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With the tall spires of the Chateau Frontenac towering in the background, Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt, flanked by the Governor-General and the Prime Minister of Canada, pose for press photographers on the terrace of the Citadel.

Fall Fair Attendance Reaches 4000 Mark

Large Crowd Well Pleased With Feature Attractions

Exhibitors More Numerous in all Classes — Hall Looked Exceptionally Fine—Horse Show and Races Attract Many Spectators—A Pleasing Midway.

THE WEATHER

By H. L. Hutt

We know of nothing more uncertain and unpredictable than the weather. This year it has been favoring us in this particular locality as evidenced by the way it smiled on us for Fair Day and garden in this locality.

On the other hand it has been so dry in the Western part of the Province that we are told many gardens between London and Leamington yielded little else but disappointment and in many places wells had gone dry because of the drought.

In the far West it has been much the same only different. A returned harvester tells us that where he was in Saskatchewan the wheat was yielding in some places as high as 68 bushels per acre and they were having fine weather for the harvesting, while further East about Portage la Prairie there was so much rain they could not get on with the threshing.

Following are the local records for the past week:

Date	H & L	Rain-Temp. fall
Tues., Sept. 12	63	63 .43"
Wed., Sept. 13	70	64
Thurs., Sept. 14	71	58
Fri., Sept. 15	71	53
Sat., Sept. 16	70	57
Sun., Sept. 17	76	47
Mon., Sept. 18	74	52

Over 400 Attended Fair Night Dance at Arena

Georgetown Fall Fair last Friday and Saturday proved to be one of the most successful events to be staged here in some years. The ninety-eight year old Esqueing Agricultural Society presented a program of exhibits and attractions that drew 4000 people to the show, and all expressed themselves as well-pleased with the 1944 fair. From early Friday morning, until late Saturday evening, President Craig Reid and his Board of Directors were kept busy arranging the hall and grounds for the exhibits, and attending the judges on show day. However, their efforts were certainly worthwhile, and Georgetown can now be assured of having an even bigger and better show in the years to come.

The weather did a grand job, too, for Georgetown Fair, and on both days the sun shone brightly, with only a sprinkling of rain on Friday evening. Everything went off in ship-shape style and there were no dull moments for those who attended.

The Friday Dance

Opening the show with the usual Friday night dance, the Society was more than pleased to be greeted with a record attendance. The fair dance opened the newly renovated Georgetown Arena dance hall, "the rose room," and over 400 dancers enjoyed the season's first dance. Excellent music was supplied by Georgetown's prominent dance band, The Modernaires, who played both modern and old time music.

Fair Opened by J. A. Carroll

Georgetown Fair was officially opened on Saturday from the Judge's stand by Mr. J. A. Carroll, Superintendent of Ontario Fall Fairs' Association, who complimented the Directors on the fine show and stressed the importance of agricultural fairs in the province. The fair was more than fortunate this year to have as their master-of-ceremonies, "Tory" Gregg, of Kincardine, who did a grand job at the mike, keeping his audience well-informed as to what was going on in the various show rings. Another prominent horseman on the stand was Mr. J. H. Lock, of the Toronto Milk Bottle Exchange, who assisted with the races by special invitation from the Board.

Hall Exhibits

Not many fairs can boast of having a hall of exhibits so full, and arranged so tastefully as Georgetown fair. The quality and quantity of the exhibits far exceeded the past few years, and showed in a very real way the renewed interest being taken by our citizens in the support of the Society. With this continued interest by exhibitors, Georgetown fair can make a name for itself in this phase of the show alone, especially at a time when other fairs find it tough going in this regard. The very excellent exhibits of fruit and flowers caught the eye on entering the hall, and was only exceeded by the large collection of roots, vegetables and grain. The display of husking corn was an added feature. The school exhibits have always been ship, drawing, art, and handicraft, also exceeded the expectations of the Directors this year, with more schools competing, i.e.: Georgetown Public and High, Stewarttown, Limehouse, Hornby, Blue Mountain, S. S. No. 14, Glen Williams, Waterloo S. S. No. 2. The school exhibits has always been encouraged for the fair, and each succeeding year finds more schools interested in this class. Some of the children's Victory Garden displays were much admired, as were the displays by the Girls' Garden Brigade. These were judged by Miss Rowe of the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

