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BROTHERS MEET AFTER ABSENCE OF 30 YEARS



Able Seaman Charles Harlow, Royal Navy and Joseph Harlow, of Brantford, guests of their brother, Herb Harlow, Georgetown, last week.

REUNION AFTER THIRTY YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Harlow, of George Street, had as their guests for a few days last week, Able Seaman Charles Harlow of the Royal Navy, and Joseph Harlow, of Brantford. This was the first reunion of the three brothers in 30 years. Able Seaman Charles Harlow enlisted in the Royal Navy in England in 1914. Veteran of two wars, he served on the battleship *Wasp* in the First Great War. In this war his ship has been torpedoed three times and he was in the water five hours before being rescued. He has played a very important part in this war and seen service in the Mediterranean, China Sea, Red Sea, Indian Ocean and the Adriatic Sea.

Able Seaman Harlow has helped in the transfer of soldiers by motor boat to the shores of Dieppe and Sicily, and has been on convoy duty. During his 30 years in the Royal Navy he has seen service practically the world over. He has been awarded medal after medal and is the proud possessor of 13 medals for valor while in the navy. Speaking to the Herald reporter he stated that when he shook hands with his brother, Herb Harlow (Secretary of the local Legion branch) in England 30 years ago, he did not expect to be attached to the Royal Navy for such a long period. He stated that he enjoys the life aboard a cruiser or destroyer and the places visited all over the world are something to talk about.

While in Georgetown Able Seaman Charles Harlow, Joseph of Brantford and Herb of Georgetown, were renewing acquaintances at the Legion Club rooms. After spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Herb Harlow, Able Seaman Charles Harlow left for Jersey City, N.Y., to rejoin his ship.

BOYS' BAND NET \$31.00 FROM TAG DAY

A very successful Tag Day to swell the funds of Georgetown's newly organized Boys' Citizens' Band was held last Saturday, with proceeds amounting to \$31.00. Mr. Joe Carter, Mr. Walter Carpenter, and Dr. Clifford Reid were the committee in charge of the event, assisted by the following taggers: Margaret Sargent, Nan Brown, Doreen Mulholland, Pauline Norion, Theresa Curtis, Violet Shepherd, Kathleen Thompson, Grace Walter, Margaret May, Eileen Grace, Betty Law. In charge wish to convey their gratitude to Mrs. T. Orieve for her valuable help.

CARD OF THANKS

The Corner Family wish to thank their many friends, relatives and neighbors for their kind expressions of sympathy and for their beautiful floral offerings, especially thanking Mrs. A. O. W. Foreman for his condoling words during their recent bereavement. They also wish to thank Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Wrigglesworth for their assistance.

I.O.D.E. Met at Home of Mrs. W. G. O. Thompson

The Countess of Strathmore Chapter, I. O. D. E. held their regular monthly meeting at the home of the Honorary Regent, Mrs. W. G. O. Thompson, last Monday evening.

Outstanding among the reports of various committees, was the report of Mrs. R. F. Barber, War Services Convener, on the Marathon Bridge recently held, which netted the War Service Fund \$108.15. Another report which proved most satisfactory was that presented by Mrs. Arthur Beaumont on the Christmas boxes and shipment of used clothing sent to the Chapter's adopted school in Haliburton. There were 230 articles in the clothing shipment, of which 117 were for babies and children. These latter were most urgently needed. Mrs. H. C. Wrigglesworth, wool convener, sent in a report stating that five turtle-neck sweaters had been turned over to the Red Cross.

Among the correspondence were several cards and a letter from the Chapter's adopted ship, gratefully acknowledging the receipt of gifts and cigarettes from the Chapter.

Mrs. Graham Farnell was appointed Treasurer, to replace Mrs. J. R. Barber until the end of the Chapter's year. A discussion arose as to ways and means of replenishing the General Fund before Christmas, and it was unanimously decided that each member be asked to contribute 50c more or less to this cause, with the money to be left with Mrs. Walter Biehn at the Herald Office.

At the conclusion of the business, the hostesses for the evening, Mrs. J. D. Kelly, Mrs. Graham Farnell and Mrs. Walter Biehn, served refreshments.

HALTON GARAGE OPERATORS MEET AT OAKVILLE

About fifty members and guests sat down to a chicken dinner when the annual meeting of the Halton Branch of the Garage Operators was held at Oakville Inn, on Tuesday evening, December 7th. Mr. Fred Sinclair, of Georgetown, the 1st Vice President was in the chair.

Mr. E. J. Wadham, managing editor of Garage Operator of Toronto was guest speaker of the evening and gave a very interesting and instructive talk on post war problems concerning the trade.

