

Maple Avenue Extension May Be Reality in 1955 - Mayor

Town improvements forecast by Mayor Jack Armstrong in his inaugural speech to council Monday, will include completion of a major water program; continued improvement of town roads and possible joining of the two Maple Avenues by a new roadway.

"Addition of 1000 acres within the municipality by annexation is going to require the energy and skill of all councillors," said the mayor. "Any council can take in a lot of tax revenue and spend it, but the smart council is the one which can do a big job with a small amount of money and that is what we must do."

What the mayor described as "the long overdue job of zoning the town" is also on the 1955 agenda, and he promised that this year streets would be properly identified with new signs. The industrial position of the town is well shown in a \$700 expenditure for welfare in 1954, said the mayor.

"We must keep full employment in town by continuing to bring in new industry," he said.

New Committee

One new committee will be added to council this year, an administration committee which the mayor will head as chairman.

Other committees will function under the same chairmen as in 1954. These are: Finance, Garfield McGilvray; Water, Stan Allen; Roads, Allan Norton; Public Works, Harry Hale; Property, Thos. L. Lyons; Industrial & Town Planning, Doug Sargent; Welfare, Light & Police, Walter Gray; Firemen & Veterans' Affairs, Irwin Noble.

After councillors took their oath of office from town clerk John D. Kelly, Rev. Morgan McFarlane and Rev. Alfred Barker conducted a short religious service.

Continuing a practice of past years, council and town employees will attend a church service as a group this Sunday morning, and this year they have chosen First Baptist Church.

Twenty Boys Sign Up For Town Boys' Band

Organization of a Boys' Band is well underway and some twenty boys signed up as members, when they attended a meeting Thursday in Chapel Street School with their parents.

Another meeting will be held next Tuesday, when boys who could not attend last week and who want to become members, will have an opportunity to join. Band boys will purchase their own instruments on a time payment basis. Weekly practices, under the direction of Alfred Perrott, Lorne Scots bandmaster, will start later this month.

While many members of the senior band are taking a hand in organizing, the boys' group is a separate organization and is not being sponsored by the Lorne Scots. Any boy from town or district will be accepted.

Officers, headed by Harold Henry, Chapel St. principal, were elected Thursday. The executive includes: Alfred Perrott, bandmaster; Ed. Peters, secretary; Fred Armstrong, Jr., treasurer; and as committee members, Arthur Herbert, John Bennett and William Hyde.

PRESENT COFFEE TABLE TO RETIRING EMPLOYEE

On her retirement after 8 1/2 years of service with the Alliance Paper Mill, Mrs. William Burtshaw was presented with a beautiful coffee table with the best wishes of her fellow workers.

Firemen Canvas for Muscular Dystrophy Funds

Maintaining their record as one of the most public spirited groups in town, members of Georgetown Fire Department will conduct a fund campaign for muscular dystrophy research in Georgetown this month.

They will thus join an endeavour undertaken by the Ontario Volunteer Firemen's Association through the various departments in towns and townships. Many departments have already made their campaign, but in Georgetown it was thought better to wait until after the holiday season.

The fire department will have the cooperation of the two local dairies, Maple Leaf Dairy and Georgetown Dairy, who have offered to distribute subscription envelopes. Firemen will then call at each home to pick up the donations.

Each year it has been customary for firemen to donate from their own pockets and send in a cash gift to the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. To the total of individual donations is added a like sum from the department funds. This year, it has been decided to use the department contribution as a gift to the dystrophy

THE WEATHER

Mr. Editor: The big weather complaint this week has not been the temperature, but the serious icy condition we have had to contend with.

—Ern Batkin

Date	Max.	Min.	Snow
Jan. 3	35	26	
Jan. 4	38	28	
Jan. 5	34	18	
Jan. 6	34	24	
Jan. 7	31	18	1 1/2
Jan. 8	31	19	1 1/2
Jan. 9	32	24	
Average	33	22	3"

Valerie Nurse, 14 Milton School Student

well known in county 4-H Club work and music festivals, Valerie Margaret A student at Milton High School, Nurse, 14, died suddenly at her home on Saturday.

Valerie, who was attending Milton High School after graduating from Ashgrove Public School, was a member of the Jersey club as well as other 4-H organizations. A talented musician, she had often sung in county music festivals. She was a piano and vocal student with Kenneth H. Harrison.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nurse, she was their eldest child and was born while they were farming near Erin. She had lived at Ashgrove since the family moved there nine years ago. Her mother is the former Zeta Graham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Graham of Georgetown district. She attended Ashgrove United Church.

