken an option on land near Milton for a new plant, Mayor Armstrong had contacted the company, only to find there was no truth in it. The company is still looking for a site, the mayor said, and council is in touch with them to show what Georgetown has to offer.

Appointed industrial chairman Doug Sargent and Mayor Armstrong to attend an industrial conference organized by the Dept. of Planning and Development in Toronto in

Were notified that insurance claims had been filed by Mrs. Arthur Wilson, who fell on an icy sidewalk on John Street, and by Clem Lusk, whose car went over an embankment on John Street.

Were told by building inspector George Adams that he could see no solution for a drainage problem which Brill's Store had complained of, except for the adjoining building to run an eavestrough outlet into the street at eave level. Mr. Adams mentioned a couple of similar bad spots where a solution is difficult, in front of Dale & Bennett's and on Mill Street at the side of the Brill Store. He also mentioned that the town should give some consideration to the problem of trailers, as these are becoming more common. The clerk was asked to contact other towns to see what they do about trailers.

Cr. Goodlet questioned why the town foreman can spend more than \$50 without consulting committees yet committee chairmen are limited to \$50 at one time. He mentioned a bill for \$145 for salt as one example and suggested that any such expenditure should be brought before committees or council as a whole.

Some councillors thought the \$50 limit is too low for present times and consideration will be given to raising this.

Received figures on a house numbering system which would cost \$1750 and postponed discussion on this until the budget is struck.

Will meet with the Public Library board next Monday to discuss renovations or a possible new building for the library.

Will purchase a 3 inch sump pump for town work at a cost of \$400, to replace the present pump which is worn out.

After receiving word from the manufacturer that the commutator at the sewage disposal plant was installed backward, will contact engineer C. R. Hagey to ask him to rectify this.

This matter has been under dispute ever since the plant was put in operation, and council now believes definitely that it was a mistake on the part of the engineer and should be his responsibility to fix.

Were informed that the county equalization has been established by Judge Robinson and the dispute is settled for this year. A letter from Harry Willis, solicitor for the town, said however, that he did not sign the agreement in order not to prejudice any future dispute about the sharing of high school costs in North Halton school district.

Told Bob McMenemy, who complained about water lying at the foot of Normandy Boulevard that council would make every effort to have this cleared up. The trouble is caused by poor drainage on the Toet property and land owned by the public school and Mayor Armstrong said he would be in touch with both parties to seek a solution.

Will put a street light on Elm Street. Reeve Marshall also pointed out that lighting was poor on Wesleyan Street and asked other members to look at this sometime. It was reported that street lights will soon be extended to town limits on the eastern end of the highway.

Cr. Peitch suggested that if council continues asking for sidewalk petitions, the financial picture may get out of hand. Cr. Goodlet, who has been promoting this, said sidewalks and roads had been uppermost in people's minds at election time and he thinks all built up areas are entitled to them if residents are willing to pay their share of local improvement tax. At present he has signed petitions from Arletta Street and Normandy Boulevard and is holding these for discussion until anticipated petitions are received from Churchill Crescent, Sarah Street and Ostrander Boulevard.

Mr. Goodlet said the road committee would be meeting before the budget is struck to consider hard surfacing some of the town roads this year. Of 15.3 miles of streets, less than half are paved. Last year he said it had cost the town \$4,000 for grading and ditching and he believes it would be more economical to embark on a program of hard surfacing and stabilize these

KING DIES

Death of His Majesty King George VI, came as a shock to those who heard the news on early morning broadcasts.

The King died in his sleep at Sandringham, at the age of 56. It is believed he suffered a coronary thrombosis. Convalescing from a major lung operation last year, his death was entirely unexpected. Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh, who had just begun a royal tour of South Africa, cancelled the tour and are flying home.

Local churches have announced memorial services on Sunday, flags are at half mast, and in many other ways Georgetown is showing its grief at the news. Representatives of council, Legion and churches will meet tonight in the Municipal Building to discuss what public forms will acknowledge the news. It is possible that some public service will be held later this week, in which the community will share.

Jack Crichton Heads Hunters and Anglers

Jack Crichton was elected president of Georgetown Anglers & Hunters Association when the annual meeting was held last Wednesday in the Oddfellows Hall. He succeeds Harry Adams, who has become a director of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters.

New officers elected at the meeting are: Jack Crichton, president; Fred Spores, vice president; Bob Jepson, treasurer; Fred Johnson, secretary; Harry Adams, George Muckart, Gordon Spence, directors.

The club had a very successful year this year they have plans for the erection of a clubhouse on the property purchased last year adjoining the Ballantine farm.

The club decided to raffle a man's or ladies' made-to-measure suit to help one of the members, Chuck Davies, who was injured in a shooting accident recently.

City Appointment for Royal Bank Manager

Manager of the Royal Bank branch here since it was opened four years ago, Frank Benner has been appointed to a new post in Toronto.

