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M.O.H. Says Town Fortunate in Having Services of Health Nurse

Tax Collector's Salary Increased—Night Constable Hired—Navy League Granted Tag Day—Buy New Town Pumper

Town Council meeting in special session on Monday evening, received and accepted the report as given by the M.O.H., Dr. C. V. Williams, and Mayor Ojave on behalf of the council congratulated Dr. Williams on his very complete and detailed statement of public health conditions.

The M.O.H. report showed the population of the town at 2468, as shown on the assessor's returns, 10 births during the year of which 1 was a still-birth, and 21 deaths, two of which occurred under 1 year, and no maternal deaths. This statement does not accurately represent the situation in Georgetown, as many births and deaths of Georgetown citizens occur in hospitals outside the town. These are registered in the municipality in which they took place.

Chlorination Recommended

Dr. Williams said that ten samples of the public water supply were sent for examination during the year, and that seven of the tests had graded lower than A. He said it was apparent the infections were caused by non-disease bacteria, but that if it was possible for such bacteria to gain entrance to the water supply, he recommended the only safe method of insuring a safe water supply was to provide for chlorination.

Public Health Nurse

The M. O. H. stressed the important work the Public Health Nurse, Miss Walker, R.N., was doing among our public school children. While her time was limited, due to being divided equally between Georgetown, Milton and Acton, he believed the set-up was working out satisfactorily. We quote from his report:

"Our nursing programme in general consists of supervision of the health of 212 Public School children. This involves a great deal of work, details of which appear in Miss Walker's report. Recommendations for the future Public Health Nursing programme are: The town was fortunate in having a Public Health Nurse with the experience and ability of Miss Walker, R. N., who took over her duties during April, 1943. Her work has been of invaluable assistance to the Public Health staff, the Board of Health, and the town at large. Miss Walker divides her time equally among the municipalities of Acton, Georgetown and Milton. This limits her ability to carry out a full time public health nursing programme. It is hoped that in the near future such a programme will be available in Georgetown. Some other features of public health activities which would then be available would be: prenatal visits to mothers, with group demonstrations, home nursing supervision, visits to infants and instructions to mothers, visits to all pre-school children, visits to tuberculosis patients suspects and contacts, supervision of crippled children, etc."

Other comments from the M. O. H.'s report are as follows:

Recommend Qualified Sanitary Inspector

"The sanitary inspection service in general consists of inspection of water supplies, producers of milk, pasteurization plants, restaurants, supervision of refuse collection and disposal, and investigation of nuisances. After the death of our former Sanitary Inspector, Dr. R. Learmonth, there was no veterinarian or qualified Sanitary Inspector in the town. Special permission was given the town to employ Mr. W. G. Marshall as a temporary Sanitary Inspector. Mr. Marshall has given the town splendid service considering the time he has available for these duties. It is recommended that when possible, a veterinarian or a qualified Sanitary Inspector be appointed."

Control of Communicable Diseases

The Local Board of Health dealt with outbreaks of disease to the number of three—chicken pox, 97 cases; measles 118 cases; and scarlet fever, 29 cases. Of these chicken pox and measles are not susceptible of immunization procedures. An antitoxin is available for protection against scarlet fever but has been found to be of doubtful value as a public health procedure. Control, therefore, consisted of frequent examination of school children for early signs of these diseases, and strict isolation. Miss W. Walker, Public Health Nurse, was forced to give much of her time to this work which entailed a great number of house visits. In the case of the scarlet fever epidemic particularly, our Public Health Nurse followed every suspected case to the home, called on contacts, made certain that a physician was called for diagnosis and investigated complaints of breaking quarantine. Her

work was valuable in bringing the epidemic under control. Most cases of scarlet fever were so mild that it was frequently difficult to make a diagnosis. It is probable that a few cases were not detected. In addition, some members of the armed services who leave in Georgetown, brought with them, scarlet fever and chicken pox.

It is improbable that there will be another epidemic of measles, mumps or chicken pox for at least five years, because most of the town's non-immunes have been immunized by having these diseases.

Recreational

"The Town Council and certain public-spirited citizens are to be commended for their success in maintaining the skating rink. With the exception of the rink, the municipality has provided little for the use of its junior citizens. Some individual church organizations and service clubs have made an effort to provide recreational facilities for the town youth. Their combined effort falls short of requirements. A recreation hall, a central playground for children of all ages and a swimming pool owned by the municipality are long overdue. The cost would be returned with dividends if one considers the health and morals of our young people to be of any value. It may not have occurred to many that the men and women of the armed forces are accustomed to all of these amenities and will be properly insistent that their children be provided with what they are accustomed to consider as necessities."

