

Personals

Mrs. J. R. Anderson, of Chelph, visited Acton friends yesterday.

Mr. Roy Wansborough, of Toronto, visited his mother over the week-end.

Boy Seaman Leonard Lambert returned to his post at Esquimaux, B.C., on Sunday.

Mrs. Gordon MacKay, of Toronto, is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. H. Wansborough, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence King and Ronald, Nassagaweya, spent Sunday afternoon with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Harris, in Stewarstown.

Rev. J. B. Chalmers, ex-Warden A. Mason, former Rev. E. Theford and F. J. McCutcheon and G. A. Dills, attended the Warden's dinner in Milton on Tuesday evening.

Messrs. W. G. Mason and G. A. Dills attended the luncheon of the Canadian Club in Toronto on Monday, when Hon. J. L. Daley, Minister of National Revenue, was the speaker. Following the luncheon, a meeting of the District War Savings Committee was attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Becker and Sheila, of Durham; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn MacDonald and Jacqueline, of Chataworth, Mr. and Mrs. Willard MacDonald and Murray, of Hepworth, visited over the week-end with Mr. A. H. MacDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Ian MacDonald.

Garbage Collection Starts First Week of January

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paid on the jeans account to Guelph General Hospital, and that we notify the collector for the Nellie Jeans estate that we intend to take action.

Another account from St. Joseph's Hospital for another indigent patient was approved by the Council.

A letter from the Department of Highways gave the arrangements in effect regarding the maintenance of the highway through Acton.

A letter from the Ontario Association of Rural Municipalities, regarding membership, was filed.

An application for the position of Secretary of the Arena was received from Mr. E. Ryder. The following resolution was passed: "Resolved, that we engage Edward Ryder as Secretary of the Arena for the season 1940-41, at a salary of \$1.75 per night, providing we decide to operate the Arena."—Carried.

The new insurance policies were read and considered by Council. Coverage at present on town properties are as follows: \$8,200 on Town Hall, \$1,500 on contents of the Town Hall, \$200 on the fire hook and ladder building; \$200 on the contents of hook and ladder building, \$3,000 on the library books and \$300 on the furnishings of the library; public liability and property damage remains as before, as do those on the Volunteer Fire Brigade and fire truck and pump.

Reeve Chalmers thanked the committee who had completed this work and had the town's insurance revised and improved. Only tariff companies are now used and additional coverage had been applied as deemed necessary.

The arrears of taxes were checked by the Council and instructions issued to the collector for collection of amounts outstanding and arrears made in some instances.

At this concluding meeting of Council for the year, Reeve Chalmers thanked the members of Council for the co-operation of Council through the year and the he had been given him by Clerk C. F. Leatherland in conducting municipal affairs.

A resolution was passed, making the first meeting of the 1941 Council, Monday, January 6th, at eight o'clock.

SCHOOL CONCERT AT BLOOMSBURY HELD LAST NIGHT

Bloomsbury School, S.S. No. 9, Nassagaweya, concert, last night, was an event for pupils and parents and friends of that district and under the guidance of the teacher, Mr. Martin Hassard, proved a real success. The program was a varied and interesting one. Messrs. Thos. Gibbons and George Fountain provided musical numbers. Miss McLaughlin and the pupils of No. 7 School contributed a puppet show.

Other items on the program, included the opening chorus; recitations by Billy Patterson, Marie Synnott, Mary Barber, Gordon Ferguson, Joe Lasby, Anna Synnott, Gordon Darby, Donald vanOosten, Ross Wilson, Jean Armstrong, Deegan Ferguson, Anne Berberich, Mildred Armstrong, Jane Berberich, Grace Armstrong, Clark Armstrong and Eugene Ferguson. Then there were such items as the Christmas, acrostic, choral speaking by Grade 2, the Christmas tree drill, physical exercises and pyramid building and musical numbers. Dugite were contributed by Jane Berberich and Donald vanOosten. Dialogues, with Christmas and school themes, were also enjoyed. Lunch was served to round out this very complete school Christmas concert program.

