

Acton Youth Second High School Fatality

A youth was killed Saturday morning and four persons injured slightly in a head-on collision east of Acton, at the junction of the Fourth Line and Highway 7.

Dead is Paul Paulson, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Karsten Paulson, of Acton. Paul, a Grade 12 Acton high school student was heading west into town and the other driver, Bill McMullen 29 of Acton was making a left turn when their cars collided.

McMullen and three passengers, wife Gertrude and Mr. and Mrs. Mel Sheppard, escaped with minor cuts and bruises.

Estimated damage to the McMullen car is \$300. The impact of the crash crumpled the front end of the Paulson car, causing \$800 damage.

Funeral Tuesday

Besides his parents, Karsten and Elfrida, Paul leaves a younger brother Norman 10; grandparents, Mr and Mrs. Paul Paulson and his maternal grandmother in Germany.

The Paulson funeral was held, 2 p.m. Tuesday at Rumley Sheemaker Funeral Home, with burial in Fairview Cemetery. Rev. Robert Scrivens of Georgetown conducted the service for the Rev. Gordon Turner, Acton Trinity United Church, who is in hospital.

Manor Residents Reminisce Remember Past Christmases

Asked if he was planning to go out for Christmas this year, Simon Baverstock replied with an emphatic "No, it's too darn cold this year. I'm going to spend Christmas right here."

"Right here" is Halton Centennial Manor, home for the aged in Milton, and Mr. Baverstock is 1103, the manor's oldest resident.

"Christmas isn't recognized the same way it was when I was a boy," he continued. "It used to be a lot of fun. We'd go to the horse out, and go visiting."

Yuletide Celebration

Apert from that, Simon feels the Yuletide celebration itself hasn't changed that much.

Mrs. Edith Greene, another post-centenarian, agrees. She will be 101 years old January 10th and has been a manor resident over three years.

Hailed by her room-mates as extremely easy to get along with, Mrs. Greene said she has "always been happy with Christmas." As she talked to her, we got the impression her lively and friendly disposition probably contributed greatly to those happy celebrations.

Former Nurse

She feels the Christmas observance hasn't evolved too radically from the days when she was a nurse in a gentleman's family in the Cham, Willshire, England, in her youth.

Christmas or at least his reaction to it, has changed somewhat for 62 year old Eill Dwyer.

He, too, plans to stay to enjoy the manor's Christmas program.

"Christmas is all right when you're young — and has most of our family to join with you," he mused. "A younger person gets more enjoyment out of the activity."

He isn't against Christmas, or despondent about it. Just ready to take things a little easier during observance of it.

"I've had my day. And some wonderful nights, too," he said with a smile.

Mrs. Ethel Chalmers also plans to just sit back and relax this year.

Dinner Invitations

She's had a couple of invitations out for dinner but hasn't made up her mind which to accept or whether or not to just stay and spend the day at the manor.

An amazingly youthful 87 year old Mrs. Baverstock has had in quite a variety of local over the years.

This included the State of Tennessee in the early 1900's where Christmas was heralded one year by a inch of snow. Apart from giving the traditional seasonal atmosphere, the snow reportedly threw a lot of surprised Tennesseans into near panic, — tying up traffic and the like.

For those residents who do stay at the manor for Christmas, there will be plenty of action.

Christmas Programs

Virtually every night this month right up to Christmas Eve, church groups, cub packs, school bands, and hosts of other organizations are putting on plays holding sing-songs, and general "keeping the residents entertained."

A massive Christmas party for all residents was held in the auditorium December 16th, and featured a full roster of entertainers.

Christmas dinner for those who stay will be pretty tempting, all the same.

A colorful menu designed by Tony Hall lists roast turkey, all the trimmings and plum pud-

Parody Popular Poem At Party for Cubs

Fifty-four Cubs celebrated the Christmas season together when 5th Georgetown B Pack and 8th Georgetown got together at St. Paul's Baptist Church on Mountbainview Road.

The boys engaged in various games but the highlight was the 5th Georgetown Pack's version of The Night Before Christmas which is becoming a traditional parody with them.

