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## Harold Stalford Elected President Canadian Legion

Voting By Ballot Created New Enthusiasm Among Members of the Local Branch—Delegates Appointed.

(By Comrade Boley)

Something unusual in the history of any Legion Branch occurred at the election of officers of Branch 120, Georgetown, last Thursday evening. When Comrade Harold Stalford, a resident in this locality for less than two years, was chosen as President of the local branch for the year 1944-45.

The highest honour of the Legion is that of President and to reach that goal it has been customary that the different candidates running for office must serve in other offices and gradually work their way up to the top. In this particular case, four candidates ran for president the above officer was chosen.

The entire list of officers for the local branch for 1944-45 are as follows: Honorary Presidents: Dr. Sutherland and L. E. Fleck.

Chaplain: Ven. W. G. Thompson. Past President: Fred McCartney. President: Harold Stalford. 1st. Vice President: Herb Harlow. 2nd Vice President: Fred Gilmer. Secretary: Wm. Roney. Treasurer: Wally Thompson. Canteen Chairman: J. Roberts. Entertainment Chairman: R. Muir. Transportation and Publicity: J. Fry. Property Committee: Johnny Oliver. Imperial Section Chairman: Chas. Farion. Sergeant at Arms: Harry Hale. Standard Bearers: E. Watkins and C. Davis. Auditors: H. Dickie, J. D. Kelly.

### THE LEGION MEETING

President Fred McCartney conducted the regular meeting of Branch 120 last Thursday evening, and the usual routine of business of passing the minutes of the last regular and Executive meetings, passing of accounts, etc.

Due, no doubt to the election of officers at this meeting, close to 70 members were present and a very lively debate was held in the interest of the branch.

The meeting was honoured with the presence of Comrade President Chapman and Comrade Chairmen from the Acton Branch and Comrade Zone Secretary Wright, who on the invitation of Zone Commander Cousens, accepted to act as scrutineers during election of officers. A hearty round of applause greeted these comrades.

The annual report of the treasurer was handed out in printed form to all present and adopted. Mr. H. Dickie, on behalf of the Auditors explained the different items and congratulated the Treasurer for the wonderful work he had done during the past year and also the excellent manner in which all his books were kept.

Five officers of the branch were appointed delegates to attend the Zone meeting at Oakville early in April and the following will represent the local branch: Comrades Stalford, Harlow, Gilmer, Roney and Thompson.

The delegates to the Provincial Convention to be held in Toronto, starting April 23rd are Comrades Stalford, Harlow and Gilmer. This convention will open in the Metropolitan Church, Toronto on April 23rd, preceded by a Church parade of all Branches attending. Headquarters are at the Royal York Hotel. Among the prominent guests will include Comrade Alex Walker, Dominion President, Ministers of the Federal Government, Col. MacIntyre of Canadian Legion War Services, and others. At the banquet the guest speaker will be Comrade Col. George Drew, Prime Minister of Ontario, so in all the convention promises to be one of the largest ever held in Comrade President McCartney then called for reports of chairmen of all Committees and complimented them on the work accomplished during the past year.

An honorarium was voted to President McCartney for services rendered and a hearty vote of thanks was moved to Comrade Boley for the fine work done as publicity chairman. The meeting then held a short recess while the scrutineers proceeded with the counting of the ballots.

After recess, Comrade President McCartney invited Comrade Col. Cousens (Continued on Page Six)

### ASHGROVE

A very enjoyable crokinole social was held under the auspices of the Y.P.A. on Monday evening. The highest scores were won by Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Brownridge, and 2nd prize for ladies went to Mrs. Bruce Bridgen, and Jack Ruddlell for the men.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howden of Ouelph have been visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ruddlell.

The Y.P.A. are planning an Easter Sunday night service when Rev. J. B. Moore of Milton will be the speaker, and Mrs. Howard Wrigglesworth of Georgetown, guest soloist.

## CPL. FRED GRACE BACK FROM OVERSEAS

HAD CLOSE CALL WITH INCENDIARY BOMB

Cpl. Cook Fred Grace arrived home from overseas on Monday after having been in England over four years with the Lorne Scots. He's very glad to be back in Canada and after a leave at home expects to be stationed here permanently.

