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Seasoned Traveller, Child Logged 80,000 Air Miles

Six year old Bradley Snowdon must be the most seasoned Atlantic traveller for his age, not only in Georgetown, but probably in the whole country.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Snowdon, 82 Prince Charles Drive, who started his Atlantic hopping at the age of four months has accumulated 80,000

miles in 98 hours of air travel which must be a record.

Mr. Snowdon is a passenger agent with Air Canada which allows him two free Atlantic crossings every year, plus free trips to the Caribbean and airports in the United States and Canada.

The family has used the At-

lantic trips to make frequent visits to Mrs. Snowdon's parents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gore of Kings Gardens, Wyke Road, Trowbridge.

Bradley has two small brothers who are also piling up the miles at a very tender age. Philip at 2½ has logged 30,000 miles, and baby Patrick, 8 months has 6,000 miles.

Radio Personality Jack Thompson Dies in Ottawa

Operator of a 'Hot Line' show on CKTM Radio, Ottawa, Jack Thompson succumbed to a heart attack at his home, 25 Arundel Avenue on Saturday. He was 53.

Mr. Thompson, whose father, the late Archdeacon W.G.O. Thompson was rector of St. George's and St. Alban's, Glen Williams Anglican churches for 25 years, spent his boyhood in town.

In high school he was prominent in debating and on the school year book. He was a radio announcer in Toronto and Hamilton and between stints in radio work he returned to town to open a gift and book store which he called Phoenix House. The business was later purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Barber and became the present Barber's Jewellers.

He was prominent in little theatre work in town and was one of the organizers of a little theatre group which presented plays in the old town hall in the forties. He sang in St. George's choir for years.

Going to Ottawa several years ago, Mr. Thompson started a weekly newspaper, the West End Times which he operated for several years, then returned to radio work.

He leaves his wife, the former Joan McMaster of Orangeville, and three children, Chris, Kerry and Robert John.

Funeral service in Ottawa on Tuesday was followed with cremation.

GEORGETOWN TO BE SWALLOWED IN TWO YEARS

Store Location to Disappear in Bank's

A familiar landmark will disappear around the beginning of April when the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and Garner's store at the corner of Main and Mill Streets will be torn down.

A new bank, patterned after the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce at No. 10 Highway and Queen St. in Brampton, will be built on the site.

The new building though two storeys high will be of high-ceiling design and not have a second floor.

It will probably have to be built around the present bank where business will continue during the year-long project.

With parking provided at the rear, the new structure will not extend as far along Mill St. thus eliminating the janitor's apartment.

Credit Lodge now on the third floor of the bank building will move into their own new temple on Highway 7 at the western town limits.

At the moment, Gordon Garner, owner of Garner's store has no definite plans for relocating his business. The store has been in operation at this location since 1950, under Mr. Garner's name, and prior to that was operated for over half a century by the late John McBean. Mr. Garner also operated a store in Erin for several years.

Regional Plan Makes New Metro of Halton-Peel Counties

An historic announcement by Mr. Darcy McKeough, Ontario minister of municipal affairs, last Wednesday forecast the disappearance of Georgetown as a self-contained municipality within two years.

If Mr. McKeough's regional government for Halton and Peel counties comes into being (and the minister left no doubt that it will, preferably by decision of the 15-odd municipal councils involved, but if not, by a government edict), Georgetown will become part of a completely new area composed of Georgetown, Acton and the large part of Esqueving township around the two communities.

At the regional level, Mr. McKeough said councils would deal with such matters as administration of assessment, tax billing and capital borrowing. Water and sewer projects, parks and recreation and planning would be regional, he said.

Local responsibilities would include collection of garbage, street lighting, sidewalks and local roads.

The first regional chairman would be appointed by the government, with council deciding later on procedure for choosing future chairmen.

His purpose in creating the new region, Mr. McKeough said, is because the land lies in the same watershed and has a sense of community identity in economic and geographical characteristics.

