

Bob Connely assists in placing of the wreath at Brookwood cemetery in England.

REMEMBERED

By MAC McGILVRAY

Thirty-five years ago last month Canadians stormed the beaches of Dieppe, and many lost their lives in the German counter-attack.

It has been claimed by some that the sacrifice turned the war around in favour of the Allies, while others said it was an exercise in futility likened to the 'Charge of the Light Bri-

Three Georgetown boys, Bob Connely, Johnny O'Kane and Ed Francis were members of the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry who took part in the raid.

Johnny O'Kane died that day on the beach; the late Ed Francis was taken a prisoner of war, and Bob Connely made it back to the landing craft after being caught up in the barbed wire, Mr. Connely said 'he was just one of the

lucky ones.

Another member of the regiment Sgt. Herbert "Sheeney" Tost lost his life in an unfortunate accident during maneouvers on the Isle of Wight prior to the Dieppe raid. He was buried in England.

Last month 168 veterans, their families and friends of the R.H.L.I. made the pilgrimage to Dieppe to remember their comrades buried there.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Bob Connely, former residents of Georgetown and now of Oakville, were among those who attended the service at the Canadian memorial.

Sgt. C. Fairburn and Mayor Jack McDonald of Hamilton placed the regimental wreath, and Mr. and Mrs. Connely also placed their attended.

Mrs. Connely will be remembered as the former Norene Forgrone.

VISITED BROOKWOOD Returning to England the Connelys were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris of Georgetown and together they visited Brookwood War Cemetery where they joined others on the tour at a

memorial service there. They placed flowers on the grave of Herbert "Sheeney" Tost on behalf of his sisters in town, Mrs. Kenneth Mc-Millan and Mrs. "Lefty" Mc-



Veteran Bob Connely, who with his wife, attended the 35th Dieppe Remembrance Services last month in France.

Sheeney will be remembered by the older Georgetown residents for his ability as a hockey player in the

The Connelys felt it a privilege to attend the 35th remembrance services at Dieppe and Brookwood. own flowers. Padre Col. While they were deeply Foote, V.C., a distinguished touched by the "crosses row hero of that dark day also on row", Bob was proud to have served at Dieppe.



Mrs. Connely stands by the grove of Bgt. H. "Sheeney" Tost at Brookwood War Cemetery.

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Something new in opener

promised their fill with Georgetown Little Theatre's sesson opener. The Mum-

berley Inheritance. Derek Joynes is directing the production and told The Herald he is "trying to so something different by adding music." He wrote of his intention to playwight Warren Greaves in Edmonton who gave him a free hand.

"The Mumberley Inheritance isn't true melodrama," the director sald. "It's a send up of melodrama." Set in Britain in the early 1900's, it will be played as a musical with turn of the century tunes Ralph Ursell is digging up with titles such as The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo, She was Poor But She Was Honest, Has Your Mother Anymore Like You? and Roses Bring a Dream of You.

Joynes, as director, finds plenty of challenge in making the show work by opening night, Oct. 19 for a four night

For starters, he began with a script bare of production notes which normally contain prop lists, loghting and sound plots, set design and a description, perhaps, of the first public performance.

In this case, Joynes said, no such information was included by the Canadian publisher. The play won an award as best Canadian written dramas event years ago in an ACT festival.

"We had to create the mood, set, everything," Joynes said. "and it's been fun from that point of view."

Another challenge is to fit the music in the play, he said, works directors can usually shirk. "But I'm forced to," he added, not entirely displeased with his lot.

Joynes feels he has a strong cast of GLT veterans to make the musical work, especially last year of Ron Hill's musical

Theatre audiences looking The Bungaloosa with music Inheritance in the theatre Charles Crimes. He said GLT will decide in a

for something new on stage are and lyrics by Ralph Ursel and festival. Whatever decision. Joynes is relatively unconcerned about it. "It couple of weeks whether to doesn't affect my work," he

"The audience comes before the adjudicator." And keeping that dictum in mind, Joynes declined to



Bev Nicholas, (fett) plays the character of the slightly deaf Sir Roger Mumberley in the following the great success Georgetown Little Theatre's First production of the season, The Mumberley Inheritance. Shouting into the spaker trumpet is Ed Arcurl who plays the long-lost brother, Jack Mumberley.

