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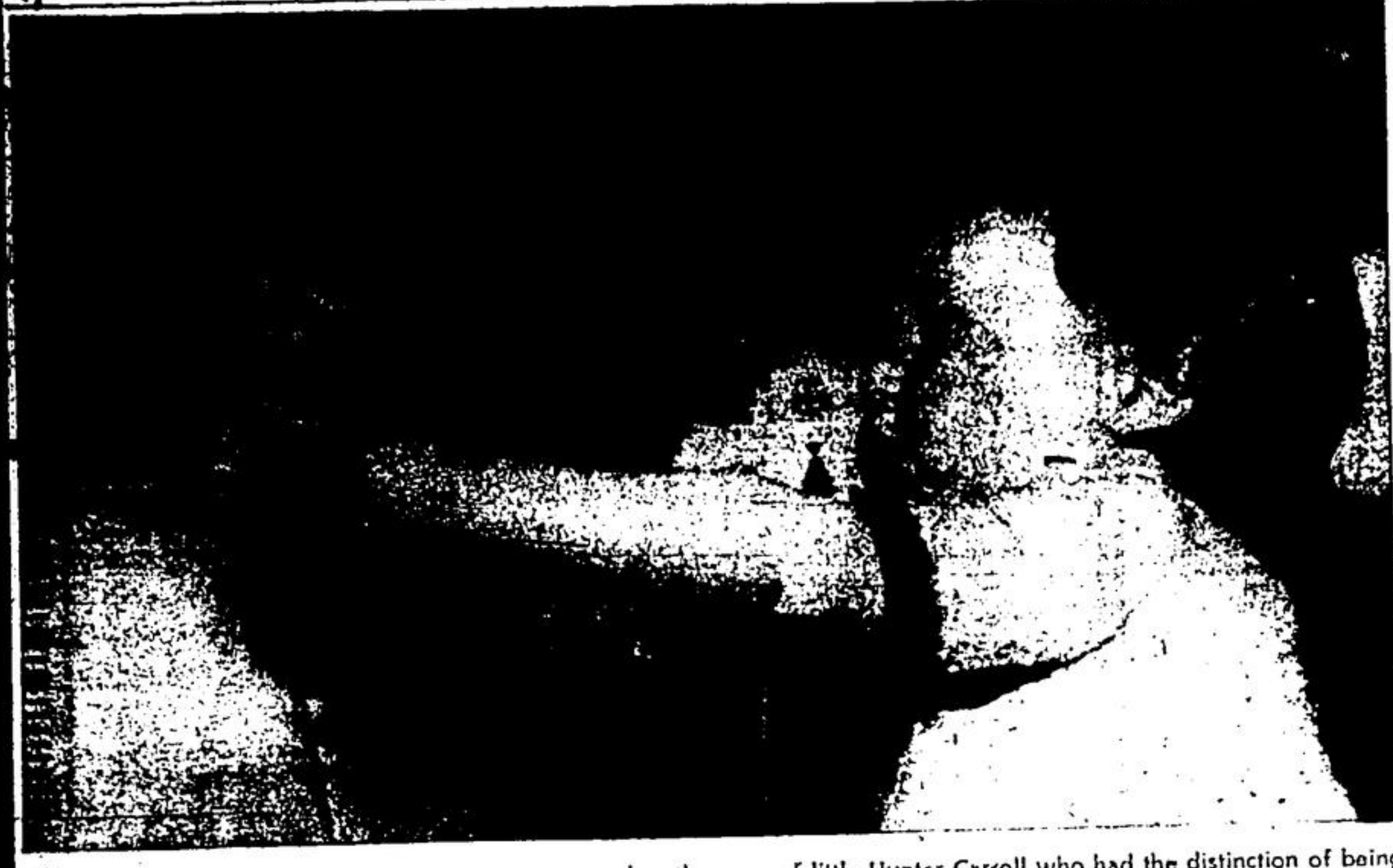
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**MERRY BIRTHDAY** — A Christmas tree ornament catches the eye of little Hunter Carroll who had the distinction of being the most welcome Christmas Day package in the Georgetown district last year. The only Christmas baby at the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital, Hunter will have birthday presents among his Christmas gifts tomorrow. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Carroll of Norval.

