



500 Paid-Up Membership By May is Legion Goal

by Ralph Hewes

When the members concurred to accept a recommendation from the Executive at last Thursday's General meeting to condense the treasurer's report to income, expenses and bank balance, we feel they acted wisely. Meeting after meeting, for several years, the Ways and Means, Entertainment, House, Canteen and membership chairs have read their reports disclosing their expenses and incomes if any. This is followed by the treasurer's report which repeats the expenses and incomes of these chairs, a final total of the in and out columns plus the bank balance. All of this takes up to ten or fifteen minutes for Wally to read. Now the treasurer's report will be a brief statement and confirmation of all previous reports made at that meeting.

Saturday, May 3 the Branch will be host to Mount Dennis Branch who will be visiting to enjoy a sociable afternoon and evening. It is expected that the Branch darts, shuffleboard, euchre and cribbage enthusiasts will be on hand to help entertain our comrades from the Mount Dennis Branch.

You Know Em Says Poem.
The Branch poetical membership chairman Bruce Collins who always expresses himself with beauty of thought and language would have the following published:
Dues are due
For quite a few
We know who
So do you.

Seriously, Bruce is doing a terrific job as membership chairman and has only a handful of members not 'paid up'. Bruce tells us about thirty-five to pay and the Branch membership will top the five hundred mark. Be nice if it could happen before the Provincial Convention which is in the middle of May. Four hundred and sixty-five have paid up. If you are one of the few who have yet to

pay, how about it friend? If you have a reason for not paying, call in and see Bruce. He is a good listener as well as a poet.

Helps Get Help
Speaking of Branch chairmen the Service Officer, David Bowman has been kept busy this last year. He has made visits to and interviewed almost forty veterans or their dependants. Dave assists them to obtain disability pensions, war veterans allowances, assistance with medical expenses, assistance for children of vets wishing to further their education. Dave has been Service Officer for the Branch since 1963 and while he was president in 1967, he still found time to look after his WVA's. Dave works in co-operation with the Legion Service Bureau.

When the Legion was granted a national charter on the 17th of May, 1926, the first task undertaken was a complete survey of pension legislation and to present the findings to the federal government. As a result, the government appointed a special parliamentary committee, from here on it was forward. The way veteran's allowance became a fact, free hospital treatment for indigent pensioners, etc.

During a recent 15 month period, the Legion Dominion Service Bureau received 2686 new cases. It interviewed 36,870 files gaining monthly adjustments of \$30,577 for veterans and dependants of deceased veterans.

Intangible Worth
The story of the Legion Service Bureau could be told in statistics but the real story won't be found in statistics. The intangible worth of the Service Bureau must be measured in terms of human beings, of human need and suffering and the Legion's efforts to fulfill these needs.

Service Officers such as Dave are ever conscious of the fact

that behind each file is a human being, someone whose circumstances have pushed him beyond his depth. Alone such a person would flounder and sink.

Any veteran or dependant of a veteran is welcome to come to the Legion to get help in preparing and presenting claims to the proper government authorities in matters of pensions, allowances and other veteran benefits. The Service Officer is there to help them.

It would be true to say the Legion was originally organized with the welfare of the veteran in mind and now over forty years later, Service Officers such as Dave are still carrying on with the work in over 2,000 branches across the nation.

Even Highland Music
Back at the branch, Friday dart shoot was back to normal with lady luck having a good time but being kind to L. Boyd, D. Bell, H. Bottoms, R. Hawes, G. Telford, R. Waites, E. Waites, L. Boyd, J. Kerr and E. Bowman.

The draw for the car club was made during the shoot. Winners were H. Hiltz, J. Dobie, N. Marchmont, H. Bulmer and A. Bulmer.

The Peel County Gents attracted a capacity crowd last Saturday at the branch dance. This group is really versatile; modern, country music yes, even highland music. They bring their bagpipes with them.

