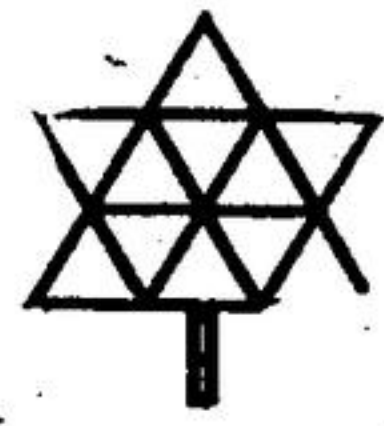




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HAT POPPING CHEQUE



GEORGETOWN'S CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE chairman William Smith's silk hat pops off, with the help of Halton MLA George Kerr, as he and Mayor Joseph Gibbons accept a cheque for \$10,000. The cheque, a grant from the Ontario Dept. of Agriculture, to assist with the purchase of Cedarvale Community Centre was turned over to the town in a presentation ceremony there. The Cedarvale purchase qualified for the grant from the Agricultural and Horticultural Societies Branch of the Department.

Police Chief Suspended Council Asks OPC Probe

Low Acting Chief Pending OPC Hearing

At a special council meeting Friday evening, council requested the Ontario Police Commission to conduct an investigation into the conduct and performance of Police Chief Roy Haley. Pending outcome of the investigation, the chief has been suspended with pay.

Monday, with three councillors opposing, Inspector Harley Lowe was appointed acting police chief. The vote carried 5-3, with the mayor and Crs. Young, Emmerson, Francis and Ballentine supporting it; and Reeve Hunter, Deputy Reeve Speight and Cr. Harrison in opposition. Cr. Smith was not present at the meeting.

The investigation was requested by Chief Haley in January when, in a letter to council, he said his ability as chief administrator has been questioned on numerous occasions in the past two years and should be clarified. At the same time, he asked that qualifications of all police officers be examined at the same time, as to their capabilities of becoming chief executive officers.

Unaware that council had made their move on Friday, resident, James McCaig, 37 Maple Ave. W., urged that the town have a police commission and take police matters out of politics.

He criticized a salary raise which put an inspector in a higher bracket than the chief and said the public is confused at conflicting statements made by councillors when this was discussed in council a week ago.

"The chief requested an investigation in January. Isn't he entitled to be found guilty or innocent?" he asked.

Another resident R.A. Secord 30 Shelley St. also urged a police commission to get away from what he termed "petty politics."

Police chairman Jim Young remarked that it would be easier to sit back and do nothing but that his duty is to solve difficulties on the force and he had hoped this could be done without the unpleasantness of an investigation.

"It's had form to discuss this any further while an investigation is in process" said Mayor Gibbons, bringing the discussion to a close.

Connely Inquest Jury Recommends Electric Gates for CN Trestle

A five-man inquest jury Friday night absolved the crew of the CN train which struck and killed Kenneth John Connely, 14, on the trestle east of Georgetown May 13 of any blame made three recommendations when they returned after deliberating testimony for over an hour.

The jury, Ross Irwin, William Ostrander, Ross Hillier, Jack Puckering and foreman Steve Emmerson, recommended:

1. That a 25 mile per hour speed limit be applied to all trains crossing the trestle.
2. That proper fencing be erected from the first abutment to the ends of the trestle at both ends, and electrically operated gates be installed at each end to allow trains to pass through.
3. As this is the second fatality of this kind on the same trestle within the past four of five years we suggest that the above recommendations be put into effect immediately.

They exonerated engineer John McMonagle and conductor Charles Stevenson.

for 16 years, told the inquest he was in the cab of the diesel locomotive hauling a 93 car train at about 42 miles per hour when he was approaching the trestle from the west when he saw the boys on the bridge.

He said he pulled on the whistle and yelled to his mate to put the air brakes on 'emergency' which applies the brakes on all wheels from diesel to caboose. He said the headlight was on full and the bell was ringing.

"I kept blowing the whistle and the boys kept running," he testified. "They ran right past the water barrel platforms. One of the boys disappeared from my view as the train rolled up behind them. About ten feet from the end of the front of the engine hit the other boy."

He said the diesel was about 22 railway car lengths past the east end of the trestle when it came to a full stop.

