



The righteous cause of freedom has prevailed in Europe . . . as it must throughout the world when final Victory is won. To our men and women in every branch of the service . . . all glory and all praise. To the memory of those who died . . . our reverent prayers. To those at home who have given so much to bring about Victory . . . our humble thanks.

### THE HOUSE OF SEAGRAM

## Legion Notes

Well Comrades, this past week so many things happened that it is rather difficult to give prominence to all events that have taken place; but one that struck your publicity reporter more than all others was the V-E Day celebration. Within an hour after the good news of cessation of hostilities in Europe the Legion club room was the scene of the largest gathering of members ever witnessed. The rooms were gaily decorated with flags and bunting. On the blackboard a notice to all members to assemble for the parade at 4:30 p.m. appeared and gaiety reigned.

The response from the veterans to attend the parade was the largest ever witnessed, and on the call of the Past President, Harold Stokford, marshal of the parade, the Legion Ladies Auxiliary, Girl Guides and Boy Scouts, with the Girls' Pipe Band leading, followed by an army of Am-

erican and Canadian Flags, moved off to the High School for the religious ceremony. The Lorne Scots Band joined in and all attended the V-E Day ceremony at the High School.

After the service before the parade was dismissed, the newly-elected President, Comrade S. P. Chapman, thanked all who assisted by their presence in the parade to make it such a huge success.

Legion members were then invited to the club rooms for coffee and sandwiches. Mayor Harold Cleave, Honorary President of the Legion, and Comrade Syd. Orr addressed the gathering. Mayor Cleave on behalf of the town thanked the Legion members for the wonderful turnout, after which the old veterans broke out in a hearty sing-song of numbers famous in the last war.

For some members of the local branch this was a day of real celebration, while for others, although singing the old army songs as loud as

the possibly could, tears streamed down their cheeks when their thoughts were for their beloved sons lying at rest on the battlefields of Europe.

We as comrades of the last war know the terrible agony all our comrades were going through at this gathering and our heartfelt sympathy goes to all our members whose sons sacrificed their lives in this conflict, and can only add that "at the going down of the sun and in the morning we shall remember them."

Congratulations to Comrade John Hepburn who celebrated his 80th birthday last week, and is still a very active member of the local branch.

Comrade Sam Tennant, chairman of Entertainment, informed us that his committee is composed of the following comrades: B. Hadley, H. Knight, A. Henney, J. Murphy, J. Hixie and H. Savings, with others to be added at a later date. Sam also mentioned the fact that an open house party will soon be announced for all Legion members and their wives.

Bingo fans: Please note that starting this week Comrade Tennant will start the bingos at 8:30 p.m. sharp. So if the bingo fans want to get in on the first game they should be at the Legion by 8:30 p.m. sharp.

The Imperial section of the Legion held their annual mixed party in the Legion Hall last Friday evening. The president of the Imperial Section, Comrade J. Murphy, welcomed all those present and turned over the evening's proceedings to Comrade Harry Hale, who acted as master-of-ceremonies. The following took part in the program: the Rhythm Rubes Orchestra, Miss Jean Harley, vocal solos, accompanied by Mrs. J. Emmerson; Mrs. C. Day, vocal solo; Andy Dewhurst, Sam Glsby; Comrade Bill Young violin solo, Mrs. Hewitt assisting at the piano. Mrs. Braisby and President Chapman addressed the gathering and a delightful lunch was served by Mrs. O. Parton, Mrs. Kennsted and Mrs. Grieva. Dancing followed.

It has been suggested by some of the

members that Comrade Boley should be issued with a pair of roller skates to be used on Saturday night so as to enable him to gather information from the several members for Legion Notes, in a more efficient manner.

Comrade Dick Mitchell and Mrs. Morrow supplied the music for the large gathering that enjoyed dancing on V-E Day evening.

Comrade Andy Dewhurst appearing as an artist at the Imperial Section party last Friday was disappointed when he returned to the dressing room to find that the premises were locked and he had to parade around the Legion Hall in his theatre outfit until Comrade Thompson was called from his home to unlock the office and return "Andy's" clothes. Wally remained at the party after the incident.

Prize-winner for last week was Comrade Johnny Oliver, who after examining the catch of trout brought in to the Legion by Comrade Bill Todd on Saturday, explained: "Bill, you can't eat those fish; they have smelt-pox." So, until next Saturday, when

I hope to roll to your table for Legion Notes as B-4-J.B.

### FORMER GEORGETOWN RESIDENT DIES IN TORONTO

William Geer, for many years a resident of Georgetown, died in St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto on May 8th, after a short illness. He was in his 80th year, and the last remaining member of his family. Venerable W. G. O. Thompson conducted the graveside service in Greenwood Cemetery on Saturday. Pallbearers were Messrs. Jack Norton, Arthur Norton, William Norton, Kenneth Weston, Jack Kessell, and William Cockburn. Mrs. L. J. Norton, Glen Williams, is a cousin of the late Mr. Geer.

Having lived in Georgetown since his boyhood, Mr. Geer moved to Toronto about forty years ago, and for the past twenty-five years has been engaged at Toronto. L.A. 225-235 (profession) him five years ago.