Mr. Benner will be manager of the St. Clair and Oakwood branch in the city, and expects to leave for his new position within the next two weeks. Appointment of a new Georgetown manager has not yet been confirmed, but word is expected this week.

Mr. Benner started his banking career in Woodstock, then spent two years in Waterloo, two years back in Woodstock and was accountant at the main branch in Windsor from 1936 to 1942 when he joined the RCAF. After discharge from the air force in 1945, he was assistant manager for a short time at the Yonge and Bloor branch in the city, then went to the main branch in Toronto as assistant manager.

Mr. and Mrs. Benner, who have both taken active parts in community life during their residence here, will be in town for some time until they find suitable living quarters in the city. Mr. Benner has been secretary of the Retail Merchants Association since its organization and is honorary treasurer of the canvass for the Institute for the Blind. Mrs. Benner is also active in church work. Last year she was president of the Daughters of St. George's was a vice president of Arts & Crafts of Georgetown, a member of the IOBE and is on the Halton Advisory Board of the Blind Institute.

GLEN WILLIAMS

Plan 50th Church Anniversary for 1953

On Tuesday, January 29th, the annual vestry meeting of St. Alban's Church was held in the Parish Hall. Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson presiding, and opening the meeting with the Apostles' Creed and prayers. The minutes were read by Mr. H. F. Beaumont.

The annual financial statement was read by Mr. Arthur Beaumont, People's Warden, and after discussion of various items, adopted. Reports were received from the Sunday School, St. Alban's Guild, and the Junior AYPA, Good work, and excellent results were shown, and were commented on by the Rector, with appreciation of the services rendered by all.

Mr. Arthur Beaumont was elected People's Warden, and on the Sunday following the Rector announced the appointment of Mr. Jack Lucas as Rector's warden. The sideamen were re-elected.

The Board of Management, by decision of the vestry, would have representatives from the organizations and congregation, thus: the Churchwardens, Mr. E. Bludd, Mrs. Riggs, Mrs. Thos. Haines, Mrs. Wagstaffe, Mr. W. Korzick and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Eason.

The term of Mr. Lindley Beaumont as Lay Delegate to the Synod having expired, the Vestry elected Mr. Arthur Beaumont for the term of three years. Mr. Joseph Beaumont, the father of the newly-elected official, had served the congregation in Synod for many years previous to his death, and had also served in various capacities in the work of the church outside parish and Diocese.

The Rector mentioned that next year would be the fiftieth anniversary of St. Alban's and should be observed in a fitting manner, consideration to be given at the 1953 Vestry meeting.

The benediction was pronounced, and refreshments served by the ladies.

Juveniles Win Group Advance to Playdowns

THE WEATHER

Mr. Editor:—The rain in this week's summary makes it look like a week in spring. To review the average for January—the maximum average for the month was 31—4 degrees above normal; while the minimum of 13 was exactly normal. The total snowfall for the month was 25½ inches, being 9½ inches above normal. The highest temperature registered for the month of January was 47 and the lowest was 21 below zero, a difference of 68 degrees. Saturday was groundhog day and cloudy enough for him to stay out; but maybe to his sorrow.

— Ern Batkin

Date	Max.	Min.	Rain
Jan. 28	20	8	
Jan. 29	9	-21	
Jan. 30	21	-13	
Jan. 31	38	11	.02
Feb. 1	40	30	.02
Feb. 2	38	31	.52
Feb. 3	36	23	.06
Average	28.85	9.85	.62

HORNBY

Church Improvements Planned at Hornby

The Annual Vestry meeting of St. Stephen's Anglican Church, Hornby, was held last Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Ellis with Rev. J. E. Maxwell in the chair. The meeting opened with prayer, followed by the election of Miss Evelyn Gave as vestry clerk. The rector gave his report, in which he stated that the statistics did not show the extent to which the young people of the church were taking their part in the various activities and that their willingness augured well for the future of the congregation. Mr. Maxwell congratulated the WA on making the vestments for the choir and also on their missionary efforts during the past year. He also thanked the officers of the church for their help and cooperation and their kindly support. He mentioned, too, that the recent formation of St. Stephen's Guild would be a helpful addition towards the support of the church.

Financial reports were read by Kenneth Peewess, church treasurer; Mrs. Wilfred Thompson for the W.A.; Mrs. Foster Brain, for the cemetery board; and a report for the Sunday School had been prepared by Miss Mary Thompson. All these organizations were shown to be in a flourishing condition.

John Bussell was appointed Rector's Warden. During the election of officers which followed Richard Course will act as People's Warden, treasurer, Mrs. John Bradley; Advisory Committee, Messrs. Wilfred Thompson, Kenneth Peewess, Robert Orr and Guy Bussell; Sideamen, Messrs. Dick Weller, Cliff Hunter, William Brain, Irvine Thompson, John Bradley, Orville Orr; Cemetery Board, Messrs. Foster Brain, John Bussell, Wm. Robinson, Cliff Hunter and John Orr; Auditors William Brain and Kenneth Peewess; Lay Delegate to the Synod, Arthur Brain; Substitute Delegate, Wilfred Thompson; Organist, Mrs. Ernest Price; Sunday School superintendent, Miss Mary Thompson.

