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EASTER WORSHIPPERS PACK LOCAL CHURCHES

CHURCH GOERS flocked to their respective churches Sunday to observe the true message of Easter, and their exits after the services resembled 5th Avenue at the height of the Easter parade. Here the congregation leaves St. John's United Church after the second morning service, and new bonnets and spring finery dominate the attire.

Require \$9.00 Deposit In New Water By-Law

Water Arrears Now Mean "No Water"

A new water by-law was passed by council Monday, and a sewage service rate by-law will follow it next week. The new by-laws will not affect the domestic consumer, but will up minimum rates slightly for some commercial and industrial users, and reduce rates to large industrial customers. One change will segregate the two charges on a water bill. Show Breakdown At present, water bills are rendered every two months, with a composite charge made up of water rate and a 50% surcharge for sewer use. A householder, for instance, gets a minimum bill of \$4.50. Now he will still get the same bill, but it will show a breakdown into \$3.00 and \$1.50.

Minimum rates will continue to be based on the size of water pipe. For up to 2 inch pipe there is no change, with minimum rate varying from \$4.50 to \$15.75. However, the minimum has increased for larger size pipes. A 4 inch service which used to cost \$59.00 is now \$90.00. An 8 inch service is upped from \$274.00 to \$350.00. Water users continue to get the first 6000 gallons at the minimum rate; the next 24,000 cost 45¢ per thousand, next 120,000 are 38¢, next 150,000 are 33¢. From this point on rates have been dropped to 30¢ for the next 450,000 gallons; 26¢ for the next 250,000 and all gallons over a million will be charged at 23¢. Water users outside the municipality will continue to pay double rates if hooked up to the Georgetown system. Aimed at reducing losses from

trants who leave without settling water bills, a \$9.00 deposit will now be required in advance. Some Privilege Industrial establishments will pay sewer rate only on the percentage of water discharged into the sewers... and unless there is a change of opinion, when the by-law is passed next Monday, commercial users will also be granted this privilege. The water by-law heralds a tougher policy with those who do not pay bills. Service will be discontinued if accounts are not paid within 30 days of the due date, and a \$2.00 fee imposed for restoring a cut-off service. Detailed regulations concerning installation are also contained in the by-law. Installation charges continue to be \$110 to \$165, depending on size of pipe, and a private fire line charge varying from \$150 to \$350 will also continue.

Interest Rate Upped Delinquent Taxpayers

8% Charge for Over \$1,000

Local taxpayers whose arrears amount to more than \$1,000 will be paying 8% yearly interest from now on. On Monday, finance chairman Bob McNeilly introduced this in what he termed a series of moves to reduce tax accumulations. "I believe in many instances that businessmen and individuals are using tax money for other purposes because they can borrow from the town at a lower interest rate," he said. "Now people will think twice about letting large arrears continue." Would Have It If the Municipal Act would allow 20% interest he would introduce it, Cr. McNeilly said. Cr. Jim Emmerson explained that during an interview with an official of the Department of Municipal Affairs it had been learned that recent legislation allows the 8% levy. "Anyone who is two years in arrears can also have their property registered by the town and it can be taken over unless all taxes and costs are paid up in the ensuing year," said Cr. Jim Emmerson. "I'd like to see this policy adopted too," Cr. McNeilly said he intends

funds from one bank "just because this has been the custom for years." Later Cr. McNeilly introduced a motion to have the town solicitor take steps to collect all business taxes in arrears at the end of 1961. "Delinquents will find themselves in a very embarrassing spot unless these back taxes are immediately paid," he said. Deputy Reeve Hunter said the main problem here is businesses which have a brief few months' existence and leave without paying any tax. "That will be discussed too by my committee within the next few weeks," promised Cr. McNeilly. Acting mayor Elliott said he would like to see the town treasurer do his best to collect such accounts before they are put in legal hands. Cr. Harrison said the assessment commissioner should also check, because some businesses might have been discontinued before the year-end and would not owe the book figure.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Billson, 125 Raylawn Crescent are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Carole Anne to Robert Reginald McGugan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald McGugan, Brampton.