Surviving are her parents, a sister, Adrienne, two brothers, Jeffrey and Stuart, and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Graham and Mrs. George E. Nurse. She was the oldest grandchild on both sides of the family.

The funeral service at her home on Monday was conducted by a former Ashgrove minister, Rev. George Leck of Grand Valley, assisted by Mr. Ian Williams, who is student minister of the church. Mrs. Francis Thompson sang a solo during the service. Six young friends acted as pallbearers, Tommy Hunter, Harold and Gordon Brain, Ross Austin, Allen Brownridge, and Norman Bird. Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

ARMY PARATROOPER VISITS RELATIVES

A Canadian army signalman who has just completed his parachute training at Rivers, Manitoba, has been a visitor for the past couple of weeks with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Barnes at Ballinacraigh. He is Signn Brian Sprack, who joined the army after coming to Canada last year from his home in Dorking, England.

Sam Sprack, who stood sixth in a class of 34 at Rivers, is returning for duty with the RCCS in Kingston.

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SILVER-WOOD DISCUSS FALL FAIRS AT FARM FORUM MEET

Mrs. Charlotte McCullough invited Stone School Farm Forum to her home for its meeting on January 10th, the subject of the meeting being "Fall Fairs."

Mr. Thomas Brownridge of the local fair board and Mrs. Brownridge were visitors and an interesting discussion on fall fairs in general and our own very successful one in particular was held. Some criticism was made of the midway but attendance being the prime requisite of a successful fair, it was conceded that a varied entertainment was necessary.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FRIDAY

Public School children in the county will have a holiday Friday when teachers will be attending their annual convention in Hamilton.

Visiting teachers will spend the morning visiting various public schools.

Mayor Entertains at Inaugural Dinner

Mayor Jack Armstrong entertained at dinner Monday, following the inaugural council meeting, when council members and town officials were his guests in the Legion auditorium. A group of Legion Auxiliary members catered for dinner.

Assessment Commissioner Joseph Gibbons was chairman, and called on several of those attending for a few words. Those who spoke included Reeve Stan Allen, Rev. Alfred Barker, Legion president Leslie Clark, Herald editor Walter Hieho, OPP Corporal Ray Beckett, solicitor George C. Hewson and bank managers R. W. Darou and Jack Hart. Town clerk John D. Kelly thanked the ladies who catered.

Others attending the dinner included town foreman Ern Hyde, engineer Ross Simmons, Rev. Morgan McFarlane, Deputy Reeve Allan Norton and Councillors Garfield McGilvray, Thos. L. Lyons, Walter Gray, Doug Sargent, Harry Hale and Irwin Noble.

Brampton entertainer Vince Mountford and pianist Alf Sutton entertained during the evening with songs and humour.

TRANSFER LOCAL SOLDIER BELGIUM TO GERMANY

Corporal Albert Carter, a member of the Canadian army who has been stationed in Antwerp, Belgium, since going overseas last March, has been transferred to Germany.

Cpl. Carter, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Carter of town, is now at Fort Henry, Sopot, Germany.

MRS. HAROLD SMELLIE IS INSTITUTE HOST

The January meeting of the Norval Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Harold Smellie. The roll call was answered by naming counties and capitals. Letters were read by the Secretary, Mrs. Graydon Chester, from the Children's Aid and Halton Centennial Manor, thanking the Institute for their gifts. Two pictures had been presented to the Manor for use in the dining room. Money was then voted towards a project being undertaken by all the Women's Institutes in Canada, where by the women of Ceylon will be taught more efficient methods of cooking and sewing.

A paper was read by Mrs. Don Murray on the motto "Habits are like cobwebs, then cables". Mrs. Joe Murray gave a short talk on the place of women in the changing world and Mrs. Wilbert Cleave on starting out on the New Year. Following the meeting, a social time was enjoyed.

TWO RELATIVES ATTEND COLLINGWOOD FUNERAL

Two local relatives attended the funeral service in Meaford last Tuesday for Gordon Erskine, 65, who died in Owen Sound Hospital on New Year's Day.

Mr. Erskine was a cousin of Mrs. Frank Petch of town and niece of Miss Lois Menary, former teacher at No. 3 School, Chinguacousy and this year a teacher at Snellgrove. Both ladies were at the funeral.

Mr. Erskine is survived by his wife, Myrtle Irene Crosskill, two daughters Mrs. Harold Parker, Markdale and Mrs. William Scott, North Bay; four stepchildren, Mrs. Charles Genkow, Oceanide, California, Mrs. George Burton, Toronto, Mrs. Leslie Davies, Meaford, and Vernon Broadner, Walkerton; and two brothers, Clifford and Clinton Erskine of Meaford.

