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SECOND SECTION

Gibbons Re-Elected Mayor For Tenth Year on Monday

Brown Gains Majority Over Costigan For Reeveship

Clifford Bradley and K. R. MacDonald Head Polls in Wards II and III Respectively—Joseph Hall and Thos. L. Lyons also Elected—Largest Vote in the History of the Town.

The heaviest polls in the history of the town were recorded in the municipal election on Monday, December 7th. Over 70 per cent of the citizens marked their ballots, giving the offices of Mayor, Reeve, and Councillors for Wards II and III, the closest run for years.

Joseph Gibbons defeated Harold Cleave for the office of mayor by a majority of 19 votes. A total of 1033 votes were cast. This will mark the beginning of the 10th consecutive year for Joseph Gibbons as mayor.

The reeveship was also a closely contested field, with Norman H. Brown heading the polls by a margin of 55 votes. 537 votes were cast for Mr. Brown, while James Costigan came close on his heels with 482 supporters. Having served on council since 1938 this will be Mr. Brown's first term as reeve.

Ward II had three candidates for councillors: Councillor Clifford Bradley, who was seeking re-election for the second time, Mr. Joseph Hall, a former councillor in the years 1936-9 inclusive, and Mr. Thomas Eason, Jr., who sought election to the municipal body for the first time. In this division, Councillor Bradley headed the polls with 314 votes, and Mr. Joseph Hall came second, polling 259 votes. Mr. Thomas Eason had 175.

The highest percentage of ratepayers in any of the wards turned out to vote in Ward III. Four men were in the field for election to council. Mr. Leonard Bell and Mr. James Goodlet were both running for office for the first time. Mr. Thomas L. Lyons was on council in 1938 and 9. Councillor K. R. MacDonald has served the electors since 1939, and he headed the polls this year with a total of 273 votes. 183 ratepayers made known their wish to have Mr. Thomas L. Lyons serve on council. Mr. Leonard Bell polled 103 votes and Mr. James Goodlet 87 votes.

An idea of how much heavier the voting was this year as compared with other years may be gleaned from the fact that in the 1935 election, only 940 votes were cast for mayor, and 647 ballots were marked in the 1936 election for the reeveship.

Councillors for Ward I were put in by acclamation. Mr. Hedley Shaw and Mr. William Thompson, being the people's choice.

Mr. Graham Farnell is Hydro Commissioner, by acclamation. The Public School Trustees were also put in by acclamation: Ward I—Mrs. Kathleen Cleave, Ward II, D. P. Critchton, Ward III, Hodgen Barnes.

Two members of last year's council, Mr. S. Mackenzie and Mr. A. E. Cripps, did not seek re-election this year. Their untiring efforts in the welfare of the municipality should not be passed by without mention.

Christmas Cheer for British Children

Christmas Auxiliary of the Herald B.W.V. FUND

Cash on hand, acknowledged	\$ 8.00
Mrs. Robert Blyth, Glen Williams, in pennies	3.00
Glen United Church, "Sunbeams" Sunday School Class; Mrs. A. Allen, teacher; Eileen Allen, Audrey Norton, Louise Hills, Margaret McQuarrie, Eleanor Schenk, Olive Gilmour	1.15
Proceeds of a bingo and bed-spread raffle held in Acton, Friday, Nov. 27, under auspices of Limehouse Women's Institute	23.63
A Friend	2.00
In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McMenemy	2.00
Mrs. E. Miller, R. R. 4, Acton	2.50
Mrs. M. Baily, Stewarttown	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ross	4.00
Total, December 9th	\$47.28

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all our friends and neighbours, who extended their sympathy and kindness to us in our recent bereavement; also those who sent the many beautiful floral tributes.—T. J. Hill and Family.

Mrs. Gertrude M. Hill Dies in Glen Williams

Funeral services were held at 2:30 Monday afternoon at St. Alban's Church of England, Glen Williams, for Mrs. Gertrude M. Hill, a resident of the village for the past 38 years. Rev. W. O. Thompson conducted the service. Mrs. Hill died at her home in the Glen Saturday morning following a lengthy illness.

