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A Sensational Parade

Sensational is the only word which can describe the Santa Claus parade this year in Georgetown.

People are still talking about the variety of floats which caught the public fancy with originality, beauty and comedy, and the Lions, and Firemen have set a high mark to shoot at for next December, and one which will be hard to excel.

Perhaps the best thing of all was the break in weather which allowed the parade to go on as scheduled. All that morning it poured rain, and parade chairman Dick Riddall and his committee were on tenterhooks wondering what to do and

whether to proceed. As if an answer to prayer, the rain stopped just before parade time, and there was a couple of hours' respite before it started drizzling again late in the afternoon. Only one float was cancelled out because of the rain, and the rest showed up in all their finery.

It showed what can be accomplished by a lot of hard work on the part of the organizers, plus generous assistance from groups who prepared floats. It is a busy time of year for everyone, and we can appreciate the efforts of those busy people who used their time and talent to provide such a fine afternoon for the public.

And Some Beautiful Decorating

While passing out the compliments, another bouquet goes to all those residents who joined in the Chamber of Commerce campaign of Christmas home decorating, to turn our town into a real holiday picture.

There were those who used large amounts of originality in striving for decorations which were different; and there were dozens of others who used the more routine ideas, lighted trees, lights around windows and doors, a candle in the window.

The sum total added up to a pretty picture, and those who took an evening to tour the town to view results were well rewarded for their trip.

Perhaps the most impressive sight of all was the Dominion Seed House, with its huge lighted star, lighted trees and clever use of blue and red floodlights on the building. It commanded attention from the streams of highway traffic and the Seed House management deserves a special word of thanks for their fine contribution to the Christmas scene.

It Was Confusing!

It was quite a week of explanations when the Herald failed to make its customary appearance the Wednesday after New Year's.

We thought we had fully explained that the two Wednesday issues were being advanced to Saturday because of the Tuesday holidays, but habit dies hard, and when the paper did not show up in mail boxes Thursday morning, there was a flood of enquiries which continued right up to Saturday morning.

For those who may think they missed an issue, we explain again that there really were three Heralds issued in the three weeks — one on December 19th, one on Dec. 22nd and another on

Dec. 29th. The latter two were those which normally would have been printed on Dec. 26th and Jan. 2nd.

Last week we had an extra budget of news, for a week and a half had transpired since the last publication.

The experiment was successful, for us at least. It was the first time that two papers had been issued in one week, and it was with crossed fingers that we pushed into a second issue even before the December 19th one was off the press. We made it on schedule, however, and the Herald staff had two nice holiday week-ends to relax after a busy December.

Don't Let It Happen

An editorial in the Wingham Advance-Times points the danger of small towns losing theatres unless attendance is boosted.

"The trouble is," says the Wingham editor, "that many people sit home glued to their TV sets and don't realize how big and beautiful a real movie can be."

Our local movie house is in the same boat with others in the country. It's playing first-rate, first-run pictures in Cinemascope and colour — to a handful of people. Those that see the pictures enjoy them, but not enough people see them.

It would be a sad loss for Georgetown if the local theatre was forced to close because of lack

of customers. It would be another light out in a town which needs all the lights it can muster.

We haven't reached that stage yet, but it could happen, as it has in such towns as Palmerston. The local movie house is a private enterprise, and it can only operate at a profit. But it is also a community place of entertainment and as such should be supported by the community.

Why not make a New Year resolution to tear yourself away from TV two or three nights a month and take in a really good movie. You'll be doing your theatre and your community a favour — and you'll wonder how you could have sat home viewing those corny old "late shows" when

A Little Theatre Perhaps?

Appearance of the Brampton Players here next week sets us wondering again if a local Little Theatre group could not be formed.

At least one Georgetown couple are interested, for Mr. and Mrs. Ron Brighty are members of the group, and were instrumental in bringing the play to town. If others who would like to act in theatricals, or who have talent for scenery design, lighting or other behind-stage activities would indicate such interest to the Brightys, perhaps it would be the start.

