

NEWS ECHOES

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10 YEARS AGO

J. B. Mackenzie and Son submitted the lowest of five tenders received from the contracting firms for renovation of the municipal building, and were awarded the contract at last Tuesday night's council meeting. The \$34,798 contract covers an extensive program of remodeling which will see the building extended back several feet, completely redecorated and rooms added and enlarged. The police office and calls will be placed in the rear, with the assessment commissioner getting a new office in the front of the building. An office for the engineer and small office for the mayor are also in the plans. There will also be a larger clerical office and an enlarged council chamber. The building will also get a new heating system.

A number of young people attending colleges and other schools away from town have returned home for Christmas. They are Marilyn Bell, Jane and Claudia Milne, Bill McCormick, Theime Hunter, Don Southern, Bill Leslie, Jim Kirkwood, Harry and Edward Ferrar, Janice Baker, Ota Berg, Gordon Graham, Donald Cleaver, Julian Reed, Art Johnson, Dave McKay, George McClure, Bill Hughes, Paul Frost, Gordon Bird, Kenneth Langdon, David Jones, Philip Wade, Judy Beaumont, and Dennis Bell.

20 YEARS AGO

Another group of local men have arrived home from overseas. It includes: Gnr. Joe McMenemy, Pte. Nelson Handy, Pte. Arthur Stamp, Pte. Howard Anguish, Pte. Aubrey Kerr, QMS Lovell Puckering, WO2 Dunc. Toit, Sgt. Stuart Young, Captain Bob Early.

The last regular meeting of the Quessing council was held on Saturday, Dec. 15, Reeve W. G. Murray presiding, and Deputy Reeve George E. Cleave, and councillors George Currie, C. H. May, and R. N. Brown present. Rev. J. E. Sell, Alex McKinney and N. A. Robinson addressed the council concerning Norval Memorial Recreation Centre and a motion was later passed accepting the deed to the property of NAMRC and preparing a by-law in accordance with the Community Halls Act.

Back with Provincial Paper Ltd., after an absence of four years during which he was employed with the Welland Chemical Company at Niagara Falls, Ross Duncan has been made assistant superintendent of the Coating Mill and started his new duties Dec. 1.

Replacing Mr. and Mrs. C. Chapman who have operated Carroll's store for the last few years, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Goodlett took over the store last Monday.

Mr. Stanley Crabb, of Chesley, will open a furniture business in the remodelled store in the Brook block on lower Main Street within the next two weeks.

Niagara Parks Employee Born on Farm at Norval

A well known resident of Niagara Falls, James F. Bird, 81, died recently at the Welland General Hospital after a brief illness.

Mr. Bird, who had resided at 1943 Blamford St. in the Falls for many years had recently taken up residence at Sunset Haven in Welland.

Born in Norval, Ontario, he received his education there and worked on his parents' farm before moving to Hamilton in 1906 to learn the plumbing and heating trade. From Hamilton he moved to Grimsby where he started in business for himself and resided for 13 years. Mr. Bird then lived in Port Colborne for two years before finally taking up residence in Niagara Falls.

Upon his arrival Mr. Bird worked on several buildings including the converting of all the utility heating systems into one central plant at the former Japon Street hospital.

For 18 years he was employed

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ed with the Niagara Parks Commission and for one and a half years prior to his retirement in 1943 he was employed with the Park Motor Hotel.

Predeceased by his wife the former Mary Wardell in 1930, he is survived by one son James, Jr., and a daughter Mrs. William (Dorothy) Hanson both of that city and three grandchildren, Sandra Bird and Jim and Patti Ann Benbow.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. T. V. Rutherford, minister of Kitchener Street United Church and Rev. Robert L. Rolls, rector of St. Martin's Anglican Church, with interment in Fairview Cemetery.

Parents are responsible for their own children and visiting children. Make sure to cover empty electric sockets or outlets on trees and decorations and make sure decorations are securely fastened.

Season's Greetings From Toronto to My Friends in Georgetown

15 Hazelton Avenue,
Toronto 8, Ontario
December 14th, 1965

Dear Georgetown Friends:
Once more I am engaging the services of the "Herald" to carry to you all my cordial greetings and good wishes for Christmas and the year to come.

As many of you know, I returned from Trinidad (by plane) with Mrs. Arthur Dayfoot and the family to Toronto in September. Art came later, so all are now on furlough until next July.

Since my late husband and I said goodbye to Georgetown twenty years ago (in October) many changes have taken place throughout the world, but "The News-Pulling Light" remains. These lines by Patience Strong express the thought I wish to send you all...

"Christmas remains... and like a lamp it glows... at the dark end of the dying year... Christmas remains... never falling light light... that brightens the world with love and hope and cheer. Old customs go and time bears much away. Life changes all. But as each year departs... This still survives, this festival of joy... for Christmas will live while Earth lives in our hearts."