Although the domestic science class failed to revive, due probably to the rationing of commodities, the ladies' work section had a number of new exhibitors, including the girls of the Monday Night Knitting Club. This club also arranged a special display of their "gifts for Britain." The Women's Institutes of Dublin, Limehouse and Georgetown put up some (Continued on Page Eight)

Pte. Gordon James On His Way Home

Pte. Gordon James is en route to Canada on a hospital ship, according to word received from Ottawa on Monday by his mother, Mrs. E. James. Gordon sustained head injuries in Italy on April 3rd of this year, and has been recuperating in England since May. He writes that he is doing well, and his family and friends are looking forward to having him with them again. Pte. James went overseas in June, 1943. A brother is with the Army on the east coast.

Penny Bag Night At St. George's

Last Thursday night the ladies of St. George's Church W.A. held their Penny Bag Night in the Sunday school rooms. The sum of \$78.50 was turned in which included a donation of \$12 from the Daughters of the Church and this will be given to the Church funds.

The meeting opened with a hymn and prayer after which two or three games were enjoyed by the ladies. A program of entertainment included dances by Marlene Bludd and Dianne Hillock, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Fred Gilmer. Kathleen Thompson, Moira Kelly and Shirley Harrison entertained with piano solos and Doreen Mulholland gave some recitations. A sing-song was of favourite hymns named by those present. Mrs. F. Laws was chairman in charge of the program, and the luncheon committee included Mrs. William Bullivant, Mrs. Jack McMenemy and Mrs. Rolfe. Mrs. W. G. O. Thompson was pianist for the evening.

FARMERS ARE URGED TO CUT NOXIOUS WEEDS AT ONCE

The labour situation on Ontario farms has made it extremely difficult to give noxious weeds attention during the past three months. Many areas may now be observed heavily infested with such weeds as Wild Carrot, Chickweed and Ragweed. If neglected, these will produce millions of viable seeds and new areas will be infested.

In the case of Wild Carrots, flowers and seeds will be produced until the first severe frost which may not be until November. Seeds remain on the plant until winter when they may be carried miles over frozen ground and in drifting snow.

Now that harvesting is nearly completed, property owners are urged to mow any weeds which require attention on their own property, also on adjoining road sides. If weeds are cut, raked and burned at this time, many viable weed seeds will be destroyed.

Weeds have never been as bad as they are at the present time. If neglected, the work of previous years will largely be overdone. Weed cutting farmers are urged to co-operate in cleaning up this menace to crop and food production and make September a clean-up month.

Lions Club Meeting Monday Night

A meeting of the Georgetown Lions Club was held at the McGibbon House on Monday evening. After the usual dinner general business was discussed. Plans for a membership night were discussed, the idea being to invite prospective members to a meeting of the Club and outline some of the features of Lions Club work in general and of the Georgetown Club in particular. Another item of business was the planning of a doll dressed in dollar bills to be raffled off this Fall and the proceeds given to the Lions' British Children's War Victims Fund. District Governor's night will be held in the near future, when other clubs in the district will join with the local organization in welcoming the District Governor on his official visit to Georgetown. The applications of two new members were approved.

LEGION W. A. HOLD BIRTHDAY PARTY

The sixteenth anniversary of the Georgetown branch of the W. A. to the Canadian Legion was celebrated by the ladies on Thursday evening last, in the Legion Hall.

