

Some Kin History

NEW CLUB FORMED AT ALEXANDRIA

CORNWALL KINSMEN SPONSOR NEW OFFSPRING

Eighty-five members of Kinsmen Clubs from Cornwall, Montreal, Pointe Claire and St. Johns, Quebec, attended the Charter Night dinner of the Kinsmen Club of Alexandria, held at the Green Valley Pavilion, Green Valley, Ontario on Wednesday Night, January 26th.

Ken Pierce, Governor of District Number Six, presented the Charter. After being introduced by Allan McLean, Vice-President of the Cornwall Club, Ken brought greetings from National and spoke on the growth of the Association from its formation in 1920, up to the present. At the conclusion of his address, he made the presentation to Vice-President Elie Chenier, who took over in the absence, through illness, of President Lloyd McHugh. The officers were installed by Paul Dube of St. Johns, Quebec, Deputy-Governor of District Number Six, who brought best wishes from St. Johns, the first purely bilingual club in Canada. He said one of the biggest contributions Kinsmen can make is the fostering of unity and fellowship between the English and French speaking Canadians, who make up the population of Canada. Pins were presented to the Charter Members by Lloyd Gallinger, a Past President and Charter Member of the Cornwall Club. Speakers included Osie Villeneuve, M.P.P. for Glengarry; Major A. A. McDonald, Reeve of Alexandria; Ian Johnstone, Ottawa, Immediate Past Governor, District Number Six; Don Affleck, President, Ottawa Club; Frank Garrett, Pointe Claire, district bulletin editor; Jim Norris, Ottawa, Past Governor District Number Six; Ed Hall, Cornwall, Past Deputy Governor, District Number Six; Harry



LLOYD McHUGH
Charter President, Kinsmen Club of Alexandria

Devitt, Cornwall, immediate Past President.

Joe Elson, President of the sponsoring club was co-chairman with Vice-President Elie Chenier. Upon taking over the meeting after receiving the Charter, Elie read a message from President Lloyd expressing his regret at not being able to be present. Elie also thanked the sponsoring club, the visiting clubs, District Officers and guests. He pledged full co-operation of his club to the association.

Gifts included an engraved gavel and gong from Cornwall; a beautiful silk flag from Montreal; an engraved Visi-

tor's Book from Ottawa and a Speaker's Stand from Verdun.

Entertainment had a distinctly Glengarry Scottish flavor with several selections on the pipes and highland dancing of high calibre. Violin music with piano accompaniment by Kinsman Vince Cameron of the new club was well received. Scottish local talent rounded out the excellent programme, which was in charge of Kinsmen Gerard MacDonald of Alexandria.

After being formed last November by Cornwall, the members of the Kinsmen Club of Alexandria, under the guidance of President Lloyd McHugh, lost no time getting into action. They started with a paper collection to raise money for children's Christmas Cheer. Rosters were printed, dues collected and regular executive and dinner meetings were held. A show was booked to be staged this spring featuring local talent. Plans for a playground project for the town were also completed—and all before Charter Night.

District Number Six have a new club which will be a decided asset to the town of Alexandria and a credit to the Association of Kinsmen Clubs.

Scottish entertainment as only Glengarry can give it was a feature of the Alexandria Charter Night. Shown below, left to right are: Gerrard MacDonald, Alexandria, Entertainment Chairman; Connie Kippen, Maxville; Ken Pierce, Montreal, Governor, District Number Six; Jean MacInnis, Maxville; and Elie Chenier, Vice-President of the Alexandria Club. Joe Elson, president of the Cornwall Club was missed from our photos.

Next shows the presentation of the gong and gavel by Cornwall Club. L. to R. are: Vice-President, George Hunter, Cornwall; Vice-President, Elie Chenier, Alexandria; Dr. Lister Moore, Expansion Chairman, Cornwall; and Paul Dube, Deputy-Governor, District Six, St. Johns, Quebec. Paul is seen holding the flag—a gift from the Montreal Club.

