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MACKENZIE TO BUILD LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL

Four Room Addition Will Cost \$145,000

Tender for a new 4-room addition to Georgetown High School has been awarded to the local contracting firm of J. B. Mackenzie & Son.

At a special meeting of the North Halton School Board Monday in Stewarstown, contracts which had been opened at a meeting last week were reviewed and the Mackenzie tender of \$117,000 accepted, subject to some minor downward revisions for slight changes in plans which will decrease the cost of the building.

The Mackenzie tender was one of four received. Other tenders were: Lavern Asmussen, Kitchener, \$119,727; W. A. Brown, Humber Summit, \$123,780; McNally Construction, Georgetown, \$126,625.

Delay in accepting a tender was caused by the cost of the Georgetown school being in excess of the original \$120,000 budget figure. It is estimated that with equipment and land, the Georgetown project

THE WEATHER

Mr. Editor:—

That sudden drop in the temperature was quite a relief and a reminder of what to expect. However, we hope there is still lots of good Holiday Weather ahead of us.

— Ern Batkin.

Date	Max.	Min.	Rain
July 20	86	56	
July 21	86	58	
July 22	82	59	.10
July 23	81	62	
July 24	72	49	
July 25	78	38	
July 26	87	53	.58
Average	82	54	.68

will cost about \$145,000.

At the same time, Acton's new 7-room school, which will be built for \$154,000, also by the Mackenzie firm, is estimated to cost complete \$185,000.

Dept. Nixes New School Proceed With Addition

A marked difference in cost per square foot and per teaching area in the planned new high school at Acton and an addition at Georgetown, led North Halton school board to seek an interview with the Dept. of Education last week to see if consideration could not be given to building a complete new school in Georgetown.

On Thursday, a delegation talked with Mr. Easton of the Dept.'s technical department and were told that at present it is out of the question for any accommodation to be scrapped, regardless of long-term economy, and that the only thing Georgetown could tender on the job or revise plans to fit an addition to the \$120,000 budget figure.

After accepting a \$154,000 tender for the 7-room Acton school, which it is estimated will cost \$185,000 complete, the school board at last week's meeting debated the wisdom of building 4 rooms here at a final cost of \$145,000. The board reasoned that, as it is the plan to eventually replace the old Georgetown building with a new wing, this could be done at the present time for an extra expenditure of fifty to sixty thousand dollars, whereas five rooms added at a future date would cost at least double this amount.

Members of the delegation, Walter Biehs of Georgetown, George Brown, Esquesing, Ross Carbert, Nassagaweya, and secretary Gordon Brown, were told that the district had received approval of a \$350,000 expenditure which will also include one extra room at Milton, only a few weeks before maximum government grants were reduced by \$10,000 a classroom, and grants eliminated altogether on special rooms such as domestic science and shop.

Extra cost in Georgetown, which amounts to almost \$2.00 a square foot, and \$10,000 per teaching unit, is accounted for mainly in plumbing and heating costs. The new addition here will contain a heating plant for the entire building, and all plumbing for the whole school.

In Georgetown four rooms will also carry the extra cost of equipping a home economics room, providing locker room and teacher's rooms and a \$6,000 land purchase, whereas in Acton, these extra costs are spread over 7 standard rooms. The government pays no grants on these extras, and the bigger the school, the more they spread out to make the cost per room in line with the Dept.'s approved expenditures.

Accepting the lowest tender for the Georgetown school at a meeting Monday, the school board reasoned that the five municipalities involved had given approval for a total expenditure of \$350,000. Acton's school will cost \$25,000 less than budgeted for and Georgetown's \$25,000 more. With Milton's estimated to cost no more than the \$20,000 budget figure (the Milton contract is still to be awarded) the school board feels that the work will be completed well within the total budget.

Unfortunately, because of the structure of the Dept. of Education grants, North Halton district will have more of the bill to pay than was originally planned.

At present the district receives a 75% grant on expenditures up to a maximum of \$30,000 per classroom. If the three buildings were

Nonagenarian Falls Injuries are Fatal



Well-known in Georgetown, where each year she had paid a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Robert Lane, Union Street, Mrs. Archie Ferguson, 91, died at Swinton Park on Monday.

In excellent health, and still able to maintain her own home during the summer, Mrs. Ferguson fell down some steps on Thursday and her death resulted from the severe shaking up she received. For many years, it had been her custom to live alone during the summer, and spend the winter months visiting various members of her family of nine.

