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CHRISTMAS STREET SINGERS

CUBS KEEP CAROLLING CUSTOM

"JOY TO THE WORLD, THE LORD IS COME", sing the Cubs of 2nd Georgetown Pack as they stop outside a hospital window. The Cubs carried on the old custom of carolling Friday night, singing to the hospital patients and later making the rounds of private homes. — Peter Jones Photo

FIVE MISSING FACES

Georgetown County Reps Among Few Returning

In one of the largest turn overs in recent years, five members of Halton County Council made their farewell appearance at the year-end meeting last week.

Leaving the scene are Reeve W. Robertson of Nassagaweya, Deputy-Reeve J. Bell of Milton, Reeve Alex Phillips of Oakville, Reeve I. Ryckman of Burlington and Deputy Reeve W. Denny of Acton.

Winding up sixteen months in office, four months of which were the unexpired term of the late Wilfrid Bird, Dr. Carl Martin felt service on a county-wide basis had progressed but advocated a county-wide police force, as an area yet to be explored.

As usual at this time of year, speculation was rife concerning the next warden. "It's the south's turn" was an expression heard frequently. This would mean either Merry of Oakville or Gallagher of Burlington. However, the rotation system has not always been followed in the past.

It was not followed when Georgetown's Doug Sargent became the Warden in a closely contested fight.

Recommend County Grants For 3 Retarded Schools

The burden of carrying the operating costs of the Schools for Retarded by bake sales raffles, etc. may soon be taken from the backs of a few overworked volunteers and accepted by County Council. The local municipalities also would be no longer asked for grants as they are now some of whom grant and some do not.

A recommendation from this year's County Council was passed for consideration by next year's Finance Committee, with the hope it could be included in the 1964 County estimates.

This grant would make up the difference between the Provincial grant and the amount necessary to operate the schools in Halton. It would have nothing to do with capital costs for buildings or extensions.

The total of the amount of grant to be raised in the coming year by the County would be $27,065 representing close to 50 per cent of the combined total budgets of the three Halton County Schools. It would be divided as follows: for the Mayfield School in Burlington $9,150.00; for the Bruce Lyn School in Oakville $8,080.00 and for North Halton Sunshine School $9,835.00 making a total of $27,065.00.

Postal Inspection Controversy

One Way Mirrors Here Might Never be Used

The system by which postal inspectors may watch post office employees in secret which was described as "regrettable" by a Member of Parliament was installed here when Georgetown's new post office was built but it's unlikely it will ever be used.

New Democrat MP Frank Howard complained last week that the post office department was spying on its employees even to the extent of having "Big Brother" in the washroom.

It's doubtful that the washrooms here are part of the local inspection system but there is an enclosed catwalk hanging from the ceiling in the Georgetown P.O. the top of which is dotted with a line of one way mirrors.

The catwalk or gondola is available only to an inspector who may drop around at any time. No one else, not even the local Postmaster has a key to the inspection department. Because of the one way mirrors which appear as mirrors on the outside but are transparent peep holes. From the other no one inside would be aware if and when an inspector is watching them.

Postmaster Harold Marshall told The Herald it's possible the hanging tunnel might never be used. He said an inspector would probably enter it if there was any suspicion of mail thefts here but not likely otherwise.

Frank Howard told the House of Commons that department stores are watching on closed circuit television through one way mirrors and peep holes mail handlers even in their most private moments in the washroom.

He said employees were not only concerned about the spy system itself but about the type of person conducting it.

The "spying" used by the department to guard against theft from the mails was an invasion of an individual's rights and privacy and cast serious doubts on his honesty, Howard said.

$201 in County Bounty To Halton Fox Hunters

The days of the bounty hunter are not past but in Esquesing area, it is the not so foxy fox who is hunted.

During 1963 the foxes were worth a total of $201 to the hunters with March obviously being the month to go a fox hunting. During March fifteen foxes were turned in for bounty a much higher figure than any other month.

In January there were six bounties paid, in February five, in March 15, in April none, in May none, in June one in July two, in August none, in September two and in October three.

The fox bounty was raised in June from five to seven dollars however no one makes a business out of it since no one name dominates the bounty lists.

Friends, Bank Staff Honour Recent Bride

Prior to her marriage in 2nd Lieut. Ian Macaulay on December 14th the former Dianne Moore was honoured by neighbours and friends at a shower at the home of Mrs. G. Crawford. Mrs. J. K. Davidson was co-hostess. Employees of the Guelph and Mountainview branch of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce held a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. T. Ledwidge.

Sports, Entertainment Now Legal Sundays In Georgetown

With the third reading of the by-law, at Wednesday night's Council meeting, Sunday sports and movies became legal. Outdoor sports can be played from 1.30 till 6 p.m., but indoors till 12 midnight.

The by-law, which concerns only events played for profit, listed baseball, basketball, football, soccer, rugger (or associated sports), hockey, lawn bowling, indoor bowling, cricket, curling, tennis roller skating, and athletic meets.

Councillor Charles Hildebrandt questioned the restricting to these specific sports, however, Mayor Hyde pointed out that an amendment could be added to the by-law should the necessity arise.

Hold Christmas Party For Town Employees, Council in IOOF Hall

Members of the office and works staff of the town, with present and incoming municipal councillors attended a Christmas party on December 13th in the Odd Fellows Hall.

It was a particularly happy occasion when foreman Alf Collins was able to be present. Mr. Collins was out for the first time after being hospitalized with a heart attack. He was the recipient of good wishes from the party for which he took a leading role in planning.

