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## A Very Merry Christmas To All

### Council Pay County Rate of \$7262.49 at Monday's Meeting

Debenture By-Law for Portion of Pavement Given First and Second Readings—Fire Brigade Given Usual Grant.

Council met at 8 p.m. on Monday evening. Members present, Mayor Gibbons, Reeve Davis, Councillors Hall, Brown, Cripps, McDonald, Lyons, and Thos. L. Lyons. Minutes of previous meeting read and confirmed.

#### All Share in Christmas

It has been said that Christmas brings blessings to rich and poor alike—the rich that of giving, and the poor that of receiving. Christmas is the possession of all. There is no barbed wire fence to keep anyone out; all may share its wealth of good cheer, and join in the singing of the carols or praise. From the commonest blessings come the richest delights. Health, friendship, love of home, are familiar examples and furnish the very best blessings, and some of these are within the reach of all, and bestow equal pleasure to all who partake.

#### TRAFALGAR REEVE ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

Reeve Victor Hall of Trafalgar township has announced that he is retiring from municipal life. He is warden of Halton county. Reeve of Trafalgar township for the past seven years, he has been the prime mover in several reforms in administration. During his regime council has purchased a fire-trailer, a snowplow, and has introduced the use of township tax-slip vouchers.

#### BUILT ROADS 50 YEARS IN TRAFALGAR TOWNSHIP

From the days when single wagon tracks formed the only thoroughfare in the township, to the present time with 140 miles of surfaced roads linking the area together, is the proud record of Sam McLean for 50 years roads superintendent of Trafalgar Township. Mr. McLean has watched the township grow in population and has served under some ten different Reeves. He recalled the many changes that had taken place, especially in the road system covering some 9000 miles each year in inspecting and superintending the many repair jobs.

### NUMBER OF BREAK-INS OVER LAST WEEK-END

Stewarttown Safe Blown Open; Four Business Places in Town Entered

No less than five business places were entered in Georgetown and district last week-end. Thugs entered the hardware store of J. Sanford & Son at Stewarttown on Friday night and blew open the safe, taking about \$40 in cash and a \$50 electric drill.

Entrance was gained by way of the front door; then the robbers knocked the dial off the safe and inserted explosives. The detonation blew the door off.

Mrs. H. Barrow, who resides across the road from the store, reported to police that she heard men talking about 3 a.m. A few minutes later she heard a loud explosion but took no notice, as she thought it was the backfire of a car. Other residents also heard the explosion, but likewise thought little of it.

The robbery was not reported until 8 a.m., when Sanford's son entered the store and saw the wreckage.

On Saturday night the local Hydro office was entered, when things smashed a window to gain entrance, but nothing was stolen. It is thought the would-be burglars were interested in moving the safe, but were perhaps frightened away, as a number of matches were found around same. The same night the Brill Hosiery Mills was entered and a quantity of socks stolen.

On Sunday night the thieves continued their rampage and forced their way into Jack Squires Service Station, stealing a radio, antifreeze, and a quantity of tobacco.

C. B. Dayfoot and Co. was entered on Monday night, and although a number of drawers were ransacked only a couple of pair of shoes were found missing. The typewriter was carried outside, but left behind.

Chief W. G. Marshall is making a desperate effort to track down the thieves, and is being ably assisted by Night Constable Emmerson.

#### BUSINESS MAN BEREAVED

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. Elmer C. Thompson in the death of his sister, Miss Georgia Thompson, at Toronto last week.

### THE SAILING OF THE FIRST CONTINGENT

OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—It was a grey December Sunday when the fleet of passenger vessels with the Canadian Active Service Force First Division on board and its accompanying guardian flotilla of warships set off to sea. At times the sun broke through the clouds, sometimes a squally gust ruffled the waters but the general conditions were favorable and the meteorological experts predicted that the ships would just nicely avoid a storm area which had been a recent centre of disturbance. This departure was quite different from the sailing of the First Contingent in 1914. The latter had gone out of Valcartier with great ado, embarked on shipboard and slipped down the St. Lawrence to assemble at Gaspé awaiting the word to go. When the time came for the actual departure, down the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the sea, that great fleet moved quietly and with but few observers. This 1939 setting out was under quite different conditions. Instead of the lonely bay the ships were gathered at a port and at a populous place.

It would be difficult, indeed impossible, to estimate the number of people who saw the ships go out, but it can be said that it was very large. The secret of the departure time had been well kept but by the middle of the Sabbath morning it was evident to on-lookers that action was impending, increasing volumes of smoke from funnels being regarded as a certain sign. Then, too, there were early risers who had noted at daybreak several naval units moving into the fairway and going out to sea.

