

Legion Notes

by Leslie Clark

JIM MURPHY has a real big surprise in the lunch line for all the members meeting night (Thursday, April 25th), and wants a real big crowd to be there to enjoy it. He didn't have it arranged till after the notices went out, so pass the word to all members you meet.

With various units of the branch going to Grimsby, North Bay and to Watford, among other places in the next couple of weeks, the members are going to be busy.

The District meeting is being held on Sunday, March 28th, in the new Legion building at Watford. We hope to see a good turnout in attendance. Anyone interested in going, please contact the writer.

Zone meeting coming up very shortly and will be an important one, with the Provincial Convention coming up this summer.

And our own branch meeting is tomorrow night in the auditorium, and we hear via the grapevine a number of subjects are to come up, so we'll advise each member to be on hand to look after the best interests of your branch. Also the lucky draw will be held and the "kitty" is growing so try to get out to take your chances on taking that goodly sum of money home with you!

INTRODUCING

Kenneth John Jubb, lives at 53 Hewson Crescent, and is a process planner at A. V. Roe, Malton. He is married and served in the air force during the 2nd world war. He likes carpentry and painting as hobbies.

Johnny Campbell, lives at 10 Campbell Gate, Georgetown and is employed at Varian Industries. He is married with one child and served in the artillery. Plays golf and is an amateur photographer.

An increasing problem in all branches in the zone is the terrific cost of engaging in their various activities that fall in a sports or in an entertainment category.

Especially is this true in sports, where, once you become proficient and find teams entered in district tournaments, it becomes quite a sizeable expense, and naturally, one finds in each branch, extremists on both sides, some hotheads who feel sports should be indulged in to the total disregard of anything else in the branch, and other "eggheads" who feel the branch should exclude all other forms of recreation except that ancient and honorable pastime of "elbow bending."

We have no firm conviction on the subject, but do feel that moderation should be used and that in each faction, an attempt should be made to see the other side of the fence. Certainly it gives us a thrill to hear of our branch or zone carrying off honours in some particular event. But then again we can understand the moan of anguish that is wrrenched from the custodian of the treasury, as he tots up the amount of filthy lucre he is going to have to part with, not to mention seeing his dreams of a surplus for the year evaporate into blue sky!

Looking at the whole picture, zone-wise, we think Earl Holmes, the zone sports officer, has done a wonderful job, and that in that department he has had the able help of his energetic deputy, Dude Lindsay of Acton, and each sports chairman, including our own hard-working Frank Connelly.

Between the various sports committees in the zone a strong structure has been set up which has pulled sports up from a low station in zone activity, until now they are without a doubt the largest as well as domination factor in the life of the zone and branches. We can't help admire, and by "we" that includes almost every Legion member, the very sound financial basis that the whole setup has been organized on. The boys in charge, have with their draws, etc., not only financed their tournaments, but also managed to clean up over \$100 in back debts incurred by the previous sport group. A point that is noteworthy, and at present they are we believe, in possession of a bank account of at least \$150.00 as of the last zone meeting.

Well done, fellows, and keep up the good work!

Speaking locally, we hope that a concrete rate will be set in the near future and adhered to in our Branch. This should be done at a General Meeting and should be able to be changed on a 30-day notice of motion, at least in our opinion. This would eliminate arguing, and unnecessary recriminations. However, there is one item we think should be taken into consideration, and that is the price of the commodity we sell and realize our operating capital from. In all branches, with but two exceptions in the province of Ontario, prices are considerably higher, in most cases by 5c, making the average price 20c against our of 15c. This is, if we all stop to consider, some twenty per cent less, and could be considered almost "wholesale" prices, and if that extra nickel was

eral thousand dollars ahead of the present margin. The price itself, is a fair one, and seems to suit the members. Whether it could be advertised to something we don't care to prophesy, if the executive were not careful about their expenditures. And whether the branch as a whole would favour the raising of prices in order to take part in more activities is something that is up to each member and no one can make the decision except the membership as a whole. However, we think with a little bit of common sense, a little bit of tolerance, and an effort to understand each others' views, and our branch, (the biggest and best in B7) can carry on as at present managing to keep everyone happy!

