

County Council Authorizes School Boundary Changes

Ballinfad Protest Is Turned Down

Despite a petition and a protesting delegation of parents from Ballinfad and Silver Creek, Halton County Council, last week, authorized the High School boundary changes requested by the Milton, Acton, and Georgetown High School Boards.

The final step, approval of the Minister of Education is all that is left before the change is effected. This has to be received by July 1st to become effective in September.

As a result of the boundary revisions, Georgetown loses 2,400 acres in the north end, including Ballinfad and Silver Creek to Acton, but picks up 3800 acres from Milton and Acton in the Check Line area. Acton transfers 2600 acres, and Milton transfers 1200 acres to make up the 380 acres acquired by Georgetown. This parcel of land lies along both sides of the Check Line, from the 7th Line, back to roughly the 4th Line.

Mr. Wm. Middleton, secretary treasurer of the Acton H.S. Board, in requesting the boundary change, briefly outlined to County Council the events since the 1959 dissolution of the North Halton High School Area Board.

He claimed that the boundaries established when the three Boards were set up had proved inequitable. So, without changing boundaries, but simply by mutual consent, stu-

dents, actually in one area, attended school in another area. As long as the number of students balanced out from one area to another it worked quite well, said the secretary.

"However," said Mr. Middleton, "in December, 1961, Georgetown High School Board decided all students must attend the school in their own area." This brought the Ballinfad, Silver Creek students back to Georgetown and sent the Check Line students to Milton or Acton.

In conclusion, Mr. Middleton pointed out that the three School Boards were in accord in requesting the changes. The agreement was reached at joint meetings of representatives of the three school boards, and the Reeves and deputy Reeves of the municipalities in February. Then the decision was ratified by all three boards. He added that all the Boards agree to Senior pupils finishing their courses at their present school if they so desired.

Warden Carl Martin, seeming reluctant to county council involvement, felt the school boards should work it out between themselves. He added dryly that it was much cheaper to pay for a student's tuition elsewhere than to build a vocational school of your own.

Protesting the change in the boundaries, J. E. Snow of Ballinfad, backed by a sizeable delegation, felt their children had been felled around enough. Some started in public school at Blue Mountain, transferred to Acton, then Stewartton. Next they went to Acton High School, then back to Georgetown. Now with this change

back to Acton. It's pretty hard on the pupils," he stated simply.

Reading to county council from a letter in the Georgetown Herald, he said: "This letter says we (in Ballinfad) always attended Acton High School. I want to say I attended Georgetown as did everybody else prior to 1949." In conclusion he stated that Georgetown High School is not overcrowded but Acton is.

Roger Vincent of the Check Line, also backed by a delegation, claimed it was 3.7 miles closer to Georgetown from his gate than to Acton. At 40¢ a mile travelling cost, a figure supplied by the Acton treasurer on the spot, Mr. Vincent said a saving of \$1200 would be effected by the Check Line students attending Georgetown. Thus he was supporting the changed boundaries.

Col. G. Q. Brown, a member of the Georgetown High School Board, and past secretary of the now defunct North Halton Area Board, stated "I take full responsibility for the 1959 boundaries. When I make a mistake, I make a good one." After repeating some points made by Mr. Middleton, he recommended approval, saying "Since all the School Boards are in agreement, I feel it should be approved." He added that as yet no debentures have been issued by any of the three Boards, but in another year the situation might change.

Later in the afternoon, the motion to amend the 1959 boundary by-law, making the changes, was passed, subject to the approval of the Minister of Education.

The Lions Den

All of the ingredients of a top rate show in the exotic surroundings of the Riviera Club at Norval on April 25th, were outlined when vice president Ernie Bodnar announced the line-up for this bonanza of fun, with true showman's aplomb. To the background music of Jimmy McDonald and his Trio. After savouring the filet mignon dinner, there will be some soul satisfying singing from Sheila Lang and Hilda Venstred.

Then there's the robust entertainment of Gene Sneed and his dummies, Andy Bloome of the Harmonica and Jack Patterson, a comic.

Then there is a cosmopolitan air by four of the swiftest girls, Norma Davis, Billie Meek, Cathy Tappen, and especially imported for the old soldiers who wish to go back in time, a lady called Lili Marlene. The final touch is provided by cash prizes of \$2,000 and \$25 cash prizes.

Not in many a year had we heard such an excellent, poised guest speaker as Mark Löwel, age 16 years, from our local high school. His speech had lots of impact.

The scene will be the Brimley Bowl in Scarborough on April 12th. For one of the biggest Bowlerama's in Ontario in aid of the Timmy Easter Seal programme. Quite a few of our local Lions will be represented.

There was discussion on the big Spring Rally at Cornwall this year. The date, May 28th and 29th, when all the clubs in District 4 will meet. It is one of the best places to learn about other clubs and their activities and meet men from all walks of life, who are striving in a great humanitarian source to mankind.

There was a 17 year old boy from Georgia in the Victoria Hospital, London, Ont. last August who had been knocked unconscious in a head-on collision near Tilsonburg. He was in critical condition, with severe head injuries, fractures and abdominal injuries. He was unconscious for 2 1/2 months. He had left Georgia to work on an Ontario tobacco farm to help support his five brothers and five sisters.

