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#### MARRIED

NEWTON-McLACHLAN.—At Acton, Ontario, on January 25, 1918, by Rev. J. A. McLachlan, M. A., President of the Methodist Church, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Newton, of Kitchener, to Irina, youngest daughter of Rev. J. A. McLachlan.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 1918

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It is a foregone conclusion that Mr. Arthur S. Forster, Reeve of Oakville, and editor of the Oakville Star, will be elected Warden for the County of Halton without opposition at the first meeting of the County Council next Tuesday, 22nd inst. Mr. Forster enjoys the confidence of the electors of his own town and has been elected, however, for the past seven years in succession. He has been a useful member of the County Council, well deserves the honor of the wardenship and will fulfill the duties of this important office with grace and ability.

Ontario farmers were asked by the Government to produce more food-stuffs for the 1917 crops, and they responded to the best of their abilities, prompted by the patriotic motive as well as by the natural and health-economic stimulus. The resources at the disposal of the farming population are not capable of permitting a further increase in production without prompt assistance being given through Governmental sources, and this situation has already been placed before the Provincial authorities, with the likelihood that some action will be taken in time to improve conditions before the 1918 season is under way. The great needs of the farmer are four-fold, embracing labor, seed, feed and credit. Each of these, judiciously applied, would undoubtedly result in an expansion in Ontario's food-producing possibilities.

Municipal matters in Burlington were conducted with a good deal of friction last year. Councillors Cleaver and C. E. Coleman stood very strongly in the interests of the rate-payers as against the other members of council who favored engineers and contractors in the matter of the Waterworks and Sewage Systems. At the Municipal elections, Councillor Coleman was elected Mayor and Councillor Cleaver Reeve. The former says: "In the race for the mayoralty Cr. Hughes Cleaver defeated Cr. Gray in a rather one-sided contest by 225 majority, the largest majority ever given a Reeve in the history of the town. The people have spoken in no uncertain terms against the actions of some of the members of the 1917 council, and have backed up Cr. Cleaver's record in the council. Reeve-elect Cleaver and the Mayor-elect Coleman both took fearless stands on all important questions concerning the interests of the town that came before the council, and the people have approved of their actions."

At the beginning of a New Year the Food Controller appeals to all public-spirited citizens to study the facts of the world food situation and their own personal responsibilities in connection with the food shortage. Food is the most essential material thing in the world today. The situation in Great Britain, France, and Italy is exceedingly bad. In all the neutral countries of Europe it is desperate. In Germany the workers have deteriorated by reason of malnutrition that the output per capita has been reduced by about 33 per cent, as compared with the first year of the war. There is not enough food in the world to go around on the same general scale as before the war. Who shall go short? Canadians have responded splendidly to every appeal that has been made to them since the outbreak of the war. The call has now come for voluntary rationing so as to save wheat flour, beef, bacon and sugar and for the utmost effort to produce the greatest possible amount of food in 1918. The situation is so serious and the dangers which it involves are so grave that the voluntary response is not immediate drastic measures may be necessary.

#### Council for 1918

#### Now at Work

List of the Standing Committee Agreed upon for the Year:

MESSRS. HAVILL AND McDONALD ARE AUDITORS.

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#### THE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Organized Under Splendid Auspices With Over 100 Members

An enthusiastic and well-attended meeting of citizens was held in the hall of the Guelph Club on Friday evening for the purpose of forming a Horticultural Society for Action.

The committee which canvassed for the members of the Municipal Councils met at eleven o'clock on the second Monday morning in January for organization.

Councils met in compliance with the order in Municipal Councils Act.

President—William White

1st Vice Pres.—G. H. Brown

2nd Vice Pres.—Mrs. H. P. Moore

Secretary—John Cameron and N. P. Moore

Directors—Lawrence Willard, H. P. Moore, H. Unwin, Henry Bauer, Geo. Gray, Miss Martha Graham and Mrs. Elm Gamble.

An hour or two was spent in profitably discussing the improvements in home and town surroundings that may be undertaken, and the elimination of some abuses which disfigure trade streets.

It was felt by all that action should be taken to enforce the rules regarding the necessary mutilating and distortion of trees, the use of electric lines, and the like.

The members of the Board are anxious to have the distribution of seeds, bulbs and plants among the members for spring planting.

At a meeting of the Board on Monday evening Mr. Murray McDonald of Guelph, and R. M. McDonald being appointed auditors.

Council will meet each alternate Monday evening during the year.

The first meeting of the new County regular business was held at 8 o'clock in the evening at the home of Messrs. Hyndes and Hyndes, 100 King Street, Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Kenney, Chairman, Mr. and Mrs. C. Woodhall, Chairmen of the Hydro Commission, Mr. and Mrs. George Barber, Chairman, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Henderson and W. R. Kenney.

THE COMMISSION.—The Reeve and all the by-laws were adopted.

The by-law to appoint auditors for the books and accounts of the treasurers of the Municipal Council, the Hydro Commission, the Free Library Board and the Fire Department.

Letter from Gault Ste. Marie

Mr. Alex. Maude Tells of His Adopted City

Dear Mr. Editor:

Please find enclosed \$1.00 for renewal of my subscription to the *Voca* press. It is just like receiving a letter every week from friends at home.

Hydro Account

Hydro Power Commissioners for supplies

\$27.15

General Account

G. H. Ritchie, fire & light acct.

2.00 C. Speight, polling booth

John Lawson, Division Court

12.00 Geo. Agnew Division Court fee

H. P. Moore, printing

12.00 H. P. Moore, account

1.00 A. G. Smith, telephone

1.16 The Municipal World

1.16 The Patterson Mfg. Co.

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1.16 Moved by W. R. Kenney and seconded by G. Woodhall, that the first report of the Finance Committee be adopted.

The motion was carried.

The matter of complying with the request of the Hydro Commission in case of the assumption of power in Acton was dealt with after a long debate. It was voted to turn off the hydroelectric power, using the Hydro for motive power, putting the tower in the Hydro Commission's care and leaving the tower there.

It was voted that if possible the hydroelectric power be turned off at 6 p.m. for a month at least.

It is expected that within a month the hydro will be almost back to normal and it would not be necessary for such strict economy as is now most urgent.

Council adjourned at 9:16.

#### MILITARY NOTES

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#### HALTON ORANGEMEN MET HERE

Alex. Donald, Acton, elected D. D. M. and E. Hassard, Acton, Chaplain

Representatives from the Orange Lodge in Huron District met in their annual session in the lodge room of Action L. O. L. on Tuesday of last week.

Very enthusiastic meeting was held, with the Orange Lodge in Huron District and the Orange Lodge in Guelph and Waterloo in attendance.

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