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Whole Town Saddened By Sudden Death of Jack Stewart

His many friends in town were greatly shocked, on Tuesday morning to hear of the sudden death of Jack Stewart, popular Main Street business man, which occurred shortly after midnight on Monday. The young man had enjoyed an evening curling with the local curling club, which had entertained a group of visitors from Toronto. Becoming tired, he left the club at the evening one of the members drove him to his home. A few minutes after entering the house he collapsed, and died almost instantly.

Jack, who was in his 26th year, came to town about five years ago to enjoy the furniture and the fur trade. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart of Toronto. He had worked with his brother in Sarnia for Phillips Brothers. He married a local girl, the former Margaret Kentner, and had made many friends in town.

He had recently joined the Curling Club, and was attached to the Lorne Scots, P.D. & H. Regiment. He was a member of St. George's Church of England.

He is survived by his wife and two-year-old daughter, Barbara. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stewart live in Toronto, and he leaves three brothers, Harry and Jim at home, and Bill, who is a funeral director in Sarnia, and a sister, Mrs. Harold Patterson (Marjorie) in Toronto.

The funeral will be held from the home of Harold McClure to-morrow afternoon, with services in St. George's Church. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown.

THE WEATHER

Last week gave us more variety in weather than any so far this winter. On Saturday we had the only real blizzard as yet this winter—a gale of forty or fifty miles an hour all day, but fortunately there was little or no snow to cause the serious drifts that led up traffic in many other parts of the country.

Twice during the week the mercury dropped below zero, otherwise the day time temperature has been moderate. For three days there was little or no sunshine, and on three other days we enjoyed bright sunshine without a cloud in the sky.

Here are the records for the week:

Date	H. and L. Snow	Temp.	fall
Mon., Feb. 3	20	12	
Tues., Feb. 4	27	-5	
Wed., Feb. 5	29	4	
Thurs., Feb. 6	33	10	1/2 in.
Fri., Feb. 7	29	28	1/2 in.
Sat., Feb. 8	23	18	
Sun., Feb. 9	26	11	
Mon., Feb. 10	30	-7	

\$26 FOR WAR VICTIMS' FUND

The Loyal True Blue Lodge, No. 393, were able to forward \$26 to the Evening Telegram's British War Victims' Fund, the entire proceeds of a successful euchre held last Thursday evening in the arena. There were nineteen tables competing and the four prizes for high scores were won by Norman McDonald, Mrs. Sid. Hulize, Mrs. C. Parton and Harold Campbell; and the lucky number door prize by Mrs. W. Smith.

NORVAL

The Norval Monarchs hockey team soundly trounced the Georgetown Strates by five to two at Acton arena on Monday night. This game leaves Norval on top of the league with ten points out of a possible twelve. Come out on Friday night at 8 p.m. D.S.T. and see the local team meet the Acton Lorne Scots.

Sign Your Pledge at The Post Office

For the convenience of district citizens who wish to sign War Savings Pledge forms, the Post Office is able at the Georgetown Post Office. Postmaster Cousins, who is chairman of the district committee will be glad to answer any questions concerning the campaign, and the pledges may be turned in to him at the Post Office.

"Fighting Against Tyranny Itself" Says Ross K. Cameron

"Tyranny is a weed which grows in all soils," declared Rev. Ross K. Cameron, lecturing in Knox Presbyterian Church last Friday evening. "We are not fighting against this or that specific tyranny, but against tyranny itself," he declared, in a ringing address on Democracy.

Mr. Cameron, pastor of Dovercourt Presbyterian Church, Toronto, and a former Georgetown boy, inaugurated a series of lectures which will be sponsored by the Countess of Strathmore Chapter, I.O.D.E. Choosing as his subject "The Case for Britain," he contrasted democracy with the three forms of totalitarianism—Communism, Fascism and Nazism.

"The world today is menaced by more than war," he stated. "The greatest menace is the danger of the decay of principles of freedom and liberty which have been built up over the centuries."

