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SAWDUST BURNERS IN B.C. FIND FURNACES USELESS; SUPPLY IS DIMINISHED AND BINS EMPTY

Indications of Fuelwood Shortage Next Winter; Bushmen Drift to Industrial Jobs

Premier John Bracken of Manitoba Is Mentioned for Conservative Leadership

By Douglas Green, Canadian Press Staff Writer

Ottawa, Dec. 2—Frederic Dorion, Quebec lawyer running as an Independent, defeated four candidates, all running as Independent Liberals, in Charlevoix-Saguenay. This former Liberal seat was vacated by the appointment of Hon. Pierre F. Casgrain to the Quebec Superior Court.

Maj.-Gen. L. R. LaFleche, War Services Minister, was elected by a wide majority in Montreal-Outremont and Rev. Stanley Knowles was successful in Winnipeg North Centre, formerly held by J. S. Woodsworth, C.C.F., leader.

Fuel Shortage Forecast

Observers are wondering how Canada is going to meet the threat of a serious shortage of fuelwood next winter.

The labor demands of her wartime economy have drawn many skilled loggers from the Dominion's forests to better paying jobs in her industries.

One complaint voiced early in the war by Pacific coast lumbermen was that their crews preferred drifting to the larger centres in the hope of obtaining employment in shipyards, to remaining in the woods at the wages the operators could afford to pay them.

British Columbia, many of whose citizens heated their homes and business premises by burning sawdust—a plentiful by-product of the mills in pre-war days—finds that no more is available, and householders are gazing ruefully at their empty bins and useless sawdust-burning furnaces and heaters.

Now it appears that fuelwood, too, will be in short supply next winter, and if this difficulty is to be overcome, Canada's already busy farmers will have to forego their other implements for axes if the stacks of cordwood which they have cut heretofore are even to approach their former dimensions.

The Prices Board, disclaiming primary responsibility for supplying fuelwood throughout Canada, has placed the onus upon municipal authorities, but has as yet suggested no remedial measures other than a survey — from every municipality — of the outlook for its future fuelwood supplies.

Donald Gordon, chairman of the Prices Board, feels that local authorities are in most cases best equipped to meet the situation. The cutting of fuelwood must, he says, be maintained. In the past, farmers have cut most of 9 million cords of fuelwood which the Dominion produces annually.

How this output can be maintained, with a shortage of woodsmen and a scarcity of agricultural help, is a problem for which no answer has yet been found.

Mr. Little's Requests

The expected resignations of Carl Reinke and Claude Melancon, executive assistant and special advisor, respectively, to Elliott M. Little, former Director of National Selective Service, have given rise

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6-Month Sentence For Molesting Women on Streets

CASE HEARD AND ALIBI DISPROVED IN COURT AT ST. JEROME

A sentence of six months at hard labor was imposed by District Magistrate D. Lalande at St. Jerome, on Wilfred Proulx, Chute à Blondeau, Ont., convicted on a charge of assault and battery. The charge arose out of attacks on two women on the streets of this town on the night of September 24.

Proulx, 40 years of age is married and has a family of several children. It is stated he served a 12-days' prison term at L'Orignal in 1938 on conviction for a similar offence.

The women molested in Lachute identified the man as their attacker. He was arrested by Provincial Detective A. Caron in Brownsburg, where he had entered employment, and was lodged in jail pending trial. At the hearing however, the prisoner advanced an alibi that on the evening in question he was at his boarding place in Brownsburg; he had worked only four days and had received no pay, wherefore he claimed he was broke and had no money to drive his car or leave the village. The prosecution brought witnesses however to disprove the alibi, showing that Proulx was absent from supper on the evening of September 24, that he returned late to his boarding place under influence of liquor and caused a disturbance, so that police assistance was called.

After hearing the witnesses the magistrate rendered his judgment and sentenced the prisoner to a term of six months.

Philippe Valois, Lachute attorney, conducted the case for the crown.

WOULD SAVE RECORDS

London (CP) — Lord Greene, Master of the Rolls, deprecates indiscriminate "pulping" of records of historical value. He made the point in a message sent to the annual conference of the British Records Association of which he is the president.

Ten Little Girls Make Afghan for Red Cross

Lachute Unit of the Red Cross has received a welcome donation from ten little girls of the community, in the form of an afghan knitted and pieced by the youngsters. The girls who performed this work, are Frances, Joyce and Joan Mott, Ruby, Shirley and Velma Ward, Kathleen and Freda MacDonald, Margaret Holt and Edna Noble.

The Watchman is on sale at 5-cents a copy at the following stores:

Lachute — Beaton's Pharmacy and Lachute Medicine Store.

Brownsburg — J. S. Thompson's.

Canada, U.S. to Lift Trade Bars After the War

Ottawa, Dec. 2 (CP)—A vista of post-war trade unrestricted by international discriminations and tariffs and expanded production and consumption of goods was opened to the world through an agreement between Canada and the United States, made public last night in an exchange of diplomatic notes between the governments of the two countries.

Under the agreement the two countries agree to co-operate in plans for post-war economic settlements which would be an example to the world.

Proposals outlined in the agreement suggest, in general, immediate objectives of the Atlantic Charter laid down by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill at their historic meeting on the North Atlantic in August 1941.

The United States proposed that conversations take place between the two countries, and open to other nations of a like mind, with this end in view. Canada acceded to this suggestion.

The notes call for a program of mutual economic measures which will be open to other nations and an example to the world.

Snowfall Levels All Men to Rank Of Shovellers

WORST PRE-CHRISTMAS STORM IN YEARS STOPS TRAFFIC AND BUSINESS

On Tuesday evening about 5,000 people of this town retired to rest believing that the morrow would be just "another day'". Doctors thought they would be going on with their doctoring; the lawyers, their lawyering, and the storekeepers their store-keeping, and so forth. In short, most everyone felt that the morrow would be more or less a simple case of another day and another dollar.

But, a brief view of Main Street on Wednesday morning revealed the fact that apparently a great levelling process had taken place during the night. Doctors were not doctoring and lawyers were not lawyering. In fact, nowhere did there seem to be "business as usual." All had been reduced (or raised) to one common task—snow-shovelling.

Another observation was that there no longer existed that controversial distinction between motorist and pedestrian. Wednesday morning saw everyone walking, or plunging, or staggering. There were prominent businessmen—citizens who had not been seen walking for so long that one could not help but be a little surprised that they could walk!

Cars and trucks were stalled everywhere, in the foot or more of snow which had fallen. Main Street was a shambles. A large car, somewhat smashed, apparently spent the greater part of the night in front of the Post Office. A large unit of Boyd's Express came to grief on the same corner. The town truck was to be seen in difficulties even without the plow. Later in the day, with plow attached, it attempted to open navigation for the East Enders but seemed to get into difficulties at about the half-way point. Incidentally, it is reported a certain well-known resident of that section shovelled more snow that day than any other five men in Lachute.

Attendance of pupils at the High School was affected about as badly as it was last year with the mumps. It was learned that the Brownsburg School closed down altogether. Aside from absentees, five or six of their teachers were stranded in Lachute. Over and above that, the School Inspector was due that day. However, it was later learned that even he was snowbound.

That's how bad it was!

London (CP)—The 23,500 fish fryers in Britain will receive full prewar supplies of cooking fat for the next few months to encourage the sale of fried potatoes, the Food Ministry has announced. If the experiment succeeds it will be continued.

A man who is wrapped up in himself makes a pretty small package.

Thieves Butcher Cow in Pasture

Hawkesbury—A cow valued at $125, belonging to Armand Menard, was stolen from its stable recently, and after driving it into a nearby pasture, the thieves killed and butchered the animal, taking the choicest pieces of meat and leaving the remainder in the field.

The previous night an unsuccessful attempt was made to steal two pigs belonging to Isidore Binette, of Hawkesbury. Hearing the unusual grunting of the pigs and seeing them being driven through a field behind his home, Mr. Binette took after the thief but succeeded only in recovering his two animals.

EDITORS VIEW DAMAGE ON NINE-STOREY APARTMENT BUILDING; IMPRESSED WITH IMPORTANCE OF AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

Another in a series of articles written by W. R. Legge and C. V. Charters, who represented the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association in a recent tour overseas.

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— By Walter R. Legge —

One does not have to stay in England very long before the importance of A.R.P. or C.P.C. work is seen, and we Canadians became quickly convinced that much more serious attention to these precautions should be given in Canada.

Much of the work of the Army which we saw was in the form of demonstrations, but we had an opportunity to study A. R. P. work in actual practice over there.

We came back to our headquarters one afternoon to learn that a short time before some raiders had come over the vicinity and had caused considerable damage to a large apartment hotel. Four of our party including myself went down to see just what had happened.

We found that the building which had been struck was a tremendously large apartment house, nine stories in height, much longer than an ordinary street block, with a large projecting L at each end. There were probably a hundred or more apartments of three or four rooms each in the building, which was a comparatively new fireproof block, largely of cement and stone construction. It was a building which would not easily be damaged.

The bomb had landed directly in front of the centre of the building only a few feet from the wall in the courtyard formed by the three walls of the building.

As there had been some casualties, considerable damage to the building, and as the construction was comparable to the heavier type of building here in Canada, it was an ideal situation for us to study from the standpoint of what would be necessary in Canada to cope with raid damage.

Workers Soon on the Job

The first thing that struck us was the tremendous activity all over the place. Although it was only a few hours after the bomb had struck, there were hundreds of men at work at top speed.

Police and guards kept all except workers from going close to the building, and as we were intensely interested in their organization, which we wanted to study with the idea of telling to the people of Canada, we presented our credentials and asked permission to enter. Here as everywhere else in England, we were received with the greatest courtesy and conducted to the chief officer of the local A.R.P.

His organization was working smoothly and efficiently, and he personally took us around, introducing us to the heads of the various sections, and explaining what they were doing and how they carried out their duties.

He also took us through a part of the building, (it would have taken too long to go through it all), to see what the effect of such a bombing was.

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Find Bodies of Two Louisa Drowning Victims

"The Rumor Clinic"

— Prepared by The Canadian Column —

Dr. E. Lalande, D.P.H., Allays Rumors Regarding Wartime Day Nurseries

Canadians must learn to be careful in handling information, Hon. C. W. G. Gibson, Minister of National Revenue, said recently. He warned of the danger of circulating unfounded reports and related incidents where vicious lies had emanated from mischief makers who sought to undermine the country's war effort. Rumors, he said, could be classified in two groups, "deliberate" and "spontaneous". Both were damaging. "It is not enough to refrain from repeating rumors; if possible, they should be brought into the light and refuted," said Col. Gibson.

Rumor: "Forty Corvettes are tied up at Sydney".

Fact: The Naval Department, Ottawa, states: "This is the sort of rumor that gets spread extremely easily. Very few people realize that in any navy, especially a small ship navy operating in rough waters, and operating under strained conditions, that it is necessary that a fair number of ships should be under re-fit at any given time. Escort vessels come and go. They may be in port for two or three days at a time awaiting the assembly of a convoy. It is very certain however that in the present lively condition of the Atlantic no ship is held in port without good reason. To suggest that forty corvettes are tied up at any given time in any one port is quite absurd. We are not able to disclose the total number of corvettes in the Royal Canadian Navy, but you may take it that this would be a fantastically high proportion of corvettes in any one port at any given time.

"It is observed, however, that the general public knows very little about the difference between a corvette, a mine sweeper, and certain other types of vessels in the R.C.N. Any ship looks like a corvette to the uninitiated provided that it is a warship and rather small."

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Ship 'Argenteuil' Ties Up for Season

Cushing W.—Navigation on the Ottawa River has closed for the season, the last steamer passing up the canal on Wednesday November 25. The "Argenteuil" has also arrived in her winter quarters in the Carillon Canal and her crew has dispersed for the season.

FARMERS MUTUAL AID

Worthing, Eng. (CP)—Farmers in this district have adopted a mutual aid plan becoming popular throughout Britain. Under the plan, farmers whose non-essential crops have been banned and are having trouble financing during the readjustment period are given financial aid by others who have been more fortunate in their choice crops.

St. Adolphe Holds Reception for Hon. G. Dansereau

CONGRATULATIONS ON HIS APPOINTMENT AS MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS

Morin Heights — A reception was held for Hon. George E. Dansereau at St. Adolphe de Howard on Sunday, November 22.

Mass was held at 10 a.m., followed by dinner at the Seguin Hotel, after which adjournment was made to the convent, where the children read an address of welcome and presented Mrs. Dansereau with a beautiful bouquet of roses. A speech was made by Mons. Bazinet of the parish of Ste. Agathe des Monts to which Mr. Dansereau fittingly replied.

The gathering then proceeded to the town hall, where Mons. Bazinet, along with priests and mayors from the adjoining parishes, spoke words of welcome and extended their congratulations to Mr. Dansereau upon his recent appointment as Quebec Minister of Public Works. Mr. Dansereau thanked each and everyone for their good wishes.

Supper was served to the guests at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Lachance, besides which there were refreshments for all present, at the town hall. The place took on a gala appearance, with its decorations of flags. A large number attended and a friendly spirit prevailed everywhere throughout the function.

Those who attended from Morin Heights included — Mayor Wm. Watchorn, Mr. Geo. Watchorn, Sr., Mr. Geo. Watchorn, Jr., Mr. Archie Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Greene.

Inquest Held in Triple Tragedy; Accidental Death, Jury's Verdict

Exact Site of Tragedy Suggests Boat Struck Rock A Few Inches Above Surface and Capsized

After dragging operations, continued for a week at the scene of the triple drowning tragedy at Lake Louisa, the bodies of two victims, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Raeth, Montreal, were recovered around 2.30 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The body of Joseph Fortier, brother of Mrs. Raeth, has not yet been found.

Frederick Raeth, 55, was president of the Canadian School of Electricity and was well known in Montreal. Mrs. Raeth, the former Fredora Fortier, was 42 years of age.

The trio lost their lives a week previously while crossing from Gagné's landing to their cottage in a boat propelled by an outboard motor. The boat was a home-made affair, 14 feet long and square-sided. It was said to belong to Rosario Richer, St. Michel resident, who was the last to see the party before their fateful crossing. The upturned boat was found the following day where it had drifted in to shore. Fuelwood and clothing from the boat was also found floating nearby.

Provincial Police Detective Roland Jargaille investigated the deaths with several Traffic Police officers.

Inquest Held

On recovery of the two bodies, Dr. A. R. Cote of Brownsburg, district coroner, was notified. A jury of local residents was empanalled, with Leo Carriere, Pine Hill, as foreman, and the inquest was held at the premises of Rosario Richer.

Evidence was heard on the finding of the bodies — that of Mrs. Raeth 10 feet from a rock which projected three inches above the water, and her husband's body 20 feet beyond that spot, in an estimated depth of 20 feet. Richer and the Gagné brothers, Polydore and Jean-Louis, had been instrumental in bringing the victims to the surface. Previously they had dragged up a sporting gun, which had been among other effects in the boat.

Indications suggested that, starting to cross the bay in the darkness and prevailing strong wind, the trio had struck the rock and their over-loaded craft had capsized. The bodies were found 40 feet from an island at the extreme southwest of the bay. Search for the remaining body is still continuing, as weather permits.

There had been no eye-witnesses to the tragedy, and after hearing such evidence as was available the jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

London (CP) — Nearly 2,000 "lumberjills," members of the Timber Corps of the Women's Land Army, have been sent to lumber camps in Britain to help shape timber for shipyards, pits and urgent military jobs.

Swindon, Eng. (CP)—Death by misadventure was the coroner's verdict in the case of death of a boy when a nurse administered eight times too much anaesthetic for a nose operation.

Motorist Injured In Road Mishap

Grenville—Blinded by the headlights of another automobile as he was driving towards Grenville early Sunday morning, Romeo Rochon, 28, of Calumet lost control of his own car and went into a ditch at the side of the road. He was found an hour after the accident happened, according to Traffic Officer H. Jones, who had him taken to Dr. Smith's Hospital in Hawkesbury. The victim was suffering from a broken nose and severe cuts on face and head.

Six-Pounder Tank Destroyer that Beats Rommel's 15mm Gun



Many British anti-tank batteries in the Western Desert battlefields have changed their 2-pounder anti-tank guns for 6-pounders. This tank destroyer is superior to the German 15 mm. gun both in range and size of missile projected. Whereas the 15 mm. gun fires a 4½ lb. shell, the British 6-pounder fires a 6¾ lb. shell . . . Picture shows a British tank destroying battery in the thick of desert action: loading a round of ammunition into the breech.

Milk Prices Up, For Producer And Consumer

QUEBEC DAIRY COMMISSION NOW CONTROLS PRICES, LACHUTE AND B'BURG

Effective from the first of December, the Quebec Dairy Commission will control the prices of milk in Lachute and Brownsburg. This will affect the price both to the consumer and to the producer. As a result, the price of milk in town from now on will be 11 cents a quart and 6 cents a pint. No dairyman is permitted to sell milk at other than these prices, except to stores where it is intended for resale. The price in these instances is controlled at 5½ cents a pint and 10 cents a quart.

Likewise there is a fixed price to the producers. Every dairyman is obliged to pay $2.55 per hundredweight for the milk he receives from the farmers.

From the first of September the Federal Government began paying a bonus to those farmers who sold their milk to Montreal and to the local butter factory. Those who shipped to the local dairies were excluded. The result of this was that at a time of the year when milk is scarce, it was exceedingly difficult for the local dairies to obtain a sufficient supply. In fact, it was generally conceded that the situation would become grave within a short time. Inquiries revealed that it had already been necessary for some milk to be bought in Montreal in order that there might be sufficient for local use. Obviously this was done at a loss to the dairymen, and they could not be expected to continue importing milk indefinitely.

An appeal was made some time ago to the Quebec Dairy Commission to assist in solving this situation. However, as the price of milk could not be increased to the consumer because of a ruling of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, it was necessary to obtain consent from Ottawa before anything could be done. Investigation was made into the local milk situation by officials from the Quebec Dairy Commission, and following a delay of several weeks the matter was finally settled. The local dairies can now offer a price for milk to the farmers which compares favorably with that paid by the large dairies in Montreal. Of particular interest to the consumer, is the fact that the dairies in Lachute and Brownsburg are now enabled to purchase as high a quality as that demanded by Montreal.

Saturday Collection Of Salvage Postponed

According to advice from the town office, the regular monthly salvage collection next Saturday will be postponed due to the heavy snowfall and bad driving conditions. The trucks will likely make their calls the following Saturday, December 12, depending on intervening weather. Due announcement will be given in next week's Watchman.

"A happy marriage is a long conversation that always seems too short." —Andre Maurois

Scatter Livestock If Air Raids Come

Don't Shut in Animals When Bombers Come Over, says Agriculture Department

Ottawa, Dec. 2 (CP)— If enemy bombers ever come to Canada, farmers should see that livestock is scattered in the fields, the Agriculture Department's health of animals' division said today.

In the event of air raids, animals should never be shut in barns where they could be trapped by fire, the department said. Enemy pilots are more likely to loose their bombs on farm buildings rather than on open fields.

If there is a gas attack animals should be kept away from low ground where gas settles, and should not be allowed to drink from pools of standing water until a check has been made by gas authorities to see if there has been contamination.

A HARVEST MIRACLE

London (CP)—"Some power has wrought a miracle in the harvest fields this year, for the land has given us bread in greater abundance than we have ever known", said Lord Woolton, Food Minister, in a broadcast after the season's crops had been safely reaped.

Madagascar: British Capture of Majunga, West Coast Port



Early on September 10, 1942, British troops effected widespread landings on the west coast of Madagascar, including the ports of Majunga and Morondava. At Majunga, opposition, which was only slight, was soon overcome and the civil and military authorities arranged the surrender of the town . . . Picture shows British officers with the wounded French Chef de Battalion de Majunga, who had been captured.

OBITUARY

Laurel's Oldest Resident Raised Family of Fifteen Children

Late Dinoise Millette

Laurel, Que.—The oldest resident of this community, Dinoise Millette, has passed away at the age of 88 years. His death occurred at the home of his daughter in Montreal; he had gone there to have his teeth extracted, and was taken ill after the ordeal.

Many years ago Dinoise Millette settled as a farmer here on the banks of Silver Lake. He and his wife raised a large family of 14 children, also one adopted boy.

The remains were brought to Monfort, where he was buried in the family plot. Relatives and members of his family were present from many different parts, including Sudbury, Montreal, St. Jerome, Ste. Marguerite, St. Michel and Laurel. Many old friends and neighbors were also in attendance.

The bereaved family has the sympathy of this entire community.

Native of Laurel, Que., Dies in Alberta

Late John McCluskey

Laurel, Que.—News has been received here by Matt McCluskey of the death, November 4, of his oldest brother, John McCluskey, at Ribstone, Alberta, after a lingering sickness.

John McCluskey, aged 79 years, was a son of the late James McCluskey and Mary Wilson. He was born here in Laurel, where he also attended school. He became married to Miss Elizabeth Morrison, daughter of the late James Morrison and Jane Morrow. He spent some time farming at Lost River, where he acted as a Justice of the Peace and as secretary for the Harrington Council.

Later, with his family, John McCluskey moved to Alberta. He settled on a tract of land there 32 years ago, and had been farming since that time.

He leaves to mourn his loss one son, Harry, at home, and a daughter, Mrs. Rinehart, in Ribstone, Alberta; also his sister, Mrs. Wm. Morgan, in British Columbia, and five brothers, Matt McCluskey, Laurel, Que.; Joseph and Robert, Ribstone, Alberta; Edward, Washington, U.S.A., and William, Vancouver, B.C.

Downs Nazi Planes, Then Back for Tea

With the R.A.F. in England (CP)—Flt.-Lt. J. J. Leroux, D.F.C., is the kind of fellow who leaves a cup of tea, rushes out and knocks down two Nazi planes and then comes back to resume his afternoon repast. A native of South Africa, he was due to go on leave at the day's end, and his wife was having tea with him at the station of his R.A.F. Spitfire squadron. Then he heard the roar of the squadron's engines after an order to assemble. So he raced for the field in the station commander's car, took the first available plane and shot down two ME 109's over the Calais coast before coming home.

MADE AIR VICE-MARSHALL

Colombo, Ceylon (CP) — Air Commodore J. H. d'Albiac, D.S.O., 48, who has earned the reputation as the No. 1 air enemy of the Japanese for the way he has built up Ceylon's air organization, has been made an air vice-marshal.

A Tribute to Fortitude

Rubble from bombed homes and buildings in Bristol, England, was used as fill, in constructing the East River Drive, New York.

A bronze plaque has been erected to mark the area, the words inscribed are:

Bristol Basin

Beneath this East River Drive of the City of New York lie stones, bricks and rubble from the bombed City of Bristol in England . . . Brought here in ballast from overseas, these fragments that once were homes shall testify while men love freedom to the resolution and fortitude of the people of Britain . . . They saw their homes struck down without warning . . . It was not their homes but their valor that kept them free . . .

And broad-based under all
Is planted England's oaken-hearted mood,
As rich in fortitude
As e'er went worldward from the island-wall.

Erected by the English-speaking Union of the United States, 1942.

BANK OF MONTREAL SHOWS DEPOSITS OF OVER A BILLION, ASSETS AT ALL-TIME HIGH

Assets of $1,175,319,000 Include $683,835,000 of Government and Other Bonds, Reflecting Co-operation in Financing National War Effort

Increase in Taxes Reflected in Earnings

Showing characteristic strength in all departments, the Bank of Montreal's annual statement marks a record in the institution's 125-year career, with assets at the new high, $1,175,000,000, and deposits exceeding, for the first time, the billion dollar mark.

Profits show some reduction compared with those of a year ago, owing to the increase in Dominion Government taxes, which this year amount to $2,539,874, compared with $2,242,905 a year ago. In the former figure is included an amount of $72,360, which is refundable under the provisions of The Excess Profits Tax Act. The profit, after payment of taxes, amounts to $3,283,018, compared with $3,437,026 a year ago, and represents 4.31 per cent of capital, rest and undivided profits. This contrasts with 4.51 per cent in 1941.

Dividend payments show a reduction of $180,000, compared with last year's figure, the decrease being due to the lower rate of the dividend made effective in recent months. The dividend payments amounted to $2,700,000, which, with $500,000 appropriated for bank premises, left a net amount of $83,018 to be carried forward to profit and loss, making the balance in this account $1,236,686.

Notable Increases

Notable among the increases in resources is the figure for government and other bonds and debentures, $683,835,000, compared with $498,740,000 a year ago. Commercial loans are $221,354,000, compared with $275,698,000 in 1941. The former figure reflects, no doubt, lessened requirements of business due to the increasing government assistance to concerns engaged in war work, as well as the fact that many firms engaged in peace-time pursuits are not now requiring the accommodation needed in former years.

In line with this is the increase in the bank's quickly available resources which amount to $896,935,000, being 81.65 per cent of liabilities to the public. Substantial increase in these resources is recorded in cash in the bank's vaults and money on deposit with the Bank of Canada, which stand at $112,710,000, compared with $92,755,000 in 1941.

Like commercial loans, call loans have shown decrease, and amount to $16,210,000, compared with $20,041,000, reflecting the lessened activity in security markets.

Deposits at Record Figure

Deposits, at the record figure of $1,064,645,000 compare with $928,387,000 in 1941. These are made up of deposits in Canada of $930,996,000 and elsewhere $133,649,000 compared with $809,110,000 and $119,277,000 a year ago.

Notes of the bank in circulation show a reduction from $17,890,000 to $15,354,000, reflecting the trend of chartered banks to reduce their note circulation in favor of the Bank of Canada. This reduction is now, under the terms of the Bank Act, occurring at a rate equal to 10 per cent of capital per annum, and the circulation will eventually reach a figure equal to 25 per cent of bank capital.

With assets $1,175,319,000 and liabilities to the public $1,098,526,000, the excess of resources amounts to $76,793,000. This is made up of the capital of $36,000,000 and reserve fund, profit and loss account and reserves for dividends totalling $40,793,000, which together represent the shareholders equity in the bank.

SHARP ON HOME GUARDS

London (CP)—A 46-year-old laborer was sentenced to three months imprisonment with hard labor for absenting himself from Home Guard parades.

A Soldier's View on Chaining Prisoners

In the country last night I talked with two Canadian soldiers about our reprisals on the Germans for chaining our prisoners and found that they were both against it, and believed that the majority of the Canadian soldiers would be against it. Their point was Where will it end? If the Germans shoot our soldiers who are their prisoners as they now shoot hostages in occupied countries, what can we do? We cannot do the same. We can't be what they are. Better not try. As it is mostly his comrades who are being manacled by the Germans the Canadian soldier has certainly the right to be heard.

—Manchester Guardian

IN FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS

London (CP) — Lord Lascelles, elder son of the Princess Royal, has left an officer's training unit and taken his commission in the Grenadier Guards, his father's old regiment.



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RESOURCES

Cash in its Vaults and Money on Deposit with Bank of Canada		$112,710,235.61
Notes of and Cheques on Other Banks		45,053,234.05
Payable in cash on presentation.		
Money on Deposit with Other Banks		38,814,805.11
Available on demand or at short notice.		
Government and Other Bonds and Debentures		683,835,390.58
Not exceeding market value. The greater portion consists of Dominion Government and high-grade Provincial and Municipal securities which mature at early dates.		
Stocks		311,309.43
Industrial and other stocks. Not exceeding market value.		
Call Loans		16,210,253.81
In Canada	$ 1,920,538.28	
Elsewhere	14,289,715.53	
Payable on demand and secured by bonds, stocks and other negotiable collateral of greater value than the loans.		
TOTAL OF *QUICKLY* AVAILABLE RESOURCES *(equal to 81.65% of all Liabilities to the Public)*		$896,935,228.59
Loans to Provincial and Municipal Governments including School Districts		23,569,694.65
Commercial and Other Loans		221,354,236.76
In Canada	$205,232,367.17	
Elsewhere	16,121,869.59	
To manufacturers, farmers, merchants and others, on conditions consistent with sound banking.		
Bank Premises		13,900,000.00
Two properties only are carried in the names of holding companies; the stock and bonds of these companies are entirely owned by the Bank and appear on its books at $1.00 in each case. All other of the Bank's premises, the value of which largely exceeds $13,900,000.00 are included under this heading.		
Real Estate, and Mortgages on Real Estate Sold by the Bank		808,330.38
Acquired in the course of the Bank's business and in process of being realized upon.		
Customers' Liability under Acceptances and Letters of Credit		16,184,995.02
Represents liabilities of customers on account of Letters of Credit issued and Drafts accepted by the Bank for their account.		
Other Assets not included in the Foregoing (but including refundable portion of Dominion Government taxes)		2,566,745.60
Making Total Resources of		$1,175,319,231.00

LIABILITIES

Due to the Public		
Deposits		$1,064,645,439.71
In Canada	$930,996,417.53	
Elsewhere	133,649,022.18	
Payable on demand or after notice.		
Notes of the Bank in Circulation		15,354,907.00
Payable on demand.		
Acceptances and Letters of Credit Outstanding		16,184,995.02
Financial responsibilities undertaken on behalf of customers (see off-setting amount in "Resources").		
Other Liabilities		2,340,875.07
Items not included under the foregoing headings.		
Total Liabilities to the Public		$1,098,526,216.80
To meet which the Bank has resources as indicated above amounting to		$1,175,319,231.00
Leaving an excess of Resources over Liabilities, which represents the Shareholders' interest over which Liabilities to the Public take precedence.		
Capital	$36,000,000.00	
Reserve Fund, Profit & Loss Account and Reserves for Dividends	40,793,014.20	$ 76,793,014.20

PROFIT and LOSS ACCOUNT

Profits for the year ended 31st October, 1942, after making appropriations to Contingent Reserve Fund, out of which Fund full provision for Bad and Doubtful Debts has been made, and after deducting Dominion Government Taxes amounting to $2,539,874.12 (of which $72,360.97 is refundable under the provisions of The Excess Profits Tax Act)		$3,283,018.19
Dividends paid or payable to Shareholders	$2,700,000.00	
Appropriation for Bank Premises	500,000.00	3,200,000.00
		$ 83,018.19
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st October, 1941		$1,153,668.75
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward		$1,236,686.94

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Carillon Power Development Again Under Discussion

Do the people of the Lower Ottawa Valley realize what is in the air? Intimation was given in Toronto last week that the much discussed Carillon power project is again under consideration. It will be remembered by readers of The Watchman that, about 15 years ago, this journal carried on a strenuous and lengthy agitation for development of this source of electrical supply. The campaign was commenced after the announcement had been made by the late E. A. Robert, president of the Montreal Tramways Company, that he had organized a prominent group of Canadian and American financial interests who were ready to furnish the necessary funds for construction of the project.

A representative of The Watchman interviewed Mr. Robert, who at that time explained the whole situation. A short while later a report of the project, prepared by Canadian and American electrical engineers, was given to the press; this was published in Ottawa newspapers and other journals of the Ottawa Valley. The plans outlined a development of at least 500,000 horsepower, the Ottawa River to be made navigable for light draught cargo vessels from Montreal to Ottawa.

It may be recalled by our readers that keen interest was taken by the municipalities along the Ottawa River, who passed resolutions favoring the development of the power plant. Together these municipalities assisted in forming a large delegation to meet in Ottawa, where they presented their case to the Federal Government. The usual promise of consideration was given by the authorities, but that was as far as the plan progressed.

Now, however, after 15 years, some of the same individuals who opposed the project are openly declaring that it should be developed in the interests of our industrial effort in the war.

All that this paper has to say—and in this we feel we express the opinion of our citizens—is that it was unfortunate for the growth of industry and business that Mr. Robert's initial project was not carried through.

Still Advertising

The pre-Christmas season finds no dearth of advertising for sales promotion. Well and good, while there are goods to sell. But have you noticed how advertising has gone spontaneously patriotic? How business men support the sale of government securities, to the loss of commercial selling? How others, with a shortage of saleable commodities, are urging care and appreciation of the goods their customers have on hand, to prolong the use of things now harder to obtain? This a direct reversal of pre-war advertising. True, they are boosting repair and maintenance services, but the fact is significant, our business men have gone patriotic . . . And the trend substantiates a theme we have stressed with all sincerity — namely, that it pays to keep the business name in the public eye.

Spirit of Christmas Is Just What We're Fighting For

It looks as if the Christmas tree tradition, one of those customs that has been so much a part of our home life and one which strangely enough had its origin in an old German custom, is to become a war casualty in some sections of Canada as a result of the urgent need for conservation of manpower and transportation — says The Kamloops Sentinel.

When munitions must be made and transported and troops moved about, when rubber on trucks must be saved, there is no other recourse. The importance of Christmas trees fades out in the face of the nation's dire need for more railway car space and less wear on tires.

But the spirit of Christmas should be made to shine the brighter, and it will. Removal of the traditional tree, accompanied by a present scarcity of many accustomed commodities, will throw into greater relief against the battle-darkened skies the real meaning of the season, for the very continuance of which Canadians are fighting all over the globe. The better side of human nature, where kindness and goodwill and love can glow and develop, will be more and more in evidence.

Retail Merchants in the War

Mr. Donald Gordon has denounced as fantastic widespread rumors that the Prices Board might "close down hundreds and even thousands of retail outlets". "Rumor mongering of the most destructive kind", he called these reports.

Retail and wholesale business, said Mr. Gordon, "will have to make their contribution of manpower as need arises", but they will be able to carry on, and the Prices Board will do "everything possible to ensure equitable distribution of available supplies" with dealers large and small receiving proportionate shares of goods.

That is a sensible statement of policy, and reassurance that needed to be given. The retail merchant has found the going hard in the past two years of war. With prices controlled, some commodities rationed, many others available, if at all, in only limited quantities, faced by the necessity of studying and following to the letter a host of complex and often very technical regulations, the merchant has had to meet problems and situations quite beyond his experience.

But it is greatly to his credit that despite everything the retailer has continued to serve his community. His operations are hampered by a multitude of orders, if he makes any money the Income Tax Branch takes a big cut, his staff is depleted by the armed services and the munitions plants, but he carries on faithfully and diligently with work which is essential to the health and comfort of the population.

Every store, small or great, is a factor in the war effort of the Canadian people, and it is good to have Mr. Gordon's assurance that the Prices Board recognizes the contribution of the consumer trades and will give this branch of business every possible degree of co-operation.

