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FIRST SECTION

WHAT COUNCIL DID

Choose Four Interviewees For Town Engineer Position

Four applicants for the position of town engineer have been chosen for interview by the town council on July 25th.

The four men were chosen after council on Monday read applications from ten engineers in response to an advertisement. Council is seeking a replacement for Douglas B. Wilson who held the position for two years and resigned the end of June to take an industrial engineering job in Montreal.

Mrs. J. E. Wilson complained by letter that market garden property at the Maple Ave. Highway corner is unusable and a fence had been destroyed during construction of the new Maple extension. Her request to have this rectified was turned over to the road committee for investigation.

H. N. Martyn, 101 Main St. S. sent a letter of thanks for prompt action in response to a complaint of dust on the road in front of his house.

The Candian Tire Store, petitioning as an "automotive retail and service centre" is now allowed to stay open all day Thursday, with passing of a by-law amendment requested last week.

Recommending additional help in the town office, Mayor Armstrong, speaking for the administration committee said his committee would make no definite recommendation as to what help is needed. Councilors not on the committee were loathe to decide and the matter was held over for another meeting after a circular discussion.

Town Clerk Clarence Benham had requested junior help recently, to aid in water billing, book-keeping and typing.

The town office has been operated with one less person since Mr. Benham was elevated to the clerkship, after John D. Kelly resigned.

LADIES' DAY AT NORTH HALTON GOLF CLUB

Tuesday was ladies' day at the North Halton Golf & Country Club with the ladies entertaining members from Oakville Golf Club.

The results of the afternoon's play were: team, Oakville 22, Georgetown 7; low gross, Oakville, Connie McIntyre; Georgetown, Mrs. John Bell; low net, Oakville, Ann Wyndham; Georgetown, Margery Mackenzie.

Special holes: first hole, Mrs. Donald Rand, second hole, Mrs. Jim Graham, ninth hole, Mrs. Jack Gordon, fourth hole Mrs. Robert Wicks.

MILTON MOTHER WINS GARDENING PRIZE

Mrs. John L. Robinson, Milton, who is the mother of Mrs. Cecil Davidson, 10 Albert St., is proud of her garden this year and justly so.

One of the features of the Milton Centennial was a garden contest, and Mrs. Robinson won first prize of \$25 in her category.

HOLIDAYING? Phone your news to the Herald for the Social and Personal column. There is no charge, of course.

June Building Permit Issue Forecasts 89 New Homes Here

Building activity, particularly in the residential field, continues brisk this year in Georgetown.

In June, permits were issued for a total value of \$882,530 in various types of construction. Total for the first six months of this year has now mounted to over a million and a half dollars—\$1,519,840. The year will well exceed 1956, when grand total was \$1,000,000 but is not expected to reach the 1955 record Georgetown building year when building values were close to four million dollars.

All permits issued in June were for house construction. Rex Heslop Homes took out 55 permits for bungalows, totalling \$550,550; Sylvan Construction, 17 bungalows, \$158,000; Halton Apartments 16 bungalows, \$160,000; Mrs. D. Wright, bungalow, \$10,000; and miscellaneous small construction and repairs, \$3,980.

The report was the last one issued by former town engineer Douglas B. Wilson, who resigned his position in June for a new one in Montreal. The town assessment department is handling building inspection at present pending naming of a new building inspector.

THE WEATHER

Mr. Editor:—We had quite a variety of weather during the week, cloudy, windy and a thunderstorm; but it ended up with a very fine day Sunday.

Date	Max.	Min.	Rain
Mon., July 8	79	60	Trace
Tues., July 9	72	56	
Wed., July 10	70	47	
Thurs., July 11	76	48	
Fri., July 12	79	43	22
Sat., July 13	81	56	
Sun., July 14	84	58	
Average	77	53	22

LIMEHOUSE

FALLS FROM BICYCLE SUFFERS BROKEN ARM

We are sorry that Geo. Scholz is nursing a badly broken arm since a week ago, when he fell down an embankment upon stones with his bicycle.

The Neilsons and Mrs. Maynard visited at Orillia a week ago. Margo Ruddell is holidaying at Sudbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Meredith and Mr. H. Karn spent a couple of weeks on Manitoulin Island.

Gloria Latimer has been on holidays in Hamilton.

The Jack Roughley's spent the week-end at Rice Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lowden and Jean of Windsor spent Sunday with Miss Ivens and Mrs. Newton.

Mrs. D. S. McDonald of Brampton spent Monday with the Gishys.

Mr. E. Askin and his son spent a few days fishing in the north last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Leferink and Mr. and Mrs. H. Klooster enjoyed a trip to Algonquin Park last week on Sunday with the W. Mitchells.

Visitors included Mr. William Proctor, Mrs. McQuillan, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McQuillan and son Roy, and Mrs. Godwin of Toronto and Miss Doris Mitchell home from Toronto.

