

# THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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## Red Cross Campaign Will Open on March 1st

### Active Service Notes

Congratulations to Flight-Sergeant "Jimmy" Jones, who won his commission as Pilot-Officer, at Uplands recently.

Shipwright Jack Cunningham is home on 21 days' furlough from Newfoundland, where he is stationed with the R. C. N.

The all-important "three stripes" are gracing the arm of Albert Revere, overseas. Congratulations, Revere.

P. O. "Eddie" Luman has climbed up another rung on the Airforce ladder. News has just come through that he was made a Flying Officer some time ago.

The railway recently urged that all 48 hour leaves and annual furloughs be postponed during the month of February in order to leave more space available for transporting essential freight. This has been done, and the town looked deserted on Saturday without the usual generous sprinkling of uniforms.

Pte. Bernard Tennant has been promoted to the rank of Lance Corporal according to word received here by his parents. Bernard went overseas with the Lorne Scouts in June, 1941. Congratulations to C. H. M. Russell. Pte. Russell is obtaining his commission as 2nd Lieutenant at Three Rivers, Quebec, graduation class. He is spending 4 days with Mr. and Mrs. T. Tennant, after which he will be posted to Camp Borden.

Pte. Grace Kidd, C.W.A.C. of Exhibition Barracks Toronto, spent the week end with Miss Alice Bruce.

We were sorry to hear that two local boys have contracted scarlet fever. LAC Vernon Kirby is confined to the isolation ward of Westminster hospital, London, Ont., and Pte. Malcolm Bradford is in hospital at Camp Borden. May they have a speedy recovery.

### NATIVE OF NORVAL ADDRESSES BRAMPTON LIONS

Harvey McKinney, superintendent of Agencies of Equitable Life of Canada, was the guest speaker at the twice-monthly luncheon of the Brampton Lions Club held on Monday last. Mr. McKinney is a native of Norval, attended school there and at Georgetown High School. After finishing his high school education at Brampton High School for a year he attended University of Toronto and graduated in Political Science.

His very interesting address dealt chiefly with conditions before and after the war and stressed that the capitalistic system as practised in America has maintained a high standard of living when it is compared with any other system in practice in other parts of the world. He urged that it was not a system that should be lightly cast aside until there was practical proof of a better system, stating that it allowed the utmost freedom of action in comparison with either communistic or socialistic state, illustrating that under state control, the choice of a child's parents, if their loved ones were sick, would not be theirs to select the physician they wanted, under state control.

He predicted that the world as a whole would be a better place to live in after victory for the Allied Nations and a worthwhile peace.

Wynman McLeod thanked the speaker on behalf of the Lions. O. T. Walker was chairman of the committee in charge of the evening.

### ASHGROVE

The sympathy of the community is extended to Messrs. Walter, Thomas and Oliver Brownridge in the death of their father, Mr. Wm. Brownridge of Georgetown. Mr. Brownridge was resident of this community previous to moving to Georgetown.

Few ladies were able to attend the W. M. S. meeting at Mrs. Geo. Nurse's home on Tuesday last week owing to the condition of the roads. In the absence of the president, Mrs. C. B. Dick, vice-pres., presided. Mrs. Elsie Bird was in charge of the devotional period and Mrs. Geo. Nurse gave a very interesting account of the study chapter.

The postponed annual church meeting took place on the afternoon of Feb. 3, in the basement of the church. Rev. J. O. Tetton was in charge of the meeting with Mr. Frank Wilson as recording secretary. Reports were given from the different departments of the church, all showed that objectives had been reached. Mr. R. J. Graham was appointed a steward to fill the vacancy caused when Mr. N. C. Wrigglesworth moved from the community. Ward Brownridge will take the place of Gilbert Wrigglesworth as usher. Other officers remained as previously appointed.

Miss D. Adams returned to her duties at school on Wed. morning after a few days illness from flu.