Mr. Jim Clarke, president of Toronto Branch conducted election of officers for 1944 resulting as follows: President - Fred Sinclair, Georgetown; 1st Vice President, Dick McDuffie, Milton; 2nd Vice President, Jack Ribble, Oakville; Secretary, Frank Tuck, Nelson; Treasurer, Arthur Benyon, Limehouse; Directors: Ted Tyler, Wm. Norton, Acton; Jack Cain, Art Scott, Georgetown; George Dolby, Jordan Bridgen, Milton; Len McKindley, Fred Petrie, Burlington; Ken Johnson, Vern Dynes, Oakville.

Clover Seed Prices are Explained

Official Ceiling Prices on all Exports and Domestic Sales

Recent statements in the press and over the radio have given the impression in some quarters that, except for the domestic retail price, there is no ceiling on clover seeds. Seed dealers point out that this impression is entirely incorrect. There is an official ceiling on domestic graded seed sold to the consumer, and there is also an export ceiling price. All the main clover seeds, including Red and Alsike, were placed under rigid control last Fall, and maximum export prices for the various grades were established.

There is no ceiling price on seed sold by farmers to dealers, as has been frequently stated in recent weeks, but once this seed is turned over to the dealer it is immediately subject to control. Prices to be paid exporters by the Government have been fixed at \$14.40 per bushel for Alsike, and \$16.20 per bushel for Red Clover, for top quality seed delivered at Halifax. These prices seedsmen point out, are for the very highest grades, lower qualities being fixed in proportion. These prices must cover all costs of assembling, cleaning, transportation, bagging, labeling and other expenses.

In former years the export clover seed provided a substantial revenue for the Canadian seed trade but that revenue, outside a small nominal handling charge established by the authorities, has completely disappeared so far as the exporter is concerned. The export prices as established by the Federal authorities are all that the seed trade will be paid. All profits obtained by the Government export agency above these prices will go to the farmer through the system of Participation Certificates established last Fall. On all primary cleaned seed sold to an authorized dealer Participation Certificates are given the grower and any profits made by the Export Board will be divided among the growers on the basis of these Certificates.

Henry Smith, Life-long Glen Williams Resident Dies in 81st Year

Henry Smith, life-long resident of Glen Williams, and son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, Glen Williams, died in Guelph General Hospital on Saturday, December 11th, after a short illness. He was in his 81st year.

The late Mr. Smith was head mechanic at Creelman's for 40 years, until he retired 16 years ago. He married the former Isobel Cameron, Acton, in 1889. Mr. Smith was a member of St. Alban's Church of England, Glen Williams, and during his lifetime was a staunch Conservative in politics.

He leaves to mourn his passing, his widow and three daughters and two sons: Mrs. B. Mino (Clara), Guelph; Mrs. A. E. Rodd (Hazel), Chaplin Saak, Bert and George Smith, and Mrs. Fred Gilmer (Jennie), all of Georgetown.

Venerable W. G. O. Thompson conducted the funeral service on Monday, December 13th, at 2 o'clock. Pall bearers were Messrs Joseph McMenemy, Matthew Beaumont, and Robert Clark, all of Glen Williams; Thomas Sykes, Georgetown, Thomas Bland, Toronto, and Ben Young, Brampton.

The beautiful floral tributes were much appreciated, and among them were wreaths from: Mother, Jennie, Clara, George and Family; Mary and Family; Provincial Paper Mills Ctg. Division; Employees Provincial Paper Mills.

Margaret Ann Corner Buried in Georgetown

Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 1st, for Margaret Ann Austin, wife of the late James Allan Corner, who died Thursday following an illness of several months. In her 78th year. Although born near Oshawa, Mrs. Corner has lived in Esquewaux Township for about fifty years and has been a resident of Stewarttown village for the past 23 years, where she has been an active member of the Esquewaux Women's Institute. She was a Methodist. She is survived by two sons, James at home, and Austin, and two granddaughters of Caledon district, also two stepdaughters, Mrs. Kindree of Nanticoke and Mrs. Darby of Aberfoyle. The pallbearers were three grandsons, Allan Darby, of Hamilton, John Kindree, of Hamilton, Clifford Kindree, of Hamilton, Walter Lawson, Ross Thompson and Lorne Murray of Stewarttown. Interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown.

Those from a distance who attended the funeral were Mrs. Margaret Wilson, Mrs. Allan Rennie, of Hamilton, Mrs. Kindree of Nanticoke, Mrs. Darby of Aberfoyle, and Mr. Thomas Shephard of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Miller, Mrs. H. C. Heaslop and Mr. Earl Foster all of Milton.

A greater proportion of Canadian Army Officers now come from candidates with Overseas service, some of whom will be trained in England, some in Canada.