Council interviewed two applicants for the position of night constable, and dealt with four other applications received by mail. Mervin Robb, of Milton was hired for the position at a salary of \$25.00 per week, subject to the approval of National Selective Service. His duties will commence as soon as the approval is obtained.

The Navy League was granted permission to hold a tag day on May 23rd. Council decided to purchase a gasoline pumper for local town work and cleaning out the reservoir at a cost of \$285.00.

A letter from the tax and water collector, asking for an increase in salary was read. It was decided to increase his salary for 1944 by \$100.00, making a total salary of \$750.00 per annum.

The 1943 tax roll as returned by the collector was also accepted and returned to the Treasurer, and the tax collector authorized to continue the collection of all tax arrears.

A motion was tabled asking the purchase of a town truck with snow plow for town work, but was defeated on a majority vote.

The matter of the curfew was held over until a future meeting, due to the lateness of the hour.

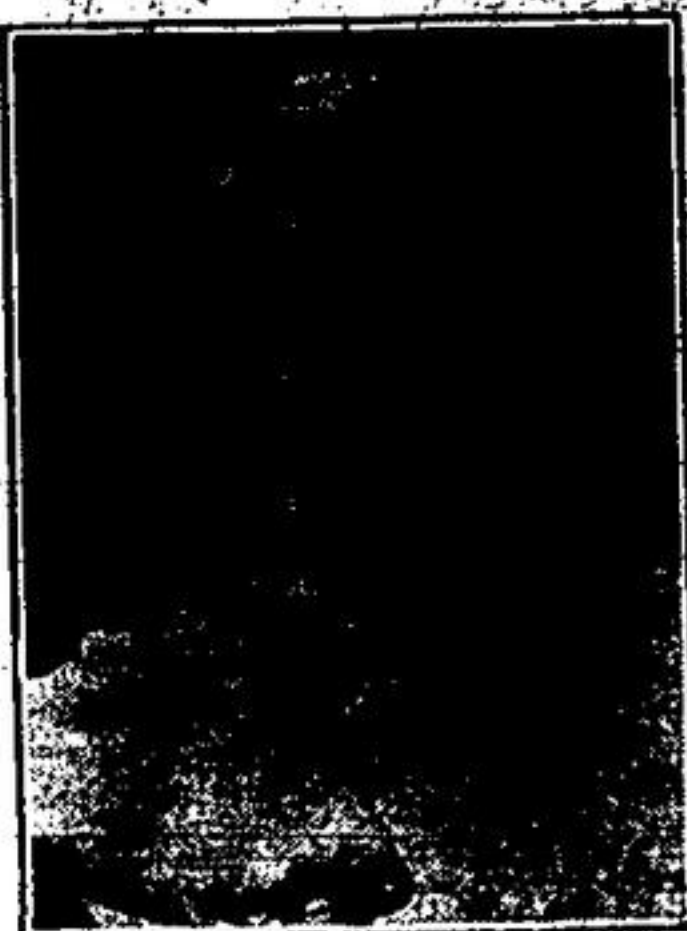
Council adjourned at 11:55.

All members of council were present with the exception of Councillor S. W. Orr, who was ill.

ESQUEQUING AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY SPONSORING 75 BUS. HUSKING CORN CLUB

In co-operation with the Halton Crop Improvement Association, the executive of the Esqueving Agricultural Society decided at their last meeting to sponsor a Husking Corn Competition, states Craig Reid, President of the latter organization. "The object we understand is to ascertain if husking corn can be produced profitably and economically in Halton. An excellent prize list totalling well over \$100, has already been subscribed. While the field score which will include uniformity of stand, weed control, etc. may be taken into consideration, the major proportion of the points in awarding the ten excellent prizes will be based on yield of shelled corn. The objective has been set at 75 bus. of shelled corn per acre. It will be interesting to find out how many can attain this high yield. If the objective can be achieved it will mean that the crop will produce over twice the digestive nutrients that a 50 bus. crop of barley will yield. The competition calls for three acres and, to date ten entries have already been received. We also understand that Harvey Nurse, well known farmer of Ashgrove, is securing a combination picker and husker and has already undertaken to custom operate for the competitors in the competition.

Others interested in entering the competition should contact Garfield L. McOllivray, Secretary of the Esqueving Society, or Agricultural Representative J. E. Whitelock, at Milton.