The first intimation his mother had of his home-coming was a long distance telephone call from Toronto Sunday morning. He was sent back to Canada for health reasons and isn't feeling quite up to the mark yet.

Cpl. Grace has experienced a good many "bitches" and did quite a bit of rescue work. He had one very close call when an incendiary bomb came through the roof of his bedroom and landed on the pillow on which he was sleeping. Some of his hair was singed off but otherwise he was uninjured. Fred hasn't seen a great many town boys over there. Once while on leave in London he ran into Walt Bradford Jim Sargent Bill Collier and Bill Chaplin.

Cpl. Grace would like to convey to the Lorne Scots W. A. ladies of the United Church and Soldiers Comforts, his heartfelt appreciation for everything they sent him, and wish them every success in the future. He noticed a great change in Georgetown in the four years he's been away with many new buildings having been erected.

Prior to enlisting, Fred was an employee of the Martin Stone Quarries.

## Credit Rose 5 Feet in Two Hours at Glen Dam

The water is very high in the Credit river running through Glen Williams, and all indications point to an even higher level being reached before the week is out. The flooding came very rapidly, and on Saturday night the river rose as much as five feet in two hours. Children of St. Alban's Church were unable to attend their classes Sunday afternoon, due to the inaccessibility of the Parish Hall. The dam is being closely watched for further developments, as the big ice crack-up is nearly due.

An official of the Glen Textile Industries Ltd. told us on Monday that an ice jam had already occurred on the stretch of river between their plant and that of Beaumont's Woollen Mill. Their men took the brackets off the dam on Saturday night, but even at that the water going over was so high it reached almost to the top of the bridge itself.

It is not possible to definitely ascertain the cause of the sudden rise, but it is surmised that a sudden ice-give-away occurred farther up the river, thus releasing the volume of water. With such a disturbance underneath the ice on the river just above the dam, it is expected that the big break-up will come soon.

