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Poppy Day and Remembrance

This Saturday people all over Canada will be wearing poppies as a sign of remembrance for those whose lives were shortened by war, who set sail for a foreign shore to defend our country and make possible the wonderful life which we enjoy in Canada today.

The poppy is not only a remembrance of those who died.

It has a living significance, for funds derived from the poppy day collections are used to provide assistance on the local level for war veterans who need a helping hand. Administration of the fund locally through a Poppy Fund committee, with Mrs. Thomas Grieve as secretary-treasurer, is capable and fast when needed. Though Legion members play a large part in poppy fund activities, and is not restricted to mem-

bers of this organization. Any war veteran can benefit and no bona fide request is refused.

The Saturday poppy day is somewhat farther removed this year from the remembrance celebration which comes a week later on Sunday.

Your financial help Saturday will be appreciated, and citizens are reminded also to keep their poppies to wear at the remembrance service at the cenotaph the next week.

This year the committee has arrived at a happy solution to a timing factor which has interfered in past years with attendance. The service is planned for 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, when people can go directly to the cenotaph from their various church services. It is expected that this year remembrance day will set new records for attendance. Make a point to be there!

Three Hundred Craftsmen

Three hundred people began to learn new crafts, or brush up on old ones last night, when the public and high schools were open for the first of a series of night school classes in crafts.

The enrolment this year surpassed all expectations, and it is a tremendous thing when one realizes that so many men and women are interested in learning a variety of things from millinery to electronics, painting to welding.

The classes provide a secondary purpose also of having newcomers meet and mingle with older residents, and their social advantages will be in many cases as great as their cultural ones.

There are many people responsible for this night school opportunity.

Safety to the Fore

Advance reports of a special film "Devil Takes Us" at the Roxy this week make it a "must" for those interested in safety.

Chief Roy Haley is cooperating with theatre manager Bill Leslie in this feature of Safety Week and has promised to give a short talk to children at the Saturday matinee.

Safety, particularly in the handling of automobiles, is becoming more and more important these days. And there is a group of teenagers in town who could also benefit by learning some of the rules of driving.

Monday night, while we sat reporting council meeting, we were struck by the variety of noises on Main Street. Cars were racing by every few minutes, horns sounding, and some particularly annoying back-

fires came through the night air every now and then.

There was nothing you could put your finger on. Most of the cars were proceeding under the speed limit. But there are times when it is as dangerous to drive down Main Street at 30 miles an hour as it is to reach 100 on a highway.

It isn't so many years since we were teenagers ourselves, and doing plenty of driving. We did a few crazy things too, perhaps, but we did have some respect for laws and common sense. Present day young people must have too, and if they don't the law must step in and teach them how. Safety week would be a good time for some new resolutions on the part of the young drivers who think cars have close connections with jet propulsion.

Pot Pourri

Death of Mrs. J. B. Mackenzie has removed one of Georgetown's senior citizens who served Georgetown well, publicly and privately. She will be particularly remembered by those who lived in town in the depression years, when she served on a relief committee which aided those in need through no fault of their own, and there are several who got a helping hand just when things seemed toughest. No one can ever estimate the future benefits of help at the right time and in the right manner and Mrs. Mackenzie's help, often behind the scenes, will remain a monument in the minds of those who received it. Raspberries in October are not common and people have been remarking on a couple of branches clipped from a bush at Cedarvale School by E. B. Swackhamer which were exhibited in the Herald window. The absence of frost so late in the season has accounted for many fruit and vegetable oddities, as well as provid-

ing beautiful flower gardens well beyond any year we can remember. Proposed new lighting downtown is being tested by the hydro commission with erection of a high pole at the Church street corner in which a couple of different type bulbs are being tried. Those attending the official opening of Varian Associates plant would be interested to know that the catering arrangements were in the hands of Mrs. Betty Farrar, whose Terra Cotta Inn has a fine reputation throughout the province. An R. R. 4 resident complains of garbage being dumped on the roadside near their farm, defacing the landscape and contrary to township laws which forbid such practices. A word to the wise may save a fine at a later date, for Esquing Council took action recently in a similar case. The name of Mrs. Jim Emmerson, Margaret St., was omitted last week from a list of canvassers for the Blind campaign.

Twin Sister Dies Buried at Strathroy

Mrs. Dougal McMurphy, who for the past four years has made her home with her sister, Mrs. John Edge in her apartment on Main Street, collapsed and died early last Monday evening, October 24th, as a result of an attack of coronary thrombosis. She had just reached her sister's apartment when she was stricken.

Mrs. McMurphy was the former Catherine Martin, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Martin, of Scotland. She lived in Scotland until she was twenty one, when she and her identical twin sister, came to Canada.

In 1913, she was married to Dougal McMurphy, and they lived on a farm just outside London, Ontario, all their married life, until four years ago, when Mrs. McMurphy came to live in Georgetown, with her sister. Mrs. McMurphy's husband predeceased her in 1947. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and of the Canadian Legion W.A.

Mrs. McMurphy leaves three sons and one daughter: Dougal, John and Williams, all of the London district, and Annie (Mrs. Joseph McDermid), of

Stratford. A son, Martin, was killed overseas in World War II, and another son, Archie, was killed in a motor accident ten years ago.

Only surviving member of Mrs. McMurphy's immediate family, is her identical twin sister, Mrs. John Edge, of Georgetown. There are eight grand-

children surviving Mrs. McMurphy. Rev. J. E. Ostrom, a former Baptist Church minister here, was in charge of the funeral service, held Thursday, October 27th, at the Denning Funeral Home in Strathroy. Interment took place in Poplar Hill Cemetery.

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OKAY MUNICIPAL BUILDING
 Meeting here on Friday, the Ontario Municipal Board approved the town-council's plan for a \$42,000 renovation and addition to the municipal building.
 The hearing was necessary before further plans could go ahead for the work.
 Architect R. W. Hall, Brampton will be presenting his plans and estimates in a week or two.

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