



## CROWN STARDUST QUEEN

**KAREN NORTON**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Norton, was crowned Stardust Queen, after students attending the Stardust Ball on Friday chose her for the honour. Karen, who is head girl at GHS this year, was crowned by last year's queen, Carolyn Biehn (left), now a student at University of Western Ont.

Photo by Peter Jones.

## Mutual Aid Firemen Plan Farm Fire Prevention

### Seek To Cut Barn Fire Loss

A blitz campaign against mounting fire losses in rural Halton County was launched this week by the county's Fire Prevention Bureau. Meeting in Milton, the Bureau composed of firemen from Halton's nine brigades and other interested citizens announced a far-reaching program to emphasize the need for fire safety to all Halton farmers.

"We've had a lot of bad barn fires, and I think we could accomplish a lot if we encouraged the farmers to take more precaution around barns, houses and outbuildings," said Trafalgar fireman Bert Croll. A committee of Mr. Croll, Milton Fire Chief A. E. Clement and Trafalgar fireman Don Cherington was set up to form a unit of Bureau speakers for farm forums, 4-H clubs and other farm organizations. New literature aimed at reducing farm fire losses was also being studied.

Studying fire prevention material for school children, it was suggested the Bureau adopt a prize system similar to one used in Milton last year. Classrooms in each school would receive a banner for the best effort in a home fire inspection contest.

Oakville Fire Chief Doug Wil-

son was given authorization to investigate prices on printing, spring cleanup week promotion material. A slight balance in the bank from 1960 was designated toward the spring cleanup campaign.

Chief Wilson announced he would be attending the next meeting of Halton County Council, to submit a report of the brigade's activities during 1960. The Bureau is financed through the annual county donation, and memberships from the various fire brigades.

The Bureau received a letter of commendation from Oakville Council, congratulating the force on winning an honorable mention in the recent National Fire Prevention Association competition.

### ATTENDS CONVENTION

Jack Runham, a representative of the Metropolitan Life Company in Georgetown, has been named official delegate of the Brampton Life Underwriters Association to the 54th Annual General Meeting of the Life Underwriters Association of Canada.

The meeting took place February 15-17, 1961 at Toronto. Delegates from 75 other communities were in attendance.

Mr. Runham was accompanied to Toronto by Carl Ingebertson, a representative of the Mutual Life in Brampton.

## Signs Of Spring

Spring has her foot in the door if tip-offs passed on by local residents mean anything.

Mrs. Robert Chisholm of 10 Gower Court reports that her tulips and crocus are up, and Mrs. Reg Carcaud of 21 Baisrow Crescent says north-bound crows made a temporary stop in her backyard.

Just the same, as former editor Joe Moore would say: "Better leave 'em on."

## Probation Officer Is Kinette Speaker

The probation officer for Halton County, Mr. Vivien, was a speaker at a recent meeting of the Georgetown Kinettes.

Mr. Vivien addressed the ladies group on Monday, February 13th and related the work of his department.

A Valentine dance was the gala affair held by the Kinettes the following night. Several dancers won novelty prizes and a Special of the Month draw made by Dick Licata was won by Mrs. E. J. Bragg of 233 Delrex Blvd.

The recipient of many gifts was Miss Marilyn Heslop who won the door draw to be named Miss Valentine.

# Library Renovations Needed Estimate Cost at \$16,000

## H. Mowat, Guest Speaker At Business Women's Club

The Business and Professional Women's Club have been very fortunate in getting Herbert Mowat to speak to them at the meeting on Monday evening, February 27. Mr. Mowat is a most vital and interesting speaker being sent to the club Speakers Bureau. His career has been a most important one through the United Nations

## Pupils Choose Karen Norton Stardust Queen

There was a touch of spring in the air at Georgetown High School on Friday. GHS's annual Stardust Ball was the cause and it was indeed a successful evening with an attendance of some 130 people.

The gymnasium looked like a garden in the moonlight after many days of hard work on the part of the Grade 13 students. Cheesecloth was draped across the room from the balcony to the other side of the gym, and silver stars which hung from it sparkled as they turned. On the far wall was a huge silver star reflecting the red spotlight. A miniature wishing well stood in the centre and the main entrance was wreathed with very real-looking home-made carnations and evergreen boughs. There was a single trellis on every door in the gym with carnations strung realistically over it. Potted plants stood at its base, on a tiny carpet of green grass.

A large mobile star hanging from the sky completed the scene and the whole effect was most successful.

The Modern Aires played for dancing and Sandra Sproule sang a few selections with the band. Those who didn't care to dance retired to tables around the floor to enjoy punch and cookies, courtesy of the senior grade girls. The garden idea was continued with the table centres of yellow daffodils.

Later in the evening after votes were cast, Karen Norton was elected Stardust Queen. Last year's queen, Carolyn Biehn, crowned her with a sparkling tiara and presented her with a bouquet of red roses.

Dancing continued until 1.00 p.m. when a few waltzes ended an enjoyable and memorable evening.