## INFLATION MUST BE FOUGHT ON THE HOME FRONT

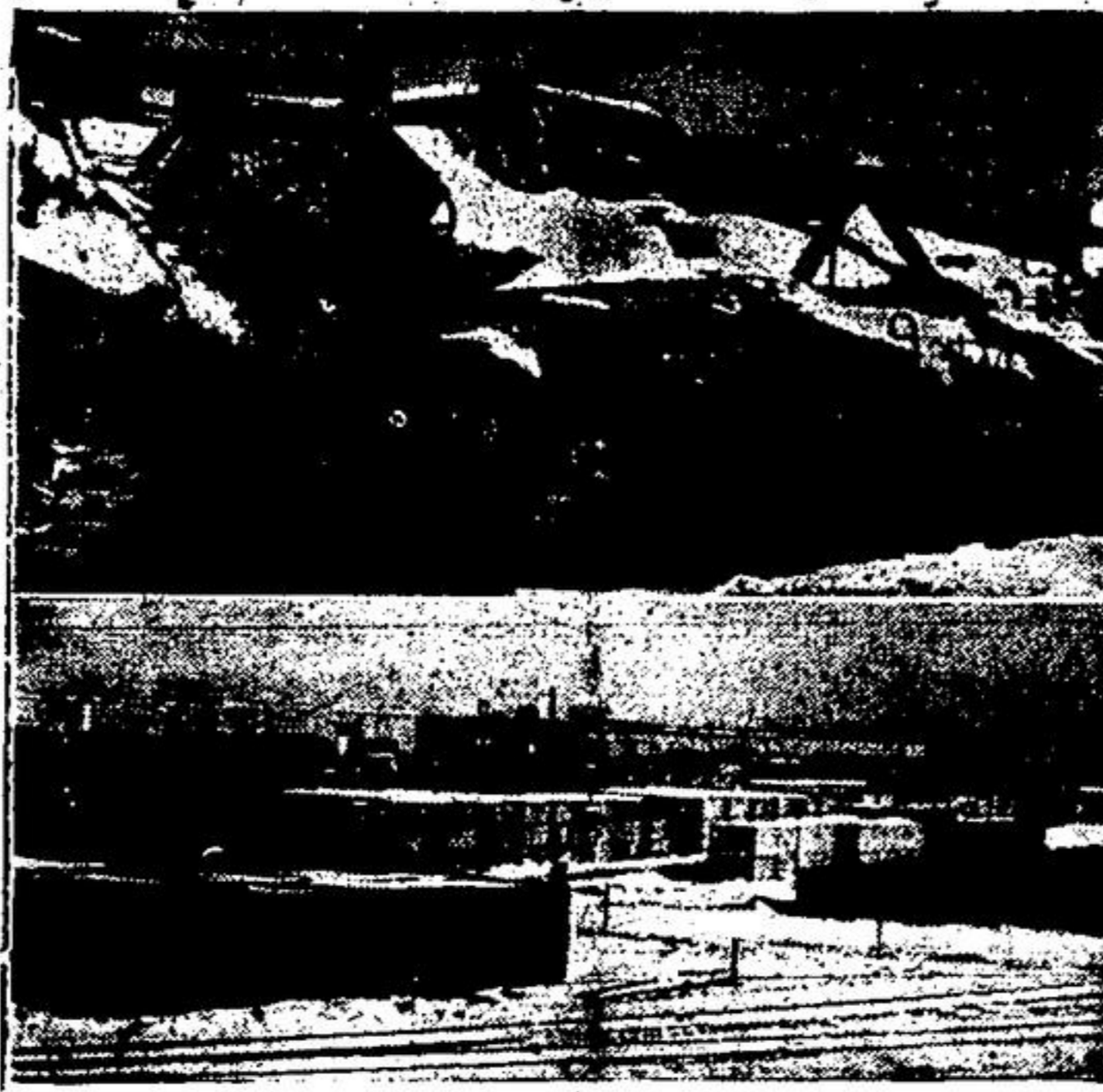
One of the battles that must constantly be fought here at home is against inflation. It's a fine thing to get big prices when one is selling but it's a tragic thing to have to pay inflated prices for the necessities of life such as is being experienced in Italy where two pounds of bread is selling on a black market for approximately 30c in our money and where wages to labour are from 30c to 40c per day. Wages and salaries never catch up to prices when once they start to soar. In China in India and in plenty of other places these days inflation is causing thousands of persons to actually starve. We experienced inflation in the war of 1914-18 and it is only because the Canadian government determined to control the cost of living by price ceilings and established wages, that rentals, etc., that living here costs less than anywhere else in the world.

The Brewing Industry is doing much by a series of advertisements in all Canadian papers, to bring the dangers of inflation home to Canadians. The arguments are sound and should be studied by every reader.

## ABOUT HALF SOVIET WORKERS ARE WOMEN

The Soviet press, marking international women's day, reported that by October 1941, 48 percent of all Russian industrial workers were women. Special tributes were paid to a girl pilot who shot down 12 planes, a girl ambulance driver who evacuated 200 wounded from Stalingrad and to a 16-year-old girl who with friends made "enough tommy guns to arm a whole division".

## ARMY'S BIGGEST "GENERAL STORE"



Center of a vast war effort, Longue Pointe, Que., Ordnance Depot, shown above, is one of the key supply depots of the United Nations. One of the largest clearing houses of its kind, it pours an unceasing stream of war products from Canadian and U.S. plants, to battlefronts throughout the world, including China and Russia. The Depot has 22 miles of railway, covers 200 acres of ground and absorbs 4,000 workers. It handles everything from small optical instruments to the latest Canadian-made tanks. The above pictures show: top, a long line of Canadian-made tanks in one of the storage yards. Lower, a bird's-eye view of part of the railway yards. The crates contain vehicles ready for shipment to the United Nations.

## Rebekahs Celebrate 26th Birthday with Euchre

Verdun Rebekah Lodge No. 184 celebrated its 26th Birthday on Thursday evening March 23rd in the Arena, when a very gratifying crowd assembled and the evening was spent playing euchre. 37 tables being in play.

The Birthday table was very attractive with the three-story birthday cake decorated with pink and green candies and pink sweet peas.

