



BENHAMS WHISKED TO PARTY IN HANDCUFFS

THREE PAST mayors and the present one, talk over old times and funny incidents, with retiring deputy clerk Clarence G. Benham at a party honoring Mr. Benham on his retirement after 18 years' service to the town. The party, attended by members of every council during the 18 years, municipal employees and various department heads, was held at Georgetown Golf and Country Club, Friday night. Vying to get a word in edgewise, no mean feat when four mayors are together, are past mayor Steamer Emerson, present mayor Bill Smith, Clarence Benham, past mayor Doug Sargent, and past mayor John T. Armstrong.

Urge Move Toward Uniform Fire Code

The fire committee last week accepted in principle job descriptions for fire department officials as presented by Fire Chief Ken Buikema. These descriptions will go to the firemen's association, then back to the next committee meeting for review, amendments and final acceptance. Lot 6 on Armstrong Avenue was suggested to the committee by Chief Buikema as a possible practice area for the department. He told the committee that the planning board had rated the land unsuitable for industrial use. He added that it would have to be leveled. The committee recommended that it be referred to Georgetown council.

Georgetown's present fire prevention bylaw was drafted and passed in 1938. Other municipalities, Milton, Burlington, Oakville are now using the National Fire Code. The fire committee suggested that the chief consult with Acton about adopting the National Fire Code so that the fire prevention bylaw would be uniform in this area under regional government. Paving the apron around the fire hall on Guelph Street had been left until the widening of Guelph Street began. Chief Buikema told the committee. Now that this operation has begun the chief asked that the fire hall paving be included. The committee suggested that the chief ask for tenders. Chief Buikema also approached the committee concerning a leak in the roof of the high hall. The committee told him to have it inspected and ask for tenders. Hose dryers will be moved from the fire hall to the Esquesing Township building.

SILVERWOOD

Mrs. Mary Duffie and Mrs. Tilly Slater of Carron, Sask., were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. C. Wilson, July 1.

Congratulations and good wishes from Silverwood are extended to Gordon Claude Williams and Joanne Lillian Crawford who were married June 30 in St. Alban's Church, Glen Williams.

Silverwood residents are saddened by the death of Mrs. George Henderson.

Isabel has always been a strong and able worker on community projects and her home was always open to women's groups on many occasions. She will be missed by many friends. Sympathy goes to George and family.

Mrs. W.R. Norton joined a family reunion at the Owen Sound park, July 1. (Alicia F. Scott)

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DISBELIEF AND hastily wiped eyes, were the reaction when Clarence G. (Benny) Benham opened a gift, which had been described as a "photograph to remember" by Mayor Bill Smith who presented it. The photograph turned out to be a \$1,000 Canada Savings Bond. In addition to the bond, at Mr. Benham's retirement party Friday night, four silver goblets on a silver tray, were presented to "Benny" and his wife Lois.

HERE STANDS the judge. It's judge Bill Smith under the mop wig, who has just sentenced, handcuffed retiring deputy clerk Clarence G. (Benny) Benham, and wife Lois, to spend the evening in the custody of an assembled group of councillors, ex-councillors, municipal employees and department heads. Flanking them are Sgt. Jason Field and Constable Brian Farrell who picked up the couple in a police car with light flashing, and brought them handcuffed out of their apartment. Needless to say, all the balconies had people hanging over the edge watching the proceedings. Mrs. Benham, holding handcuffed hands aloft announced to the watchers, "We're just going to a party." Same faces didn't look convinced.

Duplicate Bridge

Fourteen tables of duplicate bridge were in play in the Legion auditorium, July 3. North-South winners were first, Mark Loeb and Bob Fedosa; second, S.K. Gangwal and A. Coyne; third, Jack Craig and Brian Cosgrove; fourth, Ron Jones and R. Turton, and fifth, R. Raymond and John Coats-East-West, first, Cam Sinclair and Gwen Moores; second, Sid Heller and Jim Hardy; third, Harry Arbie and Sue Sullivan; fourth, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Barbour, and fifth, A. Norris and Marguerite Taylor.

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