### Richard Finlay Died Suddenly

Following a heart attack, Richard Anderson Finlay, died suddenly on Monday, February 8th, 1943. Deceased was born February the 27th 1876, at West Springfield, Massachusetts, and was the second son of the late Edward and Margaret Finlay. He came to Canada in 1900, attended the local schools before going to New Toronto and St. Catharines where he was connected with the papermill. He returned to Georgetown about fifteen years ago when he retired. He was a member of the Empire Lodge No. 87, I. O. O. F. St. Catharines. Surviving are three brothers, John of Toronto, Edward of Buffalo, N. Y., Wallace of New Toronto, and two sisters, Mrs. George Arnold, Georgetown and Mrs. R. J. Harrison of Toronto. Service was held at H. O. McClure's home, Maple Ave. Wednesday afternoon. The service was conducted by Rev. R. C. Todd of the United Church Interment was made in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown. The pall-bearers were Messrs. E. McWhirter, W. O. Marshall, W. H. Long, H. Cleave, A. Scott, T. Orville.

### STEWARTTOWN

Mrs. B. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. Paul of Campbellville were at Mimico attending the wedding of LAC Gilbert Hunt of Trenton to Miss Iris Livermore daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Livermore of Mimico. The ceremony took place in the Mimico United Church. After a short trip LAC and Mrs. G. Hunt will live in Trenton where Gilbert is stationed.

A C. 2 Norman Bally was home last week end. Norman has been transferred from No. 6 SPTS at Camp Borden to No. 6 I T B Toronto.

Le-Cpl J. Henderson has returned to duty at New Toronto after a couple of weeks' furlough at his home here.

Le-Cpl S. Hunt, of Drampont, was home over the week end.

The condition of the 7th Line, from Col. Brown's to the intersection of No. 80 Side Road, was about as bad last week as anyone here can remember. The snow banks either side of the road formed walls so that the water could not get away. Consequently, after the heavy rains Wednesday there was a river instead of a road. Several outlets had to be dug through the deep snow banks to let the water drain away.

Last Monday morning we had the pleasure of meeting two sturdy little Canadians. With the thermometer at 26 below zero Lellie and Julia DeVries walked over two miles to school bundled up to suit the weather. They made nothing of it—even though Julia had hoar-frost on her eye-lashes.

On Tuesday of last week Mrs. Lawson and Mrs. Walter Lawson and sons Bob and Donald drove to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hunter, at Norval, for a dinner which Mrs. Hunter had prepared in honour of her mother's seventy-fifth birthday. Mrs. Lawson received greeting cards from many of her friends and relatives, a beautiful plant for her sister and brothers, gifts from her family and grandchildren, and of course there was a birthday cake with candles. Congratulations Mrs. Lawson.

### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Richardson of St. Catharines is a guest of Mrs. W. G. O. Thompson at the Rectory.

Mrs. J. R. Barber and Mrs. Arnold Parly held highest score for the third night of play in the I.O.D.E. bridge marathon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kelly of Toronto spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. D. Kelly.

P. O. and Mrs. Bruce Kennedy of Oshawa visited Mr. and Mrs. George Harrison over the week end.

Miss Vivienne Guyot of Toronto, was a Sunday visitor with Mr. and Mrs. Edna MacKenzie.

Mrs. K. R. Barber has returned from Windsor where she has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Webster.

Mrs. J. Daerikon of Toronto spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Scott, and Mr. H. R. Scott.

Twenty-five girls gathered at the home of Mrs. Elaine Blyth, Monday evening Feb. 1st, to hold a miscellaneous shower in honour of Doris Allen (nee Millar), a recent bride. During the evening, they played games, and held a muck wedding, with Bessie Harrison as bride, Eve Murphy, groom, and Ethel Anthony as minister. The room was prettily decorated with pink and white streamers, and the hostess served a lovely salad supper at the conclusion of the evening.