During the discussion which followed it was decided to form a committee to proceed with the building of the church basement and Messrs. Ken Ellis, Arthur Brain, Carl Saunders, John Bradley and Dick Weller were elected.

At the conclusion of the meeting the rector pronounced the benediction, following which a delicious luncheon was served by the hostess, Mrs. Ken Ellis.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Don Herrington, Jr. is home again after spending the past two years as a patient in Toronto Hospital, Weston. Many of these months, Don, who was a star pitcher with Georgetown's intermediate ball team, spent in a cast after a hip operation. He is able to be about with a cane and is making steady progress towards recovery.

Ken McMillan and Jack Armstrong attended a dinner of Hamilton Lions Club on Monday noon at which an OHA gold hockey stick was presented to Percy Thompson, well-known Hamilton sports figure. Mr. Thompson is manager of Hamilton Arena and of the Hamilton Tigers Hockey club. The presentation for 25 years service to hockey, was made by OHA president Jack Roxburgh.

Georgetown 150 Club won their group last week by defeating Woodbridge 14-3 and 9-2 in the juvenile OHA playoffs.

The Legion-sponsored team, managed by Alf Sykes, is now standing by waiting for word from the OHA about further competition. By all reports, the brand of hockey played by these lads is Grade A and those who have seen them in action are loud in their praise.

Unfortunately the team has been weakened by two serious injuries. In the last game with Woodbridge, George Grasty, a mainstay of the team, suffered a broken arm. On Monday, playing industrial hockey Carl Schank dislocated an elbow to leave the team another man short.

In the minor town leagues, which the Legion also sponsors, Bruins, Leafs and Canadiens were put out of further competition, leaving Rangers with 18 goals, Red Wings and Black Hawks, 7. Red Wings and Black Hawks play off this Saturday morning in a sudden death game for a final place against the Rangers, at 8 a.m.

Officers were put out of the playoffs. A very close game between Bears and Reds makes another game necessary for a place against the Hornets at 8.50 Saturday morning. The midget start their playoffs Saturday too, with Ironton vs. Hamilton, and Kitchener vs. Owen Sound.

Booster tickets are being sold on these games, and everyone is urged to help finance the team by buying them.

As we go to press, we find that the midget entry, handled by Bud James and Walt Richardson, beat Nobleton last night 6-3. They will play in Nobleton on Saturday afternoon.

VARIED MEETINGS FOR STONE SCHOOL FORUM

The Stone School farm forum has had an interesting series of meetings this year.

On January 14th, Jim Alcorn, accountant at the Bank of Commerce joined in a discussion on "Is There Enough Farm Credit Available?" The next Monday the forum members visited Bannockburn farm and heard a full report of the Federation convention in Toronto, given by Mrs. J. J. Ellery. January 28th was a social evening, one interesting item being a spelling match in which all took part.

Last Monday, Mrs. A. Stull was hostess and the topic "What Sale Farm Prices" was ably taken by Miss Isabel Moore. Lunch hostesses were Mrs. Stull, Mrs. Ern Batkin and Mrs. Charles Greig.

NORVAL

Discuss Renting Parish Hall to Norval Community

The annual vestry meeting of St. Paul's Church, Norval, was held on Wednesday at the rectory, with Rev. J. Maxwell in the chair. The meeting opened with prayer followed by the election of Mrs. William Alton as vestry clerk. The rector gave his report, in which he thanked the various officers of the church for their cooperation and help during the past year, stating that the year had been a very successful one in every way. Financial reports were then read by Miss Prairie Maguire and Mr. Warwick Coupland.

The following officers were appointed, rector's warden, Mr. Warwick Coupland, People's Warden, Mr. John Rawlins; treasurer, Miss Prairie Maguire; Sideamen—Messrs. William Finnamore, Walter Fidler, Roy Coupland, J. Herbert, Willson Altonby, Gordon Casley, Arthur Burton; Parish Hall Committee—Mrs. Shering, Mrs. Needham, Mrs. Altonby, Messrs. W. Coupland, W. Finnamore, W. Altonby; Sunday School superintendent, Mrs. G. Shering; Organist, Mrs. Walter Fidler; Caretaker of church garage, Mrs. William Finnamore; Lay Delegate to Synod, Mr. John Slingby.

During the evening a delegation from the Norval Recreation Society, consisting of E. C. Reed and Bert Carney, came in to the meeting to discuss the possibility of renting St. Paul's Parish Hall as a community basis. Mr. Reed explained the need for a community hall in Norval, and the members of the Vestry took this proposal under consideration. It was decided that further meetings of the representatives from the Recreation Society and the Parish Hall Committee be held to discuss the details of this proposal.