## Nine Churches Share World Prayer Service

World Day of Prayer service which was held in First Baptist Church, Georgetown, on Friday afternoon, Feb. 17th was well attended. Mrs. R. Corbett presided and Mrs. W. F. Thompson was pianist. Ladies from nine churches in town participated in the service.

This year the service was prepared by the Central Day of Prayer committee of the U.S. The theme was "Forward Through the Ages in Unbroken Line." Mrs. J. McClure was soloist and sang Lord Let Me Live Today. Mrs. Ian Fleming gave the address.

In part Mrs. Fleming spoke on "Progress of the World." She stated we have progressed economically, socially, morally and ethically but there is as much evil pressing the human soul today as ever. It is still the battle of the individual soul to choose between right and wrong.

But Christians are often as depressed as any unbeliever. We give way to gloomy apprehension wondering why life is so difficult for the magnitude and complexity besieges us as Christians. We must never be so lost in this maze of despair that we forget the majesty of our Master. Tracing the call of God in the Old Testament she brought in Christ's words and those of St. Paul BUT NOW... we have God revealed to the Lord Jesus Christ. The solution is not lateral but vertical.

In 1961 the service is being used in more than one hundred countries, translated into countless languages, drawing together a multitude of Christians who are using the same theme.

## Car, Truck Collision Cause Minor Damage

Damage was minor when a light GMC truck and a 1954 Ford met in a rear end collision on Cross St. Saturday.

According to police the truck was being driven east on Cross by Barbara Ann Rowbottom of Acton when a car proceeding in the opposite direction on the narrow street, made it necessary for Mrs. Rowbottom to come to a stop before proceeding further.

When she started to pull away again the truck rolled back slightly colliding with the Ford which was being driven by Jean Alberta Ingles of Delrex Blvd. It was also stopped behind the truck.

Cpl. Jim Bilsborrow, who made the investigation, said the road was icy at the time.

The estimated damage was \$75 to the Ingles car.

## Former Manager At Provincial Mill

Manager at Provincial Paper Ltd. until he retired in 1945, Robert Buckland Foulis died suddenly at his home in Brampton on Sunday.

Burial took place in Greenwood Cemetery here on Wednesday, following funeral service at the David A. McClure Funeral Home in Brampton.

Mr. Foulis leaves his wife and two sons, Jack of Toronto and Roy of Montreal.

## Board Would Seek Winter Works Help

A needed improvement program at the public library, estimated to cost \$16,000 was outlined by library board members Mrs. George Hewson and Thomas Van Sicker to council on Monday.

"We've done the best we can with our budget but we do not offer the public the facilities that other towns our size do," said Mrs. Hewson.

The board wants more books, and a renovated basement as well as improvements in the main library rooms. Other libraries, she explained, have their capital costs met by the town, but in Georgetown the local board has financed these from its yearly grants.

She read excerpts from a letter from Miss Smith, a library inspector, pointing out that Georgetown does not give the service to children that it should.

That the library is popular is shown in statistics — 42,000 books issued last year, and a membership of 4761.

The board expects to have a surplus of \$3,000 which could be used for capital improvements. Mrs. Hewson said, and she wondered if a Winter Works program could not be used to make the improvements. An estimated 50% of the improvements would be labour cost, for which senior governments pay 75%.

Mayor Hyde explained that processing of winter works programs takes over a month and that there would be slight chance of embarking on any program which could be completed by the April 30th deadline.

"Perhaps it would be wise to plan ahead for next fall," he remarked, saying council would discuss the request immediately.

Answering a request to remove a fence which the town claims blocks a town road allowance, Bruce Williamson replied by letter that when he purchased the property he understood that a private laneway had never been used as a public road and he is within his rights.

Council decided to abide by the town solicitor's opinion that it is a road allowance and will stand by its decision to order the fence removed.

"Disgusting and deplorable" was the description of Delrex roads by Harrison Wood, 22 Baisrow Crescent, who called for action on a problem which he said he had been bringing to council for four years.

Storm sewers are inadequate, money spent has been wasted, and the spring break-up will make things worse, he claimed.

"Delrex residents deserve better treatment. It would be better to have any industry that looked at our roads," he said, suggesting the town engineers make a survey. He added that he was putting no blame on former road chairman Walter Gray, who had done the best he could with available finances.

Reeve Sargent, this year's road chairman, said money is still the important factor in road work and that water is the big problem in the subdivision.

"I'll make no promises at this stage, except to say that we will do everything we can to improve roads," he said.

## "READING PROBLEM" TOPIC AT GLEN HOME & SCHOOL

"What is the educational publisher doing about the reading problem?"

That was the enquiring topic taken by Jack Millburg when he spoke to the members of the Glen Williams Home and School Association at their regular monthly meeting last Tuesday. Mr. Millburg was introduced and thanked for his address by the association president, Desmond Earl.

The other officers are: vice president, Mrs. Les Smith; secretary, Mrs. R. Guest; and treasurer, Mrs. Tom Haines. Lunch was served at the meeting's conclusion. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 14th.