BECOMING MORE FREQUENT

Firebug At Work Two Suspects Watched

Says Council Minutes Ignore Important Facts

Complaining that minutes of previous council meetings made no reference to a petition of ratepayers which asked for a vote before a subdivision ratio by-law is amended, and a motion forwarded by Georgetown Ratepayers Association asking that the Municipal Board be a direct party to any negotiations which would abrogate a 1954 agreement between the town and Delrex Developments, Mrs. H. N. Martyn appeared before council Monday.

"Mayor Sargent acknowledged omission of the petition in the minutes last week and now I notice the ratepayers motion was omitted this week," said Mrs. Martyn. "It's strange that council does not take note of such important documents." Reeve Elliott, who was acting mayor for the evening, said he agreed with Mrs. Martyn that the minutes should note these facts.

Formal Motions

Town clerk C. G. Benham explained that minutes contain formal motions and that council should have a show of hands when such things are to be mentioned in the minutes. Council agreed on Cr. Harrison's suggestion, that noting of Mrs. Martyn's remarks that evening would accomplish her aim, and a show of hands endorsed this.

Mrs. Harvey Puckering Terra Cotta President

The Terra Cotta Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Harvey Puckering on April 12. The motto prepared by Mrs. A. McKane was one many organizations might take to heart, "Make the Institute enrich our hearts, not wear us out." A collection was taken for the Canadian Mental Health Association, and again this year it was decided to join the United Nations Association.

Federal Contracts

Sandy Best, speaking from Ottawa said on Thursday that the federal government will contribute \$150,000 toward the cost of construction of a Burlington disposal plant at an estimated cost of \$1,830,000. Mr. Best said also that a Dept. of Defence production contract for the building of 8 three ton styte trucks has been awarded to the Ford Motor Co of Canada at Oakville in the amount of \$30,340.08.

Opinions Differ On Waste Burning

Doubt that papermill waste can be adequately handled at the town's sanitary landfill site unless burning of waste paper is allowed, was expressed by Cr. Don Barrager Monday. Cr. Barrager said six or eight truckloads a week of baled paper is carted to the site, and burying this quantity with landfill creates a problem. Cr. Harrison was of an opposite opinion.

"The baling wire can be easily cut and paper baled out and covered," he said. "Burning has created a nuisance to property owners, and if the contractor lives up to his contract and covers waste there won't be any trouble." Cr. McNeilly said a bulldozer has created a dump of his own on Duncan Drive. "I don't know who he is but the works superintendent should check and ask him to clear it up," he said.

"Worst Fire Plague Ever" — Bonfield "Thrill Seekers Will Pay" — Haley

If the present attendance average continues, the Georgetown Bonham Hockey tournament will have attracted something like 2,300 spectators by the time the front door hinges drop off, sometime Saturday night. Public interest is topping last year when the tourney, in its initial attempt, relied on curiosity as well as fan interest to supply the old magnetic pull on localities. Right now they are flocking to the John St. ice house at the rate of better than 300 a day.

First Round Winners Meet Richmond Hill

Harold Sackington's Georgetown Novice team have taken a giant stride in their quest for Novice Tournament Honours in Brampton. In their opening clash Tuesday the locals edged a powerful Lindsay crew 3-1 and then held the same club to a 2-1 tie in their second encounter to capture the two game total points series 5 goals to three. Jackie Kemshead paced the Georgetowners with three goals and R. Inglis and B. Davies contributed the others. Grady Hillcock, Frank Drenth, Inglis and Armstrong collected assists.

Georgetown will be trying to stay undefeated today when they plunge into their second successive tough test, a two game set with Richmond Hill. The first is at 9:30 a.m. and the second at 4:30. If they made through Richmond Hill they'll be playing again Friday at 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 in the afternoon.

Four members of the Newmarket Redmen hockey team were in the other car enroute to play Elmira in the OHA Jr. C Finals. The driver of the Newmarket car and team sponsor Ray Twinnay, suffered a broken neck and player Ron Fairley, a brain injury. Both are in critical condition in Kitchener-Waterloo Hospital.

The stick boy, Brian Allen, suffered a fractured pelvis, and the fourth passenger in the car, player Mike Smith was released with minor injuries.

