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Down But Not Out

Renewed interest in the Chamber of Commerce is indicated, after a meeting last week with a larger attendance than discouraged officals had seen for some time.

Those present received some inspiration from Bob Mundle, Ontario representative for the Chamber of Commerce, who outlined some of the things which groups in other towns had accomplished, and indicated ways that the local organization could benefit itself by various types of meetings and activities.

For the past few months, the Chamber executive had been so discouraged with lack of interest that serious consideration was given to disbanding and winding up affairs for the time being.

For once, lack of interest paid off, for when meetings were called to discuss disbanding, so few members turned up that, as secretary Charlie Wray would say afterwards: "We can't even get a quorum to end the Chamber."

ough enthusiasm engendered after Mr. Mundle's talk to make them think that it isn't altogether hopeless to

expect an active Chamber of Commerce to flourish eventually here. It won't be any immediate process of rejuvenation, and it will take time. Georgetown seems to be unique, in that everyone is so busy with so many things that it is hard for any one organization to get any measure of suppor at any given time.

Merchants, on whom a Chamber must count for major support, have been singularly apathetic the past few years, and these men who, most of all, can benefit by progress which a Chamber fosters, must be drawn into the fold and made to realize that a progressive town helps them particularly, while helping everyone else in the community in one way or another.

We were struck by one thing Mr. Mundle said in his talk. Young people can say they are too busy to be active in the Chamber, but they must be, for it is their own future which they are creating. Older people may say they have had their day, and will derive no benefit by anything the Chamber does but A new executive was elected last week, and en- they at least owe a debt to those whose past work created a town where they earned their livelihood, and can pay it by working ahead for the next generation.

Education Costs a Problem

Mounting costs of education are creating municipal problems which eventually must be solved by a higher government authority.

Monday Georgetown council endorsed a resolution received from a northern municipality asking Queen's Park to assume 50 per cent of school costs. At that time it was pointed out that a 1955 public school expense of \$65,000 has increased to \$90,000 in an initial estimate, and is \$107,000 according to the school board's requisition. This is based on foreseeable factors which in our town, can change by midyear.

We are in process of building one new public lems. school and a substantial high school addition, engaging additional staff for both public and high schools, and paying higher salaries to all teachers.

The same story is echoed in all growing towns, which have one saving feature in that assessment is

mounting also and there are more taxpayers to share the burden. Dormant municipalities are in an even tougher spot because they must compete with higher salary schedules in such towns.

The answer may eventually be institution of the school system as a civil service, operated from Queen's

Instead of school boards competing for teachers and facing major decisions in new buildings and accommodation, they could handle administration while a central authority controlled these larger prob-

It would remove local autonomy to a large extent, but the Time is coming when such a solution seems the only answer to a complex problem of finance and management which is getting too big for municipalities to handle by themselves.

Pot Pourri

News of the sudden death of Archdeacon Thompson in St. Catharines yesterday brought sadness not only to his former parishioners here, but to a wide Georgetown. Many are planning to attend the funeral service in St. Catharines tomorrow to show their respect for a fine Christian gentleman Wonder how dog tag statistics will compare with the number of dogs vaccinated at today's clinic in Georgetown? One councillor had an idea Monday, a dog tag booth at the armory entrance, to kill two birds with one stone . . . Officials are warning that pet owners should not panic, but that rabies is not to be dealt with lightly and will be with us for some years, so every precaution is necessary for pets, and, more important, for people who might be bitten by rabid animals . . .

Yesterday was spring's first official visit, and there was a softness in the air, despite a snow carpet, which made one realize that winter is on the wane A circle of friends he acquired in his long residence in different sort of entertainment this Saturday will be the Ice Follies, with a large cast of local young people and visiting stars. They deserve a full house at the arena . . . Furnace trouble at the library caused it to be closed for a week. A furnace "poof" distributed soot over the interior, and any housewife who has dusted books during spring housecleaning will realize how much work there is getting things in shape for opening again on Saturday . . . Seems to be the year for furnace and boiler trouble. Provincial Paper was closed down for a day or two after a boiler explosion recently, while St. John's United Church suffered a similar fate last week . . .





(The third in a series of messages about Delrex and what it means to the Georgetown area.)

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TERRA COTTA

Roy King, Lynwood Lloyd Join RCAF at St. John's

Two Terra Cotta teenagers have joined the Royal Canadian Air Force. Roy King left for St. John's, Quebec a month ago and Lynwood Lloyd will report to the same training centre on April 5th.

A euchre was held in Terra Cotta hall on Friday, sponsored by the Thimble Club. Mrs. Charles Taylor and Mrs. Harvey Puckering won prizes for high scores; Mrs. Charles Sheppard and Mr. VanZuben seconds; and Mrs. Leslie Icam and Mr. Lynwood Lloyd consolations. Mrs. Sheppard won the prize for lone hands and Mrs. H. Puckering and Mrs Sheppard, prizes for freeze-outs.

Club members provided and served lunch and prize donations were made by Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. McNally and Mr. Norm Icam.

Spring has made a showing here. We saw a robin today, so we can soon say goodbye to old man winter.

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