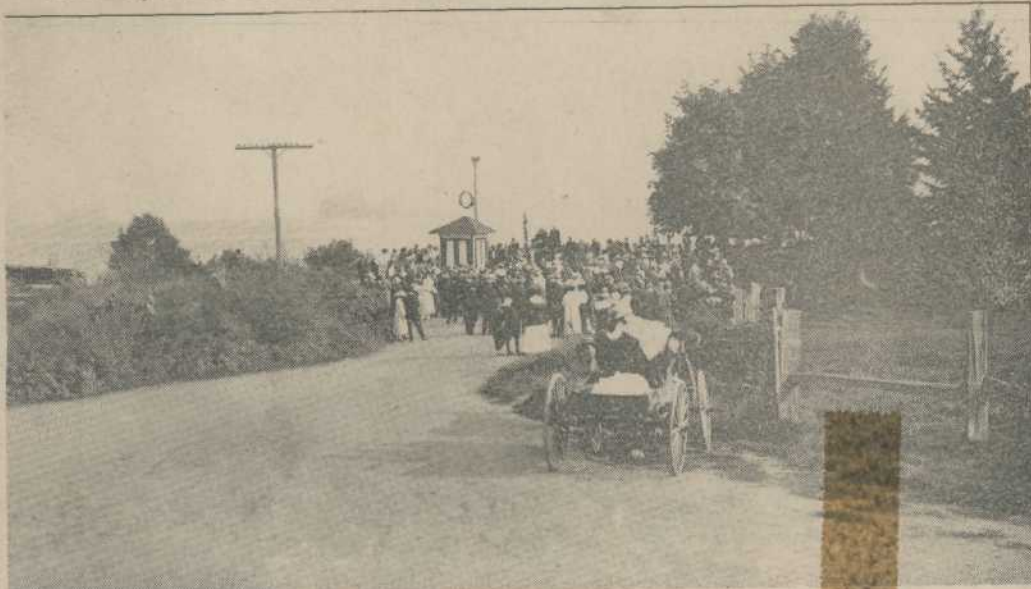


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The Dedication Ceremony of the Gulf Islands Honour Roll
Spring of 1920

The First Armistice Day Ceremony held at the Cenotaph
which replaced the Honour Roll in 1922.



Archdeacon G. H. Holmes, who is retiring on November 15th, as rector of the S.S.I. Parish will be conducting his last official services this coming Sunday. As with most of Archdeacon Holmes' Sundays, this will be a full day, with 8:30 a.m. services at St. Mark's; Armistice Day ceremonies and a shortened service at St. George's at 11:30 a.m. regular services at St. Mary's at 2:30 p.m. & special services at St. Nicholas, Vesuvius Bay at 7:30 p.m.

At St. Nicholas, the Archdeacon will officiate at the dedication of a new lectern in memory of Mr. Harry Minchin, given by Mrs. Minchin and family. In addition, he will officiate at the dedication of a clergy seat in honour

of Miss Laurette Larnder, given by her sister, Miss Amy Larnder.

Rev. Stanley J. Leech, of Lytton Mission, who will be the new Anglican Rector of S.S.I. will arrive on the Island on Nov. 15th and will conduct his first service the following Sunday. A reception for Rev. and Mrs. Leech will be given by the Parish on Nov. 22nd in the Parish Hall at 8:00 p.m. All the congregations of the Parish are invited

The Archdeacon has served the Salt Spring Island Parish for the past 21 years.

The forthcoming Armistice Day ceremony, to be held this coming Sunday, Nov. 11th at 10:45 P.M. at the Cenotaph will be the continuation of a tradition that began some 40 years ago. As can be seen by these pictures both taken from the steps of the S.S.I. Trading Co., the countryside, the dress of the people and the mode of transportation was different. However, the solemn occasion - the remembrance of fallen comrades was no more heartfelt or more poignant than it is today.

The Honour Roll, with its wooden plaques listing all the Gulf Islanders who served in the armed forces, was erected in 1920. It was not until 1921 that a public meeting was called by the I.O.D.E. to discuss the advisability of erecting a cenotaph, in honor of those who gave their lives in serving their country. At this public meeting, the late Mr. Edward Walter was elected Chairman, Mr. T.F. Speed, Secretary and the late Mr. Gavin C. Mouat, Treasurer. These three men headed the drive that succeeded in raising the \$1200 for the Cenotaph.

