

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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Local Merchants Welcome Your Christmas Trade

Lions Plan for Another Community Christmas Tree

It wouldn't be Christmas without the annual visit of Santa Claus to town and a news bulletin just received from his headquarters at the North Pole says that he will be here on Saturday afternoon, December 22nd, to see all his little friends in town.

The trip, as you know, is sponsored by the Georgetown Lions Club, which pays all Santa's travelling expenses and raises the money for this by the sale of lucky draw tickets for chickens and geese. Every kiddie in the district is invited to be on Main Street on Saturday, Dec. 22nd, to receive a package of nuts and oranges. Santa Claus is making no promises this year about candy, for even he has his troubles with sugar rationing, but if any is available, he'll have it.

Don't forget, children, to tell your dad and mother to buy a lucky draw ticket, and be sure to be on hand to meet Santa in person.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Lex Schrag and Patey, of Toronto, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. William Sullivan.

Miss Rosemond Jackson, of Toronto, was a weekend guest with Miss Isabel Thompson.

Miss Isobel Blehm and Mr. John Oswald of Ohsley were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blehm.

Mr. D. McKechn of Valleyfield, Quebec, was a week end visitor with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McBride.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Fred Harrison has had to return to Toronto General Hospital for further treatment, after an operation which she underwent last fall.

Mrs. Frank Binne of Lindsay has been visiting in town for the past week.

Miss Kay Wilson has returned to Toronto after visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Will Ford. She is recuperating from serious injuries suffered in a traffic accident some time ago.

Thomas Wayne, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Watts of Toronto, was christened at the morning service at Georgetown United Church last Sunday. Mrs. Watts is the former Evelyn Stockford of Georgetown.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCoy of Rochester, N.Y., and their children, David and Ethel, were visiting for several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. George Herrington.

LAC John Evans, who has been stationed with the RCAF in Calgary for some time, has been transferred to Yorkton, Sask.

Miss Martha E. Isley, R.N., of the Hopewell Rotary Hospital, Leamington, and Mr. Joseph Hough of Guelph spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Isley, 8th Line, Erin.

Mr. George Alcott is making a satisfactory recovery from an operation which he underwent some weeks ago in Christie Street Hospital, Toronto, and was able to be home for the week end with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken McMillan and Joyce attended the horse show at Oakville last Saturday sponsored jointly by the Oakville Lions Club and the Bayview Riding and Driving Club. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Barry and Mrs. S. Bongard of Toronto also were at the show, which was the most successful held in Ontario since pre-war years.

YOUNG MARRIED GROUP FORMED AT UNITED CHURCH

A group of fifteen young married couples at the United Church have formed a group, as yet unnamed, which will hold regular meetings every first and third Wednesday evenings in the homes of the various members. The first meeting was held last Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Clarke, when one of the members, Mr. Leslie Ellis, ceramic engineer at Smith and Stone, Ltd., gave a talk on ceramics, illustrated with various samples of pottery and glass. Games were later enjoyed and box lunches were offered for auction. The next meeting will be held at the church, when the group will decorate the church for the Christmas season.

MRS. MAURICE DIXON HOME FROM ENGLAND

Home from England where she has served for a year with the British Civil Nursing Reserve, Mrs. Maurice Dixon has been visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Graham, R. R. 2 Georgetown. Formerly Lela Graham, she is married to Mr. Maurice Dixon of Kapuskasing, who served overseas as a captain in the war and returned to Canada last October. Mrs. Dixon made the crossing on the Manchester Shipper.

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE CAUSED BY FIRE AT B. A. STATION

Fire, believed to be started by defective wiring, gutted the B. A. Service Station on the highway early Monday evening. The service station, operated by Harry Graham, was badly damaged inside and Mr. Graham lost goods and equipment valued at \$1400. The loss is partially covered by insurance. The fire was first noted by a group of girls, who told Mr. A. Speight, a neighbouring garageman, who turned in the alarm. The fire Brigade had the fire under control in a matter of minutes after arriving on the scene.

