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**Tuberculosis Can Strike You**

Have you ever wondered how long you will live? Life does not go on forever, yet why shorten it? Some adults, for instance, believe one they have passed thirty they are no longer susceptible to a disease like tuberculosis. On the contrary, tuberculosis may strike at any age. Last year, half of those who died of the disease were over 30 years of age.

Tuberculosis is a sly enemy. The much-advertised danger signs are not symptoms of early TB but of active advancing disease. Early TB gives no warning. Only the X-ray can find the disease at a time when it is almost always completely curable.

Also contrary to popular belief, TB is not inherited. It is caused by a certain kind

of germ. No matter how careful we are, it is not always possible to keep these germs out of the body. As long as our resistance protects us, no harm may be done, but no two people react in the same manner when attacked by disease germs.

After TB has become active it can take on of two courses. If neglected it will advance and the patient may die. When discovered early and treatment started quickly, it is almost always completely curable. Every year thousands of TB patients return to useful work, their disease arrested.

It is because of these facts that the coming X-ray clinic in Georgetown is so very important. Early diagnosis is imperative if TB is to be completely stamped out in Canada.

**We'll Get There Yet**

It is disappointing to know that there are still difficulties in the way of the three-town high school program which has been in the air so long for Georgetown, Acton and Milton.

For five long years the question has been tossed about on the municipal level. The school board itself had difficulty deciding on the proper solution. They first talked of one central school, then of two, and finally of three and it was only this spring that a final decision was made on a program which would have cost close to a million dollars. When some municipalities objected to such a major expense, the school board revised plans and cut them down to the absolute minimum and arrived at a figure of \$555,000 which was felt would provide added facilities in the three towns which are absolutely necessary to take care of the increasing school population.

Now the Department of Education has frowned on gym-auditoriums in any of the schools — a bitter blow to Georgetown particularly, which has never had such in 75 years of high school history.

We are of the opinion that a gym and auditorium are a necessary part of a full high school education. Those who have attended Georgetown High School in the past will tell you that this was the one thing they as students wanted and the thing which they hope their children will have. Towns much smaller than Georgetown have had these facilities for years. New high schools have been built by the score in the province in the past decade all of them with the finest in gyms and auditoriums.

There has been a sudden change at Queen's Park, a shift to economy both on the part of the new Minister of Education and of Premier Frost and North Halton's interview about new schools came at a bad time when the new policy had not been clearly defined. The school board will be doing all in their power to obtain what they think is necessary for good education in this part of the country and we have not yet given up hope that the program will be given government approval.

**Pot Pourri**

Correcting an erroneous statement in a news write-up of Poppy Day results, the total of \$428 reported as receipts was the tag day total only. Private donations from individuals, business firms and merchants made the total much higher than this. Since the list of acknowledgements was published a further donation has been received by the treasurer, Mrs. Thomas Grieve, from the Lions Club. . . . Another district farmer who made a good showing at the Royal was Spencer Wilson who had 6th prize on his oat sheaf. . . . Newcomers to town are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson who have bought Ted Vahl's house on Ostrander Boulevard. Mr. Robinson had a farm just out of Erin village before he moved to Georgetown. Mr. and Mrs. Vahl are living in Buffalo, New York, now. . . . Pat Donaldson of New Zealand, who is staying with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. James Linton, has joined the staff of Robb's Drug Store. . . . One ground hog who should have hibernated earlier was reported by Agar Ostrander last week, who wonders if this isn't late in the

season for these animals to be about. This luckless rodent was caught by the Ostrander dog. . . . Most of the Main Street stores have sprouted Christmas decorations and with three days of December already over, we are well into the holiday season. . . . Public school children have been assisting with a survey of preschool children in town to ascertain space requirements in the schools for the next five years. In case any home has been missed by a canvasser, it would be appreciated if parents of small children would contact one of the school principals to assist in this survey. . . . In a news report last week of the dedication of stained glass windows at St. John's Church, the number was given as six. This should have been ten; four on the west side in memory of John Kennedy and family, four on the east side in memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dale, and two in the vestibules in memory of Martin Near. . . . Recently joining the McClure Home Furnishings staff is Clarence Kennedy. Mr. Kennedy sold his taxi business in Brampton last month. . . .



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**JUNIOR W.A. PLANS THE ANNUAL MEETING**

Junior W.A. held their meeting Monday. Gail Smith had charge of the meeting. The opening hymn was "There is a Green Hill." The Friday Pledge was remembered. The Chinese and Japanese kindergartens in B.C. Quilt blocks were made in the busy period. The junior annual meeting will be held next Monday, December 8th.

The Little Helpers meeting will be held in the school Saturday, December 6th.

Happy birthday to Judy Walker who will be eight years old next Saturday, December 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lawson and Beth of Toronto were visitors with Mrs. Lawson Sunday.

Congratulations to Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Maxwell on the birth of a daughter.

The Equesque Women's Institute meeting for December will be held in Georgetown at the home of Mrs. Bob Harris. Each member is to bring an inexpensive gift, unwrapped, for children at the Shelter.

**TERRA COTTA**

**TWO FAMILIES MOVE TO NEW RESIDENCES**

Mr. and Mrs. Peter MacDonald have moved into Mr. Foster's house. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Miller have also moved into their new home.

Mrs. H. Sighe of Inglewood and Mrs. A. Roberts, Credit Forks, spent the week-end with Mrs. R. Puckerling.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Clure Carnwell (she is the former June Stoddart of Cheltenham). It's a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Emmerson spent the week end with the Ballcys in Toronto.

Mrs. Schleichler, Mrs. Nelson Millig and Mr. Davidson are still on the sick list. We hope they will soon be better.

Mrs. Barnhart is visiting with her daughter in the States.

Miss Kay Kidd of Inglewood is visiting with the Leslie Icams.

**RUSSELL GIBSON DIES SUDDENLY**

F. Russell Gibson, a lifelong resident of Palgrave, died suddenly on Friday, November 21st, suffering a heart attack. A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alfred and Georgina Gibson, he was born in Palgrave and for many years conducted a garage and service station. He was a member of Palgrave United Church. Mr. Gibson was in his 54th year.

He is survived by his wife, the former Stella Jones and two children, Bob and Joan; also two brothers, Harold and Roaman and one sister, Vera. His mother predeceased him about a month ago. The funeral was held on Monday with interment in Morningside cemetery, Palgrave.

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