About forty-five enjoyed a chicken supper, followed by games and dancing. The Provincial Officer of the Legion W. A., Mrs. Florence Pegg, of Swansea, Toronto, was guest speaker. There were four quartered members present. Mrs. Thomas Grieve, Mrs. William Roney, Mrs. Fred McCartney, and Mrs. Fred Braisby, president, was in charge of the event. The committee in charge of the chicken supper included Mrs. James Blair, Mrs. T. Grieve, Mrs. F. McCartney, Mrs. F. Braisby, Mrs. Violet Hewitt.

Harry Lawson Died at Home in Stewarttown

After an illness of over a year, he passed away at his home in Stewarttown, on Tuesday, September 12th, Harry Pratt Lawson, beloved husband of Lillian McDowell, father of Douglas and the late Harry P. Lawson, and youngest son of the late David and Janet Lawson, Stewarttown and Georgetown. He is also survived by three grandsons, and one granddaughter, Harry Paul and Peter Lawson, Acton, and Mary Lillian Lawson, Stewarttown, and two sisters and one brother, Mary, Hettie and David Lawson, Georgetown.

WEIR REID MARRIES LONDON GIRL

Miss Ruth Helen May, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. May, Hillsview, London, was married to Weir Reid, second son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Reid, Georgetown, on Wednesday, September 8th, at eleven a.m. in St. Luke's Anglican Church, Brantford, the Reverend Thomas A. Madden, officiated at the service.

THE BRIDE WAS ATTENDED BY PRIVATE CHARLOTTE BIRCHARD, OF TORONTO, THE BEST MAN WAS SERGEANT CARL BIRCHARD.

The organ was played by Mr. Robert Stacy, International Representative U.A.W.C.I.O. A small reception for some thirty guests was held after the ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Dempster. A post-nuptial reception was held Saturday in London, the home of the bride, with Mrs. C. R. May, mother of the bride, and Mrs. W. H. Reid, mother of the groom receiving some 300 guests in attendance.

Cpl. Fred Castle Home From Italy

Cpl. Fred Castle, overseas since June 1941, arrived home a week ago Saturday, after acting as part of a prisoner-of-war escort back to Canada. "Jake" has been in Sicily and Italy since the land of Mussolini was first invaded. He says Canada looks pretty good to him after his experiences there.

With respect to the fighting, his opinion is that the Germans are already beaten, and they know it, but won't give in. Most of them fight fanatically. The going has been hard, but our boys have succeeded.

Cpl. Castle was employed at Alliance Paper Mills Ltd. before he enlisted in the 48th Highlanders in June, 1940. While training in Camp Borden, he transferred to the Tank Corps, and he is still with that unit. He has to report back to headquarters on Oct. 12.

The Herald Soldiers Comforts Fund

Forwarded to Soldiers' Comforts Committee	\$ 973 64
Cash on hand acknowledged	174 18
Mrs. H. A. McDonald	1 00
A Friend	25
Total, Sept. 20	\$ 1148 97

Plastic plywood, now being used in place of strategic metals in many war supplies, has a tensile strength greater than steel, weight for weight.

Joe Schertzl Gets Rookie Award in Lacrosse Loop

Joe Schertzl, Norval lacrosse player was given the rookie award for the year at a ceremony at Brampton Bowl recently. Until this Spring, Joe who is well known as a hockey player in this district, had never owned a lacrosse stick yet by mid-season he was considered good enough to play with the senior Excelsiors. He is a natural athlete, packs plenty of weight and was considered one of the cleanest players in the league.

Art Puckering, Ingelwood defence-man, was awarded the Keuleman prize for the most valuable player in the Peel Lacrosse League. This was a Gruen wrist-watch donated by Keuleman's Jewelry Store and the rookie award was a fifteen dollar ring purchased by the Club.

At a dinner last night the Dick Blain trophies were presented to members of the winning Nortonville squad. The dinner was held in Campbell's Cross hall.