He described the period of 1918-1939 as one of world unrest, when the whole world was in a perpetual state of fear. During this period, totalitarianism came to the forefront. Both Communism and Fascism are built on mythology, but the latter is not so intellectual. The Fascist believes in an inspired leader who can do no wrong and from this develops the belief that the State is God. Because God can do no wrong, it follows that the State can do no wrong.

He described the German National Socialist as a strange combination of savagery and sensitivity. Hitler has only one aim, and that is world-wide domination no matter what the method or cost. "In his way stands the British Empire with its long tradition of democracy."

"The glory of our democratic life is the diversity of opinion which exists in it," said Mr. Cameron. "Though this has been of necessity curtailed during war-time, it is and will be our privilege in future years. All beauty disappears when standardization and regimentation takes the place of the free expression of public opinion."

Mr. Cameron believes that the people in the democracies must safeguard against three things. We must not count money as the basis of everything; we must be ready to change with changing conditions; we must adapt our way of life and form of government to the needs of the day. Britain believes in an abiding peace, tolerance and the free exchange of opinions. Totalitarianism is diametrically opposed to this, as it is based on power by force, oppression and standardization of all things in life.

At the beginning of the meeting, Mayor Joseph Gibson announced that he was present to co-operate in the national drive for War Savings Pledges. The Georgetown High School Quartette—Mary and Betty Paul, Bob Early and Ormie Carter, were accompanied at the piano by Mrs. R. T. Paul in two musical selections. After the lecture, Mr. and Mrs. Cameron were entertained at an informal luncheon in the church basement by members of the I.O.D.E.

BALLINAFAD

Mrs. Pickering, of Belleville, spent the week end with Mrs. Vannatter. We all hope that Mr. Alvin Starret may have a speedy recovery.

Descendants of pioneers and lifelong residents of this district, Mr. and Mrs. John Robson, marked the diamond wedding anniversary on Saturday, Feb. 8th, with a family reunion and reception at their Woodlark Street home in Guelph. Both are enjoying good health. They were married 60 years ago in East Garafraxa Township, near the town of Belwood, in the same place that Mrs. Robson's parents were married. For 12 years they farmed in Proton Township, then returned to Garafraxa where they farmed for 29 years, midway between the home-steads founded by their own parents many years before. Nine years ago they retired and came to Guelph, where they are widely known and respected citizens. Mrs. Robson, who will be 79 years old on March 17th, is a daughter of the late Fred Hill, who came from England to found a home-stead and who married a daughter of another pioneer. Mrs. Robson is interested in music and during her younger years was a talented organist, playing for numerous church gatherings and entertainments.

Mr. Robson, who was 84 on December 5th last, still enjoys his daily 100 up town and is able to look after the household chores. He is the son of an English father and Irish mother. Mr. and Mrs. George Robson, who settled in the Garafraxa district. They had nine children; one son died in childhood. Other members of the family are: Mrs. Andrew Hill, East Garafraxa; Mrs. Fred W. Stronach, Esqueving Township; Mrs. John Hogarth, Nicol Township; Mrs. Wm. McEnery, Georgetown; the late Mrs. Harding Price, Esqueving Township; Mrs. Arthur Barber, Guelph Township; Fred Robson, Guelph Township; and Mrs. Elmer Price, Guelph. There are 23 grandchildren and five great-grandsons and one great-granddaughter.

NORVAL RIFLE CLUB

The Hillsburg Rifle Club visited the Norval range on Monday night and were defeated by 63 points. The scores are as follows:

Hillsburg—C. Bryan 90 x 3; W. Nodwell 90 x 4; D. Harkness 91 x 2; M. Nodwell 95 x 4; C. Forbes 92 x 3; N. Jackson 95 x 2; J. Ellenton 94 x 5; C. Dyer 85 x 1; H. Sinclair 98 x 4; E. Nodwell 94 x 0.

