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Deputation from Band to Council Receives \$300 Grant

Standing Committees Elected — Fire Brigade Officers Appointed — December Relief Account \$110.78.

Town Council met on Tuesday evening in their first business session of the year. Members present: Mayor Joseph Gibbons, Councillors Jos. Hall, R. T. Cave, A. E. Cripps, N. H. Brown, K. E. McDonald and S. J. Mackenzie. Mr. E. R. Magloughlin and Frank McDonald addressed Council asking for a renewal of their billiard licenses. Mr. A. MacNabb also addressed Council on behalf of the Lorne Scots Band, in regard to their grant. Correspondence was read from Mrs. Geo. W. Davis and Family, Hospital for Sick Children, Mr. Fred Ballantine in regard to use of town hall; Fire Brigade, Ontario Good Roads Association, Salvation Army, A. E. Wilson & Co.

Moved by Mackenzie, seconded by Brown, that the standing committees for 1940 be as follows, the first named being chairman:—
Finance—Hall, Cripps, Mackenzie.
Roads—McDonald, Brown, Cave, the Reeve.
Building and Property—Mackenzie, Brown, the Reeve.
Printing and Industrial—Cave, Mackenzie, Hall.
Waterworks and Fire—Cripps, Hall, McDonald.
Welfare, Light and Police—Brown, Cripps, Cave.—Carried.

Moved by Mackenzie, seconded by McDonald, that a grant of \$300.00 be made to the Lorne Scots Band.—Carried.

Moved by Hall, seconded by Cripps, that the billiard room licenses of Huxley & McDonald and E. R. Magloughlin be renewed for 1940 at a fee of \$15.00 per table.—Carried.

Moved by Brown, seconded by McDonald, that Mr. Fred Ballantine be appointed Chief of the town hall to conduct an athletic club.—Carried.

Moved by Cripps, seconded by Hall, that on the recommendation of the Fire Brigade the following officers be appointed: Chief, Henry Shepherd at a salary of \$67.50 per annum; Deputy Chief, Donald Latimer at a salary of \$31.50 per annum; Truck driver and caretaker, Wm. Ritchie at a salary of \$45.00 per annum.

Moved by Cave, seconded by Brown, that we make a grant of \$15.00 to the Salvation Army.—Carried.

Moved by Brown, seconded by Hall, that Dr. R. W. Webster be appointed a member of the High School Board for the years 1940, 1941, 1942.—Carried.

Moved by McDonald, seconded by Mackenzie, that the regular meetings of the Council be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m.—Carried.

Moved by Brown, seconded by Cripps, that the Treasurer pay the Relief Commission the sum of \$110.78 to pay December accounts.—Carried.

Moved by Hall, seconded by Cave, that we make a grant of \$15.00 to the Boys' Band.—Carried.

Moved by Cave, seconded by Cripps, that William Emmerson be appointed night constable for the Town of Georgetown by the month at a salary of \$60.00 per month.—Carried.

Moved by Mackenzie, seconded by Hall, that the sum of \$2300.00 be transferred from the Housing Special account to the current account to be applied on debentures.—Carried.

Moved by Cave, seconded by Brown, that Rev. W. G. O. Thompson be appointed a member of the Public Library Board for the years 1940, 1941 and 1942, and that Mrs. Nellie Gardner be appointed for the year 1940 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of J. M. Moore.—Carried.

Moved by Cave, seconded by McDonald, that by-law No. — to appoint a Milk Inspector for the Town of Georgetown for the year 1940 be now read a first time.—Carried.

Moved by Cripps, seconded by Mackenzie, that by-law No. — to appoint a Milk Inspector for the Town of Georgetown for the year 1940 be now read a second and third times and finally passed and that the seal of the Corporation be attached thereto.—Carried.

Moved by Brown, seconded by McDonald, that we do now adjourn.—Carried.

Skiers and other winter sports enthusiasts are not the only ones well-versed in snow. Many farmers with designs nearly dry and winter wheat unsown are also thankful.

FEAR RAIL SERVICE TO BE DISCONTINUED

Erin Township Suggests Action

Citizens of Erin Township are quite disturbed over a report that the Grand River Commission is negotiating with the C.P.R. so that the company may not build a bridge on their Elora Branch at Belwood. Citizens fear that should this bridge not be built the C.P.R. may discontinue the service over this line from Cataract to Elora.