The Cenotaph was dedicated on April 17, 1922. The Galiano, Mayne, Pender and Saturna wooden plaques from the Honour Roll were sent to the various islands and the Salt Spring Island plaque was installed in the Mahon Hall, where it remained for years. Where it is today, is not known.

LETTERS-TO-THE-EDITOR

"Dear Sir: An ugly story going the rounds here, has it that the pressure group which, it seems, is determined to foist an auditorium upon us willy-nilly, intends to "have the fire-marshall condemn Mahon Hall as a firetrap". This shows a complete lack of respect for the integrity of the gentleman concerned. However, I am sure he will not willingly permit himself to be used as a ventriloquist's dummy.

One of the school trustees is alleged to have stated that we shall "have another referendum at a cost of \$2500 and if that too produces a NO vote, then THEY will go direct to headquarters" ie; the Provincial Government. If this be true, the trustee concerned has a peculiarly distorted view of his authority and responsibilities and should not be holding public office. The threat to "go to headquarters" is of course ridiculous. This matter has a very simple solution. We who deny the necessity for an auditorium are looked upon as a lot of penny-pinchers who put money ahead of children's welfare. To the PRO faction, \$130,000 is a mere bagatelle. Fine. Then let the pro faction foot the entire cost of an auditorium via THEIR taxes; I am sure the rest of us will willingly finance any ESSENTIAL classrooms.

Many people are not satisfied that the furore over the auditorium stems from a genuine desire to help the children, but that actually Ganges wants a community hall and chooses this devious way to go about getting it at the expense of the entire school district. (Signed) H.B. Dickens."

"Dear Sir: Through the medium of your excellent little paper I would like to make a few comments regarding the recent school referendum.

It seems to me that quite a large group of taxpayers were apparently forgotten when it was decided to hold a referendum. This group of which I am a member is comprised of people who have summer homes in the Gulf Islands and who are not permanent residents. After the recent heavy increase in assessments this same group makes a considerable contribution to the school taxes. When the referendum was held on a Friday it meant that few if any of us could get over to vote. If it had been held on a Saturday at least some of us would have had the privilege of casting our ballot.

In commenting in your editorial of October 4 I would say that in my opinion, school taxes prior to 1962 on Salt Spring Island were very low in comparison with city districts. I would certainly agree with you that the taxes are now out of line. You intimated in your editorial that it was time that other districts contributed something toward educational costs in

the Gulf Islands. I would like to bring to your attention that we of the summer resident group are already doing this. We are paying double taxes and are receiving nothing in return for the school taxes we pay in the Gulf Islands.

I am in favour of good educational facilities as long as the school taxes that provide these facilities are reasonable. And apparently there are a large number of people living in the Gulf Islands who think these taxes should not go any higher, as evidenced by the results of the referendum. (Signed) A.C. Robinson"

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There were many other battles before and after the capture of Vimy Ridge in which Canadians took notable part during the two world wars; but by unquestioned acceptance the blood red poppy has come to symbolize the spirit of sacrifice which took them into battle and even unto death. Among the poignant memories of the still surviving veterans of that 1917 battle of Vimy must surely be the sight and song of those irrepressible

songsters as they winged upward to the rising sun, while so many soldiers desperately dug life-saving trenches toward our advancing front lines on the ridge. Here stands Canada's grand memorial to the heroic dead, the Vimy monument group, on a 400-acre site deeded to Canada.

If the reader thinks that the lapel poppy is a sentimental symbol, he is absolutely right. It is the symbol of an ineffacable sentiment that nourishes in the veterans and shared by overwhelming public sentiment.

But it means, and supports, more than sentiment. It is eminently practical & humanitarian. Through vast non-profit organization the Canadian Legion has built up a network of agencies which provide means of living to war shattered and handicapped veterans of Canada's wars... besides providing employment in the Vetcraft shops for such otherwise unemployables, the proceeds of the annual sale of poppies are segregated

into special poppy funds of the Dominion and provincial commands, and hundreds of Legion branches from coast to coast carefully administer these funds through unpaid supervision.