### Many Guests Attend HOPE Christmas Party

The most successful Christmas party yet was held at HOPE Workshop, Friday afternoon, with over fifty guests dropping in for the occasion.

The festivities started off with a turkey dinner prepared by the trainees themselves, a chore which involved the peeling of twenty-five pounds of potatoes.

Georgetown Kinsmen Frank Bryant and Jack Lavole who had visited Sunshine School accompanied by Santa Claus, made their next appearance at HOPE Workshop with presents for all. They too were invited for dinner.

All afternoon guests appeared while the Milton Ladies auxiliary of the Fire Department served refreshments. In addition to the Kinsmen the Georgetown Auxiliary for the Retarded and the Acton Auxiliary for the retarded and the Milton Firefighters and ladies auxiliary brought gifts.

A hand made lace tablecloth donated by Mrs. Pat Straw, Jrd line Milton, was won by Mrs. Ivan Shepherd of Milton another supporter of the HOPE Workshop. Through this draw a hundred and fifty dollars was raised. This will go to cover the costs of birthdays and celebrations throughout the year.

Members of the Georgetown chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority, headed by president Mrs. Mary Anne Corbett were on hand to party with the trainees. The sorority has been donating its services two hours a day for the past few weeks.

The sixth meeting of the Zeta Alpha Chapter was held December 17 at the home of Mrs. Mary Ann Corbett, 55 Windsor Road. Mrs. H. Isham of the HOPE workshop showed a movie and also gave an interesting talk about work with mentally retarded adults.

Following this Mrs. Dianne Terr presented a program on voice and vocabulary in the form of singing Christmas carols. Later gifts were exchanged.

The social for the month was held at the home of Mrs. Evelyn Wilson, 108 Resway Drive on December 14th. Members of the chapter also attended the HOPE workshop Christmas party December 20th.

Mrs. Jean MacDonald, 62 Resway Drive, will be hostess for the January meeting.

### Martin Halton Appointee Sheridan College Board

County council appointments to outside boards came in for a lot of attention at the last meeting of Halton county council last week.

A motion by Reeve W. Coulter of Nassagaweya, to have all outside board appointments, except for County Council members, be unopposed positions, passed unanimously, with two such long standing appointments as Reeve H. Hinton, of Acton and Deputy Reeve J. Gillies of Oakville agreeing it would be in the best interests of the county.

Another motion by Reeve Coulter, this one to defer all board appointments till the first meeting of the new council, did not meet with such a favourable reception.

A recommendation to appoint Dr. Carl Martin to the Board of Governors of Sheridan College sparked the hour long procedural wrangle.

When the motion to defer appointments was made Reeve Herb Hinton of Acton claimed it was mandatory to appoint a member to Sheridan College at the last meeting of the year, and produced a copy of the Act to prove it. He stated the motion was illegal, and questioned the right of anyone to sit on council who endorsed the motion.

Finally Warden Bill Hunter ruled the motion out of order.

At this Reeve Coulter moved an amendment naming L. E. Andrews of Campbellville the appointee to Sheridan. On a recorded vote the amendment was defeated.

As a result, Dr. Carl Martin was officially appointed County Council representative to the Board of Governors of Sheridan College.

## Emmerson Names Committee Heads

### Mayor-Elect Shakes Up Appointment System, Creates Planning Committee

While Georgetown's new council does not take office officially until Monday evening, January 6th, mayor-elect Wheldon Emmerson has already initiated his choice of committee chairmen.

This is a new departure from what has always been a closely guarded secret until the inaugural. It is the mayor's prerogative to choose his committees. Only rarely has an incoming councillor disputed his choice publicly. And never has the motion appointing the committees been voted down.

"I thought back to my own initiation into council business," Mr. Emmerson told The Herald, "and I thought it would help new members particularly to get an idea of the work which will come under their guidance. It gives them a chance to do some study instead of all of a sudden knowing they are chairmen of property, parks or whatever it may be."

