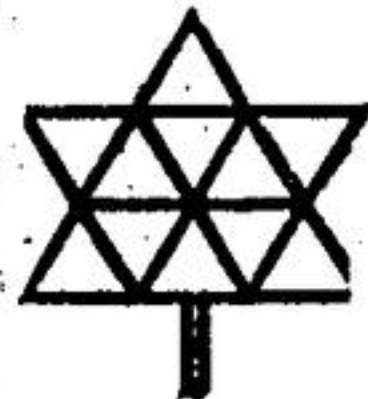


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25th CAME EARLY FOR SOME LUCKY SMALL TYPES

SANTA PAID EARLY VISITS here several times last week when he distributed packages to wide-eyed children by the hundreds at group children's parties throughout the town. Here he's the centre of attention as he gives away gifts at a party of youngsters of E. W. Bliss at the Legion Hall Saturday afternoon. A hundred and five children enjoyed a sing-along, cake, ice cream and milk, the antics of a couple of clowns and, best of all, St. Nick's generosity.

Last County Council Meeting For Two Reeves, Two Deputies

Four municipal representatives that I voted for the three-year term in Oakville," he said "the hometown elections made their cause it means I have to put my final appearance in Halton self on the shelf for three years County Council last week.

Reeve Merry

Singled out for special mention were Reeve Merry, for his ability to raise the morale of any meeting he attended, and Deputy Reeve Menefy, for his work in revamping county personnel policy.

Replies to the tribute, Reeve Merry said he would miss his work on the county level even more than he will miss his Oakville duties.

"And I'm rather sorry now

Car-Train Accident Kills Two Young Milton Students

A Christmas Eve tragedy — by only an unlighted warning sign — the area's second car-train crash in less than a month — has claimed the lives of two Milton teens.

Michael R. Wood, 18, and Brenda Jane Phelps, 16, were delivering Christmas gifts along the old Campbellville Road (3th Sideroad, Esquesing) at 4:55 p.m. Sunday when their car was struck broad-side by a fast CN freight just east of Highway 25.

Police said the car was travelling west on the sideroad. The crew on the train, a through freight heading south from Georgetown toward Burlington said they did not see the car approach the crossing, but they are certain it was not stalled on the tracks.

The impact of the train into the car's passenger side threw the two teens clear and tossed the car down the cinder track embankment like a broken toy. It was bent almost double.

When Milton Coroner Dr. G. F. Syer and two ambulances arrived at 5:15 the Wood boy was dead of multiple injuries and Miss Phelps was unconscious and barely alive. She died en route to hospital, despite continuous efforts by the Alexander Ambulance crew to keep her alive.

The pair both students at Milton District High School, were riding in the Wood family car. Michael who was driving, played on the school basketball team and was described by teachers and friends as one of the most pleasant, polite boys at Milton High.

He is survived by his parents Mr. and Mrs. William Wood, of Ontario Street South Milton and one sister, age 14.

Brenda leaves her parents, M. and Mrs. Mel Phelps of Maplewood Crescent, Milton and 3 sisters and a brother all young. Both funerals were held Wednesday from McKersie Funeral Home to Evergreen Cemetery.

The road on which the two were killed takes a slight hump at the crossing, but the visibility is good for 1 1/2 miles each way along the track, police said. The crossing is protected

NAME BUD LOWE CHIEF OF POLICE

Expect Halton County Film Good Publicity for Region

Five months from now you may be asking your neighbour for his autograph.

A film called "Halton County the Man and the Boy", which features many Halton residents on the job or in leisure activities will premiere in May with all the hoopla of a Hollywood opening.

The film is the major project of the Halton County Industrial Committee, formed in 1961 to promote the flow of industry to the area.

Scenery Done

In a report to county council this week, Hamilton's Robert J. Meyer Productions a firm specializing in producing films on contract for commerce and industry, said all scenes that may be included in the film are now photographed.

All that remains the report said is the writing and authorization of the script, editing the work print and fitting in background music.

All urban areas in Halton are represented in the film by their industrial activities. Townships and suburban areas are represented by landscapes and special attraction features.

"Although only half the days since May 1st were sunny, and a fifth of these were hazy," the producer reported "we were in the right place at the right time to film blossoms, fruit-picking, grain-harvesting, fall colours, snow on the trees, summer outings on water and in parks, and a number of fortunate shots of blue herons and buffalo."

Scarborough Gets Job Ambulance Inspector

The Chief of Georgetown's volunteer ambulance brigade, Dan Scarborough, has been named an inspector of ambulance crews for the Department of Health's Emergency Services branch.

Under the new government licensing plan for ambulances inspectors are being employed to make sure vehicles and the men that staff them are up to standard and to generally improve emergency services.

Chief Scarborough will assist in teaching a course to professional ambulance personnel at Camp Borden in January.

Guitar Accompanies Cubs for Party Carol Singing

5th Georgetown Cubs, A and B Packs, united for a Christmas party at Holy Cross Wednesday, December 20.

