

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### Santa Coming Saturday

A traditional feature of the holiday season in Georgetown is the visit of Santa Claus, scheduled for this Saturday.

Started in a modest way over a quarter of a century ago by the Lions Club, the affair has grown steadily into today's large parade which, in its localized way, is every bit as good as the larger one in Toronto.

While still a Lions project, the Santa parade now has sterling assistance from the firemen, local dairies, and a terrific number of private citizens. Floats and bands, clowns, decorated cars are included in the parade which proceeds down the highway from Delrex Market Centre to the downtown district.

To avoid some of the congestion this

### Christmas Surprise

Add to the list of school essay witticisms this one which happened in a Georgetown classroom.

Students were given a list of words and asked to compose a sentence using them. To the word measles, one offered this gem . . . "We have three measles a day at our house."

One of the nicest things that ever happened at our home was a Christmas morning a few years back. Our three young ones had reached the stage when, although it had never been voiced, they could hardly believe that a mysterious visitor was responsible for those well filled stockings.

What was dad's surprise, however, when he was shaving on Christmas morn-

ing, to glance at the door and find a stocking of his own, bulging with little gifts. No Santa Claus? Who's to say.

A few days later while having a haircut, the barber asked a waiting 6-year-old what Santa brought him.

"There isn't any Santa Claus," was the surprising reply.

What an opportunity to set this kiddie right, we thought.

"You're wrong, we volunteered, thinking of our own experience. 'There is certainly a Santa Claus, and I'll tell you why. Do you know what I found in our bathroom on Christmas morning?'"

"A new toilet?" he said, to the vast amusement of the rest of the barber's customers.

Now those people who have told us they intend to keep driving thro' the slanted white lines may have second thoughts.

While we are of the opinion that this is a much safer procedure than to veer right, and run the risk of a collision with a motorist behind who speeds up and drives through the barricade and is in one's way when the time comes to veer back left, one surely should obey the law.

If not, highway driving can become chaotic if individuals start to set their own laws, or flagrantly disobey those on the statute books.

### A Word to the Wise

An editorial on angled white lines at two places on Georgetown's east highway stretch has caused some lively comment, and a variety of opinions.

One school of thought is that, while the drivers' manual says one must never drive into the blocked off area, the Highway Traffic Act does not include this as an infraction.

But we have it right from the horse's mouth, in this case King Street resident Ken McMillan, that this isn't so, for he recently paid a \$13 fine, for doing just that on No. 10 at the turnoff corner to Georgetown.

### OLD PIANO AND CRIPPLED TV HELP WEARY SOLDIERS RELAX

A soldier's life is not an easy one.

That's what many of young members of the Lorne Scots were saying when they finally took off their 60-pound packs after a six-mile march up cliffs and through brush from Wharton to overnight camp.

Some found their backs a bit weak while others displayed a blister or two on painful feet. But there were few ailments that a night's rest couldn't cure.

One man injured his knee

while scaling a cliff but after medical assistance and a good sleep he was able to continue in the morning.

Brampton and Georgetown companies were each designated an abandoned house in which to spend the night and before long the dancing fires and the rollicking laughter indicated that most of the pains of the day's march had vanished.

Brampton company found an old piano that wouldn't play in their makeshift hotel but this didn't stop the boys from singing to the beat of rifle butts. Just ended.