Norval—Nurse 100 x 9; R. W. Hall 100 x 0; Atkinson 100 x 9; Meredith 100 x 9; Caves 99 x 7; Lisk 98 x 8; A. W. Wilson 100 x 8; Husler 96 x 4; Slack 96 x 4; Cantelon 98 x 5; Downs 96 x 4; Johnson 99 x 6; G. H. Hall 100 x 9.

FOOD FOR HITLER'S GUNS

By Alma S. Wittlin

This is total war all right. It is being fought everywhere—in your kitchen, for instance, whether you live in Buenos Aires or Vancouver, or Singapore or Sydney.

As a woman, I feel that any woman anywhere who can look at a well-stocked pantry should thank heaven for two things. She should be grateful that the essential articles of the family diet have come her way and in the second place, she should be glad that they have not gone to Hitler.

For if Hitler had them, they would be used, not for food merely, but in many cases for the manufacture of weapons of destruction.

In Nazi Germany many parts of aeroplanes are made of milk, the fuel for some of these aeroplanes is produced by alcohol extracted from potatoes, and butter is made into explosives.

This may sound somewhat fantastic, but the whole development of the German "substitute" industry and the Nazis' exploitation of the most unlikely materials for the manufacture of armaments by means of which they hope to gain the mastery of the world is even more fantastic than that.

In countries with a democratic and humane outlook it would be thought shameful to convert foods essential to the health of the population into bombing aeroplanes and explosives. A very different morality, however, obtains in Nazi Germany.

Those people who are concerned just now lest the civil population of Europe should be reduced to starvation as the result of the British blockade should bear in mind that Hitler is using only a part of the food supplies available to him to feed the peoples of the subject countries, and is using the remainder as raw material for his armaments industry. This, moreover, has been his practice over a period of several years.

They Go Short to Make War

The shortage of foodstuffs in Germany began to make itself felt as early as 1933, when the National Socialists came into power and began their preparations for a world war. For nearly eight years now the German housewife has been fighting a losing battle against malnutrition on behalf of her family. She has had to put up with meagre diets, to go short of fats and to make do with skimmed milk.

Ever since 1934 uniformed and armed Nazis have gone round inspecting the kitchens of private households in order to ensure that no more than the prescribed amount of food is being prepared.

On "one-dish Sundays" restaurants might only serve one-course meals. The hungry customers were told for their consolation that 30% of what they paid for their scanty meal went to provide food for the poor.

The truth is that the German people have been kept short of food on such pretexts for years now.

There were several reasons. The reduction of the meat and fat rations set a limit to expenditure on food and increased the capacity of the population to pay taxes which were used to pay for the manufacture of armaments.

By refraining from importing such commodities as tea and coffee the Nazis were able to use their foreign currency for importing raw materials for the manufacture of armaments.

Moreover, the actual foodstuffs which the population was made to do without were utilized as raw materials for armaments.

So the various reasons for stinting the people all boiled down to one—preparing for war.

How It Is Done

Let us look a little more closely at the technique of this modern witches' cauldron. First, let us take that homely article of food, the potato. Power alcohol, which is used for the internal combustion engine in place of petrol can be distilled from it. Ten tons of potatoes make about a ton of alcohol, which can be mixed with petrol in the proportion of at least 20:80. Thus the 300,000 tons of potatoes removed from Norway into Germany will enable 150,000 tons of petrol to be increased to 150,000.

Or, again, let us take milk. Butter is made out of milk, and an essential component of explosives such as glycerine out of the butter. Even skimmed milk is converted into plastics which are of great use in the manufacture of aircraft. Whale oil, which might be used for making margarine, supplies oil for U-boats.

The moment the Nazis occupy a country, strict rationing of foodstuffs is

War Savings Committee Meets

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The February meeting of the Women's Institute took the form of a social party at the home of Mrs. R. T. Paul last Wednesday evening. There were eleven tables playing, and prizes went to Mrs. A. Lewis and Mrs. Harold Beatty, of Streetsville. Delicious refreshments were served and a vote of thanks extended to the hostess.

