

# THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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FIRST SECTION

## LEGION NOTES

by Les Clark



Thursday night will be the first regular meeting of the fall semester for the Legion branch, and let's see a good turnout. A lot of important matters have come up this summer, and each member should be interested enough to attend. Rem: mior, tomorrow night, Thursday, September 24th. Let's see a real crowd on hand.

No doubt there will be passing reference to the proposed removal of the cenotaph tomorrow night. And as a matter of interest we checked back to see when the subject first came to the Legion notice.

Although at various times it was mentioned at both executive and general meetings, in the past fifteen years it was not until last fall when the matter really came to a head. At that time it came in for considerable discussion and it was decided at the general meeting to leave the matter in the hands of Fred Harrison as he was not only a member but was veterans' affairs chairman in the council. Fred agreed to this and immediately began a search for a better site. This continued until he came up with the present one. At a meeting this spring a committee was empowered to act in conjunction with council and the executive, and it was left to them to take such action as was deemed necessary. Several weeks ago, Councillor Harrison with members of council, gave a sketch of the proposed park and site to the Legion president, and he was asked to arrange a night suitable for the two bodies to inspect the site. This was carried out and the resultant decision was that both parties were happy, and council was given permission to go ahead. Since then the town fathers met, and unanimously agreed to carry out the proposal.

Frankly, we liked the old site, when the town was a sleepy little place, with not too much traffic on the highway. But it has become increasingly clear to anyone attending the annual Remembrance Day parade, that with the increased highway traffic, as well as the quadrupled size of the town, the cenotaph is becoming not only a traffic bottleneck, but a genuine hazard when traffic was rerouted during parade time. Add to that the flagrant use of the small piece of ground attached to it by children and family pets as a playground, as well as the use of the base as an impromptu seat at times, led us to the conclusion it would be better moved. Added to this is the fact that many of the veterans who parade are genuinely distressed by the long hill up Guelph Street.

As was mentioned before, while the present site had these drawbacks, to most of us it was still all right, but with the possibility of it being moved by council to a new and beautiful location, a short distance from the centre of town, where the parade starts on Mill St. at the Legion Hall, and a comparatively level march, combined to give an ideal setup.

We trust that the majority of people will see it in this light, and be as pleased about it as we are. We feel certain they will if they take the time and trouble to walk up and see the site.

Still speaking of Remembrance Day subjects, we think that it is about time that a certain resurgence of feeling for Remembrance Day, and its meaning, took place not only in Georgetown, but throughout the country. Today, with the war many years behind us, once again apathy and even indifference are beginning to crawl in. In the past few months we have seen in this country such sentiments as expressed by the national chamber of commerce, that Remembrance Day be discontinued as a day of Remembrance, and various boards of education have strongly urged that it be discontinued as a school holiday, as it meant a loss of a day's grant to the school. We have also seen the increasing reluctance of industry and management to allow men time off to take part in remembrance parades, and of course still greater drops in attendance, not only by the general public but by veterans themselves. This has led to a situation that cries for attention, and a situation that should be fought back and back by Legion members. Each member can do his part in this.

How? — It's easy, comrades, just make a promise right here and now to pay more respects to that day by attending, and further by having your family present as well. Then, and only then, have we the right to complain about the apparent indifference of the general public. When we put every cent in our branch at the Cenotaph, wherever its site may be.

### NEW RESIDENTS of Rockwood, Mr. and Mrs. Harry William Bonner, were married recently in Ashgrove United Church. The bride, Barbara Cunningham, a former member of the Georgetown public school staff, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Cunningham, R.R. 2. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bonner, Rockwood.

## WHAT COUNCIL DID

### APPEAL COURT DECISION COULD AFFECT LOCAL TAX STRUCTURE

A matter which would seriously affect Georgetown's tax structure came to council's attention Monday when Tony O'Byrne, chairman of the RC Separate School Board, drew attention to an Ontario Court of Appeals ruling as reported in a Toronto newspaper.

The ruling would exempt separate school supporters from debenture payments incurred for public schools before formation of the local board.

Asking what action council intended to take, Mr. O'Byrne was told by Mayor Armstrong that council is guided by the Public Schools Act which requires such payments, and until the Act has been amended, there is no authority to grant such exemptions.

"As a result of this ruling, I imagine there will soon be an amendment," said Mr. O'Byrne.

