

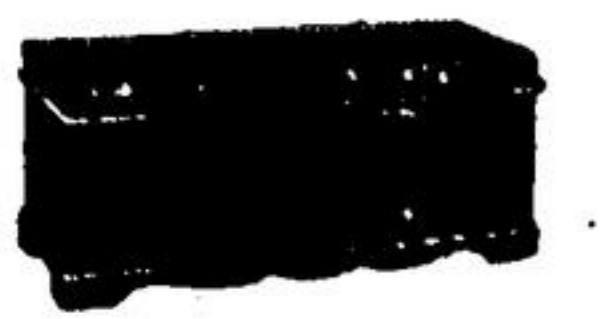
Georgetown and Halton County Poultry Association  
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**Halton Juniors Fourth Square Dance Competition**

There was particular local interest in the square dancing competitions, a new feature of the Royal Winter Fair on Saturday. Two groups from town and district competed. High school students, coached by Miss Rose Piercy were unsuccessful in reaching the finals, but a group of Halton Juniors were awarded fourth prize. Howson Ruddell of Norval Juniors was caller and the dancers, all of whom belong to various junior farmer organizations were: Marilyn Barnes, Bernice Wilson and Ralph Cunningham from the Norval group, Donna McMillan, Betty Anderson and Bruce McGill, Brookville, Bill Somerville and Jim Anderson, Acorn.

**SCHOOL INSPECTOR'S SPEECH SCHOOL HISTORY REVIEWED**  
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lage, a private school academy was conducted in a large brick building near the station. This building was afterwards made into apartments but finally was torn down. We have Academy Street to commemorate its early existence. The first public school in Georgetown was opened in 1847 or 1848 in a house on Main St. South, now belonging to Mr. W. F. Bradley. After a short stay there it was moved to the old Town Hall, where it remained for a number of years until the main part of the present building, which for want of a better name, we now call 'the old school' was erected in 1869. This was modelled after the old Elizabeth Street school in Toronto and consisted of four rooms. A new wing of two rooms was erected on the east side in 1879. In 1894 the Board bought from the Methodist Church the four lots in front of the school, which had up until that time been used as a cemetery.

In 1913 a new 4-room wing was erected on the west side. It is interesting to note that the price was \$6300, and that the contractor was Mr. J. B. Mackenzie.

In 1930, a further addition was made on the north side. This consisted of one classroom with lavatories and washrooms beneath. The Mackenzie firm designed this, but the actual construction was done by another local firm, Georgetown Lumber Company.

It seems, therefore very fitting that the school in which we are seated tonight was also constructed by another generation of the Mackenzie family — this time Mr. Sam Mackenzie. That they should have been engaged on each of three projects over a period of 40 years is a tribute to their efficiency and good workmanship. These qualities are everywhere in evidence here tonight, and I should like to compliment Mr. Mackenzie and his foreman, Mr. Jack Gordon on the fine job they have done.

I did not dig deeply enough into the records to locate the names of the earlier teachers — those employed previous to 1871 — but for a ten year period thereafter principals came and went with the regularity of migratory birds. It is recorded that in 1877 — "the highest salary paid a male teacher in the county of Halton was \$600 — viz., in Georgetown to John E. Tom." The village did not, however, long stand the strain and we find that in 1878 George Larkin replaced Mr. Tom at a salary of \$450. In that year there were enrolled 343 pupils for whom 284 desks were provided. The average attendance, was, however, only 138 pupils, or a percentage of 44 per cent.

Possibly the new rink erected by Mr. M. J. Birt about this time was contributing to truancy. At any rate it is recorded that this rink "formed one of the most attractive places of amusement in Town and was daily and nightly thronged with

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those who wish to enjoy either of those healthful and enjoyable sports amusements — curling or skating.

In those days, too, a street fair for the sale of cattle, horses, etc., was held every month and proved quite an event in the village; it being the means of attracting a large concourse of farmers and stock dealers. On Fair days it is recorded that "Main Street presents the appearance of a city thoroughfare." No wonder school attendance was low. What youngster could resist the pull of such attractions as a new rink or a street fair!

However, conditions took a turn for the better, and in 1882, after a decade during which school principals arrived and left annually, the village was fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Robert Harrison. His salary was \$350, and he remained as principal for a period of twelve years until his death at the age of 40, on September 22nd, 1894. By that time he was receiving a salary of \$475.

From June, 1871 until September, 1885, Mr. Robert Little served as the first county inspector. On the latter date he was succeeded by Mr. J. S. Deakin, who, in referring to Mr. Harrison's death wrote as follows:

"One of the changes (of teachers in the county) was caused by the untimely and lamented death of Mr. R. E. Harrison, principal of Georgetown Public School from August, 1822, till his death September 22, 1894. He was universally esteemed in all his associations — domestic, social, civic, and professional. In the death of Mr. Harrison the county has lost one of its truest and most efficient educators."

Georgetown people are well aware that this Mr. R. E. Harrison was the father of Mr. Percy Harrison, already associated with the Georgetown Public Schools for more than twenty five years, and at present acting as school treasurer; and also father of Miss Hazel Harrison who, like her father, maintained a high standard as an educator during her tenure as teacher in the years between 1909 and 1950 — the longest period during which any teacher has ever served Georgetown.

Following the death of Mr. Harrison the following principals served the community:

- T. S. Earnsey — 1895 - 1905
- W. W. Noble — 1906
- A. H. Mills — 1907 - 1911
- Alfred Green — 1912 - 1924
- John R. Waldie — 1925
- Annie V. Ryan — 1926-1938

We are indeed, very happy to know that Miss Ryan is still enjoying good health during retirement in Georgetown. We would also at this time like to extend greetings to other teachers who have spent many years in the town: to Miss Georgina Young who served from 1905 until 1945; to Miss May Langman who served from 1910 to 1950; and to Miss Hazel Harrison, to whom reference has already been made.

It speaks well for your board, and for the people of the Georgetown, that these outstanding teachers have seen fit to remain so long in the service of this community. Reference might also be made to the many years of faithful and superior service that Miss Beatrice Hume, Miss Laura Scott and Miss Marie Lindsay have already given.

In the past five years there has been an increase of 150,000 school children in the province. In September, 1951 a total of 1065 more classrooms were operating than in September, 1950. To meet the tremendous expansion over 1000 additional classrooms must now be provided in this province each year — these are not replacements, these are addition rooms.

In June, 1939 there were enrolled in Halton county 3500 children. In September of this year, 1952, the enrolment exceeded 6000, and others are arriving daily. To meet this expansion the ratepayers of Halton County have had to build 115 new classrooms at a cost of two and three-quarter million dollars.

In Georgetown, June 1939, the enrolment was 280. In September 1952, the enrolment was 760.

Or almost two and one-half times as many children, and we have not reached the peak. To meet the demands of this increase you have had to create this new school building.

Education is making tremendous demands on the tax-payer — and councils, sometimes with reason, a look with a critical eye upon the expenditures of school boards and accuse them of extravagance. In this building I see little to justify such criticism. It is substantially and well built. There is no elaboration and little waste space. It is pleasing in appearance; and convenient in its appointments. It must be a source of pride to everyone in Georgetown and should serve well this part of the town for some years to come. I share your joy in seeing such a structure in your midst. I would indeed be fain if I did not pay a high tribute to the school board, which has provided such accommodation for the new generation. Board and ratepayers have a right to expect much from children educated in such a pleasing atmosphere. I trust they will rise to the challenge and give of their best. One sometimes hears it said that

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