LOBNE SCOTS ARRIVE NEXT SUNDAY OR MONDAY

Word has been received as we go to press that the Lorne Scots Regiment will arrive in Brampton on December 16th or 17th. The regiment is now en route from England aboard the Monarch of Bermuda and will dock at an eastern port. Only three Georgetown men are coming with the unit, Captain Bob Early, Pte. Howard Anguish and Opl. C. H. Boyle. Other district personnel are Sgt. J. Smith, Oakville; Pte. A. C. Colling, Campbellville and Pte. R. C. Ervin, Milton.

Merchants Make Every Effort to Fill Christmas Orders Though Stock Short

THE WEATHER

By H. L. Hutt

About this time last year we had four inches of snow on the ground that kept the frost from penetrating all winter with the result growth responded quickly to some early warm days in March which no doubt seriously affected the fruit crop and maple syrup yield.

This year with very little snow on the ground the frost is sinking in so that tree roots will get their usual winter sleep. We trust it will have its influence for more bountiful crops next year.

Following are the local records for the past week:

Date	H. & L. Temp.	Rain	Fall
Tues., Dec. 4	30 22		
Wed., Dec. 5	34 15		
Thur., Dec. 6	34 20		58
Fri., Dec. 7	36 34		
Sat., Dec. 8	45 27		
Sun., Dec. 9	43 20		
Mon., Dec. 10	30 22		

Well, here it is, folks, the annual Christmas shopping edition of the Herald, filled with suggestions for your Christmas shopping list. Although the war is over, things are not quite back to normal in the retail trade and many items are still in short supply. But you can rest assured that Georgetown merchants have done their best to help you with your gift problems, and if you'll read their advertisements and do your shopping early, it won't be too difficult to get a suitable present for every member of the household.

Most local stores will be open evenings next week, in accordance with the by-law authorizing this. Already Christmas window displays are relaying the Christmas spirit along Main Street and though there is a minimum of snow, we'll probably still have that "White Christmas" without which the season doesn't seem to be quite complete.

We hope readers will patronize their home town merchants during the next two weeks and do their Christmas shopping where they know they can get the most for their money.

Intermediate Hockey Club Organize

NORMAN HILL APPOINTED AS GROUP CONVENOR

At a poorly attended meeting in the Arena last night, Georgetown Intermediate Hockey Club was organized with the following officers:

President—Jack T. Armstrong.
Vice-President—Jas. Richardson
Sec.—Treas.—Norman Hill
Executive—Eva Thompson, Walter Richmond, G. McMillan, Clarence King, G. McNeil, Joe Hall, Jr., Wakefield Ford, Howard Kentner, J. J. Gibbens.

A team has already been entered and grouped with Elora, Pusgas, Orangeville, Acton in Group No. 5. Norman Hill has been selected by the O.H.A. as group convenor, and he will call a meeting in the near future to draw up the league schedule. It is hoped that the executive will get behind the club and make hockey a success in town again this year. Prospective players are asked to get in touch with the executive or be ready to get on the ice for the first practice. Ice is already in the making at the Arena, and if the weather holds out, skating will be underway by the week end.

LIMEHOUSE

The W.I. meeting was held at Mrs. Smethurst's on Thursday, the roll call being "Little notes on etiquette." Mrs. E. Miller read current events and Mrs. Smethurst the motto—Habits are at first cobwebs, at last cables. Mrs. A. W. Benton read a paper on Tuberculosis, also appealing for funds for the Christmas seal fund. A committee was named for arranging a Christmas party for members and families. The proceeds of a euchre, December 18 were to be used as a treat for local children. A donation was voted for British children as well. Following the National Anthem the hostess served lunch.

The dance sponsored by the Hall Board last Friday evening was quite enjoyed by those who attended. Music was supplied by Karns Brothers, Jack Noble and Helen Meredith, with R. L. Davidson as floor manager.