Prize winners were Ron Lincoln, Rod MacDonald, Ralph Hawes.

NORVAL

Cameron Herd Dispersal Sees 168 Guerneys Sold

Mr. and Mrs. Hartley Cameron and son J.D. had a successful dispersal sale of their pure bred Guernsey cattle on Wednesday, April 25 when 168 head of cattle were sold. Many American cattle buyers attended and cattle went to North Carolina, Pennsylvania, New York State, Manitoba and New Brunswick as well as Ontario.

Norval United Church UCW had a booth at the sale and were kept busy supplying hot coffee and eats as the weather was cold and wet.

The Camerons have recently sold their farm and J.D. has purchased a farm near Harrison where he plans beef farming.

Congratulations to Norval public school on their excellent performance at the recent North Halton Music Festival.

The primary choir won the 2nd place shield and the senior choir won the 3rd place plaque. The triple trio placed second to bring back the shield. Those taking part in this were Donna Ridley, Jackie Dale, Laurie Irwin, Norman Parcells, Tommy Owens and Glenn Busby. In the boys solo class for Grades 1-3 Tommy Frost won the gold medal, placing first.

Get well wishes are extended to Miss Marjorie Young who is a patient in St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto and to Jim Russell who has recently returned home from St. Michael's. Also get well wishes are extended to Bob Cunningham who is improving in a Toronto hospital following several weeks in Georgetown & District Memorial Hospital. Albert Hunter is now the

IN THE MAIL BAG

Double Job Problem For Council Candidates

10 Albert Street

Dear Mr. Editor:
Re your editorial request for letters, your efforts are appreciated; but I have learned from long experience in letter writing to editors that the people concerned read and act on only those things which suit them, not on matters of general good to all. The only success I ever had in moving council was to have them spend money (on a garbage truck).

The people who could do a business-like job of running the town affairs are too interested in doing a decent job-of-work for their own companies and/or own business and enough good sense to realize that no man can serve two masters. I say "the electorate elected these people — they deserve what they got."

Yours very truly,
Cec Davidson

Seek \$14,719. for Fire Protection

Esqueuing's share of the Georgetown Fire area budget, was set at \$14,719 a letter from Georgetown informed Esqueuing council, Monday night.

The total budget for the Georgetown Fire Area was \$32,710. "This is a small increase over last year" said Clerk K.C. Lindsay commenting on the \$14,719 share.

"I'd like to see an itemized budget," said Deputy Reeve Tom Hill, "I don't know what this means."

It was decided to leave the matter with the two Esqueuing representatives to the Georgetown Fire Area, Crs. Wilfrid Leslie, and Russell Miller to discuss it with the Georgetown Fire Committee.

HOSPITAL NEWS

By Les Clark

As mentioned earlier, all contemplated hospital construction in Ontario, has been held up for lack of funds. Originally this was considered only a short setback, but it becomes more apparent that there are real financial problems and we should doubt if construction will begin much before mid-1970.

This is an extremely grave situation, as far as our hospital is concerned, with patients in the corridors becoming more common all the time. As most readers will realize, this is not good, but with a full patient-load, cannot be avoided in many emergency cases.

It is always pleasant to receive the odd bouquet about the staff in the hospital and in this case, from an old Georgetown, quite a distance away. The letter reprinted below was received from Irene Roesiter of Sherman Oaks, California.

To the Sup't. of Nurses:
I would like to express my

sincere thanks on behalf of myself and the Young family, for the wonderful care and consideration the nurses and aides, and candy strippers, and all of the staff in both medical and surgery, have shown my maternal guardian Nan Young during her stay in the hospital.

I was home the first five weeks and we were all treated with such courtesy by these people and their concern for mom has been wonderful.

I would like to express a special thank you to one person in particular Margaret Keir, the extra little kindnesses she did mom was greatly appreciated.

Thank you again for such good care.
Yours truly,
Irene Roesiter,
Sherman Oaks,
California.



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