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## Report of Women's Institute Convention at Kitchener

Subdivision eight and nine held the annual area convention in St. John's Parish Hall, Kitchener, October 29 and 30th with sessions based on the theme "All For Victory."

Over three hundred attended the meeting. Mrs. P. W. Merry of Hornby was Chairman throughout. In her address on Thursday morning she stated that good progress had been made in the W. I. such as the jam making, war work and nutrition. She urged us to go forward with greater zeal for "Home and Country."

New Misses of the St. John's Anglican church welcomed the delegates and visitors, wishing them success in their splendid aims and giving them five use of the facilities and property while attending the convention.

Miss Florence Laidlaw took charge of the girls' session. She commented on the fine contribution of farm women and girls in service rendered on their farms, having followed the fine example of English women who carry on in spite of "bombings." Some farm girls under right circumstances are capable of farm management. Our job is to send these girls out with a goal ahead and courage to achieve it, she said.

Miss Jean Elliott of Huron presided for ladies and demonstrations by the girls' project clubs whose theme was "Club Girl Commandos Serve on the Home Front." Splendid demonstrations dealing with nutrition, and entertainment at home were put on by the different clubs.

Miss Durman showed lantern slides of gardens of girls in the "Garden Brigade" which are on the increase in numbers annually. Following the opening exercises Thursday afternoon Miss Mary Clark, superintendent of W.I.s of Ontario addressed the gathering. She said that permission to hold the convention was easily given, even under present conditions. In fact, she advised, because of the educational value of the W. I. aims and work.

She stated that there are 33 branches, comprising 38,000 members and influencing many more adherents to the W. I. Only eight branches had been organized during the past year while forty-two had disbanded. One half of those disbanded were junior branches whose members had been depleted due to movement of war work, and others being too busy with home work to carry on outside interests. In the north coast towns and townships exist because of lack of work and so the movement of the inhabitants to war plants, farms, military camps, etc., such places will join branches elsewhere and so carry on with W. I. work.

Miss Clarke said that the department had letter packets available, for program papers. There will be loaned free if applied for at least two weeks before required and if those applying are specific in their request for certain subjects. She said that the one day nutrition classes had proven very popular and applications had increased. She complimented the girls on their demonstrations stating that those shown at Kitchener ranked one of the best of the eleven conventions she had attended this season. Almost 1,600 girls had joined in one and a half hours, 100,000 while over 1,000 had registered in the farm service force in Ontario. She urged that we work, fight and sacrifice for Victory. The war will be won by co-operation. To explain co-operation she said that in the 1000 bomber raid over Germany which trips were completed in one and a half hours, 100,000 co-operated, 60 air fields sent out the planes, 100 were ready to receive them back and 300,000 gallons of gasoline were required. This was organized to split second timing. In a small way agriculturists co-operate to make possible increased hog production, egg production, etc. The W. I. is a branch of the department of Agriculture. Success of the Victory Loan depends on co-operation. As a member each one carries a responsibility to the organization—the W. I.

Selections were rendered by a children's school choir singing "Thanksgiving Hymn," "Listen to the Lambs," "Oh Canada, Dear Canada," "Order to me only with thine Eyes," Miss Dettich gave two readings entitled "Sisters-in-Law" and "They never Quarrelled" which were amusing. Reports of Agriculture and Canadian Industries were given by Mrs. Richardson of White Church. One point she stated was that rather than worrying over our sugar ration, use the sugar available right in our own gardens. Mrs. Hamilton of Atwood stressed Salvage gathering in her home economics report.

Mrs. Harvey of Guelph ended the paper on Social Welfare with "Happiness is a perfume that you cannot pour on others without getting a few drops yourself." Speakers at the banquet at the Walper House Thursday evening included Mrs. Percival Foster of the National Board of the Y.W.O.A. of Canada speaking on "Canada's Great Role, Today and Tomorrow." She advised that W. I. members use every effort to further education in democracy beginning with the year old infant. We are fighting that human beings may become friends. We must be done with fear, hate and mistrust. All races here are shaping Canada's destiny. We must not make them just good Canadians but good men and women.