A voluntary silver collection was taken at the meeting, amounting to \$15.50, which will be given to a fund being raised by Institute Women throughout Canada to erect a new wing for an English hospital. The objective in Canada is \$3,000.

Blackout, Military Display, Theatre Night, will Aid Campaign

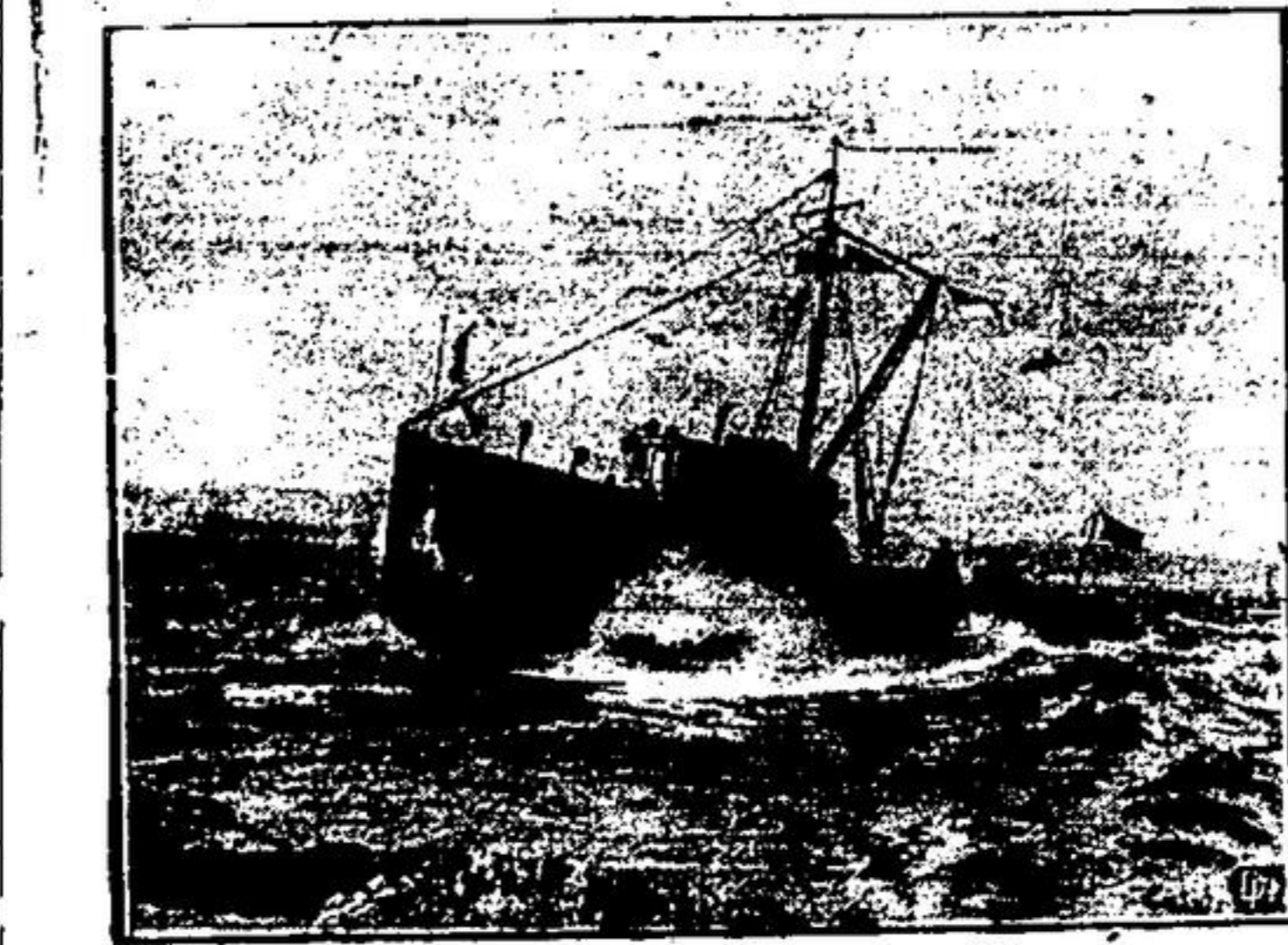
The local War Savings Committee, under the chairmanship of Col. Gordon Cousens, met last Thursday evening in the McGehee Block in a store which has been loaned to the committee for the month by the Mc-Gibbon family. Plans were laid for the local campaign which is already under way. The first half of the month will be devoted to the employee-payroll plan which has been successfully operating in the larger factories in town, and which it is now hoped will be taken up by other local firms. Emphasis on the individual pledge campaign will be given during the latter part of the month.

