

... a tale... signifying nothing ...

To the editor of The Herald: I, too was amazed by the article on Georgetown, appearing in the Toronto Star, last week.

There was no mention of Georgetown's fine industries, beautiful homes, schools, arenas or golf course, in fact, there was nothing mentioned that makes a town - a town. It was simply - (quote) "a tale told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, signifying nothing."

Story a mockery

To the editor of The Herald: "People who thrive on gossip get well fed"

Regarding the issue in the Sunday Star May 14th, 1978. The editor Terrence Belford, made a complete mockery out of Georgetown and its people. I was deeply hurt and disgusted on the remarks made on my family.

Terrence should have been raised by my father Henry T. Shepherd or my grandfather John H. Shepherd whom I loved dearly, it surely would have been a different editorial.

Lillian Karley (nee Shepherd)

Graduate



JOHN E. BIRKS

A Georgetown resident, John E. Birks, will receive an honors degree of Bachelor of Science in Agriculture from the University of Guelph June 2. Mr. Birks, 23, lives with his wife Jody (nee Law) on Dayfoot Drive. His parents, formerly of RR4 Brampton, now live in Parry Sound.

worked side by side with the Sheppard men, and had only the greatest respect for them. As a child, I waited each day for Mr. John Sheppard to pass my home, on his way to work and he seldom failed to give me a nice, shiny red spy apple from his lunch pail probably meant to be part of his lunch.

What if his arms were long? Are we all such perfect Adonises that we can criticize the looks of others? Time to take a good long look in the

mirror methinks. As to the "fine to do" about blacks marrying whites - would that some whites were worthy of these particular blacks.

I can not recall the slightest discrimination between blacks and whites in Georgetown in those days. We were taught in the same schools, belonged to the same lodges, played in the same band, belonged to the same hockey team and the blood of the blacks was as red as ours when it came to

defending our country.

As to George Kennedy "slipping into anonymity" perhaps the writer would be well advised to do a little homework before he has the affrontery to print such a statement. George Kennedy was not a man to publicize his

capabilities, but that does not mean he did not possess any. He will always be remembered for his generous donations to this town - Maple Ave. road, the land for the high school and also for St. George's church were among his gifts. His saw mill cut the lumber for

the paper mill.

As a direct descendant of George Kennedy, I resent the flippant remarks on the founder of Georgetown.

As to your Mr. George

Evashuk - if the hum of the streetlights is not noisy enough for him - let me remind him the 401 will always take him elsewhere.

Nan Wheeler.

A tribute

To the editor of The Herald: Robert H. (Bob) Lee died May 14, 1978 - and Little Theatre in Ontario is the poorer for his passing.

Bob Lee loved amateur theatre and wherever he lived - Kshawa, Simcoe, and in recent years, Georgetown - he took his love with him. As many a customer in Bob's downtown fabric store will recall, Bob was forever talking theatre, but more particularly, little theatre.

In his day a first-rate actor, he last performed on the Georgetown stage in GLT's much-acclaimed production of The Miracle Worker in April 1975. Even then he was plagued by a heart condition that would find him gasping for breath - but he was possessed of a stubborn Lancastrian spirit that refused to be daunted, not to mention often unending views as far as his beloved little theatre was concerned.

As Treasurer, Vice President, and President from 1975-77 Bob's fierce pride and concern regarding GLT were unmatched. Under his leadership the group reorganized its finances, built up the number of season ticket holders, and revived one tradition - that of a Year End Members Season Ticket Hold-

ers Get-Together and started another, that of a Season Opening Night Benefit. But one of his dreams that was never realized was that of a proper theatre. Bob always wanted the best for GLT and would talk proudly of his association with Simcoe and Oshawa Little Theatre groups and how each after struggles had acquired their own facilities. If they could do it, he would argue passionately, then why not GLT, and he would then expand at length about what the group should do to boost attendance and promote its good name. So it was inevitable that he should be appointed the group's first Box Office Manager, handling all ticket sales and distribution.

And until the most recent production when increasing ill-health forced him into hospital it was a case of "Call Bob Lee" whenever someone had a query about Little Theatre. It's little wonder therefore that today there's a big gap in GLT ranks, and many a tear and a lump in the throat as we remember the man who would never let us forget we belonged to Georgetown Little Theatre.

Bob Lee - we're going to miss you.

Georgetown Little Theatre

A good humane man

To the editor of The Herald:

As a Grand Daughter to John Shepherd Sr. I feel it is my right to express my feelings regarding the Sunday Star issued May 14th 1978.

Yes, Grandad did have an accident which injured his back also long arms but his arms certainly did not touch the ground.

Grandad was black but let me tell you He was a kind, gentle, humane, lovable man and was devoted to the human interest of Stewarttown and

Georgetown and never had a hurting word for anyone.

I am deeply hurt that the Star would write a article not only about the Shepherd family but anyone without first finding out if their article was true?

I know John Shepherd Sr and his family would never have done such a thing.

I am proud that I can be counted as a member of the Shepherd family.

Yours truly Helen Cook Cumpsty

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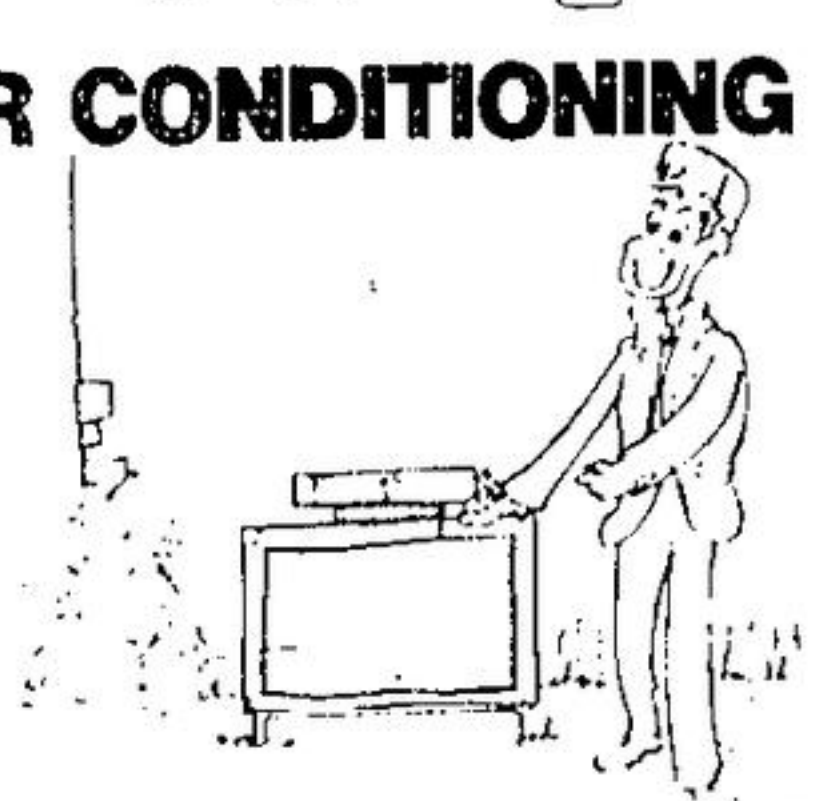
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