She was born in Connally's Quay, North Wales, 55 years ago, the daughter of the late Mary and John Hewitt. Coming to Canada with her parents in 1904, the family settled in Glen Williams, where she has lived ever since. She took an active interest in the church life of St. Alban's Church of England, of which she was a member. She was also a member of the W.A. to the Canadian Legion, Georgetown, and a valued employee of Beaumont's Woollen Mills for a number of years.

Her husband, Thomas Jefferson Hill, died seven years ago. Surviving are two sons, T. T. and Irvine Hill, and three sisters, Mrs. B. Norton, and Mrs. W. Hadley, of Glen Williams, and Mrs. C. Everson of Brampton. Pallbearers were: Cpl. William Hewitt, Messrs. William Hadley, Grover Norton, Ernest Robinson, Winston Wheeler, and John McMenemy. Interment was made in Glen Williams Cemetery.

Father V. J. Morgan Addresses Lions

The Lions Club met in the McGibbon House on Monday night with President Dave Brill in the chair, and a good attendance of Lions and guests. Lion J. D. Kelly introduced the guest speaker, Father V. J. Morgan, Acton, who gave a most interesting, reasonable and educational half hour address on His Holiness the Pope, his attitude towards the war, and his ideal and plan for universal peace.

He sketched the history of Rome and the Vatican and pointed out that it was an unfortified city. Prior to his elevation to the Papacy, the Pope had been an envoy on many missions of peace, and had laboured incessantly to the end that all denominations and creeds should live together in harmony, that the sword might be sheathed, and that peace on earth, goodwill towards all men, might prevail.

Father Morgan stated emphatically that His Holiness took no sides in the war, and that the claims of some that he showed pro-Nazi tendencies were absolutely false.

His Holiness was the spiritual father of between three hundred million and four million children. He stated that in the British Empire alone there were more Roman Catholics than in Italy. He further said that the Island of Malta had a population which was 95 per cent Roman Catholic.

An untiring advocate of peace, he had drawn up a plan for peace with justice before the war, and essentially this plan embodied all the points in the peace plans Cordell Hull and Lord Beaverbrook have since proposed.

Following his masterful address, Father Morgan answered many questions. A hearty vote of thanks was given and Father Morgan departed while the Club turned its attention to a bit of night's business.

It was voted that the Club sponsor the organization of a Boy Scout Troop in Georgetown about which the details will be published later.

The Lions Christmas tree will be a big feature in the near future. This was discussed in detail, and plans completed.

A prize will be donated by the Club for High School competition beginning next year. Ladies Night was postponed until February.

Other important matters were discussed with Lions Bill Long, Ed McWhirter and Dick Licata as a committee in charge. More about these later.

GEORGETOWN SOLDIERS' COMFORTS COMMITTEE

We are pleased to report that the first acknowledgment of the Christmas shipment of cigarettes to our boys overseas has been received from Newfoundland.

This acknowledgment ends "Thanks again and best wishes for a Happy Christmas," and we would like to pass this message on to all those who have made it possible for us to again send to our boys a remembrance from the folks at home.

A report of the St. George's Boys' Club, Lorne Scots W.A. and other reports were unavoidably crowded out. They will appear next week.

THE WEATHER

By H. L. Hutt
The first week of December has started in like an old-fashioned winter, with a three days' gale of wind from the North West, and a drop to 23.2 degrees as the mean temperature for the week, or 8.2 degrees lower than the previous week.

The six-inch snowfall of the previous week has settled down to about half that depth, and at present looks as if it might stay with us.

