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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS



Arranging Tax Sale For Properties in Arrears

Council Mourns Sudden Death of Councillor Stanley Buck—Snow Shovelling and Cleaning of Streets Among Problems at Tuesday Night's Session.

The regular meeting of Milton Council was held on Tuesday evening. Councillors J. W. Higgins, S. A. Fay, G. E. Gowland, R. H. Ptolemy and Reeve C. H. Heslop were present with Mayor Geo. H. Dawson presiding. Returning Officer Jas. W. Blain reported the results of the voting on the money by-laws which were passed at election day.

The Canadian Valve and Hydrant Ltd. promised delivery of a fire hydrant as soon as possible. A letter from the Fire Marshall's office pointed out some changes to be made in the installation of fire escapes on the town hall. A letter was to be written to the Dennisteel Corporation concurring with the suggestions made by the Fire Marshall's office.

The committees recommended the payment of the following accounts. Waterworks Committee \$153.73 Town Hall and Property 21.94 Industrial and Arena 15.95 Streets and Walks 169.25 Printing and Contingencies 199.92 The Finance Committee passed the above accounts and others amounting to \$8,345.34.

Christmas Greetings were presented to Council members from Mr. Bert Jones, caretaker of the Town Hall.

Sympathy was expressed to the family of the late Councillor S. Buck who died suddenly on Monday. Council adjourned and visited the funeral parlor in a body to pay respect to this esteemed member of the Council.

The Streets committee reported that they were endeavoring to clear the streets from snow as soon as possible.

The matter of having two signatures on cheques issued by the Corporation was discussed. A resolution was passed authorizing the Mayor or Clerk to countersign checks with the treasurer.

A motion was passed authorizing the solicitor to take action on property held by the Corporation in regard to a tax sale. The properties were those in which the agreements had not been met.

A motion was passed instructing the clerk to write a letter of condolence from the Council to Mrs. Stanley Buck and family.

A letter from the solicitor pointed out some of the advantages and disadvantages involved in the passing of a building by-law. This matter was discussed to some length.

Notice of the snow shovelling by-law was to be inserted in the local paper. The Chief of Police was to enforce this by-law.

The matter of equalized assessment was discussed at this meeting and a decision is to be made at the next meeting.

DECEMBER MEETING OF NASSAGAWEYA WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The December meeting of the Nassagaweya Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. F. Rinehart. Nine members were present. The President, Mrs. C. Morton was in the chair.

Many business matters came up for discussion. A grant of \$10.00 was voted to the Township Hall Council, also cigarettes to be sent to 17 local boys in the services. Two members, Mrs. J. H. Simpson and Mrs. F. Rinehart, were elected as Board members in the Nassagaweya Federation of Agriculture. Social evenings will be held at the homes in the community to begin in January.

A vote of thanks was given the hostess and the meeting closed with the National Anthem. A cup of tea and a dainty lunch was served, after which teams were harnessed and a happy crowd had the first sleigh ride of the season to their homes.

Canadian Club Hear of England From S-L. Porter

They were new arrivals in England, a Canadian officer and a United States' officer, and as they made their way by train to their dispersal points, the latter chatted volubly. Suddenly however, he became quiet as they sped through the lovely villages, hamlets, and green fields for which England is noted, and then remarked in a somewhat subdued voice, "Now I know why the British fight for their country."

They stood at the entrance of a cinema—as they are known in the Old Land, a Canadian officer and the door-man of the show place. As they contemplated the ruin which had been caused by the blitz, the latter remarked, "You know, Sir, I couldn't get the missus to go to the shelters; she said her place was at home with the kids." "That," said the speaker, "typifies the spirit of the British people," and the speaker was S/L. Rev. Gordon W. Porter, who was guest speaker at a meeting of The Canadian Club of Milton, which was held in the Milton Inn on the evening of December 13th, S/L. Porter gave a graphic, at times, thrilling and gripping, and at other times amusing story of his trip to and intimate contacts with the members of the R.C. A.F. overseas. He caused a bit of amusement for instance, in referring to his return to Edinburgh, where in the early days of his student life he had been chaplain in a prison, when he remarked that it was "Like getting back home again."

