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FIRST SECTION

## May Use Silvercreek Reservoir Town Faces Water Shortage

Georgetown may again fall back on the old Silvercreek reservoir for part of its water supply. The possibility of such a move cropped up in a discussion at council Thursday that followed an announcement by town engineer Bill Carr stating that the pumping station is overworked. Mr. Carr told council that certain "rush periods" such as in the early evening when people are using lawn sprinklers, the station was pumping as much as 52,000 gallons per hour, far beyond its intended capacity. He warned that in the event of a fire during such a period the station would be unable to provide enough water to assist the firemen.

"With consumption rising all the time," he said, "I would suggest that a third well be located and ready to work." He mentioned that systems such as even numbered residents watering their lawns on even numbered days, etc. had been used in other communities to overcome these rush periods.

"If we discontinue our present supply to Silvercreek residents we could save wear and tear on the equipment" was another suggestion by Mr. Carr. "The people now using this supply could still get a gravity supply from the old Silvercreek reservoir if it were cleaned out and covered." He went on to say that revenue received for supplying Silvercreek was not worth the maintenance.

Reeve Stan Allen reminded council that the town is not pumping water to Silvercreek for the revenue. "I've always been opposed to cutting off Silvercreek" agreed Cr. Hyde. "It has a great natural resource that most municipalities can't get. It provides us with double protection, a good head of pressure and a reservoir." It was when Cr. Hyde suggested that Mr. Carr prepare a report for the following meeting on the possibilities of a storage of water at Silvercreek for rush periods, that it came to light through a suggestion by Cr. Harrison, enlarged upon by the mayor, that if the old Silver Creek reservoir were again functioning, it would solve the storage problem and provide another source.

The matter was left with the town engineer for investigation.

It was brought to the attention of council that the new parallel parking zones on the west side of Main Street did not coincide with the parking bylaw which had been unamended as to angle parking. A motion by Cr. Hyde, seconded by Cr. Harrison soon righted the error.

A letter of thanks was read from Doug Peck, secretary of the Georgetown Brass and Reed Band, for the \$300 donated to the band to help buy uniforms.

One hundred dollars was voted to the Georgetown Fire Department to send delegates to the convention at Waterdown.

## Plans Made For 1957 Georgetown Fall Fair

An enthusiastic gathering of some 35 directors of the Esqueping Agricultural Society, sponsors of the Georgetown Fall Fair, met at the home of the president, Spencer Wilson, Norval, on Friday evening. Both the ladies and men's sections met to finalize the prize list and make plans for another big show on Friday and Saturday, October 4-5.

Many special prizes were added to the ladies prize list, and some worth while prizes will be given in the sewing, baking, flower and vegetable classes. A beautiful silver tray, donated by the T. Eaton Co. will go to the winner with the most points in the hall.

The horse races should see some of Ontario's fastest harness horses, as prize money in both the 228 and free-for-all classes have been raised considerably.

There are several changes in the commercial, dairy and beef classes, and junior farmers would do well to check the prize list in this regard. Watches will also be donated again this year in the showmanship classes.

King Shows will also be on hand with their rides, etc. and have signified their desire to throw the midway in full swing on Friday evening. The hall will also be open as usual.

Printing of the complete prize lists will get underway this week and exhibitors will do well to write to secretary Trevor Williams for a copy as soon as possible.

Let's get behind the fair board and exhibit as much as possible this year.

## BALLINAFAD INSTITUTE HAS PICNIC AT ELORA GORGE PARK

The August meeting of Ballinafad Women's Institute took the form of a bus trip to Elora Gorge park where a picnic and tour of the park were the highlights.

Thirteen members, 6 visitors and a number of children travelled by a Georgetown Transportation bus and first toured the park where the children saw peacocks and a number of animals, had fun on the swings and were treated to ice cream.

Mrs. Archie McEnery presided at the meeting. Minutes were read by the secretary, Mrs. Archie Law and treasurer, Mrs. George Edmonds collected a small amount from everyone to help pay for the bus. The ladies arranged to have booths at the various fall fairs.

