

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD

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CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EDITION

Laff Revue an Outstanding Triumph for Drama Group

Apprentice Productions scored a bull's eye with their first presentation last Thursday night. Under the sponsorship of the Recreational Council, "The Laff Revue" introduced this talented group to the public at the Old Town Hall and provided a smooth-running, entertaining two-hour show which thrilled the audience of almost three hundred and set a high mark to shoot for in the future.

It is impossible to find any place for criticism. Every member of the cast was at their best, both plays were unequalled in quality of acting, and the between-act patter of master-of-ceremonies Jack Thompson and comedian Ted MacCormack was as clever as any we have seen on the legitimate stage.

As director and master of ceremonies, Jack Thompson is to be congratulated on a job well done. Perhaps it is not generally known, but he also had a hand in the scenario writing. For practically half of "Good-Night Please" was rewritten to suit the talents of the performers.

Play number one, "A Cookie for Henry" was reminiscent of the successful play "The Women." Lena Emmerson, Peggy Kelly, Peggy Magwood and Renee Diggins were the four beautiful young ladies who attempted to make over their plain friend Mabel (Mary Moyer) in order to get her a husband, with Mary Diggins as the wise wife who combined the virtues of beauty and housekeeping ability to put them all on the right track.

In "Good-Night Please," Hal Newman had the meatiest role and made the most of the farce and its implausible situations. Neil McLennan as the waiter, Sid Orr, Peggy Kelly and Peggy Magwood were all masterpieces of casting, while Mrs. Gordon Cousins and Gertrude Dana made the most of their supporting roles as a lady psychiatrist and Irish cook.

Perhaps the greatest tribute that can be paid is to report that the prompter, Mary Dobson, had not one opportunity to come to the rescue of a cast which was word and action perfect. A special word of praise should go to Alex Kordecki and Joe Emmerson whose technical skill behind scenes complemented the performance.

Apprentice Productions have set a high mark and we look forward to their next production, which we are quite sure will play to capacity houses for at least two nights. Well done, A. P.

FAIR BOARD MET ON MONDAY NIGHT

The directorate of the Georgetown Fair Board met on Monday night at the home of the president, Craig Reid. Reports were presented on the centennial fair, which showed an increase in revenue, entries and exhibitors. Over \$1600 was expended in prize money, and the pylon and flagpole erected in the park to mark the 100th anniversary cost \$1550 which was liquidated out of this year's receipts. \$1000.00 of this amount was granted by the Ontario Government. While the cash balance was not too great, the directors felt a great deal had been accomplished and a very successful fair held.

Committees were appointed for a social evening to be held in Norval Hall in March, and also for a dinner and social for the directors and their wives which is planned for early in January.

NORVAL

The Norval Women's Institute held a successful tea and sale of baking and fancy goods Thursday afternoon, December 5th, at the home of the Misses Ennis. Mrs. Graydon Chester, president, received the guests, and Mrs. W. T. Graham, secretary-treasurer received the subscriptions. In charge of the home baking were Mrs. L. Cleave and Mrs. F. Fenley.

A nice array of Christmas gifts were made by the members. Potted plants, etc. under the supervision of Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Clegg were displayed.

In the dining room, from a long table set with Yule log and seasonal decorations, delicious varieties of sandwiches, relishes and little cakes, some 80 ladies were served by the committee, convened by Mrs. W. A. Robinson, assisted by Mrs. L. Laird, Mrs. M. Laird and Mrs. G. Morrison.

The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. Fisher, when Miss Edith Bennett will be the guest speaker.

PARTRIDGE A SURPRISE VISITOR IN GAME WARDEN'S CAR

Game Warden Bill Shelbourne and Steve Norris, returning from work at Inglewood one day last week had a surprising visitor as they were driving near Terra Cotta. The men received a shock when something plummeted through the window and landing in the back seat, they found a plump partridge. The bird was dazed from his rapid passage through the shattered proof glass windshield but he must have been tough for the accident did not kill him.