It was evident from the rapt attention which was given to the speaker and the applause which followed his address, that it was not only appreciated, but that he would be welcome back again at any time.

In introducing the speaker, President, G. F. Thompson, said that an introduction was unnecessary, as S/L. Porter was simply returning to his own town. At the conclusion of the address, Mr. T. A. Hutchinson thanked the speaker on behalf of the meeting.

This being the annual meeting, a report of the Nominating Committee was presented by F. H. Gilroy, in the absence of C. S. Hatley, chairman, and resulted in the following officers being elected for the year 1945:

President—Frank McNiven.
Vice-President—T. A. Hutchinson.
Secretary—Dewar Thomson.
Treasurer—F. L. Crawford.
Editor—F. H. Gilroy.
Executive Committee—Rev. S. A. Kirk, J. E. Bell, C. A. Wood, F. E. Quinlan, Lloyd Crawford, Ross Harbottle.

Cases Heard In Court In Milton This Week

In Police Court in Milton yesterday afternoon Arthur Clubine pleaded guilty to a charge of careless driving and was fined \$25 and costs. The case arose from a collision of a truck owned by Gordon Snow and driven by Arthur Clubine and a car driven by Thomas Epstein, of Toronto. The accident occurred on December 2nd on the First Line of Esquesing.

Evidence showed that at the time of the mishap the windshield of the truck was nearly all frosted. The truck struck the front of the car, damaging the front fender and running board, amounting to \$114. There was no damage to the truck. Provincial Constable E. R. Lemon investigated.

On Monday at a special sitting of Court before Judge Munro, Thomas Burmum of Hamilton appeared on a charge of stealing a car and tires. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a year in the reformatory on each charge, the terms to run concurrently.

The Christmastide Services at Grace Anglican Church

The joyous Christmas season was ushered in for the Congregation of Grace Anglican Church on Sunday last at both the 11 a.m. and the 7 p.m. services. At the morning service the Rector's sermon subject was "God's D-Day" in which he outlined the real meaning of Christmas for us to-day as revealed to man by God's Invasion into our world as the tiny Babe of Bethlehem 1900 years ago. Christmas hymns and music were rendered by the choir.

The highlight of the day was the holding of the Annual Carol and Candlelight Service at 7 o'clock. By soft candlelight amid beautiful evergreens the grand old music of the Christmas Story was heard and sung. The service took the form of a "Seven Lesson Carol Service" after the manner of the Annual Service held in King's College Chapel, Cambridge, England. The capacity congregation felt it was the finest and most beautiful candlelight service ever held in the Town of Milton. The Junior and Senior Choirs under the very capable leadership of Miss Marjorie Dawson and Miss Margaret Maxted excelled themselves in the rendering of the special music. A brief programme of Christmas hymns was played on the Tower chimes by Mr. Geo. Coulson before the service began.

The Christmastide Services will be continued at Grace Church next Sunday at 11 a.m. and 11 p.m. and also on Christmas morning at 10 a.m.

A VITAMIN A DAY

VERMILLION (CP) — Vermillion public school children now are getting vitamin pills at school and will continue to receive them until next April. The school board hopes this to prevent coughs and colds and so keep attendance up during the winter months.

County Council Lauds Work of Warden for 1944

Committee Appointed to Investigate Health Service for Rural Schools—Allowances Made Old Age Pensions Secretary and to Road Engineer—Other Items at Concluding Session Monday

The final meeting of the 1944 County Council was held in Milton last Monday. The Warden presided but two of the members—Mr. Gilbert and Mr. Hillmer were absent.

Business was brief and to the point. Communications and minutes were read and reports considered in Committee of the whole.

Business arising from the same was as follows:

Moved by C. H. Heslop, seconded by W. J. Robertson, that a grant of \$150 be given to the Road Engineer on account of increase in gas and oil expenses.—Carried.