Much more could be said, but is it necessary?

Your conscience will be the only witness of the amount you put into the poppy fund collection boxes. Small rectangles of green paper can be readily folded to put in the receiving slots; even tax-deductible cheques for which receipts will gladly be given. Be proud to wear a poppy. . . . E.S.

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IODE NEWS

November meeting of HMS Ganges chapter IODE was held in United Church Hall with Mrs. A.G. Wilkins, vice-regent in the chair.

Provincial Chapter bulletin, read by Mrs. V.C. Best, stated that IODE projects in the Arctic, McKenzie Territory & North Labrador have been completed. Closer to home, the bulletin reported that a valuable painting, raffled by Provincial Chapter in behalf of IODE Emerson House in Vancouver, was won by Mrs. M. Chatfield, Penticton.

A summary of the 62nd annual meeting of National Chapter, held at Charlottetown, P.E.I., was read by Mrs. G.H. Holmes, World Affairs convener.

IODE members will take part in Armistice Day services, Nov. 11. The chapter's standard has been carried in every local Armistice Day service excepting one year when, with most of the Island, it was "snowed in".

Mrs. G. St. Denis, Services convener, appealed for contents for ditty bags

to be brought to the next meeting. Paper-bound books are still being collected & sent to Canadian overseas service men.

Mrs. H. Carlin, Educational secretary, reported IODE calendars for 1963 are now available.

A talent table will be held at the December meeting. Offered for sale will be a number of "collectors' item" IODE cook books put out by the local chapter forty years ago. Tea hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. W.M. Mouat & Miss M. Lees.

Winners of the fourth round on IODE marathon bridge are as follows: First group: T. McIntyre & L. Musclow; W.M. Mouat &

Cyril Wagg; Mrs. R. J. Young & Mrs. F. Agnew; Miss Manning & Mrs. A. Jobin. Second group: Mrs. A.E. Roddis & Miss D. Anderson; Mr. & Mrs. L. Earle; Mr. & Mrs. T.J. Sharland; Mr. & Mrs. Peiler; Mr. & Mrs. Mac Mouat; Mr. & Mrs. Fred Morris; Mr. & Mrs. H. Carlin; Miss Hulford & Mrs. Arrowsmith; Mr. & Mrs. M. Gardiner; Dr. O.L. Stanton & H.C. Giegerich; Mr. & Mrs. Graham Shover; Mrs. A.E. Duke & Mrs. R. T. Britton; Mr. & Mrs. H. A. Emerslund.

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Mr. Anderson, described as the most completely trained graphic artist in Canada, spent 20 years studying art in many forms. Following graduation with high honors from Ontario College of Art he did post-graduate work at art schools in New York, winning several
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FACTS, FABLES & FOIBLES

Pictured is Patrick Wolfe-Milner on the left and Kelly Rylands on the right and about 10,000 beer bottles in between. This is the result of the Sea Scout bottle drive on Oct. 20, when 16 volunteer drivers with a pair of scouts each, covered the entire Island. The amount of bottles is about the same as last year, indicating there is a pretty steady market on S.S.I. for the heady stuff.

Forgot to mention, on the front page: the original photos of the cenotaph were furnished through the courtesy of Mr. Jack Smith.

Also, now that we have the front page printed, the reception to be held for the new Anglican minister has been moved up one day to Nov. 21, instead of Nov. 22.

Save your money until Nov. 30th. The Lions Club, up to their usual tricks of having fun and doing good, are going to have a slave market where members of the Lions Club will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. The "master" will then have the privilege of working the "slave" for one day at any old job he desires. (Non-professional job, that is. You can't expect to bid on Dr. Jansch just to get your appendix removed.) More about it next week.



Nothing but fun, blue lips, chattering teeth, and a cold sobering was had one early Sunday morning at the Farmer's Institute log dump recently by a couple of our loggers who made a beer hall nickel bet that one was a better log roller than the other.

Miss Donna Hollings, daughter of a well known family in Fulford is taking her grade 12 at a school at Chicago, Illinois. Nothing unusual in that except that she was first in her class in U.S.A. history.