Rev. Frank Lawson, former minister of Campbellville and Nagsawaga, who has travelled in Ireland, his home land and in the Holy Land addressed the ladies in the evening on the subject of "Women and the Post-war World." He stated that Canada's backbone is in the rural sections. Most of

Canada's exports come from the farm, for out of which receive the least for his effort. He closed with the remarks that "No Victory in Battle will bring Peace that is lasting. The world is suffering from a diseased soul. The Women's Institute may be a steady influence in the revival after the war."

Miss Margaret Shadden and Miss Martin entertained with readings and Mr. Jacob's Gratitude sang several selections during the evening.

Following Friday morning's exercises Mrs. Armstrong of Huron reported on enthusiasm, stressing the training of the children in the home as the coming cinema.

Mrs. Curry of Atwood read her report on war services. She said that we can find substitutes for rationed goods and giving up our luxuries is a small sacrifice. Our system of rationing is being copied by the U.S.A. Love, courage, faith and patriotism are free and not rationed. We all have a great part to play in the conflict and we shall not fail and so bring the happy order of life for which we long.

Miss Clarke and Mrs. Dukaboda complimented her on such a splendid report.

Mr. Buckley who spoke on behalf of the Victory Loan said that while we complained about rationing we can go to home still standing and our loved ones still free. We must work, sacrifice, save and lend for Victory.

Mrs. A. Deeks, president of the P.W.I.O. spoke on behalf of the central fund which operates entirely without fees. They are appealing now for donations towards the purchase of one or more mobile kitchens for use in Canada if need arises, for food for Britain which have again been requested, and other worthy war charities. She outlined how the funds were spent last year and hoped for the support of the branches again.

Mrs. Hill speaking on behalf of Women's voluntary war services stated that the fighting front includes those on active service, the industrial plants and those in the homes as well. She urged us to be home front to be as active as those on the front lines. Food, nutrition, to conserve, to help, to spread sensibly, and investigate rumours before repeating them. She advised that all voluntary services in a community be joined as one source keeps efforts to the minimum and brings maximum results.

The historical research paper was read by Mrs. Whitcher of Colpo's Bay, who suggested the study of another country and life of famous sons of a community as new topics for meetings. Mrs. Barclay of Sunnyside advised greater use of the local school for work meetings and socials, in her paper on publicity. She believed that the Home and Country, a quarterly W. I. paper should be started at the meetings under the supervision of a convener.

Mrs. E. A. Duke again spoke as the retiring president, her subject being "Ideals." She said that women of very fine character had been departmental lecturers and W. I. workers. She also said that as the soldier thinks his army the best in the world, his regiment the best in the army, his battalion the best in the regiment, his company the best in the battalion, and he the best in his company, so as members of the Women's Institute should think your county W. I. the best in the world, your Provincial W. I. the best in the County, your area the best in the Province, your county the best in the area, your branch the best in the country and as a member yourself the best in the branch, and try to live up to that ideal. "The W. I. will celebrate its 50th anniversary in a few years. The best gift a W. I. worker can bring is service well rendered in her own field," she said.

Two resolutions were discussed and passed, the first dealing with compulsory taxation of property or land to pay a municipal doctors salary, and the second, a request that the manufacture of all intoxicating beverages be stopped.

The election of officers was held on Friday afternoon as follows: President, Mrs. P. W. Merry, Hornby; Vice-president, Miss M. Schurrer, Linwood; Recording Secretary, Miss Lily Dempsey, Stratford; Area Secretary, Mrs. Ford Sudden, R. 4, Galt; Convener of Standing Committee: Agriculture and Canadian Industries—Miss J. Elliott, Bluevale; Home Economics—Mrs. W. J. Cameron, Palmerston; Social Welfare—Mrs. J. Harvey, Guelph; Citizenship—Mrs. H. Cartwright, Walkerton; War Work—Mrs. A. W. Brandon, Ayr; Historical Research—Mrs. C. A. Whitcher, Colpo's Bay; Publicity—Mrs. W. Balantyne, Aton.