Stevenson, was riding in the caboose, said he thought perhaps some cars had uncoupled when he saw the brakes go into emergency application. He said he checked with the engineer

on an intercom radio and after learning one of the boys had been hit told the CN dispatcher (continued on Page 17)

\$1800 is Consolation Prize in Lincolnshire

Jim Walters of Weber Dr., is \$1,800 richer because of a horse. Double U-J was his name and he earned this money for Mr. Walters without even running. He was scratched from a race in the Lincolnshire Sweepstakes but Mr. Walters had already had his ticket drawn.

The race was run in March, but Mr. Walters just received his money this week.

"It's nice to have, but I don't plan to do anything in particular with it," says lucky Jim.

TWO CAR COLLISION NEAR SHOPPING PLAZA

A two car collision opposite the Georgetown Market plaza Friday afternoon damaged cars operated by Frank Sulton, Kitchener, and Mrs. Helen Ruth Gould, Norval.

Both cars were eastbound and sideswiped where the double lane narrows into one. Sgt. Louth said damage totaled \$500.

FIND BODIES OF DROWNED COUPLE

Council, Ratepayer at Odds Rule "Pay Bill" or Water Cut

Drama flared briefly at Monday's council meeting when Mayor Gibbons adjourned the meeting called a police constable and threatened to eject a ratepayer who refused to be silent.

The move followed a lengthy speech by Harrison Wood, 28 Bairdrow Crescent. Mr. Wood produced a bottle of discoloured water which he said had come from a tap in his home. He said he had complained two years ago about dirty water, had twice been refused recompense for clothing ruined in a washing, by the town's insurance firm and had finally been granted the minimum flat rate billing of \$4.50 which is given to householders with this problem.

Mr. Wood differed with council about the duration of the billing. He had been told by a councillor, he said, that this would apply until the dirty water problem was overcome. Council has granted this for two months only.

Meanwhile he has refused to allow the meter reader to enter his home.

Recently he was informed by the water department that unless a back billing of \$17.00 is paid, his water service would be disconnected. He paid the \$4.50 but refused to pay the extra.

"I will draw against the British North America Act," he told council, then quoted a section from a Water Act in which he claims council is responsible for putting noxious materials in the water supply and can be charged with this as an offence.

Water chairman Arthur Speight explained that the iron removal plant will not be in operation for a few weeks yet, but that iron in the water supply is an "Act of God" rather than an "Act of Man".

When cooler weather comes council plans to flush the mains he said, as a final solution to cleaning up iron deposits in the water supply.

Answering criticism by Mr. Wood that he had made disparaging remarks about the ratepayer, Mayor Gibbons said he had said that no special favours could be granted one ratepayer over another.

"My answer is that the by-law must be enforced and will be," he said. "How else can council operate."

It was at this stage that the mayor called the police when Mr. Wood refused to be silent and kept interrupting the next delegation.

Later in the meeting, a motion allowed two month minimum billing to Mr. Wood, with the warning that this has no bearing on the account owing which must be paid.

Miss Highway Curve Two Cyclists Injured

David James Presswood, RR 1 Georgetown, received hand and head cuts and bruises, and Danny James McLean, 181 Main St. N. suffered multiple concussion bruises and abrasions when the motorcycle they were riding missed the curve at the north end of Main St. Thursday.

Both were on a Harley Davidson motorcycle registered to George Ritchie according to police.

They were travelling east on the highway from Acton when the driver McLean, was unable to negotiate the curve. The bike ran over a fence and tumbled on a lawn. Both driver and passenger were thrown off.

Police constable Henry Vanderlusis placed damage to the vehicle at \$20. The accident happened at 5:15 p.m.

School Dropping Cadets Lorne Scots To Take Over

The department of National Defence has notified the Georgetown District High School Board that they will make a final inventory check of cadet corps equipment sometime this summer as soon as cadets taking summer training have returned.

Recently the high school board notified the defence department that they no longer wish to sponsor the corps. C Company of the Lorne Scots Militia Regiment have indicated they will keep it alive.

The high school has sponsored the corps for about 40 years.

Seek Township Aid in Restoration of Cemetery

A delegation of eleven members of St. John's Church in Sewardtown asked Esquimaux council Monday night for help in restoring the old Stewarttown cemetery. The cemetery lies at the top of the hill behind the Orange Hall.