Following are the local records for the week:

Date	H. and L. Temp	Snow
Tues. Dec 1	35 20	25"
Wed. Dec 2	20 15	
Thurs. Dec 3	26 15	
Fri. Dec 4	27 15	
Sat. Dec 5	27 22	
Sun. Dec 6	29 20	
Mon. Dec 7	39 25	

Soldier Killed on Highway Early Sunday Morning

Hit and Run Driver Leaves Body in Middle of Road

A tragic accident occurred at 12:15 Sunday morning, when Pte. Hector Peter Dupont of No. 24 Basic Training Centre, Brampton, was almost instantaneously killed by a hit-and-run driver, on No. 7 highway, opposite Armstrong's Garage, Ouelph St.

The soldier was hitch-hiking to his home at 145 Lake St., Pembroke when a car travelling towards Toronto hit him in the back. The body was thrown to the centre of the road, as the car continued on its way. Both man and car were travelling east. The night was clear and the victim of the accident, a tall, well-built man.

Two young men coming into town from Brampton saw the body lying in the centre of the road and immediately notified Chief W. O. Marshall. When Mr. Marshall arrived at the scene, Pte. Dupont was still alive, though unconscious. Dr. R. T. Paul was called, and when he arrived, the man was dead.

The body was removed to McClure's undertaking parlour. Dr. Geo. E. Byer of Milton is coroner. An inquest will be held.

M.O.H. REPORT FOR NOVEMBER

Chickenpox	0
Scarlet Fever	0
Measles	0
German Measles	0
Mumps	0
Infantile Paralysis	0
Typhoid Fever	0
Whooping Cough	6
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis	6

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE MEETING

The December meeting of the Georgetown Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Millier, on Wednesday afternoon, December 2nd at 3 p.m. The meeting opened by singing a Christmas hymn, "Silent Night," after which the members joined in repeating the Institute Prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted and the correspondence dealt with. The sum of \$5.00 was voted to the Soldiers' Comforts Fund. The roll call was answered by giving the name of a person or place of note in the present war.

The programme conveners for the meeting, Mrs. George Campbell and Mrs. W. H. Kentner were fortunate in securing Miss Sybil Bennett as the guest speaker, and she chose as her subject, "The British Empire and British Women." She pointed out very strongly how Canadian and British women must work out a plan whereby the morale of our homes must be maintained if the homes which our fathers and mothers established are to exist after the war.

Miss E. King rendered a pleasing piano solo.

The Helping Hand and Flower Committees were authorized to send Christmas remembrances to the sick and shut-ins.

A vote of thanks was rendered Miss Bennett, Miss King, and the program committee for a very fine program, and the hostess, Mrs. Millier, after which the meeting closed with another Christmas hymn, "Joy to the World," and God Save the King.

AT ALASKA HIGHWAY OPENING



Hon. Ian A. Mackenzie, Minister of Pensions and National Health, is shown at the historic ceremonies when he made his address during the official opening of the new highway to Alaska. The historic ceremonies were held on a spot that a few months ago was dense wilderness. Note the small tree in the background which has been utilised as a flag pole.

Britain Salutes Canada



This young Briton, aged 4, is saluting Young Canadians, who last Christmas sent Santa Claus down her chimney by contributing to Christmas Cheer for British Children, an auxiliary to the Evening Telegram British War Victims' Fund, of which the Herald Fund is a part. And she won't be disappointed, because already Young Ca-

nadians and their parents have given over \$50,000—or approximately the same as their gifts until Christmas Eve last year—to provide modest Yuletide luxuries to as many as possible of the 650,000 orphaned, maimed or homeless child victims of German air attacks over Britain.

Woollen Mill Completely Destroyed By Fire

United Church W. M. S. Hold Election of Officers

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Church, Georgetown, held its December meeting in the church. The program was in the spirit of Christmas. Mrs. A. M. Nielsen, the president, was in the chair. She gave a short historical sketch of the Christmas hymns that were sung. Mrs. McDermaid, the Christian Steward and Finance Secretary, spoke of the amount still to be raised for our allocation and in connection with the Love Gift, read a lovely selection, which alluded to The Love Gift as a fragrance wafted out to needy souls.