Executive—Mrs. J. Corry, Atwood; Miss O. Scott, Erin; Mrs. W. Gowdy, Limehouse. Advisors—Mrs. Mackenzie, Galt; Mrs. W. Elliott, Galt. Mrs. Cameron thanked those responsible for the success of the convention.

An invitation to hold the 1943 convention in Guelph was accepted and another splendid convention was brought to a close with "God Save the King."

How to Prepare VICTORY THANKSGIVING DINNER Recipes for a simple nourishing Victory Thanksgiving Dinner, satisfying, indeed, yet without all the fat-and-rol usually associated with "turkey time" are presented in the American Weekly with this Sunday's (November 22nd) issue of the Detroit Sunday Times; also some timely tips on preparing those Thanksgiving vegetables. Get Sunday's Detroit Times.

## Looking To Canada



Par from home, parents and friends—forced to a reception centre by Nazi Bombs—this young, front-line soldier still finds time to laugh heartily. But that is the spirit of Great Britain. She has laughed at the fiercest and most intimate bombing raids of the enemy.

But for a happy Christmas away from home, this nameless child looks to Canadians for help. Help through the medium of Christmas Cards. British children, a Yuletide auxiliary of the Herald British War Victims Fund, an auxiliary of The Evening Telegram British War Victims Fund. Last year generous Canadians poured more than \$200,000 across 3,000 miles of ocean in time to provide that Christmas Card. Christmas did its part. It was the spirit of Christmas.

Christmas Cards are open again. The task that faces Canadians is providing happy Christmas cards for 400,000 war-affected children, many of them orphaned in the raids.

## Chairman's Letter Expresses Committee's Thanks for Victory Loan Success

NATIONAL WAR FINANCE COMMITTEE  
GEORGETOWN DISTRICT  
Nov 11th 1942

To All Citizens of Georgetown District: Please accept the sincere thanks of this committee for what you have done for Canada, Britain and the cause of the United Nations.

Georgetown district comprises all of Georgetown, the villages of Glen Williams, Norval, Stewarttown and part of Limehouse, together with certain farm areas of Esquimaux.

We may all feel proud of the result achieved. It is a great experience to realize how hundreds of our citizens, not only pour out their savings for Victory Bonds, but who also assist voluntarily for the campaign. Our Town Council, to a man, were of great assistance. Their instant and patriotic support to the Loan will ever be a happy reflection for our people as the years roll on. Howard May, Reeve of Esquimaux was a powerful support in the work also.

The canvassers worked hard and effectively. Their work is wearisome and often difficult as it is not always possible to find people at home. "The boss is over at McGinty's silo filling" or "The Missus who keeps the money" is sewing at the Red Cross today. Three trips to one place are not uncommon.

Our Bank Managers and their staffs do a wonderful work for the Victory Loan. Behind those "sacred" walls where Chief McIntock and Maharajah Welk reign supreme, no confidences are broken. All your committee can do is to look dumb and say "Thank you Mr. Commerce" and "Thank you Mr. Montreal." "You are Wonderful!"

The Committee worked well. Mac, the Broadway Druggist and Garfield of the New York Times, did great work in advertising. Many thanks too must go to the Blehns and their Georgetown Herald. Too often we overlook what a contribution such a publication makes to its community in all public affairs. Many thanks are due to our School Boards. Teachers and Judges for the Limerick Contest for War Savings Certificates and Stamps. Several hundred Limericks were written by the pupils of both High and Public Schools of Esquimaux, indicating a wide and satisfactory competition.

This community has every reason to be proud of its fine achievement. Faithfully yours,  
W. F. Bradley,  
Chairman, Georgetown District