SONGSTRESS

Eleven top-flight Canadian radio entertainers, including attractive songstress Frances Cramer (above), make up the company of broadcast stars who twinkle through the afternoon programs of The Liptonaire, Monday to Friday at 4:30 p.m. EDT, 5:30 p.m. ADT. The show's musical director is Jack Allison, a Canadian boy who once sang with Rudy Vallee's gang. Frances Cramer is married to Norm Barber, formerly of Georgetown. Norm is now a member of the R. C. A. F. Band.

Rusk-Arnold Wedding in Milton Last Saturday

The Presbyterian Manse, Milton, was the scene of a wedding last Saturday when Norma Audrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Rusk, of Milton, was united in marriage with Gnr. George Herbert Arnold, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. George Arnold, of Georgetown.

The bride was becomingly gowned in a gold and brown ensemble and carried a bouquet of roses. Her sister, Miss Doris Rusk, was bridesmaid, and the groomsmen were Mr. Elden Henry, of Milton. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. After a short honeymoon, the groom will return to Toronto, where he is stationed at Exhibition Barracks.

Ration Book No. 4 Soon Available

W.P.T.B. Local Offices Prepare To Issue New Coupon Booklets

Preparations are being made by district branch offices of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board for the issuing of Ration Book No. 4, which will replace the one currently in use. In another section of the Herald appears an advertisement, advising the places, dates, and hours that our readers may secure the new book.

Perhaps the following do's and don'ts will simplify your problems in getting the new book.

1. Read carefully all instructions contained in the advertisement in this issue of the Herald.
2. Fill in at home the card printed in red in your old book numbered R. B. 99.
3. Sign your usual signature at the bottom of the card. Cards of persons under 18 years of age, must be signed by a parent or guardian.
4. Don't detach the card from your book. This will be done at the distributing centre.
5. Don't wait until the last minute to get your Ration Book.
6. Don't destroy your old ration book. It is still valuable.

Mrs. L. J. Bell New I.O.D.E. Regent

The Countess of Strathmore Chapter, I.O.D.E., met for their regular meeting in the Legion Hall on Monday evening. The new regent, Mrs. L. J. Bell, presiding. There were nineteen members present, and following the minutes the treasurer's report was given.

Two new members were welcomed into the Chapter and given their pins, Mrs. H. E. Batkin, and Mrs. Charles Rue, as associate members. The retiring regent, Mrs. A. J. Greig, was presented with a gift from the Chapter in appreciation of her efforts during the past year.

A donation of \$25.00 was made to the current Red Cross drive.

Plans were made to observe the fifth birthday of the Chapter on April 11th, with a special dinner. A committee was appointed and further particulars will be announced later.

It was decided to send 3,000 cigarettes and a collection of chocolate bars to members of the adopted mine-sweeper. The members also chose a name of one of the crew to send a birthday card.

The following members compose the executive and heads of the various committees for this year.

Hon. Regent—Mrs. W. G. O. Thompson.
Regent—Mrs. L. J. Bell.
1st Vice Regent—Mrs. K. D. Barber.
2nd Vice Regent—Mrs. S. Mackenzie.
Secretary—Miss Isabel McDermid.
Asst. Secretary—Mrs. A. J. Greig.
Treasurer—Miss M. Gault.
Asst. Treasurer—Miss M. Chave.
Sobos Secretary—Mrs. J. Armstrong.
Standard Bearer—Miss H. Erwin.
Press Secretary—Mrs. G. McGillivray.
Wool Convener—Mrs. S. W. Orr.
Magazine Convener—Mrs. H. Shaw.
Bowling Convener—Mrs. W. Ford.
Empire Study—Mrs. A. Blehn.
Child Welfare—Mrs. A. Beaumont.
Educational Secretary—Mrs. W. Thompson.
Convener for Adopted Ship—Mrs. C. V. Williams.

The meeting closed with the singing of God Save the King, followed by the serving of light refreshments. The hostesses were Miss M. Mackenzie, Miss M. Gault and Mrs. S. Mackenzie.

Death of Baby Son Saddens G'town Home

Peter Kerr Barber, Age 8 Months, Died Last Friday.

A local home was saddened last week when Peter Kerr Barber, son of Gnr. and Mrs. George Barber, passed away suddenly in his sleep, early Friday morning, March 17th. The baby was born last July 19th and his sunny presence will be greatly missed around the home.

