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Geo. C. Brown Honoured by District Masons

MORAL MAN CHOSEN GRAND SUPPLEMENTARY WELLINGTON DISTRICT, R.A.M.

George C. Brown, Moral Insurance man and Bray Chick agent, was named Grand Superintendent of Wellington District, R.A.M., at the convention of Grand Chapter, held in Niagara Falls last Wednesday, April 22nd. Mr. Brown is a past first principal of Halton Chapter, No. 234, and an active worker in Masonic circles.

Members of the local Chapter who attended the convention included Mr. Comp. W. O. O. Thompson, George Dobson, Joseph Sanford and Comp. E. McWhirter.

The Georgetown Herald British War Victims' Fund

Forwarded to Toronto Evening Telegram \$230.32
Cash on hand, acknowledged 295.89
B. S. No. 4 Equipping community radio party 9.00
Total, April 29th \$535.21

The Georgetown Herald Soldiers' Comforts' Fund

Forwarded to Georgetown Soldiers' Comforts' Committee \$225.34
Cash on hand, acknowledged 99.27
J. M. B. 5.00
Total, April 29th \$330.61

E. V. MacCormack, Howard May Head Red Cross District Campaign

District Quota \$4,000 as Canadian Red Cross Seeks \$9,000,000 Next Month—Concentrate on House-to-House Drive.

E. V. MacCormack, Georgetown druggist, and Howard May, Reeve of Esquimaux Township, will head a committee in charge of the Canadian Red Cross campaign in Georgetown and district, which begins on May 11th. During the two week campaign, in which the Red Cross seeks \$9,000,000, Georgetown and district citizens will be asked to contribute \$4,000 as their quota.

Preliminary plans for the campaign were laid at a meeting of the Society in the Library last Thursday evening, when A. C. Wells, Rev. W. O. O. Thompson and Ralph Ross were put in charge of publicity work for the campaign. A further meeting was held last night, when the two chairmen were chosen, and other officials appointed. LeRoy Dale, K.C., President of the Georgetown Branch, will be in charge of Special Names.

The town has been divided into wards with Captains Harold Cleave, Harry Sawings, J. D. Kelly and William Deans in charge respectively in wards 1, 2, 3 and 4. Each of the Captains will be responsible for enlisting canvassers and other workers in his district.

It was decided to concentrate on a house-to-house canvass in the campaign, and there will be no canvass at the mills as there was in the previous Red Cross drives in the district.

"IN OUR MAIL BAG"

April 29th, 1942
Dear Mr. Editor:
The Georgetown Legion who at the request of a public meeting of the citizens of Georgetown organized the different committees who were responsible for getting the vote out last Monday, wish to thank those who so generously contributed both their time and their time in helping to get people to vote, and also to thank all those who aided the committees in making the vote a success.
All your efforts were amply rewarded as this community recorded one of the largest "yes" votes in the province.

Branch 120, Canadian Legion, J. P. McCartney, Pres.

FIRE DESTROYS CHURCH SHED AT ERIN

A disastrous fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the large sheds of Burns, Presbyterian Church at Erin and a garage owned by Nathan Deland on the property adjoining the church. The loss runs into several thousand dollars.
The blaze started between four and five o'clock in the morning and had gained considerable headway before it was noticed. The fire department and volunteers turned in a valiant effort to keep the flames from spreading to other buildings. The sheds were in a state of repair having had a new roof and other improvements made a few years ago.

TO SPEAK AT NEWSPAPERMEN'S CONVENTION IN TORONTO



A way in which weekly newspapers can contribute to the promotion of the war effort will be the theme when Ontario and Quebec newspaper publishers and their wives convene in Toronto on Friday and Saturday, May 28th and 29th. The morning session will be devoted to business. Friday afternoon they will visit Manning Pool of the R.C.A.F. and a Rym gun plant. At dinner on Friday evening the guest speaker, Bishop R. J. Renison, will tell of conditions in war-torn Britain. At luncheon on Saturday, when the group will be guests of The Toronto Daily Star, the well-known Star writer, "Garry" Clark will carry on with Bishop Renison's theme and tell of the Red Cross British Bomb Victims' Fund. President Frank Marshall on behalf of the publishers to the fund. Mr. Clark, in turn, will present to one of the publishers, the handsome Joseph T. Clark Memorial Trophy, centre, won last year by Mr. MacIntyre and the Dundalk Herald, for the best weekly newspaper published in a town or village of less than 1,500 population. The trophy, in memory of Mr. Clark's father, the late editor-in-chief of the Toronto Daily Star, was given to the Association three years ago by The Star's president, J. E. Atkinson.

90.94 Per Cent "Yes" Says Halton in Plebiscite Vote

Georgetown Leads Halton Municipalities in Releasing Government from No Conscription Pledge—All Canadian Provinces, Except Quebec, Answer Overwhelmingly "Yes."