One of our local truck owners, who thinks Sunday is made only for deer hunt-

ing, can thank his lucky stars that some people go to church. An Island man, on his way to church last Sunday, spotted a nice buck, and stopped and told our hunter where the deer was. Our hero ambled over to the spot and shot the beast dead.

And another hunter parked his car 'neath a "No Hunting" sign. Upon returning, there was a note in his car saying something to the effect - how did he expect to hit a deer if his eyes were that bad.

It is congratulations for Corporal Ken Aquilon of the local gendarmes. That's right, it is corporal, as of Nov. 1

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The Swedes have a name for it - Smorgasbord - and it must mean mighty good food, if the well-fed, happy 200 people who partook of the smorgasbord provided by the Ladies of the United Church last Monday evening are an indication.

The feast which had to be served in three sittings to handle the huge crowd, featured everything, literally from soup to nuts.

Piano, accordion and organ music was provided to entertain the hungry ones as they awaited their turn to be seated.

Mrs. J. Chepardak, David and Shirley who have been visiting Mrs. Chepardak's parents, Mr. & Mrs. W.T.D. Jones for the past two months left November 2nd for Cald Lake Alberta to join her husband who is with the R.C.A.F. station there.

VICTORY OVER DEATH

The volley rolled across the plain
Memory sad and filled with pain
Mother's sons in valour lay
Remembered on this November day.

Soldier shot and laying dead
Sailor down, down deep in the ocean bed.
Airmen high in a blazing sky
Some, like they, in war must die.

To those now left this day we honour.
In silence, "God" we pray in sorrow.
No more we hope to have war's horror
That youth may live, not die tomorrow.
Tom Power.

O.A.P.O. Branch 32 held their annual Bazaar Sat., Nov. 3rd in St. George's Parish Hall. The affair was opened by Mr. J.W. MacIntosh (the oldest charter member).

There was a good supply of goods on display.

The stalls were in charge of: Fancy work - Mrs. P. Gunterman. Home cooking - Mrs. S. Kitchener and Mrs. Dewhurst. Used goods Mrs. Pearl Parkes. Xmas Fancies - Mrs. E. Thacker.

The tea tables were tastefully decorated and in charge of Mrs. B. Krebs assisted by Mrs. W. Westcott, Mrs. Joan Hayward & a number of the gentlemen

members of the Branch.

Mrs. Joan Hayward was in charge of the draw, won by Noani Nelson, a Sanican overflowing with canned goods. Mrs. B. Krebs was the lucky one for the free cleaning - kindness of the Island Cleaners. Mr. Cyril Robb was at the door with tea tickets.

Mr. Fred Goddard, President, received the guests. Mrs. Elsie Thacker, Sec. - Treas. was general convener. The results raised more than \$220.00

Dr. Norah Hughes, pastor, Ganges United Church, and a large number of her congregation, attended evening

service at St. George's Church last Sunday as a tribute to Archdeacon G.H. Holmes who is retiring from the active ministry next week.