Mr. Emmerson has another innovation, also designed to help new councillors. He held an informal meeting one day last week and had town clerk C. G. Benham explain council procedure, particularly the formality of the inaugural meeting. Then they were introduced to the town's various department heads.

"They might feel bashful walking into the office to meet them on their own," he explained. "This made it easier all around for both staff and councillors to have this informal introduction."

The new mayor has ideas of his own about allocation of committee work.

As chairman of finance, industrial and town-planning this year, he found a fairly heavy workload, and has named Reeve Wm. Hunter to the important finance post. Ward 1 councillor Ernest Hyde, although new to council in 1959, is quite familiar with council. He is a past mayor. He will head the town planning and development committee.

Administration, headed in past years often by the mayor and last year by Reeve Hunter, goes to a new Ward 3 councillor Harry Levy, and welfare has been combined with this committee.

Wm. F. (Bill) Smith will retain his post as road chairman, the only unchanged spot in the new administration. With a polling division change, Mr. Smith made a successful run in Ward 2 this year, after representing Ward 3 for six years.

Parks and recreation will be the responsibility of Donna Denison. Second woman to be elected to council office in Georgetown's history, Mrs. Denison represents Ward 2.

Deputy Reeve Arthur Speight whose water committee is no more (it now becomes the responsibility of the newly-elected water commission) will have fire protection and ambulance service in Georgetown under his guidance, in addition to his task of representing the town at county council, along with the Reeve.

Sewers and sanitation has been allotted to a third generation councillor, Sandy Mackenzie, a new man from Ward 1. His grandfather, the late J. B. Mackenzie was once mayor and his father, Sam, was a councillor in the forties.

Rie Morrow, a new council member representing Ward 3 will be in charge of property and industrial.

Mayor Emmerson is considering a change in committee procedure, in an attempt to streamline the preparatory work for the weekly council meetings.

He plans to drop the No. 1 and No. 2 committee setup as it has existed for two years. On the second Thursday of each month, finance, roads, administration and sanitation committees will meet. On the fourth Thursdays, the other four committees will have their meeting.

Instead of a permanent chairman (this year the Reeve and deputy Reeve chaired these) he is going to give every council member a chance in the sun.

When road matters are to be discussed, Mr. Smith will be in the chair. When it's property, it will be Mr. Morrow, and so on.

Mr. Emmerson says this should keep committee work in sequence, disposing of all matters affecting a department at one time, while giving councillors an opportunity to acquire experience in chairing a meeting.

### Christmas Program And Carols at St. John's UCW Meeting

A very enjoyable December meeting was held recently by the ladies of John's United Church Women when 42 members and friends sat down to a delicious pot luck supper, the supper was eaten by candlelight with the Christmas Tree providing the background.

A duet 'O Holy Night' was sung by Mrs. Robert Scrivens and Mrs. G. Morrow, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Del French. Three ladies from Unit C, Mrs. J. Nichols, Mrs. K. Arthurson, and Mrs. J. Morrow presented a devotional entitled 'The Lights of Christmas'. A number of well known Christmas Carols were used as part of this devotional with Mrs. R. H. Wright at the piano.

The president, Mrs. Stuart Hall asked the ladies to save all the stamps from their Christmas mail for the supply secretary, and also to clip any material on China, which is the country of study for 1969.

Several Sundays ago, the minister Rev. R. Scrivens challenged the leaders of each organization within the church, to go back to their individual groups and conduct a discussion on 'Faith'. This was done within each unit of the UCW and the Unit Leaders gave their reports at this meeting. A further discussion on this subject followed, with Mr. Scrivens acting as chairman. The nominating committee Mrs. P. Bolton and Mrs. J. Kirkwood brought in the new slate of officers for 1969. These will be installed at the January meeting. The meeting closed with prayer.

### Service Clubs and Town Combine Christmas Cheer

The Christmas baskets distributed to the local needy represented a real joint effort of all the service clubs in town.

The idea of unifying the gift-giving was conceived about six years by the Lions Club, when they found the various group efforts were overlapping.