Stephen and Brenda Lambert of Ancaster are with the Glynnas this week.

We wish a speedy recovery for Mr. G. Scholz who has been undergoing treatment for a spinal ailment in Toronto General Hospital during the past few weeks.

LOCAL MAN, DAUGHTER VISIT NATIVE SCOTLAND

Mr. Ian Ritchie, 7 Orchard Blvd. and his daughter, Shelagh who is a nurse in Cornwall, sailed from Montreal, Quebec, aboard the Empress of Scotland, bound for a tour of Britain and the continent.

They will first head for Mr. Ritchie's native land to visit relatives in Aberdeenshire, Scotland. Mr. Ritchie came to Canada as a lad of 19 and this is his first visit home since 1920, and it will be the very first time that Shelagh will meet her Scottish relatives. They plan to spend two months away.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Maxwell and their children Jane and Adrian of Val D'Or, Quebec, are visiting with Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Maxwell and family, Norval.

MR. AND MRS. RONALD ROBERTS



RONALD ROBERTS, a Bell Tel employee and Ann Croft were married in St. George's Anglican Church last month. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roberts, 22 Henry St. and his bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Croft of Toronto and Barrow-in-Furness, England.

Minister and Bride will Serve Saskatchewan Church

Bound for a honeymoon in the Rockies, Rev. and Mrs. James Alexander Kirkwood will be settling in Martindale, Saskatchewan, next month where he will take his first position as an ordained minister of the United Church of Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirkwood were married on Saturday in Emmanuel College Chapel, Toronto, in a ceremony conducted by Dr. A. B. Moore, president of Victoria College and Rev. N. J. Woods, father of the bride. The couple are both graduates of Victoria. This year Mr. Kirkwood graduates in theology from Emmanuel and his wife from the United Church Training School.

Mrs. Kirkwood, the former Marion Laurena Woods is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. N. J. Woods, 728 Chester St., London. Mr. Kirkwood, a native of Ballinacraig and graduate of Georgetown High School is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kirkwood, 4 Pauline Street, Georgetown.

Baskets of summer flowers decorated the chapel for the ceremony. Rev. Norman Russ, Sudbury, a classmate of the groom and former student minister at Ashgrove, Horby played the wedding music.

The bride wore a princess styled gown, ballerina length of fifties luffa. The gown had a rounded neckline, elbow sleeves and a bow and tiny pleats at the back. She wore a fingertip veil and a tiny cap of seed pearls and carried a cascade of pink roses and Stephanotis.

Miss Louise Woods attended her sister, wearing a ballerina gown of aqua blue crystal charm, princess style, which was gathered over the hips and had a bow at the back. She wore a matching hat and carried a nosegay of pink and white carnations.

Mr. Woods gave his daughter in marriage. Rev. Barry Cooke was groomsmen. Ushers were Sam Murphy and Kenneth Woods, the bride's brother.

Mothers of brides and groom received afterwards at the United Church Training School where the reception was held. Mrs. Woods wore a dusky rose dress with white accessories and a corsage of yellow roses. Mrs. Kirkwood wore blue brocade crepe, white, accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

Social & Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Davidson and daughter Jane, 10 Albert St. spent last weekend at Bala.

Mrs. W. T. Crawford, Sudbury is visiting with Mrs. Ian Ritchie, 7 Orchard Blvd.

Mrs. Mary Bell of Detroit, Mich. is spending a few holidays with her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gibbins, Guelph Street.

Miss A. F. A. Boyd of Montreal is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. G. Bishop of Market Street for two weeks.

Mrs. Jack Saunders, Jackie, Larry, Linda and Bonnie, 24 John St. East are spending the holidays at their cottage on Lake Simcoe at Glenwood Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brill and family of Lansing were visiting in town yesterday with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harlow, 19 Union St.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Farnell, Carroll and David, Albert Street, Rev. and Mrs. Colin Todd and Tommy, Niagara Falls, were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. James Evans, Barbara and Mary at their cottage at Abmic Lake. The Evans family are remaining another week.

WHAT COUNCIL DID

Town Continues Lawsuit For Swanek Sewers

Georgetown's law suit against subdivider Finlay Munro for installation of storm sewers in the Swanek subdivision is continuing. Some time ago the town offered to drop its suit, providing Mr. Munro would drop a counterclaim he has entered against the town. When this was not done, the suit was continued and is still in process.

Monday, town solicitor John Ord informed council that what he had termed "a ludicrous lawsuit" which Mr. Munro had also launched against Mayor Armstrong had been dismissed by the Supreme Court judge before it came to trial. The dismissal is subject to appeal should Mr. Munro so desire, Mr. Ord said.

"Sorry, can't do" was the opinion to a request from the Peel Memorial Hospital board for financial assistance to help build an addition to the hospital which is serving many town patients.