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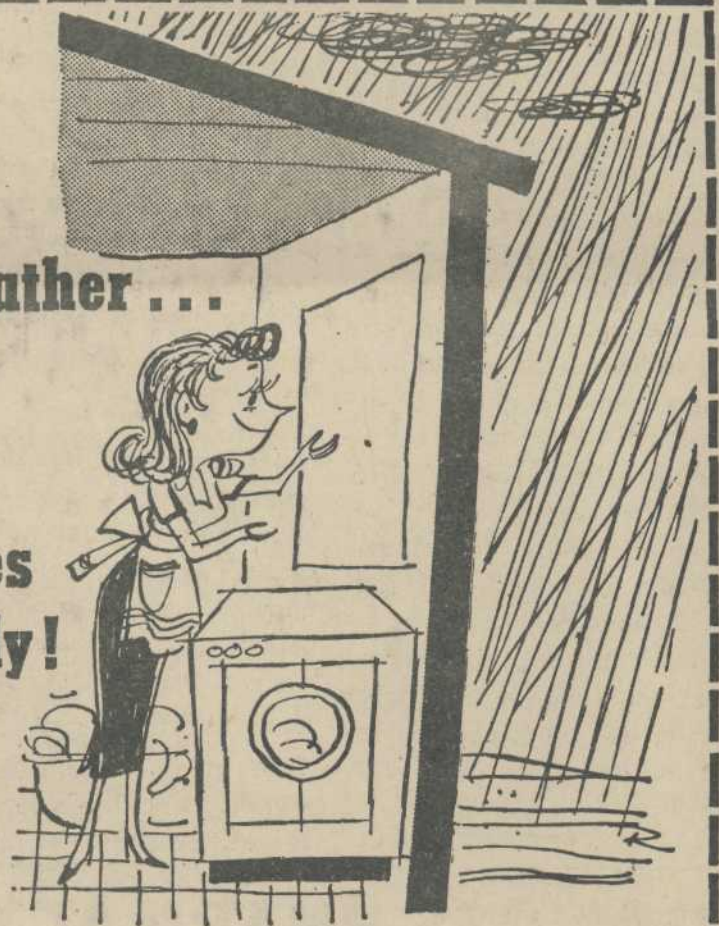
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BROOMSTICKS & GOBBLE-UNS . . .

by Bea Hamilton
FULFORD: The Gobble-uns & Witches paraded on their broomsticks in full force in the Fulford Hall on Hallowe'en night when about 50 children arrived for a night of frolic & fun. Thirty-seven costumed children entered the competition & were judged by Mrs. L. Hanke, Mrs. H. Skuce and Mr. E. Faure. Winning prizes were the following: Best original—Steven Coopsie, first; Rosemary Brigden, second; Kerry Akerman & Patty O'Donnell third. Best Hallowe'en—Douglas Stewart, first; Sharon Stewart, second; Garry Moulton third. Best comic—Danny Warren, first; Mary Lou & Josephine Roland, second; Laura Pallot, third. This party was sponsored by the mothers, & the children played games & were served refreshments.

Mrs. R. Lee, who phoned in the news, said a vote of thanks was due to all who helped to make the party so successful. A few fireworks were seen shooting skyward from the Coopsies across the harbour & the Hattie Stewart's place which was about the only excitement outside the party in the Hall. Oh yes, someone got funny with a couple of mail boxes & pushed them over which the owners didn't think was funny at all but all was otherwise quiet on the Fulford front.

Mrs. Tyrell, who has been in the St. Joseph's Hospital for some time, is expected home this week. Mr. Al House is home from a recent hospitalization & Mr. H. Townsend has been out

of hospital for several weeks. About 7:30 p.m. on Thursday night, a large salmon was heard jumping out of the water close to shore and other salmon have been spotted the last few days.

Dozens of little Towhees arrived at the Shaws farm last week, so Miss Cree says - they were picking up seeds under the apple trees . . . the perky little Juncos have been here for some weeks—and several people reported seeing wild geese flying south.

The 500 card party at the Beaver Point Hall on Saturday night resulted in the ladies prize going to Mrs. G. Ruckle, while Mrs. E. Parsons of Ganges won the gentleman's prize. Mr. L. Reynolds won the consolation. Supper was werved by Mrs. Betty Drummond.

The W.I. meeting will be held on Nov. 8 at the home of Mrs. R. Lee, 200 p.m.

The latest news regarding the Fulford Hall is that Western Floor Co. of Victoria are now on contract to lay a maple floor covered with a plastic finish - and it is expected to resume the roller skating sessions in about three weeks, so things should be rolling again shortly.

This week, Miss Bea Hamilton has buzzed off to attend the CWPC meeting in Victoria and also a meeting of the W. I. District Board, Monday and Tuesday, and ends up

at a Press Club (CWPC) tea in the Empress Hotel on Wednesday. Such goings on!

SOCCER

The Ganges school soccer team gave a very good account of themselves when they went down to narrow defeats by a highly-rated Hope, B.C. team in a double header played last Sunday. The morning match was lost in the last two minutes of play when Hope scored their 3rd goal to win by a score of 3-2. The S.S.I. team was shut out in the afternoon game and lost by the score of 2-0.

