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## Mrs. Mary Pettit First Woman on County Council

### Grants Increased to Fall Fair Boards

History was in the making at the June meeting of Halton County Council held in Milton last Tuesday, when, for the first time, a lady member took her place as a member of the Council. She was Mrs. Mary Pettit, recently elected deputy-revee of Nelson Township.

The Warden and each member of the Council spoke a few words of welcome to Mrs. Pettit, several expressing the opinion that her presence would have a steady influence on the Council as a whole. Mr. W. J. Robertson, reeve of Nelson, said "I have known Mrs. Pettit for a good many years and have always valued her work on the Council, some of which has been such that it never could, or would, have been undertaken by a man with any degree of success. I am proud that, as reeve of Nelson Township, I am able to introduce to this Council, Mrs. Pettit as my deputy."

Mrs. Pettit expressed her appreciation of the welcome accorded her and added that she always took and would continue to take, a keen interest in municipal and county affairs, particularly in all branches of social service.

Prizes were awarded to the public school contestants who wrote essays on their recent visit to the County Council. Of the 52 children who were guests of the Council last month 28 wrote essays. The awards were as follows: 1st, Marjorie Service, Kelso; 2nd, Jack Gray, Burlington; 3rd, John Hutton, Burlington (British War guest); 4th, James Ellis, Acton; 5th, Jack Jarvis, No. 1, Milton; 6th, Lois Bundy, Milton; 7th, Doris Roberts, Georgetown; 8th, Catherine Eingham, Georgetown; 9th, Mildred Armstrong, Acton; 10th, Robert Marshall, No. 1, Milton. The prizes were \$10 for the first, ranging downward to \$1 for the 10th. The judges were Miss Carman and Miss Leacock of the Milton High School staff.

Representatives were there from the three Fall Fair Boards in the county with a request for their annual grant and asked that if possible the amount of the grant be increased. This annual request always leads to an argument as to whether all fairs should be treated alike or whether a larger grant be given to the fair held in Milton which, so the Board claims is a county fair and known as Halton County Fair. Finally the following motions were tabled.

Moved and seconded by J. M. McDonald and K. R. MacDonald that Milton Fair Board be given a grant of \$250 Acton Fair Board a grant of \$175 and Georgetown Fair Board \$175. Carried. The amendment which was lost was moved and seconded by W. H. Biggar and J. M. Robertson that a grant of \$300 be made to the Halton County Fair and \$150 each to Esqueving and Acton.

Special communications: A letter from the Department of Highways re complaint regarding Highway 25 from Milton to Acton stated that letter from County Council had been forwarded to Division Engineer for immediate attention.

The following resolution was received from the Halton District Women's Institute but originated in the Nassagaweya Branch of the W. I. "Whereas the Provincial government has made provision for County School Health programs throughout this province; Be it therefore resolved that the County Council of Halton consider this our request, for the establishment of a School Health Program in Halton County." Reeve Norval went into detail regarding the request which he said had arisen because of a feeling among rural taxpayers that rural school children should be given the same medical supervision as the children of urban centres. Members of the Council were all agreed that the establishment of such a centre would be a step in the right direction. Since it involved the hiring of a travelling school nurse, (Continued on Page Three)

### GEORGETOWN AND DISTRICT SOFTBALL LEAGUE ORGANIZED

A softball league for the Georgetown District has been organized with five teams already in the "pitching". They are: Alliance Paper Mills Ltd., Smith & Stone Ltd., Glen Williams, Terra Cotta and Norval. The opening game of the series starts Tuesday, June 27th and will be played at Norval. The Norval team will play Terra Cotta. The next game will be played at Glen Williams, when the Alliance team will contest the Glen Williams team.

The executive of the League would like another team entry to round out a six team series. If any group is interested please Walter Richardson or Rev. J. L. Self, Norval. All the team managers will meet at the home of Walter Richardson after next Tuesday's game to arrange a full schedule.

## THE WEATHER

Rain and more rain has been the feature of last week's weather. There is no lack of moisture now to insure bountiful crops of all kinds, but it has been hard on those attempting early hay cutting.

Here are the local records for the week:

Date	H. and L. Temp.	Rain-fall
Tues. June 13	74 62	
Wed. June 14	62 52	.36"
Thurs. June 15	60 55	
Fri. June 16	63 57	.05"
Sat. June 17	60 58	
Sun. June 18	60 55	.30"
Mon. June 19	76 61	.85"

## Dedicate Honour Roll

The heavy rain storm just at Church time last Sunday morning that caught many Church-goers, gave a drizzling to the officers and men of C Company, Lorne Scots Reserves as they paraded to the United Church for the unveiling of the United Church Honour Roll. The Honour Roll contained the names of 75 members and adherents of the United Church who are on Active Service.