### Another Letter From the North

To Georgetown Herald

As I sat down to write using pencil and pen, 'till be read around Georgetown and also the Glen, also folks around Limehouse, will read it, I am sure because they take the home paper, even though they are poor some may wonder while reading, why I write in this way. The reason is simple I have plenty to say. It gives my mind action with no need to suppress. The thought that I send you, I try well to express. The Northland has prospects, it acts as a lure. It has plenty of rich folk but also some poor but in spite of its hardships, and seasons of cold, the people are hardy, and go on working till old. Most nations are well represented, and all are real loyal. Have ever subscribed all the War Loans, and give of their toll. Now what more could be said when we're all in the fight. Try to hard, first to conquer, then make wrong into right.

As I write the whole country, is covered with snow. First it storms, then it hails, and finally will blow. But most people prepare for a few days ahead. They keep in plenty of vitals and have always a bed. Waters a hard-ship, sometimes through a drought, but were blessed with plenty which cools off our mouth. Now I want keep on longer with this kind of letter because I think that a story, will suit more folk better.

While I don't pose as a poet, I am extremely interested in poetic language might be described as a language of love. Poets talk of all things good and bad, only and equative, as a lover talks of his love. They dwell on its attributes, they invent pet names for it, they characterize it in every breath with a new style, until folk grok that of the reading, who don't know what it is to be in love with things in general.

Poetry you might say is the art of calling names, with a series of words designed to heighten their consciousness of an experience.

In my previous letter I told of pioneer days. They were hard, but any effort worth while requires pioneering. This however doesn't continue. When folk commenced to clear land and grow some crops, stock was imported. The railroad came in from North Bay, and opened up new land and new sources of income. Timber that had no marketable value on the rivers and streams could be sold and loaded on flat cars for shipment. Poplar and balsam in addition to spruce was in demand in 4 ft lengths for pulpwood. Railroad lines, telegraph, telephone and telegraph poles, timber of all kinds for the mines, which were becoming established, was all in demand.

The railroad did a thriving business as did the country stores which located in the villages where stations were established along the line. New people flocked in by the thousand seeking their fortune, after hearing stories which were broadcast both verbally and in print, of a veritable promised land. Silver and Gold was supposed to be here for the taking, which many found wasn't a fact. But in spite of the failures, many were successful and great wealth was developed and distributed. Villages grew into towns and hamlets or small groups into villages. Schools and churches were organized and established and both rural and urban populations, working strenuously to make a real success. Then like a bolt from the blue, came the first terrible fire. North Cobalt and almost the entire town of Halleybury was wiped out and laid a desolate waste. The north par. of New Liskeard, and some of nearly every town or village all through the country in addition to thousands of pioneer country people left homeless. But if there was any blessing to the season was summer and there was still sufficient time to rebuild, which was hurriedly done. People gradually overcame this great disaster and under injuries.

Three important resolutions were passed at the meeting. The first recommended that well-informed representatives of Agriculture be appointed to policy-making Selective Service boards. Another asked that any future subsidy program take into consideration the proper relationship in price between the cost of production and the importance of volume production of a given commodity and request the overhaul of the entire subsidy structure. A third commended the federal government for its stand in financing to permit the manufacture of oleomargarine, thus safeguarding the health of the nation.

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The whole country was on fire again. Everyone will remember the terrible second catastrophe did not utterly dishearten a great many who had everything they possessed for the second time. The hard part was weather conditions. Just the day after the fire died down it snowed all day long, and was bitter cold which increased the terrible suffering so many were obliged to undergo. But sympathetic people everywhere rallied quickly to the extreme need and suffering, and supplies of food, clothing, bedding, furniture, tools, feed to stock, also lumber and hardware for building was freely subscribed. And to this day those who received this help are led in their praise and thankfulness for a new start.