—Ottawa Farm Journal

EDITORS VIEW DAMAGE ON NINE-STOREY APARTMENT BUILDING; IMPRESSED WITH IMPORTANCE OF AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

(Continued from page 1)

In the event of a bombing causing such damage, two things are started at once, looking after casualties, and summoning the members of the A.R.P.

They use what is known as the snowball system to summon the members, that is, each man has to call four others. In this way all the members are very quickly notified.

Setting Up Organization

As soon as all casualties are removed, the first thing is to set up a main office known as the A.R.P. Liaison office, which keeps in close touch with everything that is going on. In this case, the office of the building made an ideal location, but where such a room is not available, the nearest suitable place is taken. The office work is broken down so that there is a section looking after each activity.

All this is done almost in as little time as it takes to tell about it.

Then an intensive search of the building is made with the double purpose of ascertaining if there are any trapped persons, and to study if the building can be repaired and what it will require to do this. At the same time any bodies not previously removed are taken away.

Another group is taking rapid steps to salvage anything that can be saved by quick work, and this is followed by a more leisurely effort to salvage everything possible.

Transportation must be arranged as required. Other groups are arranging for food, providing money where necessary, to the unfortunate victims, and a housing department finds accommodation for the bombed out people if they have no other place to go.

If, as it was in this case, it is possible to repair the building, contractors and workmen are called to start work without delay, otherwise the debris is more or less cleaned up and replacement postponed until after the war.

All these various groups were on the job at once and carrying out their tasks as if it were everyday routine.

On the street in front of the building was a canteen truck which bore on its sides a sign showing that it had been presented to the Lord Mayor's Fund by Ford Victoria, Southern Rhodesia.

In the courtyard were a number of men sweeping the grass. One of our party called attention to them remarking that there was an example of typical British efficiency, to which our guide replied, "That is something that is absolutely necessary. Those men have already recovered two valuable rings and a cigarette case." We were told that the action of a bomb is about as unpredictable as that of a stroke of lightning, and frequently the explosion will suck all small artices right out of a building.

Another important detail which must be carried out at once, is to test the walls and buildings to make sure that they will not fall on workers.

Trained Workers Required

It will be seen that many of these details require trained men, and it was not surprising to find that our guide in private life was a building contractor.

Even by the time we got there, workers were already preparing to make repairs, and were chipping out the remains of broken windows, and window glass was arriving to replace necessary windows.

One essential thing is that wardens know all the people in their territory and that they account for them to make sure that nobody is missing.

Compensation Described

In regard to compensation, the Hon. Herbert Morrison, Minister of War Services told us that victims are given clothes and, if necessary, some money to carry on. If their home is so damaged that they cannot use it, they are billetted. However, real compensation is not given until the end of the war. New houses could not be supplied now anyway, on account of shortage of materials.

If a house can be repaired, easily, or if temporary repairs will enable it to be used, the cost is sometimes allowed, but this will be deducted from any future settlement.

The organization known in Canada as Civilian Protection Committee, or Air Raid Precaution or A.R.P. is now called "Civil Defence" in England and is considered most important work. As Mr. Morrison told us, it is now a major act of war, so local authority is not enough.

The studies made of this work and its results are of great benefit to others.

Quick communication is necessary, and as telephones are state owned there is full co-operation, but more than that is necessary as the telephones might very possibly be put out of action. Therefore a system of messengers must be provided for.

Sabotage has been surprisingly little, so we were informed, and theft or taking advantage of another's misfortune is practically unknown.

Early Efforts Important

One thing should be impressed upon the people of Canada, and that is that much of the early damage by raiders could have been prevented if proper precautions had been taken before the raids began, and if the organization had been perfected in advance. That is to say, much damage was caused by fires which got out of hand because there were not enough properly trained fire fighters to deal with the emergency when it arose.

The time for Canadians to prepare for such emergencies is now, not after some city has suffered a bad raid.

In the same way that the telephones might be interrupted, the water mains may be destroyed with disastrous effect. Therefore provision has been made in every community in England to have plenty of water in storage.

Thousands of basements of buildings that have been destroyed are being used for this purpose. These basements have been filled with water. We saw many of these, and also other great storage tanks ready for an emergency.

Large signs are posted indicating where static water is to be found. This is necessary so that in the excitement and confusion of an emergency the nearest storage of water is located without delay.

While all other direction signs in England are entirely lacking even the smallest community has no end of signs indicating where the warden lives, or can be found, where static water is stored, where air raid shelters are located, and the location of stirrup pumps. Probably there are more signs in England reading "Stirrup Pump here" than any other.

In addition to working hard at regular war work, nearly every man in England has to take his share in Civil Defence work.

Women Workers

While we were in England, Mr. Herbert Morrison issued an appeal for a very large number of women to volunteer for work as fire watchers. This means night work patrolling buildings, climbing on roofs and other hard work. There was a great deal of criticism of this appeal because it was felt that it was not fit work for women, that it was too hard and too dangerous. The answer to this criticism was that twice as many women volunteered for this work than was asked for.

When you look over the roofs of English cities, the first thing that strikes you are chimney pots. Every building has a battery of anywhere up to a dozen or more of these pots. The roofs are generally more cut up with all kinds of turrets than is the case in Canada, and with these chimney pots it makes the roofs hard to get at and hard to patrol. Ladders are usually kept on them so that any part of the roof can be quickly reached. This work is most important during raids, and the proper control of incendiaries on these roofs just means the difference between damage and staggering losses.

In the parish magazine of St. Mary Redcliffe Church, Bristol, the church which Queen Elizabeth in 1574 described as being the "fairest goodliest, and most famous Parish church in England", I read this appeal, "Without question the greatest material treasure in Bristol is St. Mary Redcliffe Church. I now ask the women of Bristol if they will help to guard it against fire. We want two, at least, and three better still, to be on duty every night. Women between 17 and 50 will be welcomed, and if you arrange with a friend or friends to take on one night a week, you will be doing great service. Now is the time to strengthen our hand of watchers before the winter begins."

Some say that the reason there have been so many churches destroyed in England is due to the difficult in protecting these roofs from incendiaries. It seems to be very difficult work to ask women to do, yet they are cheerfully responding to the appeals. And remember, that in all probability, the women who take on this work, will do it in addition to working at their regular occupation every day.

The first great fire of London was in 1666, the second one was in 1940.

Every able bodied man available and every piece of fire fighting equipment which could be brought to London was engaged in trying to overcome the flames. I am told by people who were there that men worked until they dropped from exhaustion, and that engines ran until their bearings were burnt out. I have even heard it said that if the German Raiders had came back one more succeeding night, the whole city would have gone as the men and equipment could not have carried on any longer.

Raids Not Over

The people of England now seem to think the worst is over, that such raids cannot happen again. They are encouraged in this belief by the fact that the defences are so much better than they were, that there are more and better planes for defence, that there are many more ballons, that the ack-ack is stronger and better, that the A.R.P. is much better organized and more effective. The Hon. Mr. Morrison told us that there are now 1450 fire companies merged into the National Fire Service.

Authorities however, hold a different view. They are warning the people that increased heavier raids are not only possible but very probable. Some authorities say that the recent months have only been a lull in which Germany has been tooling up in order to unleash heavier bombs on England more after the block busting type.

At the same time it is believed that before long Canada will have German bombs dropping on her, that at the same time that Germany is tooling up for heavier raids on England that she is making preparations to send planes capable of longer cruising range that will enable her to bomb America.

Therefore we should take steps to prepare for such eventualities, we should take a lesson from England's experiences and organize a most efficient C.P.C.



"Eight months he's been in communications and he can't find us three dates!"

Speed Fiend: "Its great, speeding along like this. Don't you feel glad you're alive?"

Passenger: "Glad isn't the word, I'm amazed."

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"How's your new boarding house?"

"The rooms are just tolerable, the table is so-so, but the gossip is simply great."

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"My old man's nerves are that bad," Mrs. Robinson said to the chemist, "he's afraid to ask for a raise. Would it do any good to give him a dose of them aspiring tablets?"

WAR -- TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

By H. H. GORDON Canadian Press Staff Writer

FIRST MEETING OF SUPREME ALLIED COUNCIL WAS HELD AT VERSAILLES DECEMBER 4, 1917.

The disaster to Italian arms at Caporetto in the fall of 1917 brought about the creation of the Supreme Allied Council 25 years ago in the First Great War. For months Prime Minister Lloyd George and other Allied leaders had argued for unified direction of the war, but it was not until an Austro-German army had overrun a large area in Northern Italy that substantial agreement on the scheme was reached.

Decision that the council should sit at Versailles was made at a conference held at Rapallo, Italy, early in November. This gathering was attended by Mr. Lloyd George, Gen. Jan. C. Smuts, Gen. Sir William Robertson and Sir Henry Wilson on behalf of Great Britain, Paul Painleve and Gen. Ferdinand Foch, for France, and Premier V. E. Orlando and Baron Sidney Sonnino representing Italy.

The Allied council which held its first meeting, December 4, 1917, was composed of leading ministers of the Allied countries as well as the United States, advised by their military representatives. In the economic sphere the council's deliberations in the months that followed resulted in considerable improvement in shipping, food and munition resources but from a military point of view little was gained.

Disagreed over Policy

Gen. Robertson, at that time chief of the Imperial general staff, resigned from the council early in 1918 when he disagreed with its policy and methods.

At the end of 1917 Premier Georges Clemenceau, although 76 years old, represented France on the council, but it soon became evident that war could not be prosecuted effectively by a committee which interfered with the discretion of the commanders in the field.

After the great German offensive in the spring of 1918 the Council disappeared when it became apparent that enemy successes were due largely to unity of command at German headquarters. The action of the Allied armies on the Western Front was co-ordinated under Gen. Foch by a decision taken in April, 1918.

Need Ration Books In Lumber Camps

Itinerant workers in lumber camps and mines have been warned by rationing officials that they must carry their own ration books with them. These books are handed to the operators of the camps when the men arrive and they must be returned when the latter leave. It is illegal for camp operators to use the ration books of employees who have left.

Scholarship in Pulp And Paper Research

Montreal, Dec. 2—Through the Gottesman Foundation of New York, a scholarship valued at $800 per year for chemical research has been donated to the Pulp and Paper Research Institute of Canada. The scholarship is tenable for one year and open to any American or British subject who is a graduate of a recognized university.

The Foundation was established by Mr. and Mrs. D. Samuel Gottesman to manage a trust to distribute funds for charitable, scientific, literary, educational and religious purposes. Mr. Gottesman, president of Gottesman & Company, Inc., has been intimately associated with the Pulp and Paper Industry of both the United States and Canada, displaying an active interest in the technological advance of the Industry. To help promote this progress and to further the valuable contributions the Industry is making to the war effort, the Foundation has established scholarships at the Institute of Paper Chemistry, Appleton, Wisconsin, and now at the Pulp and Paper Research Institute of Canada.

Under terms of the gift, the Institute shall arrange selection of the candidate by McGill University, on recommendation of the appropriate University department. The successful candidate shall perform chemical research under supervision of the McGill Department of Chemistry. At the close of the academic year, he shall submit a written report of work which he has performed under the scholarship.

As the McGill session has already commenced and it is impossible to find a candidate by the usual procedure, the scholarship this year will be awarded to a student at present carrying out work at the Institute.

This latest gift by the Gottesman Foundation is but one of the many contributions made to various war agencies. During the "blitz" on Britain, to mention but a single example, the Foundation donated an ambulance to the British-American Ambulance Corps.

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Biggest-Yet Convoy to the U.S.S.R.; Leaders of British Escort-Force



Rear-Admiral R. K. Burnett (left), Commander of the naval forces escorting the big September Allied convoy to the U.S.S.R., on the bridge of the flotilla leader, with Captain A. E. Scott-Moncrieff, R.N. The convoy, incorporating British, U.S. and Russian ships, fought through a furious four-day battle against enemy U-boats and aircraft. The escorting naval force put up a magnificent fight, and at least 40 enemy aircraft were shot down.

MABEL

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McCulloch, of Montreal, spent the week-end as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Murdoch.

Mrs. Robt. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Black and Mr. John Black visited Mr. and Mrs. A. Graham at Cushing on Sunday.

Mr. Alton Murdoch and daughter, Mary Lynn, of Detroit, are visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Murdoch's this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Madden, of Kilmar, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Murdoch.

Mr. and Mrs. David MacDonald and daughter, Mary, of Verdun, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Murdoch and daughter, Faye, of Brownsburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lawson were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Murdoch.

Mr. Geo. Clark and Miss C. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Clark and family, visited Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Cunning at Vankleek Hill last Thursday.

Miss Phyllis Caldecoat, of Montreal, is spending this week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Murdoch.

Miss Annie Black, of Montreal, spent Tuesday the guest of Mrs. R. Black.

Mrs. Robt. McFaul, of Montreal, visited friends of this vicinity recently.

Mr. Walter Murdoch spent Monday in Montreal visiting Mrs. Murdoch, who had undergone an operation in the Western Division of the General Hospital. Friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Members of the Frontier W.I. met at the home of Mrs. Jas. Murdoch to piece a quilt for the Red Cross.

NAZIS MUZZLE NORWAY

London (CP) — Norwegian sources in London report that Norway has been placed in a permanent state of emergency under new decrees by the German Kommissar, and henceforward all radio listening to other than German or German-controlled stations is punishable by death.

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The W.A. of Grace Church held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. W. L. Morrison on Thursday, November 19.

Mr. Harold Gordon, attending Lachute High School, spent the week-end at his home here.

Tpr. L. Ross Moore, of St. John's, Que., spent a week-end recently at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Moore.

Mr. Billy Morrison, who is attending Lower Canada College, spent the week-end at his home here.

The Ladies' Aid and the Girls' Guild of the United Church held a very successful tea and sale of work in the church hall on Saturday last.

Miss Muriel Graham, of Montreal, spent a week-end recently at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cooke and son, Bobbie, spent a few days in Montreal last week. Mrs. Veit and Mrs. W. L. Morrison motored to Montreal with them, and Mr. Roy Cooke, of Westmount, who accompanied them on their return, was a Sunday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cooke.

KILMAR

Misses Jean and Gladys Boyd, of Montreal, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Thorburn were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Kirby.

Misses Evelyn and Hazel McCollum, of Montreal, were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. McCollum.

Last Saturday evening a surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Boyd. An enjoyable evening was had.

The weekly Red Cross meeting was held at the home of Mrs. H. Villeneuve.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Madden spent last week-end in Brownsburg.

CUSHING WEST

Miss Norma Cooke left on Monday to spend a couple of weeks in Montreal.

Miss Audrey Watson was home from Brownsburg for the week-end, as was also Miss Rita Desjardins.

Miss Eleanor Owens, of the R.C.A.F., Ottawa, was a week-end guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Owens, at Stonefield.

Mr. Keith Canning, of the R.C.A.F., stationed at Hagersville, Ont., was home on leave recently visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Canning, at Stonefield.

MORIN HEIGHTS

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Seale were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Seale, Lake Echo.

Mr. Lester Perkins has gone to his home at Milford, New Hampshire, owing to the serious illness of his father.

Miss Ruth Sutherland spent the week-end in Montreal.

Mrs. H. E. Gilbey and daughter, Dorothy, of Cartierville, and Mr. Jewel, of Montreal, spent the week-end at Cedar Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gillingham have taken up residence in the village for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robb visited with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Syvret during the week-end.

BROWNSBURG

Miss Marion Stewart, of Montreal visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Stewart, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harris, of Montreal, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Harris.

Mrs. L. Morrow and Mrs. H. Graham were in Montreal this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Birch and Miss Hilda Birch spent Sunday with friends in Montreal.

Miss Irene Rich, R.N., of Montreal, visited her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. T. J. H. Rich, this week.

The Junior Mission Circle of the Maple Avenue Baptist Church held their meeting at the home of Mrs. Hector Mason on Tuesday evening. The topic, dealing with "Bolivia", was given by Miss Ruth Campbell.

LOST RIVER

Mr. George Campbell, of Montreal, spent a few days last week with his sister, Mrs. Rod MacMillan and Mr. MacMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Cleland and son, of Dalesville, were Friday guests of Mrs. Cleland's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Beaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert MacTavish and family spent the week-end in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brunelle, also Mrs. Mandly Chisholm, attended the Brunelle-Gaudet wedding in Montreal on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dewar, of Montreal, spent the week-end visiting friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed MacCluskey visited Mr. and Mrs. A. MacMillan in Arundel on Saturday.

Mrs. W. E. Morrow spent last week in Dalesville with her sister, Mrs. Ross Cleland and Mr. Cleland.

Mrs. Rod MacRae, of Weir, spent a few days here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brunelle, of Montreal, are spending this week with Mr. Brunelle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brunelle.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bethune, also Miss Christie Bethune, of Montreal, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Bethune.

CUSHING

Mr. W. R. McAdam, of Chapleau, and LAC. W. McAdam, of the R.C.A.F., St. Eugene, Ont., were week-end guests of Mrs. James O'Brien.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dobbie and Miss Doris Leroy were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Bradley at Carillon.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

Births, Marriages, Deaths, In Memoriam, etc., 50 cents each insertion; 5c a line extra for verse with In Memoriam.

BIRTH

DESJARDINS — At the Notre Dame Hospital, Montreal, November 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Y. Maurice Desjardins, of Lachute (née Cecile Beaulieu, of St. Raymond), a daughter, Murielle Nicole Cecile Jacqueline Lise . . . Godparents at the christening were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Beaulieu, grandparents, and Miss Marguerite Desjardins, aunt, carried the child.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

HOSGOOD—Mr. and Mrs. F. Hosgood and family express sincere appreciation to neighbors and friends, also the Ballistics Lab., C-I-L Silver and Gold Shifts of E.B. Cap Dept., the C.G.I.T., Women's Missionary Society, Sunday School and Brownsburg Consolidated School, for sympathy and floral gifts, in the recent loss of their beloved son.

IN MEMORIAM

BIGELOW—In loving memory of my dear father, Malcolm Bigelow, who passed away November 22, 1939. — Ever remembered by his daughter, Florence.

Not a day do I forget you,
In my heart you're always near,
For I who loved you sadly miss you
As it dawns another year.

BIGELOW—In loving memory of my dear father, Malcolm Bigelow, who passed away November 22, 1939. — Ever remembered by his daughter and son-in-law, Margaret and Leonard.

We little knew when we woke that morn
The sorrow that the day would bring,
For the call was sudden, the shock severe,
To part with one we loved so dear
And wonder why he had to die
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Bush Pilots Helping Out

Long before the present war started, Canadians had hung up a remarkable record in aviation by using aeroplanes to traverse the vast unsettled distances of the far north and west, taking men and supplies to remote lumbering and mining settlements. When the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan came into being, most of the men who had been piling up thousands of hours of flying time flocked to the colors. A number of them will be found today at the huge Trenton Air Station, where as instructors at Central Flying School, they pass on their extensive knowledge to the R.C.A.F.'s instructional personnel. "C.F.S.", as it is comonly called, is in reality the university of the air where experienced instructors go for advanced training to qualify for the coveted "A-1" rating which indicates their fitness to instruct on all types of training craft. On the staff at C.F.S. are three former bush pilots—Squadron Leaders Pat Twist, Herm. Langford and Lou Ingram. All of them key men in the instructor-training system, this trio represents a pool of diversified flying experience each such as probably no other country in the world could duplicate.

Another Canadian Ace

Canada's prairies have produced another outstanding aviator in the person of Flight Lieut. H. W. McLeod, of Regina, who recently received a bar to the Distinguished Flying Cross which he won a short time ago. Flight Lieut. McLeod is the top scorer among pilots serving with the R.C.A.F. overseas, being credited with the destruction of 13 enemy aircraft. Like Pilot Officer George Beurling of Verdun, Quebec, who is Canada's Number One ace, although serving with the R.A.F., McLeod has been operating recently from Malta, the happy hunting ground of fighter pilots. In one week alone he shot down three Junkers-88 bombers, two Messerschmidt-109 fighters, as well as inflicting severe damage on a number of other fighters and bombers.

A New Precision Squad

Royal Canadian Air Force precision drill squads have achieved for themselves an enviable reputation in the field of military smartness and drill. Determined to show that the lads in blue are in no way superior members of the Women's Division have formed a precision squad which, on its limited appearances in the East, has won widespread acclaim. The squad will be presented in a number of cities and towns. Among other things, the W.D. precision squad performs 140 manoeuvres without a word of command. They were trained by Squadron Leader J. L. Dyte, who has been in charge of the training of the men's drill squadrons.

Do You Know

That training planes of the R.C.A.F. fly more than two million miles a day?

That equivalent ranks for the three services include—Lieutenant (Army), Sub-Lieutenant (Navy); Flying Officer (R.C.A.F.) and Section Officer (R.C.A.F. Women's Division)?

That the first Distinguished Flying Cross awarded in the present war was won by a Canadian—Flight Lieut. Alan C. Brown, of Winnipeg?

"Starving Canadians"

Canadians are getting used to rationing and most people appreciate the idea that when the Canadian family "holds back", somebody in Britain, Malta or in North Africa, men fighting hard in the Solomon Islands, merchant sailors rounding the Cape, children going to school in China, all benefit. But nothing would be gained for us or our comrades all over the world if in paring down the bounty of our dinner table we depleted our diets to the extent that health was impaired. So the whole thing must be done not alone with good will and good sense but with supervision by the nutrition experts. It won't be long before a nation-wide campaign gets under way to guide Canadian home-makers in the curtailment of food consumption in order that others may get enough to eat. The "Hidden Enemy" radio feature on Wednesday, December 9, at 10.15 p.m. EDT, over CBC, will set forth additional rules necessary to good health when the larder goes in for wartime frugality.

Three Canadians, sleeping in a tent in one of the English training areas last summer, were rudely awakened by a terrific crash not far away.

"What was that — thunder or bombs?" asked one.

"Bombs," was the answer.

"Thank heaven for that!" chimed in the third. "I thought we were going to have more rain."

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to renewed speculations over the possibility that other resignations may be in the offing.

One request made by Mr. Little in the much-discussed memorandum he left behind him was authority to require any employer to terminate the employment of his workers, "at such time and in such manner" as the director might specify.

Another was the right to forbid any person, group or class of persons to retain in employment any worker or workers "after a specified date without obtaining a permit in prescribed form from a Selective Service officer."

A section of the memorandum—previously the subject of a brisk exchange between the minister and Mr. Little in public statements—would have given him authority to take "such action" as he deemed necessary to "remedy or alleviate any shortage of manpower required for the war effort."

Conservative Leadership

A Winnipeg report says Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen was in Winnipeg last week, with other Conservatives, to pave the way for the nomination of Hon. John Bracken, the agricultural leader premier of Manitoba, as the new National Conservative leader for the Dominion.

Apart from the role which Mr. Bracken may play in the Conservative convention's deliberations, farmers will undoubtedly find much to interest them in the party's discussions upon the advisability of establishing parity prices for agricultural products—an offshoot of the recommendations made in advance of the convention by constituency organizations throughout the Dominion.

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IDENTIFIES ADOLF

London (CP) — Norway's churches have been forbidden by the Nazi authorities to sing Luther's hymn "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" because one of the verses refers to the "devil's dreaded prince" whose "doom is sure."

OBITUARY

89-Year-Old Resident Of Weir Laid to Rest At Lost River Cemetery

Late Mrs. D. R. Beaton

Weir, Que.—An old resident of this community Mrs. Donald R. Beaton, died on Friday, November 27, at the advanced age of 89 years. Her passing is regretted by a wide circle of friends and acquaintances, who with numerous relatives gathered at the burial ground in Lost River, where her remains were laid in the family plot.

Surviving members of her family are her five daughters and one son who with one exception all reside in this county. They are—Mrs. J. Tossie, Lachute Mills; Mrs. S. Clifford, Lachute; Mrs. A. Stone, Montreal; Mrs. C. Mountain, Weir; Mrs. N. Beaton, Laurel, and Mr. W. J. Beaton, Lost River. She is survived also by a number of grandchildren.

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UNITED CHURCH ANNIVERSARY SERVICES

Guest Preacher Disapproves Shackling of Prisoners; St. Andrew Subject of Minister's Topic

The congregation of Lachute United Church celebrated the third anniversary of the opening of their new church building last week-end. The principal of the United Theological College, Dr. G. G. D. Kilpatrick, was guest preacher during the morning service, while the minister, the Rev. W. B. Rosborough, conducted the evening service.

Taking for his subject "Significant Omissions of the Bible", Dr. Kilpatrick gave an inspiring and timely message for Christians in wartime.

The historic scene of Jesus reading the passages from Isaiah 61 in the Temple was recalled when after reading a few verses Christ stopped and closed the book—and those present stared. The question was asked by Dr. Kilpatrick, "Why did those present stare? . . . Because the following verse dealt with vengeance, and there was no place in the heart of Jesus for vengeance".

"The omission of that verse cost Jesus his life" continued the preacher, for the Jews were brought up in a strong but narrow nationalism, a creed of bloodshed and defeat, but Jesus saw that the future must be free of vengeance. After that omission many of his followers left Him, and soon were to cry "Crucify Him, crucify Him".

Dr. Kilpatrick then dealt with vengeance as it pertains to the present conflict. Europe he describes as being "a vast sea of hatred, with the dam ready to overflow". Claiming that he had no sentimental leaning towards the Germans, and that "that wicked man (Hitler) had brought more suffering to the people of the world than any man in history", Dr. Kilpatrick hoped that after Germany had been made impotent from a military point of view, vengeance would be ruled out and justice done at the peace council.

The speaker expressed his view on the question of the shackling of war prisoners. He felt the British and Canadian governments had done wrong by using this retaliatory method. "We are supposed to be a Christian people, and we cannot compete in brutality with the Nazis, for it will lead to slavery, torture and death of soldiers", he believed. "Chivalry belongs to the reputation of Britain . . . of not hitting a man when he is down" said Dr. Kilpatrick, and that we should make it clear to the enemy that we will not maltreat our prisoners.

Another biblical omission dealt with by Dr. Kilpatrick, was the resolve of the prodical son as he returned home, when he confessed sin and hoped for a place to work and a job to do. But when his father saw him, he was greeted with open arms, and the prodigal's plea was lost in the welcome he received . . . God deals with prodigals in the same way, claimed the speaker, and sins are covered by a loving garment of welcome.

In closing, the preacher described a scene in the last war, when on September 16, 1916, the 42nd Highlanders of Canada were on the Somme. Two days later, when the roll call came, less than 350 answered from the original 760. Nothing mattered then but the missing names . . . the words unspoken, as those that were left paid homage.

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St. Andrew, the Faithful Worker

At the Sunday evening service the minister, the Rev. W. B. Rosborough, took as his subject the Patron Saint of Scotland, as this was the eve of St. Andrew's Day. He described Andrew as a true follower of Jesus, with a willingness to do his best at all times.

St. Andrew's missionary work in many lands was spoken of; his death by crucifixion in Greece and the peregrinations of his remains, to Constantinople, and to Scotland centuries later. And finally, in the eighth century Andrew was made the Patron Saint of Scotland.

"The character of St. Andrew deserves study and consideration", remarked Mr. Rosborough, "for he was the father of those who walk in humility, the faithful worker who always does his best".

The church music for the occasion was under the direction of Mr. Chas. L. Duncan, choir master, and the choir rendered Gounod's "Send Out Thy Light" during the morning service and "My Task" at the evening service. Miss Ruth Todd presided at the organ.

Special Speaker for Brownsburg United

Brownsburg—Mr. W. H. Goodwin, of Montreal, one of Canada's outstanding Christian statesmen and orators, is to be special guest speaker at the morning service, in the United Church on December 13. Formerly a successful business man, Mr. Goodwin is now giving his time and talent to the church at large. An authority on the new movement of the Ecumenical Church, embracing over 70 different denominations and nations, Mr. Goodwin's coming is anticipated with much interest. An all-out effort is being urged to hear this speaker.

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The bazaar under auspices of the Senior Ladies' Auxiliary is to take place next Saturday afternoon in the church hall.

Sunday Services

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First Sunday of Month —
Holy Communion 11 a.m.
All Other Sundays —
Morning Prayer 11 a.m.
Third Sunday —
Holy Communion 8 a.m.

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.

10 a.m., Sabbath School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
"Beautiful Deeds"
7 p.m., Evening worship.
"The Secret of Power"
2.30 p.m. East Settlement
Welcome to all services.

LACHUTE BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor, H. Charlton

10 a.m., Bible School.
11 a.m., Morning Worship.
7 p.m., Evening Worship
Wednesday 8 p.m., Prayer Meeting.
Christmas Tree Entertainment on Thursday, December 17.

MARGARET ROGER MEML. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. E. Orsborn

10 a.m., Sabbath School.
11 a.m., Morning Worship.
"The Gift"
7.00 p.m. Evening Worship
"A Sabbath Day With Jesus"
3 p.m., Brownsburg.

BROWNSBURG UNITED
Rev. S. J. Pike, Minister

10.00 a.m. Sunday School.
11.00 a.m. Morning Worship.
7.30 p.m. Evening Worship

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, BROWNSBURG
Rev. T. J. H. Rich, Pastor

10.00 a.m. Sunday School.
11.00 a.m. Brownsburg
7.30 p.m. Brownsburg.

REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES

10.00 a.m. Sunday School, Brownsburg.
11.00 a.m. Brownsburg
7.30 p.m., Dalesville
Rev. Donald Keith, of Montreal, will be the speaker.

LAKEFIELD SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector

10.30 a.m. Lakefield.
Shrewsbury, 2 p.m.
Dunany, 4 p.m.

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Regular Social Evenings, Morin Heights United

Morin Heights — Social evenings, which have commenced for the winter months, are held the last Wednesday of each month in the United Church basement.

Last Wednesday evening was "men's night" and proved to be an enjoyable occasion. The Rev. S. Rowe and Mr. Geo. Watchorn were in charge of the program, and Messrs. A. Hamilton and W. Seale were on the refreshment committee.

Social Gathering At Lachute United

In connection with the anniversary of Lachute United Church a congregational social was held Tuesday evening in the church hall. The gathering was largely attended by church members, adherents and friends.

The minister, the Rev. W. B. Rosborough, presided and during a brief address took occasion to thank those who had contributed to the program, also Mrs. J. Falconer and Mrs. C. Rapson, convenors for the refreshments, and others who had given appreciable assistance in the regular proceedings of the church.

A program of community singing was ably directed by Mr. C. L. Duncan, choir leader. The choir rendered several choice selections in harmony. A quintet comprising Misses Yvonne Bedard, Doris Mitchell, Mae Gordon, Freda McVicar, and Lorna Giles sang popular melodies, Miss Joan Percival gave classical solos at the piano, and duets with Miss Gwen Clark—these items together forming a well balanced musical performance. Miss Ruth Todd was the piano accompanist.

Christian Science Sunday Services

"God the Only Cause and Creator" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon to be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist on Sunday, December 6th.

The Golden Text is from Psalms 86: 9, 10. "All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name. For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: thou art God alone."

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else." (Isaiah 45: 22).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "We cannot fathom the nature and quality of God's creation by diving into the shallows of mortal belief. We must reverse our feeble flutterings—our efforts to find life and truth in matter—and rise above the testimony of the material senses, above the mortal to the immortal idea of God." (Page 262).

What Day Is Sunday?

The familiar line, "Every day will be Sunday bye and bye" must have been first written in ignorance of the fact that already each day is observed as Sunday by some peoples, depending on nationality and religious beliefs:

Sunday by the Christians.
Monday by Greeks.
Tuesday by Persians.
Wednesday by Assyrians.
Thursday by Egyptians.
Friday by Mohammedans.
Saturday by Jews and Seventh-day Adventists.

—Elks' Magazine

London (CP)—Carrying the biggest book Ministry of Supply officials had ever seen, a white-haired man walked into book salvage campaign headquarters here saying, "This Bible has been in my family for 150 years. Now it will be of more use as cartridge cases."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. H. McCubbin, of Rosemere, was a week-end guest of Mrs. J. D. Campbell.

Miss Pearl Hill, of Ottawa, was the week-end guest of Miss Mildred Ward.

Mrs. Robert Miller is at present in Montreal, owing to the illness of her son, Mr. Charlie Miller, who is a patient in the Montreal General Hospital.

Mrs. Robt. McFaul, of Montreal, spent a few days last week visiting her friends in Lachute and vicinity. During her stay here, she was the guest of Mrs. John Heatlie.

Mrs. R. J. Millar is convalescing at the home of Mrs. R. Robinson, Lachute, after undergoing a serious operation at the Western Hospital, Montreal.

LAC. Doug Gordon, of the R.C.A.F., returned on Sunday to Victoriaville after spending five days' leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie B. Gordon, "Woolstencroft Farms", Dunany.

GOLD, LIFE-BLOOD OF SOUTH AFRICA

But War Restrictions Threaten Present Scale of Mining

Ottawa, Nov. 24 (CP)—H. L. Brown, acting Canadian trade commissioner at Johannesburg, writes in the Commercial Intelligence Journal that the Union of South Africa is one of several countries which find their principal source of income and prosperity in one product—gold.

A responsible authority has stated that from 50 to 60 per cent of the Union's economic activities depend upon gold production, and the various wartime restrictions on trade have somewhat threatened the continuation of the present scale of gold mining in South Africa, Mr. Brown writes.

Apart from difficulty in obtaining supplies, these restrictions have given rise to growing criticism regarding the actual utility of production gold under prevailing conditions.

The Witwatersrand gold field was discovered in 1884-85, and production began in 1887. Improvements in extraction methods; allowing all ore to be treated, made South Africa the world's greatest gold producer by 1898.

A considerable increase in the accident death-rate during 1923-1924 led to the appointment of the Witwatersrand Rockburst Committee, which issued a report in 1925 making recommendations which since then have assisted greatly in preventing rockbursts and minimizing their effects when they occur.

The introduction of geophysical surveying provided a method of proving the continuity and identity of gold-bearing horizons in areas where they occurred beneath a cover of younger formation, and of obtaining a first approximation of their position as a basis for drilling.

The Transvaal Chamber of Mines, founded in 1887, is an association of all the large gold and coal-mining companies. It deals with the centralized activities of the mines and with problems common to the industry as a whole. Included in it are several large subsidiary organizations established for the mutual benefit of members.

