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\$3300 Raised in Local Red Cross Drive to Date

MANY LARGE DONATIONS ARE RECEIVED.

Returns are flowing in to Red Cross Headquarters in Georgetown from the current campaign, as we go to press, and Mr. LeRoy Dale, Chairman of the drive for town and vicinity, states that the response has been most encouraging, with \$3300 raised or our \$4500 objective.

County Council doubled their donation to the drive within the county this year, with a grant of \$2000.00 in place of last year's \$500.00. Also listed among the list of large subscribers at present available are W. F. Bradley \$200.00; Howard Kentner, \$100; Sam Mackenzie, \$100; Ralph Ross, \$50; D.G.H. Wright, \$50; Howard May, \$25; Alex Noble, \$25; Alex McLaren, \$25; A. E. Cripps, \$25; Young Bachlors' Club, Norval, \$40.

The following amounts have been raised in the various wards to date: Ward 1, \$300; Ward 2, north of C.N.R. \$125; Ward 2, South of C.N.R., \$400; Ward 3, \$1000; Norval, \$500; Glen Williams (Village), \$385; Glen Williams (Bural), \$150; Stewarttown, \$350; Limehouse, \$140.

Space does not permit us to give the general organization set up but the list of canvassers will appear next week.

Active Service Notes

LAC Ernie Alcott of Brantford is home on furlough.

AC2 Leonard "Bus" Bell has been transferred from the west to Amprior, Ont.

LAW Elizabeth Coffin of Rockcliffe is spending a leave with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Coffin.

Cnr. John Hoare of the 1st Halifax Coast Bty., R.C.A., Halifax, N.S., is home on leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoare.

Pte. Reginald Blair is this week celebrating his 5th overseas birthday. He is now serving in Italy with the Princess Pats, and in his most recent letter home says he is keeping in exceedingly good health, and that he has met more boys from home there than all the time he was in England. The weather has been bad, and Reg says "Bunny Italy" is a joke—they haven't seen the sun for two weeks. Among the boys he has seen are Bill Collier and Pete Tost. He has just heard that his chum, Johnny Lawr is also in Italy, and he expressed the hope that he would see him soon.

Sgt. Pilot James Emmerson is now stationed at Lachine, Que. He had previously been in Halifax.

Pilot Officer Bob Charters Said Missing

Popular Brampton Boy Was Recently Awarded D.F.M. For Bravery

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Charters, Brampton, that their younger son, Pilot Officer Robert B. Charters, is "missing following recent air operations."

Pilot Officer Charters, popular Brampton boy, was last year awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal for heroic exploits over enemy territory and he was the guest of a small number of Canadian airmen honored by King George VI at Buckingham Palace.

Wounded in the chest while on a return trip from a bombing raid over Eem, in which—despite his weakened condition he landed his plane, he was recommended for the award. His citation told of the bomber continuing on its flight to Essen though one engine was over-heated and on the return trip, crossing the Dutch coast, was attacked by enemy fighters.

Mr. Charters had another experience while a flight sergeant in training in England. The plane which he was navigating was struck by lightning and burst into flames. The crew parachuted to safety. Just one year ago he was injured by German gunfire in the raid over Eem. Despite his injuries to his chest and arm he was able to make a crash landing in England. After a short period in hospital he returned to duty.

A pilot officer at twenty Bob enlisted in the R.C.A.P. on his 18th birthday and trained at No. 1 I.T.A. Toronto and at London and Fingal. He went overseas in May 1942 and was commissioned in September as a navigator.

Oakville had 82 applications for Police Chief of that town, and John P. Derry, of the Guelph force was hired and has taken over his new duties.

Esqueuing Township Council Meeting

Stewarttown March 6th 1944
Esqueuing Township Council held their regular meeting on Monday afternoon. Deputy-Reeve G. W. Murray, Councilors George E. Cleave, George Currie and Wm. A. Wilson were present. Reeve C. H. May presided. Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

A letter from Mr. George E. Elliott was read regarding an obstruction of road allowance on Town Line, between Esqueuing and Nassagaweya. Letter from Liquor Control Board in reply to enquiry re taking vote on Local Option in the Township.

The Reeve and Road Superintendent from Chingusousy attended the meeting in connection with the cost of work done on Town Line. Mr. Alex Noble and Rev. Colbrook addressed Council in connection with taking of a vote on Local Option. Mr. L. L. Skuce, Public School Inspector, addressed Council, giving information on Township School Areas, regarding increased Grants from \$100 to \$250, annually. The Clerk was instructed by Council to write the Secretary of each School Board, asking that a ratepayers meeting be held in each School Section.