A life-long resident of Swinton Park, which is twelve miles west of Dundalk, Mrs. Ferguson was the former Mary Campbell, daughter of Scottish settlers, Mr. and Mrs. George Campbell. She and her husband, who died in 1939, farmed in Proton Township. Last member of her family, she was predeceased by two sisters and a brother.

Her descendants, numbering 68, include eight daughters and a son 24 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren. Members of the family are Mrs. Elizabeth Haw, of Brampton; Mrs. William Christie, Cayley, Alta.; Mrs. John Parslow, Merritt; Mrs. Hubert Duncan, Toronto; Mrs. James Sturrock, Washago; Mrs. John Carson, Georgetown; Mrs. Robert Lane, Toronto; and Gordon Ferguson, Mount Forest.

Interment was in Swinton Park, yesterday following the funeral service in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church there.

to be erected at the budget figures of \$210,000, \$120,000 and \$20,000, total government grant would be \$262,500 and the municipalities would have to find \$87,500 as their share of the cost.

With Acton reduced to a cost of \$185,000, the grant would drop to a proportionate 75%, but regardless of how much more Georgetown's school will cost, the Dept.'s share stands at a maximum of \$90,000.

Assuming present estimates are correct, North Halton district will have to pay about \$18,000 extra when the time for issuing debentures comes.

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. William Dwyer are vacationing this week in New York City.

Back from a vacation at Bass Lake near Orillia are Mr. and Mrs. Ken Richardson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown and Danny spent last week at Cherokee Lodge, Hall's Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bonathan, Judy and Mary, are spending their vacation at Lake Cecebe.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hill and Brian are vacationing last week at Stanley Park, Erin.

Corporal and Mrs. Joe McBain, and family have returned from a vacation which they spent at Key Harbour.

Rev. and Mrs. John M. Smith, Gladys and Mary will be spending the next month in Halliburton, while Mr. Smith is on vacation.

Mrs. Ken McMillan and Miss Joyce McMillan, are vacationing this week at their cottage at Thunder Bay.

Mrs. Leonard Bell, Dennis, Brenda and Ellen are spending the summer at their cottage at Eight Mile Point, Lake Simcoe.

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Milne and Misses Jane and Claudia Milne are enroute to Vermont where they will spend two weeks.

Mrs. Ernest Cooper of Toronto is holidaying with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Alcott.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Penrice, Jean, John and Douglas are holidaying this week at Glenwood Beach, Lake Simcoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Williams, Katherine and Hugh are spending the next two weeks at their cottage at Meaford.

Sandra Scott is home after attending the Ontario Athletic Training Camp at Longford Mills, Lake Couchiching.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Burtenshaw, with a party of eight friends, have motored to Atlantic City for two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Norton Nelson and daughter Agnes are spending a holiday at Fenelon Falls. Virginia Barber is Agnes' guest at the cottage.

Mrs. James Alcorn, Ricky and Douglas are holidaying at their cottage at Cobocook. Mr. Alcorn was with them for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Peters, who have been holidaying at Woodland Beach, will be returning home next week.

Mrs. Thomas Eason and Mrs. Ernie Rawson have been taking a two-week course in floral design at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Denney Wright and family, and Miss Florrie Alcott have returned home after vacationing last week at Valley View Cabins, Huntsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Grieve and Audrey Grieve Sharpe have returned from a motor trip to Timmins where they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hardy.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Jones and David have returned home after a two week motor holiday which took them to New Brunswick and the state of Maine.

On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Feller, and Mr. and Mrs. William McNally and family attended a gathering of members of the Lake family at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Lake at Langstaff.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon McCumber and Bobby were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wyatt and family at Trenton. Bobby remained in Trenton for a holiday.

Mrs. Alex Fraser and Brian of Niagara Falls returned home on the week-end after a holiday with her mother, Mrs. James McDougall, Mr. Fraser spent the week-end here.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Rawson were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robinson and Harold, Jr. of Mitchell. Former Georgetown residents, Mr. Robinson is now employed with the county road staff at Mitchell.

Karen Scott is visiting for two weeks at Sturgeon Falls with Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Martin. Mrs. Martin is the former Pauline Palement who lived in Georgetown before her marriage.

Guests on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brownridge were Mrs. R. Hewins, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hewins, Richard, and Elizabeth of Hamilton.