Mr. Shelbourne suffered cuts on the face from the shattered glass and required medical attention in town from Dr. C. V. Williams. It was one of the most unusual freak accidents that has been reported for some time.

MOVE TO NEW HOME IN GEORGETOWN

Manager of the Alliance Paper Mill in town for several months, Mr. J. F. Gillis has rented the home of Mr. Ralph Ross, Main Street North, and his wife and son have joined him here. Mr. Gillis and Alan, age 14, have been living in Merriton. The couple also have a daughter, Gwendolyn, who works in St. Catharines but who hopes to obtain a position in town and live here with her parents.

David John Sinclair, Former Wellington Warden Dies

A very large congregation assembled at Ballinacred United Church on Thursday, December 5th, to pay their last respects to David John Sinclair, a highly respected citizen of Erin Township, who passed away at Guelph General Hospital on Monday, December 2nd, 1946, in his 62nd year.

Born in 1885 he was the only son of the late John Sinclair and Clara Elizabeth McEneaney. Besides his wife, the former Edith Rose Burt, he is survived by a son, Garnet, and a daughter, Jean, both at home.

He served Erin Township as councillor, deputy-reeve and reeve, and Wellington County as warden in 1927. In 1919 he was appointed to the City of Guelph and County of Wellington Suburban Road Commission, a position he held until resigning on November 26th of this year. He had always been a great worker, who had taken an active interest in his church, where he was an elder and a member of the official board. He was also a former president of the North Wellington Liberal Association.

The funeral was held from his late residence, Lot 2, 8th Line Erin Township, when his pastor, Rev. O. R. Plindall, assisted by a former pastor, Rev. A. O. W. Foreman, conducted the service. The pallbearers were all close friends of the late Mr. Sinclair: Ross McEwing, M.L.A., William Keith, Wellington County Engineer, Sims McLean, fellow member of the Suburban Road Commission, and three neighbours, Robt. McEneaney, Robt. Kirkwood and Henry Hills.

Interment was at Erin Cemetery where services were conducted by the Masonic Order.

Flower-bearers were: A. D. McEneaney, Grant Wright, Fred Sinclair, R. B. Kirkwood, Lloyd McEneaney, Kenneth Kirkwood, Grenfell Wright, Fred McEneaney, Henry Isley, Ernie McEneaney, Frank Longstreet.

The many beautiful floral tributes were from the family, members of Ballinacred United Church, the Neighbours, Wellington Lodge 271, Members and Officials of Wellington County Council, Ex-Wardens' Association of Wellington County, City of Guelph and County of Wellington Suburban Commission, Members and Officials of Erin Township Council, North Wellington Liberal Association, Mr. and Mrs. Ross McEwing, Mr. David McEneaney, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Burt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Burt and Grace, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Boverigh and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Cole and Aileen, Mr. Goldwin Burt, Mr. and Mrs. Archie McEneaney and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hillard, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lamborough, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie McEneaney, Mr. Edward Shaw.

THE WEATHER

by H. L. Hunt
The term Indian summer has been applied to that period of autumn weather characterized by calm, hazy, rainless days so distinct from the usual weather as to be noticeable. It was called Indian because it occurred most noticeably in that part of the Mississippi valley occupied by Indians. It is usually preceded by more or less stormy weather and here in Canada by a snowfall which we speak of as squaw winter.

We had our squaw winter a couple of weeks ago, and the four inch snow at that time has all disappeared. The duration of Indian summer may be only a day or two, but there is no doubt we had the real thing last Saturday in a whole day of calm hazy sunshine. We would be glad to see it last till Easter. Now that the coal strike has been settled we can face winter when it comes with more assurance, and if we keep our eye on the Yukon we can watch for its approach. Here are last weeks local records:

	Max.	Min.
Dec. 3	32	16
Dec. 4	35	23
Dec. 5	43	29
Dec. 6	35	29
Dec. 7	53	37
Dec. 8	53	43
Dec. 9	55	49

Norval Churchwoman's Flying Trip to Britain

(Contributed)
"No more ships for me! Airplane everytime!" declares Mrs. Arthur Bennett, a member of St. Paul's (Anglican) Church, Norval, and she ought to know, because she has just recently returned from a 7,000 mile return trip to Britain to visit relatives after many years.

