

# Georgetown Herald

A THOMSON NEWSPAPERS LIMITED PUBLICATION  
Serving the communities of Georgetown, Glen Williams, Norval,  
Linehouse, Hornby, Stewartstown, Bellinfield, Ashgrove, Terra Cotta.

PAGE 4 THURSDAY, JULY 27th, 1961

## + EDITORIAL COMMENT +

### Request Proves Puzzling

A request for different store hours which could throw Georgetown's closing by-law into a cocked hat provides a puzzler for the town council.

Particularly so when it is difficult to determine into what category of store the Zeller's chain falls . . . and when the store has no firm commitment to locate here.

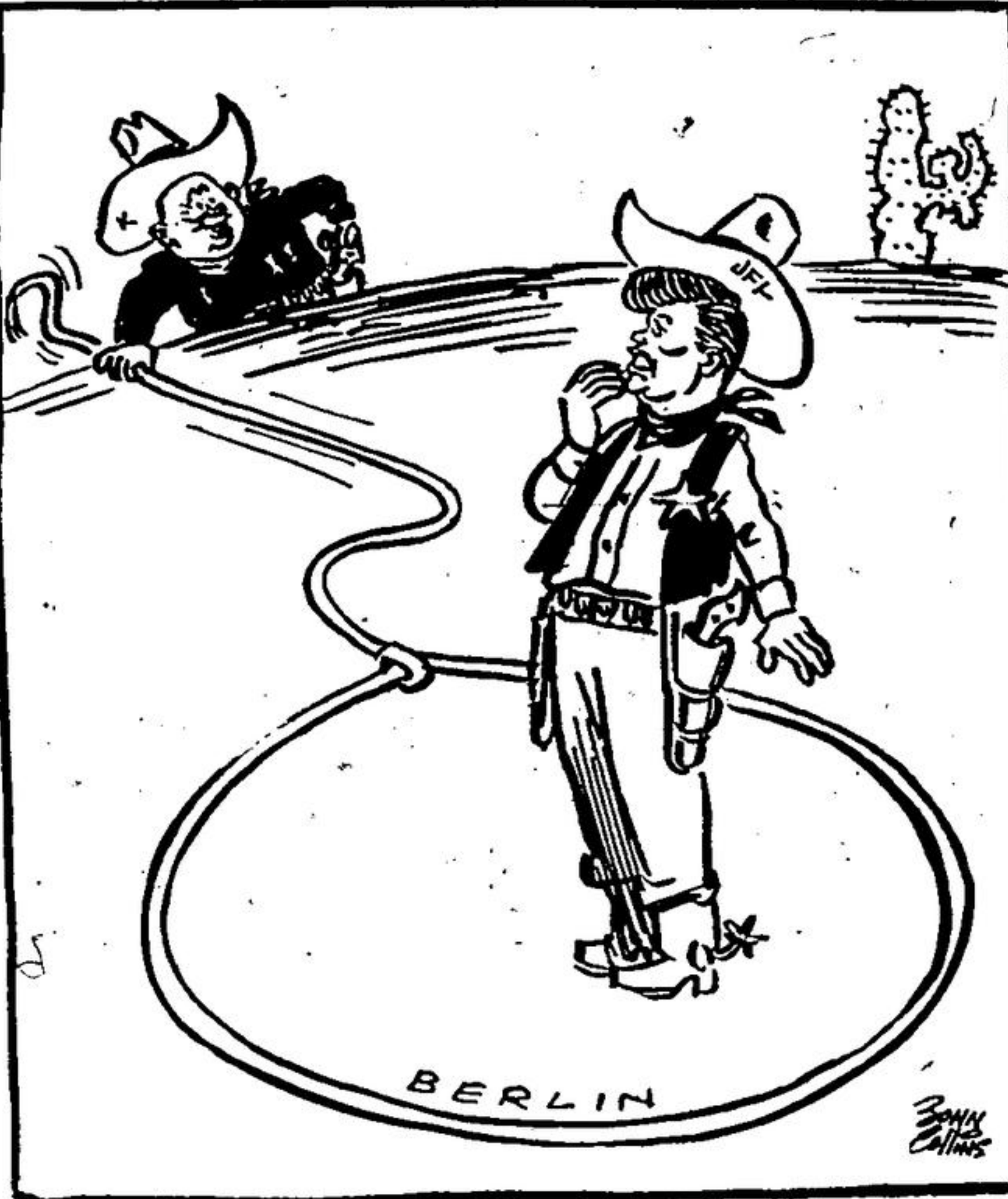
The matter came before council in a letter from Zellers which said a Georgetown location is being considered, but the firm will enter a community only if it has assurance that it can operate six days and two nights weekly.