The nomination of officers stands as follows:

Hon. President—Mrs. H. L. Hutt.
President—Mrs. A. M. Nielsen.
1st. Vice-president—Mrs. A. Speight.
2nd. Vice-president—Mrs. C. Hayes.
Recording secretary—Mrs. C. Adams.
Corresponding secretary—Mrs. A. Vannatter.

Treasurer—Mrs. V. MacDonald.
Christian Stewardship and Finance Secretary—Mrs. J. McDermaid.
Temperance Secretary—Mrs. H. Wrigglesworth.

Literature Secretary—Mrs. R. H. Wright.
Community Friendship Secretary—Mrs. C. B. Dayfoot.

Associate Members Secretary—Mrs. M. Near.
Press Secretary—Miss A. Staunton.
Pianist—Mrs. N. Burns.
Mission Circle Advisory President—Mrs. H. Wrigglesworth.
C.O.I.T.—Mrs. Jones and Mrs. A. MacDonald.

Mission Band Superintendent to be appointed.
Baby Band Superintendent—Miss E. McKay.

A committee was appointed to choose a Mission Band leader.
Bob and Eric Saunders sang "Land of Hope and Glory." Mrs. Clarence Hayes read the very fine legend of The Black Madonna. Nan Brown gave a Christmas reading. The Love Gift was taken up and was consecrated in prayer by Mrs. Vannatter. Mrs. Nielsen and Mrs. Speight conducted a Candlelight Service, carrying out the thought of the story of The Black Madonna that Christianity is for all races the world over and the hope of Christ for all hearts in every land.

THANKS, M. H.!

"Well, someone reads that old paper for I got quite a return from that last ad I ran." So said Mr. M. H. Moyer as we met him on the street the other day, and who had successfully used the Herald columns to advertise his apples. But he is only one of our many satisfied customers. If you have anything to sell, exchange, or want to purchase, an ad in the classified column will bring you the same satisfying results.

Firemen Fight 5-Hour Blaze in High Wind to Save Nearby Houses

Exceptionally high winds fanned a blaze which early Thursday morning completely destroyed the Woollen Mill on King St. owned by Hume Brothers, Toronto. Damage was estimated at \$10,000.

Returning home from work shortly before 3 a.m. Ralph Hanson noticed the flames licking from the front entrance of the mill, and immediately turned in the alarm. A raging gale had the whole building ablaze—almost immediately and it was completely out of control when the fire brigade arrived. Sixteen firemen worked frantically for five hours to keep the fire from spreading to the houses situated dangerously close to the mill, and were successful in confining the fire to the one building.

The wind blew a piece of metal roofing, measuring about 50 ft. x 100 ft. off the building into the field next to Chas. Hoare's house. The two lines of fire hose were in constant use.

Mrs. Charles Parker, whose house was one of those in immediate danger, served a much appreciated cup of tea to a weary bunch of firemen, after the fire.

The mill was taken over by the Richmond Woollen Mills, Toronto, after Whiteley-Porritt went into liquidation, and the machinery was removed by them. The present owners used the place as a storehouse for bales of wool and this last shipment of 200 bales was wool which had been salvaged from a fire in Paris. There was only one man employed there sorting wool during the day, and as no one was present when the fire started, it is surmised that it was caused by a bale of wool which was still smouldering. It was the third time the fire brigade had been called since the building had been used as a wool store-house.

On Friday night about 11:00 the firemen were called to the mill again, but the cause for the alarm was only a bale of wool which had been salvaged and was still smouldering.

Only the cement walls remain. The building was covered by insurance.

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD British War Victims' Fund

Forwarded to Toronto Evening Telegram \$2350.01
Cash on hand, acknowledged 03.70

Total, December 9th \$2353.71

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD Soldiers' Comforts Fund

Forwarded to Georgetown Soldiers' Comforts Fund \$454.54
Cash on hand, acknowledged 75.00
Total, December 9th \$529.54