

WORLD WARS (con't)

Memories of the Second World War (this article was read by Miss Isobel Davis. Both articles compiled by Helen Wilson. Mrs. Fred Baldwin supplied excerpts from old Institute minutes.)

In 1939, some of the young men just out of High School, began going off to war as soon as they graduated.

Billy Anderson, was one of the ones with whom I want to school. He was in the Air Force, and flew a little fighter plane called a Spitfire. By summer, 1944, he had finished a tour of operation and they let him come home.

In September, the community had a presentation for him, here in Kilmaurs Hall. He was a Flight Lieutenant, and we were all proud of him.

He could have stayed at home, for he had served his term, but he went back to fly his fighter plane again, over Germany.

In March, 1945, his parents received word that he had been shot down over Holland. He is buried there and his sister Elinor, has been to visit his grave.

The Institute packed boxes of goodies for the men overseas, during the war. Here are some quotes from the Institute minutes:  
March 4, 1944

Letters of thanks were received from Alvin Buck, Jack Delahunt, Roy Anderson, Tommy Vance Roy Weatherdon, Howard Anderson, Walter Rooke Jack Sawyer, Billy Anderson, Kenneth Davis and Andrew Penny for Christmas parcels.

Jan. 6, 1945

The Council donated \$50 to be used towards sending boxes to the overseas boys. Arrangements were made to send each boy a 2lb. Christmas Cake.

Others who served were:

Alonzo Baskin	Scott Armitage
Bobby Baskin	Doris Armitage
Terrance Watters	Bob Davis
Danny Watters	Gordon Davis
Kenneth Watters	Russell Weatherdon
Irwin Buck	Ross Anderson
Jack Buck	Earl Anderson
Elmer Langford	Sammy Anderson
Wilmur Wilson	Weston Neely
Billy Anderson	Bob Mac Donald
Tommy Vance	Kenneth Davis

Some time during the war, a Military Funeral was held in St. Thomas's Anglican Church, for Elmer Langford, who was killed in a motorcycle accident, while training in the army. (June, 1943)

Early in Nov., 1946, Terbelton Council hired the Institute to serve a dinner to the returned men in this Hall. (I think this was for the ones who had served overseas) Mrs. Robert Vance was President then, and she reported at a meeting that everyone was well pleased with the dinner.

That evening, the people of the Community gathered in this hall, with Thomas Dolan who was then Reeve as Chairman, and the veterans were honoured and presented with a gift.

Let us hope that their sacrifice was not in vain, and that young men won't again have to go to war to defend our freedom.

ANDERSON, Earl  
ANDERSON, Howard  
ANDERSON, Ross  
ANDERSON, Roy  
ANDERSON, Sam  
ANDERSON, William  
ARMITAGE, Doris  
ARMITAGE, Scott  
BASKIN, Alonzo  
BASKIN, Martin (Mac)  
BASKIN, Robert  
BUCK, Alvin  
BUCK, Irwin  
BUCK, Jack, jr.  
DAVIS, Gordon  
DAVIS, Howard  
DAVIS, Kenneth  
DAVIS, Robert  
DELAHUNT, Jack  
KENNEDY, Russell  
LANGFORD, Elmer  
MACDONALD, Bob  
MUMFORD, Charles  
NEELY, Weston - Pilot Officer  
PARTRIDGE, Rev. G.F.  
PENNY, Andrew  
PENNY, Lillie  
ROOKE, Walter  
SAWYER, Jack  
SHARKEY, Rev. Sidney  
VANCE, Tom  
WATTERS, Danny  
WATTERS, Kenneth  
WATTERS, Terrance  
WEATHERDON, Roy  
WEATHERDON, Russell  
WILSON, Bryce  
WILSON, Eddie  
WILSON, Garnet  
WILSON, Wilmur