At present, the town closing by-law allows different categories of merchants to set their own hours within the framework of a by-law. Most groups have adopted the closed all day Monday and open Friday until 9:00 policy. A few, bakeries, fruit stores and auto appliance stores, for example, are not restricted to

the Monday closing. Some, like drug stores, are not bound by any closing law at all. But in general, Georgetown is known as a Monday-closed day.

As far as we know, there have been no formal discussions about any change in the by-law. The matter has never come before the Chamber of Commerce which is the only over-all body that might concern itself with such a matter. Downtown merchants have their own association and the market centre another. And on occasion, merchants in Georgeview plaza have co-operated in promotion plans of their own, though we do not believe they have any formal organization.

Should the matter come to the point of an opinion survey among merchants, perhaps the Chamber of Commerce would be the logical group to conduct this, and serve as an impartial fact-finding group which could give some guidance to council in their decisions.



OLD TRICKS ON THE NEW FRONTIER

### Watson Back Again

Wrestling fans will have another first-hand look at one of Canada's all-time greats of the wrestling world when Whipper Billy Watson returns tonight for another match.

This time Watson is pitted against Stan Stasiak and has put his British Empire heavyweight title up for the challenger.

It is the main event of the evening, which also includes a tag team event with four popular midgets, Little Beaver and Dandy Andy Mooré versus Fuzzy Cupid and Billy the Kid.

Wrestling proved popular in its debut a few weeks ago when an allstar show at

the park attracted a good crowd but not good enough to be a profitable venture for promoters Sam Yanaky and Bob Burke.

We hope all those fans and more as well will be at the Thursday show which has been moved to the arena. This is a chance for the people who moan "There's nothing to do in Georgetown," to prove whether they really want high class entertainment brought to town, or whether they are just talking.

Certainly, there has to be some profit if such features as wrestling are to become part of the local entertainment scene, and the only profit possible is for a bumper crowd to attend.

### Lawns are Town Show-Window

During a few weekend trips to the beach in the summer, we pass through a number of northern towns. And one thing always strikes us — the well-kept lawns in such communities as Harrison, Walkerton, Hanover and Chesley, to name only a few.

Residents there seem to take extra pride in their properties, including that fringe between the sidewalk and pavement which actually belongs to the town, but is really the responsibility of the home owner to maintain.

In Georgetown, for some reason, the story is otherwise, and too often a man who spends hours making his property a

beauty spot, will ignore that pavement-strip which, to us, provides the frame for the picture.

Now we don't meant to infer the Georgetown residents are sloppy housekeepers.

There are just as many well-kept homes here as in any other town, just as many fine flower gardens and just as many hours spent with lawn mower and pruning shears, we wager.

But the picture frame is important too, and we hope more people will start to include the boulevards in their landscaping plans. It's one extra little touch that impresses a traveller.

### THE DISTRICT at a Glance

#### BURLINGTON

Farmers are well done in Burlington, stated town assessment commissioner, Ernest R. Williams, at the town's finance committee meeting. The commissioner pointed out that the large and in some cases, very fine homes in the rural areas of Burlington are mainly responsible for making taxes seem high.

