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Death Settlement With Home Property Owners

Terms of the Main Street north end committee meeting in relation to a house will be discussed at a meeting to be held at 8 p.m. Monday. The committee has agreed to a settlement, according to a letter from F. Nelson, town solicitor, read at Monday's council meeting.

Percy Cleave, 87 Main Street N., has agreed to a price of \$27,000. H. Vanderburgh has agreed to \$24,500, and Joe Emerson to \$21,000.

Great Donahue and Fred Tucker understood they were to be reimbursed for moving expenses, said the lawyer's letter.

The Douglas house is still under negotiation, since the town is trying to have it moved on its present site, so the owners will be able to stay in that location.

George Currie, the owner of the other house under expropriation has been asked to at-

HONOURS B.A.



GLORIA THOMSON

Miss Gloria Thomson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. B. Thomson, Rockwood, and granddaughter of Mrs. Ronald D. Armstrong and the late Sidney A. Morris, graduated from the University of Guelph with an Honors Bachelor of Arts majoring in French. Miss Thomson a former Ontario Scholar, plans to pursue further studies at Western University in London.

Expect Oxfam Total Double Last Year's

Oxfam's May Walk had raised \$50,500 by the weekend. Most of it almost \$50,000 came in on Collection Day, Saturday, May 18.

"It appears now we will hit well over \$65,000 when all the money is in," George Wilson, treasurer of the Halton-Peel Miles for Millions walk, reported.

"This will be almost double last year's record figure," he said.

High St. John Award to Dan Scarborough

The second highest award given by St. John Ambulance Corps will be awarded to Dan Scarborough, 4 Weber Dr., by Lt. Governor Earl Rowe, at an investiture at Hart House June 15.

The letter from Eric Snow, provincial commissioner, informing him came as a complete surprise to the former Georgetown Volunteer Ambulance chief.

The award, known as the "Priory Vote of Thanks", was recommended by John Potter, district head of St. John Ambulance, for "outstanding support and assistance to St. John Ambulance, throughout the years."

Only one guest is allowed at the impressive, formal ceremony, and wife, Gail, will be that guest.

Ask Second Look At Capital Forecast

On the advice of the Ontario Municipal Board, council will take another look at the 1968 capital expenditures forecast.

A letter from the OMB read at council Monday night, stated the original forecast made by the town in 1967 for the year 1968 was \$800,000, but the actual forecast made this year is \$3,315,000. The OMB are urging all municipalities to stay to original forecasts because of the serious monetary situation.

"Other municipalities have received the same letter," commented finance chairman Steamer Emmerson. "It is not hard to explain, the original forecast for public schools was \$500,000 and it has jumped to \$1,350,000. While the original forecast for high school was \$50,000 it has now reached a million dollars."

Deputy reeve Speight urged the clerk, treasurer and finance chairman to go down to the OMB to explain the fantastic growth in the area. "It is a waste of time writing letters," he added.

"They are concerned about the capital debt which will be approximately six million dollars by the end of the year."

Mushrooms Fry In Spectacular Blaze

WESTERN GRADUATE



CAROL MCGILVRAY

Carol McGilvray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garfield McGilvray, 8 Guelph Street, received her Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of Western Ontario convocation, Tuesday. She is a graduate of Georgetown District High School. The graduation ceremony in Alumni Hall was followed by a reception at Somerville House.

She specialized in French in her university course. Her brother Ross, now of Peterborough graduated from the same university in 1960.

Attending the Convocation were Carol's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garfield McGilvray and her brother Doug, 8 Guelph St., her sister Gail, London; and her brother and sister-in-law, Ross and Donna McGilvray, Peterborough. They were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Clark, Wyoming and Mr. Mike Scherer, London, for dinner at Hook's Restaurant.

TEACHING CAREER



GARTH WRIGHT

Majoring in psychology during his university course, Garth Wright received his bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Western Ontario on May 28th.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. James Wright, 45 Edward St., who have been Georgetown residents for two years, he received his secondary schooling at St. Andrew's College, Aurora, completing his Grade 13 at Algonquin Composite School, North Bay. The Wrights moved to town from Island Falls, north of Cochrane.

Garth will continue his studies next year at Althouse College of Education in London, and then plans to teach public school.

Remand Youths On Drug Charge

Two Georgetown youths and a Brampton youth charged in April with possession of drugs were remanded until June 18 when they appeared in court Tuesday, May 21.

A fourth member of the group arrested appeared in Juvenile Court last week and was fined \$25 for possession.

COUNCIL BRIEFS

A stony silence greeted Jim McCall's question to the mayor Monday night at council. He asked if the special meeting Tuesday night was a committee or council meeting. "You have repeatedly said you would not have closed meetings, but this one was held in the committee room behind closed doors" he stated.

The mayor did not answer and went on to other business.

Cyril Clarke, Ewing Street, complained by letter of no action by the town on damage to his property by the workmen reconstructing Ewing St. He claimed his hedge had been torn up and a water spring cut off. The mayor stated the damage was unnecessary and should be rectified by the contractor.

A request from Irwin Noble, president of the Chamber of Commerce for the town to match their contribution of five hundred dollars for a landscaped sign at the outskirts of town brought the comment, "I think the Chamber should raise the money themselves, or get help from the service clubs whose names will be on it," from the mayor.

In a letter to council, E.V. Peddle, Charles Street, urged a ban on sale of fireworks, claiming they are a hazard to people and property.

Nine tenders for the construction of the first phase of the Silvercreek trunk sewer were received and turned over to committee.

