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Sewage, A Number One Issue

Council, at present is faced with one of its thorniest problems in deciding what to do about disposing of increasing quantities of sewage waste in the most economical manner now and in future years.

Strong pressure is being placed on the town by the Ontario Water Resources Commission, which is interested in clearing the Credit of pollution, and by Delrex. Developments which was promised adequate sewage disposal facilities in its agreement made with the town in 1954.

The problem seems to resolve into whether an addition should be made to the present disposal plant or whether a completely new plant should be built to serve the town's future needs. There can be no particular argument that some action is not needed. Authorities such as the late town engineer, the council public works committee, a consulting engineering firm and Dr. A. E. Berry of the resources commission have all stated that the system is severely overloaded. Dr. Berry, top government authority in this department, said last week when he attended a council meeting that the disposal plant, designed to treat 300,000 gallons of sewage daily has over twice that intake currently. Every new house that is built aggravates the situation and eventually the breaking point will be reached when the system

bogs down completely. What makes the problem extra tough is that no one can predict Georgetown's future, either a year from now or ten years from now. A few years ago, optimists were talking about a town of 10, 20 or 30 thousand people growing up overnight. Subsequent developments have shown that growth does not come that rapidly. And yet past statistics and geographical location give every indication that Georgetown will have an upward growth each year. Even though industry location may lag, residential development does not.

A brief submitted recently to council by the Delrex firm has statistics which show that a certain amount of residential building will more than carry itself in taxes and provide a substantial surplus to help pay off sewer costs. If the Delrex calculations are correct, perhaps Georgetown has no alternative but to follow this course, unless it is to completely stall building operations on any large scale until industry comes.

Whatever path council takes is fraught with certain dangers. Their path must be chartered to advance as far as possible with the least possible risk - an unenviable position when there are so many intangibles facing them, so many factors which are controlled by higher economics.

A Commendable Publication

Staff of the high school year book The Challenge are to be congratulated on their publication, renewed this year after being suspended for many years, and which is having a brisk sale among people interested in seeing the product in its finished form.

The attractive book, generously illustrated with pictures of students and school activities, came off the press somewhat too late for students to make an intensive sales campaign and the Herald is filling in by handling this. Copies, at \$1.00 apiece, are available at the Herald office and we would advise those interested to pick their copies up immediately. Publication was limited to 400 copies, and it is expected these will soon be all gone. The book is not only of current interest but is one of those things which becomes more valuable as years go by, adding to historical

lore and becoming a treasured item in a home library.

Editor Frank O'Neill should get a special vote of thanks for his work on the booklet. It is no easy task for a student to take charge of such an ambitious effort. His work will make it easier for next year's editor, who will have past experience to guide him.

Issuing of The Challenge has been a particular pleasure for the Herald editor. Several years ago, space was offered in the Herald for a bi-monthly school paper, with the idea of encouraging the literary phase of school education, and this has become a testing board culminating in production of the booklet. We hope that Hi-Tales will continue in the Herald in future years and that The Challenge has now become established as a yearly feature at GHS.

Worthy Public Servant

Retirement of Reeve Stan Allen at the end of his current term will be a loss to Georgetown municipal politics.

The reeve has been a council member for six years, for five of which he has represented the town on county council. In 1956 he had the county's highest honour when he was elected warden.

An indefatigable worker, his political career has been marked by a keen interest in affairs of both town and county. He has served for several years in the important post of chairman of the water committee, and has also held the post of road chairman. On county council his main activities centred around the roads, assessment and

county home departments, all of which have benefited greatly from his knowledge and his willingness to work. His appointment as superintendent of Halton Centennial Manor should auger well for the future of the home, for he has intimate knowledge of how to conduct its business through years spent as a member of the board.

Council will be losing one of its keenest debaters when Mr. Allen retires. His public career has been marked by a tenacity of purpose, fighting for any cause for which he believes, yet giving in graciously if the vote goes against him. His council career has been in the finest tradition of municipal service and he will be missed next year around the council table.

LEGION NOTES

by Leslie M. Clark
 The picnic is this week-end, and with a little cooperation from the powers above in the way of element weather, we hope to see the biggest crowd to ever attend one of our branch picnics. The Legion is noted for its great picnics, so let's see that tradition kept up. The buses will start leaving at 12:30 and will continue until the last ones go at 1 p.m. If necessary they will make two trips if there are people waiting when the last one leaves.

The president, Harvey Garvin, and the entertainment chairman, Jim Murphy, went up to Erin last Wednesday night to make the final arrangements with Charlie Overland, the manager of the park. Once again the outdoor pavilion has been rented, and as well the nearby field will be available for our races and ball games. The usual number of ponies have been secured and will be placed in a ring next to the pavilion.

