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"UNDER A ROOF IN PARIS"

Over in one corner of OBC's Play-house Studios, there's a pause in rehearsal while Gabrielle, singing star of "Music for Canadians," and J. Frank Willis look over a song. It's

The Editor's Corner

A BALANCED BUDGET

In the rush of business at Christmas and New Years we neglected to make any comment, in this corner, on the Town Interim Statement for 1944. For the benefit of those who did not see the Statement, we don't think it's too late to do so now.

The period covered by the statement was from January 1st to November 15th, and thus the year-end figures must be based on estimates. As it happened this year, the actual facts proved better than anticipated, and in place of the estimated \$1800 there was a surplus of \$3200. This was due to better tax collections than expected and savings in some departments.

The Interim Statement for Georgetown, as prepared for the nomination meeting, gave evidence that the 1944 Council would end their term of office with a balanced budget, and a surplus of \$1800. This, as we previously mentioned, has been bettered considerably.

Current assets include a \$4800 bank balance and \$12,500 in Victory Bonds, both of which will be used to offset expenditures and payment of balances owing the different Boards. The large share of the bonds will have to be sold to do so—a fact of which Council was quite aware all through the year. Meanwhile, Council's action in supporting the 6th and 7th Victory Loans which took place during their term of office has been of material benefit to the war loan drives and was appreciated by loan officials.

Tax arrears continued to drop. In 1943, the statement showed \$11,000 in uncollected taxes—this year the figure has been sliced in half. Water rates too, with \$827 in arrearages are \$300 less than a year ago. Total current assets stand at \$26,860, with current liabilities amounting to \$17,670 to give the estimated surplus in the neighbourhood of \$1800.

On the receipts and expenditures side of the ledger, we note 1944 tax collections of close to \$53,000. Dog taxes have risen from \$155 to \$184, showing that the town's canine population has grown, while Liquor Control Board receipts have by decreased from \$402 to \$356, which may or may not indicate that local citizens have been more temperate in 1944. The government subsidy of two mills in place of the previous one mill, gave the 1944 council another mill to pass back to the taxpayer. Another money-saving item was a reduction of \$1200 in the amount spent on streets. This latter was due to difficulty in securing a contractor to do the necessary work on sidewalk repairs, rather than an effort on the Streets Committee to cut down on expenditures.

All in all, the 1944 Interim Statement is once more proof that Georgetown is a good town, that its municipal affairs have been capably handled and that citizens each and every one are doing their part to keep the town on a sound financial footing.

FRIDAY IS STAMP DAY

For the next few weeks, grocers all across Canada are co-operating in a War Savings Stamp campaign, designed to interest their customers in the advantages of the regular purchase of war savings stamps. Unlike two previous campaigns, this time merchants will be featuring the slogan "Friday is Stamp Day" and special efforts will be made on the Fridays during the campaign to interest customers in buying a war savings stamp with their order.

An objective of twelve million stamps has been set for the forty thousand food merchants in Canada, and local merchants are hoping that their customers will each and every one help Georgetown to keep up its good record of war service and buy a substantial amount of savings certificates. As a practical way of saving money, regular-purchase of stamps and certificates can't be beat. Every sixteen stamps purchased means a \$4 certificate which is worth \$5 seven years from now—an interest rate of better than 3%.

CALL-UP REGULATIONS CLARIFIED

Effective on January 15th, and pertaining to RCAF personnel discharged from that service subsequent to that date, National Selective Service has issued instructions designed to clarify the status of these men for military call-up.

Those exempt from military call-up are:

- (a) Men discharged after service with any branch of the Canadian Forces overseas, or after service with the Royal Canadian Navy in international waters.
- (b) RCAF members who have been on operational duty on either of the Canadian Coasts.
- (c) Graduated aircrew personnel who are transferred to the Special Aircrew Reserve of the RCAF, and are available for immediate recall to that service

when required.

All discharged men from any service who do not come within these classifications are liable to call up. If medical category is below that point at which the army will accept his services, he will be liable, to direction to essential employment in civilian industry.

