

War Victims' Fund Past \$3600 Mark on 4th Anniversary

Societies and individuals have been generous to English War Victims—Still Plenty of Good Work to be Done.

Despatch of a cheque for \$24.26 to the Toronto Evening Telegram British War Victims' Fund makes a total of \$3627.02 which people of the Georgetown district have contributed in the past four years.

The local fund had its origin in February, 1941, when E. R. Magloughlin, Main Street barber, suggested that something should be organized in town to help the bombed-out British victims. His \$5 donation was matched with another "five spot" and the Herald War Victims' Fund was created, to serve as an auxiliary to the parent fund in Toronto. Donations ranging in amounts from 25c to a \$300 gift by the Lions Club have since been coming in a steady stream. Societies, grown-ups and children have all been contributors to help their less fortunate English brethren. The special Christmas auxiliary, known as "Christmas Cheer for British Children" has also had a full measure of support.

It is a tribute to the people of Georgetown and district that with so many demands on their pocket-books—Red Cross, Navy League, Russian and Chinese Relief, Soldiers' Comforts,—they have made these free-will offerings to a good cause. The fund is operated with no expenses deducted whatsoever, and when a good sum of money is collected, a cheque for this amount, together with a list of the donors is forwarded to Toronto.

From time to time the Toronto newspaper has sent a photographer to Georgetown and we are reproducing some of the pictures from past issues, depicting a few of the hundreds who have been doing their bit.

The last cheque sent to Toronto included the following donations:

"The 3 Musty Steers"	\$ 1.00
Punch Press War Workers	40.00
Smith & Stone, Ltd.	3.00
Marjorie Evans	1.00
Mrs. Harry Scott	1.00
Good Neighbours	22.50
Glen Williams	2.50
Bank Interest	.07
A Friend	25.00
Anonymous	1.00
June Eason	5.00
Raffle by boys of Branch	10.00
120 Can. Legion	5.00
Anonymous	5.00
J. Crawford	5.00
A Friend (several donations)	2.50
Bank Interest	.50
Employees of Apple Products Co., Glen	61.54
Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Stacey	5.00
Mrs. M. Baily	1.00
A Friend	5.00
Total	\$ 234.26

BALLINAFAD

The January meeting of the W.A. was held at the Manse Tuesday afternoon, January 9th. Plans were made to quilt 3 quilts this winter, and a committee appointed to make arrangements for putting on a play in the near future. At the close of the meeting Mrs. Foreman and Mrs. Boves served a dainty red cross tea.

On account of the condition of roads and the severe weather, the December meeting of the W.M.S. was postponed until Monday afternoon, Jan. 8th. Although the attendance was small considerable business was transacted and the treasurer reported having reached the allocation.

The Farm Forum meeting was held in the hall Monday night with an attendance of 22. These meetings are enjoyed by old and young. Miss Annie Snow gave an excellent report of the week she spent at the O.A.C., Guelph, being sponsored by Farm Forum.

Main highways are gradually becoming cleared for traffic, but the side roads in many places are still closed, although the snow plow continues its work daily to bring the roads back to normal.

Miss June Given, of Toronto Normal School, spent a week at Blue Mountain School after Christmas. Services were withdrawn in the Ballinafad Church Sunday owing to the condition of the roads and the inclement weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Given, of Deltale, Sask., and Flying Officer Stanley Given, who has made one tour of 33 operational flights over enemy territory, and his sister June, a Normal school student, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Snow and family.

The W.M.S. held their last meeting of the year on Jan. 8th at the home of Mrs. Swindlehurst. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Robt. McEnery presided. The officers for this year are:

- President—Mrs. Jesse McEnery.
- 1st Vice-President—Mrs. R. McEnery
- 2nd Vice-President—Mrs. Stanley Sinclair.
- Secretary—Mrs. P. J. Shortill.
- Ass't Secretary—Mrs. A. McKay.
- Treasurer—Miss B. Hills.
- Ass't Treas.—Miss Young.
- Associate Helpers—Mrs. N. Sinclair.
- Mission Circle Supt.—Mrs. P. W. Shortill.
- Mission Band—Miss B. Hills.
- Baby Band—Mrs. Swindlehurst.
- Christian Stewardship—Mrs. Warne.
- Friendship Sec.—Mrs. Kirkwood.
- Missionary Monthly—Mrs. R. McEnery.
- Supply—Mrs. A. McKay.
- Organist—Mrs. N. Sinclair.

TERRA COTTA

Pte. George Puckering, of Nova Scotia, spent a few days with Terra Cotta friends.

A number from here attended Mr. George Kirkwood's sale on Tuesday afternoon and report a very successful sale.

Mr. C. Shepherd, our enterprising trapper and hunter, reports having caught three nice foxes and some fur bearing animals. Success to you Charlie.

