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Red Cross Campaign Opens Monday, May 11th

Town Council Cannot Hire Lorne Scots Band For Concert Series

Department of Municipal Affairs Vetoes Motion—Auditor's Report Will Not Include List of Delinquent Tax and Water Rates.

Georgetown Council met last night for the first time in two months—regular April meeting being cancelled when council members failed to show up to make a quorum.

A letter was read from the Department of Municipal Affairs, explaining that a motion made earlier in the year to hire the Lorne Scots Band for a series of twelve concerts at \$500 a concert, would not be allowed.

In connection with the auditor's report, the printing of which has been unavoidably held up this year due to adjustments at the local printing plant, the council decided to omit the list of tax and water arrears from the booklet, and to have only 50 copies printed, in place of the 500 originally ordered.

Mr. Thomas Lyons interviewed council on behalf of the Property Committee of Georgetown United Church, and asked that the ditch in front of the church be tiled and filled in to provide parking accommodation for attendants. The request was granted, and members of the congregation will assist in the work due to shortage of town labour.

Permit was granted to the Navy League of Canada to hold a tag day August and to the Chinese War Relief Fund to hold a tag day this month.

A. E. Wilson and Elmer C. Thompson were present, in connection with a renewal of public liability insurance under A. E. Wilson & Co. The premium has been reduced \$25.00 this year.

Cr. Coogan stated that some action should be taken regarding the dening of the Papermill Road, and a Bell Telephone Co. will be proceeding to move their poles to a location on the new road boundary, a preliminary step in the proposed dening.

CORRECTION

Since the printing of our editorial page, it has been decided at the Council last night not to print the list of water and tax arrears in the 1941 auditor's report, which will be available to ratepayers this week. Copies of the report will be available at the Municipal Office on Main Street, for interested citizens.



CPL. T. S. WARNES
Cpl. T. S. Warnes was among a group of servicemen who spoke from the Beaver Club in London, England, on a radio broadcast last Sunday noon. Cpl. Warnes enlisted in the army early in 1941, and when the Lorne Scots went active, he rejoined the Regiment and proceeded overseas with them last summer. He received his promotion to corporal over there. He was a member of the Baptist Church Choir and the Georgetown Choral Society—possessing one of the finest male voices in the district, and has won prizes at the Peel Music Festival. He was also a member of Grace Male Choir, Brampton. His wife and children live on Victoria St., College View, Georgetown. Tom is wearing his overseas band uniform in the picture.

A One-Woman War Effort



Mrs. M. Preston, holding the quilt on which name spaces were sold, the money given to the War Victims' Fund, and the quilt sent to Queen Elizabeth.

Georgetown Lady has Myriad Plans for Raising Money—Helping War Victims—Will Sell Copies of Poem for War Fund.

In every city and town and hamlet in Canada, dozens of women are spending all their time to help out Canada's war effort. Many are employed in munitions plants, many have gone active with the women's division of army and air force, while others returned to former jobs as clerks and typists, schoolteachers and bank clerks, as army enlistments leave manpower shortages in such civilian jobs.

But back of these full-time war workers, is an army of Canadian women who are doing about their regular every-day jobs, while their spare time is taken up with war work of all kinds. Here we find such organizations as the Red Cross and the I.O.D.E. the Legion W.A. and the Red-Knits to mention only a few, while countless others are knitting and repairing, packing parcels, writing letters, serving in canteens.

Not among the least of these is Mrs. Katherine Preston, who can be found any day at her fish and chip store and restaurant on Main Street, where this enterprising lady not only runs the business and keeps house, but is involved in dozens of plans to help the British bomb victims and the men in uniform. Her store is filled with patriotic posters—"Buy War Bonds Certificates"; "Enlist Now for Active Service"; "Buy the New Victory Bonds"; some of them read, and inside, the smiling, energetic Mrs. Preston, when not serving customers, maps out new ways of raising money for war work, knits and sews on quilts and dresses, boils down quantities of salvaged fat—but we are getting ahead of our story.

