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The Editor's Corner

A COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Indications of the growing awareness of mutual aid among neighbours is shown in discussions about fire protection for Esquimes which are taking place between town and township councils.

The question of fire protection in outlying districts has always been a troublesome one. On the one hand we have the fact that the local volunteer brigade is manned by Georgetown men and supported by Georgetown taxes. Theoretically there is no reason for the brigade to go out of town limits, and no reason any township resident could protest their not going. But comes a fire and it puts a different light on the question. Can we stand by and watch a neighbour's home burn just because he doesn't share in the upkeep of the brigade. And yet, at the same time, is it fair to local fire brigade members to expect them to spend long hours out of town without recompense. Or is it fair to local taxpayers to deprive them of the fire protection which they are paying for by not having the engine available in town at all times.

The official policy has always been for the fire chief to check with the mayor and fire committee chairman before the truck is allowed to leave town. There has rarely been a case where aid was refused, but occasions have arisen where the delay incurred by a couple of phone calls loses valuable time.

Now a sensible solution seems to be in sight. Milton has already entered into an agreement with part of the township, with rural areas providing a fire truck and Milton agreeing to house it and man it when necessary. Such a scheme is also in the wind in Georgetown, and it has already been discussed by both councils. Let's hope that it won't be too long in the future before Esquimes farmers and the many rural residents who live in semi-urban communities such as Glen Williams, Norval and Stewarttown and Limehouse can have assured fire protection at a price which makes it sensible for them and for the town.

POT POURRI—

Jailing of an Oakville girl after conviction of forgery and theft of licence plates and saddles might solve the passing of a "bum cheque" locally some time ago. Seems that one day a lady discussed buying and selling saddles at Ken McMillan's farm implements agency. Later in the day, she bought gas at Georgetown Motors, cashed a cheque signed by Ken for \$35 and was on her way. The only trouble was, it wasn't one of Ken's cheques at all and proved to be a phoney. Description of the girl in the daily papers seemed to tally with the Georgetown visitor. Art Herbert tells us that the executive of the Boys' Band of a few years ago has decided to close out a small balance in the old bank account. The money is being transferred to the Lorne Scots Band and will be spent in supplies and instruction for some of the younger boys who are joining the band. A recent Saturday was a milestone in the old Herald Office. For the first time in many years the building was used for another purpose when ladies of St. George's W.A. held a sale of baking and aprons. The new public school is going ahead fast. There's a trick in every trade and on a visit one afternoon last week we watched in fascination as a man threw bricks, one by one, from a wheelbarrow at ground level to a bricklayer on the scaffold sixteen feet above. Every brick arrived at the same point just as the hand was outstretched to grab it, and the two workmen made a symphony of rhythm. The present fad for "new sounds" in music creates vocal stars as fast as the old ones fade. There was a time when an entertainer who found popular favour was set for years. Now someone like Johnny Ray springs from nowhere on the strength of a couple of hit records, then is replaced by a new star with a new hit. Currently the Toronto radio stations are plugging records by singer Jeri Sothorn. What has become of Evelyn Knight (A Little Birdie Told Me), Patti Page (Tennessee Waltz), and the dozens of others who were so popular a year or two ago. Anyone who was at home on a recent Friday night was just a stick-in-the-mud. Can't remember when there was more doing in town and district. There was a play at Stewarttown, mock trial at St. George's Church, euchre at the Oddfellows Hall, juvenile hockey at the arena with the IODE dance upstairs, a meeting of Credit Lodge and the Friday night dance and social at the Legion Hall. A pretty full evening for a small town. Through the kindness of Mrs. Florence Curtis, we had a look at a special edition of the London Daily Telegraph issued the day after King George's Funeral. The



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ANNOUNCES WINNERS AT AFTERNOON TEA

Winners at an afternoon euchre which Mrs. A. Norton held for the W.I. on Friday included Mrs. Ron Letimer and Mrs. C. Jones, with consolations going to Mrs. A. J. Smethurst and Mrs. Lorne Norton. The winners at the marathon euchre last week were Mrs. Robt. McEnery, Mrs. R. L. Davidson and Mr. R. L. Davidson and Mr. Don Joyce with Miss Eleanor Joyce winning lone hand prize.

The Harvey Norton's visited in Hamilton on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. C. Bailey and Johnny spent the weekend with her parents near Orangeville.

Owing to conflicting events the Hall Board have cancelled this week's euchre and dance and the WMS have postponed their meeting one week. We really live in a busy community.

Mrs. Smethurst spent the weekend in Toronto.

The Sheldon Lawrs visited in Hamilton a week ago.

Messrs Harold and Carl Kurn and their sister visited relatives in Montreal during the week-end and brought their father home with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Webb Shallor and little daughter of Preston were Sunday visitors with the Brock Millers.

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