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Georgetown Lumber Co. Mill Guttled by \$15,000 Blaze Victory Loan Should Reach Objective by Week-end

Fire Discovered by Night Constable Had Made Considerable Headway

The largest blaze to occur in town since the burning of the O'NEILL block twenty-one years ago, made a charred ruin of the main building of the Georgetown Lumber Co. early this morning, with damage estimated at \$15,000. The loss is only partially covered by insurance.

The fire was discovered by Night Constable Fordyce and the alarm turned in at about 10 minutes to 4 this morning. The fire is still of undetermined origin, but by the time the Fire Brigade arrived at the scene, it had quickly caught onto the main building, and framework of the building, to make it one blazing inferno from end to end. Luckily some rain had fallen during the night to dampen the shingles on nearby houses and buildings, endangered by the showers of sparks carried many feet into the air. They fell all around the Church of England, which is located on a hill some little distance from the burning building. Although unable to save any of the building and machinery, the fire brigade used two lines of hose to concentrate on the front of the structure, and succeeded in keeping fire from spreading to the separate building close by which is the office and lumber storehouse of the Company.

The firemen were still using the hose on the completely gutted building this morning at 10 o'clock. All the machinery, carpentry tools, large saw, and wood in process of manufacture were destroyed. The scarcity of lumber and labour has made the complete destruction of this valuable building a sad loss to a thriving war and industrial centre like Georgetown, as well as to the owners.

Mrs. Leonard Watson is Eighty-nine

DOES HER OWN HOUSEKEEPING AND GARDENING.

Remarkably active, and in good health, Mrs. Leonard Watson, Maple Avenue, who quietly celebrated her 89th birthday on October 22nd, was in the midst of "papering and painting" several rooms in her large frame house, when we called on her last week.

Mrs. Watson lives alone and does all her own housekeeping. She takes a great interest in her garden. "I sold a thousand boxes of raspberries last summer," she said, and will she may be proud, for she cultivated and pruned the large berry patch all by herself. Mrs. Watson likes to keep busy, claiming that is one of the reasons she is so well today. An adherent of the United Church, she lives too far away to get out to the services, but finds great inspiration in sermons broadcast over the radio.

Mrs. Watson was born in Limehouse, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Malatt Lane. Fifty-six years ago she married Leonard Watson, and for many years they farmed in Wasagoyas, just outside of Rockwood. In 1912, they retired from the farm, when they came to live in Georgetown. Mr. Watson died eight years ago.

Mrs. Watson has three nieces and one nephew. Mrs. Fred Sinclair, Georgetown, Mrs. Robbins, Toronto, and Lieut. Nursing Sister Helen Lane, now serving overseas. One nephew, John Lane, lives in Hamilton.

Deputy Dist. Governor Ross Clemens, Hamilton at Lions Club Dinner

The McO'Brien House was the scene of a gala dinner meeting when 60 Lions from Zone 8 met to receive the Deputy District Governor, Lion Ross Clemens, of Hamilton. Lion Chief Ralph Ross of the Georgetown Club was in the chair, and after toasting the King extended a warm welcome to the visiting Lions who came from the six other clubs in the Zone: Hamilton, Dundas, Burlington, Oakville, Port Credit, and Brantford.

Lion Ed. Capps of the Brantford Club acted as Lion Turner for the evening, and led in community singing, a highlight of which was the rendering of "Hear those Lions Roar" by the Georgetown Club Lion Ron Stewart, also of Brantford, was accompanied. Lion Alf Whitaker, President of the Oakville Club took over the duties of Tall Twister and extolled some of the coin of the realm for Lions' misdeeds.

Chief Ross then introduced Deputy District Governor, Lion Ross Clemens, who gave a very encouraging and also inspiring address. Lion Clemens has been a Lion for 22 years, and is also well-known throughout O.H.A. circles having been on the Executive for a number of years. The District Governor spoke on "Fighting on the Home Front as Lions," taking the Four Freedoms as the basis of his remarks. He also drew the Lions' attention to post-war planning and to the alarming increase in child delinquency. He cited many ways in which Lions Clubs were helping and could help in post-war work, and in taking our children off the streets and in a small way helping them to become better citizens.