Last week, answering a letter from the board which stated that a share of the \$40 per cent which a subdivider may pay in lieu of maintaining the 60-40 industrial rate, council had agreed that the \$400 is allocated for public school costs and separate schools will not share in this.

At Monday's meeting Mr. O'Byrne questioned the position, but that an industry is empowered by law to allocate its taxes to separate schools if it wishes. It is an unfair assumption to say that an industrial assessment should go to public schools. He suggested that the first occupier of a house in a subdivision being built under the \$400 plan should be the determining factor in splitting the money.

## CARDS OF THANKS

**FEATHERSTONE** — In the midst of our sorrow we wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to our many relatives, friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy shown us in the loss of a dear wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Featherstone. We especially wish to thank Rev. J. G. Graham for his comforting words, the members of the Board of General Industries and Dealers for their worthy cause in her memory. Also the pallbearers, Rev. McNeil, A. Son, Charles, for their kind management of the service. — Ron and Sandra Featherstone, Elmer and Florence, Mary, and Jim.

**FARNER** — The family of Mrs. Charles E. Farner wish to express their sincere thanks to all who attended the funeral held in the First Baptist Church, and to the many messages of sympathy and acts of kindness in the loss of a dear mother.

**STAPLETON** — I would like to thank friends and neighbors for their acts of kindness and sympathy when I suffered the loss of my mother — Mrs. A. Stapleton.

## Vic Dixon President Intermediate Hockey

F. V. Dixon, R.R. 1, Norval, succeeded William F. Hunter as president of the Georgetown Intermediate hockey club last Tues. at an election of officers and general meeting in the Hunter real estate office on Guelph St. Art McAllister was returned as secretary-treasurer.

Named to the executive were F. Anderson, Mike Marko, Bob Lane, Bill Hunter, J. Staddon, and possibly Bill Myers and Fred (Tut) Harrison.

## Lucky Strike, Georgettes Lead in Bowling League

The second week of afternoon ladies bowling showed off the players in a better light than the opening games last week when a soaring temperature contrasted and probably played a part in the sub normal scores. With the better weather the teams seem to have found their level and the competition is again razor sharp.

The Lucky Strikes and Georgettes currently lead the pack with 12 points apiece while individual records tumbled under the weight of a 261 single by Laura Treble and a 258 by Joyce Miller. The order was reversed in the triples department where Mrs. Miller carded a 710 and Laura Treble registered a respectable 597.

The high single with handicap is a 300 by Mrs. Harry Shortill and the high triple with handicap an 803 by Mrs. Miller. Both these scores were chalked up in this week's games.

## LIMEHOUSE

**BAPTISM ON SUNDAY IN LIMEHOUSE CHURCH**

Rev. A. Calder baptized Christopher John, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Wilkinson at Sunday service in Limehouse Presbyterian Church. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Trevaill were godparents.

Mr. Mike Halovanic and his sister Miss Mary Halovanic, Sudbury visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rice a week or so ago.

The Harry Smethursts of Barrie and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smethurst of Islington visited Mrs. A. J. Smethurst on Sunday.

Mr. A. C. Bourne is home on holidays with his parents, Lt. Col. and Mrs. Bourne. He is in radio work at Vancouver.

The WA Ladies did very well financially with their booth at Action Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip G. Baden visited the James Nobles a week ago. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Beaton visited their parents near Meaford on Sunday.



The Community Centre coaching staff have attributed the recent triumph to the usually powerful banham soccer team to a streak of good fortune which was especially evident in Saturday's game at the park when Oakville Athletics topped to a 5-2 win in the opening game of the Oakville Cup playoffs. Prior to that the Banham team had won the face of a 5-0 triumph in the semi final place 5-0 in the last game of the regular season.

According to the coaches some of the Banham regulars have been disregarding instructions from the bench and occasionally such forgetfulness resulted in defeat. Oakville were superior to the Banham in almost every department, except goalkeeping where Buddy Laugelpe looked despite the score.

Practically a strong and at times polished team as witnessed by league off trial and soccer games in other towns some of the players in their recent behavior of the field have made themselves responsible and the management would welcome boys interested enough to follow the methods of training taught by expert coaches. Good members and respect leads to a good sportsmanship and the Community Centre aims at encouraging these qualities in its players.

