

## Remembrance Service For Col. John McRae

Proclaimed by Premier William Davis as a Memorial Day to Col. John McRae, Sunday June 11, was observed in Hagersville with a parade and service in his memory.

The program took place at the Cenotaph in the Hagersville Park at 4 p.m., following the Decoration Day Services at the Hagersville cemetery.

### Mother Daughter Banquet

A large crowd of Brownies, Guides, Rangers and their mothers held a banquet in the new hall of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Main St. S. on May 26.

Mrs. R. Anderson, president of the local association, introduced the head table guests, Mrs. Lois Gordon and Mrs. Jack Hedges of the 1st Brownie Pack; Mrs. Frank Lambert, Mrs. Doug Duxbury, and Susan Laidlaw of the 2nd Brownie Pack; Mrs. Murray Ryder and Mrs. P. Munzaar of the Guide Company, and Pat Petracca, Ranger leader; Rev. Adam Thomson, minister of St. Andrew's Church, Marilyn Burke, Secretary for the District; Mrs. D. Vanni, Public Relations Secretary; Mrs. A. Sabistan, Commissioner for Haldimand and Margaret Harper, Noble Grand of the Rebekahs.

Also introduced were, Mrs. Fred Matice, Sec. Treas. of the local association, Mrs. Dave Wase, President-elect, and finally Mrs. James Hewitt District Cookie Convener. Pam Lambert proposed a toast to the mothers, and Mrs. Graham Norval replied.

Mrs. Sabistan spoke of the need for a Commissioner for the Hagersville district, and gifts were presented by Mrs. Wase to the leaders. Badges and awards were presented to the various girls, and entertainment put on by the girls, closed the meeting.

Chaplain of the Legion, Rev. A. Thomson, opened the memorial service with words of prayer, both remembrance and thanksgiving. A memorial wreath was placed on the monument by Zone Commander Joe Taylor, followed by Andrew Sabola playing Last Post and Reveille on the trumpet. One minute of silence was observed prior to Rev. Thomson presenting words of recognition, on this the 100th birthday of Col. McRae who was a native of Guelph, Ont.

During his life-time Col. McRae was a poet, a physician and a soldier, whose father was born in Scotland, stated Rev. Thomson. Further, he entered the University of Toronto in 1888, and in 1899 was a consultant at John-Hopkins Hospital. In the year 1914 he was made a member of the American College of Physicians. His death came in January 1918, while on service as a Col. in France, filling the post as consultant to the British Army.

Following words of tribute by Rev. Thomson, Rev. Don Eustace, Assistant Chaplain, read the poem, which was penned by Col. McRae in the rear of and army truck, in Flander's Fields. The memorial service concluded with the singing of Abide with Me, and prayer, after which the parade proceeded from the Cenotaph to the Legion Auditorium on Alma St. N. where lunch was served. Music for the service and parade was provided by the Canadian Legion Western Ontario All Star Band, with Legion Colors and parade members also present from Watford, Teeterville and Simcoe.

On parade also with Legion Branch 164, and Auxiliary, were Odd-fellows and Rebekahs, Masons and Eastern Star, Cubs and Scouts, Brownies, Girl Guides and Rangers, Knights of Columbus and local Kinsmen.

## HAGERSVILLE Highlights

### Sports Night Held

Another sport's night was held at the Legion hall, Alma St. N. on Friday June 2 at 8 p.m., when only a fair crowd was in attendance.

### Slight Damage

"Possibly the cause of the fire was fire-crackers," stated Fire Chief William McClarty following the fire at the rear of Charles Diosi's Shoe Store, 10 King St. W. on Friday. Firemen were called, when a fire erupted at the rear of the store at approximately 8.15 p.m., June 9. Damage was slight.

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## Joint Installation Of Officers At Branch 164

A capacity attendance witnessed the joint installation services held for the Legion, Branch 164, and Auxiliary, on Saturday June 3 in the Legion Auditorium, at 8 p.m. Arrangements for the evening were made by Legion member Al Haley, who along with Past President Ted Brooks, welcomed the large crowd to the ceremonies.

Color Party guards during the installation proceedings, were Wayne Johnson and Dave Ince, while Omar Phillips performed the duties of Parade Marshal.

Reeve J. Kincaid, with his wife, were present for the proceedings, and stated he was pleased to be present, both as a member of the Legion branch, and in the capacity as reeve.

Letters were read from William D. Knowles, MP, Norfolk-Haldimand, regretting his inability to attend, due to other arrangements. Also a letter was read from Mrs. J. Cancer, Secretary to James N. Allan, MPP Haldimand-Norfolk explaining he was unable to be present due to other commitments in Prescott.

Recognition was given the representation in attendance from Teeterville, as well as visiting members from Niagara-on-the-Lake branch.

Mr. Haley presided over initiation services for three new members of the branch, Williamson, Hill and Jackson, and was assisted by the Color Party members.

Installation of the Auxiliary took place as follows, Sgt.-at-arms, Jackie Brooks, and Marie Brooks, installed by Ted Brooks; Cor. Susanne Shropshall, installed by Officer Alton Eselment; Rec.-Sec. Pat Hussey, installed by Peter Stoddart; Treas. Jean Jackew, installed by Bill Brooks.

Executive members, Jean Salvatore, Helen Sevenpiper, Edith Fincham, Marj Sommerville and Ann Major, installer being Peter Stoddart; 1st and 2nd Vice-Pres. Madeline Haley and Doris Taylor installing officer being William Brooks; Past Pres. Rae Maggio, installed by Ted Brooks presentation of the Color Party together with the Pres. Marg Garmon, who was installed by Al Haley.