After twelve games had been played a delicious lunch was served under the comership of Mrs. S. C. Mackenzie, assisted by an able committee.

Mrs. E. L. Arnold, Noble Grand presented the following prizes:

Mrs. Wm. Millere first; Mrs. R. Erwin, second; Miss Wilma Stull, Fourth; Mrs. Harry Scott, Fifth; Mr. Art Scott, consolation; Mr. G. C. Brown, Birthday Prize; Mrs. L. E. Clegg won the draw for quilt; Miss M. Campbell won the Door Prize.

A pleasant evening was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem.

Although the Mosquito's speed has never been officially made known, it is reckoned the fastest bomber in the world. A Swiss report puts its speed at 435 miles an hour, or just over seven miles a minute.

## "Fighting in Italy Beyond Our Comprehension," States Rflm. J. Stamp, Just Returned

It was a joyous homecoming for Rflm. Joe Stamp on Tuesday, when he arrived back in Georgetown after having been in the front lines of the Italian campaign with the Princess Pat Light Infantry since last September. His wife and lovely twin daughters whom he has seen but once before, reside with his mother-in-law Mrs. Clara King on Queen St.

Although they were expecting him home some time in the near future his actual arrival came as a great surprise to his family. Twice injured in the fighting in Italy his nerves gave way, and he was invalided home to England. He will spend a 21-day leave at home before reporting again to Toronto for another medical check-up.

Joe was thrilled with the wonderful civic reception in Toronto by Mayor Conboy and band. Needless to say, he thinks it's grand to be home after the terrible experiences he's had on the battle field. He said the fighting amid dirt and blood and filth was beyond our comprehension. Most of his pals were killed at Ortona, and it was during this battle he suffered the breaking-down. The Germans are hard foes to beat stated Rflm. Stamp. There's something fanatical in the way they stand up to the most terrific artillery barrage. He believes they must be drugged because when once they captured 41 Nazis their eyes were glazed, and they didn't seem to know what they were doing. Our boys are fighting desperately, but Joe is of the opinion that the war will take years to end if we depend on vanquishing Germany through Italy. He has the highest praise for the Canadian Engineers, who go ahead and prepare the way for the troops.

## I. I. Hughey Died in Brampton Last Thursday

For over twenty years in partnership with Mr. Frank McDonald in the Tobacco and Billiards business on Mill Street, Georgetown, Mr. I. I. Hughey died at his residence, 99 Elizabeth St. South, Brampton, early last Thursday afternoon, after an illness of over two months. He established the business here in 1922, moved to Brampton two years later, when he and Mr. McDonald went into partnership. He was well-known to many Georgetown residents.

Mr. Hughey was born in Mitchell, Ont. 50 years ago, and had been a resident of Brampton for many years. He is survived by his wife and two children, Bill and Pat; his mother, Mrs. D. Hughey, Mitchell, and two sisters, Mrs. Ferg. Levy and Mrs. Gallanger, both of Mitchell. Mr. Hughey was a highly respected citizen of Brampton and conducted a prosperous wholesale tobacco business on Main Street. He was an ardent lacrosse fan. Funeral was held from McClure Funeral Home on Saturday March 25th. Interment in Brampton cemetery.

After the last war, sugar went up to 22c a pound. To-day there is a ceiling price of 8c.

## HOLY WEEK Community Services

The Clergy of the Town are uniting for Services in Holy Week, and invite all the Townspeople to make use of these Services.

Monday April 3rd, Service in the Baptist Church. Preacher: Ven. W. G. O. Thompson.

Tuesday, April 4th, in St. George's. Preacher: Rev. R. C. Todd.

Wednesday, April 5th, in United Church. Preacher: Rev. J. E. Ostrom.

Thursday, April 6th, in Knox Church. Preacher: Rev. A. Neil Miller, Brampton.

"I'll give three cheers for the Red Cross anytime", said Joe, "they are simply wonderful both on the battle field and off it. I don't know what we'd do without them. The Salvation Army is a wonderful organization too."

Rflm. Stamp has been in the army two years. He trained in British Columbia and out West, before being sent overseas. He stayed two months in England from there went to Africa and thence to Sicily and Italy. Prior to enlistment he was employed at the Glen Textiles, Glen Williams.