Deputy Reeve Edgar Huxley of Erin Township, said last night that the municipality would do all in its power to prevent the company lifting its tracks. The company received a bonus of \$40,000 from the township for the building of the line in 1877.

The township is served by three stations at Erin, Hillsburg and Orton. Should the line be lifted there would be an area of 250 square miles in an area where heavy snow prevails, without railway service from the Credit Valley Line at Alton and Cataract Junction to Fenelon Guelph, which is served by the C.N.R.

This is the only railway which passes through Erin Township.

St. George's Woman's Auxiliary Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of St. George's Woman's Auxiliary was held with the Rev. W. G. O. Thompson presiding. The year's work showed one of success and encouragement to carry on in 1940. The election of officers resulted as follows:—
Honorary President—Mrs. W. G. O. Thompson.
Hon. Vice-President—Mrs. M. Coffin.
President—Mrs. J. D. Kelly.
President—Mrs. W. V. Grant.
1st Vice-president—Mrs. D. W. Baxter.
2nd Vice-president—Mrs. S. Walker.
Treasurer—Mrs. P. F. Blackburn.
Secretary—Mrs. E. E. Young.
Doras Secretary—Mrs. E. Feller.
Educational Secretary—Mrs. W. Bullivant.
Junior W. A. Supt.—Miss M. Gault.
Baby's Branch Secretary—Mrs. S. Dewhurst.
Living Message—Mrs. F. Laws.
E. C. D. Mrs. J. D. Kelly.
U. T. O.—Mrs. W. Bullivant.
Social Service—Mrs. A. Collins.
Auditors—Miss Lindsay and Miss A. Thompson.
Choir Matrons—Mesdames W. G. O. Thompson, Feller, Maynard, Mathews.
Pianist—Mrs. S. C. McKenzie.

LORNE SCOTS BAND ELECTED OFFICERS FOR YEAR 1940

On Friday evening last the Lorne Scots Band held their annual meeting and elected the following officers for 1940:—
Honorary Members—Mr. B. Stone, Mr. L. E. Fleck, Mr. J. B. Mackenzie, Col. G. Cousens, Col. Jas. Ballantine, Mr. H. C. McClure, Mayor Jos. Gibbons.
President—A. MacNabb.
Vice-President—J. Scrymgeour.
Secretary-treasurer—N. Herbert.
Committee—C. Landsborough, B. Wilcox, F. Armstrong, G. Long.
Librarians—T. Herbert and J. Harrison.

ACTON

Mr. Samuel Russell, of Turner Valley, Alta., called on Acton friends during the week.

At the annual meeting of Acton Fire Brigade officers were elected for 1940:—
President—Chief, R. M. McDonald.
Assistant Chief, W. Chisholm.
Captain, J. Lambert, First Lieutenant, W. R. E. Blair; Second Lieutenant, Ivay Harris. Truck Driver, Gordon Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, H. L. Ritchie.

A very pleasant evening was spent on Thursday last in St. Alban's Church Hall, when members of the congregation and choir of St. Alban's Church assembled in honor of a bride-to-be, Miss Nora Waterhouse. Games were played, after which Rev. E. A. Brooks spoke some well-chosen words and a basket of lovely and useful gifts were brought in. Mrs. Frank Marshall and Miss Carrie Crawford assisted Nora in opening the gifts, after which Nora thanked all and all joined in singing "For She's a Jolly Good Fellow." A social time followed, when lunch was served by Miss Esther Taylor and Mrs. A. E. Bishop.

At a special meeting of the Acton School Board, on Tuesday evening, the estimates for the year were made. After a careful consideration of estimated receipts and expenditures, the amount required for the general tax rate this year was \$12,152.00, and the Secretary was instructed to request this amount from the Council. This is an increase over last year's amount of \$10,610.00, but is accounted for by the fact that last year's estimate was \$600 short and a note at the bank for this amount must be provided for this year. Decrease in County grant is also accountable for a portion of the extra amount required.—Free Press.

Canada's war loan is off to a good start, and should be fully subscribed by today.