Now the Lions, Kinsmen, Kinettes, Jaycees Rotary and Legion all do their bit with the assistance financial and otherwise of the town.

A typical basket contains turkey, cranberries, potatoes, vegetables, desserts, canned food and many toys. The toys are collected, cleaned and repaired by the Kinettes, while the canned goods are donated by the elementary school children.

Monday night the baskets were packed by members of all the clubs for distribution today.

### Three Car Crash at Mountainview-Guelph

A three car pile-up at the Guelph - Mountainview intersection Wednesday afternoon was the most serious of half a dozen collisions investigated by Georgetown police this week.

An estimated \$1600 property damage resulted when the cars operated by Douglas F. Hill, 62 Lanstone Crescent; Elizabeth Forbes, 58 Hewson Crescent; and William McMurdo 7 Young Street collided.

A passenger, Helen Bonfield of 82 Main Street North suffered slight injuries to her right arm and right leg.

An accident near the arena Tuesday night did \$200 damage to cars driven by John Cecil Soper of 7 John Street West, and Royal M. Hamel of Brampton.

There were two motor accidents Thursday. At the Mountainview Road exit from Georgetown Market cars driven by Murray Allan Pew of 245 Guelph Street and Pamela E. O'Callaghan 18 Regan Cres. came together doing an estimated \$205 damage. And later the same day a hit and run driver did \$150 damage to Thomas Burgess' car while it was parked at his home at 48 Ewing Street.

Another Georgetown Market accident Saturday resulted in \$125 damage to cars driven by John Henry Hole, of 33 Windsor Road, and Allan W. Brown of R.R. 2, Acton.

A collision Sunday at the corner of Market and Young Sts. involved cars driven by Harold Cleave, Charles St., and Joan Parsons 14 Gower Road. Damage here was \$300.

### Set \$1,800 Honorarium For R C Board Members

Members of the Halton Separate-School Board voted themselves a salary of \$1,800 a year at their second meeting Wednesday night.

The salary, or honorarium as board members prefer it to be called, of \$150 a month is the maximum the board can give its members under provincial regulations.

Board chairman Peter Waters of Oakville will receive an extra \$50 a month.

The new county board official replaces seven local boards, including Georgetown's on January 1.

**New Salaries**

If trustee Donald Hill of Burlington has his way some of the new board members may not get their full salary. He wants penalties imposed against those members who don't attend all the board and committee meetings.

"Trustees who don't attend meetings should not get paid the same as those who do," he said.

He suggested each board member receive his full salary for the first 11 months of the year then \$20 for each meeting he missed would be deducted from his December salary.

The board accepted Oakville trustee Michael Noonan's suggestion that the finance committee consider the question of penalties and report to the board in two or three months.

**Mileage Allowance**

The finance committee will also be considering the question of mileage allowances. It was pointed out that the trustees from Georgetown and Milton have a fairly long drive to attend the meetings in Burlington.

### Disqualified, Drivers Handed Jail Terms

Two drivers convicted of driving while disqualified will spend Christmas and New Year's in jail as a result of sentences handed down by Judge J.L. Black this week.

The men, from Georgetown and Milton, each drew 15 day sentences in Halton County Jail.

Both charges were laid by Georgetown police.

Judge Black said he would not suspend their sentences because neither had responded to probation in the past.

### Gardhouse Shorthorns Winners at Chicago

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### RECIPE FOR A Merry Christmas

Take the crisp cold of a December night. Add two generous parts of snow, stir in air so clear it tinkles. Into a generous heart mix the wonder of a little girl, the sparkle of a young boy's glance, the love of parents, and set gently beside the chimney stool. Add the lightest touch of a sprig of holly, a scent of fir. Set the mixture to rise in the warmth of a dream of goodwill to men. It will be almost ready to serve when it bubbles with warmth and good feeling. Bedeck with the light of a star set in the East, garnish with shining balls of gold, silver and red. Serve to the tune of an ancient carol, in the middle of the family table. This recipe is sufficient for all the men and women you will ever meet.

— by Thomas P. McMahon

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