Lion Bill Long moved a vote of thanks to the speaker.

The Lion Chief then called upon members from the various clubs for a few words, and those who addressed the gathering were: Lion Murray Williamson, Dundas; Lion George Dawson, Hamilton; Lion M. Milne, Burlington; Lion A. Whitaker, Oakville; Lion T. Bayley, Port Credit; Lions P. B. Hutchinson and Arthur Deane, Brantford.

Guests of the evening were: Lions Brown, Hamilton; Murray Williamson, George Austin, J. D. Fleming, R. W. Smith, Dundas; P. B. Hutchinson, Frank Richardson, Arthur Deane, Doc Bartlett, Earl Sanborn, C. S. Patterson, Gordon Vivian, Ron Hewitt, Brantford; T. S. Bayley, Alfred Ward, Port Credit; Mavis Milne, P. C. Milne, Burlington; Alf Whitaker, C. Davis, Vince Berry, Art Mickelzin, Oakville.

HARTLEY-CLEAVE WEDDING IN KNOR CHURCH

Frosted cedar trees and pink 'mums' made a beautiful setting in Knor Presbyterian Church for the wedding on Saturday afternoon of Dorothy Walker Cleave, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cleave, to Joseph Edwin Hartley, only son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hartley, Milton. Rev. C. C. Cochrane officiated. The wedding music was played by Mrs. R. Paul, and Mrs. William G. Potts, Toronto, sang. Given in marriage by her father the bride wore a gown of white broad satin. The front of the gown was puffed and tapered to a scalloped peplum. Her fingertip veil fell from a heart-shaped halo and she carried a white Bible with cascade of white orchids and bouvardia. Mrs. Hyatt McClure, Brantford, cousin of the bride, as matron of honor, was gowned in heaven blue georgette with lace inserts. Her veil of blue net was caught with white gardenias. The groomsmen were Gordon Hume, Milton, and the ushers were Cedric Harrop, Milton, and William G. Potts, Toronto.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Sunday School room of the church, at which the bride's mother received wearing rose crepe with black accessories and corsage of pink roses, assisted by the groom's mother, who chose green crepe with brown accessories and corsage of coral roses. The room was prettily decorated in pink and white, the head table being set against a background of ferns. Seventy-five guests sat down to the wedding supper at tables carrying out the pink-and-white motif on which white candles tied with white ribbon were lit.

For travelling to eastern Ontario, the bride wore a suit tailored in navy blue with grey top coat and navy accessories. Upon their return, Mr. and Mrs. Hartley will reside on the groom's farm, R. R. No. 6, Milton.

Guests were present from Toronto, Brantford, Burlington, Milton, Campbellville, Preston, Oshawa and Erin.

Canadian Legion Purchases Victory Bond

GRANTS TO POPPY FUND, CHRISTMAS TREE FUND AND PRIZES TO HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS.

The regular monthly meeting of Branch 120 Canadian Legion was held on Thursday evening last with Comrade J. P. McCartney in the chair. After the minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted, a letter from Mr. Walter Carpenter, Principal of the High School, was read and the Legion voted \$500 towards the purchase of a prize to be awarded at the school.

Comrade Kelly has been appointed as auditor, replacing our late Comrade Wm. Grant, and Comrade Fred Armstrong was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Trustees Board.

After the report by our treasurer, Comrade Wm. Roney, it was unanimously approved that the Trustees purchase an additional Victory Bond.

A donation was voted to the Poppy Fund and a further donation was voted to the Christmas Tree Fund. Due to increased membership it was pointed out that additional funds would be required this year for the children of our comrades both in Canada and Overseas.

The yearly "let together" of the Legion and the Ladies Auxiliary will be held Friday evening, November 5th, at 7:30 p.m. A chicken supper will be served followed by a concert, with out of town talent providing the entertainment. All members of the Ladies Auxiliary and Legion members are requested to attend this annual gathering.

It was decided by the meeting that the local branch subscribe to the Legionary Magazine, official organ of the Legion for use of the local members in the club rooms. Several new members were admitted to the Branch, bringing the total membership of this branch to 125 strong.