#### AURORA

Heaviest week-end traffic in recent years filled Yonge St. through Aurora on Sunday evening, reminding citizens of the pre-highway 400 days when traffic used to jam the town. Paving work at the south end of Yonge Street was blamed for the tie-up.

#### ERIN

At a meeting of the Erin district High School Board last week a proposed two or three classroom addition was discussed with architects, Barnett and Borden who drew up the plans for the Georgetown technical wing.

#### ORANGEVILLE

A D7 bulldozer being used in the construction of No. 9 Highway disappeared in the mud near Orangeville last Tuesday. The 25-ton machine slid into a hole which had been dug by the construction outfit to obtain more water.

#### BRAMPTON

A by-pass for Highway 10 around Brampton is not necessary, at least at the present, according to the department of highways. They said a survey showed only one of every five vehicles going into town wanted to miss Brampton.

#### OAKVILLE

Several hundred firefighters from many parts of Ontario will converge on Oakville on the Civic Holiday week-end of Aug. 4-7, for the 60th annual convention of the Ontario Firemen's Association. Oakville has not hosted the assembly since 1936.

#### TRAFALGAR

Dogs are still in the news. Last week Trafalgar council received a letter from Robert F. Hardy complaining about the lack of restrictions governing the operation of a dog kennel, especially the issuance of kennel licenses in the township. He said almost everyone could be granted a license.

#### MILTON

One of the biggest ski hills in this part of the country will open near Milton beginning this winter. Spokesman for the three-man partnership, George Davis, revealed plans for the proposed Glen Eden ski resort near the Kelso Dam. The hill is about 267 feet high.

#### NASSAGAWEYA

Nassagaweya council decided to seek permission to hold a vote of township citizens in September seeking opinions on five questions. The list includes the sale of liquor, wine and beer in dining rooms and lounges.

#### STREETSVILLE

Two Streetsville Public School trustees, Harold Heathcock and Ken Honsberger, submitted their resignations over the controversial Kindergarten issue. Both men had been strongly opposed to the board's taking over of Kindergarten which last year had been privately managed.

#### FERGUS

A historical plaque commemorating the founder of Elora, Captain William Gilkison, has been unveiled there. The plaque is one of the series erected throughout the province by the Department of Travel and Publicity, acting on the advice of the Archaeological and Historic Sites Board of Ontario.

#### THE DATE BOOK

July 16, 1821, Mary Baker Eddy, founder of Christian Science Church, born; July 16, 1945 (16 years ago) first atomic explosion took place at Alamogordo, New Mexico; July 18, 1955 (six years ago) President Eisenhower atten-

ded big power summit meeting at Geneva; July 21, 1921 (40 years ago), Gen. Billy Mitchell proved that aerial bombs could sink a battleship in demonstration at Hampton Roads; July 21, 1861 (100 years ago), Union Army was trounced by the Confederates at Bull Run, Va., in first major engagement of the Civil War.

July 23-39, National Farm Safety Week; July 23, 1886 (75 years ago), Steve Brodie jumped off Brooklyn Bridge; July 25, 1909 (52 years ago) Louis Bleriot made first airplane flight across English Channel; July 26, 1856 (105 years ago), George Bernard Shaw born; July 27, 1866 (95 years ago) laying of first telegraph cable across Atlantic Ocean was completed; July 27, 1953 (eight years ago) Armistice ended Korean fighting; July 28, 1914 (47 years ago) World War I began when Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia; July 29, 1883 (78 years ago) Italian Dictator, Benito Mussolini born.

## SUGAR and SPICE

By Bill Smiley

I'm living a kind of crazy, mixed-up life these days. On the surface, it's sensible enough. I go to lectures and study hard all week. On weekends, I go home for a couple of restful refreshing days with my family.