Mrs. Charles L. Hall and son Jimmy have returned to Little Britain after visiting in town last week with her father, Mr. Fred Brasby and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris. Helen Hall is spending this week with them.

After visiting in Halifax, N.S. with their sons Roy and Ralph, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Peck have returned to town. Ralph, who is a bandsman in the navy, was just home from a trip to the Coronation.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Sayers, Sharon and Billy have returned from a vacation spent at Powassan and Sundridge. Dr. Sayers attended sessions of the American Veterinary Medical Association in Toronto last week.

To celebrate her eleventh birthday last week, Margaret Eason, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Eason entertained at a party. Her guests were Linda Korzack, Linda Packer, June Lyon, Barbara Kinrade, Kent Riddall, Paul Ward and Margaret's brother Jeffrey.

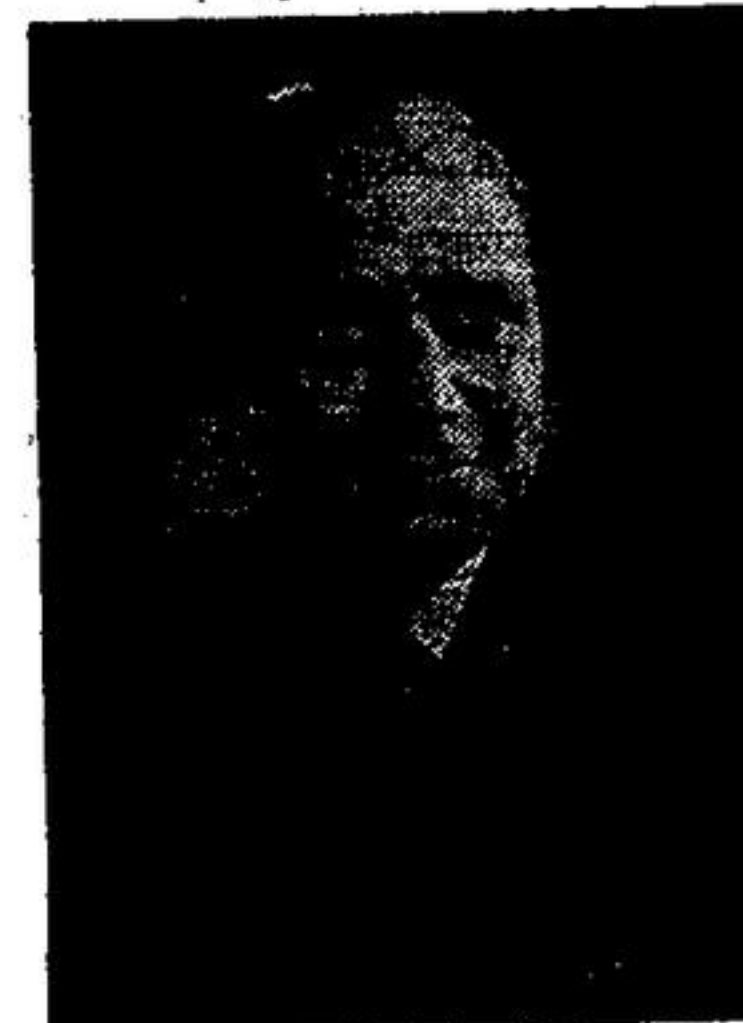
Prior to leaving for their new home in Hamilton, Mrs. Bruce MacKenzie was tendered a dinner party at the home of Miss Helen MacDonaid by the Stitch and Chatter Knitting Club. Mrs. MacKenzie was presented with an umbrella during the evening.

Mary Barber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Barber, will complete a course as a camp leader this week and next month will join the staff of Bolton Fresh Air Camp. Her course at Bark Lake, Halliburton, was sponsored by the Department of Education.

Friends of Miss Mary Dobson, whose marriage to Donald Rand took place on Friday, attended a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Jack Bailey, Jr. Presentation of a mirror was also made by staff members of the Canadian Bank of Commerce where the bride is employed.

Visiting her home in the West for the first time in 25 years, Mrs. Stafford Groat is motoring to Manitoba with friends from Toronto. During her three week trip she will visit with relatives in Melita, Elkhorn and Brandon, Manitoba. Prior to leaving, neighbours on Victoria Street had a surprise party at her home and presented her with a suitcase. Members of her canasta club also entertained and gave her a suitable gift.

