

Hon. Ray Lawson Opens New Hall Built At Winona

Winona, July 14 — "As members of the Legion, you form a particularly significant part of our population. You are men and women who have given the supreme pledge of patriotism by offering your lives in defence of your country. Because of this devotion to a cause higher than that of personal interest, you are expected to have constructive and most valuable views concerning the welfare of our country. Moreover the ripening and steadying experiences through which you have passed make it certain that your views will be of practical value in charting the path of Canada's future," the Hon. Ray Lawson, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, told the members of Canadian Legion Branch No. 196, when he officially opened their new hall on Sunday.

"The more I see of the Canadian Legion," he said, "and the more I hear of the great work the members are doing, the prouder I am of the framed certificate of merit that hangs in my home which was presented to me by Branch 28 of the Legion which branch subsequently was given my name. Your organization to-day stands in the top rank in the eyes of thinking Canadians in all walks of life."

Address Of Welcome

As he entered the new hall, a ribbon stretched across the inner entrance, was cut by the Lieutenant-Governor with scissors presented to him by Donald Basley, whose father, Reg Basley, was killed at Dieppe. After His Honour had signed the guest book, flowers were presented to Mrs. Lawson by June Ready, whose father, Gordon Ready, of Fruitland, was killed overseas. The speech of welcome was made by Major J. Arthur Biggar, E.D., president of the branch. The address of thanks to the Lieutenant-Governor was made by A. G. K. Nye, vice-president. Tea was served by the ladies of the branch under convenship of Mrs. J. A. Biggar, those pouring being Mrs. Roy W. Parke, Mrs. Howard Hammill, Mrs. Fred Woodcock and Mrs. A. G. K. Nye.

Provincial and district commanders, unable to attend, sent wires of regret. They were represented by Walter Ellis, deputy district commander District B, and C. E. Gates, of Burlington, zone commander. William Roper and A. E. Cherrington represented East Hamilton Branch and Robert Walters, the Grimsby Branch. Lt.-Col. F. N. Ovens, who was accompanied by his wife, represented the G.O.C. Central Command, Oakville.

Much credit for the new hall is due the building committee under R. E. Harris, 1948, and James McIntyre, 1949.



WINONA LEGION HALL OPENED—On Sunday afternoon, Lt.-Col. the Hon. Ray Lawson, O.B.E., LL.D., D.Ch.L., Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, officially opened the new home of Canadian Legion branch No. 196, Winona, by cutting a ribbon across the doorway. Seen in this photograph with His Honour as he snipped the ribbon are Major John Stratton and Major J. Arthur Biggar, president of the Legion branch. *June 14, 1949.* (Murdock photo)



Invitations have been issued for the June wedding which is foretold. Announcement made today by Reginald G. Hall of the bride and their daughter, Christine, and Kenneth Jessiman, son of Norman Jessiman. The ceremony will take place on June 2 at 7 p.m. at the Memorial Church with a reception following at Brock Hall on the UBC campus. Rev. Gerald B. Switzer will officiate. The bride-elect has asked her only sister, Mrs. Fred Whittaker, to be her matron of honor while Miss Betty Jessiman will be bridesmaid and little Margaret Jessiman will act as flower girl. The groom-elect, who is a graduate of the University of B.C., will be supported by his brother, Mr. Roy Jessiman of Winnipeg.

MR. KENNETH JESSIMAN AND MISS CHRISTINE HALL