At the last Zone meeting held at Milton it was decided to make a presentation to Past Zone Commanders of a gift for services rendered. President McCartney was appointed to purchase these. During the meeting the President passed around for inspection by members, two beautiful silver cigarette cases, suitably engraved and carrying the Legion crest. These gifts will be presented along with an illuminated address to two past Zone Commanders Col G. B. S. Coates, Zone Commander will make the presentation at a later date.

31 boys, sons of members, received 300 cigarettes each last month from the Cigarette Fund of the branch and cards of acknowledgment are received daily from soldiers overseas. It was noted that several of these cards bore the signature of men on active service not known in this district and when brought to the attention of the meeting, Comrade Stafford, a return man from this war, explained that cigarettes received from Canada are pooled so as to be evenly divided among the troops, and he explained that was the reason for names appearing on the cards not being known here.

After paying due respects to our departed comrades the meeting closed by singing "God Save the King."

Legion Notes

The main cheers of welcome to the Comrades entering the club rooms by those present: "TAKE YOUR HAT OFF".

Hair Grower or Hair Restorer is in great demand in the Club Rooms these days since the new order compelling members to remove their hats in the club rooms. Several "bald spots" are conspicuous and only a few days have elapsed since the order and members seem to like it better than wearing a hat or cap.

Comrade E. R. McOill is home on 14 days' furlough with his family on Church St.

Comrade J. Flannery of the Fergus Branch and Mr. Fred Crouse paid a visit to the Club Rooms on Tuesday.

Congratulations to Comrade Ed. Beerman who is now a "granddad". Ed. is one of the old members of the branch and has seen service with the 76th and 1st. Batt. Overseas.

Five members from Thistletown paid a visit to the Legion last week. Those in the party were: J. Waterworth, President, C. V. Humphries, Secy., Comrades Busby, Sgt. Fingley and Sgt. Cooks.

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Extra Effort Needed to Push Loan Sales Over the Top

THE WEATHER

(By H. L. Hall)

With the passing of October we say a sad farewell to the beautiful fall days and the glorious color pictures all about us as the leaves on the trees matured. Now the trees are bare and citizens have the leaves problem on their minds again. In the minds of most people, burning seems to be the only solution, but now that they are worked with rains how much easier they could be salvaged in a compost heap to bring their leaves to your heap and be handing them out to be used in return.

Notwithstanding the long spell of fine weather we had in October the average daily temperature 47.7 was only about half a degree above normal, and the total rainfall 2.27" was slightly more than a quarter of an inch below normal.

Following are local records for the week:

Date	H and L	Precipitation
Tues. Oct. 26	50 33	
Wed. Oct. 27	44 32	Snow 25- Rain 44-
Thur. Oct. 28	44 41	Rain 11"
Fri. Oct. 29	54 41	
Sat. Oct. 30	48 33	
Sun. Oct. 31	43 33	
Mon. Nov. 1	54 35	

Our word "alligator" comes from the Spanish "el lagarto," meaning lizard, since early Spanish explorers believed these creatures to be gigantic lizards.

The Victory Loan Campaign is going very well indeed, and if there is no let-up in effort, the prospects of achieving our goal by the end of the week are good," stated Chairman of Sales, K. M. Langston, when interviewed by the press Wednesday morning.

After what seemed to be a lagging effort even to the middle of last week, this report is encouraging, and indicative of the fact the citizens in Georgetown and vicinity are trying to do their utmost for the army, navy and airforce, so that victory may be ours sooner than it otherwise would be.

Of our 370,000 objective in this Fifth Victory Loan, \$238,000 exclusive of payroll savings, had been subscribed by close of business Tuesday night. The salesmen deserve no small amount of credit for this. All are doing an excellent job, and we present below totals of their sales to date: Hedley Shaw, \$22,600; Wm. Deane, \$15,750; Freeman Kerney, \$12,000; George Brown, \$70,300; W. H. Clegg, \$30,000; W. A. Wilson, \$14,200. The Bank of Commerce sales to Tuesday night totalled \$117,300, with other bank units still to be heard from.

Yes, we're doing well, but we can still do better. Keep up the momentum until the end of the week, and when the Victory Loan closes on Saturday, here's hoping Georgetown and Esquimaux will be well over the top.