The service was conducted by Rev. R. O. Todd. Music for the hymns was supplied by the orchestra which also played the Offertory. The choir rendered an anthem "O God our help". After the reading of the names on the Roll, Bud Tost sang "Land of Hope and Glory", during which the veiling flag was removed from the Roll by two members of the Lorne Scots Reserves— Ivan Crasberry and Donald Harrington. Prayers for the King and those on the Honour Roll concluded the dedication service.

Speaking on the subject "Greater love hath no man than this", Rev. Todd said that there are three things being taught us to-day by the men and women on Active Service. First, the Christian principle of love, the laying down of life for the common good. Second, the terrible havoc that sin wreaks upon the comparatively innocent. Third, the great potentiality of the common run of men and women. He said that the world needed very badly to learn these three lessons. The names of those on the honour list will be published next week.

## Piano Recital

The pupils of Helen Blackburn held a successful piano recital in the Auditorium of the Public School on Monday, June 19th.

Miss Mary Moyer was the guest soloist and delighted the audience with several pleasing numbers.

Of a class of 43, 32 pupils took part. The pupils are: Dianne Hillock, Patsy Willson, Marie Armstrong, Marilyn Chaplin, Mabel Shepherd, Marlene Bludd, Bonnie Carlisle, Sylvia Barrow, Mary Arnold, Bobby Lucas, Ross Preston, Lorraine Emmerson, Bobby Lavole, Freddie Warnes, Joan Chaplin, Ruth Brandford, Richard Simco, Gerard Wilcox, Billy Arnold, Owen Davis, George Farmer, Ruby Mitchell, Pauline Tyers, Joan Bradley, Margaret Bradley, Margaret Sargent, Jean Tyler, Violet Shepherd, Gladys Russell, Joyce McMillan, Shirley Harrison, Joan Lavole, Kathleen Thompson, Olive Moyer, Therese Wilcox, Sylvia Lorrman, John Farmer, Dorothy Alcott, Eleanor Cummins, Mrs. B. Armstrong, Mrs. H. Watkins, Mrs. T. Golden, Mrs. H. Slenko.

Twenty dollars taken as a silver collection was realized for the Junior Red Cross.

Little Pauline Tyers, on behalf of the pupils, presented Miss Blackburn with a lovely bouquet.

## Gala Garden Party in Brampton Next Saturday

The Brampton Branch of the Canadian Legion is holding a Mammoth Garden Party in Gage Park, Brampton, next Saturday, June 24, when a full afternoon and evening of fun has been arranged for young and old alike. The cause is exceptionally deserving. The Legion supplies comforts to every Brampton boy overseas, and the number is increasing every month. Georgetown Girls' Pipe Band are among the attractions of the day.

The afternoon activities commence at 2.30, with a grand parade led by Brampton Citizen's Band. There will be games, bingo, fish pond and refreshment booths on the grounds. Featured in the evening is "Piffi", the funny clown back in Canada from overseas to entertain civilians.

ACQ Gordon Martin of St. Thomas, spent the weekend at his home here. He had as his guest, ACQ Lorne Mercereau, of MacAdam, N. B.

## Navy League Garden Party Huge Success

At a Monster Garden Party and Tea, sponsored by the Navy League of Canada, Georgetown branch, and held on the lawns of the properties of Sam Mackenzie and Fred Anguish, Main Street, Saturday last, a grand total of well over \$300 was cleared. About one thousand persons attended the activities throughout the afternoon and evening and enjoyed a variety program, arranged by the local executive, which includes Clarence Bain, E. V. MacCormack, Mrs. W. Mendham, Mrs. Sam Mackenzie, David Brill, and Mrs. Lex Schrag.