Drew Visits Halton Brant Inn Reception



HON. GEORGE A. DREW, Q.C. Progressive - Conservative Leader

A large number of local residents travelled last night to the Brant Inn, Burlington, to hear the Progressive-Conservative leader, George Drew speak at a reception held for him on the Lido Deck, famous dance spot. Besides a large number of cars, a bus was taken to provide transportation for the Girls Pipe Band and others.

Although the hour was an inconvenient one for many, there was a large crowd on hand to greet Mr. Drew on his arrival at 6.30. He had been able to make his brief stop in Halton, sandwiching it in on his way from meetings at Niagara Falls, St. Catharines and Welland that afternoon, enroute to speak in Hamilton at 8.30 p.m.

He was piped onto the Lido Deck by pipers Mary Patterson and Inez Crichton, accompanied by Halton P-C candidate Sybil Bennett, Hon. Tom Kennedy, local provincial member Stan Hall and others. Miss Bennett and he posed for pictures behind the Inn near the water.

Mayor Smith of Burlington welcomed Mr. Drew to Burlington, saying he was glad to have the opportunity of welcoming one of Canada's great leaders to the county. He gave a short resume of George Drew's history, saying he was born and raised in Guelph, a veteran of World War I, an eminent barrister and has found time besides his political life, to write three books, recognized as outstanding works of literature. He then called on the P-C leader to speak.

In opening his very brief remarks, Mr. Drew said, he first wanted to say how happy he was to be once more in Halton county. He had enjoyed meeting old friends and making new ones. He was sorry that the very strict timetable he was forced to work on, made it impossible for him to stay and meet everyone there. Mr. Drew then spoke of the political situation, saying he wanted to briefly state that the promises offered by his party are quite possible, and that as he had stated before, no social benefits had to be curtailed to do it. He cited the fact that Canada had managed, under the present Liberal administration, to lose our traditional and greatest market, that of the United Kingdom.

He reaffirmed that the dollar (continued on page 7)

Country Parson Booked For Week at Roxy

A picture with theme and appeal similar to "One Foot in Heaven" is "The Country Parson" which will play a full week's engagement at the Roxy Theatre next week.

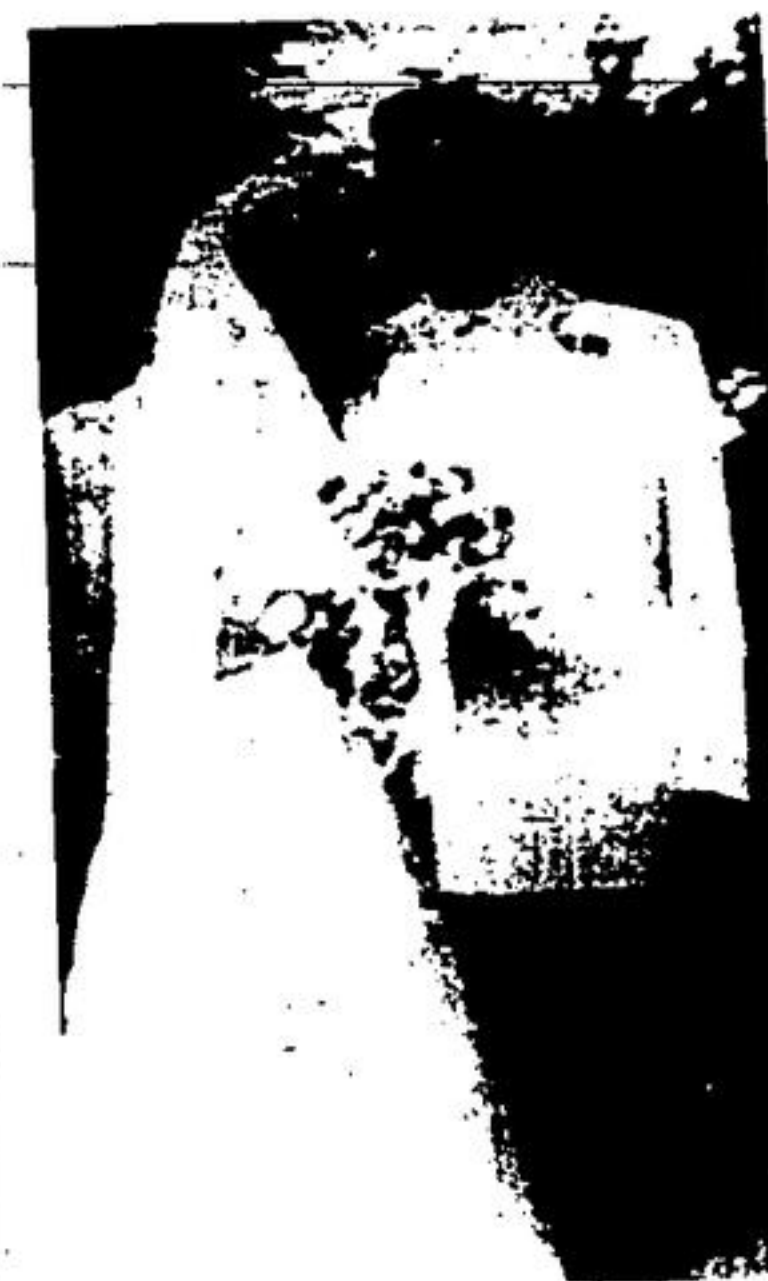
Written by James Hilton, author of Goodbye Mr. Chips, and starring John Beal, it tells of a man who put love of his fellowman before all else. Patrons of theatres and churches where the film has played, say that no character in pictures has ever affected them like that of "The Country Parson." This minister of God is a composite of a hundred servants of the church and if ever an Oscar is given for a humble and heartwarming picture, this forthright motion picture would win one of the coveted honorariums.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McClure, Glen Williams, announce the engagement of their daughter Alberta Jane to Richard Wallace Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Campbell, Hamilton. The wedding will take place on Saturday, August the twenty-second at Carnwell Farm, Cheltenham.