Theoretically, that's the picture. I slog around all week in the city heat. I labor long and late over my books. I'm lonely and frustrated. Then, on Friday afternoon, limp, exhausted and red-eyed, I head for the cool north country, where I lie in a long chair, sip a long, cool drink, and recoup my strength for another harrowing week.

But it isn't like that at all. It's just the opposite. Down here I live with the peaceful precision of a monk. I saunter into the shady streets in the evening, and listen to the muted squeal of tires. I read all night if I want to. I eat when I am hungry. I smoke 80 fags a day if I damn-well feel like it.

Despite the fact that they're building a subway a hundred yards away, I can step out into the quadrangle of the college of an evening, and enter a world of medieval tranquility. I can have a shower at any hour without a child hammering on the bathroom door, the minute I get wet. I can step out of my trousers and kick them into a corner if I want to.

I can smoke in bed if I wish. I can sit around stark, staring, naked, as I am at the moment. I can drop across the hall in half an hour and enjoy a rye and tap-water aperitif with another gray-thatched refugee from domesticity and exchange with him lies about how much money we gave up to go into teaching.

No, it isn't this end of the stick that's turning me into a gaunt and haggard creature who is one massive twitch. It's that week-end shift that makes me so shaky I can't eat soup without sprinkling it all over my shirt.

First, when I get home, I have to run the gauntlet of a brief, penetrating interrogation by the Old Battleaxe. Somehow she has got it into her head that I'm having a wild fling down here in the city. Ever since we were married she has been convinced that the moment I escape her vigilance I begin to drink furiously, dash from one night club to another, and acquire mistresses right and left.

How I'm supposed to accomplish these bacchanalian orgies on the \$2.80 I have for spending money after paying my room and board, she doesn't explain. But she still thinks of me as the gay, dashing dog she first met, 15 years ago, and refuses to see the gray old wolf, most of his fangs gone, who sits across the kitchen table, assuring her, with some indignation, that such a thing never entered his mind.

After she has checked on my morals, the duet begins. Her

soprano carries the melody: the kids are driving her crazy, the car is full of rattles, the lawn is burned to a crisp, and there are hordes of visitors about to descend. My croaky baritone plays the accompaniment; the course is impossibly hard, I'm working like a dog, the city is an inferno, and I'm sick of restaurant meals.

This ancient chant, as familiar and fascinating as ever, carries on far into the night, over countless pots of tea, coffee or anything else that's handy and we totter off to bed, awash, about 3 a.m.

I have scarcely closed my eyes when one of the kids is shaking me vigorously and asking "What time are we going swimming, Dad?" It is 8 a.m. Somewhere or other, they have picked up the notion that my entire week-end is to be devoted to togetherness. And somehow or other, that's about the way it turns out.

By Sunday night I look and feel like a sales manager who has been entertaining a couple of out of town clients. I'm sunburned again, there isn't a cold beer left in the house and I've been on a 36-hour treadmill of swimming, bowling, trampolining and cook-outs.

Around ten that night the clients are draped on their beds like a couple of wet towels, the Old Girl is yawning wildly and the cat, who is pregnant, by the way, is bedded down for the night. It is time for Dad to start his Latin homework so he can get it done by 1.30, so he can get up at 5.30, so he can drive back to the city for an 8 o'clock lecture.

I'm not complaining, mind you. But compared to the monotony of my scholarly, leisurely week the week-end at home is about as restful as eating lunch off a moving conveyor belt with one hand, while pulling on your trousers with the other.

#### THE MAIL BAG

**Thanks For Help At Rummage Sale**  
133 Raylaw Crescent  
July 15th, 1961

Dear Sir:  
May I through your newspaper express my thanks and also the gratitude of the Georgetown East Ratepayers Association for the help that we received for our last rummage sale.

Thanks to all the people who contributed clothing, etc., to all those who collected, those who bought and to Delrex Developments for use of the building. Clothing that was left was turned over to the Salvation Army.