There was some discussion in regard to the advertising for the County booklet for overseas and in this connection it was moved by Mr. Craig, seconded by J. M. McDonald, that the interim report of the advertising committee be accepted and the following committee fees be paid, N. Craig, \$8.60; J. M. McDonald, \$8.40; N. Gilbert, \$7.60.—Carried.

Moved by N. Craig, seconded by J. Blair, that Wm. Deans, as secretary of the Old Age Pensions and Mother's Allowance Board be given a grant of \$150 for efficient services rendered to the Board.—Carried.

Moved by J. Blair, seconded by N. Craig, that the following accounts be passed and authorized for payment: Finance, \$2045.65; County Buildings, \$490.47; Printing, \$123.51; Hospital Accounts, \$350.80; Agriculture and Re-forestation, \$63.20; Total \$3073.63.—Carried.

The question of a health service in

Two Fires In Milton Damage Store Properties

Middleton's Grocery and Carroll's Store Here Suffer Fire Losses

Milton Fire Brigade had two calls this week, both to fires in store properties on Main Street. On Monday afternoon a coal oil stove at Middleton's Grocery store exploded and started a fire in the basement. Damage was chiefly from smoke and the brigade soon had the blaze under control.

A more serious fire occurred early Tuesday morning at Carroll's Grocery Store and was discovered at five o'clock when it had made some headway.

The fire apparently started at the rear of the store in an adjoining shed. Extensive damage was done to the stock room. The apartment of J. Roper and Clement's Paint Shop were also damaged. The fire loss to stock and premises will be considerable.

The Milton Fire Brigade by their promptness in responding to the call and their efficient work at the fire stopped what might have been a serious conflagration and confined the damage to a minimum.

NO CRIME

GORE BAY (CP)—Here it's a case of no criminals, no jail. Lack of criminal activity in the Manitoulin district has prompted the Ontario government to close the Gore Bay jail. In future, prisoners, if any, will be sent to the district jail at Sudbury.

Instead of trying so hard, as some of us do, to be happy, as if I would, if I were a boy again, try still harder to deserve happiness.—J. T. Fields.

By-Laws Carried by Vote of Five to One Thursday

KNOX W.M.S. ELECTS OFFICERS AT ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Knox Church W.M.S. was held in the classroom of the Church last Thursday. Mrs. Blow presided and gave a reading entitled "The Christmas Spirit".

The devotional period was taken by Mrs. Cordiner reading the scripture lesson and Mrs. Allison, leading in prayer.

The annual reports were presented by the Secretary, Mrs. Mainprize and the treasurer, Mrs. R. M. MacDonald. The following officers were elected for the year 1945.

Hon. President—Mrs. R. F. Thomson.
President—Mrs. F. S. Blow.

1st Vice-President—Mrs. E. J. Hassard.

2nd Vice-President—Mrs. George Murray.

Secretary—Mrs. H. Mainprize.

Treasurer—Mrs. R. M. MacDonald.

Sec. Home Helper—Mrs. C. Hansen and Mrs. F. McCutcheon.

Sec. Welcome and Welfare—Mrs. F. Anderson.

Sec. Literature—Mrs. A. B. McLean.

Sec. of Supply—Mrs. G. W. Masales.

Sec. Press—Mrs. Cordiner.

Corresponding Sec.—Mrs. F. L. Wright.

Library—Mrs. R. P. Watson and Mrs. A. Robinson.

Glad Tidings—Miss H. Wallace.

Life Membership—Miss Annie Stalker.

Pianist—Mrs. R. F. Thomson.

Mission Band Leader—Mrs. N. Small.

Program Convenor—Mrs. Allison.

The meeting closed and the President Mrs. Blow served a dainty lunch and a social half-hour was spent.

ST. PAULS W.M.S. ELECTS OFFICERS AT DECEMBER MEETING

The December meeting of St. Paul's United Church W. M. S. was held at the parsonage with the President in the chair. Officers gave their reports.

Mrs. Galloway had charge of the second part of the devotional with the assistance of six other members. Mrs. Stan. Love favored the meeting with a solo. Mrs. A. L. McNabb gave a brief review of Joseph in Egypt which was very interesting.