Mrs. Barnett, a well-known resident of the Huttonville district, where her husband raises chickens on a large scale, decided to fly to the old country in October when repeated applications for a ship sailing failed to produce results. Now she is an "air fan" plus!

"The trans-Atlantic flight by daylight is simply wonderful," she told your reporter. "The airplane plumbs until it is above the clouds, and you fly in brilliant sunshine all the way. Below you, the clouds look like fields of snow, with castles, mountains, and shapes like rocks and houses looming up out of the mass — a wonderful sight, pure white against the blue sky and lit by the sunbeams."

"How long does it take to reach Britain?" we asked.

"About nine and a half hours from Montreal," said Mrs. Barnett, cheerfully. "Returning, I boarded the plane at Prestwick, Scotland, at 8:30 a.m. and we reached Montreal just after 8 p.m. that day. Oh yes, a lovely trip! Three splendid meals on board, and every comfort. It's just like being inside a large modern luxury bus, with extra comforts and conveniences!"

Many of the younger people in Britain are eager to come to Canada when emigration opens up, revealed Mrs. Barnett. "Nine out of ten I spoke to would like to come — one wanted to come back on the same plane, a relative of mine," she said. "They feel there is greater opportunity in this land."

"The people of Britain are poorly fed compared to Canadians and lack many items of diet — They never see cheese at all," she said. "But that's only one of many things they lack. Babies, for instance, live on imported powdered milk, as no other kind is available."

"Yes, I'm glad to get back to Canada — there's no country like it," is the considered opinion of Mrs. Barnett, who left England to make her home in the Dominion some thirty years ago. She was warmly welcomed back by the congregation of St. Paul's, Norval, after six weeks in Britain.

We See This Week

—That McNally Wood Products have started construction of a new building near the station on the site of the original Dominion Seed House location.

—That O. J. Buck is making alterations to his meat and grocery store which will give more floor space for merchandise.

—That McClure's have added a city touch to Main Street — on Saturday nights with the playing of Christmas carols through an amplifying system.

—That the Georgetown Lumber Company is building two new houses on their subdivision behind Union Street.

—That Main Street merchants are putting in their Christmas windows and all we need now is some snow to put us in the Christmas spirit.

—That Georgetown folk will be able to see a national radio broadcast on Dec. 27th when Willard's Ontario Panorama will be at the Old Town Hall.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Leigh Bradbury and Sharon have returned from Port William where they were visiting Mrs. Bradbury's parents. Her father, who has been seriously ill, is now much improved in health.

Mr. D. McMeekin of Valleyfield, Quebec, was a visitor last week with his daughters, Mrs. A. C. McBride and Mrs. James Dobble.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jones and son Jimmy have returned from a two week visit in Montreal and Haliburton.

Barbara Pinlay celebrated her third birthday recently with a party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Pinlay. Her little guests included: Paulea Watson, Stephen Saxe, Carolyn Blehn, Lynn and Monty Hyde, Judy Bonathan, Judy Richardson, Harry, Brenda and Peggy Robertson of Hornby and Michael Matson of Brampton.

Mrs. Jack Long, Mrs. W. H. Long and Mrs. Lawrence McClintock attended the funeral in Orangeville on Tuesday of Mrs. Martha Robinson.

Miss June Matzkanke of Chesley was a visitor for the week end with Miss Marion Norrie.

MRS. SID MacKENZIE HONOURED BY ST. GEORGE'S W.A.

At the end of the devotional and business period of the monthly meeting of St. George's W.A. held at the Rectory on Monday evening, Dec. 8th, Mrs. Sidney MacKenzie was made a Life Member of the Niagara Diocesan Board of the W.A. Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson read the order of service, which was very impressive, and presented the certificate on behalf of the members of St. George's W.A. for faithful service in that organization. The Gold Badge was pinned on Mrs. MacKenzie by Mrs. W. V. Grant. Mrs. MacKenzie, though taken entirely by surprise, feelingly thanked the members for this honour. A social hour followed after which refreshments were served.

