

Legion Notes

Legion Club
The president of the Legion Club, Mr. J. E. W. Wainwright, announced that the next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, April 25th at 8:00 p.m. in the auditorium. There will be an usual lucky draw and as the number of members present last month, the club is growing. This month's winner will really make a haul!

The District meeting will be held in two weeks in the new Legion Hall in Waterdown. All members are urged to try and go if they can. There will be a parade, with each branch taking their colours. At least one car load will be going and we hope there will be a

GEORGETOWN INDUSTRY SUPPORTS TB SURVEY

Georgetown Industry is planning to make the x-ray examinations of the Georgetown area as complete as possible. It was announced by Chairman Alex Calder of the Georgetown Committee of the Halton County Tuberculosis Association. "We hope this co-operation will help to get the tuberculosis problem under control in this area; if any exists here," Mr. Calder stated.

The personnel of the Beaumont Knitting Mills will be x-rayed from 10:00 to 10:30 a.m. on April 30th; Varian Associates of Canada from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. on April 30th; Provincial Paper Limited from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. on April 30th; Alliance Paper Mills from 2:00 to 5:00 on April 30th. Georgetown High School is also participating in the TB survey and children of 12 years of age and over will be examined at the high school from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon on May 1st.

The above surveys are in addition to the regular clinic sessions which will be held for all other residents of this area in the Knox Presbyterian Church in Georgetown on May 1st, 2nd and 3rd; and in Norval on April 29th. Clinic hours are from 2 to 5 p.m. and from 7 to 10 p.m. X-ray examinations are free.

FARM NEWS

OTHER HALTON JUNIORS IN THE NEWS

J. E. W.
Recognition of the outstanding contribution made by Miss Wilma Sinclair of Milton, to her Club, county and the province, was indicated in her selection as one of four Ontario Junior Farmer delegates to attend the Tri-State Conference which was in Pennsylvania. Miss Sinclair is another of Halton's Juniors who has contributed much to the achievements of Halton Junior Farmers over the past several years. During that period she has been one of the top leaders in the Milton Junior Institute, having served as secretary and president; in addition, has rendered outstanding service to the County Junior Farmer Association in many roles including the offices of county treasurer and county secretary, and on innumerable committees.

Other Ontario Juniors who were selected as delegates to attend the same Conference are Miss Diane Snyder of Waterloo County; Floyd Krick of Lincoln; and Bruce McCallum of Lambton. Halton Juniors, plus Miss Sinclair's wide circle of friends in the senior ranks are delighted at this well deserved recognition of her outstanding contribution.

SAFETY SISTERS MEET
Marilyn and Diane Wrigglesworth were hosts for the Ashgrove "Safety Sisters" meeting April 6. Roll Call was answered with a traffic law, notes were given on family diet and Adrienne Nurse assisted the hostesses in serving lunch.

number seats. The election of officers, including that for head of the district, will take place at that time.

Waterdown has recently built a new hall, and have asked to have it officially opened that day.

This year of 1957 is the year of the Provincial convention, held bi-annually, and it will be held in the beautiful city of St. Catharines.

Organization for this big event is well under way, and the chairman, Reg Cleator, has promised the biggest and best convention yet. It will be the twentieth biennial convention of this command, and being held in the holiday season, no doubt will see a great influx of members attending. The dates are Sunday, August 4th and will continue in session until Thursday, August 8th.

The big parade, which is always a real feature of our conventions, takes place on the Sunday to the War Memorial, and will take in a service of remembrance, to be held there. The parade will form at the armoured, and it is hoped to have many colour parties from all the branches in the province.

The convention will be officially opened by the Hon. Milton Gregg, V.C., M.C., at the beautiful St. Catharines branch auditorium on Sunday.

In case any reader is not aware, each branch is entitled to send to the convention, representing its members, one delegate for the first fifty members or fraction thereof, and one for each additional one hundred members or fraction thereof. As a matter of special interest to those not attending, any delegate accredited by his branch may carry, in addition to his own credentials, a maximum of four proxy votes from his own or any other branch in command. However, such proxy votes must be registered, and no registration fee is necessary for proxy votes, but each accredited delegate must be paid up to December 31st, 1957, and in possession of his annual membership card.

All resolutions must be submitted by branches through their District Meetings not later than June 1st, 1957. The Resolutions Committee under chairman John Stead, will sit on Saturday and Sunday, June 15th and 16th, 1957.

The registration fee for the St. Catharines convention will be \$5.00 for each delegate, Accredited or Fraternal, and covers the cost of badge, banquet, etc.

Fraternal registration cards will be sent to branches on request. (no limit.) Each branch will be allotted the number of Accredited Registration cards necessary for the number of delegates attending. Proxy votes will be sent to all the branches indicating they will not be sending their full quota. These proxy cards are to be filled out by the branch, signed by the secretary or president, and turned over to the branch's choice of delegate.

Let's see this zone have a real turnout at this convention. It is

also hoped that there is no loss of travel involved, and it will provide a wonderful opportunity to see and hear the head of our group. It also provides an unique opportunity of renewing old acquaintances and making a lot of new friends. Coming as it does in the middle of the holiday season a large number of members should be able to attend.

We were asked recently about TVS, which means, incidentally Tuberculosis Veterans Section and was in existence before the Legion. It has approximately 1500 members in some 17 branches and keeps two service officials (both former TB cases) in Ottawa, to deal exclusively with problems relating to the tubercular and chest disabled veterans. Many members belong to both. Nearest branches to this district are Branch 49, 87 Concord Ave., Toronto, and Branch 33, 1123 Greenwood Ave., Toronto, or the Col. McCrag Branch 257, at 33 Woolwich St., Guelph.

The Membership Drive is gaining momentum all the time, and it is hoped that our slogan, "Duplicate by 50" will prove a huge success.

Nearly every branch in some way or another have carried on a drive... some by observing the Legion Week in April, others by just accentuating their effort to obtain new members.

All branches are urged to raise an umbrella of favorable publicity about their quarters—show as many as possible through the branch, and follow up with calls to houses of prospective members. Each group is urged to get as much favorable publicity as possible, and to use pictures, to show what the Legion has to offer new members. In this zone a challenge trophy, the Irish Armstrong Memorial Trophy, named after a deceased well known member, has been donated by one of his family. This cup will be given at the end of '57, to the branch with the greatest gain in membership.

We think the crux of the present campaign is to impress upon present members the need for new members. No branch can be an island unto itself. The Legion must have as its strength, its national strength. Each month the Legionary lists about 130 members who have died. That adds up to 1500 members a year through death. And unfortunately, this number is bound to increase.

Each branch needs the support of its community. Many branches are achieving this through their community projects. But the more members a branch has, the easier it is to conduct such programs.

One of the favourite questions asked is "Why should I join the Legion?" And here's some of the answers.

For 31 years the Legion has worked for veterans—all veterans... When you got out of the service, maybe you took technical training, a university degree or VLA assistance. Perhaps you're drawing a pension. And remember those gratuities which looked so good, oh so long ago, in 1945? Well, the Legion proposed most of the original

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Legion branches have a wide and diverse range of community programs. As a member, you have an opportunity to put some of the ideas you may have about community betterment into action. You, too, have access to the Legion hall and can take advantage of many of the social gatherings. Your membership includes twelve copies of

our national magazine, the Legionary. And lastly, you're part of a group who you understand, and who understand you. After all, you fought together, lived together and came to be pretty close. It's a great feeling to renew that old feeling of comradeship. To our veteran population, won't you consider joining us?

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