DUPLICATE BRIDGE TOWN'S NEWEST HOBBY

If you ask a representative group of Georgetown people what they know about the new bridge, they would tell you that the Mountainview overpass is being widened and will probably be open to traffic next month.

But ask a group of men and women who spend their Tuesday night in the Legion auditorium, and they'll say 'the club meets here every Tuesday. You can bring a partner or team up with someone when you get here.'

That's Georgetown duplicate bridge club, one of the newest of the town's organizations and one of the most enthusiastic.

What other group would dare to meet on Hallowe'en night and draw as good a turnout as it would on any ordinary evening.

The club is the brainchild of a Union Street resident, Wellington 'Duke' Wilson. Mr. Wilson, and a few of his friends have been playing duplicate bridge for some years in neighbouring communities which had organized clubs. With so many bridge players in town, he decided to organize a local club. One little ad in The Herald, some word-of-mouth publicity, and it was an instant success.

Since it started two years ago October, it is seldom that there are less than fifty participants at the Tuesday sessions. Not always the same faces, of course for it is a game which does not require attendance every week to enjoy.

Mr. Wilson, as director, receives sterling assistance from his wife, who besides enjoying the game herself acts as secretary and general right hand support for her husband. Earl Emond is club treasurer.

There is a growing membership of over eighty men and women. Half of them have also taken out membership in the American Contract Bridge League. Weekly winners get scores which, when accumulated, can be traded in to the ACBL for "Master Points". Members can also enter tournaments which take place all over the world.

Duplicate bridge is a further refinement of a game which originated with whist, then became auction bridge, and later contract bridge.

Duplicate removes much of the element of luck which still exists in contract bridge, for hands are saved after one couple plays them and passed onto succeeding teams to test their skill. A couple must play for every extra point in order to win "top board" in the final scoring.

There are clubs in Acton, Guelph, Brampton and Oakville and the most avid fans travel there frequently as well. Some of the Georgetown members also come from these neighbouring towns.

Earlier this year Mr Wilson retired from his position at Domtar Paper. He finds bridge an absorbing pastime and devotes much of his leisure time to the club, visits to other clubs and on those rare evenings when he has some spare time — a friendly game of kitchen bridge with some of his cronies.

This fall too, he has taught a class of beginners in a "Y" sponsored program. And he's very proud of their progress.

Meanwhile the club continues to thrive and an ambitious program has been planned for next year, including contests for 'pairs' and 'team' championships.

ON THE AVERAGE NIGHT visitors will find fifty bridge players competing for points. Here regulars Miss Margery Mackenzie, Mrs. Marguerite Taylor, Mrs. Helen Hyde and Mrs. Bev Pattullo engage in a match of wits, memory and judgment.

WELLINGTON 'DUKE' WILSON and Mrs. Wilson check previous week's score at duplicate bridge points board.

TOM HILL ACCLAIMED DEP. REEVE

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Esquesing Township Councillor Tom Hill was given the deputy - reeve post by acclamation at the township's nomination night in the Esquesing municipal building Monday.

Smash Into Freight Four Youths Killed

Provincial police said Sunday a police cruiser was following four youths when their car smashed into a freight train early Saturday near Campbellville, killing all four.

Terry Van Buskirk, Ronald Boers and Lorne Miller, all of Campbellville, and John Newell of Kitchener were killed. All were 17.

A. H. Bird, assistant commissioner, said the youths' car was travelling about 60 miles an hour and the cruiser, driven by Constable Terry Devine was gaining when the accident occurred.

Constable Devine said he knew the youths and had followed them for about three miles to make a routine check. He said he never was closer than a half a mile to the car and did not think the youths knew they were being followed.

"It wasn't a chase. If it had been a chase, I would have hit the train too. They would have hit a train if I was there or not."

John Smith, of London, Ont., a trainman who was holding a lantern at the crossing had to jump out of the way when the crash occurred.

He said it looked as if the cruiser was chasing the car.

"I didn't know if he was going to hit the train, too."

Two Sat. Accidents Cause $1,000 Damage

A thousand dollars property damage was done in two motor accidents here Saturday within fifty-five minutes of each other.

Police said cars driven by Arthur Frederick Damery, 40 McIntyre Crésc., and James Kavanagh, 6 King St., collided at the Mill St. entrance to the downtown parking lot resulting in $350. That happened at 11 a.m.

On Mountainview Road cars driven by James Angus Little, Glen Williams and Thomas Brandford, 15 Mountainview Road came together resulting in $650. This one happened at 11:55 a.m.

Both were investigated by Constable Kenneth Firth.

BIG BUSINESS

There are 80,000 automotive businesses in Canada — one of every six firms.

Two Clark Ayrshires All Canadian Leaders

Two Ayrshire cows bred and owned by Mr. A. H. Clark of Georgetown, have established themselves among the all-time all-Canadian leaders in R.O.P. Grampian Dottie, at eight years of age produced 19,897 lb. milk 618 fat, in 305 days. This is the third highest record for milk production ever recorded by a Canadian Ayrshire in the mature class.

Grampian Kitty Mae, as a two year old, produced 14,814 lb. milk and 524 fat, in 305 days and 15,482 lb. milk 553 fat, in 333 days. These records are fifth and eighth highest for milk production in this 2 year old class.

Mr. Clark has an outstanding record in G.O.P. Last year his 32 records averaged 178 and 159 of Breed Class Average.