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123 Yonge St., Toronto
(Opposite Ryrie-Birks)

COMING DANCE

RYAN AUDITORIUM GUELPH

CHRISTMAS EVE
DECEMBER 24th
(Special)
WILLIS TIPPING'S ELEVEN PIECE ORCHESTRA
Ladies, 40c Gentlemen 50c

CHRISTMAS NIGHT
DECEMBER 25th
JERRY HEIDMAN
15 MEN AND A GILL
Ladies, 40c Gentlemen 50c

SATURDAY, DEC. 28th
BOB DONNELLY'S ELEVEN PIECE ORCHESTRA
Ladies, 40c Gentlemen 50c

NEW YEAR'S EVE
DECEMBER 31st
DANCING FROM 10.00 TO 2
The Big Frolic.
GEORGE BAINES AND HIS ORCHESTRA
(Cut Out For Reference)

TOWNSHIP OF NASSAGAWEYA Notice to Electors

TAKE NOTICE that a vote by way of a plebiscite will be taken on Monday January 6th, 1941, upon the following question:

"Are you in favor, as a Wartime Measure, under the Local Government Extension Act, 1940, of the Municipal Council of the Township of Nassagaweya elected for 1941 holding office for two years."

AND FURTHER take notice that the polling will be held at the following places:

Rolling Division No. 1—At the Orange Hall, Campbellville
Rolling Division No. 2—At the Township Hall
Rolling Division No. 3—At the Knafebull Hall

Polls will be open at the above named places on Monday, January 6th, 1941, from 9.00 a.m. until 5.00 p.m. (Standard Time).

AND FURTHER take notice that the summing up of the votes, so taken shall be done at the same time and in like manner as the results of the votes taken for Municipal Council.

CHAS. F. NORRISH, Clerk.

GREGORY THEATRE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29th
"THE HOUSE OF SEVEN GABLES"

Story by Nathaniel Hawthorne, with Nan Grey, Margaret Lindsay, Eric Smith, "Answer Please", Sport, "Aqua Rhythmic", Chapter 11, "Zorro's Fighting Legion."

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29th
Gift Night
"SING DANCE PLENTY HOT"

Ruth Terry, Johnny Downs.
"QUEEN OF THE MOB"

Based on J. Edgar Hoover's book, "Persons in Hiding," with Ralph Bellamy. Cartoon, "Just a Little Bull." Fox News.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23rd
"WHEN THE DALTONS RODE"

Thrill drama, with Kay Francis, Randolph Scott, "Stogie" comedy, "You Nasty Spy", Band "Larry Clinton", "London Can Take It."

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25th
Matinee at 3
"PRIDE AND PREJUDICE"

From Jane Austen's novel, with Laurence Olivier, Greer Garson, Mary Boland, Sport, "Dog Is Born", Cartoon, "Pulla Bluff Man."

Subsidizing of Agriculture Urged by County Council

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which the County roads have been looked after. We need good equipment these days, particularly as the people demand snow removal, and we have to keep up with the times. \$8,000 seems like a lot of money, but it may be a wise expenditure and be the cheapest in the long run.

Mr. Hume: "I gather from what Mr. Smith says that our hands are tied. If the Department says this depreciation fund must be looked after by the General Rate, then it must be."

Mr. Smith: "No, the Department does not say the General Rate must look after it—but it advises it."

Mr. Gilbert: "Well, gentlemen, this is the last meeting of the year and I don't think we should commit ourselves, but leave the matter of new equipment to the incoming Council."

Council were in agreement and the matter was left over for the 1941 Council.

The following resolutions were passed: Moved by Mr. Byers, seconded by Dr. Heslop, that the following accounts be paid:

County Buildings	\$ 160.22
Printing	165.86
Hospitals	1,254.15
Finance	987.55
Total	\$2,567.78

Moved by Mr. Byers, seconded by Mr. Hume, that Mr. Wm. Deans, as Secretary of Old Age Pensions, and Mothers' Allowance Board, be made a grant of \$100 for efficient services as rendered to the Board.