E. H. Feller, who heads the retail committee reported that the initial plea to merchants a few months ago to feature War Savings displays in their places of business had met with success, but since that time enthusiasm had waned, and most of the advertising material had disappeared from sight.

W. C. Biehn, editor of the Herald, explained to the committee that a leaflet was being mailed to all merchants and industries in town, offering a reduced rate on all advertisements run by them during the month which featured War Savings copy.

It was noted at the meeting that all organizations in Canada have been asked by the War Savings Committee to curtail activities during the month which might conflict with the War Savings Campaign. The thanks of the Committee was expressed to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Grieve for the striking window decorations in the store which have drawn much comment along Main Street. Fred Weaver, Glen Williams, has contributed some cartoons which add to the interest of the window.

It is planned to hold a theatre night sometime during the month, when speakers will be brought from Toronto, and entertainment provided. A town blackout and a military display by the Lorne Scots are also slated during the month, in order to draw the attention of townspeople to the campaign.



"FISHERMEN'S PATROL"

A doughty little ship of the "Fishermen's patrol" Fleet of the Royal Canadian Navy plows through the heaving Pacific. These small vessels keep constant watch over the bays and inlets of the British Columbia coast.

Even Denmark and Holland, countries in which agriculture flourishes, are suffering at the moment from a shortage of bread, potatoes and fats.

Foodstuffs are all the time exported to Germany from all the occupied countries on a gigantic scale. From Denmark 20 to 30,000 head of cattle are transported to Germany weekly; from Norway 200 tons of fish daily.

In many parts of Denmark and France the entire potato crop has been purchased for Germany and a potato is now for the Danes and the French a rare delicacy costing six times as much as it did in peace-time.

ASHGROVE

The February meeting of the W.M.S. was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Wilson, on Feb. 3rd, with Mrs. W. Brownridge presiding. The roll call was responded to with a verse, coupled with the word "Thankfulness." Mrs. C. B. Dick conducted a lovely devotional period including a solo by Mrs. Hector Bird. The study chapter which outlined the missionary work of Miss M. McKim and Miss M. McKinnon in Korea was given by Mrs. C. Wilson. Mrs. Fred Wright read a tender prayer. The closing prayer of Mrs. Wilson served luncheon.

Mrs. Frank Wilson and Mrs. Walter Brownridge attended the Presbytery Executive held in Milton on Tuesday, Feb. 4th.

Mrs. J. McCullough, of Acton, visited with her daughter, Mrs. C. Wilson during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilson entertained the church club last week. Mrs. H. Barnes and Mr. T. Brownridge won high scores.

The Ashgrove Y.P.S. held a meeting at the home of Miss Isabel Wright on Friday, February 8th. The meeting was in charge of the Missionary Convenors, Jack Ruddle and John Hunter. The topic was taken by Rev. J. O. Totton.

On Monday evening, February 10th, the Norval Y.P.S. visited with the Ashgrove Y.P.S. After a very interesting program brought by the visitors, Ashgrove entertained with games and lunch.

At the Monday night meeting, the members of the Ashgrove Y.P.S. presented Ernie Curry with a pocket hymn-book.

Georgetown Public School Launches War Savings Campaign

\$88.25 in Stamps Purchased by School Children.

On January 20th, the Public School started a campaign for the purchasing of War Savings Stamps. It was decided to set aside one day a week for the buying of stamps. As a result, on the three Fridays since January 20th, 135 of the pupils have begun filling out certificates. The total value of stamps sold thus far is \$88.25.