In it everything contradicts the narration with the "kids running wild when they should be nestled snug in their beds — a window sticking when ps should throw up the sash, Sarcophagus tripping and falling down the chimney — and chaos in general.

Leaders Merry

Santa took part in the Cubs' gift exchange by distributing the presents and refreshments were served at the conclusion by Mrs. Kay d'Entremont, Mrs. Mary Rosset, Jeanine d'Entremont and Karen Leonard.

Just before the program closed Milton Pearson, group committee chairman for 8th Georgetown Pack, acting on behalf of the group, made a presentation to leaders, Roger Clark and Barbara Youmans who were married on Saturday.

Forecasts Surplus For School Board

Halton Board of Education may have a surplus of \$250,000 to \$300,000 in its 1959 financing, members learned Thursday night.

B. T. Lindley, superintendent of business and finance said there could be a \$50,000 to \$100,000 surplus in public school financing and \$200,000 surplus in secondary school financing.

However, James Singleton, director of education, said the percentage of surplus is very small compared to the board's \$32,000,000 budget and the slightest unexpected expense could turn the tables.

BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. Ted Lawrence and Mrs. Wellington Wilson were east-west winners at the Georgetown Duplicate Bridge Club on Tuesday, December 16 in the Canadian Legion auditorium. K. Harmer and Harry Frost were north-south winners.

Other north-south winners were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen; Ron Snow and R. Prust and Mr. and Mrs. E. Hampshire.

East-west: Mrs. Madeline Collier and Mrs. Nellie Goldham; W. Hamilton, M. Lorusso and Leo Kistemaker and Jim Sargent.

DID YOU KNOW?

It takes approximately 42,000 Douglas Fir seeds to make one pound.

TRI-COUNTY SCOREBOARD

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16 AT GEORGETOWN:

Midget: Burlington 6 Georgetown 1; (Ovenden).

Juvenile: Georgetown 7 Burlington 0; (Fowler, Hay, Wiles, Guest, Ward, Lewis).

THURSDAY DECEMBER 18 AT GEORGETOWN:

Novice: Burlington 4 Georgetown 0

PeeWee: Burlington 4 Georgetown 2; (Bruno Martina; Dick Popiel).

Bantam: Georgetown 5 Burlington 3; (Love 2; Davies; Cousins; Scott).

Sparling Deciding Whether To Continue Biafra Flights

Roland Sparling, the Georgetown man who for six months served as part of a Canair relief crew flying food into Biafra is home — or Christmas — wrestling with a decision he will have to make in January. That's when he will return to the relief flights base on Sao Tome if he decides to.

Canair relief phoned his home last week asking his plans.

Sparling owns Aircraft Over-all in Kitchener, and if he decides to quit the mercy flights it will be to devote some time to his business which he has rarely had time for since he and another Georgetown man, Dennis Hughes, joined the flight crew of the first Canair relief Super Constellation.

NIGHT RUNS

Hughes spent two months, and Sparling six months making the night runs from the island to the blacked out converted piece of highway which serves as an air strip in Biafra.

Of late, Canair relief has been flying in four of the Super Constables at night, each carrying 16 tons of concentrated food.

One was destroyed last week in a bombing attack. Two others have also been damaged by bombs, once with the Georgetown crew members aboard.

NORVAL

Meaning of Christmas Is Depicted in Film

Norval United Church Sunday School held their annual Christmas concert in the church on Friday evening, December 19th with the superintendent, Gordon Laidlaw as chairman. The program opened with the Junior Choir singing several Christmas numbers. The Nursery and Kindergarten classes sang 'Away in a Manger' and 'Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer'. Teachers are Kathy Johnson and Mrs. Lois Reid.

Mrs. Rosie Laidlaw's Primary class presented a skit in costume 'the Little Red Hen' followed by individual numbers. Carol Blair and Diane Crawford danced, Janis Pomeroy and Dawn Harrison sang 'Christmas in Killarney'; Mary Lou Laidlaw played a piano solo.