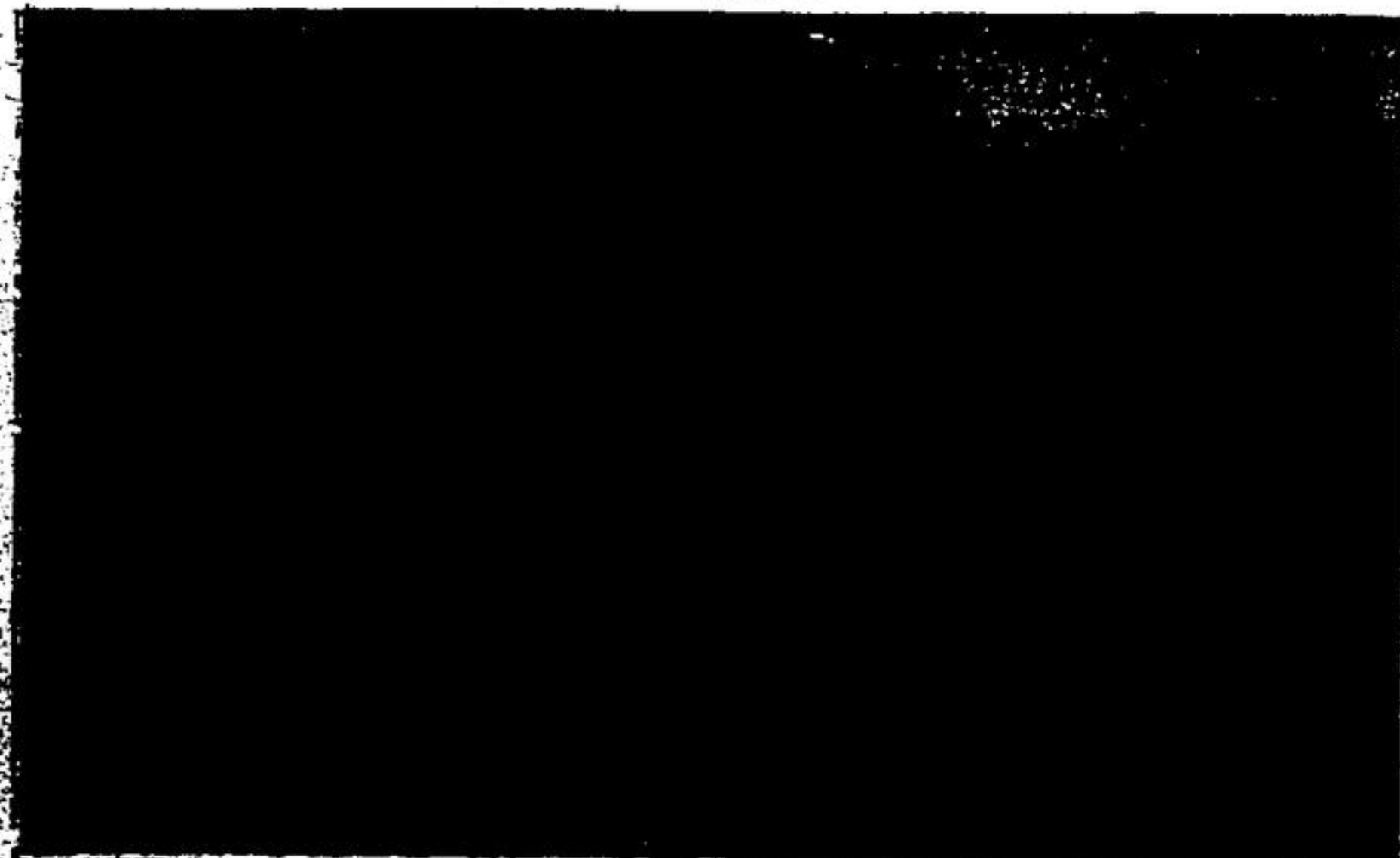
In fact, the piano served as an ideal stage for the more ambitious showmen in the group. Georgetown group wasn't far behind when it came to entertainment in their house.

The previous owner had been good enough to leave an old television set in the living room with the hydro conveniently on. Only snag was absence of a picture and they had to be content with listening to the hockey game from Maple Leaf Gardens.

This is one time that Bill Hewitt's detailed television commentary wasn't ignored.

For those who felt in need of complete quietness there was a pile of books on the second floor and even electric light to help wipe out the rough day.

### TURNING BACK TIME SERIES



### YEARS HAVE CHANGED THIS TOWN STREET

RECOGNIZE THIS OLD GEORGETOWN ST.? You probably would if the trees on the left were crossed and a brick house replaced the gray lot on the left. This postcard from the Herald by Jim Lyons, Church St., shows how that street appeared in the early 1900s. The house with turreted verandah on the left is the old Lyons home at the corner of Church and Edith.



### TOP LEVEL MEETING

## SUGAR AND SPICE

by Bill Smiley

### I HAD A BALL

It's amazing how much a chap can accomplish when he gets off on his own for a day.

With a shave, a clean shirt and a pure heart, a man on his own can see more and do more in 18 hours than a family can in 18 days. Last week end, I reconfirmed this theory, which I have held since I got married.

I had a whole day, a wild and wicked day in the city all by myself. No work; no domestic bliss, not a single crisis to solve for 24 hours.

Last summer, I travelled about 6,000 miles, but I didn't seem to get anywhere. The reason of course, was that I had along my wife and daughter.

Women complicate things beyond measure, and sometimes almost beyond endurance. In the first place, they never know what they want to do. Before every excursion, there's a two-hour discussion about . . . what shoes to wear; where to eat; what show to go to; whether we have time for both or should we eat later; how much it's going to cost; what time we should get to bed; and why it will probably be a lousy evening anyway.