"We have been asked at times to print a small history of our various Dominion and Provincial officers. So this week we will try and give you a few highlights of a number of them.

D. L. BURGESS, MBE, MC Legion Dominion President. David Luther Burgess was born in Ontario, near Toronto, sixty-seven years ago. He went west and enlisted in the 188th Batt. at Prince Albert. Transferred to the Royal Flying Corps and flew with No. 25 Squadron. He was awarded the MC for conspicuous gallantry in April 1917, as a lieutenant. Mr. Burgess finished the war as a captain and returned to Saskatchewan as a soldier-settler in the north. Then he moved to Ottawa as private secretary to the minister of agriculture and later became chief supply officer of the Dept. of Agriculture. He has been president of the Ottawa branch of the Canadian Legion, and has been active in various Legion committees, as well as Ottawa boards, including acting as a trustee for Ottawa Civic Hospital.

Mr. Burgess is an elder in the United Church, is married and has one daughter. He golfs occasionally for recreation.

HENRY HARVEY

Provincial President, Ontario Command, Canadian Legion. He enlisted in the 21st Batt., in Sept., 1914, and served in France and Belgium. He was wounded three times at the Somme in 1916 and later volunteered for service in North Russian and transferred to Can. Field Battery, where he remained until discharge in 1919 in the second world war he was commissioned with the RCASC. Mr. Harvey is employed with the Ottawa Journal as circulation manager. He has been active in the Ottawa Branch since 1934. Henry Harvey has chaired many committees and was president of his branch during 1942 and 1943. He served as director of Legion War Services. Has been a zone commander, district commander, and vice president and was elected Provincial President at Windsor in 1955.

PATRICK BIGGS

Secretary, Ontario Command. Pat Biggs was born in Toronto on March 17th, 1915, is married and has four children. Prior to 1939 worked for various newspapers and publishing houses in Toronto and at the time of enlistment was managing editor of Age Publication, Ltd. He enlisted in October, 1939, as a Sapper in RCE, Toronto, going overseas in Dec., 1939. Was commissioned in 1940 and posted to the Royal Regiment of Canada, serving with that unit and discharged in June, 1945, with the rank of Major.

On discharge he became a welfare officer for DVA until his appointment as secretary to Provincial Command, Canadian Legion, in 1947.

With the good weather here how about each member of the Legion just taking a little time out to go out and "dig up" one new member. All you probably have to do is contact someone you know, with the application forms. And should it be that you never think to get the application forms, just phone your branch secretary, and he will see you get them. This season let us all make a real concentrated effort to build our membership. Tell them all the things they are missing... the picnics, treats for the kids, the various outings, corn roast, Christmas tree, and the various banquets as well as the chance of helping to contribute to the overall picture as administered by command. Give your prospect a sales talk, then whip out an application form and we'll wager he'll sign up!

Don't forget the big monthly meeting tomorrow (Thursday) night! Be there to take part in the conduct of your business, for it is partly yours, and we're sure if you thought of it as a shareholder, not just a member you would be on hand to look after your interests.

"The greatest honour any member can do his club, is, after electing his officers, support them loyally, until term ends. If, at that time, they have, in his estimation, proved unworthy, turn them out."

—I. Weir Scott

"We noticed the above in an old magazine and thought it quite good."

Former Georgetown Honoured by Dairymen

The slight, grey haired, unassuming man who trained the dairy commissioners of the three prairie provinces received a life membership in the Saskatchewan Dairy Association.

He is Percy E. Reed, retired dairy commissioner of the Saskatchewan department of agriculture. During his long tenure in that position from 1918 to 1947, Mr. Reed trained and developed the men who are now provincial dairy commissioners: D. Hall McCallum in Alberta, C. H. P. Killick in Manitoba, and his successor, Hugh S. Hanna in Saskatchewan.