HEADMASTER, SCOUTMASTER DIES WITH HIS BOYS

A name that will long be remembered in a south of England village is that of the Headmaster of the School and Scoutmaster of the local Boy Scout Troop. This man died with his boys when the school was mercilessly bombed by the Nazis and many of the boys were killed.

The Misses Gertrude and Ruth McMahon visited their sister, Miss Agnes McMahon, in Hudson last week-end.

Mrs. A. V. Robson, of Montreal, left Tuesday for Ottawa after being the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lewis for the past two weeks.

Gunner Kenneth Kettyle, of the R.C.A., Halifax, N.S., is spending a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Kettyle . . . Miss Edna Kettyle, of Montreal, spent the week-end with her parents.

Mr. Sidney and Miss Bernice Roberts, Miss Florence Morin and Mrs. S. Roberts, of Montreal, also Messrs. Lloyd Ralson and Jim Ross, of the R.C.A.F., Manning Depot, Lachine, were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roberts.

Lachute Girl Becomes Soldier's Bride in Ceremony at Manse

Cooke - Morrison

The marriage of Eva Charlotte Kathleen, eldest daughter of Mr. R. H. Morrison and the late Mrs. Morrison, of Lachute Road to Gunner Delmar William Cooke, of the Royal Canadian Artillery, Ottawa, only son of Mr. and Mrs. William Cooke of Arundel, took place on Saturday afternoon at half past three o'clock at the United Church manse, the Rev. W. B. Rosborough, officiating.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a midnight blue tunic dress with navy accessories. She was attended by her sister, Miss Eileen Morrison.

Supper was served at the home of the bride, and the happy couple left on the evening train for Montreal.

After a short honeymoon, Gunner Cooke will return to his unit in Ottawa.

AC-1 Norman Anderson, of the R.C.A.F., Mountain View, spent the week-end with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Y. Deacon.

Mrs. A. McEntyre returned to Montreal, after spending a few days last week the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McEntyre.

AW-1 Annabelle MacLeod, of the R.C.A.F. (W.D.), Regina, Sask., left on Wednesday of last week for Victoria, B.C., after spending a few days the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Don A. Fletcher and Mr. Fletcher.

Week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kennedy, Pine Hill, were—Pte. Gerald Kennedy, of the R.C.O.C., Barriefield Camp, Kingston, Miss Elva Kennedy, of Lachute, and Miss Dorothy Blair, of Brownsburg.

To Pack Christmas Box

At the monthly meeting of the W.M.S. of the Lachute United Church, which will be held on Thursday afternoon, December 10, a Christmas box will be packed for the Lachine Children's Home. All donations will be thankfully received.

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Mrs. J. Anderson, of Montreal, was the week-end guest of Mrs. George Creswell.

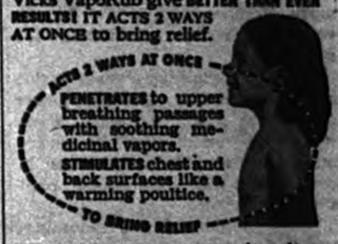
Miss Elsie McRae, of Brownsburg, spent the week-end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Foster Campbell.

Engagement Announced

The engagement is announced, of Norma Emmeline, daughter of Mrs. Cooke, of Cushing, Que., and the late C. Leonard Cooke, of Hoosier, Sask., to Mr. Thomas Boyd Higginson, of Rainy River, Ont., eldest son of Mrs. Wm. McNee and the late Arthur Higginson, of Hawkesbury, Ont. The wedding will take place on December 30 at St. Mungo's Church, Cushing.

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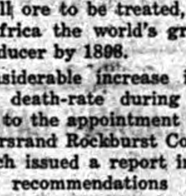


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A STATEMENT *about* BUTTER

In spite of the fact that in some Canadian cities butter supplies recently have not been sufficient to meet the greatly increased demands, the situation does not constitute an emergency; nor is it as serious as some people seem to think. There are two main causes for these temporary and local shortages:

For the past year we have been consistently using 10% to 15% more butter than in normal times—with consequent disturbance to the distribution of our butter supplies.

Many people have been buying more butter than they currently need.

The limited nature of the present shortage is shown by the fact that if every home would reduce its consumption of butter by only one ounce per person per week (for the average home this means a quarter of a pound a week)—or if we reduced our national consumption to the peacetime rate—the shortage would soon disappear.

There is no Reason for Panic Buying

It is unpatriotic and unnecessary for housewives to rush out to beat their neighbours to the nearest grocery store. Butter will not be rationed to meet the present situation. Butter production is actually above normal for this time of year. The Board itself is taking special action which it is believed will speedily restore normal supplies in retail stores.

These supplies will however be adequate for normal consumption, if housewives in all parts of Canada co-operate.

You can help in these ways:

Scrupulously avoid waste and extravagance. Waste is wrong at all times. In time of war it is sabotage.

Reduce present consumption of butter by at least one ounce per person per week—(for the average home this means a quarter of a pound a week.)

Do not buy more than is needed for immediate use.

HOW TO SAVE BUTTER

AT MEAL-TIME
1. Use butter only for spreading on bread.
2. Never use butter just out of the refrigerator. Wait until it is soft enough to spread easily.
3. Add a small amount of milk when creaming butter for sandwiches.

IN COOKING
1. Do not use butter in baking and cooking, when lard, shortening or meat dripping can be used.
2. Use level measurements of butter. . . . Guesswork means waste!
3. When adding cheese to a cream or white sauce, use only half amount of butter stated in recipe.
4. Use paper wrappings from butter to grease baking dishes.
5. Do not use butter for re-warming vegetables.
6. Serve meat gravy to avoid the use of extra butter on potatoes.
7. When adding butter to vegetable dishes, add it sparingly. Do not melt it and then pour on.

THE WARTIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD

DISTRICT NEWS FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

AVOCA

Mrs. Samson Arthurs has returned home from the Royal Victoria Hospital and is slowly improving.

The Misses Zeenie and Dorothy MacLeod are now in Montreal.

Mrs. Howard Doig, who has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Kelly, has gone to Montreal to visit friends.

Miss Evelyn MacCallum, of Montreal, spent the week-end with her mother here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Kelly, of Rockland, Ont., visited Mrs. Kelly's parents over the week-end.

Mrs. Edward Vaillancourt has returned from a short visit with friends in Montreal and Calumet.

PREVENTION OF COLDS

By Dr. P. H. Lavergne

The common causes of colds are: chilling, damp clothing and footwear, irritating particles in the air and allergic reactions in the nasal area. The infecting germ must be present of course, but the fact remains that colds may be more effectively controlled by the causes than by combatting the germs.

These determining causes result in a lowered resistance, either general or local. To offset them we must make use of every means calculated to keep us in good health and build up our physical resistance.

Most important is clothing, especially undergarments and hose in direct contact with the skin; these absorb perspiration and prevent a too rapid evaporation which would result in chilling the body. The best material for this purpose is wool, cotton is useful in a lesser degree while silk is the least efficient. Underwear should not be too warm but only sufficiently heavy to keep us comfortable indoors. Adequate outer garments should be put on when going outdoors. The importance of not wearing damp clothes cannot be over emphasized.

Nourishment should be wholesome, varied, sufficiently abundant and should include eggs, milk, fruits, green vegetables, not too much sugar and plenty of water, at least six glasses each day.

Fatigue is also a predisposing cause of colds; by pulling down our resistance; the right amount of sleep overcomes fatigue and established custom sets this amount at about eight hours each day. Baths, apart from their hygienic value are a help in avoiding colds. To be effective baths should leave us with a feeling of general well-being and should invariably be followed by a vigorous rub-down.

The proper attention to certain ailments, as sinusitis, tonsilitis, and nasal obstruction plays a great part in keeping colds away and should on no account be neglected.

W.I.'s Promote Sale of War Savings Stamps

The Federated Women's Institutes of Canada have issued a special appeal to the Women's Institutes to support the sale of War Savings Stamps throughout the country, and to this end have issued a Stamp Folder for their use. These are being used in large numbers by the branches as prizes in the local schools, School Fairs and societies for youth, with the special aim of promoting Canada's war effort and of encouraging a spirit of loyalty and responsibility in the rising generation.

The slogan of the F.W.I.C. is "National Defence and All Out for Victory."

CUSHING

Miss D. LeRoy, of Lachute, was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dobbie.

Miss M. Lightbody, of Ottawa, who has been spending the past two months as the guest of Mrs. W. Y. King at "Ingleside", has now returned home.

Mrs. R. Black and son, John, also Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Black and daughter, Helen, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Graham.

Mrs. J. C. Dougall and Miss Elsie Graham, of Verdun, were week-end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Graham.

Miss Eleanor Owens, of the R.C.A.F., Rockcliffe, Ont., spent the week-end as guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Owens, Stonefield Hts.

The Misses Skuffham and Richardson, of Ottawa, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gauley.

Presentation to Bride-to-Be

Mrs. Archie Graham and daughters, Mrs. J. C. Dougall and Miss E. Graham, entertained at a tea on Friday afternoon in honor of Miss Norma Cook, whose marriage to Mr. Boyd Higginson, of Rainy River, Ont., is taking place this month. A chest of silver was presented to Miss Cook by the Misses Myrtle and Myrna Gaston, on behalf of the people of Cushing, and also on behalf of the friends from Montreal, Senneville and Kingston who are part-time residents in Cushing.

CUSHING
(Intended for last issue)

Mrs. L. M. Gaston and Mrs. J. Innes accompanied the Rev. and Mrs. Burman to Ottawa recently, spending two days in the capital.

Frontier Branch of the Women's Institute will hold their annual Christmas meeting in the Community Club room on Friday evening, December 4.

The W.C.T.U. will hold their December meeting in the Community Club room on the afternoon of December 4.

The Ladies' Association of St. Mungo's Church was entertained recently at the home of Mrs. L. D. Smith.

MABEL
(Intended for last issue)

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Morrison and family, of Dunany, were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Black.

Miss Shirley Heatlie, of Montreal, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Heatlie.

LSA. Kenneth Murdoch, of the Royal Canadian Navy at Halifax, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Murdoch, at present.

Sunday guests at the home of Mr. Geo. Clark were Miss Claire Leggat, of Brownsburg, also Mr. and Mrs. B. Clark and daughter, Lorna, of Staynerville.

Mrs. Leslie Griffith and children, also Mr. Ross Warwick, of Lachute, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Heatlie.

Mrs. W. Canning and Mrs. Roy Dobbie, of Cushing, also Mrs. Alvin Heatlie, of Chatboro, spent Thursday of last week with Mrs. Raymond Warwick. Mrs. Canning also called at the home of Mr. Frank Clark.

The Farm Radio Forum group met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Clark on Monday evening. Next week the meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Murdoch.

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ST. ANDREWS EAST

Mrs. E. C. Mount, of Westmount, spent a week visiting with her mother, Mrs. H. W. Robertson.

Miss Elizabeth Wales spent the week-end at her home in St. Andrews.

Others here for the week-end were Miss Dorothy Halsey and Miss Ruth Bradley.

Mr. William Todd and Mr. Stuart Todd visited relatives in St. Andrews during the week-end.

The Guild was held at the home of Miss Lamb and Miss Wales. This being Mrs. Mowatt's last meeting there was quite a large attendance.

Mrs. V. F. Lilly has left St. Andrews to spend the winter months in Montreal.

Mrs. Ottney, after undergoing an operation in Dr. Smith's Hospital in Hawkesbury, is now home and recovering.

The monthly meeting of the Anglican W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Morrison on Thursday. Business was discussed, after which tea was served.

The Ladies' Aid of the Anglican Church are holding their Christmas sale and tea on Saturday, December 12. The sale will take place in the United Church hall.

MORIN HEIGHTS

Mr. John Kennedy and daughter, Dorothy, spent the week-end in Montreal.

Mr. E. Milner visited his family in Montreal during the week-end.

Mrs. Willis Seale and daughter, Doreen, spent a couple of days in Montreal last week.

The Intermediate School is closed this week due to a case of scarlet fever in the community.

MORIN HEIGHTS
(Intended for last week)

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Seale were in Montreal on Saturday attending the wedding of their son, Howard.

Mrs. Paul Baumel was also in Montreal during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Watchorn, also Miss Doris Watchorn, spent Thursday in Montreal.

Mrs. J. McCullough has returned home from Montreal, where he has spent the past few weeks.

Friends are pleased that Mrs. Wm. Doherty is feeling much improved after her operation. She is spending the winter with Mrs. F. Goldthorpe.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Greene, of St. Adolphe, have taken up residence here for the winter; they are occupying Mrs. Bourdon's flat.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. A. Seale on Sunday last were Mr. and Mrs. H. Bennett, of Harrington, Mrs. F. Doherty, Mrs. Saunders and children, also Mr. Goodrich, of Montreal.

Mrs. E. Johnson and daughter, Margaret, visited friends here during the week-end.

ARMY GIRLS' STUDIES

London (CP) — Girls serving in the Auxiliary Territorial Services have been given a chance to study child psychology and domestic science. The courses are part of a new educational experiment for service men and women.

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Dancing Class Opens in Lachute High School

The usual dancing class was held Saturday, November 28, and great interest was shown not only by a large number of children from four to ten years, but also quite a number of 'teen age boys and girls anxious to learn modern Ballroom Dancing. At the conclusion of last Saturday's lesson Miss Betty Speirs expressed her pleasure in the large attendance, and the results shown.

Miss Speirs who has one of the largest studios in Montreal, is well known in dancing circles, and is most anxious to have the young people of Lachute and Brownsburg take advantage of her experience.

The lessons starting with next Saturday will be held in the High School, Lachute, as arranged for by several of the Committee: Ballet and Tap at 3.15 for children, and Ballroom for 'teen age boys and girls at 4.30.

There has been a keen interest shown by the parents attending these lessons.

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THE WOMAN'S PAGE

Hints for Homebodies

By Jessie Allen Brown

THE WOMEN MUST DO IT

We have been asked to eat one ounce of butter, two tablespoons, a week, less. That is not much to be asked to do, and it is up to the women to see that it is done. Each person can eat just a little less on their bread and toast and that will help. We, who do the cooking, must use less butter. Many things will taste just as good with a little less butter. Other foods which require a definite amount of shortening will have to have a part of the butter replaced with some other shortening, preferably lard, as there is no scarcity of lard, and it is a home product. Down in the Maritimes butter is moulded in a different shape. Instead of the brick-like pounds used in the rest of Canada, butter is in a two-pound slab, with each pound marked into quarters. At first I thought it rather queer, but I like it much better. It is so easy to measure, as the quarter pounds are all marked out and if you want a half cup of butter all you have to do is cut along the lines. Women have shown in this war that they can be depended upon. Let us not fail in this butter business.

SKIN FOODS

All advertisements to the contrary, there is no such thing as a skin food. The skin is fed from the blood and gets no nourishment from anything applied to its surface. That doesn't mean that cold cream does nothing for the skin. It helps to keep it smooth and flexible. Dry skins can use more cold cream than an oilier skin. Sometimes soap and water are irritating to a dry skin and in that case cleansing by cold cream may be used as substitute for some of the soap and water washings. Greasy skins should use cold cream less frequently as it just adds to the oily condition. So-called cleansing creams are really soaps and should never be used on a dry skin. To have a good skin, one needs to have good general health, proper foods, plenty of sleep, fresh air and exercise. Works from within.

TRY BAKING THEM AT HOME

As canned baked beans are gone for the duration, home-baked ones will come to the fore. One woman [redacted] in the Maritimes makes a nice little income with her baked beans. On Friday evenings, she telephones her customers to see if they want beans for Saturday nights supper. Then along between five and six on Saturday, her son delivers the piping hot beans. They come in a bean pot and all you have to do is to empty them in to your dish and pop them into the oven to keep hot. I have a friend, living in Ontario, who does a great deal of her entertaining with Saturday suppers of baked beans and brown bread. She is a Maritimer and that of course is the traditional down East Saturday supper. She says her guests seem to enjoy them more than any other food she may give them. It is an idea worth considering, as they are not too much work, need no last minute preparation, and they are not expensive. I have always wanted a beanpot but could not find one when I lived in Ontario. Now that I live in the Maritimes, it is one of my proud possessions, and most Saturday nights we have beans and brown bread, and then beans for Sunday breakfast. As I use an electric oven I hesitated about baking them because of the amount of current used, however I find I do not need to use much extra, as I have the beans in the oven when I do my Saturday baking. Then I continue to cook them with the heat remaining in the oven. The temperature drops 100 degrees in about three quarters of an hour, so all it needs is to have the heat turned on occassionally for a few minutes to bring it up to the required temperature.

BAKED BEANS

1 Lb. of beans, ½ cup brown sugar, 1 dessert spoon salt, ½ cup molasses, dash of pepper, 1 onion, ¼ lb. fat salt pork.

Soak the beans over-night, drain and cover with water. Cook slowly until the skins will burst. Drain. Put the beans in a bean pot, casserole, or even a covered lard pail. Add salt, pepper, sugar, and molasses. Bury the onion in the beans, and add the pork cut in pieces, leaving a piece or two on top. Cover with water and bake five or six hours. Add water when necessary, and leave uncovered the last half-hour to brown. These beans are fairly sweet and less sugar can be used if necessary.

BOSTON BROWN BREAD

½ Cup cornmeal, 1 teaspoon soda, ½ cup graham flour, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 cup sour milk, 1 cup white flour, ¾ cup molasses.

Mix the dry ingredients. Add the molasses to the milk, then stir in the dry ingredients and mix well. Pour into baking powder tins, greasing them first of course, then put on the covers, and steam for 2½ hours. Do not fill too full as the mixture rises.

Civilian Defence Article

Women in Air Raid Defence

Written especially by P. N. SODEN,
Deputy Provincial Officer, Civilian Protection Committee

These articles are especially prepared on the authority of the Provincial Civilian Protection Committee. The statements therein are obtained from first hand information from United Nations' Government Sources.

It is an established fact that today in Great Britain, a country subject to numerous air raids, women are taking their part in air raid precaution work, filling well, many positions that earlier in this war were filled by men. One has but to read the English papers that arrive in this country to learn of the splendid work that British women are doing in the A.R.P. I have no doubt, when the call comes for enlistment of women in the Civilian Protection Committee of this Province that they will not lag behind. I am sure that the number of volunteers will be greater than those required.

At the present time little or no effort had been made by the municipalities to recruit the services of women as Civilian Protection Committee wardens, although from time to time indications of such intention have appeared in the daily newspapers, but with one or two exceptions from some of the smaller municipalities there has been little indication that women should be called for this service.

It seems strange, when possibly the work women are more fitted for than men is the care of the home, that no serious attempt has been made to set up organizations in the residential areas to meet these requirements.

One who has studied carefully organization for the protection of home and life must fully realize that it is a positive necessity that the women of this province should become part of the Civilian Protection Committee. There are numerous positions which they can fill, such as ambulance drivers, first aid workers, acting as nurses in casualty clearing stations and first aid posts, telephone operators, despatchers, as operators in auxiliary fire services and many other duties, but the most important of all is to fill in the posts of Civilian Protection Committee wardens (male) to act as relief or substitutes, particularly in the residential section of any large city in this province, in the daytime, when the male member of the family is absent at his work. It would be impossible for the male member to return to his home during an air raid. It would not only be impossible, but it would be foolish to expect men to travel across a large city during an air raid. Not only would the difficulty arise with regard to traffic control, but the risk to life would be that much greater. Therefore, no time should be lost in calling for enlistment of women in the Civilian Protection Committee. The sooner the organizations are set up, in all cities in this Province, along the lines or parallel to the lines already established for male members of the warden service, the sooner these women can be trained in the duties which they must carry out. No doubt, in the minds of many women of today, they realize the position and the responsibility which they will have to meet.

There are many women's organizations now in existence that could no doubt bring to the Civilian Protection Committee a sufficient number of women who could undertake this training that is required and would not take from the women possibly a greater period of time than a few hours a week. Without training, they would not know what to do, and it would be disastrous to us all. Besides, the men, knowing that their wives and family are able to carry on and know what to do, quickly realize that the chances of danger are that much less, and therefore it would be a great relief to the men who will have to carry on wherever they are located. Each Civilian Protection Committee throughout the Province of Quebec should now lay plans to incorporate women into their Warden Service.

Hundreds of Names Inscribed on Quilt

A "Victory Quilt" which is to be sent to the Queen is earning considerable sums for the Queen's Canadian Fund — which is under Her Majesty's patronage.

Hundreds and hundreds of names are being inscribed upon the quilt, which was made by Mrs. E. Rule, of Brantford, Ontario. Some people, she states, are paying as much as $1.00 for a single name. Well over $200 has been raised so far.

Dr. E. Lalande, D.P.H., Allays Rumors Regarding Wartime Day Nurseries

"THE RUMOR CLINIC" (Continued from page 1)

A number of rumors have been reported to the Clinic concerning the establishment of Day Nurseries for children whose mothers are working in War Industries.

Rumor: "Mothers working in War Industries will be forced to place their children in these Nurseries".

"Mothers who place their children in the Day Nurseries, which the Government plans to set up, will be giving them up for adoption".

"Placing children in Day Nurseries would change the economic status of the mothers in regard to income taxes".

"In the case of wives of soldiers, separation allowances would be reduced because of the Government assuming part of the cost of upkeep of such children."

Fact: Dr. E. Lalande, D.P.H., Director, Department of Day Nurseries, Ministry of Health and Social Welfare, Montreal, states: "Nothing could be farther from the truth. At the request of the Federal Minister of Labor, the Quebec Provincial Minister of Health and Social Welfare signed, some months ago, an agreement regarding the establishment of Day Nurseries for children whose mothers are working in War Industries or doing work of a like nature. The Province of Quebec, through its Ministry of Health and Social Wilfare, assumes the responsibility of the establishment and functioning of these Nurseries. Although recognizing the usefulness of these projects, and strongly urging mothers to avail themselves of these advantages, so that their children might have the care which they would otherwise miss (owing to the fact of their mothers working in War Industries), the Minister of Health never has had or never will have any intention of taking such children away from their parents, nor of adopting them. Moreover, **mothers have absolutely no reason to fear that by placing their children in the Nurseries, their status will be altered in regard to income taxes or soldiers' wives' allowances.** There is not one clause in the Federal Provincial agreement which would raise the shadow of a doubt in this respect. There is simply no question of it whatever.

"The Day Nurseries will be established to take care of children of mothers who work during the daytime. Only children of preschool age will be admitted: that is to say, those between the ages of 2 and 6 years. Regarding children of school age, arrangements will be made to care for them in school. The use of the Nurseries is optional, but mothers may rest assured that all precautions will be taken to ensure the welfare of their children: both from the moral and educational, as well as the physical standpoint. Experienced and responsible persons will be in charge; their health will be closely watched and they wil be the object of careful attention at all times during their stay at the Nurseries".

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Rumor: "A woman who was working on September 1, when the new regulation came into force, although she is married and now wishes to leave work and stay at home, is forced to work at some job or other, evidently until the end of the war; while a woman who was not working on September 1, although she may be offered a position to help the war effort is not compelled to take it, or any other, and can therefore stay at home till the end of the War".

Rumor: "A girl, now working, cannot leave her job to get married, but must stay at her position after getting married whether she wishes to make a home or not".

Fact: National Selective Service states that the above rumors are absolutely false.

(Note: Because of the heavy call upon our manpower, it is intended that many women, not now employed or not usefully employed, will be offered employment in essential jobs. No compulsion will be used to force women to accept jobs offered to them.)

You can help. Don't repeat rumors — report them! Write to the: Canadian Column, Transportation Building, Montreal.

WOMEN WORKING AS BLACKSMITHS

Others as Cattle Killers in Abbatoir, but Domestic Jobs Go Unfilled

Calgary, Nov. 30 (CP)—Women blacksmiths and cattle killers — that's an indication of the extent to which girl workers have taken over jobs formerly regarded as for men only in Calgary. Women now are employed here in jobs ranging from blacksmiths and machinists to bell-hops and shoe shiners.

Two women are employed in a Calgary shop as machinists and blacksmiths. Four are in the killing room of a Calgary packing plant. More than 50 are working on construction projects, two are taxi drivers, two are carpenter's helpers, one is a milk wagon driver, some are inspectors in a munitions plant and others are used on aircraft repairs in a steel plant.

While four women are slaughtering pigs, 100 jobs for domestics are unfilled. The Unemployment Insurance Commission records revealed the office has placed nearly 700 women in jobs formerly handled by men only.

Twenty-six of the women construction workers are employed on a new military hospital. The group of workers includes the only woman who has suffered a serious accident in this area. Mrs. Thelma McLaughlin, 26, a hoist operator, is recovering slowly from a torn scalp and crushed arm suffered when her overalls caught in machinery.

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EYES ON CAREER IN AERONAUTICS

Vancouver, Nov. 30 (CP) — A niche in Canada's aeronautical industry is the goal of Edna Clark, 21-year-old Vancouver girl who is the only feminine engineering student at the University of British Columbia.

"There are wonderful opportunities for girls in engineering, in wartime especially, but Vancouver girls don't seem interested," said Miss Clark, now in her fourth year in mechanical engineering. She hopes to take a specializing post-graduate course in aeronautics but plans to work for a while first. Last summer she gained practical experience working in an airplane production plant.

SERVICE GIRLS HAVE A HOSTEL IN MONTREAL

Army, Navy and Air Force Find Welcome at Well-Equipped Centre Downtown

By Margaret Ecker,
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Montreal, Dec. 2 (CP) — Women in uniform have a place to hang their hats in Montreal—a place all their own in the downtown residential section of Canada's largest city.

Any army, navy, or air woman is welcomed at ANA House. Its name, if you're wondering, is made up of the first letters of the words Army, Navy, Air.

Girls on leave can stay there overnight, within a few blocks of theatres, smart shops and even art galleries.

It was Cpl. Marjorie Morris, of Vancouver, an airwoman stationed at St. Hubert, who told this reporter about it. "Just like going home," she said as she packed her haversack for a 48-hour leave. "It's rather good to get away from barracks for a while and most of us can't afford hotels. ANA House is inexpensive."

It turned out it costs only 75 cents for bed and breakfast and it was "like home." The big, oak-panelled drawing room of the house on Ontario street is furnished with deep, comfortable chairs with gay chintz covers. There are book cases with all the newest books, and new magazines on the tables. In one chair, by the fire there's always a kind, motherly woman probably knitting. This woman is a member of the Montreal West Women's Club, the organization which made possible the first hostess house in Canada for women in uniform.

House of Friendship

The club members weren't content with providing a comfortable place for the girls to go, they also offer friendship and kindness, which means a great deal to girls away from home. There is always an older woman in the house, not as matron but as a friend, to listen to the girl who has worries, to give newcomers advice as to what to see in their precious leave hours. "Our members enjoy it," said Mrs. H. W. Reynolds on duty when the Canadian Press visited.

In the Conservatory off the drawing room was a canteen. In another gracious room with tapestry walls was a writing room. "It's so nice to come here and get away from things for a while," said AW-2 Angela Mitchell, as she looked up from a letter to her home in Kitchener, Ont.

Behind the writing room is a big games room with ping pong tables, a radio, piano and gramophone. "We encourage the girls to bring their boy friends here for parties," said Mrs. Reynolds, "and the boys in uniform are anxious for invitations."

In the mahogany-panelled dining room at gay little tables the girls who stay all night can have breakfast. This is the only meal served at ANA House. In the basement is a laundry where girls can do a bit of washing. Upstairs are enough beds to accommodate 150 girls.

There are few restrictions on the girls at ANA House. Mrs. A. S. Runciman said, girls going out in the evening are asked to write their names on a blackboard in the hall. When they come in they erase their names. One of the women stays up until the last girl is in.

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REST-BREAK HOMES FOR WAR WORKERS

War Plant Districts in Britain Get Them Through Girls' Clubs Association

London (CP) — Tackling the problem of industrial fatigue has introduced a scheme for "rest-break" homes.

These homes are being run in conjunction with factory welfare workers, factory doctors and with the goodwill of employers. When it is seen that a girl worker who though she is not certifiably ill is nevertheless liable to have a nervous breakdown, she is able to take a two-weeks holiday in a rest-break home. The houses are loaned or rented and the girls pay 25 shillings (roughly $5) a week inclusive. They can do as they like, even to having breakfast in bed.

TEA — 140 CUPS IN HALF POUND

Bromley, Eng. (CP)—In a food case being tried here the prosecuting solicitor explained how rations should be eked out. Here's how; half a pound of tea is officially calculated to be sufficient for 140 cups of tea; half a pound of butter should do for 80 meals and four pounds of sugar should supply 512 beverages or meals.

Fareham, Eng. (CP)—A woman who allegedly kept a dog tied to a 12 inch chain was fined the equivalent of $90 at this Hampshire town and disqualified from keeping a dog for life.

London (CP) — Shipbuilding is to become the No. 1 war industry for women in the next few months, authorities say, and it may even be given preference over the forces when girls are directed into national service.



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TENDERS — The Municipality of Township of Gore calls for tenders for one thousand feet 4 x 6 x 14 feet long, also two thousand feet of 4 x 6, six feet long and up, cedar. Timber to be at Lakefield May 1, 1943. Tenders to be in for the council meeting, December 7, 1942. Further particulars may be had from the Sec.-Treasurer.

—George Peet, Sec.-Treas.
November 23, 1942.

TENDERS—to supply 100 cords of two foot Hard Maple Body Wood to the Chatham Consolidated School at Brownsburg, will be received by the undersigned up to 7.30 o'clock in the evening of December 14, 1942.

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Desperately the man, related his troubles to a friend. And together they hatched up an idea.

Before going to see another vacancy, the man and his wife took the children to a nearby cemetery, and left them there with a picnic lunch with instructions to stay put till the parents returned.

When the usual question of how many children was put to them the man answered huskily, "Five, but they are all out in Fairfield cemetery".

Sympathetically the owner brought out the lease — it was signed, and the children brought in from their picnic.

—Financial Post

"Have you any alarm clocks?" enquired the customer. "What I want is one that will rouse father without waking the whole family."

"I don't know of any such alarm clock as that, madam," said the storekeeper. "We keep just the ordinary kind that will wake the whole family without disturbing father."

COMING EVENTS

Notices of Entertainments. Concerts or Meetings, etc., 10 cents per line each insertion. Minimum 50 cents. If billed, 60 cts.

DANCE

A dance will be held in Louisa Hall on Saturday, December 5, under auspices of L.O.L. No. 717—for the benefit of John Butters. Admission 25c each. D3-2p

ANNUAL BAZAAR

The Ladies' Guild of St. Simeon's Anglican Church, Lachute, will hold their annual bazaar on Friday, December 4, in the hall of the Margaret Rodger Memorial Presbyterian Church. Fancy work, home-cooking. Afternoon tea will be served from 3 to 6 o'clock. D3-2c

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The annuail bazaar of the Brownsburg United Church, under auspices of the Senior Ladies' Auxiliary, will be held on Saturday, December 5. Tea will be served from 3 to 6 p.m. -1c

BAZAAR AND TEA

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church, Brownsburg, are holding their annual bazaar on Friday, December 11. Fancy work and home-cooking. Afternoon tea will be served. -1c

FIREMEN'S BALL

The annual dance sponsored by Lachute Fire Brigade will be held in the Auditorium on New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31. There will be good music and the usual good time may be looked forward to. Further particulars later.

Ginger Rogers' Gift For Comedy Seen in 'Major and the Minor'

Ginger Rogers scores again, this time as a twelve-year-old girl. Miss Rogers' gift for comedy gets a good airing in "The Major and The Minor," appearing next Sunday and Monday at the Capitol, Brownsburg.

Of course Miss Rogers doesn't really play a twelve-year-old in the film or else there wouldn't be any romance, and Ray Milland, who co-stars with her would be wasted, and him so handsome in uniform, too. Miss Rogers plays a girl who pretends to be twelve-years-old so as to ride half-fare on a train.

This makes Miss Rogers a criminal, of course, but "The Major and The Minor" is no crime story. This deceiving of railroad officials is glossed over, and the railroad never does get that extra half-fare.

However, Miss Rogers learns that when first you practice to deceive, ah, what a tangle web you weave. This particular web forces her to carry her masquerade into a military establishment for boys, which turns out to be a den of junior wolves.

But the plucky, if deceitful young girl puts up with all the disadvantages caused by the manoeuvring of future generals because she is in love with one of their instructors. It's a romance that has its drawbacks, for Mr. Milland (it is he and no other) loves her as an uncle and never catches on until the final moments of the film, if then.

"The Major and The Minor" is delightful entertainment, full of charm and sparkle, and a good antidote for the present weather.

"Flying Fortress" Is Billed for Theatres

"Flying Fortress" is in line with several aviation war pictures which have been shown recently. Made at Teddington in England, it serves the useful purpose, although not so graphically as Target For Tonight, of demonstrating how the veteran R.A.F. carries out its scientific, deadly raids after three years of warfare.

The picture, to appear next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Capitol, also serves to introduce the Canadian actress, Carla Lehmann, who is a personality of distinct value to the screen. Miss Lehmann's role is hardly one that does justice to her talents, but it serves as an indication of the career that is awaiting her in the future.

The culmination of the story is also its chief virtue from a screen aspect. This is the depiction of a bombing raid over Berlin. The sequence, a lengthy one, is superbly done from a dramatic and photographic point of view. You can get a pretty good idea from it of what precision bombing means, what high altitude flying entails, and what the boys are up against when they stagger home with their chief pilot hit and one of their engines on fire.

There is a thrilling shot of one of the members of the crew clambering out and on to the wing of the plane to muffle the flames from the engine. This, it is understood, is a reproduction of an incident that actually occurred.

Boy Scouts of the 1st Balderton Troop, England, have collected and baled 143 tons of waste paper since the outbreak of war, 75 tons of it this year.

Maestro



When Alan Young, who made Stag Party an international event, breezes up to a CBC microphone Tuesdays at 8.30 p.m. EDT for a half hour of variety out of Toronto, Eric Wild swishes his baton for the music makers of the show. Wild is at home in many studios. He has directed in Canada, the United States and England, in fact he was conductor of the BBC Television's own band, The Tea-Timers, first of its kind in the world, having gone to England in 1937 to become the leading trumpet player with Hyman Greenbaune's orchester. Sault Ste. Marie is his native city, he won his Mus. Bac. from University of Michigan and he came through as an associate of the London College of Music during his residence in Britain.

