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**Founded Wilber Park  
John I. Williams Dies**

A former Georgetown and Glen Williams resident, and member of a family which gave Glen Williams its name, was buried in Glen Williams Cemetery on Thursday.

John I. Williams, died at his home at Phepston the previous Tuesday. He had been in failing health for some time. A son of Jacob I. Williams and Susan Forster, he was born in Acton and spent his early years in the Glen. From 1908 to 1916 he lived in Georgetown where he was bookkeeper at the Creelman Knitting Company.

Older residents will remember him as owner of Wilber Park which was located in the flats behind the present Georgetown Lumber Company and Harley-Kay-Marland's plant. At that time the river was dammed and a sizeable pond created where there was boating and swimming in the summer, and an open air skating rink in the winter months. The park took its name from Mr. Williams and Mr. Barber, former owner of the property.

After leaving town, Mr. Williams lived in Toronto until 1944, and spent the next two years in Beaverton and Cannington. Lately he had made his home with daughters in Phepston and Islington.

While they lived in town, both Mr. and Mrs. Williams, whom he married on June 19th, 1906, were active workers in the then-Methodist Church, now St. John's United. Gardening and photography were his hobbies.

Surviving are his wife, the former Josephine Cleave, three children, William F. Williams, Windsor, Mrs. Frank Dixon (Ruth) of Phepston and Mrs. E. F. Deviney (Grace) of Islington and seven grandchildren. A sister, Frances, Mrs. James Cook of Creston, B.C., predeceased him.

Rev. John M. Smith conducted the funeral service on Thursday at the McClure Funeral Home, Georgetown, with interment following in Glen Williams Cemetery. Pallbearers were Grant Pickard, Islington, Joseph Hartley, Milton, and William G. Marshall, Lorne Cleave, Trevor Williams, and Charles Willson.

**Special Coronation Service  
At St. John's on Sunday**

J. D. G.

As in most churches of the Commonwealth Sunday was observed as Coronation Sunday at St. John's United Church. Rev. John M. Smith read two portions of scripture which will be read as part of the Coronation service in Westminster Abbey and from one of these he took his text: "Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's."

In rendering our homage to our Gracious Queen, amid pomp and pageantry, colour, and beauty, it is fitting that we should remember the solemnity of the occasion, and be thankful that we can believe our Queen is accepting her crown in all sincerity, not just to rule but also as an acceptance of service under God to her people in all her realm.

The Coronation service calls for the recognition of the Queen as the rightful one to hold this high office and every precaution is taken to ensure this and to see that no usurper takes her place. And while we may wonder why so much pageantry and ceremony, let us remember that it comes down through long years of history carrying with it a meaning, much of it commemorating the overcoming of some practise or tradition which was not favourable to the people; expressing rejoicing at the happier relationship which has gradually come between the people and their sovereign.

The Coronation is the time of the taking of oaths and the making of vows, in a Christian service, before a Christian minister, not just for honour and self, but for service; for the acceptance of work and responsibility; for her people, not in her own strength, but under God. During the service a Bible is handed to her and she accepts it as the Word of Wisdom and guidance for her high office. She also takes in her hand an orb representing the world, with the Cross of Christ over it, thus recognizing that there is a Higher King who rules over the earth. She is anointed with oil as were the kings of Old Testament times, so setting herself apart for her great duties.

We are fortunate in having a Queen who believes in these things, and who is sincere in showing it as she takes on her crown and joins with her subjects in the Communion Service, acknowledging her allegiance to God through Christ. Our Queen believes in prayer, she has asked us to pray for her.

Here are her words: "I want to ask you all, whatever your religion may be, to pray for me on that day, (Coronation); to pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve Him and you all the days of my life. May God bless you and guide you all." Can we do less for her, from whom we expect so much? As we rejoice on our Coronation holiday, can we also think of it as a Holy Day, which can mean much for our Commonwealth, and even for the world?

The choir sang the anthem: "Sing

Oh Heavens." The double trio sang "Lift thine eyes." The service closed with the singing of "God Save the Queen" and the benediction.

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The school was held under the direction of the Ontario Fire Marshal's office. Instructors were G. Alexander and J. Turnbull, Toronto, C. Verster, London, J. A. Huntingdon, North Bay, B. O. Sullivan, of Welland, and L. Carrier, Cornwall.

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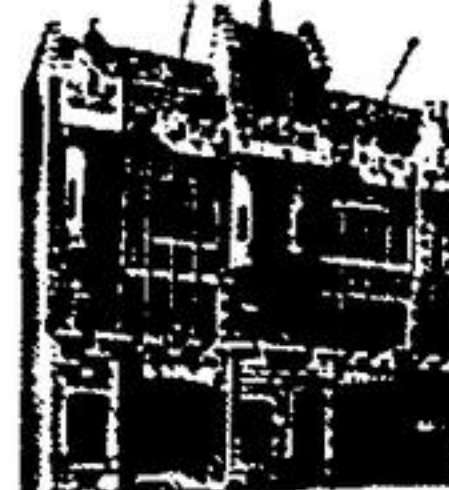
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