The picnic tables groaned with the large supply of wonderful food the ladies provided. After supper there was a tour on the bus to see the big gorge on the other side of the park.

## Policeman 29 Years Bob Woon Buried Here

Due to retire in six months, after 29 years as a Toronto policeman, Robert William Woon, 51, was buried in Greenwood Cemetery here last Wednesday following funeral service in Toronto. He died on August 4th in Toronto General Hospital, where he had been rushed after suffering a heart attack at his home, 168 High Park Ave.

A mounted policeman, Mr. Woon served with No. 6 Police Station. He was a native of Coldwater, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Nelson D. Woon. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and of the 25 Year Club of the police association.

He leaves his wife, the former Marjorie Hillock of Georgetown, two children, Roberta and Robert and ten brothers and sisters, Harry of Kingston, Eric, Kirkland Lake; Norman, South Porcupine; Ernest, Kingston; Francis, Timmins; David, Cut Bank, Montana; Mrs. Lyle Caswell, Rockton; Mrs. Lloyd Bangs, London; Mrs. Lorne Polkinghorne, Kitchener; and Mrs. Kenneth Polkinghorne, Wausbaushene.

Rev. Ross K. Cameron conducted a private service at the home which was followed with a service at the Lynett Funeral Chapel on Wednesday. Pallbearers were fellow members of the police force, Inspector John Watt, and Constables Kevin Dowling, Bob Harvey, Andy Russell, Bob Law and Doug Short. Mr. Cameron also conducted a graveside service in Georgetown, where pallbearers were Grant and Jim Hillock, Bob and Pat Caswell, Duncan Tost and P.C. Dowling.

## WHAT COUNCIL DID

### Council May Licence Trailer Homes in Town

Varying opinions on allowing trailers to locate within municipal limits were expressed at the council meeting Monday.

The discussion arose when building inspector Joseph Gibbons asked if any legislation vetoed a request by a man to locate a house trailer in town.

Mayor Armstrong said there is nothing he knows of in town bylaws which would prohibit it.

"We should have some control legislation" was Cr. Hyde's opinion.

The mayor said the town has not too much to worry about, for control can be exercised through sanitation requirements and water hook-ups.

Cr. Harrison said he is against the trailer homes because they do not pay their share of the tax burden.

"I don't think trailers are any more a problem than people subdividing their homes. They don't pay double taxes when this happens" said Reeve Allen. Mr. Allen said a good trailer camp might be an asset to town, although agreeing that it should be controlled and properly taxed.

Council decided to have the town planning and property committees investigate possible legislation and report at a future meeting.

Two other problems brought up by the building inspector were deferred for investigation. One concerned a planned addition to a duplex on Queen Street where the owner wishes to build an addition which would come within 6 feet of Charity Lane, an unopened road allowance, and would thus contravene the building bylaw.

A request from Rex Heslop Homes to clarify the legality of houses placed 25 feet from the road allowance, as the law specifies, having porches added, had councillors of varied opinions.

Mayor Armstrong said general interpretation had been that a porch is not part of a house.

Reeve Allen disagreed, saying that if this is allowed, a man could have a 25 foot verandah and take up his whole front yard. He also pointed out that a porch could be later boxed in and become a part of the house.

## ANDY SHANNON WAS CNR ENGINEER

Andy Shannon, a CNE engineer whose home was in Capreol died suddenly on August 6th.

Mr. Shannon leaves his wife, the former Beulah Ryan of Georgetown. Burial took place in St. Catharines on Friday morning following funeral service at Capreol on Thursday evening.

## MR. AND MRS. JACK THOMPSON



—Chin's Photo Centre, Brampton

MR. AND MRS. JACK THOMPSON, 78 Guelph Street, were married July 27th in Knox Presbyterian Church. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ern Thompson, 19 Guelph Street. His bride, Marjorie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Lacey, 34 Church Street.

