



## Lions Booking Band Kingston Convention

On Sunday, the Rose Room of the Georgetown Arena resounded to the skirl of the bagpipes and the beat of the drums as the Georgetown Girls' Pipe Band held an open practice and demonstration.

This was attended by parents and friends of the members of the band and also a number of prospective members. The sponsors of the band, the Georgetown Lions Club were represented by president Jim Jones and Jim Gardiner, Councillor Jim Brown, chairman of the Recreation Committee was also present.

The band was called to attention by Drum Major Margaret Bingham, who welcomed all those present, she then introduced to the guests Mr. Al MacMunn, the Pipe Instructor, and Mr. Bill Gilruth, the Drum Instructor. Mr. Munn said how pleased he was to have the opportunity of meeting the parents and friends of the girls in the band. He commended the girls for their enthusiasm and the hard work put into their job.

Mr. Munn then explained the purpose of the open practice. He said this would give the parents an opportunity of seeing how a Pipe Band practice is carried out. The Band then dismissed and the Pipers retired to the ante-room for chamber practice while the drummers remained in the main hall for their various drum training. The parents were invited to move around among the players and to ask any questions that they wished. Following this phase of the practice, the band was again called on parade and demonstrated various marches.

Quick marches and slow marches were performed and they also entertained the guests with a wide selection of tunes. The highlight of the playing and pipe formation, specially arranged for the Georgetown Girls' Pipe Band. In this respect, the drummers, through intricate movements, formed in front of the massed pipers. By a unique arrangement of playing, the snare drums were made to represent a small arms fire of an infantry brigade, the tenor drums, the light artillery and the bass drum the heavy artillery. This produced a very realistic effect. At a given command from the drum major, the pipes commenced to play the retreat "Green Hills of Tyrol" and the Band went into a marching formation. This display ending with drum solos and changing from slow to quick marching, received terrific applause from all those present.

During an interval between the arrangements, Jim Gardiner of the Lions Club was asked to present chevrons to various members of the Pipe Band on their promotions.

The following promotions were made: Pipe Major, Miss Betty Avery; Pipe Sergeant, Miss Virginia Walker; Pipe Corporal, Miss Janet Greig; Drum Sergeant, Miss Janet Johnson; Drum Corporal, Miss Jean Penrice; Lance Corporal, Miss Lesley Brown.

Jim Jones was then asked to say a few words on behalf of the Lions Club. He said how pleased he was to see the tremendous improvement which had taken place in the Band during the last few months and

been a change in the program from past years, and this year's program will feature reports and business sessions in the morning; lunch will be served at noon; with speakers and discussion in the afternoon.

Included in the program will be the election of Halton delegates to the annual meeting of the Central Ontario Cattle Breeding Association, scheduled for Tuesday, March 29th.

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**FIFTH GUIDE COMPANY** Peter Jones, Georgetown

THE NEWEST Georgetown Guide Company is the Fifth Georgetown group sponsored by the Catholic Women's League. At their enrollment last week were (front row) Christine Sargent, Mrs. Pignatelli (Lieut.), Mrs. Robert Freeman (Capt.), Kitty Strife. (Middle row): Yvonne Mountain, Susan Carrier, Susan McDonald, Mary Sargent, Anna Valk. (Back row): Anne Doucette, Ineke Bos, Judy Strife, Judy Law, Ruth Ann Marchand, Marian Bos.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Items of Interest about YOUR Hospital!

Last weekend a number of resident doctors and directors had a glimpse of what the new hospital building will look like. Although construction is not on the really "life" stage, far over people to see through it, it rapidly reaching the finishing stages. And to those who had the opportunity of seeing it, it was indeed an eye-opening experience.

The 66 bed hospital has been planned that it may be added to at any time, and we are adding, for little capital outlay. As most readers will be aware, the tremendous costs that we are often aware of, in expanding hospital facilities, largely caused by inadequate planning or lack of foresight in what the requirements of the particular community will be. We are happy to say, that when the architects designed the Georgetown building, it was with a very careful appraisal of future needs, and the essential services were installed with plenty of capacity to handle a much larger hospital.

As an example, the power plant, the very heart of your hospital, is one that is designed so that it could handle a 200-bed hospital if it became necessary. The kitchen and cafeteria are the same, and all the wiring and heating installations are the same. The facilities for the staff have all been laid out in a comprehensive and ideal way, with an eye to the future.