Praise, Luggage, Crest Warden Feted at Dinner

High praise for his conduct of county business this year was given to William Coulter, Nassagaweya reeve and Halton's 1967 warden, at a dinner last week attended by county dignitaries and their wives at Oakville's Galaxy Club.

Mr. Coulter, besides the verbal praise, received luggage and a framed county crest as an appreciation of his year in office.

"It was a trying year, with the dispute with the Health Unit, Nurses and other major matters, besides the normal business," said past warden Herb Merry, in toasting the warden. "Mr. Coulter had leadership and patience in dealing with this."

In a toast to county council, Judge Alan Sprague termed county government "the grass roots of democracy" and paid tribute to the administrative staff for efficiency. Replying Georgetown reeve Wm. F. Hunter said establishment of a 5 year road budget was one of council's most forward steps this year.

Past wardens, invited to stand after being toasted, included Stan Allen, Halton Manor superintendent who was reeve of Georgetown when he held office, and George Leslie, presently reeve of Esquesing.

Guest speaker was Rev. G. W. Paul, chaplain of Carleton University, Ottawa, and warden Coulter's brother-in-law.

Speaking on the topic "Why Youth are Rocking the Boat," Rev. Paul told why youth cry: "Don't fence me in?"; some by mounting marches and sit - ins, others by demanding a voice in government and university administration, indulging in drugs and pre-marital sex, or dropping out of society altogether by joining the Hippie movement.

He said society today is more complex with a constant cold war tension that has made young people's future uncertain.

WILLIAM COULTER

"They are sick of the society that has left them this as a heritage," he said. "They want freedom to re-organize society along new lines, and to keep themselves from being lost in the system."

But he stressed that most young people who fit the mould of a hippie are good Christians. Many want to be married by a minister, for example but they insist on rewriting the ceremony so it is meaningful to them.

The morals of youth today also conform largely to those of earlier generations, he said.

"I defy anyone to prove there is more pre-marital sex today than when Kinsey did his report in the late '40's" he said. "It's just that today the young people insist on breaking down the barriers by discussing it openly. They don't want to be 'hung up' on sex like many of our generation are."

Rev. Paul said young people do not like the world that has been left to them. They are unwilling to accept authority from government or from the scriptures, or the argument that something is right just because it is old.

He said young people are growing up in a world which has given them war as a heritage, in one which is changing from a work-oriented society into one where there is much more leisure time, one which has an affluent culture, rather than the poverty culture of the past generation.

Parents have become uncertain of their roles. "When we were children there was a superior-infrior relationship which is disappearing," he said.

Invest Rev. R. O. Scrivens At Parents Night, 1st Cubs

Last Thursday evening over one hundred and sixty cubs, children and parents attended the annual Parents' Night for First Georgtown Cubs, held in the hall of St. John's United Church.

Highlighting the evening was the investiture of Rev. R. O. Scrivens by D.C. Mr. Norman Herbert. Mr. Ernie Forgrave presented Mr. Scrivens with the chaplain badge on behalf of the Session and Christian Education Committee. The cubmaster, Mrs. Jean Layman presented the group colours and Miss Judy Nash ACM presented the various badges.

Mr. Ben Boyle showed many interesting slides including the camping of First Georgetown and others taken while Mr. and Mrs. Boyle lived in the Yukon and South America.

During the opening of cubs, Anthony Rand, Robert Dickson, Greg Schenk, Paul Beer, Drew Clarke, Allan Dalton, Gordon Allan, Thomas Hastings and Thomas McDonald were invested into Cubs. These boys who worked hard and passed the required tests took the first step in Scouting when they said their promise. Mr. Glen Magnuson, new group committee chairman spoke briefly to the parents, outlining the new officers and committees and progress.

The Green six led by Sixer Peter Boyle and Second Paul Thompson won the points for the past few weeks and decided to send their money donation to Sick Children's Hospital.

Boys receiving the 'Coat of White Paint' were Charles Zammit, Donald Bradley, Warner Austin, Glen MacNeal, Russell Hogan.

Mr. Thomas Higgins ADC presented Rev. Scrivens with a Gilwell woggle which was recently earned by taking his basic training.

The cubs doing their good turn saved some cookies for the Sunshine School so they could enjoy a party also.

Refreshments were served under the leadership of Mrs. G. Magnuson assisted by other members of the Scout Ladies Auxiliary.

The Grand Howl was led by Stephen Brunski and the Mouse Howl by Peter Boyle. Rev. Scrivens closed with a prayer and the Mizpah Benediction.

Legion Monthly Draw Winners

The following were winners in Canadian Legion Branch 120s monthly draw.

First, Marg Holmes, ticket seller Doris Chamberlain, second John Inglis, ticket seller Ralph Hawes; third E. Pellegrims, ticket seller Ralph Hawes.

Next monthly draw January 27.

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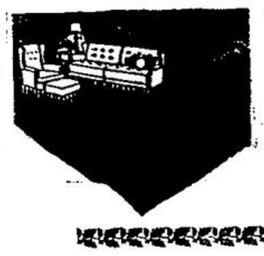

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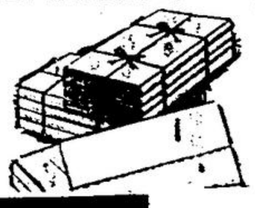

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