## P.E.I. HONEYMOON FOR MR. AND MRS. HAZEN SHERRY

Honeymooning in Prince Edward Island, where they are visiting with relatives of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Sherry are planning to make their future home in Toronto. Mr. Sherry, whose parents live at Albany, P.E.I. and his bride, Gail Patricia Long, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John William Long, 7 Mountainview Road were married on August 3rd in St. Thomas' Aquinas R.C. Church, Toronto. Rev. Fr. Corliss officiated at the eleven a.m. ceremony.

The bride wore a white satin gown with chapel train, a white lace pillbox hat with sequins and pearls and a waist length veil, and carried a bouquet of white gladioli and red roses. Mrs. Eugene Maladi, Toronto, was matron of honour, wearing a shrimp coloured ballerina gown, matching tulle accessories and a white tiara with orange blossoms. The bride's sister, Mrs. Wallace Foster, Cheltenham, and her aunt, Mrs. Harvey Brooker, of Toronto, were also attendants. They wore strapless tulle gowns, with lace tops. Mrs. Foster in pale yellow and Mrs. Brooker, pale blue and carried bouquets of lemon coloured gladioli. Little Patsy Shipcott, 5 was flower girl for her cousin. She wore pale mauve organza and a white tiara and carried a basket of lemon glads.

The bride's father gave her in marriage in the double ring ceremony. John Sherry was his brother's groomsmen and Wallace Foster and Harvey Brooker were ushers. The groom and his attendants wore white coats and black tuxedo pants.

A wedding breakfast was served at Benny's Steak House and in the afternoon there was a reception at the same place. Mrs. Long receiving with the bride couple, wearing a friesian blue print, white accessories and corsage of pink roses. For her honeymoon trip, the bride wore a navy blue taffeta dress, pink hat and accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

## Front Page Publicity For Linda Silver, 11

Eleven-year-old Linda Silver did not win a soap derby last week sponsored by Forest Hill Recreation Commission, but she gained a measure of fame when a Telegram photographer snapped her in a spill.

Linda, the only girl in the 21 contestants looked like a winner until the soap box hot rod overturned near the finish line. The picture of the spill, plus another of a police constable applying first aid to Linda's bruised leg, was used as a front page feature in the Friday edition of the daily.

Linda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Silver and her father is a well known farmer. Georgetown has been "snapped" for some time in operating Silver's Dairy Store with his father, the late Roy Silver and brother Ed.

## WHAT COUNCIL DID

### COUNCIL REVERSES OPINION ANGLE PARKING RESTORED

#### THE WEATHER.

Mr. Editor: The weather seemed more humid than ever after the little rain which arrived at last. Maybe that is just a start for a change in the weather.

—Ern Batkin.

Date	Max.	Min.	Rain
Mon., Aug. 5	69	48	
Tues., Aug. 6	67	48	
Wed., Aug. 7	86	45	
Thurs., Aug. 8	83	57	
Fri., Aug. 9	79	63	Trace
Sat., Aug. 10	85	58	24
Sun., Aug. 11	86	57	
Average	79	54	24

## Social & Personal

Mr. and Mrs. William Hewitt, Sr. returned home recently from Little Lake, Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Miller and family spent a week at Wasaga Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Collier, 11 Orchard Blvd. spent a week of their vacation at Bangor Lodge.

Don Seddon, 20 Academy Road, spent the week-end in Sault Ste. Marie with out of town friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Teeter, Cross Street, are on a motor trip to New Orleans for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hewitt, Jr., 35 Albert Street, are spending their holidays at Cape Cod.

Mrs. Jack Rush, Janice and Gary of Toronto are visiting with her mother, Mrs. Harry Stockford, 18 George Street.

Mrs. Thomas Grieve, 25 Queen Street was in St. Catharines last week to attend the provincial Canadian Legion convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael George, Gary and Diane, 18 Normandy Blvd. have returned from holidaying at New Wasaga Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Ern Eason, Heather and Ernie of Toronto are visiting with the Graham Porters, 31 Charles Street.

Mrs. Edward Hill, 7 Guelph St., has been visiting at Seaford with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clare Reith.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnim Feller, 2 Emery Street, are visiting in Peterborough with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tennant, 16 Elgin Street, spent a few days last week with their son Albert and family at his new home in Scarborough.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Porter, 31 Charles Street recently spent a week at Balm Beach, Lake Simcoe, with her brother, Murray Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Burns and Donna, 28 Arletta Street and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Norton and Debbie, 31 Arletta Street, spent the week at Farlain Lake, Penetang.