Moved by Currie, seconded by Murray, that accounts be paid; Bell Telephone Co., services, \$5.85; H. A. Leaver, Audit fee for the year ended Dec. 31, 1943, \$200.00; R. J. Lovell Oo., Assessors supplies, \$18.25; Corporation of Aton, to half Clerk's and Bailiff fees during 1943, \$24.00; Rent of Town Hall, \$15.00; The Georgetown Herald, account to date, \$62.58. A. W. Benton, stamps 7.00.—Carried.

Moved by Wilson, seconded by Cleave that the Treasurer pay A. E. Wilson, Insurance Premium, Bond Renewal No. 29812 (K. C. Lindsay) to March 1st, 1945, \$40.00.—Carried.

Moved by Cleave, seconded by Wilson, that the Treasurer, Township of Nassagaweya, be paid 50 per cent of relief supplied to a family, \$26.72.—Carried.

Moved by Currie, seconded by Wilson, that the road accounts be paid, \$673.47.—Carried.

Moved by Cleave, seconded by Wilson, that leave be granted to introduce a By-law to fix the salary of the Clerk of the Township and that said By-law be now read a first time.—Carried.

Moved by Murray, seconded by Currie, that By-law No. 988 to fix the salary of the Clerk of the Township, having been read a first time be now read a second time and third time and passed and the seal of the corporation be attached thereto.—Carried.

Moved by Currie, seconded by Cleave, that this Council do now adjourn to meet April 3rd, at 2 p.m., or at the call of the Reeve.—Carried.

Large Clothing Shipment Sent To Britain

The first box of the year has been shipped to Mrs. Massey, London, England, from Mrs. Penison's Lunch Rooms. It weighed 346 pounds. Everything it contained will be gratefully appreciated by many people. Included were: new children's dresses, vests, panties, kimonos, etc., a bundle of prints which Mrs. Loud is making into little children's dresses to be enclosed in the next box, was all bought with cheques received from the sale of salvage fats and bones, collected by Mrs. Penison. Mr. Silver sent a box of lovely woollen bonnets, mitts, booties and berets. A cheque for \$5.26 has been forwarded by Mrs. Penison to the "Red Cross Society", Saint John, N. B. to cover ocean freight, and handling charges at the coast.

The many kind people in Georgetown and districts will be pleased to know how much their gifts have meant to people in England. A letter received by Mrs. Loud from Mrs. Massey reads in part as follows: "No words can express the gratitude I feel for all you and your family are doing to help the people here. The last consignment was wonderful—everything perfectly packed and listed. The Secretary of the Soldiers', Sailors', and Airmen's Families' Association, to whom, as you know, we send the clothing, tells me that they were put into immediate use. This is what she says: "All the clothes are what we are so urgently in need of to help us to meet the very many requests for things which come in all the time. Do tell Mrs. Loud, her family and friends how grateful we always are for their generous help."

Mrs. Penison and Mrs. Loud have only one request to make and that is to see that the clothing donated is clean and in good condition. The response to this cause has been truly heartening. The clothing may be left with Mrs. Penison at Penison's Fish and Chip Store, Main St., or at the home of Mrs. Loud, Main Street North.

Pte. Malcolm Brandford Married Saturday in Toronto

The wedding of Private James Malcolm Brandford elder son of Mr. and Mrs. George Brandford and Evelyn Reta Apperley daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Apperley Toronto, was solemnized at the parsonage of Hope United Church, Toronto, by the pastor, Reverend Curtis, on Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

The bride wore an afternoon dress of pale blue chiffon with corsage of pink roses and lily, and black accessories. She was attended by Miss Kay Trelford, Toronto, who chose a street-length dress of pink crepe with black accessories and corsage of pink roses. The groom's brother, Al George Brandford of Guelph was best man.

A reception was held at the bride's home following the ceremony. The groom's parents, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Eason, Jr., of Georgetown attended the wedding. Pte. and Mrs. Brandford are spending two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brandford, in town.

Agricultural Society Directors and Wives Guests of President

President Craig Reid, of the Esqueuing Agricultural Society, entertained the directors and their wives at a combined business and social evening at his home last Thursday evening. About thirty were present.

During the first part of the evening the lady directors and other ladies present were asked to revise the ladies section of the prize list for the 1944 fair, while the men met in a separate meeting. Miss Charlotte McCullough had charge of the ladies meeting.