Price of Cameras Is Stabilized

Used cameras are worth as much as new ones but no more. A recent Wartime Prices and Trade Board order restricts the selling prices of used cameras, binoculars, lenses and photographic equipment to 100 per cent of list price. Because a large part of such equipment was formerly imported from Germany, there has developed a shortage which forced prices of used equipment beyond the original new prices for same. Consequently the new order will tend to reduce prevailing prices.

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Two years ago they said:
"We shall win".
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"We must win".
Next year they are going to say:
"We can't win".
After that they will say:
"We have lost!"

A British Wolf Cub anxious to do his bit to buy War Bonds raised 10 shillings by growing and selling sweet peas. He belonged to the 54th Bournemouth Pack.

'Lefty' Dons the Blue

By Flt. Lt. T. C. McCall

Four years ago, off Canadian sandlots came one of the finest pitching prospects to enter the professional baseball field. He was Phil Marchildon, a lad who had been standing amateur teams on their heads in the vicinity of Penetanguishene, Ontario. After two years with the Toronto Maple Leafs, Marchildon was sold to the Philadelphia Athletics and was rated by the veteran Connie Mack as one of the most promising southpaws he had ever seen. This season Marchildon fully lived up to Mack's hopes for him and with a decidedly weak team won more games than he lost. The other day Marchildon turned up at an R.C.A.F. recruiting centre, was whisked through the preliminaries and applied for enlistment as aircrew. He hopes to be a fighter pilot, firing plenty of stuff in the direction of the Axis.

'My Sister Eileen' On Rex Screen

The movie version of "My Sister Eileen", billed for two days next week at the Rex Theatre, is considered broader in its screen appeal than in its stage production. Bits of dialogue, odd situations that hardly got a laugh on the stage, get roars on the screen. On the other hand, some of the smartest bits of repartee, the kind that made the stage play the success it was, hardly register in the picture. In this respect "My Sister Eileen" is an interesting study of the basic difference between the two media of entertainment.

Max Gordon, Alexander Hall and the playwrights have shown an admirable restraint in keeping as far as possible to their original script. There are a few outdoor scenes, but the action is confined largely to a basement apartment in Greenwich Village where the Sherwood Sisters' main adventures took place. And the shooting is pretty straight. There is no attempt to indulge in cinematic folderols either in direction or camera work. If you didn't see "My Sister Eileen" on the stage you can get a fairly good idea of how excellent a show it was by seeing this picture version.

The roles are all ably handled, more particularly by Rosalind Russell as Ruth and Janet Blair as Eileen, Brian Aherne overacts a bit as Bob Baker, the pleasant young editor. So does George Tobias as Apopolous, landlord and half-baked artist. Allyn Joslyn and Richard Quine fit in admirably as enamoured drug-store clerk and hard-boiled reporter respectively. There is a nice bit by Gordon Jones as the Wreck, and by June Havoc as Effie, the lady who used to live there before.—T.A.

"GRASSHOPPER" PILOTS

New York (CP)—The U.S. Field Artillery has "grasshopper pilots," fliers and mechanics of small, low-powered observation planes which have replaced the balloons, once the "eyes of the service."

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BOY SCOUTS GATHER TURNIP CROP

When word reached the Boy Scouts of New Waterford, N.S., that a local man had been called up for military service, 11 Scouts banded together and harvested the man's extensive crop of turnips. One of the Scouts who had been injured in a rugby game the previous day insisted on doing his share in the work.

WOLF CUB SAVES GIRL FROM DROWNING

Eleven year old Wolf Cub Charles Henderson, won the plaudits if his community this summer when he dived into a treacherous water hole in the Iroquois River near Edmundston, N.B., and rescued a 10 year old girl from drowning. The lad was attending a Sunday School picnic when the girl ventured into the river and her cries of distress brought immediate response from young Henderson, a member of the 1st Edmundston Pack.

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SHERLOCK HOLMES and the Secret Weapon
PARAMOUNT NEWS
SUN., MON., DEC. 6-7
GINGER ROGERS, Ray Milland, Robert Benchley in
MAJOR and the MINOR
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Lynne Roberts, George Holmes,
The Man in the Trunk
Cartoon: ALL-OUT FOR V
TUES, WED., THURS., DECEMBER 8-9-10
Richard Greene, Carla Lehmann, Betty Stockfield in
FLYING FORTRESS
with Donald Steward, Charles Heslop, Sydney King, Basil Radford.
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LACHUTE AIRMAN IS ONE OF TWO CANADIAN DELEGATES AT INTERN'L YOUTH CONFERENCE

Converses With Mrs. Roosevelt in London

A proud experience is recounted by a young Lachute airman, Sgt-Pilot Stanley Langille, in a letter received this week by his parents. Langille was signally honored in being selected with another airman from his squadron to represent Canada and the R.C.A.F. at the International Youth Conference in London.

The letter is dated November 16; young Langille's experiences in England commenced early, for he was drafted overseas only a month previously . . . The airman's own words can best describe his adventure. The letter, written from London, says in part:

"I shall explain why I am here. Last Wednesday on parade eight of us were called forward and went before the C.O. He interviewed the men and chose two of us to attend the International Youth Conference in London. I was one of the chosen two.

"We have been in London three days, to date. The Conference is an affair of considerable importance, and we two were representing Canada and the R.C.A.F. I feel quite proud! Have met several notable figures in the world of today. Mrs. Roosevelt spoke to us on Friday, the ambassador from Russia on Saturday, also the ambassador from China. I had the great pleasure of talking to Mrs. Roosevelt. Today we were addressed by Sir Stafford Cripps and His Excellency John Winant, of the United States. Tomorrow we wind up the affair . . . My knowledge of international affairs has increased by leaps and bounds, these last few days . . . We put in our piece here and there for good Old Canada!

"I met also the Russian girl sniper, and had quite a chat with her; she has an interpreter. And I met several refugees from all the occupied nations of Europe, including anti-Nazi Germans.

"During my visit to London I have made my first acquaintance with Big Ben, Westminster Abbey and Buckingham Palace."

In previous letters to his parents here, Sgt.-Pilot Stanley Langille told of having met several Lachute boys on service overseas.

Lions Club Plans Christmas Cheer For Local Needy

ALSO PERSONAL GIFTS OF CIGARETTES TO BOYS OVERSEAS

At the regular meeting of Lachute Lions Club, held in Desjardins Hotel on Tuesday evening, it was unanimously decided to distribute Christmas baskets to the poor and needy of the community, in place of the usual dinner provided for underprivileged children, as in the past two years. Lions H. M. Lavigne and Dr. F. W. FitzGerald are in charge.

The club also decided to send an added supply of "smokes" to the boys overseas, as a personal gesture from members of the Club.

Lion Charles Walker reported having received about 50 letters and postcards from boys overseas, expressive of deep gratitude for the monthly supply of cigarettes from the Lions Club.

Vice-president Lion Fernand Legault is in charge of Ladies' Night, to be held on January 6.

The Week at Ottawa

Specially Written for the Lachute Watchman

By DOUGLAS GREEN
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Ottawa, Dec. 16—

Speculation has arisen here over the course of action which the federal government will follow in meeting the shortage of help from which Canadian farmers now are suffering.

Farmers have been asked to raise to unprecedented levels their output of commodities in 1943. The domestic consumption of agricultural products is increasing, and in addition the Dominion has undertaken to fill next year the heavy requirements of the British ministry of food.

Great Britain looks to Canada for her supplies of such staples as bacon, cheese and eggs, and to meet her needs the Dominion's 1943 production goals call for a reduction of approximately 4,000,000 acres in wheat lands and a corresponding increase in acreages used to grow foods more needed by British and other allied nations.

Manpower Policy

Farmers, to hold their workers, must pay higher wages than heretofore because of a competitive labor market occasioned by the manpower demands of industry and the armed forces.

Hon. P. M. Dewan, Ontario's minister of agriculture, has already criticized the federal government's manpower policy concerning farm labor, and expressed the view—held by manpower authorities in the United States—that farm workers should be regarded not as slackers but rather as people doing a vital war job.

Delegates to the recently-concluded Dominion-provincial conference on Canada's agricultural production in 1943 stressed the need for an adequate supply of farm labor, and for this reason the outcome of conferences which the federal cabinet's manpower committee has been holding concerning the country's labor requirements is awaited with more than usual interest.

Another problem which is understood to be engaging the government's attention is that of manning the Dominion's coal mines, whose output has fallen off because of the enlistment of experienced miners and their absorption into war industries.

Coal Output

An emergency coal production board, vested with wide powers, has been charged with the task of stimulating output. To bring working staffs to full strength the government will, it is believed, shortly announce a plan under which miners now in the forces will, in some degree at least, be permitted to resume their peacetime occupation to bolster production.

Miners have in the past complained that their wage rates compared unfavorably with those paid by our industries, and the production board has the power to require mining companies to adopt a bonus plan or other incentive so as to increase output.

A report from Vancouver that miners now in the army would be allowed six months' leave providing they undertook to join crews for that length of time has been termed "Premature and incorrect in some details" by a defence department spokesman here. Nevertheless, it is regarded as fairly certain that some action along these lines will be taken by the government before long.

Plain Living

When finance minister Ilsley announced that sharply-increased taxes were in store for his countrymen, he warned them that they might expect an era of "plain living and high thinking." The period of plain living now is here. Luxury goods, considered commonplace in peacetime, are gradually disappearing from retailers' shelves, and those which remain no longer sport the gaudy wrappings which were their garb before the war.

The Prices Board has moved to standardize the packaging of a wide range of goods, and the list may be expected to grow as the war continues.

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COLD SNAP BRINGS EPIDEMIC OF FIRES

Costly Blaze in Business Premises, St. Hermas Century-Old Homestead Razed, Lachute Road

"China has lived for forty centuries as a nation, as a people and beside her Europe is only a quarrelsome child." —Pearl S. Buck

Lachute Fire Brigade answered four calls within a 12-hour period this week.

At 4.45 o'clock Tuesday afternoon a chimney fire occurred at the residence of Ovila Laurin at the western end of Robert Street, and at 6.15 o'clock the firemen were called to a similar outbreak at the home of J. Joly, Wilson Street, Lachute Mills. No damage resulted in either instance.

Old Homestead Razed

Shortly after midnight on Monday a more serious blaze occurred at the old Armstrong homestead, a dwelling situated opposite the farm home occupied by Mrs. Geo. Armstrong and family, on Lachute Road.

The ancient house with its heavy hewn timbers was over 100 years old, and had been occupied for many years by William Brennian, an old and faithful employee on the farm. During Monday afternoon a fire had occurred in the chimney of the house. This was kept under inspection until it was believed to have burned itself out. However, during the night the occupant was aroused from his sleep to find the attic and roof ablaze. He notified his neighbors in the Armstrong home, and Fire Chief Geo. Y. Deacon, with men and equipment, answered a call sent in to Lachute. The tinder-dry building, and sheds attached, were burned to the ground, but the firemen, pumping water from a cooling-tank in the farm dairy, averted a spread of fire to the nearby machine shed and other buildings.

Fire Brigade Summoned To St. Hermas Blaze

Scarcely had the fire-fighters returned to Lachute than a call was received from St. Hermas, 12 miles east of Lachute, where extensive business premises were ablaze. A crew of five Lachute men, equipment and 1,560 feet of hose were despatched to the scene. The hose was requested by village officials to supplement other hose brought by Ste. Scholastique fire department, to reach a creek 2,000 feet this side of St. Hermas. However, the length of hose-line was insufficient. It was found, moreover, that the creek was frozen to the bottom and would have been useless as a source of supply. In combatting the blaze water was pumped from a well on an adjacent property.

Damage Estimated at Well over $25,000

The fire at St. Hermas, which occurred about 2 o'clock Tuesday morning, completely destroyed a general store and residence belonging to Z. Meloche and a garage owned by J. A. Lacombe. The blaze was discovered by Miss R. Chenier, a neighbor.

Noticing flames and smoke pouring from the Meloche premises, Miss Chenier sounded the alarm and awakened the Meloche family, comprising ten persons. All managed to make their escape in their night clothes, but lost their other belongings in the blazing building.

The fire spread to the garage and soon the two buildings were a complete loss. Assistance was summoned from the Lachute and Ste. Scholastique fire brigades, but their efforts were handicapped by an insufficient water supply.

The damage was estimated at over $25,000, a certain portion of which was covered by insurance.

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U.S. Aircraft Carrier "Wasp" Arrives in British Home Waters



In August, 1942, new pictures were released of the arrival in British home waters of the U.S. Naval Task force, including the aircraft carrier "Wasp". The "Wasp" subsequently undertook two ferry journeys to Malta with R.A.F. plane and pilot reinforcements . . . Picture shows men on board a British cruiser greeting the U.S. Aircraft Carrier "Wasp" on her arrival to serve with other American task force warships beside the British Home Fleet.

Calumet Lady Lived Almost A Century in the Community

WOULD SHORTLY HAVE ATTAINED HER 100th BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Edward Willman died at her home in Calumet on Friday evening, at the advanced age of 99 years. In five weeks she would have attained her 100th birthday.

Born in the Township of Grenville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stewart, she was married to Edward Willman, a farmer and a lumberman, well-known on the Rouge, Ottawa and Gatineau Rivers. They made their home at Calumet. Mr. Willman predeceased his wife 16 years ago.

Mrs. Willman had a remarkable memory and could recall events of over 80 years ago, up till the time of her death, which was preceded by only a brief illness. She knew all the historic groups of the Ottawa Valley that made Canadian history in the days of Papineau, and was related to Sir William Ogilvie, governor of the North West Territories.

Mrs. Willman had been in excellent health to within a week of her death. Among the many with whom she was so well known, she will be greatly missed for her kindly personality.

Of a family of twelve children, six daughters and two sons survive. They are the Misses Eliza, Jane, Aledina, Priscilla, Vera, and Mrs. H. S. Lee, of Montreal; Edward and Samuel, both of Calumet.

Oldest of a family of 12, Mrs. Willman is survived also by two brothers, James Andrew Stewart, of Grenville and Edward Stewart, of Carruthers, Alta., and a sister, Mrs. Alex Hambly, of Duluth, Minn.

The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon from her residence to Trinity Anglican Church, thence to Calumet, the remains being laid to rest in Calumet Cemetery. Funeral rites were conducted by the Rev. A. E. Hawes, of Grenville, and the Rev. J. Irving, of St. Lambert, a former minister of Grenville and an old friend of the family.

To Report Local Price Violations

ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH BOARD THROUGH LOCAL LIAISON GROUPS

A discussion of wartime prices was held Tuesday afternoon in the Court House, by three visiting ladies from St. Jerome and a French and English delegation from Lachute.

The St. Jerome delegation consisted of Mrs. Cherrier, Mrs. Greenshaw and Mrs. Brais.

The opening address was delivered in French by Mrs. Greenshaw. The meeting then divided, the English group and French group working independently of each other.

The outcome of the discussion was that an English committee was formed of the following officers:

President, Mrs. Geo. McGibbon; secretary, Mrs. A. Rigg. Committee—Mrs. J. F. Gorman, Mrs. Geo. Leggett, Mrs. F. W. FitzGerald, Mrs. T. Bishop, Mrs. J. Lavis, Mrs. Geo. Mitchell.

French liaison officers: president, Mrs. Z. Harbour; vice-president, Mrs. J. Charlebois; secretary, Miss G. Joly. Committee—Mrs. J. McDonald, Mrs. Geo. H. Héon, Mrs. Hector Lamarche, Mrs. Horace Lamarche, Mrs. J. Gosselin, Mrs. Ed. Jones.

The general principles of these committees are:

1. To report any complaints regarding rise in prices to the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

2. To supply each citizen with books in which to check prices of foods as they are bought from week to week.

Any complaints among citizens should be reported to the local Lachute committee, as above named, who in turn will report them directly to the Board in Montreal.

The delegates were afterwards entertained by the Town Council to refreshments at the Cosy Inn.

Directors Elected in Agricultural Society

At the annual meeting of the members of the Argenteuil Agricultural Society, held in Lachute on December 16, the following were elected directors for the year 1943.

The Warden of Argenteuil County, J. H. Black, Clement Tremblay, W. J. Rodger, Gilbert Arnold, Simon Wilson, C. R. Whyte, E. K. Wilson, Amedee Maisonneuve, George Hay, Ross McAdam, John MacKimmie, James McKenzie, W. E. Rodger, Albert Stewart.

"We can easily dispense with glamour girls in this war."

—Fanny Hurst

W.I. Members See Fashion Display

OUTFITS MADE AND WORN BY GIRLS IN LACHUTE HIGH SCHOOL GRADES

At the Tuesday afternoon session in Lachute High School, members of Lachute Women's Institute during the first half-hour of their meeting were entertained with a fashion show, presented by Miss Pat Bennett, one of the High School teaching staff. The exhibition showed a fascinating array of one and two piece dresses, ensembles, and blouses and skirts—as made and worn by the girls in Grades IX, X, and XI. This demonstration gave the ladies of the Institute a practical idea of the excellent work Miss Bennett has been doing with these classes, and also gave an insight into modern patterns and designs worked out by the pupils themselves.

Quebec Legislature To Open February 2

Quebec, Dec. 14 (CP)—Opening of the 4th session of Quebec's 21st Legislature has been set for February 2, it was officially disclosed here.

Opening date, chosen at Friday's session of the provincial cabinet was made official during the week-end when signed by Lieut. Governor Sir Eugene Fiset.

Last year, the session opened February 24 and ended May 29.

B'bg Fire Victims Aided by Friends

CAUSE OF OUTBREAK WAS MISREPORTED

A fire which destroyed the home of Frank Kettyle in Brownsburg was wrongly attributed to clothing ignited by a kitchen stove — this cause also having been misreported in The Watchman. While the underwriters' inspectors have not yet stated their conclusions, it is learned the fire started between the kitchen ceiling and the upper floor—which suggests a short-circuit may have occurred in the electric wiring.

A neighborly gesture on the part of Brownsburg citizens, and of fellow workers at the plant, was shown in the collection of a sum of money for Mr. and Mrs. Kettyle, whose household and personal effects were lost in the fire. The presentation of $585 proved an acceptable Christmas gift to this grateful couple.

300 ON A CORVETTE

London (CP) — Canadian corvette men will appreciate this one: The British corvette Petunia rescued 248 men, women and children from the sea after a ship had been torpedoed. Added to the normal crew of about 60, the little warship thus was carrying more than 300 persons—about five times the number for which it has proper accommodation.

EDITORS FIND CANADIAN WAR SERVICE HOSTELS OVERSEAS PLAY IMPORTANT ROLE IN A SOLDIER'S LIFE AWAY FROM HOME

Another in a series of articles written by W. R. Legge and C. V. Charters, who represented the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association in a recent tour overseas.

(Article No. 11)

By Walter R. Legge

The Canadian Government has taken over the financing of all the war services with the exception of the Red Cross which the international convention stipulates must be entirely free of government control. This step has relieved the country from a multiplicity of campaigns for funds, but it has also taken away some of the personal contact which the public previously had with these services.

They are, however, a very important part of the soldier's life when away from home, and they formed an interesting part of the Canadian Editors' investigations while in England.

Each one of them makes a special effort to minister to the needs of the man on active service when travelling or on leave. They provide many services to men who are visiting London, and we were shown over some of the places where these services are provided.

The first one we visited was a Canadian Legion Hostel, which is located in a building originally constructed for a girls' club, but which had never been used before being taken over by the Canadian Legion. This hostel, one of many operated by the Canadian Legion, is able to accommodate 1,500 men, and facilities are provided for them to wash and iron their clothes while there without cost. Bed and breakfast costs three shillings, and this is about average price at the many hostels operated by the various services.

We next called at a Salvation Army hostel which is located in a former hotel, and which has 358 beds. The Salvation Army, or Sally Ann, as it is frequently called, has a very special place in the hearts of the troops we were told. When we asked why, our informant could not give any special reason, except that they always seemed to be there when needed.

The Leinster Club was the hostel operated by the Y.M.C.A. which we visited and this also is in what was formerly a residential hostel. We were shown through by Captain W. J. G. MacDonald, and Captain McMurtrie, a brother of Dr. McMurtrie, of Montreal. Mr. and Mrs. George, who own the building, manage the club for the Y.M.C.A. Fifty-five cents is the charge for bed and breakfast.

Still another former hotel, which is now operated by the Knights of Columbus, was the next hostel to be visited, and here Capt. H. McDonald, of Edmonton, escorted the editors through the building. One of the features of this hostel is the fine food canteen. It is the fourth hostel in London operated by the K. of C. and a fifth was going to be opened in September, so we were informed.

The Maple Leaf Club, operated by the Canadian Red Cross was another hostel visited.

The Union Jack Club is unlike the other clubs we visited in that it is a permanent service men's club having been first opened in 1907, and operated continuously ever since, and it is for all service men of the Entire Empire. It is the largest one that we saw and has been visited by over one hundred thousand Canadian soldiers since the outbreak of the war. It has many recreational rooms not found in the other clubs and meals are served there at all hours of the day and night.

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Chas. L. Duncan Heads Veterans

OFFICERS ELECTED AND REPORTS HEARD AT ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of Argenteuil Branch No 70 of the Canadian Legion was held in Victoria Hall on Tuesday evening, and the following officers were elected for the year 1943:

President, Chas. L. Duncan; vice-president, R. A. Giles; 2nd vice-president, E. M. Jones; secretary, Geo. Leggett; treasurer, W. M. Steeves.

The retiring president, Geo. Leggett, gave a brief report on the year's activities, which had shown a steadily increasing membership, and stressed the valuable support given him by the officers of the branch.

A special vote of thanks was recorded by the branch to Vice-president R. A. Giles for his valuable contribution as chairman of the Poppy Fund and Armistice Day arrangements. Comrade Giles has been chairman of this fund ever since the organization of this branch in 1936, and tribute was paid to his continued success, due largely to his untiring efforts and splendid organization of this work.

A presentation of a past president's badge was made to President Geo. Leggett, by Comrade W. Cross.

The ceremony of installation of officers will take place at the next regular monthly meeting on January 19, 1943.

Butter Hoarding Declared Illegal

Prices Board officials warn housewives that the stocking of butter beyond reasonable requirements is a breach of the hoarding law. There have been numerous prosecutions, resulting in heavy fines, for having possession of more than reasonable amounts of rationed goods. They point out that hoarding butter may defeat its own purpose since butter will not keep indefinitely in a household refrigerator.

Widow Sues for Sum of $24,400

HUSBAND KILLED BY LIVE WIRE ON HIGHWAY AT LAFRESNIERE

Arising from the death of Joseph Marineau, of St. Benoit, who was killed when he picked up a live electrical wire which blocked his automobile on the highway near LaFresniere, an action for damages of $24,400 has been taken in the Superior Court by his widow for herself and three minor children. The action is directed against the Shawinigan Water & Power Co., owners of the high power line and the Kik Company and Armand Brien, owners and driver respectively, of a truck said to have hit a power pole and knocked the electric wire to the roadway.

The accident happened during a severe storm on November 20, 1941. As Marineau was driving along the highway, his widow declared, he noticed an obstruction in the way, and got out of the car to remove it. He picked up what turned out to be an electrical wire, and was immediately electrocuted.

Approximately 45 minutes before, a truck belonging to the Kik Company and driven by its employee ran into a power pole and brought the wire down near the ground, the widow said. She blamed the truck driver for negligence in striking the pole and the Shawinigan Water & Power Co. for not taking immediate steps to remove the wire, after company officials at St. Eustache were advised that the wire was down.

NO MORE BAIL-OUT PINS

London (CP)—Because of a ban on manufacturing gold jewelry in Britain, no more "Caterpillar" gold pins—unofficial badges given airmen forced to bail out are to be distributed. Membership cards are to be issued instead.

Ration Board Named For Argenteuil Co.

Montreal, Dec. 15 — Additional Local Rationing Boards to function in the Montreal region are announced by Emile A. Cusson, regional superintendent of local rationing boards for the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. The list includes the following:

Lachute: (serving all of Argenteuil county)

Chairman, Mayor Hector Lamarche; secretary, Germain Filion; members, Rev. W. B. Rosborough, Rev. Father Lacelle, G. I. McFaul, J. R. Monty, E. C. Calder, Herve Blondin, Leslie Cooke, Mrs. F. S. McGibbon, Mrs. Ernest Lavoie.

A British Bomber Crew Returns Triumphant



The R.A.F. recently made a heavily-concentrated 50-minute attack on Dusseldorf, centre of Germany's iron and steel industry. The raid was highly successful, large industrial areas being devastated, and the town's strong defences completely overwhelmed. Every operational type of bomber was used, a large proportion being British heavy four-engined types . . . Their smiles portraying confidence in a job well done, a British bomber crew is shown here leaving their aircraft on their return from attacking Dusseldorf.

WAR MARKETING FOR B.C. FRUIT — ALL-AMERICAN

Overseas Markets Out but Canada and United States Take-up Big Slice of 1942 Production

By DAVE INNES,
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Kelowna, B.C., Dec 15, (CP) — Increased buying power in the prairie provinces, the high price of citrus fruits and a market for 400,000 boxes in the United States are all helping the Okanagan valley's fruit growers sell this year's estimated crop of 5,000,000 boxes of apples.

The growers need all the markets they can scare up for the war has cut off one of their biggest outlets in the United Kingdom which in 1940 took 1,400,000 boxes of the fruit. This year, not a single box has gone to the overseas market.

But the grower organization officials say the Canadian market is filling the hole and that the prairie provinces already have used about 80 per cent of the total they absorbed during the entire previous season. They say rural areas, where farmers have more money than they have had for some years, are taking more apples this year than ever before.

Another factor operating in favor of the fruit producers is the higher price of imported citrus fruits which has forced housewives to substitute apples.

U.S. Market

Okanagan apples are also finding a ready market in the United States where they are selling at much higher prices than in Canada. Under a quota arrangement reached with Washington 200,000 boxes were allowed to enter the United States before November 1 and 100,000 boxes in each of the months of November and December. Jonathans, Delicious and McIntosh have been shipped to about 37 states, as far east as New York and as far south as Texas.

More than half the crop is now sold and fruit officials say they are not worrying about disposal of the balance. Most of the fruit still in grower hands is of the highest grades and best varieties and officials feel there will be no difficulty in finding markets.

Wealthy apples were in such demand this year they were sold entirely before the McIntosh came on the market. Crabapples were in usual demand and were sold without difficulty.

Varied Conditions

This year's apple season has varied in a number of respects from others. First, wet weather during the blossoming period resulted in poor set of blossoms. Then the labor shortage which has affected most of Canada's industries outside of those directly in the war effort, played its part in cutting down the crop in the thinning and harvesting seasons. Considerable fruit was lost through damage to the fruit and slowness in picking.

Curtailment of sugar for use in canning apples hit the sale of cooking fruit when housewives found they couldn't stretch their sugar ration far enough, even with extra allowances.

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TURN OLD KEYS INTO BREN GUN

London (CP)—The Ministry of Supply, in announcing that it can use in war industry keys for which the owners have no further use, estimated there are 12,000,000 surplus or useless keys in the country. The announcement said that 84 keys would make all the metal parts for a rifle, 128 a tommy-gun, 378 a Bren Gun, 5,880 a 500 pound bomb, 82,500 a 25-pounder howitzer and 940,000 a cruiser tank.

London (CP)—Two boys, one 10 years old and the other 11 were killed when a grenade they found in a field exploded. The grenade was one of two which had been found by a Home Guard officer and moved by persons unknown.

ONLY FARTHINGS, THEY WEIGH LOT

Walcot, Eng. (CP)—A railway goods porter, Herbert Lester, went to a lot of trouble to steal a small amount of money. He pleaded guilty to the theft of two bags of coins in transit from the bank of England to a local bank, but the bags only contained £10 (about $45) — all in farthings, 9,600 of them. He was sentenced to six months hard labor.

London (CP)—A trawler which served in the German navy in the last war is taking part in British minesweeping operations. She was handed to Britain at the end of the First Great War and later sold to the Netherlands.

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One feature of this club is a huge memorial covering the wall of a long hall on which is inscribed the name of every one who has ever been awarded the Victoria Cross. There are many other memorials, one of which bears the intriguing words "In gratitude for a scrap of comfort."

The Union Jack was erected by public subscription as a National Memorial to sailors, soldiers and marines who have died in the service of their country. Its object was to provide a clubhouse including bedrooms, for the use and benefit of those serving on the active list below commissioned rank.

Each editor was given a copy of the club calendar, a book of 112 pages listing important events of history, a guide to the chief places of interest, lists of churches, hospitals, theatres, etc., and much other useful information including a map of London Underground Railway, the whole forming a valuable pocket book of information.

Another club visited was the Beaver Club which is probably visited by more Canadians than any other. The building suffered some damage in a raid, but repairs were almost completed when we were there.

Not far from the Beaver Club is the Canadian Officers Club, which receives a great deal of help from Mrs. Vincent Massey, the wife of Canada's High Commissioner, and we found her busy serving soup there when we visited the club.

Excellent meals at low prices are served in all these places, and the hostels also have very nice rooms. The men on leave can find in them accommodation equal if not superior to most of the hostels at a great saving in cost. The way that these services are appreciated is shown by the way that these clubs and hostels are crowded all the time.

There was one criticism which we heard and that is that Canadians are unable to buy Canadian cigarettes over there. The N.A.A.F.I. canteens which serve the camps carry only English cigarettes which do not seem to be popular with the Canadians. The complaint is that while American soldiers can buy American cigarettes in their regional canteens to the extent of one carton a week, Canadians can only buy English cigarettes in the N.A.A.F.I. canteens.

The Canadians however profit by the better arrangement for sending Canadian cigarettes overseas at a much better price than prevails in other countries, and if the sale of Canadian cigarettes in the canteens would stop the sending of cigarettes at the 300 for one dollar price, they would probably prefer to keep the status quo.

The larger camps are given wonderful entertainment by the NAAFI. E.N.S.A. which bring troupes of London stars to the camp theatres. As a sample of these shows we were taken to the ENSA theatre at Aldershot. Admission was limited to men in uniform, and the show was an exceptionally high class and clever review. Thousands attend these theatres each week.

All these services do their part in keeping the Canadian troops in excellent spirits.

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CANADA'S COWS ARE CALLED ON FOR FELT HATS

Talk About Producer—Bossy Gives Basic Elements for Such Things as Wall Tile and Poker Chips

Ottawa, Dec. 15 (CP)—There doesn't seem to be much relationship between a glass of milk and door knobs, wall tiles and poker chips but science now views them as brothers under the skin.

Canadian milk production is rising and this means more than healthy drinks, butter, cheese and other edibles. It means the provision of substitutes for essential war materials, and the facilitating of airplane and other construction.

Officials here said the list of manufactured products which might be made from milk casein is growing daily. Some of them are not being advertised since they have war uses.

Clothing simulating wool, cotton and silk is being made from casein. It provides the material for felt hats, knife handles, cigaret holders and cases, pipe stems, fountain-pen cases of brilliant colors, lamp shades and articles that look like celluloid.

Builders' Needs

New homes may have electric switch plates, handles for curling irons and toasters made from casein. Poker chips, dominoes, checker discs, chessmen, dice, billiard balls and tops all come within the casein field.

The builder looks to casein for wall tile, door knobs, coating for decorative papers, sizing for walls, paints for interior and exterior, and adhesives and glues.

Other casein products are: clock cases, piano keys, picture frames, and frames for eyeglasses; coating and sizing for book and magazine covers, automatic pencil sets, desk sets and paper knives; automobile dash board frames and finishing, fancy door handles, cigar lighting, radio controle knobs and special gadgets; radio cabinets and electrical parts.

BEAT BEAN WEEVIL BY COLD STORAGE

Ottawa, Nov. 24 (CP)—Storing edible beans in unheated buildings is an easy way to control the bean weevil in the colder parts of Canada, the agriculture department said in a statement on avoiding losses through this beetle.

"All kinds of edible beans are frequently infested when in storage by this small, yellowish-brown beetle about one-eight of an inch in length," the department said. "It lives and feeds in a small chamber within the seed and in most cases there are several in a single bean. The beetles usually emerge in the late autumn or winter."

Infested seed should never be planted since that is one of the surest ways of continuing the infestation and contamination to the new crop. Seed known to be infested should always be treated to kill the weevils during the winter.

"In the colder parts of Canada this can be very easily done by storing the seed in unheated buildings. All stages of the bean weevil are killed by sub-zero temperatures, so that beans kept in outbuildings during the winter months will be freed of the weevils and may be planted next spring with safety.

"In those parts of the Dominion where winter temperatures are more moderate, growers will have to resort to fumigation to destroy the weevils."

SHARPEST DEALS ON MARKET DAYS IN IRISH TOWNS

Some Traders Neither Read Nor Write, but Business Is in Primitive Style with Picturesque Setting

By Alan Randal.

Crossmaglen, Northern Ireland (CP)—Here in this village on the Eire-Ulster border they have a saying that "you can't tell a book by the cover." Or a man by his looks.

Neither you can here. For in Crossmaglen are men who neither read nor write, who don't know what a "Sunday best" suit is, but they are the sharpest cattle and poultry traders to be found in a long day's travel through the hills.

They vie with one another in the big square in this village at the foot of Slieve Gullion on market day. It is a tremendous square, out of all proportion to the number of houses clustered about it. Ordinarily it looks like four football fields rolled into one and vacant except for the village pump. But on market day it is jammed with cattle and poultry and pigs and dickering farmers and dealers.

Pigs are Pigs

Fat porkers lie asprawl on the sidewalk and traders like 55-year-old John McKewan and Tom Lafferty do business in as brisk a fashion as anything to be seen on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange but in a manner that would drive a grain traders crazy. Nobody writes anything down. They just haggle back and forth and suddenly a deal is closed, the two men whack the palms of their hands together, stomp their feet and exchange their money.

A man might look as though he hasn't two shillings to rub together but he can pull out a roll of bank notes on market day that would choke one of the very steers he is buying.

In this glen the youngsters may be in poor clothes but their father perhaps will be making £30 ($134) at the cattle fair just the week before. It is security they want and they bank their money because there have been lean times on the border.