Misses Marion Robinson and Lena McNally, 17 Edith St. are home from vacation. They spent two weeks at Blue Mountain Inn in the Adirondacks.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. Basil Hadley wishes to announce the engagement of his daughter, Dorothy Kathleen, to Paul Joseph Spiteri, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Spiteri of Malta.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ostrander, R. R. 4 Georgetown announces the engagement of their daughter, Edith Isabel to John Leslie Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Campbell of Marquette. The marriage will take place on Saturday, September seventh at two-thirty o'clock in Union Presbyterian Church.

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Abandoning parallel parking on the west side of Main Street before it became law, council on Monday decided to continue with angle parking which has been in effect for many years in this locality.

(Strong complaints from merchants were relayed to the meeting by Cr. Walter Gray, who said he had changed his mind after seeing the confusion resulting from parallel parking which has been the custom since new lines were painted on the street in preparation for introduction of parking meters.

Mr. Gray's main objection was that the high curb on this side of the street necessitates passengers debarking on the traffic area. He also pointed out that almost 20 parking spaces would be eliminated from an already-overcrowded Main Street.

The discussion took place when a by-law, ordered last Thursday, was presented to make the change to parallel official. Opposed on Thursday only by Deputy Reeve Sargent and Cr. Hale, Monday found only Crs. Fred Harrison and Alf Sykes still favouring parallel parking.

Cr. Harrison, who as police chairman has been in charge of negotiating for meter installation condemned council for shifting opinion.

"We have to make up our minds what we're going to do. If we change our minds every time someone objects, we'll never get anything done" was his complaint, as he pointed out that there is never 100 per cent satisfaction with any council decision.

Personally opposed to meters, Cr. Harrison said it is the storekeepers who want them. Angle parking, in his opinion, is a traffic hazard.

Reeve Allen and Cr. Sykes pointed out that white markings on the pavement had been placed in such a position that a car 3 feet from the curb would be within the markings, yet would contravene the Highway Traffic Act if parked this way. The town could be in an embarrassing position if this caused an accident, they said.

Cr. Sykes, who had seconded the by-law motion, changed opinion during the discussion and voted against it after listening to the discussion.

"The merchants asked us for meters, but not for a change in parking" he said. He suggested, however, that the angles might be flattened out somewhat to get as much centre space for traffic as possible.

Cr. Sykes said he is against meters as a parking solution. The only advantage he can see is to give the town some revenue.

"I'm not worried about losing parking spaces when we introduce these nicker-snatching one-armed bandits," he observed. "The merchants want to keep cars on the move and parallel parking is fine. It gives us more space to get cars off the Main Street and out of town, which is what the merchants seem to want."

After the vote, Cr. Harrison said he was dismayed to find council not knowing what they wanted from one meeting to the next.

"I've always said if I started something I would finish it" he said "but after listening tonight I'm afraid I'll have to be against meters."

"We're all trying to do the best we can" answered the mayor "and if we make a decision and find we are wrong, it's right to change. That's one main advantage in a democracy, the privilege of changing one's mind."

## Roshier, Bennett Delegates To Convention of Firemen

A two man delegation from the Georgetown fire department, Herb Roshier and Harold Bennett, attended the annual convention of firemen at Waterdown on the city holiday week-end accompanied by another local fireman Clarence Carney. The four day convention consisted of lectures, exercises, and ladder demonstrations beneficial to the firemen. The annual convention picnic was held on the Sunday, and on Monday all took part in the parade.

Included in the program was a picture demonstration by the RCAF best methods of entering and making a rescue in the event of a plane crash. The National Off company assisted in the operation of extinguishing a building fire, and the Hamilton Fire Department demonstrated the use of various ladders.

As the convention was winding up, the delegates were treated to a picnic at the home of the RCAF best methods of entering and making a rescue in the event of a plane crash.