The staff appreciates the co-operation of the parents in encouraging the children to sacrifice some of their pleasures in order to do their share, however small, in helping our Government to carry on the fight for freedom.

LIMEHOUSE

Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Davidson entertained the Bible Class and teachers and officers of the Limehouse Presbyterian Sabbath School at a skating party at their home on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Denis Hill and Miss Blake, of Hamilton, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hill on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Scott and son Gerry, of Milton, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Scott.

Misses Inez Scott and Grace Beerman were at their respective homes on Sunday.

Mr. Alex. Wright was home from Toronto Sunday.

Mr. Harold Scott returned home from Long Branch Saturday after completing his month's military training.

Nine ladies from the district attended the home nursing course meeting at Stewarttown on Wednesday.

Messrs. E. Sanford and Alex. McDonald were home from Port Albert on Sunday.

The February meeting of the local Women's Institute branch was held at the home of Mrs. Beerman on Thursday with Mrs. Hill taking the chair. The meeting opened by singing the Ode, followed by prayer. The roll call was answered by each giving characteristics of an attractive girl.

Mrs. Hill reported that since the war began, 229 pairs of socks, 36 pull-overs, 9 scarves, 9 pair wristlets and 2 helmets had been handed in.

It was decided to send a donation to the British War Victims' Fund, and to give whatever we could during February to the Red Cross.

Mrs. Gowdy congratulated the January finance committee on their splendid work. February's committee was chosen: Mrs. Gowdy, Mrs. Hill, Miss Ivens, Mrs. H. Norton, Mrs. Jamieson and Mrs. A. Benton.

Plans were made for a supper at Mrs. Jamieson's home, a bingo in the Orange Hall, Glen Williams, and a tea and baking sale at Mrs. Hill's home as means of raising money during the month.

Correspondence was read from the Salvation Army stating that they could use good used or made-over clothing for overseas, but not mended clothes. Children's flannel-like under-clothing or night clothes were very acceptable too. A large carton of made-over and used clothing was sent

from Limehouse branch recently to the Salvation Army.

Mrs. Wright read current events for the day.

Mrs. Norrie's paper was entitled "Milk." Miss Shirley Wright demonstrated setting of a dinner table and explained certain points in table etiquette.

Mrs. Elerby followed by demonstrating setting of a luncheon table and suited it particularly to St. Valentine's Day entertaining. She then held a contest—an old-fashioned dinner—which was won by Shirley Wright.

The lunch served the close carried out Mrs. Elerby's suggestions. At the close all joined in the singing of the National Anthem.

Mrs. W. Hodge went to Toronto last Thursday with Mrs. David Hodge and Joan, to see them off on the train for Sussex, N.B., where they have gone to join General Sir David Wright.

Mr. Dick Standish was home from St. Catharines for the week end.

AC Gilbert Hunt, of St. Thomas, came home Saturday evening. He left early Sunday evening on account of the bad roads and a possible delay because of snow drifts.

While going down to the mill one morning last week Mr. Walter Lawson saw a deer in Stewarttown. It came down the hill and disappeared round the pond.

The first class of the home nursing course was held in the council chamber last Wednesday afternoon. Miss Malcolmson, of Toronto, a graduate nurse, and a graduate in health education, was in charge. About forty ladies were present and received many helpful suggestions on health and home nursing. The course is provided by the Department of Agriculture under the auspices of the Women's Institute and will be continued through the month of February. The other classes will be Thursday 13th, Tuesday 16th, Friday 21st, and the final class Wednesday 26th—five in all. There is no charge made for the course. The classes commence at 8 o'clock Standard Time.

Herald War Victims Fund

A fund for British War Relief has been started by the Georgetown Herald, and interested individuals and organizations may leave their donations at the Herald Office.

The money will be turned over to the Evening Telegram Fund in Toronto at intervals.

Please make cheques payable to:

The Georgetown Herald War Victims' Fund.