The youngerAtoms have apparently learned the ropes in instructions to the letter and made it at their weekend their own responsibility to do well in the one team examples.

The Atoms have yet to play 3 times with Minto and one with Oakville in their quest for the Edmonds Cup which is still to be won. The Atoms will be in the spotlight again on the 29th of the month at the St. George's Anglican Church when they play against Minto. Kickoff time 3 p.m.

## WHAT COUNCIL DID

### Delrex Offers \$400 Lot Payment Release 1163 Remaining Properties

Release of 1163 building lots, all of the remaining residentially zoned property in Delrex subdivision, under the \$400-per lot payment plan recently added to the town building bylaw was asked Monday in a letter read to council by Delrex general manager Harold Baird.

"Delrex Development has already gone on record welcoming the town's recent action," the letter said. "We wish to apply for a revision of our original agreement to permit release of the remainder of our lots now on plans 720, 662 and 660 on similar terms."

The letter suggested that RI lots, which the company consider self-liquidating, be released without deposit. A further suggestion was that, with the town's commitment to supply a pumping station and services on Guelph Street and Mountainview Road perhaps presenting financial difficulties, the Delrex firm would relieve the town of this financing burden by installing these, as and when re-

quired, and be permitted to apply the cost against the required deposits per lot."

Mr. Baird explained that 345 of the 1163 lots contained in the request are in the RI area. He estimated that it might cost \$175,000 for the pump station and Mountainview - Guelph services.

During a question period, Cr. Hyde argued that Delrex was turning its back on an original agreement which calls for a 40 per cent industrial-commercial ratio before further house building is permitted.

"We've admitted frankly that this ratio can't be lived up to in the foreseeable future," answered Mr. Baird.

Cr. John Elliott asked if Delrex isn't obligated to provide a sewer link between a "lagoon" being temporarily used to serve the eastern area of the subdivision and the new disposal plant.

Mr. Baird answered that his company does not believe its agree-

ment with the town so obligates it.

Asking if it necessary to have all the lots released at one time, Cr. Elliott was told that if Delrex assumes the cost of \$175,000 in services, the firm must have a free hand to build.

Cr. Fred Harrison asked for details about last year's agreement by which, for releasing land for 586 houses, Delrex agreed to pay the extra money which the town would receive in taxes by maintaining the 60-40 ratio.

Mr. Baird explained that not so many houses had been built as planned in 1958, and payment had been \$400. This year, he estimated there will be a \$25,000 payment at the present rate of building. To date, 350 houses have been built under this agreement, he said.

The Delrex request was turned over to council's industrial and planning committee for consideration and discussion at a further meeting.

## Graduates in Nursing at Guelph General Hospital

Gail King, daughter of Mrs. William King and the late William King, 55 Market Street, graduated from the school of nursing at the Guelph General Hospital on Wednesday, September 16th in the largest graduating class of the Guelph General Hospital School for Nurses since its establishment in 1888. The nurses received their coveted pins and diplomas in an impressive ceremony in War Memorial Hall, Ontario Agricultural College. Shortly after 3 p.m. the 28 young ladies in crisp white uniforms filed solemnly into the auditorium preceded by their fellow students and the staff of the school. The girls, comprised the 71st graduating class from the school and the second class to graduate from the new school and residence.



Fred M. Moore, vice chairman of the board of commissioners, was chairman for the graduation. He paid tribute to the girls who had dedicated their lives to helping others and congratulated them on their success. In his remarks he urged them to carry on the tradition of the Guelph General Hospital.

Miss David Hastings, attended the graduation in behalf of the Guelph Board of Commissioners. The medical staff was extended by Dr. H. M. Raffan, formerly of West Toronto.

Mrs. King entertained for her daughter's family dinner party at the Guelph Hotel. Following the graduation and prior to the graduation ceremony at the Royal Hotel, Guelph. The last party held on September 12th was at Parkside Gardens, Guelph.

Mrs. King Mrs. Clarence Beaton and Mrs. Norman Kesteven, attended the mother and daughter tea at the Nurses' mess hall on Thursday, September 17th.

Mr. Thomas Martin, Toronto, attended the father and daughter banquet with his three girls.

