



Doing double duty is Mrs. Shirley Simpson with twins Brian and Barry

### "Housewives' Hour" Mom's Mid-Week Escape From the Kitchen Chores

Georgetown Memorial Arena manager, Don Gosling has an off-hour skating program going that's kind of unique for two reasons. Number one, it's aimed at the forgotten, winter sportsman "mother" and number two, customers are on their honour to pay.

Moms taking advantage of the "Housewives' Hour" as Gosling has labeled the Wednesday afternoon session are finding it not only a welcome respite from the week's routine, but an excellent chance to tutor their preschoolers in the art of staying upright on steel runners.

Since no ticket takers are on duty, the housewives are on their honour to pay a quarter admission at the refreshment booth.

The idea was implemented four years ago and while attendance figures like the two skaters, have their ups and downs the hour has its regulars. They've found it a great way to take a break and exercise at the same time. Those TV health shows with their deep knee bends, push-ups and toe-touching just can't compete.

### Dr. Arthur McAllister, 91, Physician for 54 Years

Senior member of Georgetown's medical profession, Dr. Arthur McAllister, 91, died January 9 at Guelph General Hospital.

A practicing physician here for 54 years before he retired two years ago, he was one of the town's most respected citizens. He was a "country doctor" of the rugged school who was on call all hours of the day and night, and who thought nothing of braving a winter storm with horses and sleigh, to attend a patient in need.

Youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. John McAllister, he was born on a farm, near Hensall, October 28, 1876. He attended Guelph high school and London Normal School, and spent six years as a rural school teacher.

After graduation from the University of Toronto medical school, he interned at Ottawa General Hospital. He started his practice in Georgetown in 1911.

Dr. McAllister had served as a member of the Georgetown public and high school boards, and was a member of his church session ever since coming to town, first of the Presbyterian church and later St. John's United.

He was a member of the Ontario and Canadian medical associations, had been Medical Officer of Health for Esquimaux Township and was a medical officer for Canadian National Railways for thirty years. He was a member of the medical staff of Guelph General Hospital.

He leaves his wife, the former Annie Elliott of Shawville, Quebec, a daughter, Jean of Toronto, and son Arthur of Georgetown, and four grandchildren. A daughter Helen died in 1957. He was also predeceased by eight brothers and sisters.

Rev. Robert Scrivens conducted the funeral service on Saturday in St. John's United Church. Pallbearers were Dr. Kenneth McCauley, Stan Wright,

Reg. Broomhead, Val Stein, Hector Bird and Alan Prouse. Members of the medical profession were honorary pallbearers. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery.

### Hydro Storm Damage Light

Freezing rain and sleet didn't give Georgetown hydro the

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headaches that line crews in other areas had Sunday. But park district residents were without electricity for about three hours Thursday night when a phase burned off a primary line behind Wesleyan St. The blackout affected parts of Main, Market, Park and Edith streets, and homes were on the chilly side when power was restored. The location and nature of the break made it particularly difficult to find.

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