All anyone need bring is the lunch as coffee tea and milk will be supplied. Ice cream will be given to the kiddies and the usual number of free tickets will be available for treats. The race end of the day has been set up by the sports chairman and there will be grand prizes as well as prizes for all the wee tots. A ball game will be arranged and there will be dart and horseshoe tournaments for anyone wishing to enter. The picnic is open to all members and their wives and families and to all Auxiliary and their families.

Buses will leave from the Glen, College View, Normandy Boulevard, and the final buses will go from the Legion at 1:00 o'clock. All buses will pick up passengers enroute. All you need do is flag the driver.

Let's see as many of the members as possible make the trip this year to make it the biggest picnic we've ever had. And this would be right in line with the current run of things these days, as we were told by Charley Overland, by comparison with other years, his picnics are running about 30 per cent larger in attendance.

For full details check your Legion Notice card, or read the ad in this issue.

Last week was quite a hectic one for Legionnaires, with parades scheduled for both Oakville and Milton on Sunday afternoon. Most of the branches in the zone broke up into two parties, with some going each place. Georgetown took a bus of members and the W.A. to Oakville, where some 13,000 people saw the parade, and saw Rear Admiral H. Pullen take the salute, accompanied by senior army officers. The Oakville boys went all out to look after visiting branches and a good time was reported by all. Unfortunately we had to rush off to Milton and managed to make it just on four o'clock. The parade there was over, but it too had been a large one, with thousands of spectators. Two Legion officials, were present, Reg O'Leator, replacing Henry Harvey at the last minute in Oakville, and 1st vice president Fred O'Brecht, in Milton. Both branches were to be commended for the active part played in their centennial celebrations.

And as a matter of interest, the arguments have been raging as to whether Georgetown has celebrated their centennial and when. According to the official records (The Herald back files) it WAS held in 1937 and took place on a weekend. Although very young then (skeptics please note, VERY young) we recall the old boys reunion and the big celebration in the park. We certainly had nothing like the one either of the aforementioned communities had, though. Note to J. T. Armstrong, "Why not have it over again, before we get to old to enjoy it, your worship?"

The convention dates are creeping closer and we wouldn't be surprised to see a real turnout down at St. Catharines. They are preparing for one of the biggest conventions in history, and we hope that all branches who are not going will send their proxies with someone. The opening parade is on Sunday, August 4th and was to be the biggest parade ever held by Provincial Command.

Let's hope Georgetown sends a delegation on the weekend at any rate.

We have been trying for some time to run a few pictures of the kid hockey and also some notes about who's who in the men who look after the Little NHL. So with the cooperation of Bruce Gummer, who supplied us with the data, we finally printed it this week (at least we hope it's printed this week).

Milton Legion Hall is building an extension and will be a beautiful building when completed. We think that when it is finished it is going to put Georgetown's Hall to shame, giving as it does a terrific auditorium on the main floor, a large beverage room and recreation rooms downstairs and keeping the old auditorium and rooms intact for rental purposes. The executive and president Johnson

are to be congratulated for their foresightedness.

Acton also has expansion plans, and has purchased the property immediately behind them, which will give them a strip of land thru' to the next street. There's a building on the property, which is rented, and they intend to continue renting the apartments in it until such time as they need it. This is certainly a very forward look and will no doubt be justified in the future when it will be possible to expand their building and still have plenty of parking space.

With Smith and Stone and Malton starting their holidays, next week the old town is going to seem deserted for a few weeks. So just be warned, don't expect too much in the way of Legion notes during that period. And according to the grapevine, Earl will probably say, "I need good riddance too!"

SILVER WOOD

Laurie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Miller, celebrated her second birthday by having a picnic party. Her guests were Billy Crawford, Lynn Crawford, Joan Davidson, Michael McDonald, Joanne Miller and Kim and Joanne Crawford and her brother Randy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roe spent the holiday weekend at Parry Sound. The Red Feather Bowling team of the afternoon bowling league held a picnic supper at the home of Miss Laura Treble last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Norton and daughter Nancy of Abadan, Iran, joined their son David here and are spending the summer months until September visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Norton and other friends. They will return to Abadan in September.

Mr. Arthur Grierson and Miss Dorothy Wilson of Walkerton have been holidaying with the Harry Marchingtons.

THREE BROTHERS HERE FOR FAMILY REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Keire, 41 Queen St. had a happy reunion with his three younger brothers when they visited here last week-end.