## RED CROSS CAMPAIGN \$1600 OVER OBJECTIVE

### THE WEATHER

If there is one month more than another that many of us Canadians would not weep to see cut out of the calendar it is March, with her bleak winds and unpredictable weather. An occasional fine warm day to lure our feathered friends from their pleasant sojourn in the sunny South, then playing a dirty trick on them by burying them and the early worm they hoped to find under a fall of snow. And many of them fell for it again this year, for last week whole flocks of robins, blue birds, killdeers, song sparrows and red winged blackbirds arrived when the ground was nearly bare to find it soon covered with four inches of snow and sloppy slush.

Well, April and Easter will soon be here and we may then look for something better, in the meantime here are the local records for last week.

Date	H. and L. Temp.	Precipitation
Tues. March 21	35 15	
Wed. March 22	35 12	
Thurs. March 23	36 29	1" snow
Fri. March 24	50 33	
Sat. March 25	55 36	12" rain
Sun. March 26	42 24	4" snow
Mon. March 27	38 23	33" rain

## Princess Alice Inspects St. John Amb. Brigade

The St. John's Ambulance Brigade No. 97, Georgetown, went by car, last Sunday afternoon, to the Fort York Armouries in Toronto, where they, together with corps from Toronto, Hamilton, Barrie, Oshawa, and Peterborough, were inspected by Princess Alice. Well over a thousand men and women were present.

Princess Alice wearing a black and white ensemble with fox furs, was even more gracious and charming than usual as she passed through the ranks, stopping every once in a while to chat and shake hands with the Brigade members. Lady Divisional Supt. Mrs. Thomas Grieve and Mrs. Ann Brill were among those so honored by Princess Alice. Following the inspection, and the march past the Earl of Athlone and Princess Alice, afternoon tea was served to all present.

The Divisional Superintendents reported to the Officers' Mess of the Toronto Scottish Regiment, where Mrs. Grieve was again presented to the Earl and Princess. She had the opportunity of a nice informal chat, and felt greatly honoured to so represent the Brigade. Refreshments were served in the Officers' Mess.

Those who went to Toronto included: Mrs. T. Grieve, Lady Divisional Superintendent, Miss J. McDougall, Mrs. Edna Hill, Mrs. Audrey Sharpe, Miss Ann Hickey, Miss Dolene McEnery, Mrs. Ann Brill, Mrs. Margaret Smith, Mrs. Edna Cole, Miss Mary Watson, Miss Kathleen Black, Miss Margaret Cain, Miss Marjorie Evans, Miss Frances Deans, Mrs. Edith Peck, Mrs. Edith Herrington, Mrs. Myrtle Scott.

The Brigade has been formed in Georgetown since 1941. On Monday night members tried their annual Efficiency Test, given by Dr. C. V. Williams.

## PEEL COUNTY FARMER PURCHASES HALTON FARM

A recent sale of 126 acres belonging to Mr. William Ostrander of the Township of Esqueving County of Halton to Thomas Larson of the Township of Chingoussau, County of Peel was recently completed through the office of J. A. Willoughby.

This fine old homestead was considered to be one of the finest dairy and stock farms around Georgetown. The farm is located on 1 Con. East of Glen Williams and is part of Lot 21, Con. 10, Township of Esqueving, containing 125 acres more or less.

On the farm there are two frame houses with electric light and good gardens. There is a very large bank barn 100 x 54 to tie up 20 head of cattle, 2 box stalls and 6 horses.

The soil is of light clay loam, level tractor land. Mr. Ostrander has been in the dairy business for 15 years and Mr. Thos Larson will get possession immediately and will carry on the dairy business. Mr. Ostrander is retiring to the town of Georgetown.

Another sale in Georgetown was the stucco house belonging to Mr. Peter Bryden on Chapel St. to Mr. Steinburg of Toronto.

Another house sale at Crewson's corners was that of a frame house belonging to Mr. Harry Gordon which was purchased by Mr. Drysdale, R. R. No. 1, Acton.