Then, at the crucial moment when it's time to get cracking and there isn't a minute to lose, they have to shove their legs, or change their girdles, or put their hair up or down.

Last summer I covered more miles peeling up and down hotel rooms, waiting for them than I did on our transcontinental trip by plane, train and car.

Now, if I'd been taking my wife and/or daughter with me last week end, it would have been about as simple as setting up the United Nations. Write and reserve a hotel room. Write and get tickets for a show or concert. Make elaborate plans for meeting each other for lunch in the city, after our chores were done.

But this time it was different. I tossed a pair of socks and an extra shirt in a bag, and took off with a light heart, but a sober face. The sober face is essential. Everytime I get away from her for a day, my wife fears that I'm going on some Bacchanalian binge.

As a result, I have to lay the groundwork. Serious talk about business conferences, seeing a lawyer, maybe taking in a good show, and getting a good night's sleep in a good, conservative hotel. "Good" is the key word.

And, of course, I always have to do some of these things, or I'd never get away. I had two business meetings, one with a publisher, one with a syndicate man. Both were completely unnecessary, but pleasant, like most business meetings that involve writing.

I skipped the lawyer bit. Not much fun in seeing one's lawyer. Substituted for a smug stroll past the big, phoney Christmas windows of the big department stores, secure in the knowledge there were no wild horses or women around to drive me into the mania interiors.

## NEWS ECHOES

From the Heralds of 10 and 20 Years Ago

### 10 YEARS AGO

Four present councillors will be joined by two newcomers when the 1957 Georgetown council convenes in January. On Monday, councillors Garfield McGillivray, Walter Gray, Harry Hale, and Alfred Sykes were re-elected. Fred Harrison and Ern Hyde were the new men elected. Mayor Jack Armstrong, Reeve Stan Allen and Deputy Reeve Douglas Sargent were acclaimed.

Harrison Public School, Georgetown's third, located on Rexway Drive, is rapidly taking shape. The school board hopes the building will be occupied by the latter part of January.

Three Georgetown district girls, Diane Harrison, Donna Bennett, and Irene Inch received their nurses caps in the traditional capping service at St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, Tuesday morning.

### 20 YEARS AGO

Georgetown people will have an opportunity to see and hear a radio broadcast on Friday, December 27th when Willard's 'Ontario Panoramas' will be presented at the Old Town all from 9.00 until 9.30 p.m. This popular CFRB program features Gordon Sinclair and Alan Savage and five or six local people.

At the last meeting of the 1946 Esqueving Council in Sewartown on Monday, Dec. 16th, Reeve Wesley Murray, and councillor Howard May announced they would not be seeking office in 1947.

## Explains Position of Nurses in County Dispute

40 Henry St.,  
Georgetown, Ont.  
Nov. 30, 1966

Citizens of Georgetown:

So much confusion has resulted from the report of the meeting with the Public Health Nurses and the Special Warden's Committee that I have decided to write to you.

The nurses agreed to go back to work under three conditions:

(1) The Special Committee would negotiate with the Nurses toward an amicable agreement to both sides.

(2) Negotiations would begin immediately.

(3) If for any reason, negotiations reached an impasse a mediator would be used. (a name of a mediator was discussed and agreed upon.)

We, being trusting nurses, took this verbal agreement in "good faith," as this committee requested. We felt that this was a moral commitment, and we could accept this verbal agreement.

Now Mr. Hinton states, he refused to accept this Commitment because it is better for us to go for Certification. If the Public Health Nurses felt that this was better for them to go for Certification under the Labour Relations Board, we would have done this and not resigned. I feel the nurses are better judges not only of their

work but what is better for nurses. If we do not upgrade nursing and attract young girls into the profession — what is the future for our communities — hospitals without registered nurses — communities without public health nurses?

Why should nurses' working conditions depend upon the whims of politicians?

Are you aware that the federal government did a complete study of Halton County Unit three years ago along with several other Health Units and City Health Departments? Do you know that Halton County was best in service, program, and wise use of public health nurses' time. Yet the Warden's special committee has hired a consultant firm to investigate us. We welcome this investigation but I hope you as citizens demand to have their complete report. It is your money which is paying for this Duplicate report.

We are now working because we care about the health of this community, and we realize that our not working punishes the people we care about but in no way affects these very people who are not looking forward towards the future of your community or the nursing profession.

Mr. Parker has resigned from this special committee and will not be in county council next year. Mr. Menefy walked out on this decision of special committee — why?

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Frances Jamieson

### BIBLE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"... and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Malachi 3:10

Christians ought to be willing to give all He asks and receive all He has promised.

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