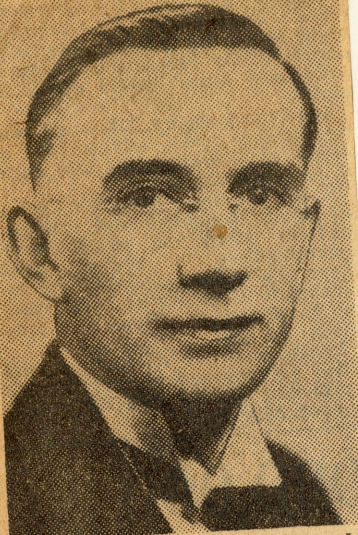


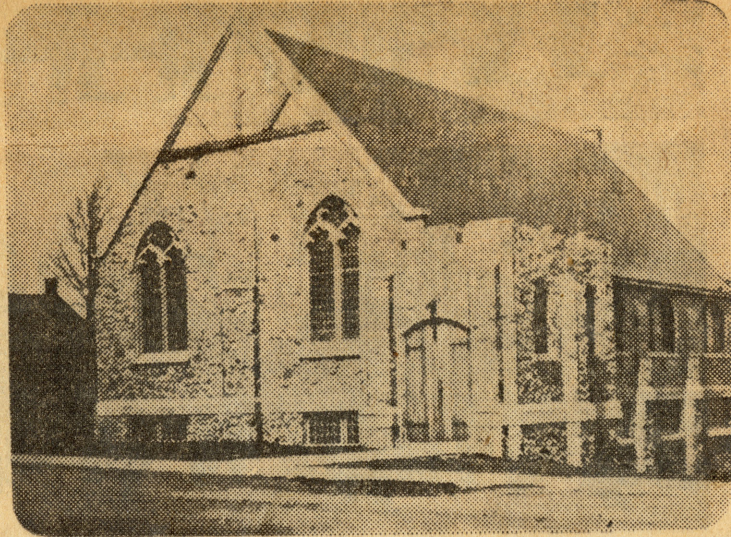
Alton Church Pastor



REV. DONALD SINCLAIR, who recently assumed the pastorate of Alton Baptist Church.

About 1940

Alton Baptists Celebrate 10th Birthday



Special services yesterday marked the tenth anniversary of the founding of Alton Baptist Church. The sturdy church building, erected of stone quarried in the county, is shown above.

1936

Burn Mortgage Of Alton Church



The mortgage of Alton Baptist Church was burned last night before members of the congregation, who thronged the church. The ceremony was carried out by Rev. John Hunter (left), pastor of the church, and Rev. Dr. James McGinley (right), who was the first minister to serve the Alton congregation.

1940

DEDICATE PULPIT AND TABLE



A new communion table and pulpit were dedicated at the re-opening of Alton United Church, following the complete redecoration of the building. The pulpit was the gift of the John U. McLellan family, and the table was the gift of a member who remained anonymous.

\$2,600 Collected By United Church

Spent \$950 on Renovation of Edifice

Alton, Jan. 20 (Special)—Reports presented at the annual meeting of Alton United Church showed that during 1939 over \$2,600 was contributed. Nine hundred and fifty dollars of this was spent on renovating the church. There was a decided increase in membership.

The financial report was given by Fred Rowan, while Mrs. P. T. Holman reported on W.A. activities. Rev. P. I. Davidge presided at the election of officers which resulted as follows:

Board of stewards: J. S. Dods, John O. Lowe, O. W. Caven, Alex G. Pattison, George McClellan, F. W. Rowan, Waldo Dorrington, Stewart Corbett, Joyce McConnell; board of elders, L. Cameron, George Prisely, Russell Jenkins, J. S. Dods, George McClellan; organist, Mrs. Gordon Little; caretaker, Mr. Fred Matthus; auditors, O. W. Caven, H. R. Cameron.



TPR. O. H. COULTER

On March 13th, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Coulter, of Coulterville, received a letter from their son, Tpr. O. H. Coulter, written on February 22nd, stating that he was in good health. Hilton joined the Royal Canadian Dragoons, 1st Canadian Armoured Regt. in Aug. 1940. He trained in St. John, Que., and in Camp Borden for over a year. He then spent two years in England taking Commando training and a Wireless Gunner Course. In November 1943, he was sent to Sicily and is now at the front in Italy. He says he is not basking in the warm sunshine of Italy now, but where he is in Italy they are experiencing cold weather, snow and no end of mud.

Tpr. Coulter wishes to thank the Alton Women's Institute for the box they sent him for Christmas, which, he says, he appreciated very much.

New Pastor



REV. P. I. DAVIDGE, B.A., B.D., has been inducted as pastor of Alton and North Erin United Churches.

About 1943