The funeral service was held on Saturday from St. George's Church of England, with the rector, Ven. W. G. O. Thompson conducting the service. Interment was in Greenwood Cemetery, Georgetown. The pall bearers were three uncles, William Kerr, Eric Barber and Thomas Barber, and Percy Hill.

Besides his parents, baby Peter is survived by three brothers, George, Jr., David and Paul. The father, Gnr. George Barber, who has been stationed in the east is at present recuperating from an illness at Oakville Casualty Retaining Centre. The Herald joins with their many friends in town in extending sincerest sympathy in their sad bereavement.

GLEN WILLIAMS

Mrs. W. H. Barth is visiting with Dr. and Mrs. K. Colbeck of Welland after spending a month with Mrs. Jane Roszell of Pualinch.

The battle of Egypt cost the Axis 75,000 men, over 500 tanks and over 1,000 guns.

Over \$5100 Raised in Red Cross Campaign

THE WEATHER

By H. L. Hutt

Surely the official who said this was Spring must have been joking. We hope the robins do not take him too seriously and come back to get their toes frozen. At all events here are the figures to prove that last week was still winter.

Date	H. and L. Temp.	Precipitation
Tues. March 14	26 16	
Wed. March 15	26 23	1" snow
Thurs. March 16	32 25	30 rain
Fri. March 17	36 31	
Sat. March 18	23 8	
Sun. March 19	17 0	
Mon. March 20	27 15	

Stroke Fatal to Mrs. John Presswood

Annie Shaw, widow of the late John Presswood, Glen Williams, died on Thursday, March 16th, in her 78th year. Mrs. Presswood had been in failing health for quite a while, but suffered a stroke last Thursday morning, and passed away the evening of the same day.

The late Mrs. Presswood was born in Knottingley, England and came out to this country and settled in Glen Williams thirty-one years ago. Her husband predeceased her eight years ago. She was a member of Glen Williams United Church.

Surviving to mourn her loss are 4 sons and 7 daughters: Tpr. Albert, serving with the Governor General's Horse Guards in Italy, Ralph, Georgetown; William, Georgetown; Harry, Glen Williams; Mrs. Fred Hill, Bradford, England; Mrs. J. Bell of Toronto; Mrs. C. Patterson, Toronto; Mrs. Edward Sharpe, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. Oliver Carey, of Georgetown; Mrs. Alvin Starret, of Glen Williams; Mrs. Charles Gibbs, Glen Williams. There are also 25 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Rev. A. O. Foreman of Ballinacod conducted the funeral service from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Gibbs, Glen Williams, on Monday, March 20th, to the Glen United Church for service at 2:30 o'clock. Pall bearers were: Messrs. Robert and Jack Eason, Archie Eccles, Cecil Barth, Howard Garvin, James Inglis. Flower-bearers were Gordon Pricker, and three grandchildren, Wallace and Charlie Sharpe, Rochester, N.Y., and Victor Starret, Glen Williams.

Beautiful floral tributes were received from: Edith, Alvin, Victor and Douglas; Harry, Katie and Jimmy; Ivy, Charlie and family; Janet, Jack and family; Alice and Ed.; Susie Oliver and Bobby; Rene and Ralph; Annie and Charlie and family; Albert, Eva and Ruth; Bill, Lizzie and family; L. E. Fleck; Charlie, Annie and Wallace; Dr. and Mrs. Paul; Mr. and Mrs. H. Garvin and family; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Beaumont; Eason Brothers; Bertie, Nellie and Jimmie; Mr. and Mrs. Dixon and family; Gordon Pricker; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hendrick; Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Martin; Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Ough; Clarence and Alice and family; Mrs. Jane Haines.

Grant of \$1000 Made to Assist the Lorne Scots

Other Items at March Meeting of Halton County Council—Red Cross Society Gets \$1000 Divided Among Five Branches in County—Bank Rate On Borrowing Reduced.

The March meeting of the Halton County Council was held in Milton with all members present with the exception of Deputy-reeve Smith of Nelson.

Col. Bertram, Capt. Smith and Capt. McClure officers of the Lorne Scots Regiment addressed the Council outlining the activities of the regiment during the past year and asking the support of the council for the present year. Col. Bertram reported that the regiment now consisted mainly of two groups of men—one of boys around 17 and the other of older men not subject to call. None of the officers are eligible for active service but the efficiency of the regiment had by no means fallen off. Last year 477 men and the band were sent to camp and as a rural regiment made a very satisfactory showing. Part of last year's funds had been used for the purchase of a 16 millimeter movie projector which was used for demonstration purposes in training the men.

