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## Saturday Closing

Early Saturday closing seems to be the biggest news of the year to date in Georgetown. It has caught the public fancy like nothing else in the past year. In fact only on two previous occasions can we remember as much interest from the man on the street — the time council asked the bus line to move their coach stop off Main Street, and the time the provincial police and council were at loggerheads about a number of matters.

"Are you going to write an editorial on Saturday closing?" has been a question frequently asked these past few weeks.

The answer has always been "no". With so many shades of opinion, both on the part of merchants who were asked to sign the petition, council who were asked to pass legislation, and the urban and rural buying public whose habits it affects, we couldn't presume to say "aye" or "nay" to which is the best system.

Dealing with generalities, it could be noted that Georgetown has followed a trend which started in the bigger centres, for a longer week end for shop people, while still recognizing that it is wise business to have at least one "open night" during the week. There were 41 merchants eligible to sign the petition asking for early Saturday closing and 33 signed it, though two subsequently had a change of heart and signed petitions with opposing views. There are, of course, more than 41 businesses affected by any change on closing hours. There are perhaps twenty others

barbers, confectioners, restaurants, fruit store which, though not eligible to sign, are still concerned with the results. Assuming that certain of these might be in favour, the petition represented a fairly solid front of merchants who think their business will not suffer by this radical change. On the opposing side is a smaller, but vociferous group, who are concerned with the fact that farmers who resent the change might take their business elsewhere.

It is too early yet to see what the overall result will be for local business. There are farmers who are outspoken in their opposition to the change. There are some who will switch their night shopping habit to Friday, others who will try other towns on Saturday. There was a good crowd on Main Street Friday. How many farmers were here depends on which merchant you talk to. If the new plan does not work, of one thing you can be sure. There will be further petitions to council to reverse the decision. No merchant wants shorter hours at the expense of lost business.

Meanwhile there are things that could be done to draw extra business to town on Friday. Georgetown is the only town where all stores are open Friday evening. Why not capitalize on this feature in advertising. Merchants could get together and put on some street dances or open air bingo, or encourage some other group to do this.

an important psychological part in institutions. We have always shuddered at the Toronto hospital which is called the Hospital for Incurables. Equally distasteful are the terms Old People's Home and Home for the Aged which are often used to designate these county institutions. County council must have thought so too when they named Halton's new building Centennial Manor. Now we hear that road signs pointing to the building call it the Home for the Aged. We hope that these can be changed to the correct wording. Only a small point, perhaps, but it is important. Rain put a damper on Civic Holiday. There was no public activity planned in town, but it interfered with private plans for picnics and vacation trips. Dennis McCartney and Adele Bastedo, when they chose Saturday for their wedding day, ended up with four "extras." It was the 6th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McCartney, and the 40th of guests Mr. and Mrs. Alex Taylor. Younger brother Ray McCartney was celebrating his birthday that day, as was an uncle, Gordon Meredith.

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This should top all fishing stories this year. While Steve Emmerson was holidaying at Bobcaygeon he heard an unearthly commotion one morning, and running out to investigate found the owner of the tourist lodge and two puppy dogs in a jam. One of the pups had approached a large plug used for musky trolling and had caught a hook through his lip. The other dog, attracted by his barks, had investigated and he was hooked through the leg on another hook. Finally the lodge owner had appeared and in attempting to free the pups had run still another half way through his finger. It was half an hour before a proper pair of pliers could be found to free the dogs. The lodge man had a visit to the doctor to have the fish hook extracted from his finger. Shirley Forbes, a graduate of the commercial course at high school this year, is working in Kenneth M. Langdon's law office. A graduate of Guelph Business College, Joyce Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs J. K. Hamilton, has joined the Bank of Commerce staff. She had been working for A. J. Crandell, chartered accountant, previously. Names play