Donations and assistance were given by a great number of local residents and chairmen, convenors and their assistants included: Property, chairman Sam Mackenzie; helpers, Fred Anguish, Tom Young, Walter Mendham, W. G. Bell, Norton Nelson, Howard Wrigglesworth, Mr. Tuttle, William Hyde in charge of the lighting system, Eddie Sanford (in charge of the sound system), Comford Rossell and Jim Douglas; Games, chairman Clarence Bain; assistants, Frank Petch, Mr. Tuttle, Ernest Forgrave, Jack Gibbons, Clare Wilson and G. McOlivray; Mrs. H. Wrigglesworth, Mrs. Edna Spence, Mrs. Eleanor Spence, Mrs. Keith Barber, Mrs. Ada Sinclair, Mrs. Corinne MacDonald and Mrs. Ruth Jones; Baité Committee, C. Bain, Sam Mackenzie, Tom Elston and W. Mendham; Quilt, Mesdames Alleen Bradley and Tuttle, Dolores Herrington; Fish Pond, convenor, Mrs. Gordon Brown; assistants, Mrs. Paul Barber, Pauline Herrington and Douglas Norton; General Help, Boy Scouts Kenny Mendham, Donnie Brill, David Barber, Teddy Colman and Earl Walters and Jimmie Ford; Ponies' Committee (ponies loaned by McMillan and Bell); Joyce McMillan, Donnie Brill, Earl Walters, Teddy Colman and K. Mendham; Tea Committee, convenor, Mrs. W. G. Bell and tea purser, Mrs. A. Walters; assistants, Mrs. Isabel Cleave, Mrs. Tuttle and Miss M. Young; girls serving, Misses Doreen Mulholland, Violet Barnes, Shirley Muckart, Helen McGill and Shirley Smith; Tea Cup Readers, Mesdames Tom Elston, S. Groat and William McDowell; hostess, Mrs. W. Mendham with Mrs. Sam Mackenzie as hostess for the grounds; Booth convenors, Miss Margery Mackenzie and Mrs. Lex Schrag; assistants, Misses Margaret Pasmore, Phyllis Turnbull, Edith Squires, Mrs. E. Kercher, Mrs. Peggy Westfall and Mrs. Ted Sorlett (assisted also by scouts and afternoon tea waitress); program chairman, David Brill; treasurer, E. V. MacCormack.

The program for the evening, with chairman Mayor Harold Cleave presiding, featured William T. Davis, ventriloquist, of Hamilton and the Personality Boys, Sunny Johnson and Jack Washington, (vocal, instrumental and piano numbers) as of Hamilton; Gertrude Cain of Glen Williams and her pupils, Marlene Bludd and Dianne Hillock, dance numbers; (piano accompanist, Mrs. Mitchell-May of Brampton); the Rigo Brothers from Milton, instrumental selections; Miss Elma King, soloist, Georgetown; Bill MacDonald and his Rhythm Rubes, and several numbers by the Boys' Band under the leadership of Joe Carter, who were assisted by members of the Lorne Scots Regimental Band.

Winners of games' prizes and quilt drawn, presented by Mayor Cleave and drawn by Clarence Bain, were: Mr. Martin, Mrs. Ruth Wrigglesworth, Alfred Spence and Mrs. May McOlivray, (Toronto).

## Fire Saturday at Gregory Theatre

About a quarter to four on Saturday afternoon, fire broke out in a projection machine at Gregory Theatre, and in less than three minutes, Mr. R. L. Gregory, proprietor, assisted by Mr. George Akott, usher, had the building evacuated of two hundred children.

Mr. Jim Croll of Oakville was running the projection machine at the time the accident occurred. Later in the afternoon the remaining reels were shown on the other machine after the fire had been put out, so that the patrons who were children for the most part, saw all the show. In the evening a few theatre-goers were admitted up to 7.30, but the fire inspectors were on the premises and announced there would be no show that evening. It was announced their ticket stubs would be honoured at any subsequent performance, and admission was refunded to out-of-town customers.

The necessary repairs to the burned out machine have now been made, and the Theatre will operate as usual this week.

## Georgetown Fair Board Active

NUMBER OF CHANGES IN PRIZE LIST—INVITE JERSEY SHOW HERE

The Requesting Agricultural Society met last Friday evening in the McGibbon House, with president, Craig Reid, presiding.

The Fair Board are enthusiastic over this season's fair, and look forward to its outstanding last year's show. They highly commended the action of the County Council in increasing the grant by \$75.00 this year, and the secretary was instructed to write a letter of appreciation.

It was thought possible that the Halton County Jersey Breeders' field day could be staged at Georgetown fair this year, and the Board passed a motion offering \$110 in prize money to this organization if they would consider showing here.

Increases in prize money were made in the light and heavy horse classes, with prizes for the best pair of horses in all classes being: 1st, \$10.00; 2nd, \$8.00; 3rd, \$6.00. Prize for bred-to-lay poultry were also increased to 1st, \$3.00; 2nd, \$2.00.