## Halton Plowmen Staged Outstanding Match, Nov. 6th

Pilot Officer B. Kennedy Weds Noreen Palmer

A pretty fall wedding took place on Wednesday evening, November 6th, at 7:30, when Noreen Patricia Kennedy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Palmer, Peterborough, became the bride of Pilot Officer Bruce Bernard Kennedy, R.C.A.F. son of Mrs. George Herrington and the late Leah Kennedy of Georgetown. James United Smith, Peterborough, was the officiating minister, at which time Mr. and Mrs. Charles Palmer were ushers. Mr. Leonard Knill, Ottawa was groomsmen. The bride was lovely in a blue tulle and tulle dress with fitted bodice and very full skirt, sweeping into a slight train. White lace insertion at the neck and in the long-sleeved sleeves. Her hair was styled in the modern fashion. Her super-tip veil of tulle fell from a lace coronet, and she carried a nosegay of Tallman roses and bouvardia. The bride's sister, Mrs. Leonard Knill, of Ottawa was matron of honour, in gold sheer, with matching flower headpiece and accessories. Her assistant was Miss Helen Blackburn, of Knill, niece of the bride, who carried a bouquet of red roses. Mrs. George Herrington, Georgetown, mother of the groom, also received, choosing a black gown and a corsage of pink mums.

After the groom's leave is up, he will go to Vulcan, Alberta, where he is stationed with the R.C.A.F., and the bride will live in Weston until she joins her husband.

Among the guests at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Herrington, Georgetown; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. George Herrington, Georgetown; Mr. Grant Palmer, Mr. Bud Palmer, Master Ronald Palmer, Mr. Leslie McLaren, Mrs. R. Beattie, Rev. and Mrs. F. Craik, Mrs. Lorne Farley, all of Peterborough; Mr. and Mrs. E. Carruthers, Weston; Mrs. Margaret Randall, Miss Jean Wamboldt, Miss Edith Daly, all of Toronto.

## Pretty Wedding in Georgetown United Church Saturday

Georgetown United Church was the scene of a quiet wedding on Saturday, November 14th when Stella, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lane of Georgetown, became the bride of Edward "Ted" Stewart R.C.A.F., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Stewart of Brampton. Rev. R. O. Todd officiated and Miss Helen Blackburn presided at the organ. During the signing of the register Miss Joan Hale sang "Because."

The bride given in marriage by her father was lovely in a wedding gown of white sheer crepe with shoulder-length halo veil caught in place with orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of Briarcliff roses. Miss Ethel Lane was her sister's only attendant. She wore a gown of blue velvet and net with matching floral headpiece and veil. The groomsmen was Harold Schenk, R.C.A.F., of Glen Williams.

The reception followed at the home of the bride's parents where Mrs. Lane, mother of the bride received the guests, wearing blue crepe with black accessories and a corsage of white baby mums. Following the reception the bride and groom left for a short motor trip to Northern Ontario, the bride travelling in a blue wool suit with black accessories. Upon their return the bride will make her home in Georgetown and the groom will return to his R.C.A.F. station.

## Generous Donations to Poppy Fund

The Poppy Fund Committee of Branch 129 Canadian Legion wish to thank all those who made such a generous response to their appeal for funds on Poppy Day to carry on their work for the year 1943.

Also the following for their generous donations:  
W. A. Canadian Legion; Smith and Stone Ltd.; Glen Textile Industries Ltd.; Mr. G. B. Daylock; Dominion Seed House; Miss Stantton; True Blues; A. Beaumont; Harley-Kay Ltd.; Bank of Montreal; Lions Club; Esquimaux Township; I.O.O.F.; Brill Department Store; Town Council; Alliance Paper Mills Ltd.; Fire Brigade; Local Council of Women; Credit Lodge, A.P. & A.M. Cousins.

FORWARDED:  
J. F. McClintock, President and Chairman.  
Col. Cousins.  
E. Blanche O'Leary, Secy. Treas.

## Young-Kean Nuptials

The marriage of Marjorie Margaret Kean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Kean, Georgetown, to Corporal John Young, Queen's York Rangers, son of Mrs. Emma Young and the late Mr. George Young, of Bradford, was solemnized Wednesday evening, November 11th, at the Presbyterian Manse, at 8:30 p.m. Rev. Chas. C. Cochrane officiated. The bride was attractively attired in a dress of turquoise blue sheer wool, brown accessories and a corsage of yellow mums. Miss Margaret Adams, as bridesmaid, chose a rose crepe dress, with navy accessories and a corsage of bronze mums. Mr. William McNally was groomsmen. Upon their return from the wedding trip, the couple will take up residence in Niagara Falls.