Moved by Dr. Heslop, seconded by Mr. Byers, that a vote of confidence be accorded Mr. Whitelock for his services rendered the County for the past year.

Moved by Mr. Byers, seconded by Mr. Wilson, that the tender of Burns Bros. and Denton, of Toronto, for the purchase of \$5,000 at 3 1/2% debentures at \$102.436 be accepted, relative to By-law No. 745.

Moved by Mr. Hillmer, seconded by Mr. May, "On behalf of the Deputy Reeves, who have not much to say, I want to thank you, Mr. Warden, for the courtesies extended to us and at this time wish you all the compliments of the season." (Signed by all the Deputy Reeves.)

Moved by Mr. Byers, seconded by Mr. Blain, that the thanks of this Council be tendered to our Warden, Mr. George Finney, for the courteous and impartial manner in which he presided over the deliberations of this Council during the year 1940.

Mr. Hillmer thanked members of the Council for the friendly co-operation, in their work, and also specially mentioned the press, who had reported the Council meetings fairly and impartially—so he said.

Mr. Norman Gilbert acted as chairman, giving each member of the Council an opportunity of expressing his personal appreciation to Mr. Finney as their Warden. All members were unanimous in their expressions of regard for Mr. Finney.

The Warden expressed his thanks and on this note of "good fellowship," the meeting adjourned.

How You Can be Helpful with the Christmas Mailing

If citizens generally would observe the following suggestions, the Post Office staff would be greatly helped and faster service given all in this Christmas rush season.

Post all mail early.
For Christmas cards mailed in quantities, put a rubber band around them, and hand in at wicket, rather than drop them in letter-box loose. This will save considerable time in sorting them out.

Christmas cards for local delivery could be kept separate from out-of-town mail, and it would speed up delivery.

Kindly use your Post Office box key during the busy Christmas rush.

During the busy Christmas season, there are hundreds of letters and Christmas cards for local delivery. These are put in Post Office boxes and general delivery several times a day. Please do not ask for your mail every time there is a letter in your box, or at general delivery unnecessarily often.

Where there are children who get your mail, kindly appoint some one to call. Often two or more children of a family call.

"During the Christmas season the mail from the east will be distributed on arrival on Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday evening, and the office will remain open until after distribution of mail."

AN AMATEUR CONTEST AT WOODSIDE LITERARY

Woodside Literary was held last Friday night with a fair crowd present. The main topic of the program was an Amateur contest, and the winners were: Ladies, Miss Rhea Burgess; Miss Elinor Griffin; Gents, Mr. H. Fisher; Mr. F. Young; Children, Misses Margaret Thompson and Lila Spear.

While lunch was being prepared, a spelling match was in progress. After lunch, dancing was enjoyed.

Weekly War Commentary

Specially Written for The Acton Free Press by LEON EDELL, Canadian Press Staff Writer

Britain's sweeping successes in Egypt against the Italian army, a source of satisfaction to the Empire as a whole, must be particularly gratifying to Australia and New Zealand. For these Dominions have sent some of their finest manhood into the desert encampments and it is to them, fighting beside India's troops, British Tommies and Free French Forces of Gen. Charles de Gaulle, that the first opportunity for big-scale offensive action in this Second Great War has fallen.

Australia's war effort in this 68th week of the war thus receives particular encouragement as it becomes clear that she is playing a vital role in the Middle East. In the last war the "Anzacs" played a major role; considering the size, the resources and the distance of the two Dominions from the theatre of warfare. And they are playing an even greater part in this war.

In Australia, to consider her in particular recruiting has been successful and extensive; large numbers have received training for the air force, and they are coming to Canada to participate in the great Empire Air Training Scheme. Her navy has already seen action; it was the Sydney, a cruiser, which was credited with sinking the Italian cruiser Bartolomeo Colonna, in the Mediterranean, and her aviators have seen action in the Royal Air Force.