Seven applications for the position of summer help in the assessment department were received and also turned over to committee.

Cr. John Hole suggested the old town works yard, adjacent to the Cedarvale property be turned over to Cedarvale. He stated it is only old buildings and rough ground now, but a part of it could be made into a wading pool.

Town Decides to Have Subdivision Inspector

A warning from town engineer Gordon Fancy, that new services and roads, particularly in subdivisions are not being properly inspected, spurred council Monday night to advertise for a full time inspector on this job alone.

At present Fred Harrison is the inspector, but is also Welfare Officer and Purchasing Agent. Neither council, nor the engineer had any criticism for Mr. Harrison only high praise for his work, but admitted no one man could do all three jobs adequately.

Cr. Roy Ballentine claimed Mr. Harrison had saved the town a great deal of money as welfare officer, while the mayor emphasized his savings as a purchasing agent.

They did not decide whether any inspection duties would be left with Mr. Harrison.

Will Iron Out Open Culverts with Developer

Letters read to council Monday from two government agencies, the Halton County Health Unit and the Halton County Safety officer, stated they had no authority over the open culverts in the Bain Ct. and Fagan Dr. area.

The Health Unit letter went on at length to state the hazard to the area, with open excavations, open storm sewers and "hundreds of acres of mud," but would say it did not fall under the Public Health Act.

With everyone disclaiming responsibility council decided they would have to get in and iron it out with the developer. The first step, that of establishing ownership of the land, was assigned to the town solicitor, then council will meet with the developer.

Four Departments Fight Friday Fire - Estimate \$60,000 Loss

It was raining sparks on streets in the neighbourhood of Meadowglen, Growers' mushroom plant for a couple of hours Friday night when a fire of unknown origin levelled a large building in the centre of the complex on the town's northern limits.

The spectacular blaze, punctuated by explosions, was battled by firefighters from four Halton communities, until the small hours of Saturday morning.

Manager Ernie Skrow has estimated the loss at over \$60,000.

The loss included company records, an office, growing houses, a refrigeration room, lunch room, washroom, shower room, picking equipment and 700 baskets of mushrooms.

The flames had made good progress by the time the alarm was turned in at 10:15 p.m. and at its height an hour later was sending clouds of fiery particles over the entire area. Some fell to the ground as far as three blocks away.

Neighbouring Smith & Stone plant was in danger of becoming part of the blaze as sparks showered on the factory's roof and roofs of nearby homes. Firemen atop Smith & Stone

roof and residents on the peaks of their houses had to dodge the flaming debris as they fought the threat with hoses.

Skrow said afterwards his first would be out of business if it had not been for the efficiency of the firefighters.

"They did a great job in containing it to one building, I can't say enough about their work," he told The Herald. "As a result of their speed and efficiency there will be no loss of employment and no loss of production," he said.

Georgetown Fire Chief Erwin Lewis put in a county mutual aid call as soon as he saw the blaze and drew assistance from Oakville, Acton and Milton.

A number of pieces of equipment, trucks and tractors were moved out of danger by Tom McGlashen and Roy Tizard before the fire trucks arrived. They were first to notice the fire while passing in a car, and alerted the watchman.

Mr. Skrow said work will start in a few months on replacing the razed building. It was one of the older parts of the complex and was scheduled to be used for just one more growing season, he said.

The deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wright, 46 Main Street South, husband of Marie Cormier and father of Sherry and Ronald. He also leaves six brothers and a sister.

Funeral service was at the Harold C. McClure Funeral Home, 34 Edith Street, Tuesday afternoon, and interment in Greenwood Cemetery.

Glen Wright Fatally Injured in Accident

A Georgetown man was killed Saturday on Highway 103, fifteen miles north of Midland.

Police believe Glen Gerald Wright, 20, of 7 William Street Georgetown, may have fallen asleep at the wheel of his car, it crossed the middle line of the highway and collided with a transport truck driven by Gerhard Monzar of Rexdale. Monzar was unhurt.

Set Restrictions for Cars Parked on Property

Georgetown residents owning more than one car will have to watch their Ps and Qs from now on, if a zoning by-law amendment voted last week by council is enforced.

Aimed at residents who, councilors claim, mar the scenery with old automobiles on their property, the law now requires that no portion of a front yard can be used for parking unless it has a paved surface. It also bans parking for vehicles of more than one ton, and requires one covered garage space for every two vehicles on the property.

Some councilors doubted that the amendment would bear up if it came to a court case.

"How far can we go in telling people they can't park on the property on which they pay taxes?" wondered Cr. Bob Francis.

"No use passing if it can't be enforced," was Cr. Jim Young's opinion, with Mayor Gibbons agreeing it is "shaky".

Reeve Hunter and Cr. Young opposed the amendment in a vote which carried 6-2.

Two other zoning amendments at the meeting affected two small areas of town.

Following a successful court case in which the court ordered the town to allow Ernest Hulse to proceed with an apartment building on Cherry St. in an R2 residential zone, council voted an amendment allowing this.

A third amendment created more residential building lots on the north side of King St., in what has been a light industrial zone.

WHOSE GOT THE STEAKS?



MUSHROOMS SLIGHTLY OVERDONE MEADOWGLEN EMPLOYEE ALEX BOUDREAU holds baskets of mushrooms which were well browned in Friday night's mushroom plant fire.



ERNE SKROW, Meadowglen Mushroom plant manager, surveys the smoking ruins the morning after a blaze of unknown origin did an estimated \$60,000 damage.