Eva Harding Bride of Clifford Kenney

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harding, Guelph St., was the scene of a pretty wedding Saturday afternoon, December 11th, when their only daughter, Eva Gertrude, became the bride of Clifford L. Kenney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kenney, of Ballinacree, Rev. J. E. Ostrom, pastor of Georgetown Baptist Church, officiated at the ceremony.

The home was tastefully decorated for the occasion with flowers and wedding bells, and the bride, given in marriage by her father, was attired in rose crepe dress with black accessories and wore a corsage of red roses. Her only attendant was Miss Jean Harley, who wore a green crepe dress with black accessories, and a corsage of yellow roses. The best man was Mr. Ernest McEnery, of Ballinacree.

A reception was held following the ceremony. Mrs. Harding, wearing rose printed silk with a corsage of white mums, was assisted by the groom's mother, who wore a light blue dress and a corsage of yellow mums, in receiving the guests.

Later the happy couple left for points east, and on their return will make their home in Georgetown.

Active Service Notes

LAC R. Norman Davidson is now serving with the RCAP in the Central Mediterranean Force.

Tpr. Joe Hall has left for Georgetown to a cable recently received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hall. Cnr. Ray Harley has been transferred from Toronto to New Glasgow, N. S.

Word was received by Mrs. R. Kerr, of Norval, from her son, Pte. Aubrey Kerr, that he had landed safely in North Africa.

Word has been received by his parents, that Sgt. Albert Reeve is now in Italy. It has been seven weeks since they last heard from their son who is with the Perth Regiment.

Word has been received of the arrival of Pte. Jack Hemphill in Italy. Pte. Hemphill has been overseas two years with No. 7 Lt. Fld. Ambulance (RCAMC).

Lance-Corporal Fred Ballantine, of Otter Point, B.C., has returned to his station after spending a two-week leave with his parents, Col. and Mrs. James Ballantine.

LAC and Mrs. George Gilmer have returned from Calgary, where LAC Gilmer has been stationed for the past few months. George has been transferred to the training centre at Jarvis.

We were very pleased to receive a Christmas card from Pte. Reginald Hoare, overseas with the Queen's York Rangers, last week. In addition to wishing The Herald the Season's Greetings, Reg. adds, "I'm still receiving The Herald quite regularly and find it very pleasant to read all the news of home. Please print in the

Pipes and Pipers in the News In Two Different Stories

THE WEATHER

We may congratulate ourselves on having had an unusually long open fall this year. There has been little excuse for not getting all the fall plowing done.

But when winter did come she came with a rush. On a 40 miles an hour gale from the North West last Friday night our first sub zero temperature arrived giving us a sudden shock, and some work for the plumbers in thawing out frozen waterpipes.

Following are the local records for the week:

Date	H and L	Snow-fall
Tues. Dec. 7	37 25	
Wed. Dec. 8	38 31	
Thurs. Dec. 9	39 34	
Fri. Dec. 10	35 26	25"
Sat. Dec. 11	15 -2	
Sun. Dec. 12	34 13	25"
Mon. Dec. 13	23 -5	

FIRE ON THE FARM OF J. J. THOMPSON

The driving house, hen house and garage on the farm of Mr. John J. Thompson, R. R. 3, Georgetown, were totally destroyed by fire last Saturday morning.

The blaze originated from the tractor in the driving house, and many valuable implements were destroyed. Mr. Thompson managed to get his car out from the garage and the chickens from the hen house without damage. The fire brigade was not called as it would have been impossible to check the blaze in time.

Navy League Annual Meeting

At the annual meeting and election of officers, held at the Public Library, Dec. 9th, of the Navy League of Canada, local branch, Clarence Bain was elected as chairman for the coming year. Other officers were: Honorary chairman, W. F. Bradley; vice-chairman, David Brill; secretary, Mrs. A. A. Schrag; treasurer, E. V. MacCormack; chairman of Ladies' Committee, Mrs. W. Mendham, whose assistant convenors elected were Mrs. Sam Mackenzie, as ditty bag convenor, and Mrs. S. Lyon as wool convenor; convenor for magazines, games and books, Rev. R. C. Todd. Mr. Brill volunteered to enquire for a regular meeting room, preferably downtown, as it was decided that the work required such meetings for the ladies' work had previously been held at Mrs. W. Mendham's home.

Reports from the various departments were very gratifying for the first year's work. The treasurer reported that \$1000.00 had passed through the books during the year, which included: receipts and donations, \$130.10; tag day collections, \$123.65; canvass, \$520.23 and amount received from headquarters, \$226.01. Expenses were: wool purchases, \$238.07; general expenses, \$18.00; disbursements to headquarters, \$201.40 and a bank balance of \$549.00.