After the second terrible disaster, the Government established a Forestry Department. Established Districts with headquarters. Picked lookout towers on strategic locations where a tremendous staff of officers and men equipped them with trucks, portable pumps, miles of hose pipes and shovels. Boats with outboard motors and canvas full kits for camping, tents, blankets, etc., and now legislation has been enacted which makes burning a punishable offense. In certain seasons of the year, and then only under supervision by an official of the Forestry branch. Anyone wishing to even travel through a wooded area must obtain a permit from the nearest local branch and must state where, when, and for how long they expect to remain in a certain location, so that a check is continually kept of every bush operation. Even lumbermen are subject to these rules, and if they break out must be responsible and able to pay for any damage or loss sustained. Now I must conclude for space's sake, so for this time.

Conciliatory words.

R. W. JOHNSON

R. R. No. 1 Thornloe, Ont.

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### Prof. G. N. Ruhnke Addresses Halton Crop Improvement Assoc.

#### THE WEATHER

By H. L. HULL  
In all the twenty years I have been keeping records for the Meteorological Department I cannot recall recording a colder day than we had last Monday when the early morning temperature was 27 below zero and the highest during the day only three above.

And even that did not seem as cold as the day before when it was 10 below and a gale from the North drove it into every crack and cranny looking for tender spots such as water pipes, etc. The rainfall of one inch on the Monday of last week was also the heaviest I can remember of recording in February but the temperature was so near freezing all the time it soaked into the snow without melting it. In spite of all the cold there is very little or no frost in the ground.

Following are the records for the last week:

Date	H and L Temp	Rainfall
Tues Feb 9	27 6	
Wed Feb 10	40 18	1"
Thurs Feb 11	23 10	
Fri Feb 12	23 8	
Sat Feb 13	20 77	
Sun Feb 14	10 -10	
Mon Feb 15	3 -27	

#### LIMEHOUSE

Limehouse was plenty cold on Monday morning, several reporting thermometers registering more than 30 degrees below zero.

The Young Peoples Society held a coffee at the home of Shirley Wright on Monday evening of last week. Mr. Joseph Scott and Mrs. S. Norris being high scorers.

A few Limehouse Ladies braved the ice of Wednesday to complete a quilt for the Russian relief at Mrs. Kirkpatrick's home.

Mr. Joseph Scott and Mrs. J. Ellerby were prize winners at the Women's Institute coffee at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Wright on Friday evening. Proceeds of \$3.85 will go towards the drive for Russian relief.

The high wind and cold weather again were responsible for cancelling the church services on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Doris Mitchell was home from Toronto for the week-end.

Mrs. A. J. Smethurst spent a few days in Toronto recently.

The W. M. S. met at Mrs. Smethurst's home on Thurs. evening.

#### W.C.T.U. MEETS AT MRS. FREURE'S

The monthly meeting of the W.C.T.U. was held on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. Freure, Arletta Street. The President, Mrs. Arthur Reeve, was in the chair and conducted the devotional period, taking the scripture reading from 2 Cor. 34: 26 - 33.

This ancient story of war with its disaster and degradation might well be transferred to our own times. We are today still permitting gross evils to exist.

A quiz taken from the January clip sheet, and a discussion, then followed. A substantial sum for the mobile canteen subscribed by the members, was turned in by the collectors to be forwarded to headquarters.

Several excerpts from an address given by Dr. George Barton Cutten, on the subject "We are at War", were read. Dr. Cutten, who was president for twenty years, of Colgate University, whose theme given in his opening words said: "Alcohol and war do not mix any better than alcohol and gasoline." He quotes Dr. H. M. Pollock, mental hygiene statistician for the New York State Department of Health, who estimates that the economic loss to the nation of those who have indulged in alcohol sufficiently to be arrested for intoxication, to be \$1,000,000,000 annually.

Dr. Cutten refers to the need of grain in a starving world, to the rationing of sugar, tires, etc but that the brewing industry is not affected. In 1940 in the U.S.A. 2,000,000 tons of grain were used for alcoholic beverages and over 4,000,000 gallons of molasses.

But what has this to do with the war? Very much, according to the Washington authorities. Every newspaper, every radio announcement, emphasizes the need for money to win the war, but at the same time permits a waste of \$15,000,000,000 which contributes only to inefficiency and destruction. Turning to morale Dr. Cutten quotes President Roosevelt's message of May 27th, saying, "Defense means more than fighting; it means morale, civilian as well as military."