Mayor Ern Hyde was dinner chairman and Mayor Elect Joseph Gibbons was asked to say Grace. Ladies of Verdun Rebekah Lodge who catered for dinner were thanked by Reeve John Elliott.

Afterwards guests enjoyed dancing to the music of the Debonnaires. There was a door prize and several lucky spot prizes during the evening.

Cub & Scout Carollers Cheer Hospital Patients

Cubs and scouts of 1st Georgetown cheered patients in the Georgetown hospital and sang before a few homes enroute last Thursday night.

Mrs. John Layman, Akela of the Cubs, and Scouts David Shrubsole and Denney Wright were in charge of the group. Afterwards they returned to St. John's United Church hall for hot chocolate and refreshments.

Correction in Church Time

In the church announcemens in last week's Herald, time of the Christmas day service at the Christian Reformed Church was incorrectly stated as 10:30 a.m.

The correct time for the service is 10.00 a.m.

PUT OUT PAPER IN THREE DAYS

This issue of The Herald, normally published each Wednesday night was put together in three days instead of the usual five without the help of magic — the formula was extra perspiration and speed on the part of the staff and the cooperation of the district correspondents, other regular contributors of news copy and the advertisers.

For this encore — and to prove to ourselves we're not completely exhausted by this effort — we'll be trying to do the same thing next week. The scheduled date for the next Herald is Monday night, December 30th. After that issue the schedule returns to normal with the following week's paper hitting the street Wednesday night.

The press times are shifted so that The Herald staff can continue to serve you and still enjoy holidays at Christmas and New Years.

District correspondents and advertisers are reminded that copy should be in The Herald office this Friday for next Monday night's paper.

Orchids by Air Mail for Seed House Party Favors

The annual Christmas party for Dominion Seed House Staff was held this year at the Oddfellows Hall on Wesleyan St. Wednesday, December 11th. Verdun Rebekah Lodge under the convenership of Mrs. S. Walker catered, and provided a lovely turkey dinner with all the trimmings including the Christmas pudding for the performing farmers.

Prior to the dinner when all guests had assembled a lucky draw was held to award sixteen beautiful orchid corsages to the lucky ladies. The orchids were a gift from a British Columbia grower specially selected and shipped by Air Mail for the occasion. Mrs. Pearce of Rosedale Florist made them up into corsages with her complements.

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Norton, Mrs. N. B. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Tufts, Mrs. J. Gudgeon, Miss Bessie White, Mrs. Annie Vannatter, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Lindsay, Mrs. L. Rogers, Mrs. E. McManus, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Preston, Mr. and Mrs. Don Mills, Mrs. Jean Smith, Mrs. Alan Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Patterson, Miss Yvonne Adams, Mrs. Hen[illegible] Lorriman, Mrs. John Barber, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peach, Mr. Joan Cornelius, Mrs. W[illegible] Rice, Mr. and Mrs. R[illegible] Kor[illegible] Zack, Mr. and Mrs. James Don[illegible] Mr. and Mrs. R. Beaum[illegible] Mrs. J. Hurst, Mr. and Mrs. G. Greensward, Mr. and Mrs. V. Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. C. Chalk[illegible], Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hobbert.

Succumbs to Injuries in Brampton Accident

A 26-year-old Brampton [illegible] died on December 20th in Peel Memorial Hospital.

Peter Joseph Stone, [illegible] Road N., was [illegible] on Highway [illegible] when his car went out of control and struck a tree. He was thrown from the car. Police said he had not worn his seat belt.

A native of Belfast, [illegible] Mr. Stone came to Canada [illegible] Mrs. W. [illegible] Kerr, Belfast, and [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. R. Mar[illegible] of Toronto. [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] Stone was [illegible] Brampton.

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Charles Deforest Was Inglewood Quarryman

Associated with his brother Harold in operating DeForest Brothers stone quarries at Inglewood, Charles Thomas DeForest 46, died in Georgetown Hospital on December 12th. He had been ill [illegible] months.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. A. [illegible] DeForest of Terra Cotta, he was born at Milton. He leaves his wife Annabell Mackie at home, a family of nine children. The [illegible] Peter, Mary, Doris, Alan, Laurie, Cheryl, Marlene; his parents and six brothers. Harold of Inglewood, Jack and Harry, R.R. 2 Georgetown, Russel, R.R. [illegible], Ernest of Glen Williams and Clarence, Georgetown.

Rev. Lloyd Ertel of Glen Williams United Church conducted the funeral service at the Harold C. McClure Funeral Home on December 16th. Interment was in Inglewood Cemetery. Honorary pallbearers were Charles Shoppard, [illegible] Boulshner, Gordon [illegible], Bob Hicks, George Hicks, Harold Thompson.

Water Chairman Would Cut Contractors' Rate

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Skids on Ice, Car Receives Damage

Ontario Provincial Police reported one accident attributed to the snow storm last week which made some roads impassable and others impossible.

A car driven by Charles A. Grant of RR 3 Georgetown (Stewarttown) skidded off the road and struck fence posts on the 7th Line of Esquesing north of No. 15 sideroad on Thursday night.

The driver was unhurt.

Damage to his car is estimated by police at more than $500 to the complete front end.

END OF A PERFECT DAY

"GAD! WHAT AN OFFICE PARTY"

— Peter Jones Photo

THERE ARE TIMES when even the smallest will enter the spirit of the office party season. Witness young Master Martin Smith above cutting loose and giving the merry at one of the many office parties during the past week.