Costly to produce live theatre

Ever wonder how much it costs to produce live theatre? Well, according to the Georgetown Little Theatre (GLT), the community's only amateur theatre group, it runs from

\$800 to \$1,500 per production. And since the group members live in Halton Hills the bulk of the cost is returned to local people through purchases of goods and services.

GLT treasurer Brian Herner, 30, says the four-play season each year requires a budget of about \$9,000.

"Of the \$9,000, \$6,000-about two thirds-goes back into the town in terms of advertisements, building supplies, for sets, decorating, costumes, printing posters, tickets, photography and school rentals," Mr. Herner says.

The only outside help the GLT receives is an annual grant from Theatre Ontario for use in the hiring of a professional for one of its productions. This can be for any

position from actor to director. Last year the theatre group hired Donald Ford to produce its final play of the season No Sex Please--We're British! Negotiations are now under way for the hiring of another director for one of this year's productions.

Two years ago the GLT executive adopted a policy of placing \$2,000 annually into a building fund as a contribution toward the development of a Halton Hills facility where live theatre could be performed. For both years the GLT has made its objective.

Rising costs of production

Fall fair list out

The 1977 Georgetown Fall Fair prize lists are now off the press and ready for distribu-

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has forced the group to embark on an aggresive sales ward Wrigglesworth school campaign for season ticket auditorium for a four-night

season tickets are proceeding well under the direction of member Val Stoddart. More than 140 persons have been committed to the season tickets at a cost of \$15 per couple.

and foster a good image in the community since the cost of the season tickets are considerably below the door price. Season tickets can be exchanged prior to the night of performance in the event that holders can not make a pro-

working capital for the GLT

duction on their designated Mr. Herner said the cost increases usually are small factors in the over all cost of production. This year the GLT moved into the former ambulance building on James Street, It provides greater storage area for props and sets but also. costs \$75 per month up \$25 from what the group paid

For use of the 200-seat Hoperformance the board of ed-Mr. Herner says the sales of ucation charges \$130 a new policy which was not in affect

two years ago. Fundraising continues year round, he said, with such support as Towne Sewing, Main Street, Georgetown, turning These advance sales provide over the proceeds of scissors sharpening services to the GLT. Boar's Head proprietor Roy Booth has assisted with preparation of cheese plates

for the theatre group's wine

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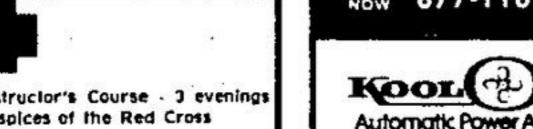
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and cheese party help immedlately following its benefit performance each year.

The benefit performance is the first night of the new season and has in past provided funds for the Georgetown District Memorial Hospital and the North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded. This year's opening per-

living in Halton Hills.

formance of The Mumberley Inheritance will benefit the YM-YWCA. The benefit is part of the group's contribution to citizens



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The eight-member cast are Bev Nicholas, as Sir Roger

Mumberley; Joyce Holland as

the heroine, Daphne Mum-

berley; Bob Matthews as

Rodney Stoutheart, the hero;

Ed Arcuri as the long lost

brother, Jack Mumberley;

Ron Hunt as a character

named Crispin Cringe; Pat

Joynes as Polly, the nurse and

maduke Mayhem, the villan.

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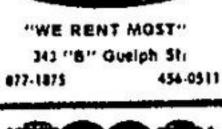


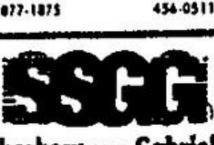














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