Life looked bleak for him just before Christmas, when the chairman of the health and welfare committee came into the picture. He had taken a Tee-Vee set in the hospital when he was told about the lonely American boy.

The London club "adopted" Frank. All the members of the club came to visit him. They brought him a Christmas tree and clothing including six sweaters. He will be provided with his air fare back to Georgia, where his parents, brothers and sisters work on a tobacco farm. The family had scraped together the money to send him to Ontario because the pay was better. All had gone well until the two cars met head on and shattered the boy's hopes.

Figures released by the executives indicate that the Georgetown Club is doing much better than it did over the same period last year. This is a reflection of the optimism that the exec and members have developed — they realize there is lots of work ahead, but if you don't share in the optimism the work gets tougher!

This thing called optimism can be promoted like a tangible article, because let's face it — in today's setup if you are not optimistic — you are a dead duck!

Police Investigations Double Chinguacousy Adds to Force

With more than double the amount of investigations so far this year as compared with 1962, Chinguacousy, Township Police added a sixth member to its force Monday.

Marshall Townsend, a Chinguacousy resident, began duties as probationary constable Monday, said township Police Chief Ken Sider.

"Last year to this same date, we had 120 investigations. This year we have had 264 so far," said Chief Sider.

The township force is now directing traffic at the intersection of Hwy. 7 and the 3rd Line E., due to the large number of cars leaving Bramalea industries each day at 3:30 p.m., said the police chief.

"I have just been informed by the Dept. of Highways that traffic lights will be installed at the intersection before the end of April," he said. "However, we will be doing additional traffic point duty in the Bramalea area before the summer is out. This'll be necessary before many of the large factories are in full operation," said Chief Sider.

Medical Co-op Distributes 1962 Major Medical Fund

This week 60 members of Halton Co-operative Medical Services shared in the 1962 Major Medical Fund which provided protection against illness not covered by their Hospital Services benefits. Medical accounts, hospital extra charges and prescribed drugs made up the largest part of the Major Medical claims although, items such as special nursing care, laboratory and ambulance charges and physiotherapy treatment were also included in several of the claims.

The amount of \$5,200 was distributed among the 60 claimants, the largest payment being for the amount of \$343.36. For this special coverage the members pay a yearly premium of \$12 per family and \$6.00 for single coverage. The Extended Medical Plan of the Co-op was signed in 1958 to cover items not usually covered in health insurance, has paid out \$15,000 in benefits in the four years since its inception to members of Halton Co-operative Medical Services. Many of the claimants of the 1962 fund have received payments under this plan every year but it is reasonable to assume that they do not feel fortunate except to the extent that they have protection against unexpected expenses of a major illness.

In the future, medical accounts will be deleted from the plan and covered under the firm contract of the Comprehensive coverage recently introduced by the medical co-operative. Added benefits of chiropractic, osteopathic and physiotherapy treatments may be included in future Major Medical claims effective January 1st, 1963.

Restaurant is Panel Member Culinary Show

Miss Gladys Fraser, whose Spot on 7 dining room is a favourite with local people as well as visitors from a wide area, was a member of a discussion panel in Toronto on Monday.

Miss Fraser discussed "restaurant trends with less than 60 seats" during one of the business sessions of the Culinary Arts show at the Royal York Hotel.

Visiting Mother Has 90th Birthday in Town

Mrs. H. G. Webster celebrated her 90th birthday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Keith Barber, 9 King St. E. last week. A visitor with her daughter since last August, Mrs. Webster was the recipient of many good wishes from her family and friends in and around the Wind-up Detroit area, her home.

Mrs. Webster is in very good health and keeps active by knitting for the Scott Mission and her home chapter of the IOOE. Proficient with the knitting needles Mrs. Webster has made as many as thirty sweaters in a year.

One man's goat is another man's camel! S. Butler

John Pickett Father of Four District Residents

Father of four Georgetown district residents, John Pickett, 77, died at his home on the 7th Line, Oakville, on March 27th.

He leaves his wife, Sarah Elizabeth Walker, sons and daughters Claude and Vernon of Georgetown, Harold and John of Hornby, Mrs. J. Powell of Oakville, Mrs. J. Featherston of Omagh, and Mrs. G. Rayner of Puslinch, a brother Joseph of Kilbride and sisters Mrs. E. Patterson, of Milton, and Mrs. I. Speers, Ancaster.

Funeral service took place in Bethel United Church on March 30th and interment was in the church cemetery.

Notice to Creditors IN THE ESTATE OF Walter Lawson, Gentleman, Deceased.

All persons having claims against the estate of Walter Lawson, late of the Village of Stewartton in the County of Halton, Gentleman, who died on or about the 6th day of February, 1963, are hereby notified to send particulars of same to the undersigned on or before the 22nd day of April, 1963, after which date the estate will be distributed with regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice, and the undersigned will not be liable to any person whose claim they shall not then have notice.