George Finney Elected Warden of Halton County

A. D. McBRIDE, CALEDON, WARDEN OF PEEL.

George Finney, Reeve of Nassagaweya Township, was chosen Warden of Halton County at a meeting of the Council on Tuesday at Milton. Other members of County Council are:—
Aldermen—Reeve J. MacNabb; Burlington—Reeve John Blair; Deputy-Reeve Rex Hume, Georgetown—No representative, Milton—Reeve Dr. C. H. Heslop, Oakville—Reeve John R. Byers; Deputy-Reeve C. V. Hillmer; Esqueness—Reeve W. A. Wilson; Deputy-Reeve C. H. May, Nassagaweya—Reeve G. Finney, Nelson—Reeve Leslie Kerns; Deputy-Reeve Wm. J. Robertson.

Trafalgar—Reeve Norman Giblett; Deputy-Reeve W. S. Hall, Reeve A. D. McBride of Caledon was elected Warden of Peel County by a majority of two votes over his opponent.

Stanley Leitch, Reeve of Erin Village, was elected Warden of Wellington County.

Interesting News Items From Surrounding Villages

ASHGROVE

The newly appointed officers of the W.M.S. for 1940 are as follows:—
Honorary President—Mrs. Totten.
President—Mrs. Walter Brownridge.
First Vice-President—Mrs. Thomas Giffen.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. John Bellbobby.
Assistant Secretary—Mrs. Thomas Giffen.
Stewardship and Finance Secretary—Mrs. F. Ruddell.
Missionary Monthly Secretary—Mrs. P. Wilson.
Supply Secretary—Mrs. C. B. Dick.
Temperance Secretary—Mrs. Fred Wigglesworth.
Pianist—Miss Isobel Wigglesworth.
Assistant Pianist—Mrs. A. J. Ruddell.
Auditors—Mrs. Fred Wigglesworth, Mr. C. B. Dick.
Mission Band Superintendent—Mrs. C. B. Dick.
Assistant M. B. Supt.—Mrs. F. Wilson.
Baby Band Supt.—Mrs. Cecel Wilson.
Press Secretary—Mrs. F. Ruddell.

On the afternoon of January 9th the first meeting of the W.M.S. met at the home of Mrs. Walter Brownridge with the new president, Rev. Mr. Totten, presiding. The ceremony for the installation of the new officers, Mrs. Jas. Barnes took charge of the devotional exercises and Mrs. C. B. Dick gave an outline of a report on the study book. Annual reports were received from all of the secretaries. At the close of the meeting a social half hour was enjoyed by all.

Sixteen members of the Bright Star Mission Band held an interesting meeting on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. B. Dick. It was their work meeting and consisted of sorting Sunday school material for the missionary bale. After the work was completed everyone enjoyed tobogganing followed by lunch.

The euchre club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ruddell on Friday evening. Mrs. A. J. Ruddell and Mr. F. Ruddell were the lucky winners.

BALLINAFAD

We are glad to report that Rev. M. Waddell, who has been confined to his bed with a severe cold, is slowly improving.

Mrs. H. McIntosh of Toronto spent last week with her sister, Mrs. B. Vanmeter, at Glen Haven.

The Mission Circle held their January meeting at the home of Miss E. Swindlehurst. The devotionals were taken by Muriel Crossman and Marguerite Kentner. A reading on temperance was given by Edith Warner. The topic was in charge of Ethel Swindlehurst.

The annual meeting of the United Church was held on Monday afternoon. Rev. A. O. W. Foreman had charge of the meeting and gave the report of the stewards. Very encouraging were the reports given of all the departments of the church.

The treasurer reported all expenses had been met with a substantial balance on hand. Mr. J. P. Kirkwood was re-elected treasurer, with Mr. H. Hills and Mr. R. Warner as cash exchequer. Organist, Mrs. B. Vanmeter. The Sunday School Executive held their annual meeting last Monday. The financial report was given by Mr. R. Shortill. Miss B. Hills, the missionary convener reported our allocation to the M. & M. fund had been reached. Short Temperance and missionary talks are to be given in the Sunday School each month. The Birthday Box is to be used in aid of missionary contributions. The new "Canadian Youth Hymnal" is being used in the Sunday School.