There is a financial base adequate to carry out regional programs. And the 900 square miles involved will make economic not possible at present in the two counties.

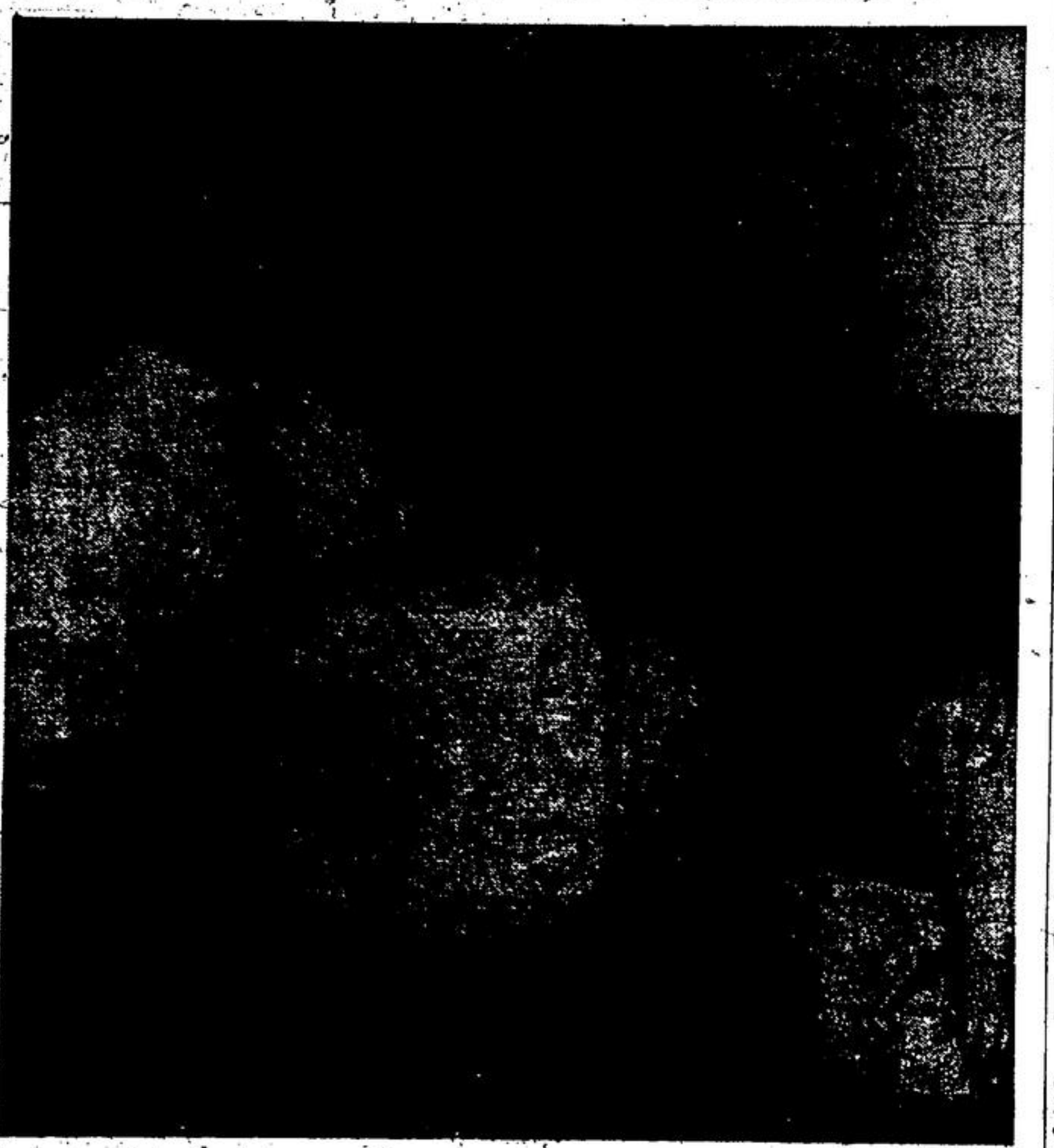
He asked the Halton and Peel county councils to each appoint three members to a committee which will meet with him to iron out details of the move.