The Junior Class presented a skit 'What Shall We Children Bring'. Teachers are Mrs. Gwen Laidlaw and Mrs. Judy Pomeroy. Cindy and Carol Reid each played a piano solo and Terry and Wayne Laidlaw played a duet on their guitars.

Rev. R. W. Ridley showed a film 'The Meaning of Christmas' after which the Junior Choir again sang several numbers until Santa Claus arrived to hand out the gifts from the tree. Each child also received an orange and a candy cane. The Intermediate class served coffee and cookies.

Variety Program for St. Paul's Concert

St. Paul's Anglican Church Sunday-School birthday party for the baby Jesus was held in the parish hall on Sunday afternoon, December 14th with over 70 children present.

A program was put on by the pupils. Grades 4 and 5 sang an Indian carol, dressed in costume with an Indian (spear etc.), the Nursery, Kindergarten and Grade 1 classes sang 'Away in a Manger' and 'Jesus Bids Us Shine'. Grade 2 were dressed in costumes to sing 'Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer' and Grade 3 put on a play 'Benjamin's First Christmas'. Andrew Dewhurst played the piano for the singing and the carols.

Following the program the children enjoyed the birthday party with ice cream, cake and pop while their parents had coffee and cake.

Santa Claus arrived to hand out the gifts from the tree and this year he had a helper, Dorothy Russell, dressed in costume, who was quite a hit with the children. They each received a gift, a bag of candy and an orange.

Teachers of the various classes are Liz Scott, Donna Bayley, David Carter, Mrs. Sylvia Coomber Mrs. Joan Carter and Bud Fitzsimmons.



IT SOMETIMES happens that important legislation doesn't receive its proper public attention and this is because it is overshadowed by other happenings here in Ottawa. This is a most important matter yet there is very little about it in the newspapers, nor do we hear many people discussing it on street corners or in those parlours or gatherings where affairs are discussed.

ONE OF THE reasons the Canada Water Act failed to receive much public notice is the attention that was given to the Federal-Provincial Constitutional Conference and, of course, people have been discussing Mr. Benson's White Paper on Taxation.

IT MAY BE too that with the work being done provincially on the question of pollution, people just don't fully appreciate the significance of the Federal Act. As a matter of fact I myself missed out on a lot of it as I was at the United Nations when this Bill was given second reading by Parliament.

THIS ACT replaces the old Canada Water Conservation Assistance Act and clears the way for the Federal authorities to take an active part in the quality management of Canada's water resources. Note the words 'quality management' as this is a phrase we are going to see and hear a lot in the future. Although the Federal Government is involved with our water resources through twenty-one Departments, agencies and commissions, there never has been legislation that has permitted the Federal Government to act in a clear cut fashion in this field of water control. It is becoming increasingly essential that the Federal Government take part and provide leadership especially concerning pollution and conservation both of which have become national emergencies.

THE FEDERAL Government with the vast knowledge it has accumulated over the years, proposes as part of its program to establish water quality management agencies which would be responsible to both the Federal and Provincial Governments and draw on the advice and knowledge of people in municipalities and industry.

IT IS ESSENTIAL to recognize that water control is no longer a simple matter. We have to consider its wider and more diverse usage ranging from agriculture, industry and domestic use to recreation, transportation, and even water disposal. It is essential to focus attention on these uses and eliminate abuses so that none may suffer at the expense of others. Local programs and national policies must be established to take care of present and future opportunities.

A GREAT DEAL more could be written about this Act because of its importance and wide ramifications, I intend to deal further in this space with its various points and objectives as this legislation further unfolds in Committee.

TODAY, AS this is written on 19th December, is the last sitting of the House before the Christmas recess. Tonight members of Parliament will return to their homes to celebrate Christmas and usher in the 70s.

THE YEAR 1969 has been an eventful one with its share of troubles but it has not been without many many things for which we can give thanks. So let us pause to bring to mind the words of Dickens' Tiny Tim "God Bless Us Everyone."

Season's Greetings

IT'S OUR FAVORITE TIME OF YEAR... WHEN WE WISH ALL OUR FRIENDS A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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