Sincerely,
Mrs. C. H. Catherine Dayfoot

Jury Recommends Drivers Exercise Greater Caution

A recommendation that all operators of motor vehicles use greater caution when passing or meeting pedestrians, was given Tuesday, Dec. 14th by a five-man coroner's jury at an inquest into the death of 13-year-old Leonard Bruce Laughton of Esqueping Township, R. R. 3, Georgetown.

After more than two hours of deliberation the jury brought in its recommendation. One member, John Karpis, laid the direct blame for the death on the shoulders of the driver. In addition to the findings of the whole jury, Mr. Karpis said: "The accident happened because of a lack of care on the part of the driver."

One of Eight Children
The youngster, one of eight children of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Laughton, of the Fifth Line, Esqueping, died on December 4th, shortly after being struck by a car driven by George Adams of Macdonald Blvd., Artou.

Evidence given at the inquest indicated the Laughton boy was walking west on the North Service Road of Esqueping between the third and fourth lines when he was struck by the Adams' car. Mr. Adams, a rural mail carrier, said he saw the boy when he was about 500 feet away from him. Although he found it hard to estimate distance, he said he honked the horn when he was about 60 feet away from the boy.

He then tried to swerve to the left to miss the youngster, but the boy also moved to the

left, and was struck. Mr. Adams voluntarily took a breathalyzer test and it showed that he had no indication of alcohol in his system. His car was found to be in good operating condition.

On Right Side
The Laughton boy had been walking west on the road toward a friend's home and was on the right hand side of the road. Crown Attorney P. K. McWilliams, asked the dead boy's father if the boy had been warned to walk facing traffic rather than with his back to it. Mr. Laughton said his son had been warned repeatedly.

Other witnesses questioned were Constable Tom Pearce, the investigating officer, and Thomas Stokes, a truck driver who had seen both the boy and the car just prior to and just after the accident. Milton Postmaster Walter Bell also gave brief testimony.

Members of the jury were James Cunningham, John Karpis, Gordon Chow, Thomas Joyce and Julius Geist.

GLEN WILLIAMS

Ice Storm Cut Into "White Gift" Giving

Saturday night the Cub Pack accompanied by Mrs. K. Reynolds and Diane Giles attended the production of "Cinderella" in Georgetown High School.

Bill Wheeler was home for the week end from Oaklyn, New Jersey, where he plays profes-

sional hockey with the Jersey Devils.

The annual white gift service was held Sunday morning, Dec. 17th, in the United Church, with Mr. Tom Yorgrave of Georgetown taking charge in the absence of Rev. Irwin. The special order of service was followed with the Scripture which was the story of Christmas read by Mitchell Wagstaffe and

the story "Why the Chimes Rang" read by Ellen Hunter.

The junior choir sang a Christmas selection. Gifts for little children were put in a large white container. These will be sent to a mission. Because of weather conditions the attendance was smaller than usual so the children may bring their gifts next Sunday if they were absent.

Jingle Bells

Silent Night

WYNFIELD NURSERY
GARDEN CENTRE
17 Sidroad (Half mile from 7th Line)

Greetings for Christmas

LESLIE and PAT EVANS extend to all their customers Good Wishes for a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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8 Cleaveland Drive Georgetown 877-3932

GREETINGS

JOE'S TUCK SHOP

With the gladness of pealing bells... we wish you all the joys of Christmas. A very happy holiday, from all of us!

FROM EVERYONE AT
DELREX SMOKE SHOP

Cheerio!

Best wishes for a fine old-fashioned Christmas season full of good cheer!

FRANK KING CLEANERS
ETHEL AND FRANK
Mill Street

Merry Christmas

With the star of Christmas over our land, we join in the full spirit of the holiday to wish you and yours every joy of the festive season, and many more to come.

JOHN BOUGHTON JEWELLERS
WATCHES — DIAMONDS
5 MAIN ST. N. GEORGETOWN

Friendly

Wish to you for the Yuletide, saying you and yours have a Merry Christmas!

DON HOUSTON
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merry, merry Christmas

Christmas affords us the chance to express our heartfelt gratitude for the friendship and generosity you have shown us through the year. We extend best wishes for a happy holiday.

BILL BAILEY
"THE OIL MAN"
GEORGETOWN BRAMPTON

Merry Christmas

Our heartfelt good wishes for a happy and joyous Yuletide go to you and yours.

With grateful thanks to our friends for the pleasure and privilege of serving you.

KEN NASH
PLUMBING AND HEATING

Cheerful Greetings

To our loyal patrons we express our sincerest appreciation.

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Greetings and Best Wishes for the Christmas Season

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LENA RAWSON