Col. Bertram Leaves Active Duty-Will Still Command Reserve Unit

Brampton Officer Has Distinguished Record in Service of Country

At his own request, Lieut. Col. L. H. Bertram, M.C., E.D., is being retired from active service but will continue as commanding officer of the 2nd Reserve Battalion, of the Lorne Scots with Reserve Army status.

Col. Bertram was born in Dundas, Ontario. He enlisted as a boy in his county regiment and went overseas at the beginning of the first Great War. Starting with the rank of private, he worked his way up to be a major and company commander in France with the 20th battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force.

While on active service in the last war, Col. Bertram was awarded the 1914-15 Star, the Military Cross, General Service Medal and Allied Victory Medal. During the present war he has received the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal and the Canadian Efficiency Decoration.

In 1923, Col. Bertram was transferred from the Reserve of Officers to be second in command of the re-organized Peel and Dufferin Regiment and assumed command of the same unit as Lieut. Colonel in 1925. He held this position until 1929.

In 1940 Col. Bertram was called out as a training officer in the Lorne Scots P. D. and H. Regiment and was appointed commander of the 2nd Lorne Scots Battalion in March, 1942. In addition to his military duties, Col. Bertram operates a large farm north of Brampton.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Harry Pratt Lawson and family wish to express their deep gratitude to their many relatives, friends and neighbors for the beautiful floral offerings and for their kind expressions of sympathy received during the recent loss of a dear husband and father, and also to the Rev. C. O. Cochrane for his many acts of kindness.

HAROLD WHEELER PURCHASES SCHENK'S STORE IN GLEN

Mr. Harold Wheeler, well-known Glen Williams resident, has purchased the general store in Glen Williams formerly operated by William Schenk and started up in business two weeks ago last Monday. Mr. Wheeler has been an employee of Beaumont's Mill for the past twenty-five years and has been active in war work as president of the Boys' Parcel Fund. Fellow employees at the mill presented him with a Parker pen and pencil desk set prior to his leaving the firm and there were many expressions of well-wishing in his new enterprise as a storekeeper.

Pte. Aubrey Kerr Second Time Wounded in Italy

Mrs. R. Kerr of Norval received word last Wednesday that her son, Pte. Aubrey Kerr had been slightly wounded in action in Italy on September 8th. This is the second time that Pte. Kerr has been wounded, having recovered from previous wounds suffered on May 3rd.

Pte. Kerr has been in Italy with the Hastings and Prince Edward Regt. since January of this year. Employed at the Credit Quarries at the time of enlistment, he trained at Toronto, Brantford and Camp Borden prior to going overseas in June, 1943. His friends in the district hope that his injuries are not serious and that his family will have reassuring word of his condition shortly.

SISTER OF LOCAL RESIDENTS KILLED IN ROBOT BOMBING

News of the death of Mrs. Jack Russell of London, England brought sadness to two Georgetown homes this week. Mrs. Russell was a sister of Mrs. E. James and Mr. William Burtenshaw of town. She was killed in July and a cable sent at that time by the family went astray. It was only when Cpl. Fred Castle, who recently came back on a prisoner-of-war escort, visited Georgetown that the news reached relatives here.

Mrs. Russell had gone through the blitz and was living in her third home in south-east London, having been bombed out of two previous homes. Her father, Mr. William Burtenshaw lives in Hamilton, as does a sister, Mrs. Edward James. Another sister, Mrs. Florence Dumm lives in Acton. The sympathy of the community is extended to the family in their bereavement.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT ST. ALBAN'S FOR PTE. S. DICKENSON

Last Sunday morning St. Alban's Church of England in Glen Williams was taxed to its capacity as Legion and Lodge members and nearly the whole community joined in a memorial service for Pte. Stanley Dickenson, killed in action in France on August 26th. The Archdeacon expressed the heartfelt sympathy of a great multitude, with their thanks for the service Stanley had rendered in the cause of freedom. He suggested that in the midst of the mourners' grief they should feel a solemn pride in a glorious death.