New Zealand's cruiser Ajax took part in an even more glorious chapter, the routing a year ago of the Nazi pocket battleship, Admiral Graf Spee.

Although Australia has had considerable political difficulties, which resulted in an inconclusive general election, her industry has been thoroughly mobilized. Factories are turning out Tiger Moths, the excellent British training craft, and she is exporting that new type of aircraft which will be in the process of manufacture early in the new year.

Her ammunition factories too are going full blast to add to the arsenal of the Empire and in the last few days her men have helped write a new, stirring story of modern warfare along the sands of Egypt.

Ethiopia Next? Up to December 13th, the British Army of the Nile, under Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell, had taken at least 20,000 Italian prisoners, including five generals, and pursued the remainder of the Italian force invading Egypt close to or over the border into Italian Libya. Observers predicted a British invasion of Ethiopia as an early move.

The Italians in North Africa were being heavily harassed by British land, sea and sky forces. Their lines of retreat along coastal roads were shelled by British warships. The Royal Air Force fighters were under command of Col. Charles "Candy" Buxton, Raymond, one of the First Great War.

Evidently the British Middle East forces were carrying out the admonition of their commander: "We have waited long. Let us strike hard," said Gen. Wavell, adding that a crushing defeat of the Italians in North Africa "may shorten the war by many months."

It was pointed out the Italians in Ethiopia were subject to attack between two forces of British troops—the north British columns from the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan and the eager expeditions from South Africa striking across the Kenya border.

Meanwhile Greek forces in Albania were, on December 14th, following up their smashing defeats of the Italians in that area. There too, the British sea and air forces were giving every material aid in turning the tide against the Italians.

The Battle of Britain continued from the air. England's steel centre of Sheffield was given a terrific pounding by German bombers on Friday, December 13th. Berlin claims this raid was "super-Governor" and the British authorities acknowledged it was destructive to life and property.

On December 13th the Admiralty announced the loss of the armed merchant cruiser Porfir, torpedoed. The 10,000 ton coal freighter Orari was torpedoed off the French coast.

Hon. C. D. Howe Safe The liner, Western Prince, was torpedoed in the Atlantic, December 14th. Hon. C. D. Howe, Canadian Minister of Supply, and three officers of his Department, were passengers on the liner. Howe's safe arrival at a British port was definitely announced, December 17th, although for some time prior to that date the entire party was believed to be among the survivors.

Word that Pierre Laval had been removed from the Vichy Cabinet of Marshal Petain, and replaced as Foreign Minister by Pierre-Etienne Flandin, brought a wave of speculation over the week-end. Laval was also Vice-Premier but this post has not been filled.

Reports, December 17th, stated that Laval had been taken to Vichy for a meeting with Marshal Petain and Otto Abetz, German Ambassador to France. Since he was ousted from the Cabinet, Laval was reported a virtual prisoner of the Vichy government. Definite news was lacking, but it was said that the German Ambassador wanted to "hear

Laval's side of the Cabinet charge, before reporting to Hitler.

R.A.F. Hamsters Enemy Britain announced new blows against the enemy by the Royal Air Force. Bombers attacked the port of Naples, December 14th, scoring five direct hits on a concentration of cruisers and destroyers. The following night British airmen bravely pounded important targets in Berlin.

Sweeping back the Italian invaders of Egypt, British troops were reported, December 17th, in the vicinity of Bardia, Pascel base in Libya. The previous day they had driven the Italian soldiers into Italian captivity. But they are fighting in places 150 miles from their nearest railroad, and that complicates their supply problem.

It was disclosed December 18th that Gordon Scott, of Montreal, a member of Mr. Howe's party, had lost his life when the Western Prince was torpedoed. Scott, at one time Provincial Treasurer of Quebec had been with the Federal Department of Munitions and Supply as financial adviser at various times since early in the war.