While many of these market traders may not be able to read or write they can add pounds shillings and pence and give a price on a three-year-old bullock quicker than winking an eye.

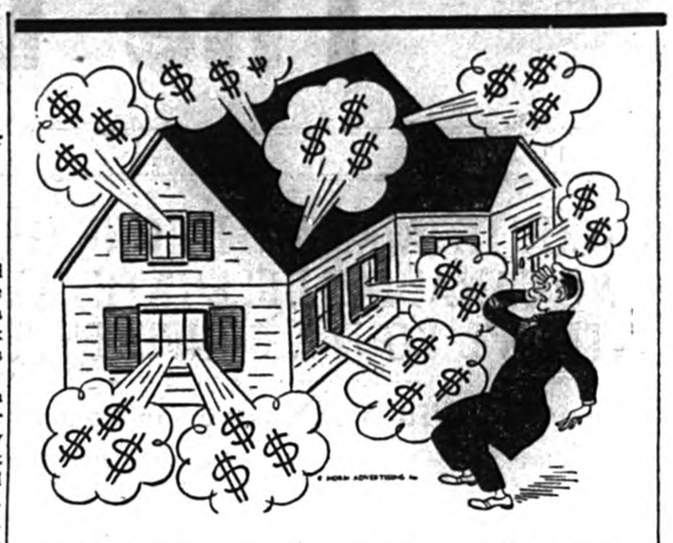
On market day there might be as many as 300 head of cattle in the square. Nobody admits anything but there are those who say openly they doubt if more than half a dozen were reared in the six counties of Northern Ireland.

Old Time Lanterns At 'Railway Night'

Windsor, Ont. — Two old time conductors' lanterns each with a record of more than fifty years service, were "shining lights" to mark the speaker's place at table when A. A. Gardiner, assistant general passenger traffic manager, C.N. Rlys., guest of the occasion, addressed the Lions Club on the subject of the "Railway and the War". One lantern belonged to J. G. Gibson, Sr., father of the company's present terminal trainmaster at Windsor, who entered the service of the former Great Western Railway in 1870 and retired from the C.N. Rlys. in 1925. The father of the company's district freight agent at Windsor, who began with the Great Western in 1869 and retired in 1918. The four individuals of these two families provide a record of 188 years given to railway service in Canada.

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Calling All Housewives

A Dominion-wide campaign for the collection of fats and bones has been launched by the National Salvage Division of the Department of National War Services, in co-operation with the Oils and Fats Administration of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, it is announced by Chas. LaFerle, Director of National Salvage.

In connection with this new war drive, Mrs. Phyllis Turner, Oils and Fats Administrator, declared that today Canada faces a serious shortage of fats and oils, for war industries, and needs a minimum through salvaged fats and bones, of 35,000,000 pounds of fat a year, or, reduced to per capita figures, about one ounce of fat per person per week.

This is not just another brief campaign, with a spurt to be put on for a few days or weeks and then dropped, the Salvage Director emphasizes. The campaign must be sustained, right across Canada, in every household, hotel and restaurant from day to day for the duration of the war.

Housewives are the key people in this collection. They are asked to take waste fats and bones to their dealer. In any community where a fats and bones collection system is already in operation, either through municipal collection or sponsored by a local voluntary salvage committee, housewives can continue to dispose of fats and bones through such a system.

The Canadian meat dealers, as their contribution, have undertaken to accept salvaged fats and bones at their stores, and to see that they are forwarded to the renderers and meat packers for the recovery of vital glycerine for explosives and other materials essential for war industries. Renderers and packers likewise have promised their co-operation in making the campaign a success.

Every ounce of dripping, every morsel of scrap fat, every bone, green or dry, must be saved.

Less Shopping -- More Shipping

Many of the seasonal advertisements just now are so entirely opposite to what people have grown accustomed to, that they bring home forcibly the restrictions of war — remarks the Granby Leader Mail, commenting on a trend recently noted in this column.

The Bell Telephone Co. — adds the Granby editor — is asking people not to make Christmas greeting calls this year. The idea of asking people not to spend their money on something has never been known before in this country.

The public is also asked not to use the trains for holiday travel around Christmas and New Year's, and especially between December 21 and 23 and between December 28 and 30. This is because furloughs will be granted to a larger number of soldiers this year than before and in order that these soldiers may travel to their homes as fast as possible, civilians are requested to leave trains free for them.

Canadian railways have a heavy task to fulfill in order to transport the enormous quantity of war materials while still maintaining normal and comfortable passenger service. But, if there is a heavy increase in the number of civilians travelling by train, railways will be unable to meet all demands and everybody will suffer.

Canadians are still a long way behind the peoples of the British Isles who for some time have been urged not to travel, not to use the telephone unnecessarily, and not to buy anything except necessities. One of their signs reads "Less Shopping — More Shipping."

Instance of Hoarding

Dropping into the house of a neighbor recently as the latter was defrosting her refrigator, a woman in Brockville — says the Recorder and Times, of that city—noticed that one shelf of the refrigerator was stuffed full of hoarded butter.

The next day she met the same neighbor coming out of a grocery store carrying a pound of butter and bemoaning the fact that the grocer would allow her to have no more. Wasn't it terrible, the woman remarked, that there should be such difficulty in getting butter?

It is people like that, states our exchange, who deserve the close attention of the inspectors of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, who have ample powers at their command to detect hoarders and to bring them before the courts where they belong.

Cape Breton Feels Closeness of War

We are used to the familiar phrase, "from Halifax to Vancouver", but we need always to remember the two islands on our coasts which are playing such an important part in our war effort, and which are the closest to both theatres of war. Cape Breton particularly feels this closeness.

Here in this great coal and steel producing area people are in touch with reality. These Nova Scotians are a hardy breed of men. They mine the coal and forge the steel we need to win the war. At times they feel a bit excluded from the rest of Canada—or "Upper Canada" as they sometimes call it—but the war has emphasized the essential need of the products of this island and has spotlighted the work these men are doing. Working often thousands of feet under the Atlantic and up to their knees in water they have an unconquerable spirit which can once again give a lead. Cape Bretoners have in the past given much to Canada and once more they are having the chance to prove the sturdy quality of their character.

Cape Breton is justly proud of being the first county in the Dominion to reach its objective in the last Victory Loan and for having a creditably high per capita enlistment — on one street ninety-eight out of a hundred homes have sent men to the Services.

Among these true patriots there is evidence of a new determination to "pull together". Some attribute this to the visit of the victory revue "Pull Together Canada" which came to Cape Breton at the joint invitation of the United Mine Workers, the United Steel Workers and the Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation. "Pull Together Canada" has been conceived, written and produced by a volunteer group of patriotic citizens drawn from every walk of life. It dramatizes a program of action to create the fighting spirit that will win the war, secure the peace and build a new world.

Referring to the visit of the revue the Secretary of the United Mine Workers said: "It will go down in the history of Cape Breton", while a mine manager's comment was "The cast of 'Pull Together Canada' has shown us in two hours what we have forgotten over 40 years of management". All parts of Canada will be grateful for the lead that Cape Breton is giving and will join with them to build the fighting spirit that is essential to total victory.

AND HIS SALE WAS A SUCCESS

Excerpts from an advertisement in a New Orleans paper: "We are so tired of some of this merchandise we are going to sell it all at any price. Women's hats, for instance, 33 cents per copy." Another item: "Pictures at whatever you will give for them. If you have a dirty spot on your wall, why wait?" —Action Free Press

MALE SHIRT-SAVERS

London (CP) — Dickeys, which went out of style with bustles, have made a popular return in Britain. They only cost one clothing coupon while a regular shirt takes seven.

When we're limited in the number of miles we can drive a year, it'll be easy to pick out roads that will make it seem twice that far.
—Exchange

Every little while someone wants us to outline what we are fighting for in this war. It can be summed up in one word—survival.
—Winchester Press

WAR -- TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

By H. H. GORDON Canadian Press Staff Writer

PRIME MINISTER LLOYD GEORGE FROWNED ON PACIFIST TALK, MADE IMPORTANT STATEMENT OF ALLIED WAR AIMS

Talk of revision of British war aims 25 years ago in the First Great War was blasted by Prime Minister David Lloyd George in a vigorous speech in which he declared for energetic prosecution of the war on Germany and her allies.

"It is because I am firmly convinced that, despite some untoward events, despite discouraging appearances, we are making steady progress towards the goal we set in front of us in 1914, that I would regard peace overtures to Prussia, at the very moment when the Prussian military spirit is drunk with boastfulness, as a betrayal of the great trust with which my colleagues and I have been charged," the little Welshman said.

His speech was made in London, Dec. 20, 1917, at a time when the British political world had been set aflutter by a letter written by Lord Lansdowne to the London Daily Telegraph. Lansdowne had been minister without portfolio in the coalition administration of 1915, but retired from office at the close of the Asquith ministry.

In his letter to the London newspaper he argued that from the duration of the war there had arisen the necessity for a revision of British war aims. Inferentially he admitted that the freedom of the seas did not exist before the war. Only support for his ideas came from the small pacifist section, but the letter caused astonishment both in Great Britain and the United States.

No Halfway House

Lloyd George declared it was not the extreme pacifist who was a danger, but the man who thought there was a halfway-house between defeat and victory. To end a war entered upon to enforce a treaty, without preparation for infringement of that treaty, merely by entering into a new and more comprehensive treaty, would indeed be a farce in the setting of a tragedy.

The prime minister partially responded to the Lansdowne letter by a statement of Allied peace terms summarized as follows:

1. Complete restoration of national territory conquered by Germany and complete reparation for damage done.

2. Future disposition of territories taken by Russia or Great Britain from Turkey — Palestine, Mesopotamia and Armenia — to be left to the peace congress, upon the understanding that they must not be returned to the "blasting tyranny of the Turks".

3. The future of the German colonies to be decided by the peace congress upon the understanding that the wishes of the inhabitants of these colonies should be respected.

4. A guarantee that the provisions of a treaty of peace would be respected — preferably the democratization of the German government.



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Civilian Defence Article

High Explosive and Incendiary Bomb Combination

Written especially by P. N. SODEN,
Deputy Provincial Officer, Civilian Protection Committee

This bomb is entirely new as far as Canadians are concerned. It was this bomb that killed three men and injured four wardens in the Midlands a few months ago. It weighs 110 pounds and is similar in appearance to the High Explosive Bomb.

This first throws out six pre-ignited fire pots of magnesium electron type (temp. 3,740°F.) each shaped like a large tumbler, 2¼" at the base and 3¾" diameter at the top and 5¾" long. With this are also sixty metal containers about 2¼" long and of triangular section about 1" wide containing thermite type filling. This bomb is about 30" long and 8" in diameter. It is to be noted this is an extremely dangerous bomb and contains twelve pounds of Trinitrotoluol in the nose of the main bomb, and it explodes almost immediately after ejecting the incendiary units.

These small incendiary units can be handled the same as the old type incendiary bombs, but the warden must take cover until the T.N.T. has exploded, and after that it is comparatively simple to handle same.

This bomb is primarily used in congested districts and should be attacked immediately from the best available cover. Care should be exercised to expose no more than one hand while applying a stream of water on the area surrounding the exploded bomb.

It is suggested that possibly the simplest way of combatting this type of bomb is to employ water in jet form and to spray all inflammable materials in the house or building where these bombs have fallen rather than attempt to employ the old type method of directly attacking the incendiary bomb. Where these bombs fall and scatter these numerous thermite units you may have ten or fifteeen of these on fire in a small area. It is therefore wise to handle them in the manner described above.

Phosphorous-Oil Bomb

The appearance of this bomb is similar to the 110 pound high explosive, and it first splits open on impact and scatters a sticky liquid fluid as far as ninety feet. The contents ignite spontaneously because of the phosphorous. The phosphorous may be extinguished by water, but will break into fire again if allowed to become dry. A jet of water should be used on this type of bomb at a much greater distance than the short range methods previously used. It is important to note that sand in the form of bags or mats cannot be depended upon, because these bombs, upon explosion, give a greater fragmentation effect than the explosive incendiary bombs formerly used; also phosphorous can only be controlled with water.

The public should be warned against the use of such smothering agents as "bomb extinguishing" powders, also such devices as scoops, grabs, and snuffers. In this case they are entirely without merit and may endanger the lives of persons who depend upon them. The use of sand and spray is no longer recommended because the possibility of fragmentation makes it too dangerous to approach the bomb sufficiently close to apply them.

One must be warned that the only means of handling phosphorous bombs is with plenty of water, either from a stirrup pump, garden hose, or buckets of water thrown on the phosphorous. The phosphorous must be kept wet; the minute it dries, it will re-ignite. Those who are unfortunate enough to have their body or clothes splashed with this liquid, should be kept fairly wet until the clothes can be removed from them. The clothes should be washed until the phosphorous has been destroyed.

Any liquid coming into contact with the skin, that part of the body should immediately be covered with water and be kept wet, either by more water or by wet pads, until medical First Aid treatment can be applied. The treatment proposed and in use in Great Britain is a wash of soda solution, about 1 tablespoon of soda to a pint of cold water should be applied liberally until all traces of phosphorous is removed. Apply non-greasy burn dressing to any burn. Grease or ointment may be spread on Phosphorous.

With the R.C.A.F.

By Flt.-Lieut. T. C. McCall, R.C.A.F.

Man With A Purpose

In meeting him informally it is hard to realize that Pilot Officer George Beurling, of Verdun, Que., was the R.A.F.'s leading ace still on the active list, when he returned to Canada. A slight, fair-haired lad of twenty, the young hero has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order, the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Distinguished Flying Medal with Bar as a result of his exploits over Malta. Beurling's most pronounced characteristic is his eyes. They are the eyes of a flyer—deep-set and intense—and in them burns a purposeful flame. They are the eyes of a youngster who has seen much of this war in his twenty years. As a fighter pilot stationed at that beleagured island of Malta he has endured its daily bombings. And as a fighter pilot in the air above Malta he has done more than his share to relieve the pressure on those gallant people. George Beurling rarely rests. His thoughts in his waking hours are with the lads who are carrying on the fight over Malta in his absence. In his approach to his job he is the true perfectionist. Nothing but perfection satisfies him which is just as well in a profession where anything short of perfection is apt to prove fatal. The key to his success, he freely admits, is study, practice and fitness.

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They Also Serve

A vast new organization, the groundwork for which has been laid very quietly over the past two years, is now operating throughout Canada. It is the Aircraft Detection Corps, a body of more than 14,000 volunteer workers gathered together by the R.C.A.F. to act as aircraft spotters. Canada's Atlantic and Pacific coasts have been well organized for some time, but the organization is now being tightened up to take in large portions of the interior. The Corps reports movements of aircraft, submarines, strange vessels, and any suspected activity by air, land or sea. This information, gathered by the volunteer observers, is funnelled through by telephone to a regional headquarters. All such calls have priority and in a remarkably short space of time a check can be made to ascertain whether the movements observed are those of friend or foe. All across Canada today, eyes are scanning the skies. More of them are needed in country districts, and prospective observers need only ask their telephone operator for the name of the Chief Observer in their particular region.

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"Sparks" on Their Sleeves

You can chalk up another one for the ladies. A little more than a year ago the Women's Division of the R.C.A.F. was organized. Today the girls in blue have succeeded in doing their jobs so well that the field is being opened to them to an ever-increasing extent. The latest trade which is being filled by women is that of Wireless Operator (Ground), and graduation as a "Wog" carries with it the right to wear the coveted "sparks" on the arm of the tunic. Incidentally the instructors (male) were amazed to discover the ease with which the first group of W.D.'s mastered the code for the letter "Q", usually a bit of a baffler for their masculine contemporaries. It all became clear when one of the young ladies pointed out that the "da, da, da-da" of the wireless "Q" is synonymous with the first bar of Lohengrin's Wedding March.

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Do you Know that:

Equivalent ranks for the three services are: Captain (Army); Lieutenant (Navy); Flight Lieutenant (R.C.A.F.) and Flight Officer (Women's Division).

Canadian airmen are now seeing service in Labrador, Newfoundland, Alaska, Great Britain, Malta, the Middle East and Ceylon?

There are now eleven distinct aircrew trades in the R.C.A.F., in place of the old trades of pilot, observer, wireless operator-air gunner, and air gunner?

Time Bombs

By "Vic"

Some men are fired by their work. Others by the boss.

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Winning the peace means — making a peace that won't fall to pieces.

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The final war to end war will be fought out in our daily lives—a day-in and day-out battle to end selfishness.

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The word "Individualistic" has five I's and only one U. The word "Unity" has one I and one U. The U comes first.

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The world will have to choose between a revolution begun by nine men in a German beer hall, a hundred men in a sealed train speeding across Switzerland to Russia, or twelve men in an upper room in Jerusalem.



"Oh, you mustn't let him know you're afraid of him!"

Laugh 'n Like It!

"What are you thinking about?"
"Nothing."
"Sure you're not thinking about me?"
"No, I was thinking about another nothing entirely."

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Little Johnny says it's no wonder there's so much talk of unrest in India if the Indians all sleep on fakir beds studded with sharp pointed nails.

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A doctor and a lawyer were found to be in a bitter dispute. The doctor was heard to say. "A little bird told me what kind of lawyer you are—'Cheep, cheep'." To which the lawyer retorted, "Well, a little duck told me what kind of doctor you are."

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A male nurse in a mental hospital noticed a patient with his ear close to the wall, listening intently. The patient held up a finger as a warning for him to be very quiet; then beckoned him over and said: "You listen here."

The nurse put his ear to the wall and listened for some time, then turned to the patient and said: "I can't hear anything."

"No," said the patient, "and it's been like that all day."

Young Husband: "I suppose you'll threaten to go home to mother after this?"

Wife: "I'll do nothing so foolish; I'm going to invite her here."

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Mrs. Jones: Clara doesn't know where her baby gets his bad temper from.

Mr. Jones: That's strange. Most young mothers can place that sort of responsibility in a jiffy.

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She (ending a quarrel): "I see now why a woman is often called a bird."

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She (quietly): "No, because of the worms they pick up."

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DISTRICT NEWS FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

GRENVILLE

Misses Margaret, Ida and Rita Welden, of Ottawa, were recent guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Weldon.

Pte. Leslie Welden returned Sunday morning to Sussex, N.B. after spending two weeks' leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Welden.

Scholars of the Grenville Consolidated School are rehearsing for a Christmas tree entertainment, to be held on Friday evening, December 16.

Service, held at the home of Mr. W. McCullough last Sunday, was well attended. The Rev. T. J. H. Rich, of Brownsburg, was preacher.

Mrs. Weymouth P. Gaudry, of Greenfield Park, and her eldest son, Sgt. Harold Prentice Gaudry, R.C.A.F., visited Mrs. A. V. Gaudry and Mr. Victor D. Gaudry here on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Gaudry visited their son, Sgt. Harold P. Gaudry, at Ancienne Lorette, Que., on December 4, to witness his graduation as air bomber in the R.C.A.F.

Pte. Leslie Welden, of the Black Watch, who returned to Sussex, N.B., after spending a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Welden, has since been moved to Halifax.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Welden, of St. John's, Vancouver, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Welden.

AVOCA

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. James Young and family, of Pointe au Chene, in the lost of their only daughter, Maye, who died in Dr. Kelly's Hospital, Hawkesbury, early Monday morning after a lingering illness.

Miss Evelyn MacCallum spent the week-end with her mother.

The Ladies' Aid were entertained at the home of Mrs. S. Karr on Thursday afternoon.

The Rev. Bernard Harrison, of Montebello, held service on Thursday last at the home of Mr. S. Karr, the next service will be on the second Wednesday in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Kelly, of Rockland, Ont., spent the week-end in Avoca.

CUSHING WEST

Mr. Lucien Larose, of Montreal, was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. Desforges Grece's Point.

Mrs. C. Grece was a visitor to the city last week-end.

Pte. Ted Moncrieff was home from Longueuil for the week-end.

Miss Norma Cooke arrived home on Monday from Montreal, where she had been spending a couple of weeks.

Sunday Train Service

Satisfaction is expressed over the announcement by the C.N.R. that the Sunday train is to commence its trips this winter, starting Sunday, December 20, going west at Watson Station 11.51 a.m., and going east at Watson 7.48 p.m.

WEIR

Mrs. Homer Woods and little son, Ronald, returned home from Montreal on Sunday accompanied by Mrs. Alex Williams, who spent the day here visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Larose spent Sunday visiting friends in Arundel.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Booth have left to spend the winter months in Montreal.

Mrs. D. Harpin, of Montreal, spent the week-end at her home here.

Mrs. C. M. Danis arrived from Montreal on Wednesday and is at present the guest of her daughter, Mrs. H. F. Schippel.

Miss B. Gaherty left recently to spend some time in Montreal.

Miss Margaret Schippel returned home on Friday after spending the past week in Montreal.

Mrs. Oliver Purcell has returned home here after spending a few weeks at Brownsburg.

MABEL

Mr. Walter Murdoch spent a couple of days last week in Montreal.

Miss Shirley Heatlie, of Montreal, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Heatlie.

Mrs. Geo. H. Murdoch and little son, David, visited Mr. and Mrs. David MacDonald at Verdun for a few days last week.

Master Ronald Anderson of Brownsburg, spent a few days recently with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Heatlie.

L.S.A. Kenneth Murdoch, of the R.C.N., Halifax, has returned to his station after visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Murdoch.

BROWNSBURG

Misses Wynetha Smillie and Betty Prosser spent last Saturday in Montreal.

Mr. W. H. Goodwin, of Montreal, speaker at the Laymen's Service in the United Church last Sunday morning, was the guest of the Rtv. and Mrs. S. J. Pike at the manse while in town.

The Rev. T. J. H. Rich, Master Cyril and Misses Alice and Shirley Rich, were in Montreal on Thursday.

Miss Annie Petley and Mr. Bernard Petley, Sr., spent the week-end in Montreal.

The annual meeting of the United Church Senior Auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. Clarence Hardie on Wednesday evening of last week, when the election of officers for the ensuing year took place. With the office of president pending, Mrs. Jas. Thompson was re-elected vice-president, Mrs. E. Pollock, secretary, and Mrs. T. Izzard, treasurer. Refreshments were served at the close.

HARRINGTON

Mrs. H. Bennett spent part of last week visiting friends in Montreal.

Miss M. Cooke, of Ottawa, spent last week-end at the home of her uncle, Mr. D. McLean.

Mrs. C. Bennett visited in Lachute last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. McMahon, of Lachute, visited Mr. J. Shaw on Tuesday of this week; Mrs. Shaw is seriously ill.

Pte. B. McCullough, stationed at Camp Borden, is spending a two weeks' leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. McCullough.

Big Bastille Day Demonstration at Lyons

150,000 Patriots Respond to De Gaulle's Appeal



All over unoccupied France French patriots gathered in response to General de Gaulle's appeal to the French people to hold disciplined demonstrations on July 14, Bastille Day, between 6 and 7 p.m. Huge crowds gathered at Marseille, where three men and one woman were shot; 100,000 patriots marched through the beflagged streets of Lyons to the strains of The Marseillaise. Picture shows the Rue de la Republique, Lyons, between 6.50 and 6.55 on Bastille Day, 1942. Thousands march down the street while sympathisers throng the pavements. Houses are decorated. Police arrive and form a cordon blocking the route to demonstrators.

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PROMISE RECORD IN COD FISHING ON GASPE COAST

War's Perils No Deterrent to Gallant Fishermen who Boost Catch for Allied Nations; Wives Staff the Factories

By Guy Gagnon, Canadian Press Staff Writer

Quebec (CP) — Although fishing is imperilled by submarine activities in the St. Lawrence Gulf waters, fishermen of Quebec's coast are out for a record cod catch this year. By the end of October, more than 50,000,000 pounds of cod fish were already in and it is expected that the total catch will reach some 55,000,000 pounds compared with 44,000,000 pounds last year.

This is much better than average, as, for the past 10 years, the total cod catch yearly did not reach 45,000,000 pounds.

Deep water fishing is no easy job; the weather is not always favorable and the waters are dangerous, particularly now that the Gulf of St. Lawrence is an active war zone. But the Quebec fisherman knows that the allied countries need his fish and that he must go on with his job.

It's a Night Job

Leaving late in the afternoon in his 35-foot wooden fishing boat, he reaches in the late evening the Orphan or Miscou banks, about 50 miles off shore, spends the night fishing the famed Gaspe cod and returns early in the morning.

His boat is powered by a one-cylinder motor capable of a speed of only six or seven knots. For his fishing he uses two or three sets of lines to each of which are attached as many as 2,000 hooks.

He knows that his frozen cod fillets and steaks are important factors in the nutrition plan of the British Isles and, this year, three quarters of the frozen fish available in the cold storage of the Gaspe Peninsula were shipped to England, although Canadian and American markets offered higher prices.

Many of those who today are fishing, returned to the sea less than a year ago, voluntarily leaving positions in fish packing and processing factories, when they heard that more fish was needed to fulfill Canada's huge war supply plan; and replace those who had enlisted in the armed forces.

Women in Factories

The women of Gaspe answered the call to replace their men in the factories. Every morning, early, after the men return from the banks, mothers, wives and sisters go to work in fish packing factories and in cold storage and snow plants at Gaspe, Fox River, Griffons Cove, Perce, Cape Cove, Little Gaspe, Newport Point, Grande-Riviere, or at Belle Anse, Riviere Madeleine, St. Yvon, Jersey Cove and Fame Point.

The men have found another way to add to their war effort. Since enemy submarines became active in the St. Lawrence, much scrap material is washed ashore daily. So when they return in the morning from their night's fishing, they collect from the beaches all the scrap that can be used again and take it to the nearest collection centre.

OBITUARY

Late Alderman Moore, Outremont, Was Former Resident of Lachute

Ald. Charles W. Moore, member of the Outremont City Council, died on Sunday at his home after a six months' illness.

Born in Toronto, Mr. Moore was a resident of Lachute for some time. He moved here with his family from St. Andrews East, where his father had operated a temperance hotel. Mr. Charles Moore moved to Montreal in 1894. At the time of his death, he was president of Moore Brothers Machinery Company Ltd.

He had been elected member of the Outremont City Council many years ago and was serving his third term. He was only recently elected president of the Dominion Commercial Travellers' Association by acclamation.

A member of the Outremont Curling Club and the Canadian Club, he was also a prominent Mason. He was past president of the Men's Association of the Church of the Ascension, and was a member of the Diocesan Synod for many years, representing his own church this year.

The funeral was held yesterday, Wednesday, at the Church of the Ascension. The City Council of Outremont attended in a body.

BIRTH

HURDMAN—At the Grace Hospital, Ottawa, on Friday, December 11, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hurdman (née Grace Rogers), of Breckenridge, a son.

DEATH

WILLMAN—At Calumet, Que., on Friday, December 11, Mrs. Edward Willman (Eliza Stewart), in her 100th year.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

WILLMAN — The family of the late Mrs. Edward Willman wish to thank their many friends for floral tributes and sympathies expressed in their recent bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM

BARKER—In loving memory of Mother, who passed away on December 18, 1937.—Ever remembered by Fred and Hilda.

What would we give, her hand to clasp,
Her patient face to see,
To hear her voice, to see her smile,
As in days that used to be.

COPELAND — In loving memory of a dear husband and father, Anthony Copeland, who passed away December 17, 1935.—Inserted by his wife and family.

Sweet are the memories that never fade
Of one we loved but could not save.

GORDON—In loving memory of my dear husband, William A. Gordon, who passed away December 13, 1939.—Ever remembered by his wife, Bessie.

SMILLIE — In loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smillie, of Ogdensburg, Que., who passed away on Dec. 15 and 16, 1929. — Ever remembered by Earl, Eva and family.

"Beautiful memories are all that are left
Of the ones we loved and shall never forget.

PERKS—In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Beatrice Mable Perks, who was called home on December 19, 1935.

You cannot say, you must not say,
That she is dead; she is just away.
With a cheery smile and a wave of her hand
She has wandered into an unknown land,
And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be, since she lingers there;
To think of her as faring on, as dear
In the love of there as the love of here,
Think of her still as the same, and say,
'She is not dead, she is just away.'

Death Claims Old Resident of Laurel

Laurel, Que.,—An old resident of Laurel, Mary L. Auger, wife of Jean-Baptiste Tossie, passed away recently at the advanced age of 87 years.

Besides her husband, of a family of 14 children she leaves to mourn her passing six sons and four daughters — Hebert, of Sudbury; Theodore, Brownsburg; Jules, St. Michel; Xavier, Ste. Therese; Leopold, Laurel; Moise, Montreal; Mrs. Jos. Clement, Pine Lake; Mrs. Louisa Lefebvre, St. Sauveur; Mrs. Margaret Clement, Morin Heights, and Mrs. F. Smith, of Montreal; also a number of grandchildren.

Burial was made in the Sixteen Island Lake cemetery, on December 9.

The bereaved family has the sympathy of all the Laurel community in their bereavement.

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AMONG THE CHURCHES

Archdeacon Preaches At Morin Heights

Morin Heights — The guest preacher at Trinity Anglican Church on Sunday morning was the Venerable Archdeacon J. F. Morris, of Montreal, who preached an inspiring sermon on "The Mysteries of God."

At the evening service an illustrated lecture on "Religion in Japan" was given by H. G. Baugh, M.L.R. In concluding his remarks, Mr. Baugh stated that Japan has "plenty of religion—but the wrong kind."

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Trinity Church choir has been practising weekly for the Carol Service to be held December 20, at 8 p.m.

Special Speaker Heard, "Lay Sunday" Service At Brownsb'g United

Brownsburg — In conformity with the Lay Advisory Council of the United Church of Canada and the suggested objectives that "Lay Sunday" be observed annually, that continued and increasing emphasis be placed on the Christian stewardship of life and possessions, and that an effort to reach the last and least, co-operatively if possible—a layman's service was held last Sunday morning in the United Church. The guest speaker was Mr. W. H. Goodwin, of Montreal, one of Canada's foremost laymen and Christian statesmen. For the perfecting of the "Ministry of Industry, of Trade, of Health and Healing, of Teaching, of Music, and of Finance," together, with the perfecting of the "Ministry of Worship and the Sacraments," Mr. Goodwin appealed to his attentive audience, out of the warmth of his heart as well as from a wide experience and a vast fund of knowledge. Relating his own former business career which he sought to establish on the principles of the Kingdom of God, Mr. Goodwin made a strong case for the co-ordinating of community forces in the name and for the sake of the Christian Church.

During the service the male quartet rendered a pleasing and appropriate number. The representation of church groups and organizations was another special feature of the service. An envelope offering was taken for the missionary fund. The minister, Rev. S. J. Pike, conducted the service, assisted by Mr. C. J. Wheeler.

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In accordance with the National Girls' Work Board of the Religious Education Council of Canada, the C.G.I.T. conducted a pre-Christmas Vesper candle-lighting service at 7.30 p.m. under the direction of their leader, Mrs. T. Cocksedge. Misses D. Izzard, M. Kennedy and V. Bourne took care of the order of the service, while four other girls acted as ushers and collectors. The Carol-singing led by the large group of girls who formed the choir, was particularly hearty, while the candle-lighting ceremony was especially impressive.

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Next Sunday evening a Christmas Pageant will be presented by the members of the Girls' and Boys' Mission Bands, augmented by others, under the direction of Mrs. S. J. Pike and Mrs. R. B. Johnson. Special Christmas music will be rendered by the choir at the morning service, as well as Christmas message by the minister —"In The Fulness of Time."

Sunday Services

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.

10 a.m., Sabbath School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
"God's Gift to the World in Jesus"
7 p.m., Evening worship.
"The Christmas Spirit"

Special Christmas Music will be rendered by the choir at both morning and evening services.

2.30 p.m. East Settlement

A Christmas entertainment will be given under the auspices of the Sabbath School, on Tuesday, December 22nd, at 7.30 p.m.

Welcome to all services.

MARGARET RODGER MEML. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. E. Orsborn

10 a.m., Sabbath School.
11 a.m., Morning Worship.
"The Word Made Flesh"
7.00 p.m. Evening Worship
"The Way to Bethlehem"
3 p.m., Brownsburg.

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First Sunday of Month —
Holy Communion 11 a.m.
Other Sundays —
Morning Prayer 11 a.m.

LACHUTE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. H. Charlton

Special Christmas Services
Sunday School 9.45 a.m.
11 a.m., Morning Worship.
"The Incarnation"
7 p.m., Evening Worship
"His Star"
Wednesday 8 p.m., Prayer Meeting.

BROWNSBURG UNITED
Rev. S. J. Pike, Minister

10.00 a.m. Sunday School.
11 a.m. A Christmas Service
7.30 p.m. Christmas Pageant.
Saturday, Dec. 19, Sunday School Christmas Party.
Sunday, Dec. 27, Carol Service

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, BROWNSBURG
Rev. T. J. H. Rich, Pastor

10.00 a.m. Sunday School.
11.00 a.m. Morning Worship.
3 p.m., West Chatham Service at Wm. Heatlie's.
7.30 p.m. Brownsburg.
Christmas Service
Tuesday, Dec. 22nd, at 8 p.m., Entertainment and Christmas Tree, at Brownsburg.

REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES

10.00 a.m. Sunday School, Brownsburg.
11.00 a.m. Brownsburg
7.30 p.m., Dalesville

LAKEFIELD SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector

Lakefield, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
Shrewsbury 2 p.m., Holy Communion.
Dunany 4 p.m., Evensong.
Christmas Day, Lakefield 10.30 a.m.
Christmas Day, Mille Isles, at 3 p.m.

Christian Science

"Is the Universe, including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon to be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 20.

The Golden Text is from Acts 15: 18. "Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world."

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but my salvation shall be for ever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished." (Isaiah 51: 6).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The visible universe and material man are the poor counterfeits of the invisibld universe and spiritual man. Eternal things (verities) are God's thoughts as they exist in the spiritual realm of the real. Temporal things are the thoughts of mortals and are the unreal, being the opposite of the real or the spiritual and eternal." (Page 337).

From Canterbury

A radio message from the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Reverend William Temple, will be broadcast on Sunday, December 20 at 2.30 p.m. EDT, over the National Network of the CBC. The Archbishop's message is to be beamed from overseas especially for Canadian listeners.