Cubs Alain Pelletier and John Boisoneault of B Pack sang the French carol Dans Cet Etablo, and Neil Walsh on guitar accompanied the Cubs in group carol singing.

The boys sang Jingle Bells to summon Santa and the jolly old elf responded by appearing and presenting each Cub and leader with a gift.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. F. Peters and Mrs. H. Diamond who also made up bases of candies for the Club to take home.

Leaders were Miss Ann Van Hoekelen, Miss Janice Walsh, Mrs. Jean Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Colter and Simon Perrott.

Eleven Year Member of Force Promoted to Senior Office

Saturday morning at a special meeting, the Board of Police Commissioners appointed Acting Police Chief Harley Lowe Chief of the Georgetown Police Department.

Chief Lowe joined the force in 1956, when it consisted of four men. Prior to joining the force he had been employed by a private detective agency, in Toronto.

He now heads a sixteen man force, and has the most years of service of any member.

The Chief's position has been vacant since the department's first Chief Constable, Roy Haley resigned August 3rd citing ill health.

Avid Interest

He reported avid interest in the project among Halton residents he met while filming. Many wanted to know when, where and how they could see the film and whether it would be on television. One or two contacted him later to find out if the film turned out OK.

County officials expect to order 10 prints of the film at first. These will be shown around the area, distributed to industrial conferences and libraries, and entered in several film festivals.

Walter Gray, a former councillor and deputy reeve, as well as a Lions Club member, heads

Membership Growing, Chamber Has Ambitious 1968 Program

Georgetown's Chamber of Commerce, revived this fall after a period of inactivity, has big plans for the new year.

An executive, headed by Irwin Noble as chairman, has been busy discussing plans while a membership drive in progress is meeting with excellent results in enlisting members for the group.

A retail committee, headed by Bob Gougeon, is explaining to merchants the importance of united action to keep town business perkier, and the need for cooperative projects to meet competition from out of town businesses.

Chairman Jim Warren of the civic group says his committee

Claims Patronage for Town Road Maintained by County

Georgetown is receiving patronage from the county roads committee at the expense of the other six Halton municipalities, Acton Reeve Herbert Hinton charged in county council last week.

Reeve Hinton said a piece of road between Highway 7 and Esquesing's Ninth Line is maintained in top condition by the county roads department.

"This is a municipal road and should be maintained as such by Georgetown itself," he said. "This is a type of patronage on roads that I cannot condone."

Replying to the charge, Georgetown deputy reeve A. R. Speight said Georgetown was only looking to the future in having the half-mile section maintained a connecting link.

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Floodlights Wind up at Psychadelic Freak Outs

Ever wonder what the outdoor lights snatchers do with their booty? Well according to Georgetown police Chief Bud Lowe the fate of the stolen goods varies.

Young pilferers carry a supply of the bulbs in their pockets and use them as grenades in neighbourhood brush wars. Teens concentrate on spotlights which usually wind up augmenting the floodlights in creating psychadelic effects at dances.

Higher Hydro Rate in '68

That's the motives behind the rash of light snatching that accompanied the holiday season this year according to the do-or-die apprehended and charged by Georgetown police.

Chief Lowe said that while his department had more success in catching up with the light snatchers this year than ever before it was also a year when the department received more complaints about thefts than ever before.

He attributed this to the sudden interest in floodlights by

Turkeys, Toys, Groceries Make it "Merry Christmas"

Many civic-minded citizens combined for some behind-the-scenes Christmas cheer last week.

The idea originated several years ago at the Lions Club when members decided to pool their efforts with other clubs to brighten the holidays for some of our less fortunate residents. With a financial assist from the town welfare office, this has grown and today the Kinsmen, Rotarians and Legionnaires are all part of the organization.

The result, forty well-filled hampers were distributed to district homes which otherwise might have had a slim Christmas.

Points Need for Planning Board for North Halton

Halton's northern townships need an area planning board, similar to those already operating in Oakville and Burlington, county council was told last week.

Robert Serena, chairman of the Halton County Planning Association, made the suggestion in his annual report to council.

"This is a particularly crucial time for Halton," he said. "Not only do we have to control the development of residential areas from agricultural land, but we also have to deal with the problems of transition to regional government."

He said the county's main problem is a lack of planning coordination in its northern sections, and a lack of an overall county planning concept.

Midnight Phone Calls Not All Bad

There are times when a fellow doesn't mind being wakened from a sound sleep by a midnight telephone call. Bud Varney, 68 Windsor Rd., didn't mind a bit Friday night when North Halton Golf and Country Club manager Nick Carter phoned to tell him he had just won an \$800 colour TV.

The set was the prize in a lucky draw sponsored by the club.

Mr. Carter pulled the winning ticket at a wine and cheese party for members. He was assisted by Terry Baines, a director.

The colour TV was installed next day at the home of the winner who had even more pleased Christmas visitors than he expected.