James Crawford, son of Mr. & Mrs. William Crawford, a graduate student, has recently been awarded a \$200 scholarship from Lion Oil Company.

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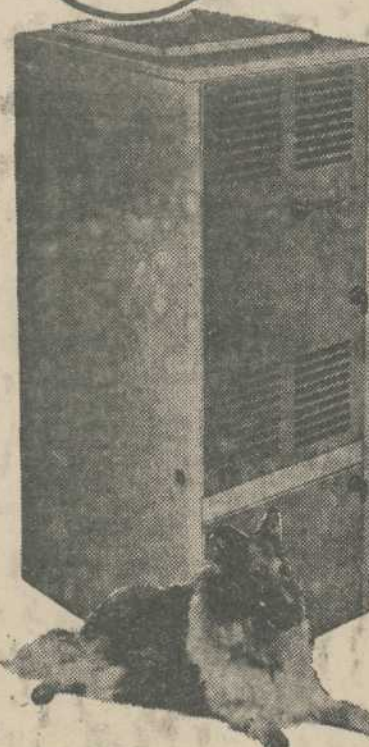
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SOMETHING TO REMEMBER. by Bea Hamilton

To help a splendid cause "Save the Children Fund", the members of local W. I. sponsored an exhibition of some outstanding paintings from our own local artist, Mr. H.B. Dickens, at the Mahon Hall in Ganges on Saturday afternoon and evening, Mr. Dickens, who has exhibited and sold many works of art in Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, London and Victoria, is noted in the Archives of the National Gallery.

He not only showed the beauty of landscape paintings but threw in a touch of humour with happy results. I cannot pretend to judge paintings. I only know that the portrait display, done in alphabetical order, from Austria to Zululand, all 26 of them, seemed to be speaking to one. You laughed with the boy with the big grin. He was a 12 year old camel driver from Jehol. You stared back at the sultry looking beauty from Morocco and the caravan guide from Libya who all but winks at one. No one would want to meet HIM on a dark night. You looked at the Hawaiian girl and in fancy heard the sweet throbbing strains of the guitar as she flirted with her dark eyes. In the face of the old man from Nepal lay the wisdom of the Ages. You felt that he knew what the future held and that he had learned the blessed understanding of a sublime spirit. All the faces were vitally alive with the personality of their respective countries. Only a Master Painter could have portrayed such messages from a paint brush. It was well worth seeing. One of the highlights of the show was a clever step-by-step effort in the painting of a native woman's face. This portrait had a comic ending & had to be seen to be appreciated. Sufficient to say that this display brought a smile to every face. My favorite painting is of a scene in a Funga Toungo market called Market Gossip. The two young natives in this were outstanding. Bodiam Castle by Moonlight was lovely. The picture of

a Guatemala woman was the favourite of a visitor who said he had been in that country and he appreciated the excellent likeness.

A notice regarding the pictures was posted below some of the paintings and this was written in no less than seven languages and ended in a language all the Artist's own - Key Pyur Dammanzoff! it said (Just say it and you'll get the message). Anyway those who stayed home missed out on a rare treat & a good cup of tea. This was all for a good cause as the proceeds are to go to the "Save the Children Fund". They made about \$38.00 & Mr. Dickens is pleased that his paintings were used to help raise this. A vote of thanks goes to the ladies who put time & trouble into the day & a sincere salute to the artist who allowed us to have a peep into his world of beauty, told by the colourful language of his paintbrush.

HOSPITAL NEWS FOR OCTOBER.

There were 55 patients under care during the month of October; of these 8 came from Fulford, 6 from Galiano, 1 from Saturna & 1 from Pender Islands. Patient days for Adults & children were 365 and for newborn 31. Two major and 30 minor operations were performed, 92 X-ray films were examined, 17 Electrocardiograms and 2 BMR's were carried out. There were 5 blood transfusions. The following made donations which are gratefully acknowledged

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Our thanks are again tendered to the Royal Canadian Legion and in particular to Harry Loosmore for tending their part of the garden, and also to Buckerfields Ltd. for donating fertilizer.

The next Board meeting

is being held on Friday, Nov. 16 at 1:00 p.m. when applicants for the position of administrator will be interviewed.

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We've changed our phone number

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