Rev. Mr. Moore presided for the election of officers which resulted as follows:

Honorary Presidents—Mrs. J. J. Wilson, Mrs. F. C. Willmott, Mrs. McClenahan, and Mrs. Stevenson, Sr.

President—Mrs. R. B. Clements.

1st Vice-President—Mrs. C. R. Turner.

2nd Vice-President—Mrs. K. O. Foster.

Secretary—Mrs. Geo. King.

Treasurer—Mrs. Jas. Bell.

Supply Secretary—Mrs. R. B. Galbraith.

Temperance Secretary—Mrs. R. B. Galbraith.

Christian Stewardship Secretary—Mrs. Percy Lamb.

Literature Secretary—Miss Hadley.

Missionary Monthly—Mrs. Butts.

Community Friendship—Mrs. W. B. Clements.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Wilfred.

Press Secretary—Mrs. Victor Norris.

Associate President—Mrs. George Dolby.

Mrs. Moore, the hostess, at the conclusion asked the ladies to have a cup of tea and Christmas cake, which was enjoyed by all. The ladies thanked Mrs. Moore for all her kindness and generous thoughtfulness.

ABOLISH INCREASES

QUEBEC (CP)—Premier Duplessis announced that salary increases given 7,000 civil servants shortly before the August 8th provincial election, were to be cancelled at the end of November because "there is not enough money in the treasury to pay higher salaries."

All Members of Former Council Are Returned and G. Goodchild is Elected to School Board — Voting on Thursday Was Not Very Heavy, But Strongly for Sewage By-Laws.

By a vote of approximately five to one, Milton ratepayers on Thursday last endorsed the expenditure of \$40,000 for construction of a sewage disposal plant and \$30,000 for construction of storm sewars. All members of last year's Council were returned to office and Mr. G. E. Goodchild was elected School Trustee in the South Ward.

The vote was not a particularly large one. 388 ballots were polled on the by-laws. Every ward gave a substantial majority in favor of both expenditures. Following is the result of the vote by wards.

\$40,000 By-Law			
	South	East	North
For By-Law	145	54	117
Against By-Law	16	26	19
Majority For By-Law	245		

\$30,000 By-Law			
	South	East	North
For By-Law	150	53	117
Against By-Law	22	26	20
Majority For By-Law	252		

For Council			
	South	East	North
Higgins	148	69	127
Ptolemy	146	52	129
Riddell	145	61	120
Fay	137	59	110
Buck	111	58	100
Gowland	109	53	104
Hately	114	35	74
For School Trustee South Ward	122		
G. Goodchild	122		
Mrs. M. E. Gowland	82		

MINISTER STOLE THE LIONS' MEAT

CAFE TOWN (CP)—The ravens fed Elijah, but the lions of the Kruger Nation Park provided meat for H. G. Lawrence, minister of welfare and demobilization.

While he and Mrs. Lawrence were driving through the park with Mrs. Stevenson-Hamilton, wife of the warden, they came upon a pride of lions who were beginning to feed off a fresh kill. Mrs. Stevenson-Hamilton drove the car right up to the animals, which retreated into the bush.

A flock of vultures immediately made for the temporarily abandoned kill, but the minister's party got there first. Mrs. Stevenson-Hamilton carved off the choicest part of the buck with her hunting knife before leaving the remainder of the meat supply to the beast and birds of prey.

POST-WAR EDUCATION

EDMONTON (CP)—Special courses for discharged servicemen to bring their educational standards to levels qualifying them for university or business training will be inaugurated here by the Alberta Department of education. Similar classes may be established in other Alberta centers.

Events Just Ahead

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, in cents per line, average 6 words to line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 25c.

Zimmerman Church and School Concert, Dec. 26, at 8.15. Admission 25c and 10c.

Dance, Oddfellow's Hall, Milton on December 22nd. Floombsbury Orchestra. Admission 40c.

Dance in Brookville Hall on Wednesday, December 27th, auspices Nassagaweya Women's Institute. Stewart Elliot's Orchestra. Admission 40c per person.