The report from the Ladies' Committee, under the convener Mrs. Mendham, showed an active year's work and a successful one with assistance of individuals and organizations of Georgetown and district, for which the local branch thanks them. Shipments included: 504 new knitted wool articles; 134 ditty bags; 225 articles of used clothing for survivors' bundles as well as one gramophone with 75 records. A total of \$101.94 was collected at regular work meetings and expenses were \$99.91, with the balance used for shipping. An estimate of one and a half tons of magazines, games and books were shipped to headquarters during the past year.

Many thanks go to Mrs. Mendham and her small group of assistants who have worked hard to present such a gratifying report for the first year of the Navy League in Georgetown. The Ladies' ripped, washed and remade many of the used articles and not one piece of used material was wasted, if anything could be made from it.

stantial balance is on hand with which to start the new year. Officers elected for 1944 are: President, Mrs. W. W. Thompson; vice-president, Mrs. F. Chisholm; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. M. J. Bussell; Dorcas Sec., Mrs. H. Bradley; Living Message Sec., Mrs. E. Price; Educational Sec., Mrs. F. Brain; Delegates, Mrs. R. Orr and Mrs. F. Wel-

LOCAL GIRL PIPERS SUPPLY INTEREST IN FOLLOWING ARTICLE

To say that Georgetown has something unique and different in a Girls' Pipe Band, is to say the least. Have you ever considered what might have happened to a girl in kilts 400 years ago? Well, as one Scot put it, she might have been stoned to death, if that was not considered too light a punishment. To every Scotman, and to every real Highlandman, the very thought of a girl in a kilt raises the blood pressure to that of a chameleon trying to cope with a tartan.

It is particularly galling to a Scot to see little girls taking part in dances at games, King George V, who knew that the kilt was a man's dress, disliked it intensely and gave orders that if little girls must dance at the Braemar Games they should be out of sight before he made his appearance.

So next time you hear our fair sex piping a tune along the main drag, just stop and consider what might have been in store for them had they been seen in kilts a few hundred years back.

And this brings us to our own stories for this week. We have been handed a clipping telling of the formation and success of the world-famed Dagenham Girl Pipers. No doubt the article was written prior to the war, but is none the less interesting. We quote:

Sixty young girls, of an average age of only sixteen years, are playing their way gall round the world and into the hearts of a dozen different nations. That, briefly, describes the international conquest of the Dagenham Girl Pipers, the only combination of its kind in the whole world, and the romantic sequel to an unambitious hobby that began in a Sunday School class eight years ago.

To-day, the fame of the Dagenham Girl Pipers is universal. In a year they travel over 30,000 miles, fulfilling as many as 260 engagements, playing, dancing, singing on private lawn and carnival field, at fetes and fairs, on cabaret floor and music-hall stage, and in the market-places of Europe and Scandinavia. Now they go to Germany and Denmark and Norway, to the West Indies, to the World Fair, New York, to the Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto, as well as to towns and villages throughout Britain.

But turn back the engagements-calendar, back to the years 1931 and 1930, when the pages were blank and a handful of unknown girls from working class homes on the London County Council's Housing Estate at Dagenham practised behind locked doors on pipe-broch, chanter and Highland bagpipes. What an idea! Whoever heard of girls playing bagpipes?

No one had—not until the Rev. J. W. Graves, B.D., Dagenham's first Congregational minister, had the idea that there was no reason why girls should not learn to play the pipes as well as boys. So, purely as a hobby and recreation, he formed a class of eleven and twelve-year-old girls from his Sunday School and engaged a pipemajor. For eighteen months the practices went on, virtually in secret, and in April, 1933, when the band had at-

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Thomas Learmont Passes in 88th Year

(Hornby Correspondent)

Again it is our sad duty to report the death of another of our oldest residents, in the person of Mr. Thomas Learmont, who passed away at the home of his son, Stanley, on Saturday afternoon last, Dec. 11th at Hornby. Mr. Learmont had spent practically all of his long life of eighty-seven years in this vicinity, and was highly respected by a large circle of neighbors and friends. He was always bright and cheerful, and though not in the best of health for many years, he never complained.

His wife predeceased him some eighteen years ago. He also suffered the loss of his only daughter, Mrs. Peter Stephens of Streetsville, with whom he made his home for some years. He is survived by his only son Stanley, for whom the sympathy of the community is felt in his great loss.

A private funeral service was held at his son's home on Tuesday afternoon, interment being made in Evergreen cemetery, Milton.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to convey our sincere thanks to our neighbours and friends for their beautiful floral tributes and expressions of sympathy extended to us in our recent and loss of a beloved mother and grandmother.

Mr. George Riddall and Family