DATED at Georgetown, this 18th day of March, A.D. 1963.
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CLUB MIDTOWN

Book Lucernes to Reopen Club Midtown This Week

Don't let the new name fool you. It's the same dance, BUT with a lot of changes. Before I go into details, I'll tell you that our grand opening falls on Friday, March 29th, featuring your favorites and mine the one and only LUCERNES. The two most important changes are: first of all, Georgetown teens will get FREE memberships when they're available, providing they can prove they're from town, and second the price of admission is 75¢ for members, \$1.00 for non-members. WIEN we feature a band and 50¢ for members, 75¢ for non-members when we have a record hop.

The dances will start at 8:30 and conclude at 12:00. The sound system has been re-arranged with the hope of giving you better sound all around.

For those of you who may think the council had a rest while the dance was out of action, I would like to inform you that you are mistaken. On the contrary, we got together and drew up some forms that show you exactly where you stand. I am asking you to please read the following and take in what it means. Thank you.

The Treasurer will keep an accurate record of all financial dealings. The committee shall assist the executive in the discussion and result of all topics which are to be of benefit to the club. Each committee member will have tasks, which will be designated by the President and his executive.

Now those were to let you know where you stand and also to give you an example of the way we hope to run things. If you think they are bad, you should read the Laws we drew up for ourselves. As you can see if you read this all carefully, all the Midtown rules are self-explanatory and were drawn up for your good. Really there is nothing too binding about them; in fact, I'll say with all honesty that you can have more fun following the rules than you can disobeying them. After all, who wants to go sailing across the floor after tripping over somebody's coat or sumpin'?

Well, I've said enough for one week, so I'll close now. I hope to see you all on the 29th helping US provide YOU with the best dance yet. BYE.

PURPOSE

To provide well-organized entertainment and fun for the teenagers of Georgetown.

MIDTOWN RULES

- We reserve the right to cancel membership
- Persons under the influence of alcohol will have their memberships cancelled for a set period of time.
- Anyone creating a disturbance will be dealt with by the police. This includes: fighting or damaging any properties of Midtown or the dance hall.
- We are not responsible for mishaps or lost articles.
- Coats and overshoes must be checked. No heavy boots or overshoes will be allowed on the dance floor as they tend to run it. Coats must be checked to prevent cluttering up the hall, causing a fire hazard and to prevent them from being stolen.
- Sports jackets and ties are always appreciated. This is not necessary BUT dress pants are. No jeans or slim jims allowed.

Composition Of Council

- A maximum number of ten members will be allowed on the council at one time.
- This will consist of one President, one Vice President, one Secretary, one Treasurer and six Committee Members.
- The President is not entitled to vote but may have the final say as the result of a split vote.
- The Vice President assumes all presidential duties at a meeting in the absence of the President and shall assist the President whenever required.
- The Secretary shall record and preserve minutes of all meetings and activities of the club and handle all general correspondence.

Plan Next Avian as Production Model

When the 5th experimental Avian 2-180 prototype rolls out of the Armstrong Avenue plant sometime in April, company employees will have worked on their last prototype for testing purposes. The next one will be a production gyroplane.

Testing for Dept. of Transport certification will be completed late this year. After that it's mass production — if the "if" is capital. The company will need money to make the conversion, and though they have no idea at the moment where the cash will come from Avian officials are confident their branchchild will blossom into a major industry.

The company has sufficient land here for a large factory, and would prefer the plane be produced where it was born. All the same, the door leading out of town has been left open. Avian Industries will be wooed elsewhere if the lure is attractive enough, but the overtones of their statement to this effect hint that it would take a lot of wooing.

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Moving to Weston Acton Mayor Resigns

Acton's popular mayor George Barbeau, tendered his resignation Tuesday night amid a chorus of regrets from his council colleagues.

After serving six years as a member of council, he will vacate the mayor's chair on March 31st.

Mr. Barbeau stated his reasons for resigning in a letter read by the clerk, which notified council that eventually he and his family would be moving away from Acton as the result of a promotion with the A. P. Green Fire Brick Co. Mr. Barbeau will become production manager with the company's Weston plant, as well as the Acton operation. He felt he would not have sufficient time to continue as mayor.

Mayor Barbeau elaborated verbally that he had reached the decision after a great deal of thought "As a result of my changed status I expect to be in Toronto more than Acton. I feel badly about retiring from council, but I can't see any alternative."

Mr. Barbeau became an Acton resident in August, 1957, when he moved there as plant manager, with his wife Thea, son Brian and daughter Gail.

St. Patrick's Party For Manor Residents

A St. Patrick's party for Halton Manor residents, which took place on March 11th, was planned when members of the manor auxiliary held their meeting the previous week.

The auxiliary decided to purchase two linen tablecloths which will be used at birthday parties and other special events of the auxiliary.

At present, plans are being made for the annual bazaar in May and the handicraft department is working on a bazaar to be sold, May 15th afternoon and evening has been chosen as the time. Tea will be served and various booths will offer home baking and articles for sale.

The auxiliary meets the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Manor and an invitation has been extended to all county ladies who might wish to join to become members.

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