There is nothing better for a town than an active Little Theatre.

It is a cultural force which brings pleasure not only to participants, but to everyone, for the

resulting public performances can be highlights of a town's entertainment.

There is always talent on hand. Witness a little town like Elora which boasts a dramatic group second to none in Ontario. Similar talent can be developed here, and it would be a happy day when Georgetown could make an entry in the dominion drama festival.

Meanwhile, we hope the Brampton Players will be greeted with a full house next Thursday. Your attendance will have double value, for besides an evening of entertainment you will be assisting Georgetown Hospital Association to whom net proceeds will go.

MAYOR NAMES COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN, 1957 COUNCIL

Six 1956 councillors will retain their portfolios in the 1957 Georgetown municipal government. Announcing his committees at Monday's inaugural council meeting, Mayor Jack Armstrong named Harold McGillvray to continue as chairman; Stan Allen, vice chairman; Walter Gray, sergeant industrial & business; Harry Hale, public works; and Fred Harrison, finance.

All held similar posts last year. Alfred Sykes shifts from welfare, light and police to become chairman of veterans' affairs and firemen. His former post will be held by a new councillor, Fred Harrison. Another new councillor, Ernie Hyde, was named party chairman. Complete personnel of the council is: Mayor — Jack Armstrong; Finance — McGillvray; Sergeant — Allen; Sargent — McGillvray;

Allen, Gray, Water—Allen, Hale, Sargent, Harrison, Roads—Gray, Allen, McGillvray, Hyde; Public Works—Hale, McGillvray, Hyde, Sykes; Property—Hyde, Gray, Hale; Industrial and Town Planning—Sargent, Sykes, Harrison, Gray; Welfare, Light, Police—Harrison, Hyde, Sykes; Veterans Affairs, Firemen—Sykes, Harrison, Hale; Administration—Armstrong; Finance—McGillvray; Sargent—Allen; Sargent—McGillvray.

GROZELLE SPEERS GUELPH WEDDING

Baroness D. Crawford Smith officiated in Knox Presbyterian Church chapel for the recent wedding of Miss Verna Speers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Verne Speers, Guelph, and Mr. Lloyd Grozelle, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Grozelle, Callander.

The bride chose a two-piece street-length dress of pale blue crystal charm with three-quarter length sleeves, and Peter Pan collar and styled on-fingertines lines. With it she wore pale blue shoes and a half pillbox headdress of pale blue crystal charm, which held a shoulder length veil, and carried a corsage of red roses on a white ribbon.

Mrs. Donald Campbell attended her sister as matron of honor and wore a sleeveless dress of navy crystal charm with a dropped waistline and large bow at the back, completing her ensemble with white elbow-length gloves, navy shoes and a corsage of pink roses.

Mr. Willis Speers attended the groom as best man.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents for about 30 guests. The bride's mother received in a blue dress trimmed with satin, navy accessories and corsage of pink carnations, assisted by the groom's mother, who wore a flowered navy taffeta dress with navy accessories and pink carnation corsage.

For the wedding trip to Niagara Falls, the bride wore her wedding dress with a winter white hat and gloves, brown coat, shoes and purse, and a corsage of red roses. The couple will reside in Acton. Mr. Grozelle is employed at the local Smith & Stone plant. Guests attended from Callander, Toronto, Erin and Georgetown.

McCallum-Henry Vows In Ebenezer Church

Nessie Elizabeth Rhoda Henry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Norman Henry, R. R. 1 Campbellville, became the bride of Finlay Alexander McCallum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil McCallum, R. R. 3 Milton in a ceremony at Ebenezer United Church conducted by Rev. Alex Calder, Georgetown. The church was decorated with white mums and fern for the wedding. The groom, a member of the Lorne Scots Pipe Band, is the brother of Mrs. Max Bradbury, who was employed in the local Smith & Stone office before her marriage.