LORNE SCOTS BAND SEEKS SUPPORT

Mr. Alex. MacNabb, president of the Lorne Scots Band for the year 1940, made a very definite appeal at last night's Council meeting, for increased support of the band. He said the organization was having a uphill pull, being almost \$200.00 in the red at the present time. He asked the Council to raise their yearly grant to \$500.00 in order to cover the deficit, and sought the support of the citizens of the town generally. He said it takes about \$1200 per year to finance the band, of which the town has been contributing \$250, the government around \$150, the members their regimental pay, and the balance is made up of donations and revenue gained from engagements.

The Council decided, that while they were in sympathy with the band, they did not think it advisable to raise the grant to more than \$300, and at the same time asked the band to economize in their departments as much as possible.

Council also expressed regret that the band did not give more entertainment to the public's pleasure, but hoped they would consider this in future. Mr. MacNabb promised the band would do this.

County Has Surplus CUT DEBT \$50,000

An approximate surplus of \$3500 for 1939 is revealed in an annual Halton county financial statement. The county debenture debt is seen to have dropped \$50,000 during the past year. The debenture debt has decreased to \$340,400 where it stood at \$390,000 a year ago. County officials estimate that Halton will be free of debt by 1951, if it is able to avoid adding further debentures in the next few years.

Cost of administration of justice was for 1939 approximately \$9,000, a \$1500 decrease from 1938, the statement showed. Children's Aid Society and child welfare costs total \$6,300 due to an increase in the number of wards of the Children's Air Society in boarding homes.

Hospital accounts were lower in 1939, because the province is now bearing the entire cost of indigent patients in tubercular sanatoria, the report pointed out. Ninety acres of land in Nassagaweya to form the beginning of a county forest, was purchased last year by Halton at a cost of \$74,100.

Improvement and maintenance of the county road system was the largest single expenditure of county council. In 1939, five miles of bituminous pavement was laid on a stretch from Milton to Hornby at a cost of \$405 per mile. A start was made on the widening of the 7th line, Trafalgar township, by replacing gravel shoulders with four feet of pavement for a distance of one and a quarter miles north of Trafalgar village.

Approximately 50 miles of the county road system were treated with \$405 per mile. A start was made on 1000 cubic yards of salt-treated sand have been placed around the road system for use this winter in ice control. Purchase last fall of 9000 feet of snow fence brings Halton's total snow fence footage to \$0,000.

ST. ALBAN'S VESTRY MEETING

The annual Vestry meeting of St. Alban's Church, Glen Williams, was held on Tuesday evening. The Rector, Rev. W. G. O. Thompson, presided, and opened the meeting with Creed and prayers.

Minutes of last Vestry were read by Mr. Joseph Beaumont, the Vestry Clerk.

Reports were presented from the Churchwardens, St. Alban's Guild, the Sunday School and the Junior A.P.A., all showing a satisfactory status. The Rector appointed Mr. Arthur Beaumont as Rector's Warden, and Mr. Montague Merryday was elected People's Warden.

The Board of Management was re-elected with the addition of Mr. Richard Beaumont.

Frank Petch Re-elected President of Esqueness Agricultural Society

At Annual Meeting held Last Saturday — Will Start Now to Plan for 1940 Fair—Directors Appointed.

Georgetown Men Now in England with Princess Pats

We understand that about ten men from this district are now in England with the Princess Pats Regiment of Winnipeg. Selling off the 8-18-18. Grams with the second division of the First Contingent of the Canadian Active Service Force, the Princess Pats arrived in England about the first of the year.

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HAS KNIT SOCKS FOR SOLDIERS OF THREE WARS

Mrs. James Bennett, who lives in Georgetown, is busy knitting socks for the soldiers through the Red Cross organization, on the same needles with which she knitted socks for the South African boys, the boys of the Great War of 1914-18, and now for the boys of the second Great War.

Mrs. Bennett uses a knitting "pig" which only knitters of long standing will understand or appreciate. It is a leather strap that fits about the waist and holds a needle in a stationary position. She manipulates this device with great skill, and her work is excellent in every respect. We wish to pay homage to a lady who has seen so many winters and still persists in doing her bit in the cause of liberty and justice.

Mrs. Bennett is a member of the Salvation Army and serves that place in the street service.

CORRESPONDENTS WANTED

The Herald is desirous of obtaining Correspondents at all points not represented at the present time. Kindly apply early and paper and stamped envelopes will be supplied to you at once. If you desire news from your district, please send your district is represented now.