He stressed that he hoped negotiations will be cordial. "I should stress that we are not extending to each municipality the right of veto over a legislative program to which this province is committed," he warned, indicating that, whatever the discussions, the union is an absolute.

Following Mr. McKeough's speech he announced a question period, but stressed that this was only for clarification of his talk, not for debate on the merits of the plan.

Despite this, extreme dissatisfaction was expressed by councillors from Nassagaweya and Caledon, who object to being swallowed up in a region where they will have no voice in administration.

Each of the 7 municipalities would have its own local government. Each would be represented on the regional government by appointees from the elected councils, in numbers as outlined above.



The world seems an awfully small place to Bradley Snowdon, 82-Prince Charles Drive, who at age six has travelled 80,000 miles. Philip, background, who is just 2½, has already logged 30,000 miles.

Extensive Renovations Underway At St. John's United Church

Services at St. John's United Church are being conducted in the church hall for the duration of a renovation program now underway.

When completed in six to eight weeks time, the church and basement will present a new and attractive setting for worship and mid-week activities.

The entire cost of renovating will be in the neighbourhood of \$55,000, a large part of which has been given by its members toward a building fund initiated a few years ago, and a bequest from the estate of the late Sybil Bennett. Miss Bennett, a Georgetown lawyer, was federal member of parliament for Halton at the time of her death some years ago.

A new heating system, costing some \$3,500 will be installed with zone valves to regulate temperatures in both the sanctuary and church hall.

Considerable renovating will take place in the basement of the church, where Hawes and Nelson will be the contractors.

Two rooms under the main

entrance will be put into use as senior and junior choir rooms, and will be redecorated. The washrooms will be enlarged with new fixtures and lighting.

The congregation of St. John's ratified the extensive renovation at a recent meeting and is happy to see the work progressing after being postponed on several occasions.

Horticulturists Choose Douglas Cole President

The annual meeting of the Georgetown Horticultural Society was held in Knox Church hall Wednesday January 15 with a fine turnout of members and interested friends. President J.F. Duffield conducted the business part of the meeting.

R. S. Barber, chairman of the flower show committee gave a comprehensive report of the activities and achievements of the past year. A spring flower show was held for the first time which created exceptional interest. Together with the annual June and September shows over 450 entries were placed and judged. The society has accumulated many fine trophies and awards which will create more interest in future shows.

H. J. Herder reported on membership revealing the society had a 20% increase during '68 bringing membership for that year up to 141. He urged all members to continue their efforts in 'building' the society.

D. N. Cole reported on the operation of the society bulletin, indicating a new format will be attempted in the hope of making it more than a notice of meetings. With the recent increase of mailing costs, the bulletin content should be increased to the maximum.

J. Norman Bird, society secretary-treasurer, gave a very complete report of all his vested duties in the society. The auditors' report indicated the

financial set-up was correct and complete.

President Duffield gave a short "state of the society" report heaping much praise and thanks on all who had in any way contributed to the success of the past year. The meeting was then turned over to the secretary to conduct the election of officers and board members for the new year.

Working from a nominating committee report handed to him J.N. Bird, after giving ample opportunity for further nominations, declared and introduced the following slate of officers for 1969: president, D. N. Cole; 1st vice president, H. J. Herder; 2nd vice president, Mrs. J. F. Duffield.

Board members for a two year term, Mrs. W.R. Norton, R.S. Barber, C. Renwick, K. Powell and J.F. Duffield.

Board members for a one year term, Mrs. Wm. Boyle, Mrs. W. Jonson, Mrs. H.J. Herder, J.L. Colter, Bruce Harley.