Yours truly,  
Jack Critchlow

#### WORDS OF THE WISE

I am only one, but still I am one I cannot do everything, but still I can do something.  
—Edward Everett Hale.

## ECHOES

ersaulted and came up with the ball for the third out.  
From the Pages of The Herald July 25, 1951, and July 29, 1956

**10 YEARS AGO**

- An address and presentation given by Ross Forbes, principal of Cambridge Public School, in honour of Dr. Arthur McAllister, Georgetown, highlighted the McAllister clan gathering at Bayfield recently.

- The Internationally famous Dr. Zomb will be visiting Georgetown next week with his stage show "The Science of Wonders." The famous Dr. Zomb will bring to the audience (it says here), living - dead revelations, esoteric rites and secrets, wonders of the naked mind, voodoo trance practices and humans turned into Zombies.

- Congratulations are in order to Mrs. William Sharpe who was 92 on July 12th. Mrs. Sharpe has been a Glen Williams resident for about thirty years. She lives with her daughter Mrs. George Foster.

**25 YEARS AGO**

- Georgetown will celebrate its Centennial next year. An old boys and girls reunion would be in order then, says editor Joe Moore.

- An early morning alarm brought farmers in the 8th Line district south of town to the aid of Rufus Reid and his daughter Louise Reid about 3 o'clock Sunday morning. A fire destroyed their big barn and season's crop.

- After a number of businesses and other places in town including Maple Leaf Dairy, Tyers Creamery, Georgetown Flour Mill and Holy Cross Church, had been broken into, a number of our young boys have been rounded up by Chief Marshall.

- At the Gregory Theatre: Show Them No Mercy, starring Rochelle Hudson; Love on A Bet, starring Gene Mond; Small Town Girl, starring Janet Gaynor and Taylor.

## OTTAWA REPORT

BI-MONTHLY OBSERVATIONS BY SANDY BEST,  
M.P. FOR HALTON

The Government's list of legislation for the last few months has been impressive. Increased federal aid to the provinces for vocational and technical schools, a strong new policy on shipbuilding, legislation on loans for small business, increased veterans' pensions, a National Productivity Council, university residence construction loans, reduced down payments on houses, changes in capital punishment laws, railway dispute settlement, a new conservation program and numerous other measures have taken place since the session started.

In recent days, the Budget of Finance Minister Fleming has been of particular interest. I have had a good many businessmen in Halton County remark that they feel it will stimulate our export sales to a variety of countries where they have not been able to compete in recent years.

Other aspects such as removal of the 7 1/2% excise tax on cars have been championed by your Member, and municipal, union, and company officials in Oakville and Trafalgar. The report of the Royal Commission on the auto industry, by Professor Bladen, was made public the night of the budget. The excise tax removal was one of his suggestions, while the other include programs for specialization and export on the part of the Canadian industry. The report is being very carefully studied by the Government, and the car companies.

Other matters are of particular interest to specialized businessmen in our area. Remember the difficulty existing before. Most of the Parliamentary Committees are now completing their reports. The Broadcasting Committee seems to have attracted a good deal of attention, particularly its references to the CBC. The O'Leary Royal Commission Report on Publications has fanned heated debate on the subject of American publications coming into Canada. Canadian advertising, placed in over-runs of American magazines, means a difficult, competitive position for wholly Canadian publications.

### Georgetown Herald

Published by Thomson Newspapers Limited  
Georgetown, Ontario

Walter C. Blehn  
Managing Editor

Garfield McGilvray  
Production Superintendent

Office Staff  
Terry Harley Aileen Bradley  
News Editor Accountant

Tom Rush  
Advertising Manager

Leslie Clark Dave Hastings  
Bob Baskerville Myles Gilson  
Bob MacArthur

Member of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association and the Ontario Division of the CWNA

# closing

I am closing the studio on main street until more suitable premises can be found.

for passports, portraits, weddings, etc.

please phone TR. 7-2872

## peter jones

### photographer