It was in the spring of 1940, that our attention was first drawn to Mrs. Preston, when she journeyed to Toronto to entertain the boys at Lansdowne Barracks. Stationed there with the Veteran's Guard were several Georgetown men, and it must have been a great thrill for her to sing to them songs composed during the Great War by her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Loud. Three of the songs have been published, the music composed by a sister, Mrs. Dorothy Swan, of Brampton, team-mate with Mrs. Preston in the work of gathering quantities of second-hand clothing to send to England. The next spring, at a War Savings Rally in the local Gregory Theatre, Georgetowners had an opportunity to hear the songs—"Loyal Canadians"; "When We March Into Berlin"; "Come Back Again to Old England"; each one just as topical today as when it was written those twenty years ago.

Mrs. Preston's 73-year-old mother has been an inspiration to her daughter in their self-appointed tasks. It was she who fostered the idea of "Stop Hitler" sprays, and her nimble fingers worked by the hour making dozens of them to be displayed in the lunch room window and sold to local people. As a result, \$25.00 went to the Hewitson Show Co ambulance fund in Brampton, and \$175 to the Counties of Strathmore Chapter bomber fund here in Georgetown.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Loud and Mrs. Swan had begun making little dresses and sending them over to England to the bomb victims. Gradually, grounds began making contributions and the gifts became larger and larger until packing and postage became a problem, and the idea was conceived of sending a huge box at one time. The window of the Empire Lunch soon filled with coats and dresses, sweaters, shoes, blankets, bonnets—every conceivable article of clothing which could be used by English war refugees. In November, the shipment was ready, and when the ladies were having difficulty with binding it securely for overseas shipment, Mr. John Bingham, of Alliance Paper Mills, Ltd. came to the rescue by donating a huge wooden box and having it strapped up with metal.

The 384 packages, left Canada's shores on January 6th, addressed to Mrs. Vincent Massey, wife of Canada's High Commissioner in London, and in due course, a letter of grateful acknowledgment was received from this lady.

The ladies immediately began planning a second box, and as it happened, on the day last week when a Herald reporter called on Mrs. Preston, packing had just been completed, once again with the cooperation of Mr. Bingham, and the huge box was sitting in a corner ready for shipment.

One of Mrs. Preston's original schemes was that of a quilt on which autographs and messages were stitched in squares, which sold from 10c to \$1.75. This painstaking task took almost eight months to complete, and when finished contained 253 names. The sum of \$39.25 was turned in to the Herald War Victims' Fund, and the quilt was sent to Queen Elizabeth last fall. No acknowledgement has been received, and it is feared that

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Former McLeod Home Converted Into Apartment By J. B. Mackenzie & Son

Valleyview Apartments, Once Home of Leading Georgetown Businessman, Open to Public at Red Cross Tea This Saturday.

THE WEATHER

By H. L. Hull
One evening last week we were called to the telephone, and in response to our little "brat" this time? Not recognizing the voice and thinking it must be some lonely one calling his sweetheart of that lovely name, we replied "guess you have the wrong number." No, he said this is the right number but what is wrong with the weather. Then we recognized the familiar voice of our friend out on the fourth line saying he had finished seeding 100 acres and felt he was a month ahead of time. And in spite of the spring drought was still sending nine cans of Jersey milk to the city every morning. That is how some in the country are doing their bit for the good of the city.

Date	H and L	Temp
Tue. April 28	80	43
Wed. April 29	77	48
Thurs. April 30	88	58
Fri. May 1	83	51
Sat. May 2	80	60
Sun. May 3	78	60
Mon. May 4	Rain 30"	48

Active Service Notes

AWI Margaret Long, who enlisted last winter in the Women's Division, RCAF, has received a medical discharge from the service and returned to her home in town last week end. After a course of training at Toronto and Ouelph, she had been posted to No. 5 FETB at Brantford, and took ill shortly after transferring there. Since then she had spent several weeks in hospital in Toronto and had been recuperating at home prior to returning to Brantford.

Winfield L. "Cory" Wheeler, who recently enlisted in the RCAF, and is stationed at No. 1 Manning Depot, Toronto, was home for the week end.



