

**STEWARTTOWN**

**Mr. and Mrs. Greenwood Have 56th Anniversary**

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Greenwood who will be celebrating their 56th wedding anniversary Wednesday of next week, February 8th.

Miss J. Frank, our teacher was obliged to take a rest last week, having lost her voice. Mrs. C. McClure substituted for her.

Next Sunday being the first Sunday of the month Sunday School will be as usual at 2 o'clock and the church services at 7:30 in the evening with the annual vestry meeting at the close of the service.

The Norval Women's Institute are sponsoring a short course of oven meals in the Township Hall Monday and Tuesday afternoons, February 4th and 5th, 1:30 to 4 p.m. to which they have invited the ladies of Esquimaux W.I.

St. John's Guild meeting was held at Mrs. Bilsard's home, to complete plans for their silver tea and sale of home baking in the Township Hall on Friday afternoon February 8th. (see coming events column.)

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**JOHN BELL ELECTED CHAIRMAN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL BOARD**

John Bell, one of three Georgetown members on the North Hallow High School district board, was elected chairman at last week's inaugural meeting in Milton.

The board this year is composed of: Mr. Bell, Dr. J. B. Milne, and Walter Biehn, Georgetown; George Cleave, Arthur Beaumont and George C. Brown, Esquimaux; Dr. Carl Martin and Nelson Pickett, of Milton; G. A. Dills, William Coon and Charles Woods, Acton; and Ross Carbert, Nasagaweya.

Mr. Pickett was elected vice chairman and a number of committees set up, the first named in each being chairman. Committees are — Finance, Milne, Martin, Beaumont; Transportation, Cleave, Woods, Brown; Property, Brown, Coon, Pickett; Management, Pickett, Biehn, Dills; New Building, Martin, Cleave, Dills, Milne, Carbert.

Mr. Bell stressed the need this year for definite action on building new schools. Last year, the board decided to build new schools at Georgetown and Acton, and retain the present school at Milton, with the addition of a gym and auditorium. At that time, Acton council had indicated that they would be agreeable to the scheme as had Milton Esquimaux council, when approached, preferred to wait until a decision had been reached on the cost-sharing differences between the municipalities. (A decision has since been reached which will be binding for the next five years.) Georgetown and Nasagaweya councils had not been approached last year.

Creation of the New Building committee was suggested by Mr. Bell as a means of implementing the building of the new schools. A motion by Biehn and Coon caused considerable discussion by suggesting that before any consideration was given to a new building at Georgetown that an architect or builder be asked for an opinion on using the present structure plus an addition. Several members were of the opinion that the building was too old to consider, but it was pointed out by the men making the motion that without a qualified opinion the matter could not be settled. The motion carried on a split vote.

A further motion was made that Sullio Venichiarutti, a Toronto architect who is a graduate of Georgetown High School be hired to make a survey of the building, but this was defeated, a majority of the members voting for J. D. Kyle, designer of the Orangeville high school.

Board secretary, Gordon Brown

pointed out that deeds for the school property in Georgetown and Milton were not in the hands of the board and that an effort should be made this year to obtain them. Co-insurance carried on the local school will be changed to straight insurance.

Mr. Dills objected to the Board's system of not reading the accounts, but a show of hands favoured the present system of having these checked by the finance committee and passed in total. The accounts will be passed around the table at meetings for perusal by board members.

**Attendance Certificates Given S.S. Children**

A near record attendance of 186 persons joined in the special service Sunday morning at St. John's United Church when thirty pupils received certificate awards for perfect attendance at Sunday School during 1951.

Pupils who received certificates for the year of perfect attendance are as follows: Carrall Farrell, Ken Gibbons, Gladys Smith, Donald Tuck, Lynda Whitnee. For two years: Barbara Alcott, Joan Craig, Carol Deforest, Ann Hyde, David Kentner, Murray Marchmont, Robert McCumber, Judy Mcumber, Pat Richardson, Douglas Ritchie, Lynda VanWyck, Keith Wood, George Gibbs. For three years: Robert Wrigglesworth. For four years: Lois Denham. For five years: Peter Forgrave, Gail McGilvray, Douglas McGilvray, Ross McGilvray, Pauline Watson. For seven years: Joyce Denham, Bruce Denham, Thomas Forgrave. For eight years: Susan Crabtree, Douglas Wrigglesworth.

As part of the Missionary program of the school, Mrs. R. E. Souther told a colourful story of the joys and sorrows in the lives of an Austrian family who were making a fresh start in this great country of Canada and of the help given this particular family by the "All People's Mission which is maintained by the United Church of Canada.

Following the story Marilyn Souther, many times winner and gold medalist in Festival work sang the Church of All Nations version of "O Canada."

Of special interest to all Sunday School members and workers was the announcement during the service that Mr. and Mrs. Reg Broomhead have started a campaign to raise \$175.00 toward the purchase of a new projector and screen for use in the Sunday School.

**Acton Minister was Born in Georgetown**

Georgetown-born, Rev. William Gruer Luxton died suddenly at St. Alban's rectory, Acton, on Tuesday, January 22nd. He had been Anglican rector of St. Alban's, Acton and St. John's, Rockwood for the past four years.

Mr. Luxton's father, the late Arthur Luxton was manager of the Farmers' Bank in Georgetown at the time of his son's birth in 1890. Later, the family lived at Milton and Mount Forest, where Mrs. Luxton's still resides.

He attended school in Mount Forest, received his Arts degree at the University of Toronto, then graduated in theology from Trinity College, and was ordained in 1923. He served in parishes at Holland, Man., Fergus and Aldershot before going to Acton.

In 1935 Mr. Luxton married Elsie Holbrook in Fergus, and surviving with her are three children, Helen, Donald and Mario. Also surviving are one brother, Rt. Rev. George Luxton, Bishop of Huron, and three sisters, Mrs. Langford Robinson of Hamilton, Mrs. Alex Bain of Guelph, and Miss Margaret Luxton of Mount Forest.

Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson of Georgetown conducted the funeral service in St. Alban's Church last Thursday, which was followed by a second service in Mount Forest.



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Mr. Vollick is a native of Orillia and came here from Toronto where he was in the accounting department of the bank's branch at Coxwell and Gerard. He is boarding at the home of Mrs. L. W. Dann.

The local branch staff is now composed of manager Frank Benner, Mr. Vollick, Brenda Robinson, Mrs. Lorne Hunter, Shirley Dobbie, Shirley Burt and Donald Ford.

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