The Secretary was instructed to revise the Root and Vegetable prize list and bring it in line with other lists.

Arrangements for the fair night dance were left in the hands of a committee composed of J. Bird, Craig Reid and G. McOlivray.

The Arts and Crafts Co-operative were invited to show their handicraft at the fair, and the Board offered assistance in erecting booths, etc.

The Secretary reported thirteen entries in the Field Crop Competition for Husking corn. The contestants are as follows: W. H. Reid & Sons, Harvey Nurse, Francis Thompson, K. C. Lindsay, Claude Pickett, T. J. Brownridge, Spencer Wilson, M. P. McNab & Sons, Edwin Harrop, John Alexander, Wilfrid Leslie, Ward Russell & Sons, P. D. Charles & Sons.

The canvassers will again be on their rounds and those contributing to the fair are asked to be as generous as possible. The fair has come through the war years very successfully so far, and it is hoped that it may continue to go ahead, so that when the Society celebrates its 100th Anniversary in 1946 it will be able to celebrate the occasion in a very fitting way.

## Parks Board Gives Report

A meeting of the Board of Parks Management was held last night in the Municipal Building and a report of the results of the winter's work was given over, good progress being shown. The board will to announce a nice profit of \$1143.00 for the four months the rink has been in their hands.

All the accounts have been settled and the books will be audited by the Town Auditors in due course. The skating season was rather spotty, but records show that gate receipts ranged from fifteen to forty dollars per night.

The board hope to be able to show a much better report another year when we may have a local hockey team, and also will have the revenue from the dance hall. The board regret that the present tenants did not see fit to remain, as they had been invited to do, and also had a better rate of rental offered than had been formerly enjoyed by them, however the board wish them success in their new venture.

It has been decided to remodel and redecorate the rooms, renovate exits fire escapes, etc., and generally make this the finest dance hall in the County. Considerable other work is planned in the way of repair inside and out, dressing rooms are to be renovated and decorated, new lighting system installed and it is hoped the people of Georgetown will have a recreation centre they can be proud of. Further reports will be given to the press as progress is made.—Com.

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## Gifts Presented Returned Men at Band Concert

There was a good crowd at the Band Concert and Garden Party held under the joint auspices of the Lorne Scots Band and the Lorne Scots W. A. in the armories last Wednesday, June 14th.

Numbers by the Lorne Scots Band, the Girls' Pipe Band, and the Georgetown Boys' Band were greatly enjoyed by the patrons. Some of Gertrude Cain's School of Dancing pupils gave dance numbers. The refreshment booth did a rushing business and there was dining afterwards to the band. Mr. Jack Thompson was master-of-ceremonies. Mrs. T. Warren was convenor in charge. Special invocation prayers were given by Ven. W. G. O. Thompson, Capt. H. C. McCure and Mrs. Spence. Sr. made presentations of gifts to the eleven local boys who have recently returned from active service overseas.

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## Ninth Blood Donor Clinic Most Successful to Date

### W.O. James Kelly Reported Missing

Another of our fine young men was listed as "missing" last week, when Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kelly received a cable telling them their elder son, Warrant-Officer James Kelly was missing after operations on the night of June 13th. Jim, as he is popularly known, is twenty years of age. He was born in Georgetown and received his education at our Public and High Schools. He was one of the first boys to enlist from Georgetown High School, where he was Cadet Major at the time. He was then only seventeen. His many friends in town hope with his parents and his wife (the former Leone Frances Hanley, who lives at her home in Winnipeg, Man.), that when further news is received, it will be word that he is safe. It is believed that when the accident occurred, he was flying over France, bombing German reinforcements as they were being brought to the invasion front.

W. O. Kelly enlisted in Toronto in May of 1941 and trained at Oshawa, Windsor, Trenton and DePoe, Manitoba, being stationed at Malton some time before going overseas in June of 1943. He was flying with the famous Moose Squadron for some months previous to being missing and had been on many raids over Germany.

## "Lifebuoy Follies" To Aid Red Cross

For two years the "Follies" has toured Canada and Newfoundland, playing to more than a quarter million troops with invariable success. Now, for the first time, this fine show is being made available to the general public, and the total of all receipts, minus only the rental of the theatre and incidental expenses, will go to the Red Cross. A week from next Thursday night the citizens of Georgetown will have an opportunity to see this outstanding program, and at the same time make an almost outright contribution to the Red Cross when they purchase their ticket. Now that large scale land operations have begun, the Red Cross will need more and more supplies, and of course that means that revenue to buy these must be raised.