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Two More Fires Reported Today

As these pages go to press, news of another costly fire comes from the village of St. Hermas, where the residence of Benoni Filion was completely destroyed by a blaze which occurred this morning. Efforts of the fire brigades from Ste. Therese and St. Scholastique saved a major conflagration, averting spread of the flames to the Filion store, which is separated from the dwelling by a narrow driveway, but it is reported the next-door property of A. Prevost was caught in the blaze.

Neighbors fearing a spread of fire to nearby properties began moving their furniture out of their homes before the blaze died down. The home of Benoni Filion and its contents were a total loss . . . Mr. Filion is the father of Mrs. Leopold Carriere, Lachute Mills resident.

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Dangerous Practice Starts Fire in Dwelling

Another summons to Lachute Fire Brigade at noon today directs attention to a dangerous practice sometimes adopted by householders in sub-zero weather, namely, that of thawing frozen water pipes with an open flame. Fire Chief Geo. Y. Deacon reports a minor blaze through this cause in a dwelling owned by Antoine Lefebvre, Sidney Street East. Flame was applied to pipes in the basement, setting fire to the floor where the plumbing entered the first storey. Damage was not extensive.

It is recommended, in this connection, that hot water should be poured on frozen pipes, in preference to using a blow-torch, or to burning papers around the pipes.

The Home-Town Newspaper

(Contributed)

What a thrill it gives to far-away friends upon its arrival. It is a letter from home to most of them, who perhaps have no real home ties in the land of their birth to write all the latest news, yet those people are interested enough in their old neighborhood to want news of it . . . To know who is carrying on the various church organizations that they perhaps were once leaders of . . . Also to know "who's who" in the new organizations, and who owns the old farm next to their old home . . . who their old neighbor's children married and so on.

An Argenteuil resident once travelling in the West was told by a resident there, who once was an Argenteuil girl, "I have never seen your family, but I know all of their names, by seeing them mentioned in The Watchman".

But a still bigger thrill comes in a letter from Scotland, recently received, in which the writer says, "We see your name in the paper. We get it every week and go back to Lachute for an hour as we read about our friends there."—Just remember, folks, that we have visitors in spirit once a week from Scotland. And from how many other places do they come to us "in spirit" when they read the home town news!

Truly it is better than the radio, which, while it gives us international news and news from far away places, does not give us the news that comes nearest to our hearts and which we can clip out and put in a scrap book for future reference if we wish.

—J.G.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Maud Dobbie leaves on Friday to spend the holiday season with Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Gillies at New Carlisle, Que.

Mrs. Leslie Morris leaves tomorrow to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Reg Tipping and Mr. Tipping, in Midland, Ont.

Miss Eileen Steeves arrives this week from the University of Toronto to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Steeves.

AC-2 Bories Arron, of the R.C.A.F., Lachine, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Arran, last week-end.

Mrs. Wm. Doig has returned from visiting friends in Oxbow, Sask.

Mr. Eric Purdy, of Trinidad, was the week-end guest of Miss Patricia Bennett, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George McGibbon.

Pte. Ralph Copeland, of Farnham, Que., and Miss Reta Copeland, of Montreal were week-end visitors of their mother, Mrs. Rachel Copeland.

Gnr. R. W. Warren, of the Royal Canadian Artillery, Sussex, N.B., is spending a two weeks' leave visiting his wife, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stansfield.

Mrs. Gordon Dobbie has returned home after being a patient in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal.

Mrs. Clarence Roberts, of Montreal, spent the week-end in Lachute as the guest of Mrs. Howard Gauley.

Petty-Officer Kenneth Falconer, of the R.C.N.V.R., Quebec City, spent last week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Falconer.

Master Hugh Dobbie returned this week after spending the past month with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Lancey, at Hudson Heights.

Mr. F. S. McGibbon, who is a patient in the Western Hospital, Montreal, is reported to be making satisfactory progress after undergoing treatment.

Mrs. James Peebles, of Dorval, visited friends and relatives in town on Monday of this week.

Mrs. Albert Cromp returned to her home in Montreal on Monday after visiting her sister, Mrs. Stanley Goldsworthy and Mr. Goldsworthy.

Mr. Angelo Fassio has been in Boston, Mass., for several days, having accompanied his brother, Mr. Adi Fassio, to that city for special medical treatment. It is understood Mr. Adi Fassio is critically ill.

"The Rumor Clinic"

— Prepared by The Canadian Column —

FREEDOM OF SPEECH IMPOSES RESPONSIBILITY

The Clinic has received a very interesting report prepared by the Office of War Information, Washington, D.C., following an analysis of more than 4,500 rumors which have come to the attention of Federal Agencies in the United States during the past eleven months. We have frequently pointed to the similarity of rumors which circulate in Canada and the United States, and therefore Canadians should know of certain information and advice given to Americans on this subject. The report states that: "Enemy short-wave radio broadcasts, which reach a very small audience in the United States, have largely been ignored by the American public. These broadcasts do, however, serve to communicate specific propaganda "lines" to enemy sympathizers and enemy agents. There can be little doubt that enemy sympathizers and enemy agents in the United States are engaged in planting and encouraging the circulation of rumors which aid the enemy's propaganda objectives.

Americans are advised that: "It is important to recognize the distinction between the repetition of a rumor and the expression of honest opinion. But no American conscious of his right to speak freely can fail to be conscious of the parallel responsibility to be critical of what he hears and cautious about what he repeats.

"Every American can help to win this war by toughening his mind and ears. Every American can help to win this war by refusing to believe or repeat sensational stories which are not carried in the newspapers or over the radio. Every American can fight the enemy by refusing to spread suspicion and hate in the United States.

"There are several simple rules which each American can observe:

1. Never repeat a rumor.
2. Do not repeat a rumor verbally even to deny it.
3. If you know the facts which can spike a rumor, cite the facts promptly.
4. If you do not know the facts which can stop a rumor, ask the rumor-teller where he got his facts.
5. Don't give a rumor the benefit of any doubt."

"WDYTYCIWSS"

This word appeared on a sign above the cash register in a restaurant. Mystified customers asked the cashier what it meant and were in turn asked:

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ST. ANDREWS EAST

Mr. and Mrs. Layton York spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. MacCoy.

Lieut. D. Roberts, R.C.N., has spent two weeks' leave with his wife and daughters here.

Mrs. L. Porter is occupying her house here at present.

The W.A. of the Presbyterian Church met at the manse on Wednesday afternoon for their annual meeting, at which Mrs. Hyde was again elected president.

Miss Audrey Eaton entertained a party of friends on Friday night in honor of Mrs. MacLean.

Miss Kathleen Hill is at present visiting with her sister, Mrs. DeWitt.

The Misses Jeannette and Freda Wales, Russel Bryson and Enid Robertson were here for the week-end.

The daughter of Mrs. Denault is now in the hospital at Hawkesbury undergoing an operation for appendicitis.

The C.G.I.T. Vesper Service is to be held on Sunday evening, December 20. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone. The service will take place in the Presbyterian Church.

The annual Christmas tree entertainment, arranged jointly among the three churches and the school, will take place on Friday night, December 18.

Mrs. Bezanson is spending a few days with Mrs. E. C. Calder.

Wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to Miss Fay Whiteside, who is sick with pneumonia.

The bazaar and tea held by the Anglican Ladies' Aid on Saturday afternoon proved a sucess.

AW-2 Joyce Rayson has completed her basic training, and is now stationed at Arnprior, Ont.

It is with regret that we learn of Mrs. MacLean's departure from the Consolidated School at Christmas. She is leaving to be with her husband, who is an instructor in the R.C.A.F., stationed at present in Moncton, N.B., . . . Mrs. Dumouchel will fill the vacancy caused by Mrs. MacLean's resignation.

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Mrs. L. Madden and Miss I. McCallum spent last week-end in Montreal.

Mrs. C. Brown spent a few days in Ottawa last week, the guest of Mrs. C. Rombough.

The weekly Red Cross meeting was held at the home of Mrs. G. MacLeod, where 14 Christmas boxes were packed for local boys who are in the armed forces in Canada.

Mrs. F. Handy spent a few days in Montreal last week.

Mrs. H. Robertson, of Renfrew, is spending a week or more with her sister, Mrs. L. Thomas.

Mrs. R. Anderson, of Montreal, spent a few days this week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Sancton.

The school-children of Kilmar, also a few adults, are busily preparing for their Christmas tree concert, which will be held on Monday, December 21 at the badminton hall.

CUSHING

Miss Margaret Canning, of St. Eustache, spent the week-end at her home here.

Mrs. A. Starnes spent a few days in St. Andrews East at the home of her sister, Mrs. F. Wilkins.

Miss Freda Bryerton, of St. Andrews East, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bryerton.

Miss M. Dorion, of Brownsburg, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Dorion.

An old-time sleigh-load of ladies attended the monthly meeting of St. Mungo's W.M.S. on Thursday of last week, at the home of Mrs. John Canning, Stonefield. Part of the program consisted of a "candle light service."

W.I. Christmas Party for Children

Frontier Branch of the W.I. entertained the children of the neighborhood at a Christmas party on Friday night, in the Community Club room, under the convenorship of Mrs. A. Graham, who had provided an interesting program of games, contests and songs, also a special treat for the children.

The contest winners were—mending Santa's pocket, Myra Gaston and Margaret Dorion; familiar names from "Mother Goose", Myra and Myrtle Gaston and James Dorion.

Contest for adults: "Meats, fruits and vegetables for your Christmas dinner", Rev. S. T. Burman, Margaret Canning, Mrs. S. T. Burman.

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Cpl. Bernard Lowe, of Longueuil, spent the week-end at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard McCart have returned home after spending some time in Montreal.

Miss B. McCart, of Brownsburg, spent the week-end at her home here.

Miss Evelyn Cousins was a Sunday visitor at the home of her parents.

Mrs. Fred Cousins was a visitor at the home of Mrs. Walter Gauley last week.

Mrs. Walter Murray spent a week recently the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Ed Matthews, at Kilmar.

Mrs. John Cameron has returned to the home of her brother, Mr. Walter Murray, having been a patient in Dr. T. W. Smith's hospital for a week. Mrs. Cameron is much improved in health.

Mrs. Carl Paige and little Lyman left last week to spend the winter months in Lennoxville.

Mr. Carl Paige is at present employed at Oka by the Trappist Frères.

Mr. Holland Kennedy, who has been on the sick list for some time, is making a satisfactory recovery. Friends hope to see him out again soon.

Deepest sympathy is extended from this locality to the bereaved family of the late Mrs. Willman, of Calumet, also to Mr. James Stewart, who is Mrs. Willman's brother.

Crooked Teeth and Orthodontia

One of the frequent tragedies of childhood is a facial disfigurement that brings ridicule on the child, which may cause untold mental suffering and can have lasting effects. Unpleasing facial contours may be caused by the presence of crooked teeth. It is not necessary for children to go through life burdened in this way. A dental science — orthodontia — can remake the face and help the child regain self-confidence.

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Improper diet, inherited difficulties, mouth breathing, thumb and finger sucking, and tongue and lip biting can result in tooth irregularities. To avoid them, parents should be on guard against nervous habits, and supervise the child's diet. Neglect and premature loss of the baby teeth and early loss of the first permanent molar teeth frequently cause malocclusion. In order to correct the physical causes, the family physician should be consulted.

Orthodontia has been remarkably successful in restoring faces to normal contours and removing the dangers attendant on misplacement of the teeth including pyorrhea, inadequate mastication and early decay. But the earlier the child is taken to the orthodontist, the better is the chance for success.

GOOD OLD CHEETAH

London (CP)—One of the old-timers of Whipsnade Zoo is dead—10-year-old Pollux, the cheetah. The cause was old age.

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For the benefit of Christmas shoppers we present today the suggestions of the bachelor uncle, otherwise known as Hal Peary of the movies and radio.

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2. Take into your confidence one of her close girl friends. Who knows—she may be better than the first one.

3. Start worrying about gifts well in advance.

4. Make out a list of potential gifts. Then set a match to the list and see how long it takes to burn.

5. Suggest that the salesgirl demonstrate or model whatever you're buying. This can be quite interesting.

6. If the crowd in the store bothers you, stage whisper to one of the clerks that you saw Clark Gable standing outside. Don't be surprised if the rumor gets back to you and you rush out with the rest of the mob.

7. If it's December 24 and you still haven't bought the gift, call up her mother. She'll tell you exactly what daughter wants. Rush out to get it, and you'll find they are all gone.

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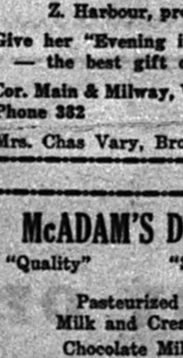
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THE WOMAN'S PAGE

Hints for Homebodies

By Jessie Allen Brown

SHOPPING EARLY

This year I thought I would do my Christmas shopping early, so armed with a list I started about the middle of November. It was a very practical list and I thought there would be no trouble whatever. That's what I thought. I was able to buy very little on my list. One counter I would hear, We are all out of those. I would say you had them last week. Yes, but that was last week, they are all gone now. At the next counter it would be, we haven't any in stock; they are not in yet, but we are expecting them any day. My modest list had to have a good many revisions. However, we are lucky as we can still get so many things.

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

Have you tried making your own Christmas wreaths? They are really not hard to do, and there is something about making your own that makes them far better than any you may buy. Twist a piece of heavy wire and fasten it into the desired size. A coat hanger shaped into a circle makes a very satisfactory foundation. Wind heavy cord into a ball. Take small pieces of evergreen, either fir or spruce, and put one piece on the wire and tie firmly into place. Put another piece opposite and tie that firmly. Continue adding evergreen until the wire is covered. The main thing is to tie it firmly enough so that the evergreen will not slip, and to cover it thickly enough with evergreen. Last year I made a wreath for our door, and topped it with a perky bow of red oilcloth. It looked nice and Christmasy against the white door. This year we all want to do things ourselves so as not to spend money needed for more serious purposes. But we still can make a Christmas showing.

TRICKS OF THE TRADE

To many people turkey is the only Christmas fowl. This is not easily managed if the family is small. In some cities, the dealer will sell a half-turkey, or chicken either, for that matter. Where that custom is not followed, I know people who have shared a turkey with a friend, and have had it split in half. The cavity is filled with dressing, and roasted cut side down. Have you ever heard of roasting a turkey in a paper bag? I am told it is very successful. A friend who is living in a very small apartment had a turkey to cook and no pan large enough. She greased a large, paper bag on the inside, put in her turkey, and tied the top of the bag tightly. Then she put this on a cookie sheet, and roasted her turkey the prescribed length of time. She carefully poured the fat in the bag into the frying pan, browned it a little, and made gravy as usual. She says she never has had as nicely a cooked turkey as that one was. So many people are out of their homes this year and living in smaller quarters that this tip may be useful to some of my readers.

SHORTBREAD

½ Lb. butter, 2 cups flour, ½ cup sugar.

Cream the butter and sugar, you may use any kind you prefer, granulated, fruit, or brown. Personally I prefer brown. Sift in the flour and mix well. Put on a floured board and knead for a half minute. Roll in a thick sheet and cut with a small cookie cutter, or shape into large cakes. Turn a cookie sheet or pan upside down and cover the bottom with brown paper. Place the shortbread on this and bake in a slow oven of 300 degrees until gently browned.

JELLY COOKIES

½ Cup shortening, 4 tablespoons cold water, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1 cup brown sugar, 2 cups flour, ½ teaspoon salt, red jelly, 1 egg, beaten, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Cream the shortening and sugar, add the beaten egg and the water. Sift in the dry ingredients and mix well. Drop from a teaspoon on a buttered cookie pan. Flour a finger and make a depression in the centre of each cookie, fill with a half-teaspoon of jelly. Bake in a moderate oven of 350 degrees. These are better the second day than the first.

PRINCESS GIVES DOLL

London (CP) — Princess Margaret has given her favorite doll to be sold at a Red Cross and St. John sale. The doll was rosy-cheeked with brown hair and bore the marks and scratches accumulated during many hours the princess played with it.

Nutrition Program Is Directed to Attention of Women's Institutes

Members of Quebec Women's Institutes are among the housekeepers of Canada who are largely responsible for the health of the people. They have been lately receiving CBC Ideal Daily Diet Charts, which list nutritional food facts and values as compiled by Dr. Elizabeth Chant Robertson, of Toronto University, a recognized authority on nutrition.

A weekly series of 13 dramatized programs under the title, "The Hidden Enemy", began on November 18 and will run to February 10 at 10.15 each Wednesday evening. The ammunition needed to fight "The Hidden Enemy", and how to get it by way of a balanced diet, will be explained in these programs.

HOUSEWORK, GIRLS? LAST RESORT FOR WESTERN LASSIES

In Winnipeg You Find Them Driving Trucks and Shining Shoes

By Mildred Ogle, Canadian Press Staff Writer

Winnipeg, Dec. 14 (CP)—It used to be a man's world. But in wartime Winnipeg evidence supports the time-worn male complaint that women like to "wear the pants".

While 700 orders for girls to do housework remained unfilled in the Winnipeg Selective Service Office, more than 1,000 women have donned overalls and gone to work in plane plants, machine shops and packing plants.

Recently the Selective Service Office placed half a dozen women in jobs as service station attendants. The manager of one of the stations later phoned back to say his new attendant was "the best man" he ever had.

Typical Winnipeg woman now handling a man-sized job is Mrs. J. A. Desmedt, truckdriver. She packs and delivers automobile parts. Mrs. Desmedt had driven an automobile for several years but a truck was new to her when she started in September. Now no truck is too big for her to handle.

Shoe Shining Too

Penny Toews, Canada's pioneer girl boot-black, still thinks she has "the swellest job in town." Why? "Well, for one thing," she says, "You meet such interesting people." After a year in the shoe-shine business 21-year-old Penny is an expert with cloth and brush. Like other boot-blacks she just puts the polish on with her bare hands, but she flicks her cloth with a rythm all her own. When she first started one man refused to let her shine his shoes. "I'm sorry," he told her, "I won't let any woman clean my shoes."

Here are some other men's jobs in which women are being regularly placed in Winnipeg; car checkers on the railways, insurance salesmen, nailers in box factories, telegraph messengers, drug apprentices, grinding machine operators, taxi drivers and setting up pins in bowling alleys.

Restaurants Close

Meanwhile women are daily turning down jobs as housemaids, housekeepers and waitresses. Officials said two large restaurants in the city had been forced to close down part of their establishments because of the shortage of waitresses.

Many girls, however, who quit jobs as domestic servants this fall have yet been unable to find new employment. Says one of these who has been looking for work since September, "Most of us are determined to go back to housework only as a last resort. We feel what we have a chance at last to get away from the drudgery of dishwashing and the long hours."

And in the packing plants the "weaker sex" clad in hip boots and rubber smocks, are now trimming freshly slaughtered animals. They are handling heavy carcasses in the curing alleys and hauling heavy delivery trucks from one department to another.

SANTA AS USUAL; EVEN YULE TREE WELL GLAMORED

Decorations Can be Canadian, Too, Made at Home if Not Otherwise Available

By Gladys Degner

The war hasn't stopped Santa Claus. Canada's fourth wartime Christmas finds the old boy in dashing fettle despite he's a bit restricted by the controllers of this and that. Mark you—there's been no curb in reindeer travel.

Nor will you be deprived of holiday decorations. Your Christmas tree can blossom forth with all its accustomed magnificence. The decorations which one-time trimmed Christmas trees, many of them formerly made in Japan and Germany, have been supplanted by domestic gewgaws far prettier and less fragile.

For instance, while the old gold and silver tinsel made of copper is out for the duration, far more beautiful are the new crystal garlands of spun glass. They are safer too than the old-fashioned paper ropes, as they are non-inflammable. Also made of spun glass is "angel hair" which gives a glossy, transparent veiling for the Christmas tree.

Can Make Your Own

There is no set pattern for tree decorations. Every amateur decorator has his ideas, and with a tube of paste, scissors, a ball of colored string and bright paper, you can make the gayest of tree decorations. Actually, they need cost you next to nothing, as there's a wealth of material for making them right in your home.

Let the kiddies join in the fun of stringing cranberries and popcorn on long cords which mother and dad can drape over the branches. Short necklaces made by stringing cranberries on ribbon are pretty when hung on the individual branches. Make gay little boutonnieres with nothing more than cranberries, wire and lacey doilies. You string the berries on six-inch strands of wire, then twist them through the lacey paper doilies with the edges ruffled.

Children Help

Every youngster in the family will get a kick out of making chains from gaily colored paper. You simply cut the paper into narrow strips about six inches long. Paste the first strip together, loop the next one through it, paste, and so on until you have a chain as long as you wish. Drape the looped chain over the branches just as you would ready-made Christmas ropes.

Gay little boxes and cornucopias to scatter throughout the branches can be made from the same colored papers as the chains. For the cornucopias, cut 12 to 14 inch circles, quarter them and roll into a cornucopia shape. You can effectively decorate them with little stars, dots, arrows and lacey frills cut from paper doilies.

INDICATIONS $1,000,000 OBJECTIVE WILL BE REACHED IN CANADA'S AID-TO-RUSSIA FUND

Over 50 Committees Set Up Across Canada Since Fund Started

New Ones Daily

"More than 50 committees have been set up in Canada to stimulate and receive contributions to the Canadian Aid to Russia Fund," J. S. McLean, national chairman, said today. "New committees are being organized daily in towns and cities from coast to coast, and the national committee is confident the fund's $1,000,000 objective will be over-subscribed."

While presenting an optimisic report of progress to date, Mr. McLean said the fund would have to rely on spontaneous donations from individuals and from benefits arranged in the interests of the campaign, as no person-to-person canvass would be made.

The country and municipal chairmen for the campaign were invariably "men of the highest type in their communities," he said.

Evidence that the committees have already established efficient organizations in many cities is contained in the following reports: Calgary has applied for a tag day for the Aid to Russia Fund; Hamilton donations are being received at city hall, where E.R.C. Bowen, civic commissioner of finance, is acting as honorary treasurer; Oshawa's subscription list was started off with a $10,000 donation from J. S. McLaughlin; Montreal school children have started a collection to help their country's ally; Pembroke fire department was one of the first organizations to run an event on behalf of the fund.

In centres where subscription receiving agencies have not yet been established for the fund, contributors may send donations to national headquarters of the Canadian Aid to Russia Fund, 80 King St. W., Room 205, Toronto.

Orange Pudding For the Holidays

By Betty Barclay

The holiday party season is "on", and aside from the traditionally favorite foods which the family will demand, there are many new recipes particularly suited to the festivities of these months which you'll want to try.

Here is an Orange Marmalade steamed pudding dressed in gala attire — in this case it's a garnish of unpeeled clean-skinned orange wedges and halves topped with Lemon Hard Sauce. Such a garnish is practical because it provides an appetizing edible for the table. Yes, this dish is every bit as good as it looks.

The pudding is a modern version of the steamed suet pudding and is very easy to make. Orange marmalade and one-fourth cup of fresh orange juice give it that unusual flavor — a favorite with men and sure to be a hit with all especially during Christmas week. It's refreshingly different. Here's the recipe:

Orange Marmalade Pudding
(Serves 6)

½ Cup suet, chopped fine, 2 cups dry bread crumbs, 1 cup orange marmalade, 1 egg, ¼ cup fresh orange juice, 1 teaspoon soda.

Beat egg. Add suet, crumbs, and fresh orange juice. Add soda to marmalade and stir just enough to blend. Combine. Pour into buttered upper part of double boiler. Cover and cook over boiling water 3½ hours. Replenish water as it boils away. Serve hot with Lemon Hard Sauce. May also be steamed in covered molds or cans.

Lemon Hard Sauce

½ Cup butter, 1 egg, 1½ cups powdered sugar, 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice, 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel.

Cream butter, egg yolk and sugar together. Add lemon juice. Blend well. Fold in stiffly beaten egg white and grated peel. Note: Be sure to use fresh lemon juice for the hard sauce, to give it full flavor.

Birds at Station Miss Wedding Rice

Montreal, Dec. 16—The sparrows and pigeons established for the winter season at Bonaventure Station of the C.N.R. chirp and coo less than formerly. With rice ruled out as shower material for the many wedding parties passing through the terminal, the bird families have been deprived of tasty morsels, confetti, despite its high sounding name, being a poor dish for any self-respecting sparrow. Now they go further afield to forage the grain cars in the freight yard.

Edmonton, Eng. (CP) — Schoolchildren of this Middlesex town have been given the privilege of attending school throughout the Christmas holiday should they choose to do so. Every teacher was asked to give up one day's holiday to assist in keeping one school in each district open during the holiday period.

WHITE AND RYE

London (CP) — British preference for white bread has its foundation in a centuries-old idea that white bread was the food of the lord and black bread, made largely of rye, of the peasant, said Dr. J. C. Drummond, scientific advisor to the Ministry of Food.

Speaking of heroism, there is also the stay-at-home war bride.
—Exchange

NURSERY SCHOOLS IN ENGLAND PLAN CHRISTMAS TREATS

Aided by Gifts from the Queen's Canadian Fund

Realizing how difficult it was going to be to provide either toys or clothing for the bombed child victims at Christmas, many of the nursery schools in Britain commenced making preparations in the summer holidays. The Queen's Canadian Fund has received a very interesting report from Miss Isabel Munroe, of Edmonton, Alberta, one of the trained workers of the Canadian Children's Services in Britain, whom the Fund sent overseas. She writes from Exeter, Devon, and states:

"Today I visited a very fine hostel, which was formerly a beautiful country estate. Although it is only October, members of the hostel staff are already busy getting ready for Christmas for the children. It is a real job this year because toys are so difficult to buy and frightfully expensive. All sorts of things were in the process of being made, wooden ships, with nails for guns, which when completed would obviously be better than anything one could buy. The cloth and knitted animals were in great variety, teddy bears and dolls to be made out of cloth with very attractive china faces which some clever shopper had bought for a shilling. The dolls were to be dressed in Hungarian costumes and the senior girls were busy making the clothes and embroidering the costumes. The house has a large open fire place where the children will hang their stockings on Christmas Eve. In many hostels, with less imaginative staffs, the toy problem at Christmas will be acute.

Her Majesty's Gift

One of the nursery schools in Buckinghamshire is the proud possessor of two large pencil drawings of Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret.

Miss Josephine Balls, Superintendent of the Henry J. Allen Nursery School, Amersham, Bucks., wanted to give two names instead of numbers to the rooms for under-threes and over-threes and decided to call the rooms "Elizabeth" and "Margaret", after the two Princesses—but the only way to identify them to the children, who are not old enough to read, was by hanging portraits of the Princesses over the doors. The Queen's permission was sought and a few days later a parcel arrived from Buckingham Palace containing the two large pencil drawings of the Princesses and a letter expressing the Queen's hope that they would be suitable to hang in the two playrooms."

(Contributions to the Queen's Canadian Fund may be sent to the Royal Trust Company, 105 St. James St., Montreal, or any of its branches. Every dollar subscribed goes forward without deduction).

GERMAN DOMESTIC PROBLEM

Stockholm (CP) — In Berlin newspapers arriving here some attractions held out for domestic servants wanted are "Chickens kept and two pigs will be killed in the winter" and "four to eight weeks holiday on Baltic coast."

Moscow (CP)—Pleading for her cow, a mother of four children finally denounced an invading German officer as a "brigand", at which he drew his pistol and killed her.

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Proclamation

WHEREAS a petition has been presented to the Lachute Town Council by a large number of merchants of Lachute to observe December 26, 1942, and January 2, 1943, as civic holidays;

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to grant such petition;

IT IS HEREBY DECLARED BY PROCLAMATION as follows:—

Saturday, December 26, 1942, and Saturday, January 2, 1943, shall be observed in the Town of Lachute as civic holidays and all business establishments shall govern themselves accordingly.

Lachute, December 16, 1942. —HECTOR LAMARCHE, Mayor.

Appreciation

Mrs. Geo. Armstrong and family Lachute Road, express their gratitude to members of Lachute Fire Brigade and to neighbors who assisted during the recent blaze on their property.

Notice to Customers

For the information of our customers, we wish to announce that since December 1, as a wartime measure, town deliveries are made every second day, as follows: East Ward on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; West Ward on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday — the division line being Barron Avenue.

—Lachute Bakery,
J7-3c J. A. Menard, prop.

WANT & FOR SALE ADVERTISEMENTS.

EMPLOYMENT, PROPERTY, TENDERS, ETC.

Want or For Sale advertisements 10 cents per line each insertion. Minimum 50 cents. If billed, 60 cents. If replies are directed to Watchman Office, 25 cents extra.

HOUSE TO RENT—7 rooms, bathroom and furnace; centrally located.—Apply 199 Main Street, or phone 488, Lachute. -1p

FOR SALE — one parlor set, 3 pieces; 2 bedroom bureaus; 1 baby's crib; 1 kitchen set, table and cabinet; 1 bed spring and mattress; 1 gent's fur coat ($15). — Phone 344-J, Lachute. -1c

EXPERIENCED FARMER — 41 years old, Protestant, desires work on a dairy farm.—Reply by writing to Box B-600, Watchman, Lachute, Que. -1p

ROOMS AND BOARD — in Lachute Mills, with all modern conveniences. Brownsburg bus passing door.—Telephone 491. X

IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFT — 25 choice gladiolus bulbs, assorted colors, $1.50; 50 bulbs, $3; 75 bulbs $4; 100 bulbs $5. Attractively parcelled and shipped prepaid with card. — Write Albert B. Ogilvie, R. R. 1, Lachute. -2c

HOUSE TO LET—in Lachute, all modern conveniences. Apply Germain Filion, Lachute. -1c

OFFICE HELP WANTED — female preferred, with good knowledge of typing and shorthand. Must be fully fluent in English and French, both written and spoken, and have experience in general office routine. — Apply National Selective Service Office, Lachute. -1c

Auction Sale

At the residence of
JOSEPH SAUVE,
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The following: — Clydesdale brood mare; Clydesdale horse, 7 years old, 1,600 lbs; Clydesdale colt, 3 years old; 19 milch cows (3 freshened in November, 3 in December, and 13 to freshen from February to June); 5 Ayrshire heifer calves and one bull calf; Registered Ayrshire bull, 3 years old. (Herd, from young stock, has passed negative in tuberculosis and blood tests). Also a pig, around 200 lbs, and 50 hens.

Double sleigh, single sleigh, rubber-tired buggy, 15 8-gallon milk cans, milk pails and strainer, pair clippers, 20 tons straw, 25 tons hay, ensilage in silo 13 x 24, 20 tons mixed barley and oats, horse blankets, 3 buffalo robes, and other articles.

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Army Pay Raised

Ottawa. Dec. 13 (CP) — Announcement was made by the Defence Department Wednesday of higher rates of pay for Canadian private soldiers, payment of cost-of-living bonuses to families of all Canadian servicemen and increase in dependents' allowances to the highest scale in the world.

Pay of a private soldier will be increased to $1.50 a day. Under the new scale of allowances, plus cost of living bonus, the dependent of a Canadian private, if she is a wife without children, will receive $59.40 per month.

If she is a wife with two children she will receive $84.60 per month. These amounts are considerably above corresponding figures for Britain, United States, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

New allowances and cost-of-living bonus will start Jan. 1 with assigned pay increases becoming effective Feb. 1. It is estimated the entire program will cost between $30,000,000 and $35,000,000 a year.

It Takes Pull to Start A Locomotive

Montreal—Under the cab window of every C.N.R. locomotive is painted the number of the engine, and below are small letters and figures puzzling to the uninitiated but eloquent in what they tell men of the mechanical department of the National System. Briefly they catalogue the type, date and power of each engine. The markings "U-2-g 57%" classify the new and powerful 6200 class locomotives in this manner: "U" indicates a Northern type locomotive of 4-8-4 wheel arrangement, "2-g" tells the period and series, and "57%" records 57,000 pounds of tractive effort, one per cent being equal to 1,000 pounds of tractive power. Tractive effort is the actual horizontal pull of the drawbar at the back of the tender exerted by the driving wheels of a locomotive at the rail. In effect, this marking shows the working power of every locomotive. It is calculated by an intricate formula which includes the diameter of the cylinders, the length of stroke, boiler pressure and the diameter of the driving wheels.

Sometimes the letter "B" appears after the percentage rating to signify that the locomotive is equipped with a booster, giving that engine approximately 10% more tractive power.

Hands Across the Sea for Christmas

Christmas week is a time for reunions—reunions of families and scattered friends whose tasks have taken them far from home, and on this fourth war Christmas, especially, the sons and brothers, the fathers and daughters who have taken up work across the Dominion will be hurrying home to be with their loved ones and sit down together to the Christmas dinner.

Many of these cannot go home, of course. Nor can the men or the women from the battle fronts come home. They can not come in person that is, but the CBC can bring their voices in greeting; and news of the members of the armed forces in Britain. And the news and the voices that the CBC brings from overseas into Canadian homes this Christmas week will be, in particular, a symbol of a great Christmas reunion between Canada's fighting men far away and their loved ones in the homeland who will charge their glasses with the Yuletide spirit and send a great toast across the seas.

If you listen at 9.30 a.m. EDT, on Sunday, December 20, the Gentlemen With Wings overseas broadcast will bring Christmas news to you of what our R.C.A.F. men are doing. And on this same day at 12.30 p.m. and again at 3.00 p.m. CBC listeners will have a first hand account of the men in all the various Canadian Army units in England. And at 7.30 p.m. the Canadian Calendar overseas broadcast will present Canadian news as it is gathered in London.

The following Saturday, December 26, the Khaki Scrapbook will send its report from England on what our army in general is up to. This will be heard at 1.15 p.m. EDT. And later at 6.00 p.m. EDT the R.C.A.F. newsreel of the week presents in the Wings Abroad program personal interviews and special features concerning the fliers that Canada has overseas. Then at 8.00 EDT, on Saturday night, December 26, the Canadian Calendar will bring its post Christmas survey of Canadian news.

HAREWOOD CHIEF MASON

London (CP) — The Earl of Harewood, husband of the Princess Royal has been elected by the Grand Lodge of England as Grand Master of English Freemasonry in succession to the Duke of Kent.

Songstress to Remember



If a certain tired business man we have in mind—yes, Mr. Claus, we do mean you—wants to spend a pleasant half hour in the CBC studios after the Christmas rush is over Toronto's lovely Gail Meredith hopes he will come along to her program. Gail will sings Songs to Remember the night after Christmas, Saturday, December 26, at 7.15 p.m. EDT: she'll sing them especially for Santa but the whole National Network of the CBC is invited, too.