The brothers, Fred, Alf and Bert all come from Seattle, Washington. Fred graduated this year from the University of Washington and is continuing his studies in Washington, D.C. as a patent lawyer. Alf is in his third year course in chemical engineering and Bert in his fourth year at Teachers' College.

Unfortunately Knut, was not home to meet his uncles as he had left for a boys' summer camp in Sudbury.

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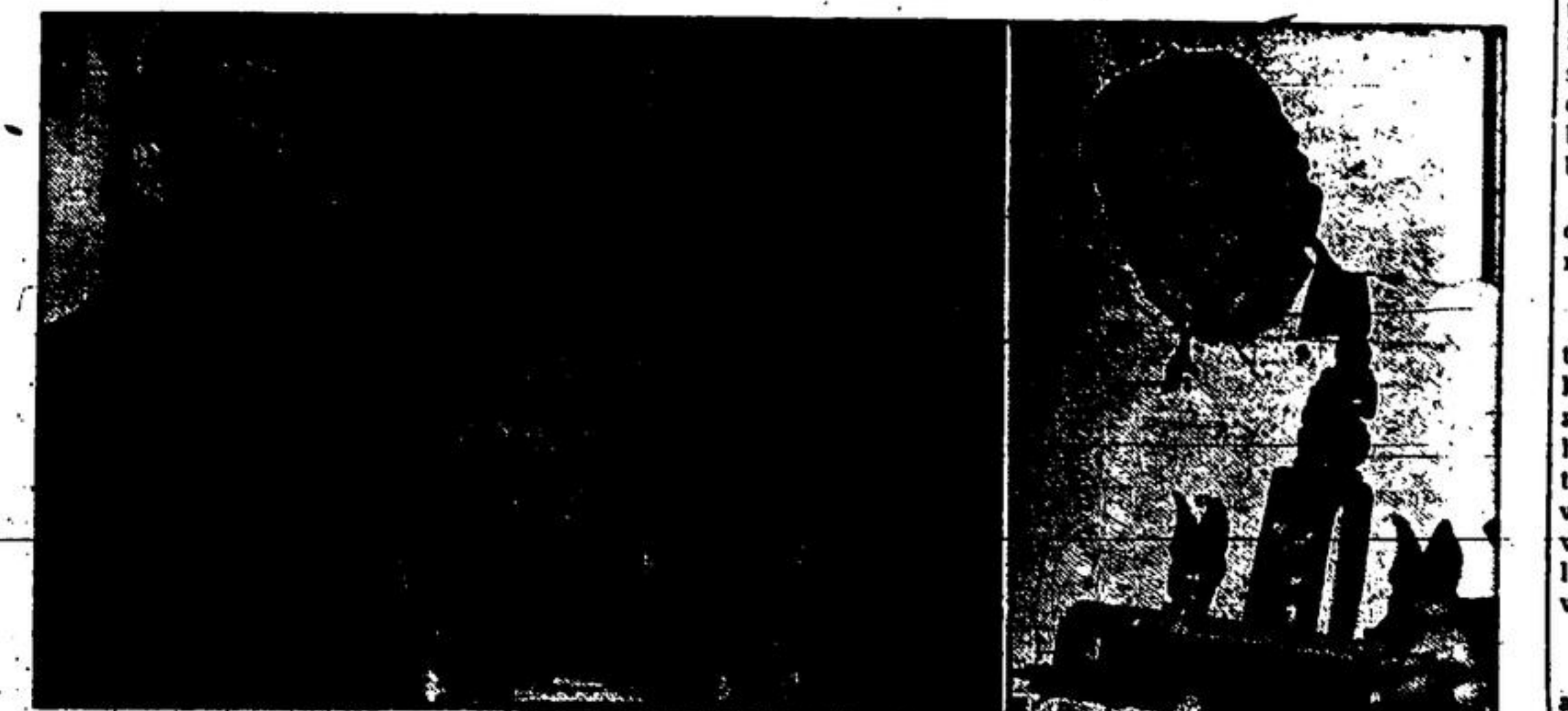
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THREE ONTARIO YOUTHS Saturday won the right to represent the Province, in the Dominion finals of the Teenage Safe Driving Road-race. In the picture at left, R. N. Bubbs, Assistant Ontario Market Manager of Imperial Oil holds the Esso trophy which was won by John Seaton of Galt, (right). Paul Reid, was runner-up in the Hamilton heats. Winner of Eastern Ontario finals at Kingston was Hugh Callaghan of Gananoque, shown in the picture at right. Galt won \$100; Reid won \$75.

CAN'T BE DIDI
 Readers may wonder how 21 most 25 people could attend a picnic, as reported in a news item elsewhere in this issue. You're right, it's impossible. It should have read almost right.