



DRIVING PROFICIENCY EARNS AWARD FOR LIDIANNE

PAUL ARMSTRONG, of Armstrong Insurance presents the Georgetown District Independent Insurance Agents award to student driver Lidianne Beer, top pupil in Georgetown and District High School's first driver training course. All fifteen teens enrolled in the course taught by Ted Scott were successful.

IN THE MAIL BAG

Would Raise Esqueing Fees Unless Library Grant Made

17 Chelvin Drive, March 8th, 1968. Dear Sir, As a Town Taxpayer for over 8 years, and as a member of the Library Board, I wish to discuss three items of news that appeared in your issue of March 7th 1968.

Item 1: Under the byline "Township has money to lend" we are informed that the township that surrounds us, but unfortunately adds nothing to our well being, has in the capital reserve fund, over \$34,000, with which it intends to buy a savings certificate, and in current account, there reposes \$80,000 which can earn interest for at least 30 days.

Item 2: This time the byline reads "Milton also seeking Township library aid." We are told that in addition to a request from our own board for \$5,000 grant, Milton also has asked for \$1,000, in some ways compensate the respective boards for the use of the libraries, without adequate recompense from this wealthy township, which as I said before, receives much from its neighbors, but adds little to their well being.

Item 3: In a headline report we are told that the Georgetown debt approaches the six million mark, and a worried mayor states that he "Can't put finger on what to chop from budget."

I think my fellow ratepayers will immediately see my reason for writing. Our little town, which has been short of money for years, but has always tried to provide reasonable services to its residents, is being taken for a ride, if I may use a colloquialism. This township with money to lend, has no facilities whatever to maintain. No equipment to purchase for the expensive yet, essential services, which make the difference between a loose collection of residences, without a proper sewage or water system, which in turn add to our already critical pollution problems. No fire services, no police, poor roads, poor lighting, but, all essential power to tax. By expending on its more progressive neighbours, it can get along, using the already overloaded facilities such as an excellent library, shopping, recreation, and on the assumption that we certainly would not stand and watch a neighbours house burn down, they can rest secure that our fire and police facilities are always there.

For my own part, I do not intend to allow this unnatural

state of affairs to continue. The Georgetown Library Board, had already advised Esqueing that as of the end of this school term (March 15) the library would not be available for the monthly school visits, without some grant towards the privilege, and we also were to increase non residents fees from \$1. per year, to \$4. effective now, but only collectible as the current quarterly cards expired.

I have asked the chairman for a special meeting for this week in view of the reports that I have enumerated here. It is my intention to submit a motion that effective March 15th, 1968 all residents of the Township who are library members, have their memberships cancelled. Then commencing March 15th, 1968 any person wishing to use the library facilities, who is not a ratepayer of the Town of Georgetown, will be welcomed, on payment of a fee of \$4. per person per year, payable in full in advance.

I am sure that everyone will understand my concern. We, as Canadians, are faced with ever mounting costs, of everything, including taxation. To maintain a reasonable standard of everything, is a more onerous chore now, than at anytime in this generation. I am the last person to deprive children of anything, particularly books, and the pleasure and value they bring, but I am as tired as everyone else of paying more than my fair share, and these three reports, will show those unaware of a most inequitable situation, that Esqueing, which has used Georgetown for years has no intention of paying for anything that it can get for nothing, while having no qualms about reporting to everyone that it has over \$30,000 in the bank, that it doesn't need. Cr. Pat Patterson could have taken a few minutes to make us a reasonable grant, thereby saving the school children of his municipality from doing without library facilities, prevented a great deal of embarrassment, and proved to us all that there are, still around, those who really care something, for those that voted them into office.

Disgustedly yours, Hugh Powell.

YIPES, NO BRAKES?

Some startling figures relating to the mechanical condition of automobiles are contained in the 1967 Annual Report of the Hamilton Safety Council. For instance of 1,400 vehicles put through the ODT Motor Vehicle Safety Check Lanes it was found that 81 had no foot brake.

Deficiencies in lights made up the greatest number of violations says the Ontario Safety League.

Appreciates Good Work of Norval Youth

Norval, Ontario. Dear Sir, I would like to let your readers know about a group of teenagers in Norval.

My husband passed away last week and St. Paul's Guild kindly offered to provide lunch in the parish hall after the funeral. The hall apparently was very dirty following an auction sale on Saturday and these teenagers undertook to clean it on Sunday. They scrubbed the upstairs floor and kitchen floor on their hands and knees, and cleaned the whole hall.

