

Metro Policeman and Karen Mintern, Wed

The marriage of Karen Nicki Mintern and Keith Malcolm Bottomley, took place August 26 in St. Timothy's Church, Agincourt. Rev. H. J. Scuse officiated.

The bride, a student of home economics at the University of Guelph, is the daughter of former Georgetown residents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Mintern, who now live at Agincourt. The groom, a member of the Metropolitan Toronto police force, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bottomley, 62 Prince Charles Drive.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her gown was ivory peau de soie with candlelight lace and tiered bouffant sleeves. Rows of lace bordered the skirt and the short train. Her fingertip veil was of matching ivory silk illusion edged with lace. She carried a bouquet of field flowers with a cascade of ivory velvet ribbon.

Linda Stultard, Georgetown, was maid of honour. Bridesmaids were Sue Hamilton, Agincourt, Jonne Ryerson, Waterloo, and Anne Kossatz, Coppercliff, sister and

cousin of the bride. They wore floor length gowns with deep purple skirts and long-sleeved blouses of matching sheer print, and carried nosegays of dried field flowers.

Douglas Hills, Georgetown, was groomsmen. Dwayne Hay, Georgetown, Ray Manser, Toronto and Robert Farrar, Yorkshire, England cousin of the groom, were ushers.

A reception was held at the Scarborough Centennial Centre. The bride's mother received in a floor length gown of mint green crepe adorned

with a corsage of dried roses and daisies. The groom's mother's gown was of floor length knitted yellow lace. She wore a corsage of dried daisies and cornflowers.

After the reception, bride and groom left for a brief honeymoon. The bride's travelling costume was a coat and dress suit of navy and white silk check. She carried a single, long-stemmed rose.

Out of town wedding guests included those from England, Coppercliff, Oshawa, Petawawa and Barrie. The couple will reside in Brampton.

Prior to her marriage, the bride was entertained at showers given in her honour by Mrs. R. F. Kossatz of Solina, Miss Sue Hamilton of Agincourt, Mrs. Wayne Turnbull, Brampton, Miss Linda Stut-

ard, Georgetown, and the girls of Floor One, Watson Hall, University of Guelph.

Cyclists Average 60 Miles Daily

The seven members of Georgetown's 4th Venturer Company bike hiking to and around the Ottawa area arrived at the capital two days ahead of schedule. A phone call home reported the party peddled into Ottawa Thursday instead of Saturday, averaging 60 miles a day. They have used the extra time to tour the Gatineau hills north of Hull.

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No Firm Decision Yet on Halton-Peel Region

Important news for county residents is contained in a speech given last week by Darcy McKeough, Ontario treasurer, to Oakville Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. McKeough who was minister of municipal affairs when plans for a Halton-Peel regional government were announced two years ago, is now provincial treasurer and minister of economics and intergovernmental affairs.

The original plan met such opposition in both counties, that it was eventually scrapped. A major stumbling block was whether Burlington would be included, or would become part of another regional plan in Wentworth. The government favoured Wentworth, while Burlington politicians favoured Halton-Peel.

At the time, most Halton municipalities wanted to stay as a one-county entity, also. Since then, committees of various sorts have been meeting, discussing regional government with all its implications, without any firm decisions emerging.

Nor has Mr. McKeough made up his mind, according to his speech.

In a report of the meeting, in the Oakville Journal-Record, reporter Dave Toms summarizes Mr. McKeough's talk as follows:

The Ontario government is keeping all its options open for regional government in the Halton-Peel area, including the possibility of no regional government at all for the present if the municipalities and the province absolutely fail to reach any kind of a consensus.

Darcy McKeough, told the Oakville and District Chamber of Commerce that the Ontario cabinet hopes to be able to propose legislation for the areas east and west of Metro

Toronto early in the new year, but only after a reasonable consensus of locally elected officials can be reached.

The most recent thrust in regional government is to separate Halton and Peel regions, a basic concept now supported by most of the municipalities in both counties, as well as Premier William Davis and several other cabinet members.

But when regional government was originally proposed several years ago, McKeough, then minister of municipal affairs, favoured a combined Halton-Peel metro region with a two-tier government similar to Metropolitan Toronto, Mississauga, Oakville, Burlington, and Halton County Council were among the supporters of his plan at that time, but McKeough had to withdraw the proposal in the face of strong opposition by some northern municipalities in both counties.

The thrust of McKeough's speech and the answers to several questions from among the audience of about 75 seemed to be that local leaders may have considerable say about the form of regional government, but very little about its implementation.

"We've got a lot of corner store local governments," he told one questioner.

"You could never compare a local government with a supermarket."

"We are our brothers' keepers," he said, "and if we're going to solve the problems we can't just build a little wall around Oakville."

"Oakville does have a large stake in what happens to the north, for example and if you're not concerned about what's happening in Burlington you sure as hell should be."

McKeough made no (Continued on page 4)



Hon. Jim Snow, Halton M.P.P. and cabinet minister, left, chats with provincial treasurer Darcy McKeough at Oakville function.

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Back for School

Seven young Georgetowners, members of 4th Georgetown Venturers, are away on a bicycle trip which has been six months in the planning.

The boys left a week ago Saturday heading for Ottawa which they planned to reach in seven days. From there they will wheel south to Long Sault, near Cornwall, returning home from there by train.

Pictured from the left, as they began their journey, are Gary Glover, Pat McCarthy, Marc Gaskin, Peter Wolf, Paul Riley, Doug Duchin and Doug Colter.

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