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Tely Reporter Tells Of British Guiana

Monday night, the local Home and School began its 1955 activities at the Howard Wrigglesworth School.

The program was interesting in a formative and very colorful. Rosemary Jordan, librarian at the local library surveyed activities for the past two years. During that time the membership has increased from a low of one hundred to a present high of eleven hundred with circulation of approximately thirteen thousand. Five hundred members are children of the local and district area schools.

Besides fostering an interest in reading, the library has been the focal point for illustrated lectures by Rex Frost and others. It is also a centre for the fast-growing hobby and crafts activities of Georgetown.

Miss Jordan solicited the cooperation of all members in better care of the reading material made available to them.

Mugs of the credit for the improvement in library facilities is due to Miss Jordan's capable and understanding manner in carrying on library work and this feeling was voiced by members of the Home and School Association.

Jim Emmerson, a graduate of the local schools and now a reporter for the Toronto Telegram showed very amusingly and colourfully illustrated slides taken on some of his newspaper assignments to British Guiana during a period of unrest there. He also covered the Royal Tour of Jamaica last year, during the Duke of Edinburgh's visit to the Northwest Territories and the Yukon he was again assigned to reporting this journey. He concluded his slides by showing some very colourful pictures of local interest. Among them were the Caledon Hills, Forks of the Credit, etc.

Box lunches were brought for refreshments.

UNION PRESBYTERIANS GENEROUS IN GIVINGS FOR MISSIONS

The annual meeting of Union Presbyterian Church was held on Monday in the Sunday school hall. There was a large turnout of members and adherents to consider the reports of the various organizations.

After a delicious dinner served by the ladies of the congregation the meeting was opened with a devotional period conducted by the minister, Rev. G. L. Royal. A portion of the 10th Chapter of John's Gospel concerning the Good Shepherd was read, followed by a pastoral prayer. F. L. Thompson was elected chairman assisted by Mrs. Frank Dolson as secretary.

The first order of business was the Kirk Session Report delivered by the minister. Mr. Royal pointed out that the highlight of the year 1954 was the oversubscribing of the missionary budget by \$200 with a total contribution of \$718.50. The congregation accepted their allocation for 1955 and the hope was expressed that they would attain \$1,000 toward the missionary cause. The minister commended the congregation heartily for their perseverance and diligence in extending the influence of the church in all areas, foreign and local.

During 1954 there were two members joined by Profession of Faith and 6 by Certificate from other congregations. The active membership of the congregation stands at 93.

The retiring treasurer, Norman Icam, read the financial report and commented on it. Mr. Herbert Dolson was elected to succeed Mr. Icam. The following reports were then read: Sunday School by Mrs. Clarence Anderson in absence of Donald Anderson, treasurer, the Women's Missionary Society by Mrs. F. L. Thompson, The Women's Association by Mrs. Frank Dolson, the Presbyterian Young People's Society by Rev. G. L. Royal, the Cemetery Board by F. L. Thompson.

Thanks of the congregation was tendered to Clarence Anderson for his gift of a parcel of land to the Cemetery Board. The work of the Board of Management was reviewed by W. F. Hunter, chairman, and he outlined projected plans for the coming year. A special tribute was voiced by Mrs. F. L. Thompson and Mrs. R. S. Leslie in regard to the constant labours of the Home Helpers' Group to aid the Missionary advancement of the Church.

The reappointment of Owens MacDonald as Sunday School superintendent was enthusiastically endorsed by the meeting. The following were elected to the Board of Managers, Wilfrid Leslie, Fraser Macdonald and Herbert Dolson, along with the present members who are W. F. Hunter, chairman, Frank Dolson, Norman News, John A. McDonald, Eric Leslie, Arthur McKane, Lloyd Crichton, and Gordon Stringer.

The members of Kirk Session are Rev. G. L. Royal, Moderator; F. L. Thompson, clerk; James A. McKane, Clarence Anderson, Wilfrid Leslie, George H. Leslie, Fred Lyons and Norman Icam.

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Township Worker Injured Falls From Sanding Truck

A rash of accidents caused by icy roads kept Milton OPP officers busy last week-end as they travelled to different parts of the township to investigate.

Only injury reported was to William Corley, R. R. 2, Georgetown, who had severe pelvic injuries when he fell beneath the front wheels of a sanding truck at 5 p.m. Friday.