County Seed Fair, Milton, March 19 and 20

The Annual Meeting of the Halton Crop Improvement Association was held in the Farmers' Bldg., Milton, on Saturday, January 30. Notwithstanding the almost impassable road conditions, approximately 700 were in attendance to hear the outstanding address of Prof. G. N. Ruhnke, Head of the Plant Department of the Ontario Agricultural College, who gave a most practical talk on soil fertility in its many ramifications. Special emphasis was placed by the speaker on pasture improvement. Officers who contributed to the programme included the following: Halton farmers and respective crops on which they had conducted demonstrations—Geo. Atkins, Bronte, Bidd-Up Test with Oats, Craig Head, Georgetown, Top Dressing Pasture with Commercial Fertilizers, John Herd, Georgetown, Hybrid Corn and Oat Varieties, Addison T. Woodley, Milton, Orchard Grass, Seed Production and Hybrid Corn; Jack Hamilton, Freeman, Hybrid Corn, Edwin Harrop, Milton, on Pasture Mixtures. The programme also included an excellent film entitled "Green Pastures" which was presented through the courtesy of Canadian Industries Limited.

Plans were made to hold the Annual County Seed Fair at Milton on March 19th and 20th. Dr. O. I. Christie, President of the O.A.C. is to be the guest speaker.

The election of officers for 1943 resulted as follows—President, Edwina Harrop, Vice-President, A. T. Woodley, Secretary-Treasurer, J. E. Whitelock, Director, Trifalcar, V. J. Lawrence, Cecil Lawrence, J. H. Willmott, V. Hall, Nelson Tap—W. E. Breckon, A. T. Woodley, R. B. Heastrington, Equipping Tap—T. J. Brownridge, Robt. Miller, M. T. McHabb, Namasagway Tap—J. E. Eilerton, A. Service, Ross Gordon, Erin and Eramosa—A. Brackhamer.

#### FARM MECHANICS COURSES LARGELY ATTENDED

The series of Farm Mechanics Courses sponsored by the Halton Agricultural War Service Committee in co-operation with the local branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, were an unqualified success at the various centres where held. Unfortunately weather conditions made it necessary to postpone courses planned for several centres. Courses are being held during the current week, namely Tuesday and Wednesday, and Thursday and Friday respectively. As a result of numerous inquiries an additional course is being planned for Action, at Norton's Garage, on February 23rd and 24th.

The response at the 260 centres in the Province where courses are being held, has surpassed all expectations. While slightly over 50 were in attendance on both dates at the courses held in Nelson Township Hall, reports of attendance exceeding the 100 mark are prevalent from a number of centres.

#### "MRS. MINIVER" COMES TO GREGORY THEATRE FOR TWO NIGHTS

Not only movie fans but citizens generally will be interested in the coming to Georgetown this week of the screen adaptation of Jan Struther's novel, "Mrs. Miniver", in which Greer Garson and Walter Pidgeon are teamed. This picture will be the attraction for both Wed. and Thurs. nights, February 17 and 18 at the Gregory theatre here.

It is the story of an English woman of the middle classes and her family, facing the terrors of war on the home front and carrying on life with valor in the face of air raids, attacks, grief and peril.

The story is laid in an English village. Miss Garson and Pidgeon are husband and wife, with a son in college. He joins the R. A. F. Pidgeon with other older men help at the rescue at Dunkirk. There are raid alarms, touching human episodes, finally a raid that wrecks the village, but the villagers, in their wrecked church, listen to the words of their vicar, and continue to carry on with faith in the future.

Miss Garson has a role that is inspiring and poignant, and Pidgeon typifies the sturdy spirit of the average Britisher. The story points out the growth of a democratic spirit under war trials. The young romance is in the hands of Teresa Wright, who is beautiful as well as a clever actress, and Richard Ney.