On Monday I saw some of them in the choir and then they went and helped serve the lunch. They are members of the Norval and District Youth Organization, affiliated with St. Paul's Anglican Church.

If we must talk about teenagers, let's talk about the good they do and not always about the bad. My sincere thanks go out to this group because I know they can be counted upon to come through in a crisis.

Lois G. Fendley

Thanks Adults Who Came to View Coffee House

March 11th, 1968

Dear Sir, I'm not trying to beat a dead horse by bringing back this issue of Mrs. Goldup vs. Youth-In, but I think that her letters plus the ones that followed them have done a great service to Youth-In. Not only have they made people perk up and take notice, but these people came down to our "Open House" held March 2nd.

There were 20-25 interested adults who came down. They enjoyed our folksingers, our coffee and I hope, our coffee-house. No one seemed to disapprove of the place, nor do I think Mrs. Goldup would have had she visited us that night. So my thanks go out to the people who came and visited the coffee house, and a special thanks to the unknown gentleman who donated the set of darts.

One of the people who came down to our "Open House" was an elderly lady to whom Youth-In is much indebted. Even before she came, this lady, I don't know whether she'd appreciate me giving her name, gave Youth-In an outright donation to be used, any way we saw fit. I would like to publicly thank her very much for her generosity -- it came at a time when it was well needed. Thank you very much.

P.S. Mrs. Goldup, if you're listening and you would like to come down and see the coffee house, the offer still stands, any time. Richard DeSylva, President, Youth-In

IN THE MAIL BAG

Seek Financial Support For Red Cross Operations

P. O. Box 7, Georgetown, Ont.

Dear Sir: On behalf of the Georgetown and District Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society I appeal to citizens and industry for financial support during our campaign for funds this month. In common with other dedicated humanitarian operations in this time of rising costs, we of the Canadian Red Cross find ourselves faced with heavy budget demands to permit us to fulfill our objectives, and maintain our ability to meet the call on our essential services.

Many have been the expressions of opinion on whether or not these campaigns, aimed as they are at extracting contributions from the long suffering individual already heavily laden with taxation and high cost of living, are really necessary. The answer, of course, rests with all of us in our degree of unselfish desire to help our fellow beings and our feelings to ward the welfare of our own community. We all know of blood donor clinics and the precious saving of life resulting therefrom -- in this respect the citizens of Georgetown and District have cooperated magnificently; but do we think from time to time of the ever-present possibility of large scale tragedy and disaster arising on our own doorsteps? Numerous and varied are the ways this could happen, but there is one bulwark we can erect to lessen the suffering and anguish -- a sound and effective Red Cross organization within our own community.

Will you not, therefore, think on these things and give generously when your are approached for your financial help?

Yours very truly; A. J. Matthews, Chairman Campaign Committee, Georgetown & District Branch, The Canadian Red Cross Society.

Starts Campaign Support for Dental Health Plan

64 McGillvray Cr., Georgetown, Ont.

A Letter to the People Appealing for Dental Insurance

Dear People: Why should dentist's not be paid with the help of the Government like Ontario Hospitalization for the Hospital, PSI, for Doctors, and Green Shield for medicine and many more.

You hear them tell you that your child should go to the dentist as soon as they have all their teeth, with regular check-up. But the price of the dentist is so high that millions of people cannot afford to take them to the dentist. People like you and me.

I feel that if enough of us get together in this campaign that the government will have no choice, but to hear us out and do something about it.

How about it? Are you with me in this? Do I have your support in trying to get this thro', or do I stand alone.

I feel that it is about time someone took the first step forward. I have. But I need you, the People, to help and win this for us. If you are with me in this please send your petitions to:

Mrs. Alice M. J. Landry, 64 McGillvray Crescent, Georgetown, Ont. Phone 877-4659.

Euchre Party Celebrates Rebekah 50th Anniversary

The fiftieth anniversary of Verdun Rebekah Lodge was celebrated on Thursday, March 7th with a euchre party which attracted a full house of players to the Odd Fellows Hall on Wesleyan Street. The evening was convoked by Mrs. Jean King, Mrs. Lillian Ritchie and Mrs. Catharine Hancock. Mrs. Nellie Willott was in charge of lunch and tables were decorated in gold for the occasion.

Many prizes were won, including a gold blanket by Mrs. Anne Collins, ticket No. 390 and a gold cushion, Mrs. Flo Dickle, ticket No. 36. Mrs. Stringer and Jim Hamilton won door prizes.