Agricultural Representative J. E. Whitelock addressed the directors in regard to sponsoring a Buxing Corn Field Crop Competition. He announced that in addition to the government grant for field crop competition, the Esqueuing Improvement would also make a donation. Worthwhile prizes would be offered, but he suggested that seed be procured at once. After discussion the Society decided to sponsor this competition and it is hoped that a goodly number of farmers will avail themselves of this opportunity.

By way of encouraging the school children to take an even keener interest in the local fair, it was decided to ask the various school boards to put up prize money equal to that of the Society.

The Society expect to hold a social evening and dance in Norval Hall in the near future with proceeds going almost entirely to war work.

Following the meeting, a delicious lunch was served, after which cards were played until the "wee sma' hours."

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Cleave; Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Leslie; Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Wilson; Mr. and Mrs. Garfield McCullough; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Petch; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Brownridge; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Reid; Miss Charlotte McCullough; Miss Elsie Bird; Miss Marjorie Gault; Mr. and Mrs. Herb Cleave; Mr. James Fisher; Mr. W. J. Alexander; Mr. John Bird; Mr. Harvey Nurse; Mr. Alex Inglis; Miss Bowles; Mr. Harding Price; Mr. Robert Miller; Mr. Bruce Reid and Mr. Craig Reid.

The Herald British War Victims' Fund

Forwarded to Toronto Evening Telegram \$3142.25
Cash on hand acknowledged 251.01
Total March 15th, 1944 \$3393.26

The Georgetown Herald Soldiers' Comforts Fund

Forwarded Soldiers' Comforts Committee \$673.54
Cash on hand acknowledged 227.88
Georgetown Women's Institute 10.00
Total March 15th, 1944 \$911.42

Flt.-Sgt. James Louth Now Presumed Dead

Might Sergeant Wm. James "Jimmie" Louth, 22, member of the famous Ironquod Squadron, R.O.A.F., is presumed dead. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Louth, of Georgetown, and husband of Emily Hadley, of Glen Williams, he was reported missing after operations over enemy territory on January 22nd. Word was received by his wife from the International Red Cross.

Jimmie is a veteran of some 30 raids over Germany and occupied Europe and only recently took part in one of the major raids over Berlin, returning in a badly crippled plane. He was bombardier on a Halifax bomber.

Women's Institute Donate \$30 to Local War

The March meeting of the Georgetown Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. R. Paul on Wednesday afternoon, March 1st, at 3 p.m. with the President, Mrs. W. G. McDowell presiding.

The meeting opened by singing the Institute Ode and repeating the prayer after which the minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted. Correspondence was then read and discussed. Mrs. Fred McNally gave a report of the marathon euchre held recently which proved most successful and it was moved and seconded that out of the proceeds \$10.00 be contributed to each of the following: Red Cross, Navy League and Soldiers' Comfort Fund, making \$30.00 in all.

The Roll Call was answered by a book suitable for the Navy League.

Mrs. Livingstone reported there had been a call for some articles out of the Layette and these were to be replaced by a shower at the April meeting. Mrs. Wm. Sinclair and Mrs. W. G. Marshall, the programme convenors for the meeting, had arranged a most enjoyable programme consisting of a paper on "Citizenship", given by Mrs. Sinclair. A humorous reading "The Rummage Sale" given by Miss Mamie Campbell and a vocal duet by Mrs. A. Vannatter and Mrs. H. Wrigglesworth. After a vote of thanks to the hostess and those taking part in the programme, the meeting closed by singing "God Save the King."

UNITED CHURCH BOYS SCORE 6-4 WIN OVER NORVAL BOYS' CLUB

A keenly contested hockey game between Norval Boys' Club and the Georgetown United Church Boys' Club in Georgetown Arena last Saturday afternoon resulted in a 6-4 victory for the United Church lads. Much better organized and with a splendid show of team work, the Norval Club bid fair to win the game. Georgetown won through sheer grit and the superior playing of Dillon in goal and C. Burns at defence. Although Georgetown scored early in the first period, per C. Burns, Cunningham for Norval soon tied it up. Time after time the Norval machine marched in and a carriage of shots was stopped by Dillon. It was through the game, with three or four attempts to go in the last period, Norval was leading 4 to 3. But in those last few seconds, Burns tied it up with a spectacular drive into the Norval net. During nine minutes of overtime, Burns scored two additional goals for Georgetown.

The goal score for the Norval Club was: Cunningham, 1; Singer, 1; Cleave, 1; Robinson, 1. For Georgetown, C. Burns, 2; McCartney, 1.