The observers were rewarded at noon when other naval craft proceeded down the channel and made for the open, and soon afterwards the first unit of the great passenger fleet followed. In turn the others joined the parade until all had completed their majestic course past the headlands and proceeded to clear the land. As each vessel swung out, its rails, upper decks and rigging were lined with troops and from each there came great, lusty cheers to be re-echoed from the shore. However, one ship must have possessed a martinet. As it passed the vantage point occupied by this observer, it was noted that the decks were lined, but lined with soldiers each wearing his newly acquired libelnet and mustered at his emergency station; for them the war was on.

### Favours for Kiddies at Community Christmas Tree on Saturday

Lions Club Bring Santa to Georgetown on Saturday Afternoon at 3.00 p.m.—Draw Also to Take Place.

#### HALTON PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION NAMES OFFICERS FOR YEAR 1940

Halton County Game and Fisheries Protective Association recommended at a meeting recently that a two-day pheasant shoot be held in the future in Halton. Therefore the shoot lasted three days. The association also suggested that the event coincide with the shoot held by Lincoln and Wentworth County. President J. A. Griffiths of Burlington was in the chair, and representatives attended from all parts of the county.

Discussion caused as to the best means of interesting the young people in the preservation of wild life in the county and it was decided to invite Boy Scouts and young people to a meeting at which pictures will be shown and a speaker provided. It is expected that the meeting will be held in January. Plans for the annual banquet in February were discussed. Election of officers was held, with Mr. Griffiths being re-elected as president; 1st vice-president, A. Patterson, Bronte; 2nd vice-president, Colin Smith, Burlington; secretary, Leslie Kerr, Freeman; Executive, David Wendover, Palermo; Richard Sneath, Burlington; William Seaton, Burlington; John Tuck, Freeman; William Pittman, Aldershot; Cecil Breckon, Bronte; Ford Rogers, Bronte; Gordon Booth, Bronte; Joseph Wickson, Bronte; W. H. McPherson, Bronte; Tom Bullock, Bronte; Robert Miller, Freeman.

Saturday is to be another great day for the children. Whether we have snow or not, old Saint Nicholas is to visit Georgetown and will meet all the boys and girls at the Community Christmas Tree at 3.00 p.m. town early, and you may shop before and after Santa arrives. Georgetown merchants still have fine selections of gifts to choose from. Shop in Georgetown and you can't go wrong.

A great supply of candles, nuts and oranges is being prepared, so that when Santa arrives and takes up his place on the Christmas Tree he will be able to give every little boy and girl a bag of good things.

An added attraction will be the draw for turkeys, geese and chickens. This is an annual affair, when a large number of fowl are won by persons holding tickets purchased from members of the Lions Club.

It's going to be a big time alright, and the whole affair is under the auspices of Georgetown Lions Club.

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to convey to our many friends and neighbors, also Esquesing Council, who attended in a body, and "C" Company Lorne Scots, for beautiful floral tributes, our sincere thanks for the many kindnesses and the sympathy extended to us in the loss of our beloved Mother, Anna J. Murray. —The Family.

### Last Meeting of Esquesing Council held on Thursday

Date for Nominations Set—Money By-Laws and Accounts Passed.

Stewarttown, December 15, 1939.

The December meeting of Esquesing Township Council was held on Friday. Deputy Reeve W. A. Wilson, Councillors C. H. May, G. W. Murray and Edwin Harrop were present. Reeve N. A. Robinson presided at the meeting. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read from A. E. Wilson and Co., Mrs. Duncan Campbell, Department of Highways, Canadian Legion, Jenkins and Hardy, W. R. Belyea, and Hydro Electric Power Commission, Guelph.

Moved by Murray and May, that the Treasurer pay relief accounts as presented by the Relief Officer, \$172.95.—Carried.

Moved by Murray and May, that leave be granted to introduce a by-law to grant permission to the Reeve and Treasurer to borrow money to meet the current expenditure of the Township, having been read a first time, be read a second and third times and passed.

Moved by Wilson and Harrop, that by-law No. 917 to grant permission to the Reeve and Treasurer to borrow money to meet the current expenditure of the Township, having been read a first time, be read a second and third times and passed.

Moved by Wilson and Harrop, that leave be granted to introduce a by-law to provide for 20' c'ing Municipal Elections for the year 1940, and that said by-law be now read a first time.—Carried.

Moved by May and Murray, that by-law No. 918 to provide for holding Municipal Elections for the year 1940, having been read a first time, be now read a second and third times and passed, and that the seal of the Corporation be attached thereto.—Carried.