Miss Shirley Wright spent the week end in Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Benton and sons and Mr. and Mrs. S. Wright visited in Toronto on Sunday.

Bauman Bros. of Hawkesville have moved from the village where they have been travelling township roads during the past few months.

IN MEMORIAM

SHARPE—In memory of F. Sharpe of Barrie, who passed away suddenly December 17, 1944. Always remembered by daughter-in-law, Audrey M. Sharpe, now in England.

WHITE—In loving memory of a dear wife and mother, Mary (Maie) R. White, who died suddenly on December 19th, 1941, in Calt Hospital. Her memory is as dear today as in the hour she passed away.

Sadly missed by her husband, Len, in Toronto, her son Donald, and daughters, Eileen and Marjorie, Georgetown.

LOCAL NEWS

—S. E. No. 16 Esqueing, 7th Line, concert and dance, Monday, Dec. 17. Rhythm Rubes Orchestra. Admission 35c.

—The winners in the Husking Corn competition, sponsored by the Esqueing Agricultural Society, are announced elsewhere in this issue.

—The Christmas Concert of Georgetown United Church Sunday School will be held on Wednesday evening, December 19th.

—An interruption in Hydro service resulted in Charles Street residents dining fashionably by candle-light last Sunday. Power was off from 5:45 till 8 until Hydro superintendent "Jerry" McCallum located the trouble.

—The pictures for which tickets were sold by the "Daughters of the Church" were won by number 178 purchased by Miss Eleanor Traynor. The draw was made by Mr. Walter Blehm.

—While the dance sponsored by the Esqueing Agricultural Society last Wednesday night was not altogether a financial success, 150 dancers enjoyed the music of the Modern Altes Orchestra and spent a very happy time at the Georgetown Arena. The Society will sponsor their usual social, at Norval during the winter months.

—Notice to all Farmers and Poultry Keepers—A lecture on Feeding, Breeding and Weeding of Poultry by Prof. Francis OAC, at Town Hall, Georgetown, Wednesday, Dec. 19th at 8:30 p.m. No admission. Everybody welcome.

—Miss Margaret Govan, chairman of the National Girls' Work Board, will speak at the annual C.G.I.T. Vesper Service in the United Church next Sunday, December 16th, at 7 p.m.

The Daughters of the Church held a very successful tea and sale of woolen goods and aprons, in St. George's Sunday School room last Friday afternoon. The tea-room looked most attractive decorated with Christmas greens and candles.

—Howard Lillco, joint manager of the league-leading Businessmen in last summer's softball series, has received sweaters and crests for the players. The crest is a handsome black and red one which will be sewn on white terrycloth sweaters. \$34 was raised in merchant's donations to pay for the sweaters and crests.

GEORGETOWN WOMAN'S SISTERS DIES IN TORONTO

After an illness of five weeks in hospital, Mrs. Mary Phillips passed away in Toronto. The late Mrs. Phillips, who was in her 88th year, was a sister of Mrs. Susan Colman of Georgetown.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to thank the Alliance Paper Mill, the Beaumont Parcel Fund Committee and the Soldiers' Comforts Committee, and all the others who so kindly sent parcels and cigarettes to me while I was overseas.—Gur. Mervyn Cook

Welcome Home

Pte. Wm. Hillier

Returning to Canada two weeks ago aboard the Empress of Scotland, Pte. William Hillier is back home with his wife and family. Pte. Hillier enlisted with the RCAF in April, 1941, and after being stationed at Hamilton and Debert, N.S., went overseas in 1943. He went to France shortly after "D" Day and has since been with his unit in Belgium, Holland and Germany. An employee of Provincial Paper, Ltd., he is married to the former Edith Alcott, and they have five children, June, Billy, Jack, Bobby and Ross.

Gur. Mervyn Cook

Returning to Canada on the Empress of Scotland, Gur. Mervyn Cook is back home with his wife, the former June Graham of Glen Williams, and daughter Myrna, Enlisting in July, 1942, with the Armoured Corps at Toronto, he trained at Petawawa, Debert, N.S. and Sussex, N.B., before going overseas three and a-half years ago. He has served in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. Gur. Cook was employed with the Alliance Paper Mills, Ltd., at time of enlistment.