FLYING OFFICER K. MACKENZIE

Dating from May 1st, Kenneth A. Mackenzie, who is an instructor in Navigation at No. 14 Service Flying Training School, Aylmer, where fighter pilots are given their final training, has been promoted to Flying Officer. P.O. Mackenzie, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mackenzie, was associated with his father in the contracting business in Georgetown and Acton, prior to enlisting in the ROCAF on October 25th, 1940. He trained at Dunnville, Toronto, Camp de Madelon, Quebec, and Summerside, P.E.I., where he received his wings, later taking a course in advanced navigation at Penfield Ridge, N.B., and was stationed at St. Hubert, Quebec, prior to his transfer to Aylmer.

The Valleyview Apartments, recently completed by J. B. Mackenzie & Son, and ready for occupancy, will be open to the public next Saturday afternoon and evening, when tea will be served and a small admission charged, with proceeds for the Red Cross. The apartments are in the former McLeod home, which lies between the south ends of Main and Market Sts., near the old John R. Barber home. Formerly the entrance was from Main Street, with a sloping walk up the hill, but in the new building, the entrance has been changed to the more easily accessible Market Street side. The house, which was originally much smaller, was purchased on October 27th, 1877, by the late Mrs. Sarah Barber McLeod, wife of Georgetown's dry goods impresario of the day, and sister of the late John R. Barber. At that time, William McLeod was associated in business with a Mr. Anderson and their department store was located in the building now housing McLean's store and the Bank of Commerce. It is said that the firm employed as many as forty people in the store, having their own staff of tailors and milliners as well as clerks. Mr. McLeod later took over the business himself, and after his death some forty-seven years ago, Mr. John McLean, the present owner, purchased the business from the estate.

A reader recently loaned the Herald office a store circular, issued by McLeod, Anderson & Co., bearing the date of April, 1873. Illustrated with cartoons and pictures (printed from wooden cuts) including one of Lord Dufferin, Governor-General at that time, the four-page circular advertised men's furnishings, dress goods, boots and shoes, millinery, mourning goods and carpets.

Surviving members of the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. William McLeod include Mrs. H. M. Wetherald of Windsor, Mrs. George Begg, of Toronto, and Norman McLeod, of Toronto, former general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce. They are frequent visitors in Georgetown. The old home, a stately three-story brick structure, was last occupied by Captain and Mrs. Norman Henderson and family, a grandson, until his enlistment in the army last year. Since then the building had been unoccupied, until its purchase by the Georgetown contracting firm and its conversion into an apartment building.

Presswood - Forgrave Wedding At St. George's

The marriage of Norene Mabel Forgrave, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Forgrave, of Georgetown, and Ralph Presswood, son of Mrs. J. Presswood and the late Mr. Presswood, of Glen Williams, was solemnized last Saturday evening in St. George's Church of England, with Rev. W. G. O. Thompson officiating. The bride was dressed in a powder blue crepe street-length dress, navy accessories and she wore a corsage of American Beauty orchids and lily-of-the-valley. Her attendant was Miss Betty Keen, of Georgetown, who wore blue paisley silk with black accessories and a corsage of lily-of-the-valley and a mauve orchid. The groomsmen were Jack Presswood, of Glen Williams. The couple will live in Glen Williams.

Anderson - McGuigan Wedding Vows Last Saturday

The marriage took place on Saturday afternoon, May 2nd, in St. George's Anglican Church, of Elizabeth, youngest daughter of Mrs. McGuigan and the late Arthur McGuigan, to Gunner William Ramsay Anderson, R.C.A.F. son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Anderson, Rev. W. G. O. Thompson officiated, and Mrs. W. F. Bradley played the wedding music.

The bride, given in marriage by her cousin, LAC John Willis, of the RCAF, wore a white sheer gown over tulle, the skirt forming a full circular train. Her hairdress was a halo with shoulder-length veil and she carried white carnations and evergreen. Her only attendant was her niece, Miss Ruth Morley, of Galt, who wore a dress of blue net with matching accessories and carried crimson carnations and evergreen. The groomsmen were William Stinson, of Lockwood. An informal reception was held at the home of the bride where her mother received, assisted by the mother of the groom. Out-of-town guests were from Toronto, Galt, Newmarket, Brantford, Malton, Moorefield and Lockwood.