CORRESPONDENTS WANTED

One of the features of a small town weekly newspaper is the district news, gathered and submitted by a faithful band of correspondents. Their weekly columns are appreciated by editor and readers alike. It is impossible for the editor to gather all the district news himself and without help, the Herald would be much more localized to Georgetown proper. The readers, particularly those overseas, are anxious to read about the activities of their friends and the weekly columns from neighbouring hamlets are almost as good to them as a letter from home.

We are anxious to make the Herald represent the district as a whole and to gather more news than we are doing at present. Lack of news from Norval is particularly noticeable and as we have several Norval boys in the armed forces who count on this newspaper to tell them about the home-town doings, we are particularly anxious to have some public-spirited Norval citizen give us a helping hand. At the same time, there are other outlying districts which also suffer from lack of reporters and any help that readers can give us will most certainly be appreciated.

THREE VETERAN GEORGETOWN INDUSTRIALISTS RETIRE

January 1st of this year brought important changes to the industrial life of Georgetown in the retirement of the Dayfoot Brothers from active control of the Dayfoot Shoe Company, and the relinquishment by Mr. Barnett Stone of the general management of Smith & Stone, Ltd. All three men have been actively associated with Georgetown's industrial life for many years and will be greatly missed in their capacities as business leaders. It is fitting that their names will be carried on by the new firms, and that we shall have a constant reminder of their contributions to community life.

The Dayfoots, both of whom have homes in town, will be with us as citizens, but Mr. Stone, who has made his home in Toronto for several years, will continue to live in that city. We hope that on occasion he will come back to Georgetown for a visit and renew acquaintances in the town where he has seen his original small manufacturing plant grow into one of the foremost in its field and become a part of a large, nation-wide corporation.

HEALTH WEEK MESSAGE BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

The menace of disease is not lessened but aggravated in time of war, it is stated in a message sent to the Health League of Canada by the Earl of Athlone, Governor-General of Canada.

"We are approaching a critical period in the physical life of our people," said the Governor-General who is Patron of the League. "It is in our power to set up barriers of resistance against epidemics and adopt measures of health that will be a leading asset when we approach the hard work of rehabilitation."

The message asked support of the efforts of the Health League, a voluntary organization devoted to health education, from all who wished to have a part in building up a healthy and virile nation.

"I am greatly impressed with the progressive effort and widening influence of the Health League of Canada," the message said. "This organization, of which I am pleased to be Patron, is putting forward an increasingly valuable programme of public service to prevent disease and improve the health of the Canadian people."

The message was sent to the League on the eve of the February 4th opening of "Health Week"—a League project. The League's object in sponsoring such a "Week" is to draw attention to Canadian public health problems and to urge citizens of the Dominion to get interested in these problems as they affect their own communities and the nation at large.

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TIME TABLE

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Daylight Saving Time

LEAVE GEORGETOWN

FOR TORONTO

7:04 a.m.	6:44 p.m.
9:24 a.m.	9:24 p.m.
1:24 p.m.	11:03 p.m.

FOR LONDON

7:16 a.m.	7:15 p.m.
7:28 p.m.	8:28 p.m.
6:50 p.m.	11:10 p.m.

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Daylight Saving Time

GOING EAST

Passenger	7:01 a.m.
Passenger and Mail	10:10 a.m.
Passenger and Mail	7:02 p.m.
Passenger, Sunday only	8:31 p.m.
Passenger, daily	9:26 p.m.

This train was formerly the
 Tyler but now stops.

GOING WEST

Passenger and Mail	8:40 a.m.
Passenger, Sat. only	2:23 p.m.
Passenger daily except	
Saturday and Sunday	6:36 p.m.
Daily except Sunday	7:23 p.m.
Passenger, Sundays	
only	11:53 p.m.
Daily except Sunday	12:50 a.m.

GOING NORTH

Passenger and Mail	8:50 a.m.
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GOING SOUTH

Passenger and Mail	7:00 p.m.
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An important meeting of the newly-organized Brampton Saturday Night Club, an organization for the young people of the town was held in the Municipal Hall, on Tuesday night. Fifty attended and Miss K. M. Kirkpatrick was in the chair. The purpose of the meeting was to appoint a permanent committee now that preliminary organization had been so effectively completed.