Following the installation of the auxiliary officers a brief period of relaxation was held, when Al Haley explained the Legion emblem which is a significant resemblance the world over. He also described in detail the poppy, a symbol of peace and remembrance, and the two flags used in the evening's pageantry.

Officers for Branch 164 were installed as follows, Sgts.-at-arms, George Best, and Albert Whitbread, installed by officer Ted Brooks; Sec., Madeline Haley, installer, Alton Eselment Treas. Reg McGrath, installed by William Brooks; Service Officer, Peter Stoddart, installed by Al Haley who made a tribute of commendation to him for his excellent record of 16 years as a Service Officer; Padre, Rev. Adam Thomson, installed by Alton Eselment.

Executive members, Robert Mayor, Lloyd Lang, Alton Eselment and Fred Brock, installer being Peter Stoddart; 1st and 2nd Vice - Pres. Ted Stephens, and Peter Hendricks, installing officer being William Brooks; Past Pres., Ted Brooks, installed by Alton Eselment. The retirement of the colors proceeded, and escorted forward Pres. Clarence Jackson, who was installed by Al Haley.

Brief words were voiced by Marg Garmon, who stated this

was her third time to hold the distinguished office of President, and she thanked her Auxiliary members for all their trust.

Ted Brooks also thanked all the members, and Auxiliary members, for their cooperation during his term as President of the branch.

Installing Commanding Officer, Al Haley thanked the past presidents who performed as installing officers, for their assistance. This, he said, was one of the largest attendance he had ever seen at an installation service.

Rev. A. Thomson, said he was most impressed by the vows and commitments made by the officers during the ceremony, and congratulated the officer-in-charge, the Sgt.-at-arms, and the performing Color Party. In closing, he mentioned his feeling of honor in being elected as Chaplain of the Legion Branch 164.

A former president, and one of the installing officers, Alton Eselment, thanked all who had assisted and especially Al Haley for all the arrangements.

President Clarence Jackson closed the services. He said it would be difficult to follow Ted Brooks, as president, as Ted had been laboring many extra hours during his past term as president.

Winner of the door prize was announced as Roy Phillips, of Springvale.

### Attend Service

Nearly a dozen members of the Canadian Legion, Branch 164, Auxiliary members and Color Party attended the annual Decoration Day Service held in Teeterville, on Sunday June 4.

## Hagersville Hospital Administrator Named To Medical Academy

BOSTON, MASS. - The American Academy of Medical Administrators has announced that Benedict A. Bohan, Administrator, West Haldimand General Hospital, Hagersville, has been elected as a member.

This honor is conferred upon those whose special qualifications in medical administration merit such recognition.

The Academy is an international professional society, some of the aims of which are to encourage and foster a scientific approach to the practice of medical administration; provide a means of intercommunication; promote, conduct, and foster educational courses in this specialty; establish and maintain a criterion of competency for those engaged in this profession; and to provide for recognition by means of fellowships, scholarships, and grants to those who are doing noteworthy service in this endeavor.

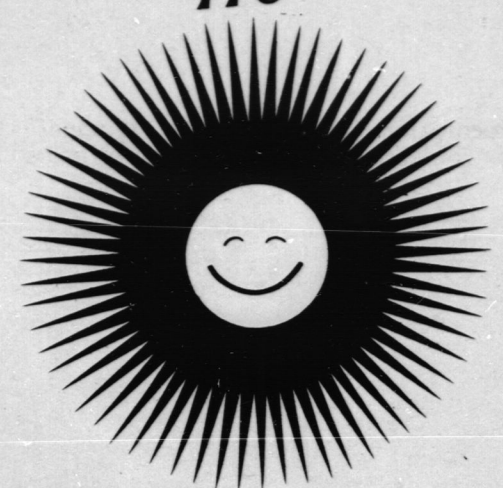
Mr. Bohan began his hospital career in 1959, is a graduate in Hospital organization and management, a member of The Canadian College of Health Service Executives, a member of The National Association of Hospital Purchasing Management, and has held senior administrative positions at hospitals in Woodstock, Seaford, Wawa, North Bay and Port Perry.

### Attends Convention

Recently appointed President of the Canadian Physiotherapists, Mrs. Reed-Davis, who is the physiotherapist at the West Haldimand Hospital in Hagersville, attended the convention of that association held in London, Ont.

prior to taking up his duties as Administrator of the West Haldimand General Hospital in Hagersville on April 19, 1972.

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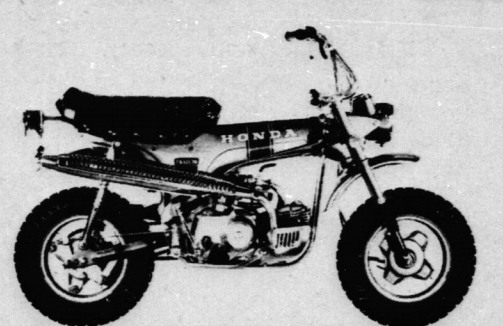
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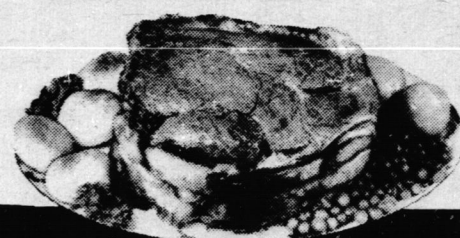
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