GLEN WILLIAMS

The teachers of the Glen United Sunday School are entertaining the children to a supper party Wednesday evening, Dec. 18th in the Sunday School room at six o'clock. Parents are invited to a little program which will follow about 8 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bonn and Pat of the 10th Line have returned from a motor trip to New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Parry of Georgetown spent Sunday with the Barths.

Notice to Carriers

Will all those intending to curl kindly contact Mr. J. Williamson or Mr. J. L. Ellis before Dec. 15th. This will set the general committee to draw up the winter schedule and let us get started as soon as ice is available.

Meeting at the Club Rooms at 8 p.m. Friday, December 13th, followed by euchre.

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LIMEHOUSE

A largely attended and pleasant event was held in Limehouse Memorial Hall last Tuesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Miller and Russell, who have moved to their new home on lot twenty-one on the eighth line. A few games of euchre were played with Mrs. A. W. Norton and Mr. Walter Linham winning high scores. Mrs. H. Barber and Mrs. Harvey McDowell low. Mr. Bakkin and Mr. Clifford McDonald held the marked cards, and Mr. S. Kirkpatrick the marked chair.

Mrs. J. L. Ellerby, chairman, called all the winners to the front including Mr. and Mrs. Miller and Russell who were much surprised when they found they were to be presented with gifts on behalf of the community.

Mrs. Frank Brown read an address to the family and other representatives of the committee in charge presented Mr. and Mrs. Miller with a tri-light lamp and a pair of contrasting chesterfield cushions and to Russell a Reynolds lifetime fountain pen. The parents thanked everyone, inviting them to visit them in their new home while Russell smiled his response.

Mr. Fred Brooks then came to the front and asked Mr. E. Miller to come forward to receive a table lamp from the community for his uncle, Mr. William Lane, who was unable to attend. Mr. S. Kirkpatrick, and Mr. Jas. Noble sponsored the purchase of the gift. Lunch was served and a dance followed. Miss Helen Shelbourne and Mr. Bill McDonald were lucky spot dance winners.

Mr. Alex Wright and Mr. "Bill" Gillespie were week-end visitors with the Wrights.

Mr. W. I. Newton of Barrie spent Sunday with his parents.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Clark on the arrival of their second daughter in Peel Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, December 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Mills visited in the village the early part of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Greenlee and children visited the Benlons on Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. Smethurst has returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smethurst and the McGowans at Barrie.

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Roughley last Thursday. Donations were made to Scott Mission \$10, to St. George's Hospital, \$10; and to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital for incurables, \$5.

Mrs. Wright displayed the layette for the Children's Aid Society in its suitably decorated basket. She valued the contents at \$10.95 with a few articles still needed.

The fourth line ladies cleared \$20 during November. Mrs. Ellerby assisted by a few other ladies handed in \$18 cleared by catering for a recent wedding.

A committee was appointed to arrange for a community Christmas party, and plans were discussed for entertaining our local war brides.

Mrs. Ellerby gave a good report of the Guelph area convention to which she was the delegate. Mrs. Wright read a poem to illustrate the motto: "Strive, but not for selfish dreams. For wealthy friends to be displayed; But to be worthy of the friendships. That you have already made."

Mrs. Smethurst, convenor of Historical research read extracts from a 19-16 Georgetown Herald, comparing the rising prices then with those in 1906, and also an article on compiling the Tweedsmuir Village History, all of which are to be completed by the 50th anniversary of the W.I. in 1947.

The hostess served a delicious lunch at the close of the meeting.

Quitting convenors, Mrs. S. Gishy, and Mrs. S. Wright arranged an afternoon tea and quilting in the hall yesterday afternoon to honour our war brides, Mrs. E. Beesey, Jr., and Mrs. Oude Mulder. After completing the quilts a short program included vocal solos by Mrs. Earn and Anna Spitzer and a duet by Mrs. Meredith and Mrs. Earn, and a sing song. Mesdames Norton, Earn, Roughley, and Meredith were pianists.