Playing for the local team were: Coal, Dillon, def. C. Burns, Colman; Centre D. Herrington; wings, Grace and Arnold; Subs. D. Burns, Huffman, Tapp, Ford, McCartney. For the Norval Club: Coal, Mullr; def. Cleave and Robinson; Centre, Singer; Wings Penly and H. Cunningham. Subs. E. Cunningham, Pomeroy, Leslie, Reid, Referee, Rev. Len. Self.

Elizabeth Ann Paul Weds William Kelly

A quiet wedding ceremony took place in St. George's Church of England when Elizabeth Ann "Betty" younger daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. Paul of Georgetown, became the bride of William Kelly, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kelly of Georgetown. Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson of Georgetown officiated, assisted by Archdeacon G. Andrew of Toronto. Attendants were Miss Margaret Hoare and Richard Crichton of Georgetown.

READER BRINGS AN INTERESTING DOCUMENT NEARLY 90 YEARS OLD

Mr. W. J. Alexander, R.R. No. 2, Georgetown brought an interesting document into the Herald Office last week. It is an invoice dated eighty-four years ago from a firm of Importers of English, German and American Hardware, by the name of Alexander Dixon & Son, Toronto. The heading on the bill informs us that among the articles the store had for sale were saddler's ironmongery, hog skins, skirtings, patent leather, carriage trimmings, etc. All the amounts are in English currency, and the paper on which the billhead is printed, a pale blue bond, is in an excellent state of preservation. Such old articles hold a great deal of interest, and we invite our readers to bring in any such items as they have, so that we may bring them to the attention of our readers.

—Mr. George Robinson has leased the farm lot 29w, col. 10, Erin Township, the property of Mr. W. J. Young. Mr. Young is holding a clearing sale of stock, implements, etc. on Friday of this week.

M.O.H. States Sanitary Conditions at High School "Fairly Satisfactory"

THE WEATHER

By H. L. Hunt

Last Saturday and Sunday we had the first thaw of the Spring and Saturday night was the first night this Spring without frost. This has greatly reduced the snow and left hillside bare facing the sun. Last year, when there was little or no frost in the ground all winter the melting snow soaked into the ground as it melted but this Spring with the ground frozen hard before the snow came much of the melting snow is running off into the creeks instead of being soaked up by the ground. We will need lots of Spring rains to make up for this loss of moisture.

Following are local records:
Date H. and L. Precipitation
Temp.
Tues. March 7 30 23
Wed. March 8 22 15 25" snow
Thurs. March 9 23 7 50" snow
Fri. March 10 25 4
Sat. March 11 45 11
Sun. March 12 47 37 59" rain
Mon. March 13 34 25

Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Self Entertain Hockey Club and Guests

A most enjoyable party at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Self, Norval, on Monday evening last, brought to a close the activities of the Norval-Georgetown-Cornblin Intermediate Hockey team for the season. The members of the team and their guests all joined in a program of games packed with fun and variety, led by the host. A delicious salad supper was served afterwards by Mrs. Self, assisted by Miss Patsy Robinson and Miss Isabel Murray, Norval.

Those present included: Miss Betty Snyder, Miss Mary Smith, Mrs. Walter Blehn, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Garfield McCullough, Mr. Walter Richardson, Georgetown; Mr. Gordon McMurchy, Huttonville; Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Taylor, Brampton; Mr. and Mrs. T. L. McMeekin, Miss Patsy Robinson, Miss Isabel Murray, Mr. Jim Iark, Mr. Jim Jones, Mr. Norman Fendley, Mr. Archie Campbell, Mr. Joe Schertzel.

After a hearty vote of thanks was extended by Mr. G. McGivray to Mr. and Mrs. Self for their hospitality, hockey club members held a short business discussion, when they decided to purchase windbreakers and crests for the team. The lights were then dimmed, and the evening climaxed with a thrilling "short story" by Mr. Self.

Old Landmark at Limehouse Burned

A fire of undetermined origin completely destroyed the farm house near Limehouse, owned by Glenn Kinnear, R.C.A.F., about midnight last Saturday night.

The blaze was first noticed by Georgetown's Fire Chief, Donald Latimer when driving into Limehouse village. Upon investigation, he found the fire completely beyond control and some trees adjacent to the house also burning. There was no wind and the other farm buildings weren't threatened, so there was no point in turning in an alarm.

No one had been near the farmhouse for the past six months stated neighbours, and no traces of the origin of the fire could be found. The building was of frame construction and one of the district's oldest landmarks. All the furniture was completely destroyed. Mr. Kinnear had lived there prior to his enlistment.