The bride chose a gown which featured a white lace bodice with mother of pearl trimming, sweet heart neckline, long sleeves and a double net skirt over taffeta. Her fingertip veil was held by a mother of pearl crown headdress and she carried a cascade bouquet of red roses. She wore a matching set of pearl earrings and necklace, a gift of the groom.

Mrs. Russell Coulson as matron of honour wore a street length pastel blue taffeta dress with sweet heart neckline and matching bolero. Her ensemble included matching feather headdress and net gloves and she carried a cascade of white shasta mums.

Miss Margaret Early was organist, and soloist R. George Thomas sang The Wedding Prayer and O Perfect Love. Groomsman was Stanley Wilson, and Douglas Irving and Frank McKerr acted as ushers. The bride was given in marriage by her father, William Henry.

Mrs. William Henry, wearing a charcoal lace dress with turquoise accessories and a corsage of yellow roses, received the 76 guests at the reception in the church basement. She was assisted by the groom's mother, attired in a pastel blue taffeta dress with black accessories and a corsage of red roses. The hall was decorated with blue and white candles and white mums.

Mr. and Mrs. McCallum are living in Milton.

HORNBY

PRESENT ELECTRIC CLOCK TO HORNBY ORANGE HALL

Presentation of an electric clock for the Orange Hall at Hornby was made by three members at a meeting of LOL 165 on January 10th.

Several visitors from Milton Lodge were present to view the presentation which was made by William Bailey, Gordon Bridgen and Douglas Leslie. The Royal Arch degree was later conferred on Mr. Leslie and Mr. Bridgen by the Hornby Lodge.

Serving of lunch concluded an enjoyable evening for the lodge.

GRACE BAPTIST

In Georgetown
Odd Fellows Hall
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Morning Worship — 11 a.m.
Evening Worship — 7 p.m.

NORVAL

Basement Renovating Major Year's Work, Norval United

An extensive remodeling program at Norval United Church was furthered when the Sunday School room and kitchen were remodelled.

A report of the work given Friday at the annual meeting of the church pointed out that improvements included rewiring, painting, new lights, and a new ceiling. The work followed installation of a new furnace in 1955.

Friday's meeting, with Rev. W. Edgar Gill as chairman, followed a noon dinner served by the church ladies.

Six retiring members of the board of stewards were re-elected for three-year terms, William Hyatt, Roy Laidlaw, Hartley Cameron, Clark Lyons, Murray Laird and Mrs. Gordon Miller. Mac Alexander was elected to replace another

steward, Joseph Brownstone, who moved from the district this year. Other members of the board who continue in office are Wilbert Cleave, Wm. T. Graham, Garnet Laidlaw, William Laidlaw, Hamilton McLaughlin, Bert Carney, Don Murray, Ted Beckford, and Weir Reid.

Clark Lyons was named chairman of the Sunday School and the 1957 missionary and maintenance committee will comprise Hamilton Lyons and Mrs. Norman Laidlaw. Miss K. Coombs continues as church leader, Ruth Wilson and Elaine Laird, organists; and the choir committee is composed of J. Laidlaw, Lloyd Laidlaw, Ruth Wilson, Mrs. Jack May, Clark Lyons and Mrs. Murray Laird.

In the session report, statistics given included 29 baptisms in 1956, two marriages, two deaths and four added to the membership roll of the church. Total membership of the church at present is 143.

The session is composed of Mr. Gill as chairman and members Hamilton Lyons, Lt. Col. A. L.

Noble, Wm. P. Laidlaw, James Laidlaw, Earl Hyatt, M. Guy Wilson, Norman T. Laidlaw, and Lorne Cleave. Members of the board of trustees are Lorne Cleave, Wm. T. Graham, James Laidlaw, Norman T. Laidlaw, Lt. Col. A. L. Noble, Hartley Cameron, Bert Carney and Hamilton McLaughlin. Reports of the various organizations were given at the meeting, including the Sunday School, Young People's Union, Choir, W.A. and W.M.S., Mission and Baby Band.

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