Miss Erenda Dawson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Dawson, who has been on the sick list during the past week we are pleased to learn, is now able to be around again as usual.

We are pleased to learn that Mr. J. Eaves, who has been laid up for some time is now able to be around again as usual.

A number from here attended the concert at the 5th Line School recently. A good program was given by the children of the school. Their teacher, Miss L. Snow deserves great praise for the able training she gave the children. We understand that she is engaged for another year, and is a very efficient teacher, and we bespeak for her continued success.

Pte. Frank Meswick, of Debert, N.S., spent a few days with his parents here. Snow-plowing seems to be the general order of the day at present.

A couple of Toronto gentlemen were here recently, looking over some village property. More particulars later.

Miss Wilma Hunter, of Toronto, spent New Years with her brother, Mr. W. F. Hunter, of the 5th Line.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McDonald attended the funeral of the late Fred Wilkinson, of Orangeville, on Friday afternoon last. The late Mr. Wilkinson was well-known in this community and we extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved widow and family in the sad loss of a kind and loving father.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hayward, of Guelph, spent the week with Mrs. K. Icam and family.

BRAMPTON

Corporal Cecil O. Littleton, son of James Littleton, Brampton, and the late Mrs. Littleton, died on Sunday morning at Christie St. Military Hospital. He has been a patient in the hospital for the past two months.

The newly-formed Peel County Hockey League got under way officially last Tuesday night when Ebenezer and Huttonville played the first game of the season. The Huttonville team beat their opponents by a score of 6 to 4.

Evidence of the shortage of water on farms adjacent to Brampton is shown by the number of trucks with huge tanks drawing water from the town hydrant near Gege Park.

A large number of hunting enthusiasts gathered at the municipal hall Snelgrove, last week for the purpose of organizing a hunt club in Chingacousy. Harold Watson, for many years past an untiring worker in the inter-

ACTON

David Dills of the Free Press staff has joined the Navy and reported on Monday at HMCS Star at Hamilton. Jack Bruce son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bruce has enlisted in the RCNVR.

At the inaugural meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission, notice was received from the Truck Controller notifying the local Commission that permission was refused to purchase a new truck.

Reported missing in action on August 23rd and a week later back in a United Kingdom Hospital with a fractured left ankle, Pte. Robert A. Johnson was invalided back to Canada, arriving in Toronto last Friday and now at his home in Acton again.

Ronald McEachern passed away suddenly at his home R. R. 1 Acton, on Thursday, January 4th, in his 81st year.—Free Press.

SURPRISE PARTY FOR MR. AND MRS. HYATT

A pleasant surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Hyatt on New Year's day, when about forty relatives and friends gathered to celebrate with them the occasion of their 35th wedding anniversary. The door was opened by little Misses Joan and Marie Harrop. Mrs. Allan Harrop received during the afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Hyatt. Mr. Garfield McClure, acting as toast master, called upon Mrs. Archie Armstrong who presented Mr. and Mrs. Hyatt with a bathroom hamper after which Mr. Hyatt thanked their friends for all their kindness.

For the buffet lunch, the table was attractively decorated with bronze and yellow mums and the bride's cake with pink and silver trimmings. Mrs. McVillie Wanless invited the guests to the tea room where Mrs. William McClure served tea, and Mesdames Hyatt McClure, Spencer Wilson, Albert Rogers, B. Hyatt and Miss Sadie Cation served. Mr. and Mrs. Hyatt have one daughter, Mrs. Allan Harrop, of Norval, and three granddaughters, Joan, Marie and Aileen Harrop.

Pte. Thomas Gilbert, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gilbert, is reported missing according to word received last Saturday by his parents. He is a former member of Charter's Publishing Co. staff.—Gazette and Conservator.



These are some of the many children who helped the Fund in its early days.



Three more members of the McNab St. Neighbours, whose early support for the Fund helped it to grow to the \$3600 mark. Mrs. Semple, Mrs. B. Weston and Mrs. A. H. Feller were club members.



The McNab St. Neighbours were among the sterling supports of the Fund and gave several hundred dollars in donations, gathered at their weekly meetings. Mrs. S. Eason, Mrs. Kean, Mrs. George Martin and Mrs. W. Greensward are shown above.



The Tennant family sold lucky draw tickets, on this Lorne Scots cushion top, donated by their two sons overseas, Ptes. B. J. and W. E. \$37.15 was the proceeds. Shown in the picture are sister Jean, now a Lt. Col. with the CWAC in Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Tennant and Joan Latimer, who won the cushion top



Mrs. Kathleen Preston, now a resident of New Toronto, spent many hours piecing this quilt, made up of embroidered names of donors. \$39.25 for war victims, was unfortunately lost at sea. Peggy Young, Beth and Margaret Connolly turned in \$5.50 for the war victims back in 1941. George Farmer and Harold Gilmer turned in \$6.35, proceeds of a refreshment booth.