IRON WILL OF GHURKAS

London (CP) — The Nepalese minister to London has handed over for use in war industry the railings from in front of his legation at Kensington Palace Gardens. He offered them to the British government "as a symbol of the iron will of our Ghurkas to fight shoulder to shoulder with our great allies."

MISSING TURNED UP

London (CP)— A week after Sqdn. Ldr. Adrian Warburton, D.S.O., D.F.C. and two bars, was reported missing on an operational flight in his Spitfire the ace R.A.F. photographer was announced by the Air Ministry to be safe.

FROM ORANGES TO CHRISTMAS TREES

Price Control Regulations Affect Wide Variety of Commodities

Orange Prices Go Down

Ottawa, Dec. 15—Removal of the 10 per cent War Exchange Tax and of the customs duty of 70 cents a case are factors in bringing the prices of oranges down to levels prevailing in the fall of 1941. Prices Board officials also have put a ceiling on wholesale and retail markups to the highest markup of the basic period of Sept. 15—Oct. 11, 1941, with a maximum retail markup of 20 per cent of the selling price. Orange prices are to be reduced to the general levels which existed in the basic period.

Tenants Protected by Order

Tenants need no longer live in the fear of having their homes "sold over their heads" and of having to find new quarters on short notice. New rentals regulations of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, effective December 10, rule that a person buying a tenanted home must give the tenant at least a year's notice to vacate—and even then must prove that he will need the home for his own residence when the tenant leaves.

The regulations also provide that a landlord who wishes to evict a tenant must give three months' notice and prove that he needs the home for his personal use. Formerly he could obtain the home for the use of a relative or an employee.

Other regulations provide that persons who improve a property by furnishing it, must obtain permission of a rentals committee to increase the rent and then the rate will be fixed in accordance with rents which prevailed in that locality for similar accommodation on October 11, 1941. Similarly tenants of new apartments, flats and houses may have their rent fixed at levels which prevailed in that neighborhood for similar accommodation on October 11, 1941.

Fair Prices on Yule Trees

Christmas trees must be sold at "fair and reasonable prices," states L. C. Robitaille, prices and supply representative for the Prices Board in the Montreal region. To ensure fair prices, dealers must register all sales of trees with a notation of names and addresses of purchases as well as prices charged so that complaints of overcharging may be investigated.

Polite Telegram Words Now War Casualties

Montreal—"Please" and "kindly," insofar as they relate to telegraphic messages exchanged by officials of the C.N. Rlys., have become war casualties. It is not that busy railwaymen are less polite. The reason is that pressure of war transportation has greatly increased the number of necessary daily telegrams, and by exercising strict brevity pressure on Morse and Teletype operators is greatly reduced enabling a quicker cleanup of the day's work.

COMING EVENTS

Notices of Entertainments. Concerts or Meetings, etc., 10 cents per line each insertion. Minimum 50 cents. If billed, 60 cts.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

The young people of Louisa are holding a Christmas tree entertainment on Saturday, December 19, at 8 p.m. Admission 25 cents -1c

FIREMEN'S BALL

The annual dance sponsored by Lachute Fire Brigade will be held in the Auditorium on New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31. There will be good music and the usual good time may be looked forward to. Further particulars later.

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NETHERLANDS EVACUATION

London (CP) — Vrij Nederland, a Dutch newspaper published in London, says that the whole population of the Netherlands resort Zandvoort has been transferred to North East Holland, with evacuation of Scheveningen under way.

REX
FRI., SAT., DEC. 18-19
Charles WINNINGER, Charles RUGGLES, Nancy KELLY in
FRIENDLY ENEMIES
Lloyd NOLAN, Carole LANDIS, Sara Allgood
It Happened in Flatbush
FOX NEWS
SUN., MON., DECEMBER 20-21
FRED MacMURRAY, PAULETTE GODDARD,
THE FOREST RANGERS
Jinx Falkenburg, Leslie Brooks, Kay Harris,
LUCKY LEGS
Cartoon: BARBER CUES
TUES., WED., THURS., DECEMBER 22-23-24
ROSALIND RUSSELL, FRED MacMURRAY,
Take a Letter, Darling
Warren William, Eric Blore, Hillary Brooke, Thurston Hall in
Counter-Espionage
Cartoon: PUSS AND TOOTS

Christmas Gifts
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JEWELLER — WATCH AND CLOCK REPAIRS

CAPITOL
FRI., SAT., DEC. 18-19
Red Skelton, Ann Rutherford, Rags Ragland in
WHISTLING in DIXIE
with GUY KIBBEE.
Lloyd Nolan, Marjorie Weaver, Phil Silvers, Janis Carter
JUST OFF BROADWAY
PARAMOUNT NEWS
SUN., MON., DECEMBER 20-21
JACK BENNY, Ann Sheridan,
George Washington Slept Here
Chester Morris, William Wright in
Boston Blackie Goes Hollywood
SIX HITS AND A MISS
TUES., WED., THURS., DECEMBER 22-23-24
FRED MacMURRAY, PAULETTE GODDARD, Susan Hayward in
THE FOREST RANGERS
with Lynne Overman, Albert Dekker, Eugene Pallette.
Lynn Bari, Mary Hughes, Joseph Allen, Nils Asther in
Night Before the Divorce
with Truman Bradley,
Cartoon: SWEENEY STEPS OUT

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SKI SOX .59
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LINED GLOVES 1.35
TIE & HANKY SETS 1.00
BRACE & GARTER SETS (all elastic) by Paris 1.50
SCARVES white and colored 1.00 to 3.50
EIDERDOWN ROBES 3.45
FLANNEL SKI SHIRTS 2.00
SKI CAPS, gabardine 1.65
SLIPPERS 1.19 to 3.50
SKATES 5.95
Gabardine Parkas for Boys
Detachable hoods. $9.95
BOYS' SKI MITTS .95
BOYS' SKI SLACKS $3.45
BOYS' WOOL GLOVES .59
LEATHER MITTS .59 & .69
SKI BOOTS 5.75
SKATES 3.75
HOCKEY SWEATERS 1.95
LADIES' WEAR
UNDERWEAR, Harvey Woods, cotton-wool mixture, panties & vests — each .59
SKI SOX, red, fawn, blue & green .98
GLOVES and SCARVES, Angora — each 2.95
SKI BOOTS 5.95
SKATES & BOOTS white, fleece lined 5.95
SNOW BOOTS, Elk 2.95
RED WOOL DRAWERS for skiing 1.49, Tops .98
SKI SLACKS gabardine, 5.95 & 6.95
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CHRISTMASTIDE...

the Season of Sharing



"I said to a man who stood at the gate of the year, 'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown,' and he replied, 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than the known way'."

—From His Majesty's First Christmas Broadcast of the War, December 25, 1939.

TO SHARE with others is the real joy of living, and at Christmas, the spirit of comradeship seems to attain its full richness, in giving and receiving the goodness of life.

Members of families share in their thoughts and gifts — friend remembers friend with a token of love — and a real Christian spirit prevails as man greets man with cheer and thankfulness.

As with man . . . so with nations. The British Family of Nations, with Our gracious King George the symbolic head, has played a leading part in the sharing of this earth's goodness. But at the present time, all our sharing is not of joy. We feel deeply when the countrymen of France, Belgium and Russia suffer the horrors of war . . . we grieve when the unprotected Chinese are blasted by demons of the air . . . we feel the misery of the starving Greeks as they fall one by one.

But we know, too, that when our Family of Nations has become worthy of the trust that is theirs . . . our suffering friends and allies will rise again with us in the grandest sharing of all — the "Peace on Earth" that is the heart's ideal of Christendom.

Greetings to our readers...far and near!

TOO MUCH HOG, NOT TOO MANY, 1942 PROBLEM

Agriculture Department Warns Overplus B3's, Not Enough A's in "Bacon for Britain"

By J. A. McCook,
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Ottawa, Dec. 15 (CP)—The too-prosperous pig is coming back in his thousands—and he's as unwelcome as snow in June.

Agriculture department officials say that history appears to be repeating itself in hog production. In 1939 there was a bumper crop of high quality grain and during the fall and winter of that year there was a persistent decline in the percentage of A grade hog carcasses.

This year there is another bumper crop of grain and hog gradings for Ontario in October showed a decline of 1.3 per cent in A grade carcasses and an increase of 1.3 per cent in B3 carcasses compared with gradings for September.

"Hogs can be fed to a maximum live weight of 220 pounds and beyond that weight the carcasses spoil to a certain extent from the point of view of obtaining the most bacon for Britain," an official said. "In addition, the farmer loses substantial profits he would have secured if he had not overfed and overfinished."

The Dominion now is engaged in meeting shipment schedules under a contract calling for 675,000,000 pounds of bacon in the year starting November 15. The required wiltshire sides come from hogs under weight limit of 220 pounds, and only limited quantities of the export bacon required can be obtained from heavier animals, officials said.

Save All Over

Agriculture department records showed that the heavier hogs are appearing throughout the country. In the three prairie provinces, where the increase in hog production in the last three years has been most pronounced, B3 and heavy carcasses now are running 16 to 18 per cent of the total gradings, compared with from 10 to 12 per cent in August. For the whole of Canada, about 15 per cent of the hogs marketed now are overweight.

Officials said the extra finish generally was attributed to overfeeding, and the usual check of limited feed supplies does not apply on most farms after a bounteous harvest. Citing the case of Ontario, they said that with the exception of one point, all grading centres in this province reported more overweight and overfinish in October than in previous months.

Feed Question

Last spring and summer, farmers were buying much of their hog feed and probably because of this fact it was used judiciously, and the finish of hogs improved. Now the home-grown feed is abundant and the pig is only too glad to share in the feast.

Officials recalled that only a year ago the Canadian Bacon Board, in charge of shipments to the United Kingdom, had the problem of the lightweight, rather than the heavyweight, hog on its hands. Last December, the board ordered that exporting packers should not slaughter hogs dressing less than 130 pounds. This order, and similar steps to have heavier animals marketed, has resulted in a substantial increase in average weights this year.

"The addition of an extra six or seven pounds per carcass on an annual slaughter of 6,000,000 or 7,000,000 hogs means a marked increase in the total meat supply but, in view of the export market and the type of bacon it requires, there has to be a limit to this weight increase or damage will be done," one official said.

BUSH RABBIT GETS RESPITE

Not So Much Demand for Hides; It seems There's Surplus

Edmonton (CP)—The "heat" is off the lowly Alberta bush rabbit this year.

Raw fur dealers said last year an all-time record of Alberta bush rabbit pelts reached the market because shipping space was not available for Australian pelts formerly used in manufacture of fur felt.

When attention turned to the bush rabbit last year, thousands of farmers and hunters tracked the little creatures, flooding the market with millions of their skins.

So much so that this year most fur dealers have pelts left over, so there is not such a demand for Alberta rabbit hide this season.

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With a lesser thought to the frivolities and social indulgences . . . dwelling more seriously on the sufferings, the sorrows and separations stoically borne yet little publicized this Christmastime . . . our season's greetings can find no warmer sentiment than a wish for Peace. For in peace and tolerance our war-inflicted tragedies will end, frivolities will fill their suited place, and the Christmas spirit will be real indeed.

Such is our wish, this Christmas, to readers in Canada and across the seas.

Yet through whatever joys or trials experience has brought us, friendship still rings true — a wholesome note in the chaos of the years. We reaffirm that note of friendship; we trust this journal has played its part, and will continue as a link between old friends and their associations.

THE LACHUTE WATCHMAN
PUBLISHERS AND STAFF

"Fuel Users' Pledge

Lachute home owners, whether faced with the problem of rationed fuel oil, or enjoying the good fortune of having heating plants that use non-rationed fuels, should all adopt a simple "Fuel User's Pledge" as a patriotic duty, according to W. M. Cottingham, of the Cottingham Supply Co., local headquarters for Johns-Manville building materials, Mr. Cottingham endorses these pratical ways in which the individual home owner can stretch his own fuel supply as well as aid in the conservation of fuel and transportation facilities so vital to the war effort.

The pledge reads:

"As a patriotic home owner I pledge:

"To fully anticipate my needs, and thus equalize and conserve transportation and delivery facilities, to prevent tie-ups and shortage in mid-winter.

"To have my heating system inspected by a competent heating engineer or contractor.

"To see that my heating plant is clean and kept clean.

"To keep the doors of unheated bedrooms closed to prevent chilling other rooms.

"To keep room temperatures at 65-68 degrees and avoid over heating.

"To conserve heat and fuel at all times.

"To install those heat-saving devices that will materially reduce fuel consumption such as insulation in roof or attic-storm window and weatherstripping.

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A FARMER'S COPPERS

Marion, Ind. (CP) — Wayne Ricks, a farmer near here, has turned his six-months cache of copper—1,361 pennies — back into circulation. With his copper savings, in a jar, Ricks partially paid for a new suit.

NO SOVIET EPIDEMICS

Moscow (CP)—The Red Army and Navy and the whole Soviet rear know no epidemics. This is unparalleled in the history of Russia and is the result of improved sanitary education throughout the Soviets.

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With proper handling and care of horses, teamsters, naturally, can do much more work with greater ease and the horses will last longer.

A new, copiously illustrated "Teamster's Handbook" has just been published by the Woodlands section of the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association. Designed to help teamsters in learning how to handle horses properly and how to skid wood better without waste effort and with greater safety, the handbook was prepared by A. Koroleff, Forester of the Association and Director of Woodlands Research of the Pulp and Paper Reserch Institute of Canada.

This is a companion booklet to the 'Woodcutter's Handbook' which has proved so popular.

While inexperienced men, it is pointed out, should get most benefit from its study, even good teamsters may learn from it how to work still better, earn still more and tire less.

A feature of the book is the method of illustrating. In simple, cleancut outline drawings, the right and wrong ways of doing many of the teamster's jobs are graphically shown. Copies of the booklet may be obtained, in English or French, from the Woodlands Section, Canadian Pulp and Paper Association, 3420 University St., Montreal, at 25 cents per copy which should be sent with the order by non-members of the Association.

Bethlehem, N.H., Is Like Tiny Village Of the Nativity

Bethlehem, N.H.—This peaceful little "Christmas town" nestled in New Hampshire hills bears a striking resemblance to the Holy Village for which it was named. Its location is similar to that of Bethlehem in Judea, and, strangely enough it is a village of inns and Jewish people, just like the real Bethlehem in the beautiful story of the Christ Child. This similarity exists, however, only in summer when 32 magnificent hotels, taverns and inns, none of which observe the Jewish dietary laws, are hosts to those who come, year after year, to enjoy the beauty of green fields and purple mountains. At Christmastide the population is less than a thousand souls and most of them are natives whose hardy ancestors built their log cabins along Bethlehem streets where the palatial hotels now stand.

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Naval Officer Sketches Life On Allied Convoy Vessel

Brownsburg, Dec. 24 —

A graphic description of the tortuous trail of a convoy, whether through the frigid zones to Murmansk, or through the Mediterranean, was given to the employees at the Brownsburg Works recently by Lieuenant Andre Marcil R.C.N.V.R., home on furlough after being among the men who help to protect the supply lines of the United Nations. Perfectly bilingual, he spoke to the workers in the various departments he visited, looking on the while at the manufacture of ammunition required to beat the enemy. He is visiting D.I.L. plants.

The members of a Murmansk convoy, he said, were exposed to the hardships of cold weather and ice forming on the decks of their craft. If they were struck by a torpedo and had to take to the lifeboats, they were exposed to very cold weather and suffered extreme hardships. Usually they had to ward off attacks both from the air and U-boats, attacks that very often lasted for days. On one occasion, he said, a torpedo blew a hole 20 x 40 feet in the side of their ship, causing her to limp to the nearest drydock for repairs.

In the Mediterranean, convoy duty was equally dangerous. There, however, the naval craft often outnumber the convoy ships, while on the Murmansk route it was the contrary — a few destroyers and a heavy convoy. In the Mediterranean they were easily detected, especially when passing through the straights because they could be seen by the fishermen in their smacks. While these fishermen were nationals of neutral countries they were sometimes accompanied by an enemy agent who counted the ships and notified his headquarters. Then things would become interesting. The U-boats would lie in waiting and aided by planes would give the naval ships a merry time. Many ships catapulted a plane off their decks to go aloft and break up plane formations.

Lot of Ammunition

Their ship carried a dozen six-inch guns which simultaneously fired seven shots per minute and a total of 12,500 pounds of ammunition. The guns were fired by touching a central control. One of the rules of their ship, he said, was to spare the ammunition, always so vital to a ship at sea.

He said that while it required courage to go fighting in this war, an equal courage was needed on the home front by employees engaged in war industry. This entailed their giving 100 per cent effort at work at all times and being on the job each day. While they were out of reach of bombings they should consider that a sacrifice is needed from each. "If we who are out there under the planes and exposed to submarines know that you are behind us 100 per cent with all you have got it will help us immensely".

Lt. Marcil not only told a story, but answered questions and gave the reason why such and such a thing was so. He has been on a battleship and knows every gun turret. He understands the danger that lurks everywhere and knows what to expect. He is well posted on his subject and is concise in anything he has to say. He has a story to tell and he tells it well. —From "The Tracer"

REAL SOLDIERING TOO YOUNG

London (CP)—Two 10-year-old boys who wanted real ammunition to play soldiers stole 32 Mills hand grenades from a balloon site under the nose of a guard on duty. Luckily the grenades had no detonators.

COSSACK GUERRILLAS

Moscow (CP)—German generals in Northern Caucasus operations are compelled to despatch whole formations with special detachments of artillery, trench mortars and tanks against the Terek Cossack guerillas fighting there.

Gift to Malta

The Council of Government of Malta has passed a resolution tendering heartfelt thanks for the British Government's generous gift of £10,000,000 to enable Malta to repair the damage inflicted by the Axis on these islands.

In announcing the gift the Chancellor of the Exchequer said it was proposed that the money should be paid in the first place to trustees to be nominated, who will make the money available to the Government of Malta as and when required. If the actual expenditure falls short of the total voted, the balance will be applied to other purposes beneficial to Malta after the war.

If, on the other hand, the total liability of the Government of Malta for compensation and rebuilding, after allowing for contributions from property owners, exceeds the sum of £10,000,000, the Government will be prepared to make available further sums.

—London Times

ROADFARERS' CLUB

London (CP) — Revival of cycling throughout Britain is emphasized by the Roadfarers' Club, under the presidency of former transport minister Lord Brabazon "a non-political body of motorcyclists, motorists, pedestrians and cyclists, all handpicked people who have achieved prominence on the roads as well as in their administration."

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Christmas Message

With the approach of the Festive Season, or more accurately speaking, the day which brought to the world the Man of Nazareth, the universe finds itself in the most unprecedented period of strife and immediate uncertainty that history can record.

Nations, as well as individuals, have for the time being apparently forgotten the beautiful utterance of our Saviour, "Peace on Earth, Good Will toward Men". The Christian world is passing through a hazardous time, and while prediction at the moment might be useless, there can be no doubt of the fact that Right and not Might will finally triumph.

Notwithstanding that practically the whole Christian world is participating in this terrific conflict, yet it has been pointed out that a great majority of all participants are in favor of peace, and are suffering and enduring hardships to hasten the time when hostilities will cease.

It is difficult to understand how a small coterie of men could have influenced so many people to practice barbarism and carry out such atrocities, but the punishment that will be meted out and the defeat of their world conquering designs should prove sufficiently effective to prohibit a recurrence.

There were times during the last few months when the result of the struggle was causing some uncertainty as to the outcome. But the Allies have put forth heroic efforts.

For two years or more the British fighting forces stubbornly contested the power of the Axis hordes, doggedly fought on until the Russian, and later American, assistance came to the rescue. The tide turned and the issue is no longer in doubt.

May we cite the remarks of a famous American statesman, when he said, in addressing a Montreal club recently that "the British Isles, in their struggle against aggression, were like a huge electric arc lamp shining on a desert, throwing out its brilliant rays to those lost in confusion and discouragement."

After all, there is reason for extending greetings of good will among men this Festive Season, if the turn of events during the past few weeks is any criterion of the triumph for democracy and unquestionable victory for the Allies.

Canada has been blessed during this year with its bountiful harvest in all commodities of life from ocean to ocean, enabling the Dominion to assist in the supply of foodstuffs to warring united nations, to say nothing of the help given to stricken countries outside the British Empire. This is an evidence of the blessings given to the Canadian people, a gift from the Almighty, that should make us more zealous of our strong position, not only in the manufacture of war materials but to the extent of help that we are giving in money and man-power to the winning of this conflict, thus giving to the world "Peace and Good Will Among Men".

The Watchman expresses the hope that the close of this war will find Canadians even more united and more determined to make Canada a bigger and better country.

—J. S. GILES

The Ten War Commandments

1. Thou shalt not pretend to know more than thy neighbor upon the coming or going of ships, munitions, or men.

2. Thou shalt not use gasoline to take thy family or thy wife's family to the movies on Wednesdays; or to the market on Saturdays; or to the bargain sales on Mondays.

3. Thou shalt not bring thy family on to the trams at hours when the workers returneth from their labors, for lo! thy family cluttereth up the works and taketh all the seats.

4. Thou shalt not harrass thy son because he hath not a commission; neither shalt thou make him to feel that to enlist as a private is to lower the good name of the family.

5. Thou shalt not hoard as the squirrels hoard, for the life of a squirrel is but short, and thou wouldst desire to live long.

6. Thou shalt not get ants in thy pants to put on a uniform only because thou art vain and hast no courage to work hard in the place where thou art most needed.

7. Thou shalt not strike; neither shalt thou walk out; neither shalt thou lock out or sit down on thy job; for thou desirest that thy days shall be long in the land that thy fathers have given thee.

8. Thou shalt not in thy confidence count the miles from Britannia, or Australia or Russia, unto thy home town and rest contented, for lo! it might come about that thine enemy hath seven-league boots.

9. Thou shalt not criticize the other fellow for the things he hath not done or for the things he has done, for verily thou art not too hot thyself.

10. Thou shalt not lose faith, for thou hast lost nothing beyond recovery if thy faith be but sound.

The Legionary

Christmas, 1914 —

Red war may plant her crimson flag
O'er Europe, full of fire and flame,
The world may stagger 'neath "De Tag,"
But Christmas Bells ring the same.
The birthday of the Prince of Peace
We lovingly will keep today,
And pray that war's dread reign may cease
And peace resume her gentle way.
The culture that the Teuton boasts
Has plunged our homes in grief and woe,
But still within our saddened coasts
The Christmas bells sound o'er the snow.
Oh, Gentle Prince of Peace, behold
The sufferings that we bear today,
And let Thy Dove of Peace unfold
Her wings o'er all the world, we pray!

—The late Herbert Edmondson Skeats,
Christmas, 1914.

Best Paid Army in the World

The Government's announcement of an increase in pay of 20 cents a day to $1.50 and application of the cost-of-living bonus to the families of servicemen, will be welcomed by most Canadians — states the Ottawa Farm Journal. The cost of this measure is estimated at $30,000,000 to $35,000,000 a year, but none deserve so well of their country as those who have offered their lives for its defence.

The Canadian Army, it is said, now becomes the best-paid army in the world, and allowances for dependents are higher than in any other country. A wife and one child, for example, will receive $72.60 per month, in allowances and minimum assigned pay, as against $62 in the United States, and only $33.22 in the United Kingdom. A dependent mother will have $48 a month, as compared to $37 in the United States and $27.42 in the United Kingdom.

There has been a strong demand for months not so much for increases in the basic pay rates of the Army as that account of the cost-of-living should be taken in the payment of allowances for dependents. The Government now has dealt with the problem generously and much of the descrepancy is removed as between the financial rewards of wartime industry and of military service. Including everything, clothes and food and allowances of every kind and pension rights, the private in the Canadian Army will be doing fairly well.

But he will not be getting more than he deserves. These young men who left their homes, interrupted education or career to serve their country, must have full and practical assurance of their country's appreciation and gratitude.

Keep Christmas

Whatever else be lost among the years,
Let us keep Christmas still a shining thing;
Whatever doubts assail us, or what fears,
Let us hold close one day, remembering
Its poignant meaning for the hearts of men.
Let us get back our childlike faith again.

Wealth may have taken wings, yet still there are
Clear windowpanes to glow with candle-light;
There are boughs for garlands, and a tinsel star
To top some little fir tree's lifted height
There is no heart too heavy or too sad,
But some small gift of love can make it glad.

And there are home-sweet rooms where laughter rings,
Above the eastern hills a white star swings;
And we can sing the carols as of old.
There is an ancient story to be told;
There are kind words and cheering words to say,
Let us be happy on the Christ Child's day.

—Selected

A Parental Idea

Regarding the Dionnes' bringing a hairdresser all the way from New York to cut the Quints' hair, and the public criticism it has aroused, the Peterboro Examiner comments:

Was this hairdressing spree a parental idea? If not, whose was it? And is it an example of the kind of thing which would have gone on if the children had been left to the tender care of their parents, instead of enjoying the more austere protection of the Crown? And how exactly did Miss Ogilvie enter the country and return to New York, presumably with a tidy sum of Canadian money? Everything about the quintuplets is interesting and this is more interesting than usual.

—Dunnville Chronical

SERVICE CLUBS AND RELIGION

A man's religion is a matter between him and his God, and his spiritual advisor. The fact that our Service Clubs include all faiths is what has made them great. It proves, too, that the religious teachings of all faiths inspire men to good and noble deeds.

—Kingston Whig Standard

A Farmer's Tact

Somewhere in England (CP) — After a heavy bomb had blown a crater in a field close to a service establishment here, officers at the service base received the following note from the farmer: "Since the bomb that fell in my field was obviously meant for your establishment, I should be obliged if you would dispatch a working party at your earliest convenience to fill in the crater."

Steel helmets halt shrapnel. Invest your quarters in War Savings Stamps and save a Canadian soldier!

The Week at Ottawa

Specially Written for the Lachute Watchman

By DOUGLAS GREEN
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Ottawa, Dec. 23 (CP)—To cope with one of its biggest problems—that of housing newcomers to the federal civil service—Ottawa has undertaken a project whose achievements will be watched with keen interest by Canadians from coast to coast.

A group known as the Central Housing Registry Committee has been established, primarily to find suitable living accommodations for the small army of girl workers which has streamed into Ottawa since 1939 to fill positions in ever-increasing government departments.

It is conservatively estimately that 10,000 girl office workers have come to Ottawa in the past three years. They represent practically every community in the Dominion. Some have never before been away from home; many have never had a meal in a restaurant, and a few, official records show, have never before ridden on a street car.

But whether they come from villages, towns or big cities, the problem of finding quarters is common to them all. The chairman of the Housing Registry Committee, C.A. Bracken, says Ottawa lacks accommodations where meals or even breakfast are provided.

His conclusion is based on records obtained by a group of organizations which, since the outbreak of the war, have served voluntarily to assist all newcomers to Ottawa. Mr. Bracken has had extensive experience in housing problems as chairman of the Civil Servants' Association Housing Committee.

Liquor Question

Observers here are awaiting an announcement by Finance Minister Ilsley upon the length to which the Dominion government is prepared to go in assisting provinces whose revenues will be depleted by the regulations restricting the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors.

Beyond saying that he is prepared to confer with representatives of provinces which heretofore have obtained sizeable sums through the taxes they levied upon beer, wine and spirits, Mr. Ilsley has given no hint of the help the Dominion treasury is prepared to extend them.

Although reduction in volume of alcoholic beverages available for consumption may mean lowered revenues for most provincial treasuries, spokesmen for the provinces said they will co-operate in the new federal restriction program.

Based on the volume of beverage alcohol released for consumption in the 12 months ended Nov. 1 last, the quantity released for consumption in Canada in the following 12 months is to be reduced as follows: beer 10 per cent; wine 20 per cent, and spirits 30 per cent.

The restrictions announced by Prime Minister Mackenzie King in a broadcast last week are not expected to affect greatly those who wish to celebrate during the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

Military Call-up

The extension of military call-up regulations to include married men between 19 and 25 and the check being made to ensure that single men between 19 and 40 receive notices to report for compulsory military training indicate that the government is combing all sources of manpower to meet the needs of the forces.

It has not yet been stated whether married men over 35 years of age will be subject to call, but it is considered likely that as the war goes on married men in the older groups will be required to report for training.

The plight of farmers faced with a shortage of labor, one of the matters engaging the government's attention, has once again been brought to Ottawa's notice by the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce, which, in a brief sent to Prime Minister King, claimed that agriculture is running a poor third to the armed services and the munitions and supply industries in the allocation of labor. The brief suggested that the government take steps to provide farmers with help to enable them to meet demands for greatly increased production in 1943.

Kilties' Charge In Modern Style

Cairo (CP)—A company of Gordon Highlanders detailed to break through a minefield in Egypt and attack enemy machine guns rode into the thick of the fighting clinging five apiece to the tops of tanks. "We felt like the knights of old going into battle on our armored chariots," said Sgt. George McHollan, of Aberdeen. "What struck me was that we were reliving the days of Waterloo when the Gordons held on to the stirrups of the Scots Greys and so got into the thick of the battle.

Prime Recipe For A Wartime Christmas

Here is a real recipe for a wartime Christmas dinner. It's all home-made, mother cooks and father carves. The whole family can have a hand in it. The children will love to help and Grandmother's touch of experience will add that rare flavor you cannot buy for money.

You'll want to start in right away. This is the recipe:

Take two or more hearts that beat as one, several new-laid plans, plenty of pep and a dash of fighting spirit.

Crack the shells of self-will and set quietly aside until the plans jell, then stir briskly over a flame of true patriotism to break down any lumps of apathy.

Carefully remove the least suspicion of hard feelings. Toss in some good clean fun till it bubbles over with laughter.

If tempers reach boiling point, quickly cool down and bind together with honest apology. Mix well with lots of the neighbors.

Garnish with a sprig of old fashioned hospitality, open the door wide and serve daily in the neighborhood and in the nation without counting the cost.



"Silk stockings? Certainly, Madam, how many pairs?"

WAR -- TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

By H. H. GORDON Canadian Press Staff Writer

GERMAN POWER ON WESTERN FRONT INCREASED BY TROOPS BROUGHT FROM THE EAST AFER RUSSIA'S DEFECTION

British forces in Palestine celebrated Christmas 25 years ago amid scenes associated with the nativity of the Prince of Peace. Centuries of Turkish domination had been ended by the capture of Jerusalem only a few weeks earlier, but there were few signs on the other battlefronts of the First Great War to indicate that the following Christmas would be observed with the Allies victorious and a war-torn world at peace.

On the contrary, there was ground for apprehension in the collapse of the Russian Army as a fighting force and the peace negotiations entered into by Germans and Soviet representatives at Brest-Litovsk. Further darkening the picture was the disaster to the Italian army at Caporetto.

But 1917 brought a number of bright spots, most of which underlined the growing strength of the Allies. Entry of the United States into the war in the spring made her great resources available to the Entente nations and before the end of the year her fighting men were in the trenches on the continent.

The Canadian Corps played a big part in the fighting that carried armies under Sir Douglas Haig's command forward across the Plain of Douai and in the Ypres salient, forcing the Germans back to the formidable Hindenburg Line.

Vimy and Passchendaele

Sir Arthur Currie's men added to the laurels earned at Ypres earlier in the war by their great victory at Vimy Ridge on April 9. In this engagement they set off the big British offensive along the Scarpe and Ancre valleys.

Rushed north in the autumn they won undying glory in the battles at Passchendaele from Oct. 26 to Nov. 10. The storming of Passchendaele Ridge brought an end to the five-month Third Battle of Ypres. It gave the British control of a large part of the Flanders Plain, stabilized the battle-front in that area for the winter and made it possible for Anglo-French reinforcements to go to the Italian front.

Throughout the year British operations on the Western Front were pushed to relieve pressure on their French allies to the south. The operations were successful, but achieved only at a great cost.

In Africa, the British in addition to the sweeping through Palestine, met with success in their Mesopotamian campaign. Baghdad was in their hands and Turkish influence waned rapidly throughout the great area. German opposition in East Africa was smashed completely during the year and the remnants of enemy forces had moved into Portuguese East Africa.

Time Bombs

By "Vic"

We stick together in time of crisis. What's the glue that will hold us together after the war?

* * *

It's only the beaten man who follows the beaten path. The pioneer strikes out for the horizon.

* * *

While fighting on the seven seas, let's fight for the seven C's:

1. Country before self
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YOUNG MAN FATALLY TRAMPLED BY HORSE AT MILL IN HILL FOOT

Russell Rogers Killed in Mishap at Sawmill

The death of Russell Rogers, 37-year-old resident of this community, occurred Saturday afternoon in a tragic mishap at L. M. Hammond's sawmill, Hill Foot, where he had been employed for the past 16 years. The victim was trampled by a horse in the mill stable.

Shortly after three o'clock, his employer went to the stable and discovered Russell Rogers unconscious on the floor. He immediately summoned E. Pollock, a neighbor, and together they carried the injured man to the Hammond home. Dr. R. Percival was called to the scene, but 45 minutes after the accident Russell died without regaining consciousness. Indications were that he had suffered a fractured skull, first having been kicked on the knee by the horse, which had then trampled him when he stumbled in the stall. Mr. Hammond believed the accident must have occurred around 1.30 o'clock.

Sgt. St. Denis, of the Provincial Police, and Constable H. Jones, of the Traffic Police, investigated the circumstances of the tragedy, and Dr. A. R. Cote, of Brownsburg, district corner, pronounced death accidental.

Russell Rogers was highly thought of by his employer, and was well known in the community. A son of George Rogers, Lakefield, he was married only five months ago to Miss Norma Boyd, of Lachute, who is on the teaching staff of Lachute High School this current term.

The funeral, held Monday afternoon at the Hammond home, Hill Foot, was attended by a large gathering of friends. The Rev. W. B. Rosborough, of Lachute, officiated, assisted by the Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, of Lakefield. Many floral tributes came from sympathizing relatives and friends. Interment was made in Lachute Cemetery; pall-bearers were Eddie Robertson, Stewart Hume, Edgar Pollock, Irvin Clark, Wm. D. Pollock and Ernest Evans.