Military circles, in London, said, December 18th, that the Albanian town of Tepelini is under Greek artillery fire. It is believed the port of Palermo, south-west of Tepelini, may be in the hands of the Greeks.

CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL OF ACTON LEGION BIG EVENT ON MONDAY

The Christmas Carnival, sponsored by Acton Branch of the Canadian Legion, to be held on Monday night next, promises to be a big event in the Acton Town Hall. The committee in charge have arranged a draw with such a variety of good prizes that there should not be a ticket remaining unsold.

Recalling the Spittire Carnival and the success attending that event, should secure a capacity house on Monday night for a crowd in carnival mood, and incidentally it may help the gift problem and provide means of extra gifts.

The funds are for supplying comforts for the boys from Acton and district with the Canadian Active Service Forces, and the British war victims. We need make no comment on their worthiness and necessity. Monday night's the time and the Town Hall the place.

ARRANGEMENT FOR CHRISTMAS CHEER BY NASSAGAWEYA W. I.

The December meeting of the Nassagaweya Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Padbury, with Mrs. Edwin Davenport, 2nd Vice-President, in charge. "Whistle, Sing or Pay" was the roll call answered by fourteen members. There were also three visitors present.

There was quite a discussion over the business session. The Branch are sending a donation of \$15 to the Red Cross, also the British War Victims Fund. Four soldier boys, from the district are to receive cigarettes for Christmas. Mrs. Henry read an appropriate paper, and all sang the National Anthem.

The hostess and her assistants served a dainty lunch and cup of tea. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Wilfred Kennedy's.

OLD BUT USEFUL London (CP)—Now it's old gramophone records, citizens are asked to dig them out of dusty shelves—or debris—and forward them to the proper collectors to help win the war.

AN IRISH LAMENT Dublin, Eire (CP)—You can't kiss Irish colleens under the mistletoe this Christmas. The war has cut off the supply of mistletoe, that is.

Surprise Packages

Artillery officers check shells in a magazine bin with one of Canada's great coastal defence guns. These can be hurled for miles at any enemy who ventures near the Dominion's shores.

Feuer tons of Old Company's Anthracite carry you through the heating season — because this thrifty coal is Nature's fuel masterpiece!

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LLOYD GEORGE ACTIVE

Casermartin, England (CP)—Lloyd George, inaugurating a food production campaign here, declared that few people to-day realized the extent to which food was a decisive factor in the last war.

RED FLANNEL RETURN New York (CP)—Yes in the shops here they're showing flannel for women, if you please. "Ireman-save-my-child" pyjamas in red wool, warm enough for the coldest-blooded girl. They're recommended as underpinnings for ski suits.

NEW NAME FOR THEM Kintford, England (CP)—Young people who drink too much on the grounds they "are here to-day and gone to-morrow" are fifth columnist, Rev. Norman Hook said in an address here. They were undermining the morale of England.

HANDS ACROSS OCEANS Balanagar, India (CP)—The little Czechoslovak colony here held a fair recently, to aid their stricken compatriots in Europe. Dressed in colorful national costume, the Czechs started the day with mass and prayer of Wenceslas, their national saint.

TAXI! TAXI!—GRAND

Blackburn, England (CP)—Bus-drivers here have their own way about whether they will run during daytime air raids. Buses will run "until the driver is of the opinion that danger is imminent," the corporation says.

Grand Christmas Carnival

Under Auspices of Acton Branch of British Empire Service League

Town Hall, Acton Monday, Dec. 23

Proceeds will be Equally Divided Between British War Victims Fund and Comforts for Local Men on Active Service

NUMEROUS PRIZES, INCLUDING:
Washing Machine — Radio — Heating Stove — 2 Leather Coats
1 Ton Coal — 1/2 Ton Coal — Turkey — Geese — Fowl, Etc.

TICKETS 10c 3 for 25c
No Admission Charge Doors Open 7.00 p.m.

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