## GLEN WILLIAMS

### Dave Cooper Joins Navy Training at Cornwallis

David Cooper has joined the navy and is posted at HMCS Cornwallis where he is taking his basic training. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper and Glen spent part of their holiday with cousins, Mr. and Mrs. George Glass in Durham and while there had a trip one day to Port Elgin. The office staff of Smith & Stone, Ltd. gave a shower for a Saturday bride, Ruth Presswood at the home of Mrs. Herman McClelland. Misses Hazel Hoare and Muriel Nodwell held a shower on July 3rd in their apartment in the Norton Building and on the next night Mrs. Curly Wheeler, and the ladies of the Glen United Church, had a shower in the Sunday School room. Mrs. William Kirby and Mrs. Howard Garvin left Friday for a month's trip to the west coast. They will visit with Mrs. Kirby's daughter, Mrs. Alan Law at Nanaimo, Mrs. Garvin will also visit in Vancouver with her aunt, Mrs. Gordon Campbell. Mr. and Mrs. L. Robinson and Audrey were in Toronto on Sunday to visit with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Robinson. Jacqueline Lucas left Saturday for a two week stay at Mlahannoch Camp, an Anglican girls' camp on Lake Simcoe.

Interest is keen in the Glen Fair which this year is scheduled for the first Saturday in September. An evening garden party will be one of the new features. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wall and Elizabeth visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. Hooper at their cottage at Glenwood Beach the latter part of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Vern Kirby, Verna Speers, Grace Walters and Helen Ritchie are on a vacation motor trip through the Mississippi valley. Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Riggs, Gordon and Rita have returned from a two week trip in the States, going as far as Savannah, Georgia. They stopped at Myrtle Beach, S.C. for a few days on the way home and came back through Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davison and family of Alderwood spent the holiday week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Davison. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Compton and Wayne spent a week of their holidays at Wasaga. Mr. and Mrs. Edward McDermott are on a motor trip through Ontario and Quebec this week. They intend to spend next week in North Bay. Her mother, Mrs. S. E. Upton, her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Hedley, Brampton, are on the trip with them. Irene Hennessy, Brampton spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. C. Hennessy, Sunday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Craighton

and baby Christine, Brampton. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, Leaside, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Korzec. Mr. and Mrs. Bob McMenemy have returned from two weeks at Big Pine Acres, Gravenhurst. Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Curly Wheeler on Wednesday were LAC and Mrs. Harold Heldbrecht, Ottawa, and Cst. Ted Stanford and Miss Jennie Pollachuk, Toronto. Guests at the DeForest-Presswood wedding on Saturday included the grandparents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanford of Nashville; Mr. and Mrs. William Hooper, Miss Dorothy Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Starret, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sharpe, Rochester, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bell, Toronto Island; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sandford, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Stan Faer, Mrs. Charles Robson, Richvale; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hilliard and Miss Margaret Hilliard, Woodbridge; Mr. and Mrs. Russell DeForest, Donna and Margaret, Galt; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Usher, Woodbridge; Mr. and Mrs. Harry DeForest, Belfountain; Mr. and Mrs. Harold DeForest and Maurice, Terra Cotta; Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Starret, Douglas Starret, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Presswood, Mrs. Doug Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gibbs, Miss Marie Gibbs, Miss Ann Luke, Miss Muriel Nodwell and Miss Hazel Hoare.

## Brigade Raises Funds For Auxiliary Truck

Georgetown Fire Brigade members are an enterprising group. For some time, they have believed that a panel truck would be a useful auxiliary in transporting equipment to fires. Town finances have not allowed the purchase of an extra truck and the brigade conceived the idea of purchasing it on their own. To raise funds for this and some other special equipment, they decided to find the money themselves. A lucky draw for a \$100 bond has been planned. Ticket sale will be limited to 1500 one dollar tickets and the draw will be made at Georgetown Fair on September 13, 14 & 15.

Combining the names of the towns where they will be doing business, two Georgetown men have formed a new firm, B&G Building Supplies.

Joe Prueck and Ed Malton, who are partners in the firm, have obtained the Armstrong property in Brampton on Bealey Street just off No. 7 Highway and will sell lumber and building supplies from their yard there. They also intend to stock some items at Mr. Prueck's home in Georgetown. Later they plan to construct a new store in Brampton.

Mr. Prueck worked for Thompson Hardware before entering the building and heating business, on his own several years ago. He will continue to operate in the same way which is known as Georgetown Planning and Heating. Mr. Malton has been an accountant for McNally Construction since coming here from Guelph three years ago.

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