J.N. Bird, on behalf of the board and membership, spoke of the untiring efforts of retiring president J. F. Duffield in the growth of the society, increased activities and interest in general as indicated by well attended meetings during his two year term of office.

D.M. Wingrove, and K.C. Hop-

May Drop Council Approval For Signs

The policy which has been in effect for the past few years, of having all signs approved by council may be changed, as a result of comments by the engineer Gordon Fancy, in a letter he sent to council Monday night.

The engineer approved the erection of flush-mounted signs in Moore Park shopping area, which he pointed out already conformed to the by-law. He also stated that the sign companies frequently have to change their work schedules when they find out they can't get a permit without council approval.

In answer to Cr. Ern Hyde's question, Mayor Wheldon Emerson explained that council approval of signs had started back when many non-conforming signs were being erected while there was no full time engineer or building inspector.

Cr. William Smith suggested this was the time to review this procedure, making it a simple matter of receiving a permit when applied for, providing the sign conformed with the by-law.

Discount Drug Store One Of Planned Plaza Stores

Ten to twelve new stores are planned for the Moore Park Plaza, according to owner J. Frisch.

When the existing stores are all rented, which he hopes to be by March 31, a new L-shaped building will be built on the existing one, housing the additional stores.

The new building will face into the courtyard, with the end of the building toward the highway.

If present plans materialize a discount drug store will take up the space of three stores. This is the reason the number of stores to be built is still in doubt.

The complete plaza is expected to be in operation before Christmas.

March of Dimes Total Nearing \$2500 Target

Georgetown's March of Dimes campaign after 2 nights has breezed past last year's total take and is well on the way to topping the new target figure of \$2,500.

Campaign chairman Mrs. Mary Cooper told The Herald yesterday returns had reached \$1658 with six districts plus commercial and industrial canvasses still to be added.

Last year, the March of Dimes organization aimed at \$1500 in the Georgetown canvass and collected \$1650.

"The canvassers report they were generally well received, and made to feel welcome" Mrs. Cooper commented. "The good response made it worth going out on a cold night," she said.

Mrs. Cooper said canvassers found householders actually waiting to be called on, and in many cases they had their donations ready at the door.

The door-knocking army of Marching Mothers was 200 strong including 27 area capt. Another 8 will call on industry and commercial businesses.

March of Dimes money is used to rehabilitate the disabled.

Steam Whistle Heard Again

The shrill and distinct scream of the steam whistle drew railroad buffs to the Georgetown CN yard like moths to a flame Sunday to see one of the few remaining steam locomotives pass through.

The 13-car train was on an excursion from Toronto to Hamilton, Lynden, Galt, Guelph and back to Toronto. The trip was sponsored by the Upper Canada Railway Society of Toronto.



FANTASY ON ICE - From left are Heather Moore as Grithel, Leanne Lewis as the witch, and Kerri Hegstrom as Hansel, major characters in the Georgetown Figure Skating Club's annual ice-show which played to large audiences Saturday afternoon and evening.

- Some of the queries -
- Q. What about the other part of Nassagaweya?
 - A. It appears logical for it to be part of Guelph.
 - Q. Local hydro commissions?
 - A. No policy formulated on this as yet.
 - Q. When population changes would this change representation?
 - A. Perhaps add one member per 20,000 residents. This could be reviewed perhaps every five years.
 - Q. Education has just been set up on a county basis with 2 units at present. What will happen here?
 - A. This is province-wide on a county structure and will not necessarily be changed.
 - Q. When will union take place?
 - A. Earliest date would be January, 1971.
 - Q. Present debenture debt?
 - A. You've already inherited debenture debt for education. It depends where the debt would fit the pattern, local or regional.
 - Q. What about any present annexation requests?
 - A. These will all be vetoed until the regional plan is decided.

Also proposed is a small amplifier system for use in the auditorium, with outputs to the