Euchre winners were Mrs. Floss Tracey, Harold Dalton, Herb Hancock, Mrs. N. Snyder, Mrs. A. Prouse, Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Lindsay, Mildred Herbert, Mrs. B. McKechnie with Nan Scott, low score. Mrs. Floss Tracey won a prize for the most lunge hands, Margaret Gibson the ladies' travelling prize and Mrs. Pat Chamberlain, playing as a man, the men's travelling prize.

THE MAIL BAG

Dugout Canoes Used by Ancient Irish Crannogs

R. R. I., Limehouse, Ont.

Dear Sir: When visiting the Dublin Museum a few years ago, I was surprised to see a dugout canoe 54 feet long, which was found in a bog some years ago.

One would not associate this type of boat with the Irish culture, but rather with our Indian people or the Maori of New Zealand. Dugout canoes were used by some of the ancient Irish who lived on shallow, artificial islands (Crannogs) was the ancient name for them. These islands must have been very picturesque when in use. Each family had a home built island, with its dwelling.

The canoes plied to and fro to the mainland where the crops were grown and cattle grazed. Now and then a lady would lose her enamel brooch or bronze pin. Household articles were lost or got thrown out the mud. These articles, like the canoes, have been found in a well preserved condition, due to the fact that they were permanently immersed in a moist situation.

Archeologists are at present examining these remnants of a bygone age and reconstructing the life and times of the crannog-dwellers.

Artificial islands have been very much in the news lately, our most famous here being the man-made island that housed the World's Fair in Montreal. I believe they are thinking of reclaiming part of Lake Ontario and making an island to accommodate 30,000 people.

Today this is due to economic conditions and the scarcity of land in the vital parts of the country. That of course, was not the case in olden times. The fact that they did live on islands surrounded by water, made them less vulnerable to their enemies.

Primitive man was also very much of a child of nature and avoided himself readily in an intelligent way from what nature provided. (This cannot be said of some people today.) This was not by choice alone, but of necessity, as a means of survival. Perhaps we could still learn a little from ancient man.

—Catherine Graham

BALLINAFAD

World Prayer Day Service for Churchill, Ballinafad Women

The World Day of Prayer was observed on March 1st when the ladies from Churchill and Ballinafad met in "The local church. Mrs. F. J. Shortill was the leader for the afternoon with a number of ladies taking part in the fine service prepared by a lady in Cayton.

Several musical numbers added much to the occasion, 4 solo by Mrs. E. Anderson, a number from a trio, which included Mrs. N. Sinclair, Mrs. E. McEnery and Mrs. F. J. Shortill and a piano selection from Mrs. M. Anderson. Mrs. Robert Kerr was the guest speaker and spoke of her thoughts on the theme "Bear one another's burdens" Mrs. R. Saunders was elected to be Key woman for 1968.

The Wf members met at the home of Mrs. E. McEnery for the March meeting. Mrs. F. Smith, president was in the chair, the meeting was opened with the Institute Ode and Mary Stewart Collect. Roll Call was answered by naming a cabinet minister and his portfolio. Minutes were read and treasurer's report given by Mrs. W. McLean. Motion was made to donate ten dollars to Cancer Society. Plans were made for euchre to be held on March 29.

Program convener Mrs. A. McEnery called for Current Events from Mrs. R. Shortill and the motto. "The home is the first school, and the parents the teachers" from Mrs. R.E. Kirkwood. Miss Luena Campbell was guest speaker, her theme was education.

The third meeting of the Ballinafad Fruit Munchers was held on March 2 at the community Centre. A new member, Julian Eckert, brought the number of girls in the club up to sixteen. Beryl McEnery and Heather Buchanan made an oven-steamed fruit pudding.

The UCW members have been as busy as bees painting the church basement the past two weeks and with the addition of fluorescent lights, it has taken on a much brighter appearance. — Margaret Jamieson

PATIENCE... Next Week We'll Tell You The Big News About 53 Mill St. (Includes cartoon of a person running)

CANADIAN CITIZENSHIP APPLICATIONS. Applications for Canadian Citizenship will be accepted every Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Queen's Square Building, 24 Queen Street East, Brampton, Ontario.

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All Those Kids Are Expecting To See You at THE GEORGETOWN BANTAM TOURNAMENT Starting Tomorrow Night FRIDAY, 7.00 P.M. at the GEORGETOWN ARENA. (Includes photo of a child holding a sign that says 'LOOK HERE!')