The clerk was instructed to tell hospital authorities that in view of present plans to construct a hospital locally, nothing could be done unless Georgetown plans fall through.

"If we are going to tell private property owners to cut their weeds, we better make sure those on town property are cut too" said Mayor Armstrong, relaying complaints he had had from citizens that this is not the case.

Tenders are being called for construction of a new sidewalk on Murdoch St. The job will include lowering the present sidewalk location and grading new driveways into the properties on the street.

A request to overcome the dust nuisance on Armstrong Ave. almost led to another Delrex argument when Cr. Ern Hyde protested briefly that the road is still private property and is the subdivider's responsibility to keep in shape.

Mayor Armstrong said that as the town will eventually own the road, it has assumed some responsibility and should see that a neighbouring ratepayer is not inconvenienced.

Road chairman Walter Gray said a bit of calcium would overcome the trouble without much cost and a majority of council agreed to have this done.

Cr. Fred Harrison pressed for immediate action on fixing the road into the town waterworks building.

It is difficult for equipment to be taken in or out, he said, and the fire truck would have quite a time negotiating a steep hill into the grounds if necessary, he pointed out. A hard surfaced driveway seems to be the only answer, he said.

Local Doctor Present at McAllister Clan Reunion

Dr. and Mrs. A. McAllister and granddaughter Patsy were in Bayfield on Lake Huron Sunday, July 7th where members of the McAllister Clan from as far away as Alberta assembled for the McAllister reunion. Motoring from the foothill province to attend were Dan and Molly McAllister. Dan is a nephew of Dr. McAllister.

Alex and Theresa McAllister of Applegate, Michigan, descendants of Sandy McAllister formerly of Huron County travelled to the Lake port to mark the occasion as did relatives from Detroit, Michigan, the Thames Road, Exeter, Hensall, Gall, London and Georgetown and various Huron townships including Stanley and Osborne.

The retiring president, Mrs. John Clifford Moir was succeeded by J. S. Edson McAllister, B.A. engineer for Goldie McCullough, a Galt steel fabricating company. The bright sunshine made it a perfect day for the camera bugs and the shutters were clicking as long as there was light. An ample supper supplied by the table committee brought the reunion to an enjoyable close.

The McAllister brothers, John and Alexander came to Canada from Glasgow in the spring of 1842, eventually arriving in the Huron tract, where four hundred acres of hardwood bush, then known as the Farr Line, had to be felled. The logs were used to construct homes for four families and barns to house the various livestock. Since the nearby Bayfield was the chief port in the district where the McAllisters disposed of the grain crops, the clan chose it as the site of the 1877 reunion. The family will assemble again in 1939 at the same place.

WHAT COUNCIL DID

Hyde Urges Pay-as-You-Go Council Prefers Debentures

HALTON CLERK



Halton County clerk for many years, William Deans died at his home in Georgetown. Mr. Deans was secretary treasurer of the Children's Aid Society and secretary of Halton Centennial Manor Board.

Social & Personal

Mrs. Helen Flisk, Guelph, is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth McCrae of Market St.

Patsy Clarke from New Toronto, has been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hurley, John St.

Reg and Patsy Laws spent last week in St. Thomas visiting with their aunt.

Mabel and Norman McClure, of Brampton, visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Seward Wilson, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sargent, of Brantford, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. C. Sargent, Charles Street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Davidson, Academy Road, had as their guests last week Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kearney and their sons David and Paul and Ronnie Jones, all of Sarnia.

Janet, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Chamberlain, is spending this month at Gay Venture Camp, Lake-of-Bays. Janet's birthday was on July 1st and prior to going to camp she entertained a group of her chums at a birthday supper.

Mrs. Jack Louth and her daughter Jacqueline, John Street, flew to Edmonton, Alberta on Friday, July 5th for an extended visit. While there they will visit with her brother and family, Flying Officer and Mrs. John Wilson, who is stationed in Edmonton.

On Tuesday the Bahai's of Georgetown entertained at a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Tom Ferguson, Market Street, for Mr. and Mrs. Khadem and their daughter Mae of Tehran, Iran. Mr. and Mrs. Khadem are visiting the Bahai communities throughout Canada and the United States. Out of town guests also included Mr. Don Thiers of Camp Borden.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Webb and family of Norval have just returned from a three-week motor trip to Prince Edward Island. They visited with his mother in Cavendish, his sister Mrs. Jones in Charlottetown and their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lowther in Halifax. They returned through the States going as far as Portsmouth.