Evening Ceremony for Rand-Dobson Wedding

NORRIE-MARKO TORONTO WEDDING



In a double ring ceremony in Toronto earlier this month, John Alexander Norrie and Nada Nancy Marko were married. The groom is the son of Mrs. Hazel Scott Norrie and the late William G. Norrie and the bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Spero Marko. They were married in York Memorial Presbyterian Church.

SYLVIA LAMBERT CAMP LEADER AT BEAVERTON

Sylvia Lambert, who took a camp leaders course at Belwood last summer, is a member of the staff of a camp near Beaverton this season. She is director of crafts and dramatics at St. Mathias Camp for underprivileged children.

Friday evening in St. John's United Church, Rev. John M. Smith officiated at the wedding of Helen Mary Dobson and Donald Royal Rand. The church was decorated with gladioli, carnations, roses and garden flowers. Mr. Norman Laird was organist and Mrs. Jack Bailey Jr. soloist, singing the Lord's Prayer before the service and O Perfect Love while the register was signed. The bride, a member of the Bank of Commerce staff, is the daughter of Mrs. George Dobson and the late Mr. Dobson. The groom, formerly with the local branch and now employed on the Bank of Commerce inspection staff, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rand, Picton.

The bride wore an original gown of grey mist silk chantilly lace over clover pink taffeta. The bodice featured a scoop neckline with bracelet length sleeves, accented by a cummerbund forming a back bustle which fell from the nipped-in waistline to the end of a very full skirt. Her close fitting cap was of matching pink taffeta. She carried a spray of mauve orchids and stephanotis. She was attended by her sister, Miss Isobel Dobson, wearing a long gown of coral net over taffeta. The strapless bodice was shirred and featured a long matching stole. Her small cap was of matching net. She carried a spray of white orchids and stephanotis.

Douglas Rand, Burlington, was his brother's groomsman. Ushers were Gordon F. Graham and Jack Bailey, Jr. The bride's uncle, Mr. R. F. Rowland, gave her in marriage.

Receiving in St. John's Memorial Hall, the bride's mother was gowned in cinnamon crepe and chantilly lace, black accessories and a corsage of tallianum roses. The groom's mother wore delphinium blue crepe and chantilly lace, white accessories and a corsage of red roses.

For a honeymoon trip to East Lake, the bride wore a navy suit, red straw hat and navy accessories. They will live in an apartment on Main Street, Georgetown.

Proclamation!

Whereas at a meeting of the Council of the Town of Georgetown, it was resolved:

That the Mayor be authorized to proclaim

Monday, Aug. 3rd CIVIC HOLIDAY

for the current year

Therefore, in compliance with this resolution, I hereby proclaim Monday, August 3rd as a Civic Holiday for the Town of Georgetown.

JACK ARMSTRONG, Mayor.