Provincial Officer Lemon of Milton notified the owner's parents in Toronto, as Mr. Kinnear is stationed at some distance from home.

PLAN DISTRIBUTION RATION BOOK NO. 4

Plans for distribution of Ration Book No. 4 are almost complete and local ration boards all over the country are preparing for the gigantic task of seeing that 12,000,000 Canadians get their books on time and in good order. Although the actual distribution dates will vary in the different municipalities, the whole job will be accomplished during the week of March 28 to April 1. Accordingly it is important that consumers watch their local newspapers for the announcement of the distribution dates in their locality.

As in earlier campaigns, distribution is to be effected by means of centres opened strategically in different cities, town, villages and townships. The whereabouts of these centres will be advertised well in advance of the opening of the distribution campaign.

At a meeting of the Georgetown High School Board on Monday, March 13th, the following letter from Dr. O. V. Williams, Medical Officer of Health, was presented to the members. As it is a report on the Sanitary Inspection of the High School, it is a matter of great interest to the public, and we publish it herewith:

Georgetown, Ont.,
March 10, 1944

Mr. W. T. Evans,
Secretary
Georgetown High School Board,
Georgetown, Ont.

Dear Sir:
Sanitary Inspection of Georgetown High School.

A sanitary inspection of Georgetown High School was made March 9, 1944. After making allowances for the lack of modern facilities the sanitary condition of the school was found to be fairly satisfactory.

The school lacks a general assembly hall and gymnasium.

There is no accommodation for students who lunch at school. A class room is used for this purpose.

Two of the school rooms appear to be deficient in natural light. It is questionable if any of the rooms have satisfactory artificial light.

Cloak room facilities for clothes and athletic equipment are needed.

Both wash rooms are kept clean but would be more sanitary if floors were painted.

The staff and caretaker are to be congratulated for keeping so antiquated a building up to its present standard of sanitation.

Yours truly,
C. V. WILLIAMS,
Medical Officer of Health,
Georgetown, Ont.

Chester D. Cole Buried in Greenwood Cemetery

The death occurred on Wednesday, March 8th, in St. Joseph's Hospital, Toronto, of Chester D. Cole, beloved husband of Nellie Sutherland, and a native of Georgetown. Death came after an illness of about six months duration.

Deceased was a son of the late Jacob Cole and Rebecca McGuire, and was born in Georgetown. Here he learned the printing trade, and later became foreman at the Georgetown Herald where he worked for a number of years. Fifteen years ago he went to Toronto where he entered his own business, but since the outbreak of war was employed at the John Inglis plant.

Mr. Cole went overseas in the First World War with the 164th Battalion. He was a member of St. George's Church of England and was a faithful member of the choir while living in Georgetown.

Surviving are his widow, and four sons, three of whom are serving in the armed forces: Pte. Roy, in Italy, Laurence, in England and Chester in Kingston and Herman, who resides in Noranda, Quebec.—One brother also survives, Wilfred M. Cole, of Toronto.

The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon from chapel of McDougall and Brown 646 St. Clair Avenue, West, Toronto, to St. George's Church, Georgetown, where Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson conducted the burial service. The pall-bearers were Messrs. Harold Cleave, A. C. McMurchy, Garfield McCullough, Thomas Dobble, Robert Erwin and E. W. Cole. Interment was made in Greenwood Cemetery.

Among those from a distance attending the funeral were Mrs. Harvey McDonald, Tilden Lake; Mrs. E. Ruddy, Temagamit; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McMurchy, Huttonville; Mr. Alfred Cole, Miss Alice McGuire, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Cole and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Watson, Toronto.

Robert J. Wiley Killed in Sicilian Campaign

Pte. Robert J. Wiley, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wiley, of Georgetown, died while on active service, according to word from Ottawa, received by his parents on March 7th. Previously reported missing in July of 1943, it was presumed that he had taken part in the Sicilian campaign, although nothing definite on the theatre of war in which he was engaged is known by his family.

Pte. Wiley, who was born in Ireland but came to Canada when a youngster, enlisted with the Lorne Scots Regiment in March 1941 and went overseas in June of the same year.

Surviving are his parents, Upper Mill road; four brothers, Cpl. William Wiley, who is in the R.C.M.C. Tom Hugh and Edward of Georgetown and five sisters, Mrs. Barry Chish, Misses Elizabeth Ann, Edith and Sara, all of Georgetown.