Jack S. Turnbull, past president of the National Dairy Council of Canada, made the presentation at the banquet of the association's 48th annual meeting in the colonial hall room of the Hotel Saskatchewan.

Mr. Turnbull paid a warm tribute to his old friend, who, though a bachelor, was the virtual father of the prairie dairy commissioners and the real creator of the pattern that brought the dairy business to achievement across the prairie provinces undreamed of a half century ago.

The present commissioners Mr. Turnbull said, are "a living monument" to Mr. Reed's contribution to the growth of the dairy business to economic impressiveness in the west.

Mr. Turnbull said Mr. Reed could claim many firsts in developing the dairy industry in Saskatchewan. One of his most important was the introduction of sanitation in milk by setting up a laboratory for that purpose.

Mr. Reed, according to Mr. Turnbull's citation, had standardization as his aim and achieved this in milk and butter grading. He said Mr. Reed was one of the founders of the Saskatchewan Dairy Association.

Finally, Mr. Turnbull recalled that Mr. Reed always opposed speeches at association banquets. Consequently, he said, Mr. Reed's lifelong rule would be invoked against him. So, Mr. Reed did not reply. After the presentation, Mr. Reed won an ovation from the packed banquet hall.

Harold Horner, deputy minister of agriculture was chairman. Mr. Hanna introduced the head table guests and their wives.

Out-of-province guests included F. J. Reynolds, president, National Kenneth Wells, veterinary director general, Dept. of Agriculture, Ottawa; Orville Shugg, Toronto, representing the Dairy Farmers of Canada; and Dr. Veal R. Smith,

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Wrigg, 86; Sharon Cook, Glen W., 85; Lesley Anne Doby, Acton 2, 84.

Jacqueline Sheppard, Georgetown Chapel; Margaret Davidson, Acton 1; Margaret Whowell, Milton Brant; Margaret McPhail, Campbellville; Susan Bruch, Milton Denyes; Jacqueline Barr, Milton Rosary.

Senior Choir, 6 rooms and under: Milton Rosary, 86; Glen Williams, 82; Campbellville; Norval.

Senior Choir, 6 rooms and over: Milton Denyes, 86; Acton 1, 87; Georgetown Chapel, 86; Milton Brant; Georgetown Wrigglesworth; Acton 2.

Boys Choir: Georgetown Chapel 87; Milton Denyes, 86; Acton; Georgetown Wrigg; Norval; Milton Brant; Georgetown Harrison.

Boys Solo, 11 and under: Brad Livingston, Georgetown Chapel, 86; David Spadafore, Acton 1, 85; Ronald Hopkins, Milton Brant, 83.

Larry Saunders, Georgetown Wrigg; Billy Klooster, Glen W.; Rex Heslop, Georgetown Harrison; Gary Thomas, Milton Denyes; Bruce Evans, Campbellville; David Iorns, Milton Rosary; Eddie Hubble, Acton 2.

Vocal Duet: Margaret Davidson and Lesley Anne Doby, Acton 1, 85; Barbara Evans and Robert McCumber, Georgetown Chapel, 84; Lynne Merritt and Susan Draper, Milton Brant, 83.

Sonja Berg and Cairne Babey, Georgetown Wrigglesworth; Keith Andrews and Jon Hurst, Acton 2; Marie Van Liere, and Margaret Vaner Ham, Glen W.; Margaret Graham and Ruth Ann Sherratt, Milton Denyes; Gerrie Vis and Carol Haylock, Norval.

Triple Trio: Acton-2, 87; Georgetown Wrigg, 86; Acton 1; Glen Williams; Norval; Milton Denyes; Campbellville; Milton Brant; Georgetown Chapel.

Dept. of Dairy Husbandry, University of Wisconsin. Saskatchewan guests included Hon. I. C. Nollet, minister of agriculture; Mayor T. H. Cowburn; G. W. C. Johns, president, Regina chamber of commerce, and David Cass-Beggs, general manager, Saskatchewan Power Corporation.

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