Moved by Wilson and Harrop, that this council do now adjourn to meet at 2 p.m.—Carried.

Moved by Wilson and Harrop, that we do now adjourn to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. C. Murray.—Carried.

Moved by Wilson and Harrop, that the Treasurer pay the road sheets as presented by the Road Superintendent, \$2536.00.—Carried.

Moved by May and Murray, that the Treasurer pay: Bell Telephone Co., 281-21 \$2.50, 91-12, \$1.40—\$3.90; Municipal World, Ltd., supplies, \$2.53; The Georgetown Herald, account to date, \$28.24; Mrs. H. Jenkinson, to cleaning windows, 50c; Cresson's Thriller, Christmas, 25c; Department of Game and Fisheries, Special Hunting License, \$4.65; Corporation of Georgetown Division Court Costs, \$44.00; Town of Milton Division Court Costs, \$2.69; Corporation of Acton, Division Court Costs, \$22.50; J.

Sanford, relief account to date, \$30.00, supplies, 30c—\$30.30; I. M. Bennett, relieving Voters' Lists, \$65.90; I. M. Bennett, supplies, \$1.75; stamps \$2.75—\$5.50; Secretary-Treasurer, Georgetown Poppy Fund, \$15.00.—Carried.

Moved by Wilson and Harrop, that the Treasurer pay Board of Health accounts: J. Sanford, account to date, \$22.00; Dr. R. T. Paul, to attending M.O.H. Convention, \$10.00; I. M. Bennett, to bus fare advanced to W. Allan, Sept. 29th, \$2.00; J. H. Bingham, meetings \$24.00, mileage \$2.70, total \$26.70; N. A. Robinson, meetings \$24.00, mileage \$3.00, total \$27.00; Dr. R. T. Paul, meetings \$24.00, mileage \$1.20, total \$25.20; I. M. Bennett, meetings \$24.00, total \$24.00; Department of Health of Ontario, Insulin supplied to Mrs. Corner, \$2.99.—Carried.

Moved by Wilson and Harrop, that the Treasurer pay: G. C. Brown, insurance on policy graded to Nov. 16, 1940, \$30.00; Renewing Tax Collector's Bond to December 9, 1940, \$37.50; Dale and Bennett, account to date, \$144.37; Stamps for Treasurer, 1939, \$45.24.—Carried.

Moved by Wilson and Harrop, that the Clerk return Bond Certificate; re the Back to Auto Smith and Co., Kitchener.—Carried.

Moved by Harrop and Wilson, that this Council request the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario to give Hydro service.

Laughlin property, which the Township had taken over but is now owned by Martin McLaughlin.—Carried.

