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Then & Now

Thirty Years Ago

THEN... Herald, Oct. 6, 1956

Deaths included Wilfred McMaster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McMaster, Glen Williams... George Tubby of Seattle, Wash., a native Georgetown noted for his organization work in building the CPR in the west, the Great Northern railway and the Panama Canal... Fred Near, 74, a former Esquimes reeve who had been living retired in Georgetown... Dr. G. G. Row, 71, a former Toronto alderman and native of town... Rain and cold weather kept the crowd down at the fall fair. Features included a display of antique firearms owned by Dr. Paul, and a commercial exhibit of radios by T. J. Speight. The W. B. Browne and Co. flour mills at Norval were reported as "running night and day"... The Rex Theatre was advertising a Charleston contest as a Saturday night feature... Curling Club officials elected at the annual dinner included J. B. Wallace, W. V. Grant and J. B. Mackenzie. Harry Hale and Jessie Leavitt entertained

with music and songs at the dinner... the Local Council of Women asked town council to appoint a cemetery board... "Doc" Chase opened a garage at the Station Hotel.

NOW... OCTOBER, 1956

This year the fall fair had perfect weather. Radios, a novelty in 1926, have been almost replaced in this part of the country by TV... The Norval flour mills now stand deserted, a silent monument beside the highway to the days when water was all-important to the business life of a community... Then it was the Charleston, now it's rock and roll... and in between we've had the big apple, swing, truckin', mambo, samba... but our favourite is still Lombardo... The three curling club officials have all died in the past decade. The Hale and Leavitt team still entertains on occasion at such gatherings as the Quarter Century club dinner... The town took the ladies advice, formed a cemetery board which still functions efficiently and keeps the cemetery grounds in beautiful condition and the finances in healthy shape... Can anyone bring us up to date on "Doc" Chase?



Twenty Years Ago

THEN, HERALD OCT. 7, 1936

Gerald Gillevet and Vera Thompson were married in New Toronto... Thomas Giffen and Florence McLaughlin were married at Norval... The Smith and Stone golf tournament ended with dinner served in the arena... 19 cases of measles were reported by the MOH in September... William Corley and Noreen Melrose Bennett were married at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Bennett... Deaths included Mrs. David McEnery, 69 of Ballinacree; William Thomas Near, 77... Mrs. James Watson, 74... Mrs. Alex Noble, 60, of Norval... Mr. and Mrs. Art Scott won a dancing prize at Fernside Park... Town relief payments totalled \$286 in September... Champions at the high school field day were: seniors, Irene Faram, Roy Foulis; intermediates, Marion Overend, Bill McNally; juniors, Mary Cummins, George Long, Bob McMenemy tossed a rugby ball 136 feet to win a new competition... Marion went on to win a similar championship in the tri-school meet the next week.

NOW... OCTOBER, 1956

Mr. and Mrs. Giffen sold their 8th line farm to Lloyd Davison two years ago, built a home on Maple Avenue and moved into Georgetown... The Herald no longer gets monthly reports of diseases since the county health unit took over, but we have heard of no outbreaks this year... The Scotts, now operators of the Chev-Olds dealership, still enjoy dancing, and

show up at most of the local affairs... Relief payments are nonexistent in this day of good times and full employment... Irene Faram, now Mrs. Graham Farnell, Mary Cummins, now Mrs. Scotty Patterson, Bill McNally and Bob McMenemy, are all town residents... Roy Foulis lives in Montreal and is employed with TCA... George Long in Ottawa... Marion Overend, whose father, now deceased was United Church minister here, was married after graduating as a nurse, and her friends in town have lost touch with her.

Ten Years Ago

THEN... HERALD, OCT. 2, 1946

The baseball club ended its season with a cash surplus... Fred Post and Jocelyn McCartney were married in St. John's United... Albert Tennant and Marjory Bilton in Acton... Sheldon Lawr and May Hall in Erin... Walker Cleave and Marnie Curtis... William Eastie and Lucy Hicken at Stewarttown... Reuben Eason was appointed superintendent of the Dayfoot Shoe Co... Dr. Peter Fisher died at Bourlemaque, Que... Ration commissioner Mrs. W. V. Grant reported 4887 ration books for meat, sugar and butter issued through the Georgetown office... A Herald editorial answered criticism of gifts of \$50 bonds to returned servicemen and asked that recognition day not be one of bickering and buck-passing.

NOW... OCTOBER, 1956

Baseball has been in the doldrums the past few years, and this summer there wasn't even a juvenile team in town... Reub Easton moved with the shoe company to Campbellford when the Dayfoot firm closed down here, and still lives in that eastern town... Rationing seems a long time away now, from the days when a can of salmon was a prized possession and people just couldn't get enough butter... Enough money was collected for the gifts to servicemen and they were presented at a big day in the park.

LEGION W.A. PRESIDENT DAY ATTENDS AUXILIARY MEET

The Convention of the Ladies' Auxiliary Provincial Command to the Canadian Legion was held in London from September 24th to Sept. 27th. The interesting four-day sessions were attended by the president of the Georgetown Auxiliary, Mrs. Charles J. Day. Also present were Mrs. Frank Connelly, secretary, and three fraternal delegates, Mrs. Cliff Stacey, Mrs. John Kemshead and Mrs. T. F. Grieve. Mrs. Day was honoured to receive an Honor Certificate for the auxiliary from the Navy League of Canada.

Speakers at the sessions were Legion Dominion President, Dave Burgess, Provincial president Henry Harvey, and secretary Pat Riggs. George Duthie, CNE sports manager, also spoke. Miss Lizmore, receptionist at Westminster Hospital, gave a very heart rending talk on the forgotten vets at the hospital, and of the adoption of some vets by the auxiliaries across Ontario.

Margaret McKee Was Local Lady's Aunt

On Tuesday, September 25, Margaret McKee died in Listowel Memorial Hospital. Miss McKee was an aunt of Mr. Charles Willson, Park Avenue, and had suffered a lingering illness for over two years. In her younger years she was a milliner and later was manager of the ladies department in a Wing-ham dry goods store where she worked until her retirement. She then made her home with Mr. T. H. Gibson and the late Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Willson's parents in Guelph, until the time of her illness. She visited many times in Georgetown.

The funeral service was held at the Harrison Gibson Funeral Home, Listowel, with interment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Guelph, on Thursday, September 27th. Miss McKee was a sister of Mrs. J. Young, Glenboro, Man.; aunt of Mrs. R. McFadden, Barrie; Mrs. Charles Willson, Georgetown; Mrs. James Ziegler, Guelph and McKee Davidson, Toronto; a sister-in-law of T. H. Gibson, Guelph.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL GUESTS AT MRS. PAUL'S CABINS

Last Friday afternoon the members of the Local Council of Women met at Dr. R. T. and Mrs. Paul's cabin for the first meeting of the season.

The meeting opened with a silent prayer for one of their members, Miss Anne Staunton, who is quite ill in the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Toronto. A very interesting discussion followed regarding the correct way of meeting our new Canadians and making them part of the community. It was suggested that at the next meeting, October 19th, each member bring a guest and try and interest them in becoming a member of the Local Council. The meeting will be held at the home of Miss Hettie Lawson, Church and Edith Streets. The meeting came to a close after which the social committee, Mrs. A. R. Vannatter and Mrs. Arthur Reeve served a delicious luncheon.

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