Mr. Corley, a township employee, was standing on the truck, driven by William Donaldson, Norval, during sanding operations on the 1st Lane near Acton. The truck went into a skid into a 20 foot gully and landed undamaged on its wheels. Attended by Dr. D. A. Garrett, Acton, he was taken to Guelph General Hospital and will be a patient there for some time.

UNUSUAL ACCIDENT

Four vehicles were involved in an unusual crash Saturday at 8 p.m. on No. 7 Highway at the 4th Lane intersection. Scott Motors tow truck, driven by Wallace Foster, and a car driven by Allan Inglis, also a Scott employee, were parked on the north side of the highway and a car driven by Frank Heller, Acton, on the south side.

Approaching on the highway towards Acton, a car driven by Elgie Varty, Acton, skidded into the Inglis car, sending it across the road into the Heller car and bounced against the tow truck. Total damage was estimated at \$500.

HITS GAS PUMPS, CAR

Property damage of \$800 resulted at Ballinacraigh last Wednesday night, when Joseph Hamilton, R. R. 3, Brampton, travelling south skidded into a ditch, then into the Swindlehurst Garage property. His car hit two gas pumps, then crashed into Ray Swindlehurst's car which was parked nearby.

A two-car crash occurred at the sideroad intersection of the Ballinacraigh road, just north of No. 7 at 5 p.m. Saturday, when cars driven by Garfield Price, Erin, who was travelling south, and Ralph Litt, Toronto, proceeding east on the sideroad, met. Damage was about \$500.

Last Wednesday a car driven by Raymond Jackson, Toronto skidded off the highway into a fence on the George Henderson farm. There was minor damage to the car and fence.

Sunday afternoon, John Jeffrey, Acton, was driving south on No. 25 Highway 2 miles south of Acton when he lost control of the car, knocked out ten guard rails and plunged into a deep ditch. He was uninjured, and there was \$250 damage to the car.

Mrs. W. D. Johnston 94 Next Tuesday

One of Georgetown's senior residents, Mrs. W. D. Johnston will mark her 94th birthday next Tuesday at her home on Charles Street.

Though confined to a wheel chair now, Mrs. Johnston takes a keen interest in community affairs, and leads an active, useful life, sewing, reading and listening to the radio. She enjoys excellent health and was able to have Christmas dinner with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Snyder at their home in town.

—Good Friday, the next public holiday, falls on April 8th this year.

Choose John Gunn as Rotary Charter President

John Gunn, Provincial Paper chemical engineer and president of Georgetown Chamber of Commerce, was named charter president of the Rotary Club of Georgetown Monday. Members met for their first dinner meeting at the McGibbon House to organize the club and elect officers who will hold office until a year's time. The club, a branch of the international organization which devotes a great deal of its effort to aiding crippled children, will have sale of Easter seals as a main fund raising activity. Members will meet for dinner each Monday evening at the hotel. It is Georgetown's second service club, the Lions Club having been here for over 25 years.

Five other officers elected Monday are: John R. Barber, vice president; Alex Reader, secretary; Robert Burke, treasurer; Lorne Peters, James Ritchie, directors.

Others of the 28 charter members are E. V. MacCormack, Dr. J. H. Chamberlain, Ralph Hawes, George Sivill, Bud Bishop, Robert Darou, John D. Kelly, Wheldon Emmerson, Wm. B. Hamilton, Fred Maveal, Bob Burns, Ken Nash, Jack Muckart, Harold Hutchinson, Stan Hutchinson, Robert Jones, Robert McColgan, Ern Hyde, Maurice Manderson and Dick Shirley.

Several Rotary members from clubs in Guelph and Milton attended Monday's meeting, giving helpful suggestions about activities. These included, from Guelph, president Trevor Jones, past president Ed Campbell and secretary Jim Sawyer, and from Milton, past president

I.G.A. Protests By-law Decision February 2nd

Hearing a charge this morning in North York magistrate's court in which the Georgetown IGA Store is charged with contravening the town's store closing by-law, Magistrate Holindrake reserved judgment until February 2nd.

The case, first brought up in Georgetown court last month, was adjourned and moved to another court because Magistrate K. M. Langdon had acted for the town originally in drawing up the by-law.

The charge was laid after Cpl. Ray Beckett of the OPP detachment purchased merchandise in the store on a Thursday afternoon. I.G.A. owners Bob Caldwell and Bruce Williamson, who were represented by lawyer C. C. Downey admitted that their store had been open and advertised as such in the Herald on this closed-afternoon, but questioned the validity of the by-law in their defence.

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