THE WEATHER

By H. L. Hull
April showers bring May flowers. But what if there are no April showers? Apart from a 6-inch shower fall on the 10th of the month and a couple of light squalls at the beginning of the month we have not had a drop of rain for nearly three weeks. Instead we have had a whole week of unbroken sunshine with temperatures ranging from 60 to 83 in the daytime, and from 38 to 57 at night, or an average temperature for the week of a little over 60 degrees. All this has helped to bring vegetation on with a rush so much so that we were obliged to mow our lawn last Saturday for fear the grass would be too long by Monday. The earliest mowing we can remember. It is to be hoped we will not have to suffer a heavy frost later. Last year we had a heavy one on the third of May.
Following is the record of local temperatures for the week:
Tues. April 21 60 34
Wed. April 22 73 37
Thurs. April 23 74 57
Fri. April 24 83 57
Sat. April 25 83 63
Sun. April 26 71 42
Mon. April 27 66 40

With final Dominion figures still incomplete, latest returns show an overwhelming "Yes" vote in every one of the nine provinces except Quebec. In the Plebiscite vote last Monday, 2,640,368 citizens answered "Yes," compared with 1,510,281 "No's."
Halton County was well in the foreground with 90.94 per cent of the voters replying in the affirmative to the Government's question. Georgetown led the parade with 1000 "Yes" and 70 "No"—almost 94 per cent of those who voted bring in favour of releasing the Government from its pledge. The vote in town was somewhat less than in the 1940 Dominion election, 1185 votes being polled on Monday, compared with 1368 in that year. It is estimated that between two and three hundred of the 1942 citizens recorded on the voters' list declined to make use of their franchise. The balance of those not voting would consist of elderly residents and invalids who were unable to leave their homes, and men in uniform, whose votes will be made public when returns are complete.
In the County, 11,170 votes were polled, compared with 13,819 in the 1940 election. The vote came at an unfavourable time of year for farmers, who are busy seeding, and the four Townships accounted for the main part of the drop in total votes. A warm, sunny day throughout the county aided materially in bringing urban voters out to the polls, while in Georgetown the Canadian Legion who were in charge of transportation facilities, were responsible for helping to get a large vote.

Rebekah Unknown Friend Banquet

On Tuesday evening, April 21st, at 6:30 p.m., about fifty members of Verdun Rebekah Lodge, No. 184, sat down to a delicious banquet. It being the occasion of the annual Unknown Friend Night. The tables were very prettily with spring flowers and paper decorations and candles in the lodge colors of pink and green. At each place was a parcel with a name which served as place cards.
After the many good things on the tables had been eaten and much enjoyed, the Noble Grand, Sister Pearl Lillio, asked for the toast to the King, which was responded to by all present in a most enthusiastic manner. Sister Pearl Scott proposed the toast to the Lodge, Sister Hazel Wheeler giving the response. Sister Marie Day proposed the toast to the Unknown Friend, and Sister Neoma Walters responded.
Sister Olive Reid, District Deputy President of Centre District No. 27, gave a short talk and thanked the members for their support during her term as District Deputy. Bro. Donaldson was called upon to give a few words. Then the mysterious parcels were opened and each found who their Unknown Friend had been throughout the year. About 8:30 all gathered in the Lodge room where the regular meeting of Lodge was held.

Charlotte Lyons Weds Toronto Man Last Week

On Tuesday evening, April 21, in a setting of Oeils Lilies and Spring flowers, St. James Cathedral Chapel, Toronto, was the scene of a wedding when Charlotte Lenore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lyons of Georgetown, became the bride of John Wesley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley, of Toronto. The Very Reverend Dean Riley performed the ceremony and the wedding music was played by Mr. Hewitt.
The bride given in marriage by her father, was dressed in a Queen's blue redingote, with matching hat, shoulder-length veil, beige accessories and wore a corsage of butterfly roses and white sweet peas. Miss Kathleen Lyons was her sister's only attendant, choosing a dusky pink jersey, matching hat and veil, beige accessories and her corsage was of Briarcliff roses and pink and white sweet peas. The groomsmen was Stephen Levantis, R.C.N.V.R. The ushers were Ross Campbell and Reginald Acomb.
The reception was held at the Argonaut Rowing Club, of which the groom is a life member. The bride is a graduate of St. Michael's Hospital. At the reception, the bride's mother received in a blue ensemble with corsage of roses. The groom's mother who also received wore a mauve dress, matching accessories and a corsage of roses and mauve sweet peas. The couple left on a trip to Montreal and points East. On their return they will reside in Toronto.

Active Service Notes Cheltenham Native Died at Creemore

Georgetowners wearing the King's uniform now include Ptes Clarence Kennedy, Jack Young, Rex Hoar, and Art Armstrong, all of whom are stationed at Camp Borden.