Mrs. K. Barber, Miss Jean Mackenzie Give Talks At I.O.D.E. Meeting

CHAPTER DONATES \$25.00 TO RED CROSS DRIVE—FUTURE MEETINGS IN LEGION ROOMS

The Countess of Strathmore Chapter, I.O.D.E., held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Arthur Beaumont, Glen Williams, on Monday evening, May 4th. Mrs. C. V. Williams, the Regent, presided in the air, and the meeting opened with members repeating the prayer of the day. Minutes of the last meeting were read, after which Mrs. Wallace Thompson gave the treasurer's report. Convener of various committees requested to give reports on activities. Mrs. J. D. Kelly reported a splendid response to appeals in magazines and stated she had now enough for another shipment. The affairs committee convener, Mrs. Clifford Ford, listed members to bring used summer clothing they might have, either to her home or to the home of Mrs. J. L. Lambert. This thing is to be sent to Northern Ontario for distribution among the needy. Mrs. Sam Mackenzie, convener of the emergency committee, told members, upon request, she and her committee had assisted the "Vote Yes" on a plebiscite committee. The success of their efforts was borne out by a great majority of affirmative votes Georgetown. Members discussed the advisability of holding future meetings in the Legion Rooms, since increased membership makes it almost impossible for members to entertain the Chapter at their homes. The motion was carried upon by ballot, and the results were in the affirmative. The holding of a "Mile of Pennies" was decided upon, proceeds to go to war work, and Miss Anisley was appointed convener. In response to a letter from the Navy League, Chapter agreed to organize a Navy League Tag Day, with Mrs. Keith Barber as convener of the same. All members were urged to give their full support to committee. In response to a letter from the Navy League, Chapter agreed to organize a Navy League Tag Day, with Mrs. Keith Barber as convener of the same. All members were urged to give their full support to committee. In response to a letter from the Navy League, Chapter agreed to organize a Navy League Tag Day, with Mrs. Keith Barber as convener of the same. All members were urged to give their full support to committee.

The Georgetown Herald British War Victims' Fund

Forwarded to Toronto Evening Telegram	\$2525.32
Cash on hand, acknowledged	304.69
Canadian Legion, Branch 130	5.00
Money found and turned in to Chief Marshall, unclaimed	1.00
Total, May 6th	\$2836.01

Lions Give \$100 to Red Cross Drive

GENEROUS DONATION FROM SALVAGE FUND VOTED TO RED CROSS

At the regular dinner meeting of the Georgetown Lions Club, held last Monday in the McO'Shon House, Lion LeRoy Dale spoke to the members concerning the Canadian Red Cross Society campaign for funds, which begins next Monday. Lion Dale is president of the Georgetown Branch of the Society, and many members of the Club hold office in the branch. At the conclusion of his speech, a resolution was moved and passed that the Club donate \$100 from the Salvage Fund to the campaign, and a cheque was made out and handed to Lion Dale on the spot. During the business period which followed, plans were discussed for obtaining new members, and a membership campaign will be undertaken next month. Tickets for the raffle on the donkey donated by Lion H. G. McCutcheon, were distributed to members. Proceeds from this draw will be used for various war activities of the club. A discussion on salvage took place, and Lion President R. Licata was congratulated on his efforts in collecting salvage and trucking it to Toronto to be sold. A suggestion was made that bins be erected in a prominent location, to which people could bring their salvage and deposit it. This idea had been tried by an organization in Meaford, and Lion C. Burnside reported that it had been an outstanding success in that town. Another suggestion was that each club member might encourage the neighbours to bring their salvage to his home, in order to save collection time by calling house-to-house for pick-ups.

The Georgetown Herald Soldiers' Comforts' Fund

Forwarded to Georgetown Soldiers' Comforts' Committee	\$225.54
Cash on hand, acknowledged	104.97
Total, May 6th	\$330.51