Mrs. A. G. M. Bruyns, who formerly lived at 33 Charles Street is making an extended visit in town with Mrs. William Whyte and Mrs. Nellie Gardner, 67 Maple Ave. W. Since leaving town, Mrs. Bruyns has been living with Dr. and Mrs. Alex Bruyns in Wetaskiwin, Alberta and Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Mrs. Alex Bruyns travelled east with her to visit with her parents in Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jenner, Linda and Ricky attended a Wright-McMillen reunion picnic at Rondeau Park on Sunday. Fifty four people attended the gathering. Mrs. Jenner was presented with a birthday cake by her sister-in-law Mrs. C. H. Leigh and it was enjoyed by the group. Linda and Ricky returned to Windsor with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Leigh for a visit.

Local girls spending the holidays employed at summer resorts include Helen Muekart, Linda Whitmore, Lorraine Garvin and Susan Whitmore at Fort Sidney Lodge and Mary Lake Inn, Fort Sidney, Marjorie Mackenzie at Rockway Lodge, Rockway, Carol Seddon and Rhoda Dixon at Turkey Point on Lake Erie, Claudia Milne at Grandview Lodge on Sparrow Lake and Virginia McCauley at the Sun Inn on Lake of Bays.

Objecting to debenturing a \$3000 expenditure for a storm sewer which will run on John Street between College and Victoria, Cr. Ern Hyde made a strong plea at Monday's council meeting to pay this from current revenue. He won support from Cr. Fred Harrison but was overruled by other councilors who decided to seek the Ontario Municipal Improvement Corporation to buy the debentures.

A similar request will be made to OMEC to purchase an \$11,000 debenture for the Swanek storm sewer. Cr. Hyde was the lone opponent when this was voted upon.

Cr. Hyde emphasized that he was not against the projects, but that he feels the town is in a position where if small improvements cannot be paid for currently, they should not be added to a growing debenture debt which will cost the town half as much again to pay back.

Large expenditures are coming in future for such things as schools, he said, and minor things should be carried currently. If this is impossible, such improvements will just have to wait, he said. A town, he continued, must operate like an individual. It is good business to buy a certain number of things on credit, but earning power (or in a town's case, tax revenue) is limited. If too much interest is being paid, there is not enough money left for living expenses.

Mayor Armstrong disagreed, saying he does not believe in taxing present ratepayers for improvements which will be shared by future ones. There are many small items which collectively amount to a lot of money, and he feels debenturing is a fair way of allocating payments over a period of years.

"Our whole economy is geared to credit buying" was Reeve Stan Allen's opinion "and while I can agree in principle with Mr. Hyde's statement, the ratepayers would never approve." Nowadays people want "certain" improvements, he said, and council is expected to find the money somewhere to pay for them. He too feels it is unjust to charge today's ratepayers for future improvements.

Cr. Hyde said the town is not following the advice of the Bankers Bond Corporation which at present is the town's fiscal agent. The company has warned that debenture debt must not be increased, he said.

"I agree with Mr. Hyde," said Cr. Fred Harrison. "It's nice to say yes to all requests but we are being two-faced if we do so knowing we can't afford to spend the money."

The reeve pointed out that maintenance must be considered in the picture too. If a road is not repaired there is a yearly maintenance cost. Road chairman Walter Gray agreed, pointing out that sometimes maintenance costs over a few years can be more than the capital expenditure necessary.

The discussion entered the field of higher economics when Cr. Hyde compared the town's situation to someone with an old car who can't afford a new one and might even spend more on upkeep than the car is worth because he could not foot the bill for a new one.

"When an old car's steering gear endangers the public, it's time to get a new one" countered the mayor. "In this case poor drainage is damaging private property and it must be fixed."

Cr. Hyde had a further objection to the Swanek sewers when he pointed out that unless the subdivision is paved and curbed, the sewers will plug up. "Storm sewers may not be the complete answer but at least it will take Swanek off our agenda for a few months" was Cr. Garfield McGilvray's tongue-in-cheek opinion as the discussion ended.

Headlights Blind, Car is Wrecked on No. 7

A Toronto couple and their young son escaped without injury Sunday night when their car flipped over on Highway 7 north of Pennesson's Service Station.

Reeve-Prattis of Toronto was driving his family home at about 10:30 p.m. when the car wandered off the travelled portion of the road, skidded, broke off a hydro pole and rolled over finally coming to rest on its roof in the west ditch. Mr. Prattis told police he was blinded by the headlights of an oncoming car.

Extensive damage, estimated at \$1,000 was done to the car. A 1955 Model, Gen. Ray Anderson of the Milton, Ontario Police Department investigated the accident.

WARM NEXT WINTER



THE LITTLE PIECE OF PAPER being handed to H. J. O'Neill, 57 Health Row Dr., Downview will help keep the O'Neill family warm next winter. It is a voucher for 200 gallons of fuel oil, prize in a lucky draw conducted by Georgetown Volunteer Ambulance Service. Left to right, Chief Ralph Hawes, Mr. O'Neill and Cr. Fred Harrison of the council ambulance committee.