Certain Reasons

"I wasn't making any inferences at Mr. Hunter," said Mr. Letts. "I want these figures for certain reasons and I want them in a town letterhead so I will know I'm quoting them accurately when I do."

Nine Are Injured Elmira Accident

A Georgetown family was involved in an accident which injured 9 persons near Elmira Monday.

Wilson Allenby, 252 Delrex Blvd., his wife Janet, and daughters Janet, J. and Mary, 18 months, suffered minor injuries, but Betty Allenby, Mr. Allenby's sister had a broken leg.

The motor burned out soon after and had to be replaced, he said, complaining to council on Monday.

Motor and Tires

But it was still a good buy, he was told by property chairman Jim Emmerson, who said that addition of a new motor and new tires made the complete price \$1300.

"You can't expect to get an \$8,000 truck for \$900 and we foresaw possibility of a new motor when we bought the truck," said Cr. Harrison.

Last week Mr. Letts had asked for cost details on Main Street improvements and Deputy Reeve Hunter said the figures should be tabled, rather than given privately to Mr. Letts.

Gravel

"I'm interested in seeing the figures too," said the deputy. "I hear a lot of talk about gravel and if it was purchased from



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GEORGETOWN-MILTON LINE ERASED

CREWS RIPPING UP CNR track between Milton and Georgetown reached the Georgetown yard earlier this week completely erasing the "Hamilton line" as it was familiarly known. In their wake they've left a graded hump stripped of rails and ties resembling the old radial right of way which passes through town. Here a crane working ahead of the wrecking crew loads uprooted ties into a gondola. The work is part of the Toronto Terminals project in which the Georgetown Junction will play a key part.

Since last Thursday's list in the Herald the siren has sounded 24 times, and all blame in this period have been placed on firemen rushed to douse fast-spreading flames six times Saturday and another six times Sunday, and until rain clouds dampen the fuel or whoever is putting the torch to the dry grass is apprehended the pace is likely to keep up.

Will Charge Chief Haley touched on other (illegal) aspects of it in a tirade directed at everyone from the lighters to those who chase the trucks. He told the Herald the pursuers who come within 200 feet of the trucks will be dealt with to the fullest extent of the law and stressed that the taxpayers are the ones who are paying for the lack of common sense on the part of the firebugs.

Chief Bonfield said they don't seem to realize that \$100,000 worth of fire fighting equipment goes on the road every time it is necessary to sustain the brigade, and compensation for working volunteers amounts to about \$50 an hour while they are at a fire.

The grass fires have become so serious that the Milton Municipal Aid agreed to call a meeting of chiefs from all over the county to see what can be done about creating legislation which would be a deterrent to people contemplating lighting fires.

The major blaze last week was on the farm property of J. Neely between the 8th and 9th lines south of town where burning grass reached and destroyed a chicken house. The owner was overcome by the heat twice during the fire and had to be revived by oxygen.

In another incident four little Georgetown girls on a hike to the Glen stopped in a field to start a fire and cook some wieners they had taken along. An hour later the wieners were still cold but 25 acres north of the Glen were blackened and smouldering. And just to prove it can happen to anybody a fireman had to call his mates to kill flames on the roof of his house which got a start when sparks from rubbish he was burning were carried by the wind.

Stolen Car Is Found Block Away

A car stolen from in front of the MacGibbon Hotel just about midnight last Wednesday turned up a block away undamaged. Cr. Evan Rollins went looking for the car after Joe Martynuk, operator of Joe's Taxi, said the cab had disappeared from its parking spot by the Hotel, where he had left it with the engine running. The search took twenty minutes and located the car on Wesleyan St.

Cars Collide On Main Street

Cr. E. L. Rollins picked up damage at \$325 in a two-car collision at the corner of Main and Wesleyan Streets Tuesday. According to the police report a 1961 Ford car driven by Mrs. Joe Martynuk, 11 Edith St., was travelling south on Main behind a 1955 Ford driven by Ernest Ball, 62 Main St., south when the accident occurred. The Ball car apparently allowed to make a right turn onto Wesleyan Street when the second vehicle collided with the rear end. The left front fender, grille and lights of the cab were damaged to the extent of about \$300. The accident happened at about 5:10 p.m.