Jack Kenhead, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Kenhead, has enlisted with the Canadian Navy.

From overseas comes word of the promotion of H. P. (Shirley) Test to the rank of sergeant. Congratulations to the former Georgetown hockey stalwart.

Lance-Cpl Jack Watson, in a recent letter home, says that the boys in his unit have planted a garden behind their quarters, and expect to have some "greens" to add to the regular army menu this summer.

Gnr. "Bud" James and "Dusky" Hake are home on four days' leave from Petawawa.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Stapleton, of Norfolk, received word last week that their son, Gnr. C. Edward Stapleton, had arrived safely overseas.

Max K. Strang, of Toronto, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Strang, of Georgetown, leaves for Brockville on May 15th, where he will take an officer's training course with the R.C.O.C.

HALTON DEANERY
The Spring meeting of Halton Deanery was held at Lowville, on Monday, beginning with a celebration of the Holy Communion, at which the celebrant was the Rural Dean, Rev. W. O. O. Thompson, and the preacher, Rev. W. B. Irwin, rector of the parish. Dinner was served afterwards at the rectory by Mrs. Irwin. At the Chapter session, held at the rectory an excellent paper on Reinhold Niebuhr's "Beyond Tragedy" was presented by the Rev. E. Arnold Brooks, of Acton.

Plebiscite Vote Results in Halton

Halton County results in the vote on the question: "Are you in favour of releasing the Government from any obligation arising out of any past commitments restricting the methods of raising men for military service?"

	Yes	No	% Yes
Georgetown	1095	70	93.80
Elkton	703	61	92.05
Oakville	1841	126	93.50
Acton	900	70	92.78
Esquimaux	1011	100	90.99
Trafalgar	1430	187	88.54
Nelson	1505	170	88.47
Burlington	1373	190	87.84
Nassagaweya	410	63	85.77
TOTAL	10,158	1012	90.94

HOW GEORGETOWN VOTED BY WARDS

	Yes	No
WARD 1	163	12
WARD 2	135	8
WARD 3	177	8
WARD 4	151	10
WARD 5	187	12
WARD 6	377	20
TOTAL	1095	70

W. V. GRANT BEREAVED OF WIFE IN EAST

Word was received last Saturday by Mr. W. V. Grant, of the sudden death of his sister, Mrs. Harry McKercher, of Maxwellville, Ontario, in the Ottawa district. Mrs. McKercher suffered a paralytic stroke while attending a Red Cross meeting on Friday evening, and passed away the following afternoon. Mr. Grant attended the funeral which was held yesterday.

Reserve Army Recruiting Drive Continues This Week

R.S.M. John Murray Spoke Last Saturday Night—Recruiting Booths Open Day and Night as Citizens' Committee Seeks Recruits.

A recruiting campaign, directed by a Citizens' Committee headed by Lt.-Col. B. E. Cousens, to fill the ranks of the Lorne Scots 2nd Battalion (Reserve) got underway last Saturday night in Georgetown, when R.S.M. John Murray, of Stewarstown, who is stationed in Brampton, appealed to the throngs of Saturday night shoppers over a public address system set up on the verandah of the McClellan House by J. Sanford & Son.

In attendance at this booth are:
April 25—Lt.-Col. Cousens and Sgt. Major Carney.
April 27—S. B. Otton.
April 28—J. D. Kelly and E. McWhirter.
April 29—A. C. Walk.
April 30—Gordon Martin.
May 1—C. Dobbie.
May 2—W. V. Grant and C. W. McLintock.

The speaker appealed to men in the designated age groups to realize the seriousness of the situation and sign up immediately for reserve army training, which consists of one night a week's training during the year, plus 50 full day's training on selected week ends and attendance at summer camp at Niagara from July 19th to August 2nd. Those eligible to enlist in the Reserve Army are: Young men 17 and 18 in categories A to C; all men 17 to 50 in category C; single men 30 to 50 in categories A to C; and married men 31 to 50 in categories A to C.
The campaign is progressing favourably, and Lt.-Col. Cousens announced today that close to twenty volunteers had completed registration forms. During the daytime, registration booths are open at Low's Confectionary, the Legion Rooms and the Municipal Office, while registration forms are also available at the Post Office. In the evening, the booth in McClellan's store is open, where someone is available to answer enquiries.

Hockey Club Dance Last Night

A dance was held in Georgetown Arena last night, sponsored by Georgetown Hockey Club. With the Gibson-Doyd Orchestra dispensing sweet music for the dancers, a good crowd was on hand to enjoy the evening. The list of patrons and patronesses included: Mr. and Mrs. J. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Walker, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peck. During the evening the local Red Cross Society operated a refreshment booth. Miss Margaret Humberstone, holding ticket number 1, won a table lamp offered as a door prize. The draw was made during intermission by Mr. Leonard Bell.