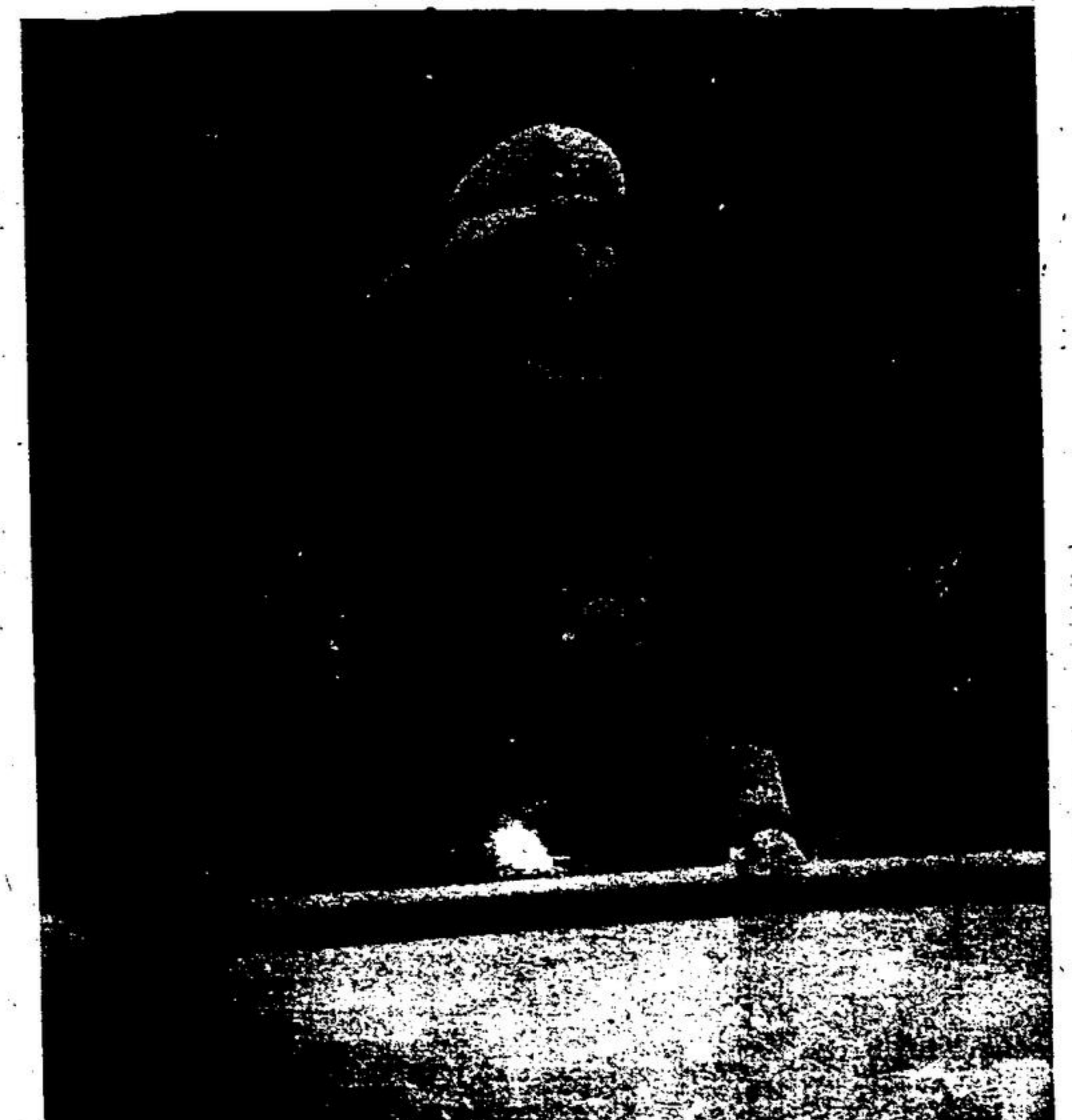
Moved by Harrop and Wilson, that the Treasurer pay the following accounts: N. A. Robinson, meetings \$48.00, mileage \$2.00, commission \$25.00, total \$75.00; W. A. Wilson, meetings \$48.00, mileage \$4.50, commission \$80.00, total \$132.50; C. H. May, meetings \$48.00, mileage \$12.80, commission \$70.00, total \$130.80; Edwin Harrop, meetings \$45.00, mileage \$15.00, commission \$78.00, total \$138.00; G. W. Murray, meetings \$48.00, mileage \$16.00, commission \$70.00, total \$134.00.—Carried.

Moved by Harrop and Robinson, that this Council tender to the Deputy-Reeve, W. A. Wilson, a very hearty vote of thanks for entertaining us to dinner at Hunters Inn, which was appreciated by each member of the Council, the Clerk, Treasurer and Road Superintendent.—Carried.

Moved by Harrop and Murray, that the Reeve do now vacate the chair, and it be taken by Deputy-Reeve Robinson.—Carried.

Moved by Wilson and May, that the thanks of this Council are hereby tendered to Reeve Nelson A. Robinson for the courteous and impartial manner in which he has presided over the meetings of the Council during the past year.—Carried.

Moved by Wilson and Harrop, that this Council do now adjourn.—Carried.



H. M. KING GEORGE VI

On Christmas Day, December 25, at 10.00 a.m. EST, His Majesty the King will broadcast a Christmas message to listeners throughout the Empire. The broadcast will be heard in Canada over the CBC National Network following the Empire Christmas program at 9.15 a.m. EST.

#### PIANO RECITAL

The auditorium of the public school was decorated with a gaily lit Christmas tree for the annual Christmas recital of the pupils of Miss Margaret Dickie, A.T.C.M., Saturday afternoon, December 16th.

Those playing ranged from beginners including a four-year-old, to Grade 10. There was also a demonstration of rhythm band work by the class of beginners who take lessons at the school.

Those taking part were: Jane Mills, Joyce MacMillan, Margaret Marshall, Beadie Hartley, Marion Dickie, Mary Wood, Ingeborg Hauptmann, Edly Arnold, Kathleen Thompson, Violet Barnes, Peggy Kelly, Joan Dickie, June Clarke, Doris Armstrong, Bernice Hughes, Barbara Faram, Norah Cleave, Lois Nielson, Corrie Carter, Ayla Cripps and Helen Blackburn.

Some pupils were absent through illness. Following the recital, light refreshments were served. Those assisting were the Misses Edith Erwin, Helen Williams and Helen Blackburn.

The colored lights across the main street add color to the festive season.

## Santa Claus to Visit Georgetown on Saturday