The Lifebuoy Follies is a fast-stepping streamlined revue, originally produced in 1941 by Lever Bros. Ltd., and represents the first major effort on the part of a business organization to present a full-time professional road show, on a par with the best theatrical offerings, for the free entertainment of Canadian and Allied troops. It is a complete travelling unit, fully equipped with its own settings, scenery and public address system. A real treat in entertainment is in store for Georgetown on June 29th.

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## Ninth Blood Donor Clinic Most Successful to Date

The ninth, and most successful Blood Donor Clinic to date was held in the Legion Hall last Wednesday morning, when 106 donors were accepted. Of this number 27 were women, and there were 19 new donors. It is estimated that with this clinic, there are about twenty men entitled to the silver button, for having given blood at least 6 times.

Miss Annie, R.N. was the nurse in charge from headquarters of the mobile Red Cross Blood Donor Unit, assisted by Nurse-Technician, Mrs. Lake. Mrs. Jack Campbell, R.N., Georgetown, was in charge of the donors, and the three local doctors, assisted by their usual capable nursing staff and St. John Ambulance Brigade members, took the blood. Miss Annie Ryan, Secretary, registered the donors, and Mrs. Anne Lawson was in charge of refreshments.

The fine attendance at this clinic was made possible through the splendid cooperation of the industrial plants and the Junior Farmers Club. The executive appreciate the fact that such cooperation has been a large factor in the success of this and preceding clinics.

The generosity of donors who have given of their blood so many times is also gratefully acknowledged. At this time the Red Cross has two main functions—supplying parcels to prisoners-of-war, and sending blood plasma to the battlefield.

The next clinic will be held in September, and all who possibly can are urged to register with Miss Annie Ryan, Secretary, within a week of the date of the next clinic.

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HELEN BRUCE featured songstress who will take part in the "Lifebuoy Follies", at the Red Cross Society.

## ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE IS HIGHLY COMMENDED

The fourth Annual Inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade was held at the Armouries Monday night, Dr. W. J. Bell, Provincial Commissioner and Mrs. Kirby, Lady District Officer were present to inspect the drill work, first aid, home nursing and stretcher-bearing demonstration put on by the fourteen local Brigade members, under the instruction of Lady Divisional Supt. Mrs. T. Grievie and Divisional Surgeon Dr. C. V. Williams. The Brigade were highly complimented on their work.

Those present at the inspection included Mayor Harold Cleave and Mrs. Cleave, Mr. H. C. McCure, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wrigglesworth and Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell. After the inspection, the social committee, Mrs. W. Fock, Mrs. V. Sharpe, Mrs. W. Hill and Mrs. Art Scott served delicious refreshments.

## Mrs. H. E. Batkin to Convene Mile of Pennies Drive

The Countess of Strathmore Chapter, I.O.D.E., met for their regular monthly meeting in the Legion Hall on Monday evening, Mrs. Leonard Bell, regent, was in the chair.

It was reported that \$2015 was the proceeds from the recently held "Opportunity Sale". Mrs. A. Beaumont reported that 173 articles, mostly children's wear, had been packed in the bale, sent to the Northern School.

Mrs. John D. Kelly and Mrs. S. Mackenzie were appointed representatives from the Chapter to the Local Council of Women.

Mrs. K. D. Barber, the Chapter delegate to the 44th annual Dominion Convention, held recently at Hamilton, gave a very splendid report on proceedings. Among other things Mrs. Barber mentioned that the total amount of money raised by I.O.D.E. Chapters across Canada was \$1,186,777.87 last year.

Mrs. H. E. Batkin will convene the "Mile-of-Pennies" drive to be held on Main Street on Saturday, June 24th.

A gift subscription of "Echoes", the I.O.D.E. magazine was sent to AW2 Jean Mackenzie at St. Thomas, a member on active service with the R.C.A.F.

The July meeting has been withdrawn. The meeting closed with the committee serving light refreshments. Hostesses were: Mrs. K. M. Langdon, Mrs. R. P. Barber, Mrs. H. Batkin.

## FIRST WORD FROM FRANCE RECEIVED IN TOWN

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Williams received a "field card", posted in France, from their son, Sgt. Trevor Williams, one of our boys who took part in the invasion. The card was postmarked June 10th in France. This is probably the first word received in town from the invasion area. Sgt. Williams' picture also appeared in the Evening Telegram last week, among a group of other soldiers and girls on the invasion beaches in France.

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