## Resident 36 Years Returns to England

After 36 years in Georgetown, Mr. Thomas Martin, Toronto, is returning to England where he will be a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Mr. Martin was a member of the First World War and a member of the Ontario Volunteer Guard during the second world war.

With the exception of the years in which he served in the military, Mr. Martin has worked at Smith and Sons Ltd. and has been in Georgetown since he was born. Mr. and Mrs. Jack and Mrs. Bert Weeks at McLeod Street.

## HERALD SWITCHES TO THURSDAY PUBLICATION

Today marks the last time the Herald will be issued on Wednesday.

Effective next issue, the paper will be issued Thursday noon each week. It will be on sale at news stands and available for office pickup at that time. Mail subscribers will receive their copies on their Friday mail.

Next week's Herald will change to an 8-column format, with a

narrower column width. Because of the technical work involved, this issue, the last to be printed on our present newspaper press, is somewhat abbreviated in both news and advertising content. We apologize to those whose ads could not be accepted, and for several important news items which had to be held until next week.

## - SOCIAL & PERSONAL -

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ieam, Queen Street, have just returned from a holiday at Sharbot Lake where they have a cottage.

Mrs. J. Wilson of London, and Mrs. E. Richardson, Aylmer, visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fisher, R.R. 3, Georgetown.

Dick Crichton, a member of the engineering staff of Varian Associates, left by plane on Sunday from Milton on a business trip to the firm's head office in Palo Alto, California.

Mrs. Jack Whitney, 12 Tiers Ave. has returned from two months vacation spent with her son and daughter in law, Mr. and Mrs. William Whitney and their son David and her sister Mrs. Vera Heat St. Petersburg, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Thumsett, Ealing, London, England, have been visiting with their daughter and son in law Mr. and Mrs. Robert White, 12 Young Street, while here they have travelled to North Bay, Sudbury, a group in Park and toured the Manitowish Island, returning by ferry to Tobougan.

Mrs. Frank Dewhurst and her daughter Beverly, and son Roger of Jacksonville, Florida, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. So Dewhurst, Victoria Avenue, recently. They brought back Keith Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Wood, College Street, who has been visiting with them in Jack Middle for the past month.

Guests with Mr. and Mrs. Sara and Phillip, 2 John St. East, are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Haycock, Redwood, Nova Scotia, who have been here for two weeks, and her sister Mrs. J. A. Kinsman and her son, Dale, of Edmonton, Alberta. They will visit until the end of the month prior to moving to Kingston.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Beaumont, 8 Ostrander Blvd. were in Kitchener over the weekend attending the marriage of the latter's brother Mr. Allen Thompson to Miss Peggy Salzman. Mr. Beaumont acted as the groomsmen for his brother-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Mendham, 10 Rexway Drive, had a very interesting guest visiting with them last week, Kam Wong from Hong Kong, China. Mr. Kam is attending University in Montreal and expects to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Mendham in the Christmas holidays.

Miss Jean Kitchin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Kitchin who recently moved to Trenton, returned to Georgetown last week. Jean visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Young and Rosemary, 10 Campbell Gate, and attended the Stratford Festival with Rosemary and many other high school students.

Visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Cromar, 51 Maple Ave. on Sunday were Rev. John Murray and Mrs. Murray, Collieston, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Elphinstone, West Orange, New Jersey. Mr. Murray is minister of the Presbyterian Church at Collieston where Mr. Cromar's great-grandfather was a member before emigrating to Canada in 1836.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Mrs. Bert Colman, 18 Edward Street, and Mr. Paul Charter, Montreal, announce the engagement of their granddaughter and daughter, Joan Charter, Georgetown, to James Payne, Brampton, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Payne, Brampton. The marriage will take place on Saturday, October 17th, 1959, at three o'clock in Knox Presbyterian Church, Georgetown.

## YOU ARE INVITED

### Inauguration Ceremony OF LETTER CARRIER SERVICE MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 9.30 a.m.

AT THE POST OFFICE

SIGNIFARIES ATTENDING INCLUDE: Senior Postmaster, Mr. J. H. Armstrong, W. Pearson, regional director, R. W. Bell, district manager and J. P. McEwen, area superintendent of postal services.

Mail service to a 100,000 general delivery and group boxes will be discontinued this Saturday. Patrons are urged to take all their mail to the post office before morning for their mail in order that there will be no postal backlog when the carrier starts his rounds on Monday.