Capt. Smith gave an outline of the regiment's financial standing and said the regiment was subjected to the most

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Still Some Districts to Hear From

The Red Cross Campaign in Georgetown and district has topped all previous records this year, with total donations amounting to \$5181.10 by Tuesday noon. There are still some districts to be heard from, and it is expected that the quota of \$4600 set tentatively by headquarters, will be over-subscribed by nearly a thousand dollars. Altogether there have been 830 subscribers to date. "The response has been wonderful," said one campaign official.

Totals in the different wards are as follows: Ward 1, \$242.25; Ward 2, north of C.N.R. \$35.00; Ward 2, South of C.N.R. \$490.85; Ward 3, \$1305.20; Stewarttown, \$518.20; Glen Williams \$370.85; Norval, \$608.85; Limehouse, \$154.00; Specials, \$1005.00.

The drive has been under the chairmanship of LeRoy Dale, president of the local Red Cross Branch. Mr. G. W. McLintock is treasurer. Following is the complete canvassing committee: Ward 1, Ralph Ross, chairman, George Alcott, J. J. Gibbens, Harry Stockford, Walter Evans, Mrs. A. E. Cripps, Miss Barber, Mrs. Ralph Ross, Mrs. P. Cleave, Miss McOumber, Mrs. P. B. Blackburn; Ward 2, north of C. N. R., Harry Savings, vice chairman, Fred Bralsby, Mrs. Betty Anderson, John Lucas, Mrs. N. McInven, Miss D. McNery; Ward 2, south of C.N.R., J. D. Kelly vice chairman, Mrs. Thomas Grieve, Miss Jean McDonald, Miss Curtis, Miss Agnes Jackson Miss Ann Whyte, Miss Malsie Lorrman, Miss Margaret Curtis; Ward 3, William Deans, vice chairman, Freeman Kersey, Mrs. John Reid, Miss H. Lawson, Mrs. A. Duncan, Miss Frances Deans, Thomas Lyons, William Miller; Norval, Howard May, vice chairman, Lorne Cleave, George Brown, Rev. R. Colebrook, Edward Townsend, Oliver Hunter, Graydon Chester; Glen Williams (rural), John Bingham, Fred Wenner, Kathleen Glen, Harold Bingham, Ray Crichton, Stewarttown, K. C. Lindsay vice chairman, W. Lawson, Nelson Stark, H. Devereaux, Milton Bird, L. DeVries, John Bird, M. E. Moyer; Limehouse, A. W. Benton, vice chairman, Russel McDonald.

Over 60 Attend St. Patrick's Tea

The St. Patrick's Tea held on Saturday afternoon, March 18th, by the Young Ladies' Auxiliary of Knox Church, was very successful. About sixty patrons came to partake of the delicious salad supper. The Sunday school room was prettily decorated with green shamrocks for the occasion. Mrs. C. C. Oochrane and Miss Jean Martin received.

Young ladies assisting with the tea, included: Helen Richie, Jessie Martin, Gladys Lane, Jean Ruddle, Marjorie Hunter, Jessie Hill, Rita Richie, Doris MacDonald, Ruth Latimer, Ada Sinclair, Marion Williamson, Jean MacDonald.

LORNE SCOTS BAND ENTERTAIN LAIDES AT BANQUET

On a recent Tuesday evening the Lorne Scots Band held a ladies' night in the form of a banquet and social at the Legion rooms. About seventy-five officers, bandmen, wives and lady friends sat down to beautifully decorated tables delightfully arranged and prepared by Mrs. Grieve who catered for the band. A toast to the bandsmen on Active service was proposed by bandmaster A. Dobney and responded to by Sgt. A. Herbert. Bandsman S. A. Fay proposed a toast to the guests which was responded to by Capt. H. C. McClure. Following the supper, the social committee conducted a few contests and games and program consisting of a violin solo by bandsman R. Spillvogel, gymnastics by the Burns' brothers and songs led by bandsman S. A. Fay with bandsman Chas. Landsborough at the piano. An hour's dancing to music supplied by Doris Hull's Orchestra completed the evening's entertainment. Band president K. McDonald presided at the banquet table and the social committee of J. Carter, T. Herbert, and R. Eason were responsible for the complete arrangements for the night.

Easter is two weeks from next Sunday.

What does Your Label Say?

Does your Herald carry a 1944 date? If so, you are a member of the paid-in-advance club. If not, we would appreciate your cooperation in bringing your account up-to-date. The mailing list has been corrected, and all dates on this week's edition should be correct. Check your label today!