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Soldiers' Comforts Committee Send Gifts to 275 Overseas

Mother of Mrs. W. Long Passes in 76th Year

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. William Long, whose mother, Jane Moorehead Wier, wife of the late James Scott Wallace, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Wilson, Waterloo Township, on Thursday, October 28th. The late Mrs. Wallace was in her 76th year.

Mrs. Wallace lived for several years with her daughter, Mrs. Wilson, when with her daughter at Ashgrove, and as well known to many people in Georgetown as well, having frequently visited with Mrs. Long. Several friends from town and district attended the funeral on Sunday, October 31st. Interment was in Glen Morris Cemetery.

The late Mrs. Wallace is mourned by two daughters, and one son, Mrs. William Long, Georgetown, Mrs. George Wilson, Waterloo Township, and Mr. Norman Wallace, Glen Morris. Also surviving are 2 brothers, one sister and 6 grandchildren.

LORNE SCOTS W. A. SEND 22 CHRISTMAS PARCELS OVERSEAS

The Lorne Scots W. A. have already sent eighty-two Christmas parcels overseas to men of the Lorne Scots, and plan to send similar Christmas boxes to members of the Lorne Scots still in Canada, in the near future. Included in the parcels were: Christmas cake, chewing gum, socks, soap, Noxema, shaving cream, toothpaste, writing paper and envelopes, towel and wash cloth, razor blades and cigarettes.

Looking forward to the next shipment of cigarettes to the boys, the W. A. held a bingo at the home of Mrs. William Taylor last Thursday evening, the proceeds of which went to the aforementioned fund. Thirty-one members were present.

BLUE MOUNTAIN SCHOOL HOLDS SOCIAL FOR RED CROSS

On Thursday evening, October 28th, Blue Mountain School sponsored a dance in aid of the Red Cross. Music was provided by Fisher's Orchestra. During the evening a lucky ticket on a quilt donated by the ladies of Ward 5 was drawn and won by Mrs. W. A. Wilson of Georgetown. Muriel Ellis drew the ticket. Proceeds from these tickets amounted to 30.00, door receipts \$41.00. The teacher at the Blue Mountain School is Miss Betty Macdonald of Glen Sandfield, Otagovary.

The family of the Georgetown Soldiers' Comforts Organization grows larger each time it is their pleasure to send gifts to them. They have just completed a list of 275 names and have sent the following: 31 boxes Smiles & Chuckles to non-smokers; 241 lots (of 300 Sweet Caps) to the smokers and one pound of tobacco (cigarette papers included) to 3 prisoners-of-war. Their "family" is made up of men and women overseas on the sea, and in Newfoundland who are serving their King and Country by land, sea and air, who come from the homes of Georgetown, Glen Williams, Norval, Stewarttown, Limehouse and the surrounding countryside.

The following letter is typical of the many they receive: "Dear Folks: I, as one of the boys of the best town and home in the world wish here to express my thanks for cigarettes received which not only show that we are not forgotten, but let us know that we shall some day be welcomed back to our happy home". They have had letters from all parts of the British Isles, Ceylon, Gibraltar, British North Africa, Sicily and Germany, and the boys are all of one opinion, that the Soldiers' Comforts Committee are doing a grand job, and they don't overlook to add, "Keep it up".

The Committee wants to thank the Herald for sponsoring their fund, those who have helped them with their long list of addresses and you who have been so generous with your donations, and on behalf of the boys want to extend to you all a wish that will soon be reasonable, a "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

CHURCH OF ENGLAND ENDORSES REFUGEE PETITION

At both St. George's and St. Alban's last Sunday, the Rector laid before the people the action of the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada regarding refugees, inviting all of eighteen years or over to sign it. Following is the resolution and the petition:

"That this General Synod having due regard to the suffering of the millions of unhappy people, victims of religious and political persecution in Europe, earnestly entreat the Government of Canada (a) to offer the sanctuary of Canada to such refugees without regard to race, creed or condition and, (b) in particular to take immediate steps to facilitate the entry of some of them (especially those in still possible to save; and (c) that the operation of the present immigration laws be suspended to permit this action."