T.H. Briggs acting as spokesman for the group, claimed the cemetery was in a sorry state and the Health Department insisted on some action. He admitted the church owns the land, but has no money to maintain it. "We would like to work with council in getting something done," he added.

Reeve George Leslie pointed out that the township may be asked to take over a cemetery if the owner is financially unable to maintain it. "All we are asked to do is fence it," said the reeve, "but it would be much better if we gave you a grant, and you people fix it up."

This has been done with abandoned cemeteries, in other parts of the township.

"If it is declared a neglected cemetery, the onus is on the township to do it," added deputy reeve George Currie.

In reply to a question on the estimated cost, Canon J.E. Maxwell reminded council of the difficulty of getting machinery up to the top of the hill, and the high cost involved.

At the suggestion of the deputy reeve, a committee of the church members and a committee of council will look over the cemetery and try to arrive at a cost of erecting a cairn and cleaning up the area.

The reeve reminded the group that an old roadway goes up behind the Orange hall which they could use.

WAR MUSEUM OPENS NEXT WEEK

The museum, open to the public, is one of the many ways the Legion is marking National Veterans' Week, June 11th to 17th.

Pair Discovered in Credit River Identified as Mr. & Mrs. G. David

by Terry Harley

A Georgetown couple and their unborn child drowned in the Credit River at the lower paper mill dam on River Drive Tuesday in a tragic drama that apparently nobody witnessed.

Dead are Gerald David and his wife Aldia Marie, of Ontario St. Mrs. David was expecting her first child.

Their bodies were pulled from a pool at the base of the dam twenty minutes apart. The woman was floating face down against a log near a natural spillway when police and firemen arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Her body was carried to a gravel beach on the north side of the river by Georgetown constable John Glass and police cadet William Cunningham who waded into the waist high water. Attempts by firemen with an inhalator unit got no response.

Police, firemen and some of the gathering crowd started searching the area in hip waders and downstream for a second body because of a pair of man's shoes and socks seen on the shore beside the dead woman's blue bedroom slippers.

Onlookers lining the bridge railing suddenly started directing searchers to a white form on the bottom of the pool near where the woman's body had been floating.

One of the men, Jim James, waded into water up to his shoulders, ducked beneath the surface and came up with a man's body.

Mrs. David was fully clothed, except for her slippers. Her husband was wearing blue shorts or trunks and a white tee shirt.

Firemen tried the inhalator.

Laud Council, McNally For Industry Cooperation

A happy future in Georgetown is anticipated by Baltimore Aircorl Ltd. which has purchased land in the town's east industrial park for a planned 34,500 square foot factory.

Monday a letter was read from the firm thanking council for their co-operation as well as William McNally, who exchanged the land wanted by the firm for two other town-owned industrial lots.

The firm is planning to move its Brampton operation here with a staff of fifty when the plant opens next January. The firm, with other plants in Maryland, and California manufacturers cooling systems.

Parish Picnic Concludes With Evesong Service

An evensong service, conducted by the Rev. Eric Mills concluded the annual parish picnic of St. George's Anglican Church on Sunday at Eden Mills.

During the afternoon there was swimming and a number of games and races. One novelty was a patch race for senior members of the parish. Mrs. Tom Van Sicker proved to be the best seamstress as she sewed a patch on Tom Parry's trousers and Mr. Parry raced over the finish line in first place.

Mystery woman Mrs. Jack King was correctly identified by Ricky Chaplin and Eva Middleton won the hidden spot prize.

Race winners were: girls 6-7 Meryl Zavitz, Karen Johnston; boys 6-7, Chris Barber, Danny Fisher; girls 8-9, Joyce Creswick, Tammy King; boys 8-9 Ronnie Mills, Michael Borland; girls 10-11, Lesley Catling, Cindy King; boys 10-11 Philip Noble, Donnie Ewles; girls 12-14, Elizabeth Catling, Nancy Parry; boys 12-14, Ricky Chaplin, Tommy Ewles; girls 15 and over Carol Ewles, Angela Mills;



GORDON REID, BRUCE COLLINS, BUS HALE and president-elect Dave Bowman of the Canadian Legion Branch 120 look over part of the collection of insignia during cataloging of items which will be on display at the War Museum there next week. The Museum, open to the public, is one of the many ways the Legion is marking National Veterans' Week, June 11th to 17th.