## Hospital Administrator Takes Over Local Position

H. Graham Gilhooly, who will be business administrator of Georgetown's new hospital, has arrived in town to commence his new job. Temporary office accommodation has been provided in the Delrex Development building until the hospital is read through the kindness of the Delrex firm.

Mr. Gilhooly is a native of Waldron, Saskatchewan, attended high school in Semans and joined the army in 1935. He went overseas in 1939, returned to Canada in 1942 where he was commissioned, then returned to overseas duty with the 1st Dorset Regiment of the British army. Wounded in action, he was in hospital in England and Canada for two years.

In 1946 he joined the federal civil service and served with the post office and the National Employment Service in Nelson and Kamloops, B.C. He entered hospital work in a British Columbia TB hospital in 1950, studied hospital administration in an extension course from the University of Toronto and after a year as administrator of the Lady Minto Hospital at Cochrane, he became business administrator of the 200-bed Cornwall General Hospital two years ago. He left his position there to assume the new Georgetown post.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilhooly and their daughter Dorothy, 8 1/2, are living at 30 Sargent Road. A son Graham is remaining in Cornwall to complete his Grade 12 studies there before joining them later this year. They have two other daughters, Charmaine, who is taking nursing training at Prince Albert, Sask. and Mrs. John Lee of Toronto. Mrs. Gilhooly is the former Missie Chlan of Goodenau, Sask.

## Little Theatre Plans Two Nights

This Friday and Saturday nights, the Georgetown Little Theatre will present their first production "Dirty Work at the Crossroads" by Bill Johnson. The play is a classic melodrama and has been enjoyed in Britain, the U.S.A. and Canada for many years.

The Little Theatre is a newly formed local adult group, open to anyone seriously interested in dramatic work.

This venture has been financed from the member's own pockets. They are counting on a good attendance to show that Georgetown is interested in the theatre, and are planning a varied fare of plays in the future. There are many interesting plays available to a small drama group, both entertaining and educational, and the future plans of the Little Theatre members are enthusiastic.

If support is not received, the group, of course, will not be able to continue. Friday and Saturday will tell the tale. Will you be there?



MRS. ASTERBILT (Norma O'Shea) the wealthy society dowager warns her daughter Leonie (Mrs. Pat Barkhouse) about the perils of false love, while unknown to her the villain Murio Murgelroyd (Bruce Mackison) looks over her shoulder.

## Expect Tax Rate Draft Within Next Two Weeks

Forecasting an early striking of the 1961 tax rate, finance chairman John Elliott told council Monday he expected to have a draft budget ready within two weeks.

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## Avian Tests Favourable

Word from Kitchener where the Avian 2-180 is undergoing taxing tests is nothing but favourable.

A company spokesman said earlier this week that the gyroplane is performing as expected in each successive test and is even ahead of schedule. He said a flight announcement is imminent.

## Mrs. Harris Key Woman Prayer Day Service

There was an excellent attendance at the Women's World Day of Prayer held in St. John's Church, Stewarttown on Friday February 17 at 2 p.m. Mrs. Robert Harris was the Key Woman and many more of the ladies of the community took part in the service, reading the prayers and parts of the service.

Those taking part were: Mrs. C. A. Grant, Mrs. J. Sanford, Mrs. L. DeVries, Mrs. Hector Bird, Mrs. T. H. Briggs, Mrs. Herb Reid, Mrs. John Bird, Mrs. Fred Armstrong, Mrs. Reg. Williams was organist. Mrs. Robert Lawson gave an excellent address and Mrs. Francis Thompson sang a beautiful solo accompanied by Mrs. J. R. Williams. Mrs. David Barclay and Mrs. William Humphreys received and presented the offering. Nursery care was provided in the basement of the church for the younger children.

After the service the committee for 1962 was arranged with Mrs. John Bird the Key Woman, and a representative from each religious denomination.

Speaking for Georgetown Girls Pipe Band, Jean Penrice asked for \$350 in assistance to help purchase uniforms and equipment. The band has four new members, she said, and it costs about \$200 to outfit each girl.

"We're committed to several summer engagements and we want to put on as good a show as possible," said Miss Penrice, who pointed out that the band has received some town assistance for two years.

The recreation committee was left with the request.

Later in the meeting, Cr. Jim Brown reported that his committee has been studying a request for a grant for the new Georgetown Citizens Pipe Band and could find no evidence that this is any part of the band for which Georgetown voted a \$1500 yearly grant some years ago.

"I can't recommend they get any part of this grant," he said.

Mayor Hyde thought that if the new pipe band is chartered as a citizens band, they could be eligible for part of the grant and that the opinion of the



**BEST PUBLIC SPEAKER**  
YOLANDA GOUDEKTING holds the trophy she won as best of ten public school pupils who competed in a speaking contest. Legion president David Capperault, whose organization provided the trophies, is also presenting a school trophy to William Kinrade (left) principal of Wrigglesworth School where Yolanda is a Grade 8 student.

**SOCIAL and PERSONAL**  
Mr. and Mrs. William McNally, 22 Market St., and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McNally, 37 Market St., left on Friday for a three-week motor trip south. They intend to stay at Daytona Beach and St. Petersburg, Florida.

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