A question often asked is about the operating facilities and there again great thought has been given to this vital area. Besides an emergency operating room, there are two modern rooms available, one of which we presume would not be necessary until some future date. Laundry facilities, refrigeration, sterilization, etc. have all been carefully planned and should do the required job with efficiency and speed.

One has to be impressed by the well lighted, sunny rooms and the compact bathrooms. A visitor is impressed by the very large spacious corridors, and the amount of space needed to service the 66 bed building.

Curious as to what size of staff will be necessary to operate the building, we understand the personnel will number a total of 115.

We cannot help but think that as soon as the building is in condition to allow the public to see through it, that any district resident cannot help but be proud of our local hospital, and will agree that it is the equal of any hospital in size in this country!

By the state of the construction, we should judge that the hospital will open its doors on schedule sometime in June. A grand opening will be held, of course and people will be given the opportunity of seeing the building and having any questions about its operation explained to them. It is hoped that the entire population will take the time to visit a building that will most certainly play an important role in the future of this district.

## LEGION NOTES

by Leslie Clark

We understand that last Friday night's dinner was a real good evening. Unfortunately, we had a bunch of the flu, combined with a sore throat, cause I was to miss it.

Guests of honour were the three charter members, whose names appeared on the charter, Mrs. Bernice Grieve, Bill Roney and Jim Murphy.

Jim Murphy reannounced about by one day in Branch 120, and Dave Caporali and Bob Collier expressed their appreciation of the present day members for the work done by the organization.

Entertainment was provided by a member of Erin Branch who with his ukulele, supplied music and song in the George Forthby pattern.

A guest of honour at the affair was one of Canada's most distinguished sons, Charles Rutherford VC MC MM Charles Rutherford, I with the town, and indeed was a relative of the late Tom Grieve, one of Branch 120's most faithful workers.

To any who may not know, Charles Rutherford was a first war vet, who went to France and was subsequently decorated with the Military Medal, commissioned in the Field, awarded the Military Cross and the Victoria Cross. Since his war service, he served for some time as sergeant at arms in the Ontario Legislature and later as a postmaster.

We do not think anyone who meets the man, can help but be impressed by the great modesty and indeed shyness of one who reached such heights in war-time.

We were interested to learn that he was a member of the C.V.L. when he served in France, and indeed we were interested to learn that he won his M.M. at the same time and place as George Pearkes, won his VC. Both men were CMR's.

Next monthly meeting will be on Thursday, March 23rd. Be sure to be on hand.

The good news is finally here, pensionwise, and this month's Legionary was largely devoted to it.

The main features are that a total of \$21 million in increase will be paid out with a basic increase of 20%. A better deal is also being given to Canadians who served in allied forces. This makes the third increase (and this by far the larger of the three) granted since 1957.

As an example, a 100% pensioner, with wife and two dependents, will receive a pension now of \$3,444, instead of the old figure of \$2,820. A widow with 2 children who now receives \$2,200 a year, will receive \$600 more, to bring her pension to \$2,784. Orphans rates have been upped 35%, to \$1,128.

There are also important changes regarding those who served with allied forces, and supplementary pensions may of residence. Other revisions include increased payments towards last illness and funeral expenses.

In September of 1960, there

were 154,899 disability pensioners and 31,701 pensioners in payments to widows and dependents. The cost of the new increase for a full year will be estimated to be a minimum of \$31,000,000. And we should judge by the tone of the Legionary's editorial comments, that it is the feeling of Dominion Command that the brief they submitted recently about pension increases, has been in the main, acted upon.

## Erin Nurse Appointed Guelph Hospital Post

Effective August 31, 1961, Miss Lois Campbell, B.Sc. (N.), will succeed Miss Ruth Gray, B.Sc. (N.), as director of the nursing staff of the Guelph General Hospital. Miss Campbell recently submitted her resignation as Director of Nurses.

Miss Campbell is a native of Erin, and took her basic course in nursing at the old Guelph General Hospital. Miss Campbell took a certificate course in Nursing Education at the University of Toronto in 1945. She has recently completed a course in post graduate work at the University of Western Ontario and is the holder of a Bachelor of Science of Nursing Degree. Miss Campbell is well known in the nursing field and will assume her new duties with a great deal of experience in the hospital field.

The administrator, speaking on behalf of the board, stated that the hospital was fortunate in having the direction of its nursing education and nursing services in the hands of nurses of the calibre of Miss Gray and Miss Campbell.

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