Mrs. Ellerby, president of W.I. said a few words of welcome to the two honored guests and Mrs. Roughley, convenor of Citizenship and Mrs. A. Benton, convenor of social welfare, presented each with a quilt on behalf of Limehouse W.I. Each suitably responded for the gift.

When Mrs. Wright had conducted her scrambled word contest, Mesdames Ellerby and Benton served lunch to the twenty-two ladies sitting.

Georgetown voters in two wards went to the polls on Monday, those in Ward 3 to choose two councillors and those in Ward 2 to choose a Public School Board trustee.

The Council vote brought an estimated 373 voters of the almost 800 on the voters list. James Goodlet, member of last year's Council, headed the polls with 234, while a former councillor, Thomas L. Lyons, staged a come-back to take the other seat with 196. Ray Whitnee in his first bid for public office, secured 128 votes.

The school trustee vote in Ward 2 was extremely tight with less than 15 per cent of the electors, numbering 72 in all, making use of their franchise. Harry Shortill with 39 votes edged Thomas Eason, 33, who had given up his council seat to seek office as trustee.

CELEBRATE 20th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MONDAY

A group of friends and neighbours were present at a supper and social evening on Monday at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Parrott, R.R. 2, Georgetown, who were celebrating their 20th wedding anniversary. Among the guests were Mr. Parrott's father and mother, (Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parrott) who will themselves celebrate their 50th anniversary of their marriage next March.

Cards and crokinole were enjoyed during the evening, and the couple received congratulations from those who were present.

CELEBRATE 54th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. O'Neill celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary last Saturday at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. O'Neill in Toronto. Also present for the occasion were their daughter, Mrs. E. Shiley, of Birmingham, Mich., and Mrs. O'Neill's sister, Miss A. Cowenry of Georgetown. Mr. and Mrs. O'Neill, who for the past 47 years, have been respected residents of Georgetown, are enjoying good health at present.

Mr. O'Neill has recently sold his block on Main Street, in which he had operated a carriage business and garage, to the Federal Sales and Engineering Limited, of Georgetown.

Gordon Price and Betty Ridler Wed at Ponsoy

A wedding of local interest took place on Saturday, December 7th, at the United Church manse, Ponsoy, when Rev. A. O. W. Foreman officiated at the marriage of Betty Margaret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ridler, Erin, and Gordon Henry Price only son of Mr. Harding Price of Georgetown and the late Mrs. Price.

The bride looked lovely in a window white wool jersey street-length dress, gold trimmed and wearing a string of her mother's pearls as her only ornament. She wore a corsage of baby white mums and red roses. Miss Blanche Delaney of Toronto, wearing a grey crepe street-length dress with matching accessories and corsage of white mums and red roses, was her only attendant. Mr. Wilfred THL, of Orton, cousin of the groom, was best man.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, where the guests were received by the bride's mother who wore navy crepe with corsage of pink roses. She was assisted by the groom's sister, Mrs. F. J. Shortill, wearing a sky blue dress and matching corsage.

A wedding dinner was served to members of the immediate families by Mr. Fred Lewis of Erin, assisted by three girl friends of the bride — Shirley Ellerby, of Weston, Joyce Latta of Erin, and Doris Harding of Limehouse.

The young couple left for a motor trip to Ottawa, Montreal and various points, the bride travelling in a light blue wool dress with corse coat and black accessories. On their return they will reside on the groom's farm near Georgetown.

Guests were present from Buffalo, N.Y., Toronto, Weston, Barrie, Hamilton, Erin, Aton, Brampton, and Georgetown.

CARD OF THANKS

We sincerely thank our many friends and neighbours for their kindness, sympathy and floral tributes extended to us in our recent and lamented loss of a loving husband and father — Edith Ross, Garnet and Jean Beesey.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9th

Ward 2 — Public School Board	
HARRY SHORTILL	39
Thos. Eason	33
Ward 3 — Council	
JAMES GOODLET	234
THOS. L. LYONS	196
Ray Whitnee	128