Delegation from Women's Institute at Council Meeting

PUBLIC LAVATORY TO BE OPENED IN MUNICIPAL BUILDING, D. R. O'S. AND POLL CLERKS ARE APPOINTED.

A delegation from the Women's Institute composed of Mrs. Dan Livingstone, Mrs. Norman Snyder, Mrs. R. T. Paul, Mrs. E. R. Robertson and Mrs. W. O. McDowell, waited on Council at their regular session on Monday night, to discuss the establishment of a public lavatory in the municipal building. Mayor Gibbons, Reeve Brown, and Councillors MacDonald, Hall, Bradley, Thompson and Lyons were present, and problems relating to the providing of said public convenience were discussed. Mayor Gibbons pointed out that the biggest stumbling block was the caretaking. The ladies said they fully realized the difficulties of obtaining help at this time, and further stated they would bring before the members of the Women's Institute at their next meeting a proposal whereby the organization would undertake to see that the room was properly looked after both in the matter of cleanliness and supplies, until such time as council could procure the services of a general caretaker. Council was unanimously in favour of this arrangement and decided that the existing facilities in the municipal building be opened to the use of the public.

Council decided that Night Constable Fordyce could dispatch his duties more efficiently without using the town truck.

Among the correspondence dealt with was a letter from the Kitchener Council with regard to the way in which liquor restrictions were being handled. They asked Council to endorse a resolution to be forwarded to the Federal Government, petitioning for a more equitable distribution. Several members felt that the unfair way in which beer is being rationed was the cause of much unnecessary absenteeism from war plants, because a man had to take a half day, and sometimes a whole day off, if he wanted to make sure of making a purchase. It was agreed to endorse the resolution and send a copy of it to the Liquor Control Board, as well as to the Federal Government.

A letter from Crown Attorney W. I. Dick, Milton, regarding the repression of illegal slot machines, was filed, because Chief Marshall reported that there were none of these machines in operation in Georgetown.

Council acceded to the written request of A. Graham Farnall, present Hydro Commissioner, to be granted leave of absence from the Board while he is on Active Service. He was accepted as a member of the R. C. A. P. on October 5th.

A request from Mr. Walter Carpenter, Principal of Georgetown High School, that Council grant \$500 as a prize to pupils for academic standing, was tabled.

Deputy Returning Officers and Poll Clerks for the municipal election to be held on December 8th were appointed as follows:

Ward I: Poll Clerk, George Alcott; Deputy Returning Officer, Harry Stockford, Place, Town Hall.

Ward II: Poll Clerks: D. B. Harley, J. Ritchie; Deputy Returning Officers, T. Grievie, Robert Erwin. Place of voting to be designated.

Ward III: Poll Clerks: Mrs. P. Petch and Mrs. R. Barber; Deputy returning Officers, George Doosan and George Arnold. Place of voting was changed to the Municipal Building instead of the Library.

Nomination meeting will be held in the Library.

The committee appointed to deal with the Arena made their report. So far they have not obtained a manager for the Arena, and once again it was emphasized that they have full authority to act in this matter without consulting Council. A number of repairs to the building are to be made.

The following accounts were passed:

Nov. 8th Payment	\$ 32.10
W. R. Robinson, Sts.	1457.91
H. M. Dewar, Court Costs	14.00
Richardson Hardware	2.45
Jos. Gibbons, selecting Jurors	3.00
W. G. Marshall	3.00
P. B. Harrison	3.00
Dr. C. V. Williams	10.00
R. J. Lovell Co.	2.43
Halton County Park	10.50
J. Schultz, Sts.	43.05
Canada Valve & Hydrant Co.	18.87
Bell Telephone Co.	23.38
Frost Steel & Wire Co.	33.83
P. B. Harrison, misc.	12.88
Frederic Sinclair, Town truck	31.85
Robt. Lane Sts.	3.00
Hydro Electric	92.87
Scott's Garage, Sts.	42.00

HALTON MUTUAL FIRE INS. CO. BRING VICTORY LOAN INVESTMENTS TO \$144,444

The Halton Mutual Fire Insurance Company at their meeting at Acton on October 26th, 1943, invested \$10,000 in the Fifth Victory Loan, making a total of \$144,444 invested by the Company to date.