Pte. Jack Crawford

Another of the Lorne Scots who went overseas in June, 1941, Pte. Jack Crawford came home last week-end on the Queen Elizabeth. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Crawford, Glen Williams, he served 18 months in Italy, and later in France and Holland. In June, 1943, he was married to the former Wilhelmina Napier of Dundee, Scotland, who came to Canada last May and has been making her home in the Glen with his parents.

Opl. Gear Hayes

After nearly four years overseas, Opl. H. G. Hayes arrived in Toronto on Thursday, Nov. 29th, having made the crossing on the Empress of Scotland. He enlisted with the Lorne Scots in June of the same year. He has seen service with them in Italy, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. Opl. Hayes married the former Janet (Jessie) Morrison of Blenheim, Scotland, last May and hopes they will be reunited here sometime before next March.

Sgmn. George Sargent

Returning on the Queen Elizabeth was Sgmn. George Sargent, last of three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Sargent to come home after service overseas. George enlisted in March, 1942, and was on the staff of No. 2 District Depot in Toronto for ninth months before taking his signals course at Vimy Barracks, Kingston. He went overseas in October, 1943, and went to France after "D" Day, serving since then in Belgium, Holland and Germany. Employed at the Provincial Paper Mill at time of enlistment, he is married to the former Enid Garvin and they have two children, Douglas and Donald, the latter born since his dad went overseas.

Sgt. Russell Vary

Following his brother, Pte. Morley Vary, home by a week, Sgt. Russell Vary was among a group of Georgetown men who docked at New York last Friday aboard the Queen Elizabeth, and is visiting in town with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Reid. He is one of three brothers in uniform, his other brother, Sgt. Edgie Vary, being home on six months leave from Newfoundland, where he was stationed with the Dental Corps. Russell joined the army in June, 1940, and went overseas in July, 1941, with the 12th Field Regiment, R.O.A. He was with the assault force which helped to win victory in France, and has since been in Belgium, Holland and Germany.

LAC John Hunter

A veteran of service with the RCAF in England and India, LAC John Hunter returned home on the Queen Elizabeth last week end. Enlisting in April, 1942, he trained in Toronto, St. Thomas and Bagotville, Que. before going overseas in May, 1943. He was in India from September, 1944 to September of this year, arriving back in England on Sept. 12th. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hunter of Georgetown, John is married to the former Marion Dick, of Ashgrove, and they have a daughter, Catherine Margaret, born after her dad went overseas.

Capt. J. L. Lambert

On leave of absence from his position as principal of Georgetown High School since his enlistment, Capt. J. Leonard Lambert came home on the Queen Elizabeth last week end. Joining the army in 1942, he was stationed at Camp Borden before going overseas later that year as a reinforcement officer with the Lorne Scots and has since been stationed in England with the N.E.T.D. Mrs. Lambert and the children, Sylvia and Michael, have been living since early fall on a farm in the Acton district.

P. O. ROY PRESTON

Returning to town recently where they are visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Preston, King Street, were Stoker Petty Officer Roy Preston and his wife. A veteran of over four years' service with the R.C.N.V.R. Roy expects to be discharged later this month. He has had some interesting experiences in the service as a crew member of the Armentieres, Winnipeg and the aircraft carrier Nabob which was torpedoed on August 22, 1944. He has lately been on the destroyer Ottawa, which has been running from Canada to Scotland all summer. Mrs. Preston is the former Doris King of Vancouver, and they were married two years ago last April. Before enlistment, P. O. Preston was employed in Toronto.

CARD OF THANKS

Opl. H. G. Hayes wishes to express his thanks and gratitude to friends and organizations in Georgetown and district for parcels and cigarettes received while overseas.

WELCOME HOME to the LORNE SCOTS REGIMENT