Life-giving plasma journeys to the fronts in fibre shipping containers made from waste paper—save your paper and give to the salvage collectors. Did you know liquor permits costing one dollar will be issued for the next fiscal year for purchase of spirits and imported wine.

All returns are not yet in for the local Red Cross drive, but the amount in the Treasurer's hands and in the hands of the canvassers now amounts to \$606.00. It is fully expected that when all returns are in that the total will exceed \$8200. This is \$1600 over the objective and exceeds last year's campaign total by approximately \$1200. Membership this year is 1200 an increase of 140 over last year. When the returns are complete a statement showing amounts contributed by each district will be published.

Last week when the names of the canvassers were published the following were inadvertently missed: Mrs. Roaf Barber Ward 3; Henry R. Brown Stewarttown; Mrs. Walter Peck Ward 2.

Following is a list of additional large subscriptions received in the campaign: County of Halton \$200.00

Harley Kay Ltd.	100.00
Arthur Beaumont	100.00
Glen Textile Ltd.	50.00
Mrs. Charlotte Ross	50.00
Mrs. Louise Petit (Maine U.S.A.)	50.00
John H. Bingham	50.00
K. Y. Sutherland	30.00
Robert Simpson Ltd.	25.00
Brewers' Warehouse	25.00
Glen Apple Products	25.00
Mrs. E. Y. Barraclough	25.00
Dr. C. V. Williams	25.00
E. R. Masloughlin	25.00
Clarence Buck	25.00
The Diggers Club	20.00
Sidney Silver	20.00
George Alcott and family	20.00
Walter Lawson	20.00
K. C. McMillan	20.00

Societies	
Ashgrove Women's Institute	20.00
Canadian Legion	25.00
Women's Institute Georgetown	10.00
Oddfellows	5.00
Verdun Rebekah Lodge	15.00
Local Council of Women	10.00
Norval Young Bachelors Club	40.00
Norval Junior Institute	5.00
Norval Junior Farmers	41.85
Ladies Auxiliary Canadian Legion	25.00
Limehouse Women's Institute	43.00
Credit Lodge A. F. & A. M.	10.00
Public School Junior Red Cross	7.80
Boy Scouts	10.00
Loyal True Blues	5.00
Georgetown Lions Club	25.00

## Active Service Notes

LAC Ernie Hyde of Windsor is spending a few days' leave at home.

Pte. Grover Norton has been home on a 14-day furlough.

AOI Peter Bessey has returned to South Mainland, Nova Scotia after having spent his leave with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Herb. Bessey.

Sgt. Bud James has been transferred from Newfoundland to Sidney, N. S. He had been in Newfoundland for two years.

P. O. Gordon MacDonald has been transferred to India, according to word recently received by his parents.

WO1 H. Hurley of Lachine, Quebec, visited his parents here last week end. W.O. Hurley has been posted to Ferry Command duty.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lendner of Norval have received a letter from their son Bill, the first they have heard from him since he was wounded while flying a fighter Spitfire in the Mediterranean theatre of war. In it Bill told them of his promotion to Flight Lieutenant, retroactive to the first of December. He is in hospital at Cairo and recuperating nicely. He sustained injuries to his head and ear drums. It will be several months before he is again fit for action.

Mrs. Bert Tuck has just received a letter from her husband Lt.-Sgt. Bert, serving in Italy, in which he tells of how glad he was to receive some copies of the Herald. Apparently the papers are getting through a lot better than formerly.

Tpr. Fred "Tut" Harrison, serving with the Tank Corps in Italy, sent an interesting parcel home to his wife last week. The gift arrived in excellent condition and contained a lovely black lace mantilla, and two fine lengths of wool suiting, enough to make a couple of skirts and a complete suit. In the letter which he wrote saying the parcel was on its way, Tpr. Harrison said he had become friends with an Italian tailor, who had made him a sports jacket, which will come in handy after the war. "Tut" has been in Italy since July.

## FIRST FLOWERS OF SPRING

Mrs. George Herrington brought two lovely purple pansies to the office yesterday, which she found "blooming" in a sheltered place in her garden. We think they just about set a record for this particular bloom.