Besides his wife, Russell is survived by his father, step-mother and a brother, Percy Rogers, at Lakefield. Sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved relatives.

Promoted to Captaincy In Army Overseas

Recent promotions among officers overseas, as announced by Military District No. 4, include that of Lieut. S. W. Milnes, Royal Canadian Engineers, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Milnes, Lachute. Lieut. Milnes has been promoted to the rank of Captain.

TEN INJURED AND SHAKEN WHEN BUS AND AUTO COLLIDE

Vehicle Skids Out of Control and Hits Car Near Grenville

Ten persons were injured—none seriously — when an autobous in which they were riding skidded out of control and hit another car Saturday morning near Grenville.

The autobus, owned by Oscar Legault, of Hawkesbury, and driven by Hector Lalonde, sideswiped a taxi driven by Olivier Lalonde, of St. Eugene, Ont., went into a ditch and then swerved back onto the road. The accident happened on a sharp curve.

There were 30 passengers in the bus at the time, and of the 10 who were injured only two persons — Mrs. Therese Seguin, 24, and Mrs. Arthur Roulleau, 54, both of St. Philippe, required hospitilization. They were taken to Dr. E. P. Kelly's Hospital, Hawkesbury, suffering from bruises, cuts and shock.

Others shaken up and bruised were Noella and Denise Giroux, 16 and 14, of St. Philippe, and Lorette Roulleau, 28, also of St. Philippe; Gabrielle Campeau 18, Lucille Decaire, 25, and David Lalonde, 45, of Hawkesbury, and Mrs. Joseph Gagne, 40, and Mrs. Osias Simard, 32, both of Brownsburg.

Traffic Officer Howard Jones investigated the mishap.

DISTRICT NEWS

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

MORIN HEIGHTS

Mr. Thos. McCullough, of Montreal, visited friends here recently.

Miss Jean Campbell, of Montreal, spent the week-end at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Watson have moved here from St. Sauveur des Monts to open their home at Laurentian Rest Inn. Friends welcome them back.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Palmer, of Montreal, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. F. Watson.

Friends welcome Mrs. Connelly home again after having been confined to hospital for several months with a fractured hip.

Miss Eunice Seale, of Calumet, is spending the holidays at her home here.

The W.I. held a successful Christmas party on Wednesday evening.

Injured While Skiing

Mr. Baird Davis, of the R.C.A.F., who was spending the week-end at his home here, met with an unfortunate accident while skiing, and suffered a fractured collar bone. She

ARUNDEL

The W.A. of Grace Church met at the home of Mrs. Chas. Tutching on Thursday, December 10.

Mrs. Kenneth Smiley, of Shawville, spent last week at the home of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Smellie; they attended the wedding of Mr. James Smellie and Miss Doris Weeks, which took place in St. Phillip's Church on Saturday afternoon.

Master Charlie Cushing recently entertained a few friends on the occasion of his seventh birthday.

Mrs. Percy Gordon spent a few days last week in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Graham have returned home after spending the past week in Sherbrooke and Montreal; they were accompanied by Miss Muriel Graham, who is spending the holiday at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Davis have left to spend the next two months at the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis, in Truro, N.S., they were accompanied from Montreal by their daughter, Miss Laura Davis, who will spend the Christmas holidays with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Marshall, of Clairsholme, Alta., Mrs. T. Marshall and Mr. Garnet Marshall, of Montreal, were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Bennett.

ST. ANDREWS EAST

Lieut. L. Porter, of Newfoundland, is spending a leave with his family at his home here. Tupper and Pat are also home from school in Lennoxville.

Mrs. D. Roberts and children, Liane and Valerie, are spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Larmonth.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. MacKay are in Ottawa for the vacation as guests of their daughter, Mrs. Geoffrey York.

Friends are sorry to learn that Mrs. W. Robertson has been confined to bed for several days.

Sgmn. V. Lloyd Lilly, W.O., R.C.C.S, Vimy Barracks, Ont., is spending a five days' leave with his mother and other relatives in Montreal.

Sgt. MacAllister visited with his family here for a few days.

Miss Elizabeth Wales was home for the week-end.

Miss Mary E. Hunter, accompanied by her nephew, Mr. Ted Holme, motored from St. Lambert on December 15 to the home of her brother-in-law, Dr. A. B. Halsey, V.S., Carillon, Que., where she will live for the future.

Miss Doris Leroy is spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Yale.

Christ Church, St. Andrews E.

The Christmas Celebration of Holy Communion will be held at 11 a.m on Christmas Day.

Christmas Entertainment

On Friday evening the three Protestant churches united in the town hall for a christmas tree entertainment. An interesting program was also given, including songs, recitations and a play by the C.G.I.T.

C.G.I.T. Candle-Lighting Ceremony

The C.G.I.T., under leadership of Miss M. L. Lamb, held a "candle-lighting service" in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening. Miss Betty Dorion, the leader, conducted the service. The girls sang several Christmas carols and the Rev. Dr. MacMillan gave a short Christmas story. Those who attended were impressed by the earnest effort of the girls in their work. The service concluded with the girls lighting their candles and forming a procession around the church . . . Attendance was quite numerous considering the severe weather.

London (CP)—A fall of hematite ore at Hodbarrow Mines in Cumberland, caused the death of four miners.

BROWNSBURG

Mr. C. L. Stephens and son Campbell, left today to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in London, Ont.

Mr. Robert Creswell, of the Montreal Technical School, is home for the holidays.

Sympathy is extended to relatives of the late Mrs. Robert Silverson, who passed away at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, on Sunday.

Mrs. Roy Dobbie and Master Elmer Griffith, of Lachute, spent Tuesday with Mrs. Wm. Petley.

CUSHING WEST

Mr. C. J. Hartley spent Sunday with friends in Hawkesbury.

Miss Dorothy Weir arrived on Monday to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Weir.

Mr. Eddie Whelehan, of Montreal, and little son, also Miss K. Whelehan, were Sunday visitors here.

Miss Catherine Cooke, of Stanstead, arrived home Tuesday for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Whelehan spent Monday in the city.

Annual Meeting of Grenville Red Cross

Grenville—The Grenville branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society held their annual meeting on December 16, and the following officers were elected for the year 1943:

Mrs. J. G. Lamontagne, president; Mrs. A. H. Clark, vice-president; Mrs. L. S. Campbell, secretary; Mrs. Leo Clement, treasurer.

During the year the following articles were made and shipped—sewing 795, knitting 359, also 4 donations of quilts. Amount collected during the year, $18.60—which was sent to the blanket fund at Red Cross House. There were 27 members for 1942.

WEIR

Mrs. J. D. Sobey returned home on Friday after spending a few days in Montreal.

Pte. James Bates, R.C.O.C., of North Bay, is spending the week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bates.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Moyse returned home to Montreal on Sunday after spending some time at their cottage here.

Mrs. Harry Hodgson, of Montreal, spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mrs. Chas. Mountain.

W.-O. David Owen, R.C.A.F., of Alliford Base, Queen Charlotte Islands, is spending Christmas week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Owen.

Miss Joan Williams, of Montreal, arrived on Saturday to spend the holidays at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. E. R. Williams.

Mr. E. J. Craig is spending the holidays at his home here.

Mr. Marvin Davis spent Saturday in Montreal.

Mr. Kenneth Hale, of Montreal, spent Sunday visiting friends here.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Albert Woods was taken to the hospital in Montreal on Sunday. His many friends here join in wishing him a speedy recovery. He was accompanied to the hospital by his daughters, Mrs. Alex Williams of Montreal, and Mrs. Richard Weldon of Weir.

The many friends of Mrs. Oliver Purcell are pleased to hear that she is much improved in health after having been confined to her bed for the past fortnight.

Christmas Tree Program

Following is the program of a Christmas entertainment on December 19, arranged by Miss A. M. Wiscarson, school teacher. The event proved highly successful, all the participants filling their part admirably. Proceeds were in aid of the Junior Red Cross . . .

O Canada — audience led by choir.

Surprise duet by Alix Wiscarson and Gayle Hurtubise: "Santa Claus is Coming to Town".

Choral recitation by Grade III. "Visit from St. Nicholas".

Carols by Choir.

Recitation: Mildred Bennett:— "When Huldy 'spects her Beau".

Recitation: Hilda Thompson:— "When Father Carves A Duck".

Dialogue: Chester Thompson and George Cripps: "A Wonderful Dream".

Carols by Choir.

Recitation by George Cripps:— "Grandpa's Aversion to Slang".

Play: "Three Naughty Imps". Cast,—

Rag, Mildred Bennett;
Tag, Hilda Thompson,
Bobtail, Shirley Williams,
Mr. Primer, George Cripps,
Joyce, May Cripps,
Bunny, Norma Williams,
Pat, Raymond Labrosse,
Squire, Norman Davis,
Policeman, Noël Labrosse.

Duet by Alix Wiscarson and Gayle Hurtubise: "Good King Wenceslas.

Recitations: Raymond Labrosse, "He Comes in the Night"

Hilda Thompson, "Little Bit of String."

Mildred Bennett, "Old Mother Hubbard."

Collection for Junior Red Cross ($5.50).

Pageant in Three Scenes, "The First Christmas". (Cast —Shepherds, Lorraine Labrosse, Edres Smith, Thelma Owen, Alix Wiscarson; Angels, Gayle Hurtubise, Norman Davis, Raymond Labrosse; Mary, Eunice Christianson; Joseph, Edgar Labrosse; Wise Men, Gayle Hurtubise, Thelma Owen, Alix Discarson.)

"Jingle Bells", Santa Claus.

Pianist, Mrs. Hurtubise.

Master of Ceremonies, Rev. E. C. Royle.

OBITUARY

Death Removes Esteemed Resident of Harrington

The Late John Shaw

Harrington — A long-time and esteemed resident of Harrington, John Shaw, died last Thursday in his 90th year.

Mr. Shaw was widely known for his keenness of mind and alertness in all matters pertaining to the community life. In many branches of work he displayed skill and ability. In his 88th year Mr. Shaw laid a hardwood floor which would match the expertness of finished carpenter. He spent his recent summers in his workshop, where he turned out a variety of articles for farm and household use. A farmer all his life, he was adept in a number of other trades. A kindly person, Mr. Shaw also endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact. He was a constant attendant at church when his strength allowed, and took keen interest in its work. After suffering a setback in his usual vigor last winter, Mr. Shaw recovered sufficiently to keep up his interests during the summer and autumn months, but again the winter weather proved too severe for him, and for the past few weeks he had been confined to his bed. He received the tender care of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Duncan Shaw, in his period of ill health. Mr. Shaw rallied from several relapses, but on Thursday night his passing terminated a long and well spent lifetime.

The funeral service took place Sunday afternoon at his late residence, conducted by the Rev. S. J. Pike, of Brownsburg, who paid tribute to "one whom the community can ill afford to lose". Hymns included "O God of Bethel", "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" and "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross". Miss Evelyn McCallum, of Avoca, accompanied the hymns. The pall-bearers were Jack McRae, Wm. McCulloch, Thos. McMahon, John Marshall, Jas. McLeod and Trooper Borden McCulloch. Despite the bitterly cold weather a large number attended from far and near, to honor one who will be missed both in home and community life.

To the bereaved, the deepest sympathy of this community is extended.

Publisher's Note: Owing to delayed mails, and earlier publication of The Watchman this week, much of our district correspondence has not been received as these pages go to press. Items of interest intended for this issue will therefore be printed in the district columns next week.

CUSHING

Miss Helen Hoar, of Montreal, was the Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Canning.

The Misses Elsie Graham and Margaret Canning, of Verdun and St. Eustache respectively, are spending the Christmas holidays at their homes.

Christmas Entertainment

A very pleasing Christmas tree and program in aid of the Children's Memorial Hospital, was staged at the Community Club room on Tuesday evening by the children of Cushing School and the three little daughters of D. Leclair, who charmed the audience by singing carols in French, also reciting Christmas poems in English. This entertainment was under the management of Miss Elsie Boyd, teacher of Cushing School, and Mrs. Vincent Elliott, who played the accompaniments.

GREETINGS . . . APPRECIATION

To friends and customers in this good community, my sincere greetings and appreciation . . . May the coming year bring you personal happiness, and the return of peaceful days to make that happiness complete.

HENRI J. LEJOUR, O.O.D.
Optometrist - Optician Eyesight Specialist

Dalesville Lady Dies Following Injury

Late Mrs. Robert Silverson

The death of Sarah Jane Murdoch, wife of Robert Silverson, of Dalesville, occurred on Sunday last at the Royal Victoria Hospital, where she had been confined for the last seven weeks following a fall which she suffered at her home.

The late Mrs. Silverson was born in Mount Maple 75 years ago, but she had resided in Dalesville for the past 60 years. Her family comprised five daughters and two sons—Elizabeth (Mrs. A. Dixon); Ruby, (wife of the late Russell Kennedy); Jessie (Mrs. Edgar Racide), of Luskville, Que; Annie (Mrs. Ernest Burke), of Lachute; Edythe (Mrs. Geo. McCormick), of Dalesville; Norman and Russell, of Lachute. Four sisters and two brothers are also left to mourn her loss—Mrs. R. Cregeen, Mrs. Charlotte Murdoch, Mrs. Homer Brady, all of Montreal, Mrs. Thos. Morrow, Dalesville, Charles Murdoch, of Montreal, and Norman Murdoch, in California.

Mrs. Silverson was a faithful member of the Regular Baptist Church, where the funeral was conducted Wednesday afternoon, interment being made in the Dalesville Cemetery.

Lady Resident of Pte. au Chene Succumbs To Lengthy Illness

The Late Agnes I. M. Young

Pte. au Chene—The death of Miss Agnes Ida May Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Robert Young, of Pointe au Chene, Que., occurred at Dr. Kelly's Hospital, Hawkesbury, on Monday morning, December 14, after an illness of some months. Miss Young came home in July of this year from Montreal to recuperate from a slight operation; she had been employed in Montreal by the Canadian National Railways for the past 17 years. Not gaining in health as she anticipated, she entered the Hawkesbury hospital in October for further treatment. For a time there seemed to be a marked improvement but this proved to be only temporary, and a few weeks ago she gradually became worse, And on Monday of last week she peacefully passed away. Miss Young was in her 40th year.

The funeral service was held at the home on Wednesday afternoon, December 16, conducted by the Rev. S. J. Pike, of Brownsburg. Interment was at the Avoca Cemetery. Many floral tributes testified to the popularity of the deceased. Hymns sung were — "Nearer My God to Thee" and Abide With Me." Mrs. Gordon Brown, of Lachute, accompanied the singing.

The pall-bearers included Asa Guy and Wyman Young; Jos. Provincal, Thos. Mitchel and Gordon Brown. Those attending the funeral from a distance were Mrs. Fred Morrow, St. Catharines, Ont., an aunt; Misses Gertrude Dowd, Gean St. Louis, Isabel Bradford, and Mr. Thos. Mitchel, all of Montreal, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Brown, of Lachute.

To the parents and family, the community extends heartfelt sympathy in this their bereavement.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

Births, Marriages, Deaths, In Memoriam, etc., 50 cents each insertion; 5c a line extra for verse with In Memoriam.

BIRTH

COWAN—At Lachute, Quebec, on December 21, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cowan (nee Ida Marie Bathurst), a daughter.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

ROGERS—Mrs. Russell R. Rogers wishes to thank all those who so kindly gave their assistance, also for floral tributes and expressions of sympathy, during her recent bereavement.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Rogers and Percy wish to thank their many friends for their kind sympathy and floral tributes, also for the assistance extended to them in their recent bereavement.

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Mr. L. W. Hammond wishes to thank the neighbors and friends who so kindly offered their assistance following the fatal accident to Russell R. Rogers, a most faithful and trusted friend.

IN MEMORIAM

BARKER—In loving memory of a dear mother, who passed away five years ago. — Ever remembered by Myrtle and Victor.

"We miss you as much today
As the hour you passed away."

NICHOLS—In loving memory of a dear mother, who passed away December 29, 1940.—Ever remembered by Mabel, Muriel and Ruby.

O'BRIEN—In loving memory of a dear husband and father, James O'Brien, who passed away December 27, 1941. — Ever remembered by his wife and family.

How hard it it to part with those
We held on earth so dear,
The heart no greater trial knows,
No sorrow more severe.

STEWART—In loving memory of Mrs. James Stewart, who departed this life one year ago, December 24, 1941.—Ever remembered by her loving husband and family.

You are not forgotten, Mother,
Nor will you ever be,
As long as life and memory last
We will remember thee.

SWAIL—In fond and loving memory of a dear husband and father, William Swail, who passed away December 22, 1934. — Ever remembered by his loving wife and family.

Nothing but memories as we journey on,
Longing for a smile from a loved one gone;
None knows the depths of our deep regret,
But we remember — when others forget.

Proclamation

WHEREAS a petition has been presented to the Lachute Town Council by a large number of merchants of Lachute to observe December 26, 1942, and January 2, 1943, as civic holidays;

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to grant such petition;

IT IS HEREBY DECLARED BY PROCLAMATION as follows:—

Saturday, December 26, 1942, and Saturday, January 2, 1943, shall be observed in the Town of Lachute as civic holidays and all business establishments shall govern themselves accordingly.

Lachute, December 16, 1942. —HECTOR LAMARCHE, Mayor.

A Small Municipality Pools Its Industrial Resources

An efficient arms plant was recently set up in a small Florida city, with the machines of several factories being moved into the buildings at the county fairgrounds, as a result of action taken by city officials. In June, 1941, the city manager encountered a depressing situation. He had $600,000 in back taxes on the books. City water bills for $56,000 were unpaid. Money to meet the city payroll was scarce. Families were moving out of town at the rate of 20 a month because their breadwinners couldn't get work there and had found jobs elsewhere.

Something had to be done. So the city manager began tinkering with an idea to pool the resources of small industries of the community and get war work. He made an inventory of every facility and machine in the community. In two months every working man, idle or employed, was asked to fill out an employment application, listing his personal background, working record and mechanical training. Manufacturers reported the names of every machinist they had hired in the last ten years. Those workers were tracked down. More than 3,000 personnel records were compiled.

By mid-September a summarized brief of the community's production assets was ready. It classified factory facilities, manpower, electric power (three high transmission lines), and rail, highway, air and water transportation. By October the city was working with the Distribution Branch of the War Production Board to devise a way to get work for the city's little plants. One trouble was that there was no shop in town big enough to get a contract on its own. So they "manufactured" a prime contractor. In the town was a small shut-down aircraft factory staffed by one engineer and a caretaker. On that company's corporate framework they set up an organization.

A management engineer was hired as president of the new company. City officials were put on the board. The city arranged for financing the concern as part of the community pool so it would not run afoul of anti-trust laws.

In January the city sent a committee to Washington where the pool and its prime contractor were approved by the War Production Board and the attorney general's office. A week later they brought back the first contract — a $40,000 educational job, making airplane shop devices. Immediately a school was set up in the aircraft plant with the co-operation of the state vocational education department. The idea was to train workers, who were selected from capable men who needed the work most urgently. Production soon jumped from three units a day, the scheduled output, to seven units.

But the contract was such, it couldn't be sublet to other shops. So plans were pushed to complete the "pooling" plan. No other big machine shops were available in town but six miles away at the county fairgrounds there were 15 exhibition buildings, concrete floored, steel-reinforced, with 72,000 feet of floor space. These buildings were perfectly arranged for assembly line production.

Each of the small shop owners moved his machinery into the fairgrounds to be set up on an assembly line plan. Some buildings housed the machinery of two or three companies, but each firm will keep its separate identity as part of the pool and will get its proportionate share of the profit.

While the plant was being readied, 611 students in the vocational school were learning to do the jobs they will start as soon as the pool plant gets going. While these activities were being planned, the city manager went to Wright Field and returned with a million-dollar contract and a $285,000 down payment.

Officials estimate that when production gets fully going there will be no one left on local WPA jobs Training continues even after the workers get on the job. The plan is to prevent a woodworker, for instance, from losing out if the next contract entails mostly metal work. Hence, woodworkers will learn to handle metal tools.

Each plant in the pool must set up a uniform accounting system so that costs and profits can be apportioned on the same basis for each member. Even the transportation of workers has been worked out. To get workers to the fairgrounds the city has arranged for the building of a huge trailer bus.

"The Rumor Clinic"

— Prepared by The Canadian Column —

Rumors on Lost Mail

A very mean story was reported to the Rumor Clinic recently—a story not only false but undoubtedly calculated to bring worry and unhappiness to those with loved ones overseas. We are glad to expose this wicked untruth.

Rumor: "The parcels which we mail are lost not only on the boats or after reaching their destination, but are stolen, here, in the local and central branches of our Post Office."

Fact: P. T. Coolican, Assistant Deputy Postmaster, Ottawa, states: "The Rumor is false. Both Civil and Canadian Army Postal Corps authorities are keenly interested in safeguarding and expediting mails to members of the Armed Forces Overseas and no opportunity is lost of looking after the welfare of the Armed Forces in this respect. Every possible care is taken and constant supervision is maintained to assure that letters and parcels reach their destination safely.

"At the Army Base Post Office, the mail is made up in packages for the various Military and Air Force Units to facilitate handling overseas. These packages are forwarded in sealed bags to the Canadian Army Post Office Overseas where they are despatched with the least possible delay to the points at which the Units are located. Unfortunately, there is some unavoidable loss due to enemy action at sea and to air raids in the United Kingdom; however, despite the increasing volume of mail despatched overseas four times greater this year than the record volume of last year there has been an appreciable decrease in the number of complaints.

"The Army Base Post Office despatched overseas last month, 2,166,160 letters; 3,982,964 pounds of parcel post; 513,706 pounds tobacco parcels, in addition to a large volume of newspapers, magazines and other publications. The percentage of losses, in comparison with the amount of mail despatched, is exceedingly small, notwithstanding the difficulties of operation.

"The public themselves can do a great deal to assist, for there is still room for improvement in regard to the addressing of letters and the packing of parcels. Every month several thousands of parcels are received at the Army Base Post Office so inadequately packed that they were damaged while still in Canada. An endeavour is made to salvage the contents of such parcels and they are re-conditioned as far as possible at the Army Base Post Office and then sent along for the overseas journey. This involves considerable avoidable expense and delay. Many parcels and letters have incorrect addresses and despite the patience of a special Directory staff at the Army Base Post Office some of the addresses cannot be deciphered. There is, moreover, a special section of the Canadian Postal Corps Headquarters Overseas whose full time is taken up searching through records with a view to finding the correct addresses, so as to give mail onward transmission.

"Expeditious and safe delivery is to a large extent dependent upon the proper addressing and preparation of mail matter."

A number of stories have reached the Clinic which indicate a totally false idea of the purpose of the Military Camps at Longueuil.

Rumor: "There is a great number of young Englishmen from England in Camp at Longueuil. These young men are wearing a military uniform, but they never appear at drills or on military parades. These young Englishmen are camouflaged as soldiers in order to exempt them from military service."

Fact: Military District Headquarters states: "The rumor is false. There are no young Englishmen from England in this Depot. Longueuil is a Depot for Military District No. 4 and as such serves three purposes:

1. Personnel for Military District No. 4 either Active Service Recruits or draftees, reports to the Depot for equipment and documentation.

2. Personnel of Military District No. 4 who are in process of being discharged from the Army principally for medical reasons and sometimes by reason of unsuitability for army life. (The number actually discharged is very low and the record for this District is exceptionally good.)

3. Personnel of permanent staff who are required to operate the organization at the Depot. This personnel, with the exception of a very few key men, is composed of men of low medical category who are unable to go overseas.

Rumor: "There is a camp, at Longueuil, occupied by men who have made themselves so troublesome to the military authorities that they have been posted to this camp for discharge from the Army. Any man not wanting to serve either after voluntary enlistment or drafting can secure his discharge in this manner."

Fact: Military District Headquarters states: "The rumor is false. Military District No. 4 Detention Barracks, situated close by but entirely separate from Longueuil Depot, is occupied by soldiers who have committed a military offence and have received sentences of more than seven days' confinement. The men are detained for punishment, not for discharge."

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Get the Facts

Vicious rumor and dangerous gossip do not help Canada, but do help Hitler.

Arm yourself with the facts regarding Canada's War effort. They are far more interesting and inspiring than Hitler's lies and provide the best weapon to fight rumor mongers.

Fact: During the present fiscal year, Canada will produce about 1,000,000 tons of merchant shipping, in addition to 200 or 300 naval craft and several hundred smaller boats of various kinds. Two years ago the shipbuilding industry in Canada was inactive. In turning out these vessels Canada's shipbuilding industry has been enormously expanded. Where 14 shipyards employed 4,000 workers early in the war, there are now 40,000 workers in 21 major and 58 smaller yards.

British Trawler "Kingston Amber" on Northern Patrol



Britain's former fishing fleet trawlers have a splendid record of successes against enemy U-boats and aircraft, both in the Arctic and the Atlantic oceans. Noted for their sturdy construction and endurance, trawlers on the Northern Patrol are often at sea for a month on end . . . Picture shows the British armed trawler, "Kingston Amber", encountering a swell while on Northern patrol.



Season's Greetings !

The Holiday Season brings to us a keener appreciation of old associations and of the value of new friendships. In this spirit we hope that you may have a very merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year.

T. McOuat & Son

Lachute Mills

RED CROSS WILL SHIP 10,000 FOOD BOXES TO GREECE

The Canadian Red Cross Society has arranged for the immediate shipment of 10,000 food parcels as part of its program to relieve starvation among the people of Greece, officials of the Quebec Provincial Division announced today.

"We have been advised by the International Red Cross that famine and disease conditions are producing a rate of mortality that threatens the Greek nation with total extinction," the officials said, "and in co-operation with the Greek War Relief Fund the Canadian Red Cross already sent relief supplies valued at $117,000 to Greece this year, but we feel more has to be done if those people are to survive."

Through the generosity of the Canadian government two grain cargos are being shipped every month from the Dominion as a gift from the people of Canada and this is being distributed through the world-wide organization of the International Red Cross. However, it was pointed out that this is but a fraction of the needs of Greece as the grain harvest this year did not exceed 350,000 tons against a pre-war average of 800,000 tons.

"According to the reports we have received the cost of living in Greece has risen from one to three hundreds times with the results a worker's monthly pay cheque is hardly enough to buy sufficient food for two or three days, officials stated. "Most people have sold their possessions to buy what food they can in the black market."

Since August, the Canadian Red Cross and the Greek War Relief Fund have sent to Greece drugs, medicines, powdered milk products and dehydrated vegetables, and plans have been made to make regular shipments which go from Canada aboard Swedish ships under charter by the International Red Cross.

Did It !!

Somebody said that it couldn't be done
But he with a chuckle replied
That maybe it couldn't, but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so, 'til he tried.
So he buckled right in, with a bit of a grin
On his face; if he worried, he hid it.
He started to sing, as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done — and he did it.

—Author Unknown

GEESEENDE KERSFEES

London (CP)—In the United Nations there are 50 ways of saying "Merry Christmas" for instance the South African Dutch say "Geeseende Kersfees" and get away with it.

Training for Commandos Is Strenuous

Another in a series of articles written by W. R. Legge and C. V. Charters, who represented the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association in a recent tour overseas.

By Walter R. Legge

Article No. 12

Of all the demonstrations which the Canadian Editors saw in England, probably none was more realistic or thrilling than that given by the 3rd Canadian Division A.L.C. Training School.

It was a beautiful, warm, sunny day, when we set out in our bus in the early morning for this demonstration. One of the places through which we passed on our way was a port which before the war was the terminus of a ferry service to France. As we went through this place, the sirens gave air raid warning, but we saw nothing of the raiders.

Arriving at our destination, we were shown the training of men who were qualifying as commandos. Three teams from different brigades went through the course that morning, a course which is part of the hardening training.

Strenuous Training Demonstrated

The course was very wet and heavy, having a small creek running through it, with swampy ground, and it demanded strength, stamina, and determination. The three teams went over high barricades with pack and gun, helping each other as necessary, crossed over the creek on swinging ropes, ploughed through swampy ground, crawled through tunnels in the ground, crossed heavy barbed wire entanglements, and went through several other equally difficult barriers.

As they made their way through these entanglements and barricades, other officers and men hurled explosives down among them. While these explosives probably were not of sufficient power to maim the men, they were heavy enough to throw up clouds of water and mud over them, and went off with very loud reports. This was to train the men to become oblivious to shot and shell falling among them.

As soon as each man had completed the course, he threw himself on the ground and fired his rifle at figure targets, his score being kept. This trains them to be able to hit the enemy after violent exertion.

After seeing this course, there was a demonstration of 3" mortars, throwing both high explosives and smoke bombs against a bank some distance away. Standing beside these mortars it was possible to watch the course of these shells in their arc high in the sky until they exploded on the distant bank.

There was an interesting episode during this demonstration which was not on the program. A Spitfire was flying back and forth, going out to sight over the sea, and then returning as if to look us over. Each time this Spitfire came into view, the demonstration had to be halted to prevent damage to the plane.

Finally after a longer absence over the sea it returned, but this time made a double roll over us before flying away home. This roll is a sign of jubilation frequently given when a pilot downs an enemy plane, and a short time later we were told that this plane had intercepted and brought down two German planes just off the coast where we were.

Newspaper reports that night said that an English plane had shot down two F.W. 190 German planes off the south coast, and that the pilot of one had bailed out and was captured.

Then followed a demonstration of visual system of signals by lights, and although it was a very bright day, messages were exchanged with distant points by means of flashing lights.

The party moved on to a point on the coast where there were high white cliffs, to see a commando raiding party in action.

In this demonstration it was supposed that a troop of the school had been ordered to destroy a Radio Direction Finder Station on the French Coast, protected by a high cliff and lightly defended by the enemy. The time was supposed to be night.

Plan of Attack Is Outlined

The Royal Navy lands the troops at the foot of the cliff and the party proceeds over the beach to make the raid, making as little noise as possible. The men scale the cliff and the raiding section goes inland to destroy the Radio Station. One party clears the building and seeks a prisoner and papers of value to our Intelligence. The noise awakes the enemy defence, and the raiders withdraw under cover of smoke and the fire of their own men.

That is a brief outline of the demonstration. First three boats which we were told were some that took part in the Dieppe Raid, landed the party. The scaling of the cliff by ropes and the manner in which the ropes were taken to the top of the cliff were most interesting.

Then some supposed casualties were brought down on these same ropes, and a prisoner, who was interrogated on the shore. To show the detail in this manoeuvre, the men selected to act the parts of prisoner and interrogator, were both able to talk German, and carried out that part of the show in that language.

How the party makes the descent of the cliffs, even bringing away the ropes used, and the withdrawal to the boats while protected by rifle fire, were carried out in an admirable manner.

The boats put out to sea to complete the demonstration, but were called back to shore to give the editors a chance to mingle with the boys of the troop and to talk to them.

After such an interesting and thrilling show, we were very glad to have a chance to talk to the men, and soon groups in animated conversation were formed on the shore. We found the men unusually keen, strong and enthusiastic about their work.

Lunch in An Interesting Location

The morning was brought to a conclusion with a delightful lunch, served in the open, on top of the cliffs, in a scene of overwhelming beauty. From this point a magnificent view of the sea, white cliffs, and green country spread itself before us. I was assigned to a table presided over by Brig. K. G. Blackader, of Montreal, and also at that table was Col. V. M. Hugman, also of Montreal.

We learned during the meal that the last time a lunch had been served at that spot, some Messerschmidts had come over and machine-gunned the gathering. We did not let that spoil our appetites, and Mr. Napier Moore, one of our party, remarked that if they came over this day, they would break a lot of dishes.

We might not have been so carefree earlier that morning, if we had known then that the cliffs over which we were climbing were heavily mined, and that if we had stepped on a hidden mine, we would have been blown to pieces.

All we could think of was the wonderful demonstration we had witnessed, which showed the training the embryo Commandos go through, and which can only be properly understood by seeing it in practice.

Wanted to Swap:

Box of cigars, of good quality, for a pound of pipe tobacco.

Brilliant Scotch plaid muffler for one of more subdued color.

Pair of bedroom slippers for a dozen golf balls.

Three pairs woollen socks for any kind of socks that don't make the feet and ankles itch.

Delicate lavender shaving soap and brush, beautifully packed, for its equivalent in plain shaving cream.

Well-reviewed treatise on the world situation by a recognized authority, for a couple of good detective stories.

Half a dozen gay neckties and three beautiful silk hankerchiefs for a pair of serviceable pyjamas.

Lovely purple satin smoking jacket with silk facing in contrasting color for a leather windbreaker suitable for use in carrying out the ashes.

Handsome billfold of best quality leather for its equivalent in hard cash.

Hand painted antique box, presumably to hold neckties or gloves, for a good serviceable flashlight or tow-rope.

By a gentleman who, before Christmas, was too lazy to tell friends and family what to give him.

Season's Greetings to All !

"May it be a time of Plenty and Good cheer, and may we all look forward to happier times to come, when Peace that only Total Victory can bring will be ours."

We wish to thank all our customers for their co-operation with us in carrying out the various changes required by our country to meet the needs of war production.



Gatineau Power Company

LACHUTE J. A. GOSSELIN, *Manager*



Wise Counsel to Christmas Shoppers :

Santa says -

Take part of your change in War Savings Stamps

GREETINGS from the business-folk who serve you

Greetings — Bons Souhaits
To our fellow townsmen, the best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.
A tous nos concitoyens, nos meilleurs souhaits de santé, de prosperité et de bonheur.
The Mayor and Council of Lachute Town
Le Maire et Les Echevins de Lachute

Merry Christmas
and a New Year to bring more joy and happiness than you dare to hope for!
G. R. Campbell
Merchant Bell Falls
Phone Arundel 2 r 2-4

Happy Days!
Every day brings pleasure in our privilege to serve you.
We anticipate the continuance of your patronage.
Dominion Stores
E. Miron, Mgr. Main Street, Lachute

Memory is an album which chronicles the past. In its pages for 1942 there are many happy highlights — each the record of some friendly contact. We cannot live them over again, but we trust the dawning year will be rich in the repetition of such pleasant associations.
J. A. Campbell
Lumber Merchant Dalesville

To regard our neighbors as mere business prospects, would be materialistic. But to meet a friend and feel that we have contributed some service to his comfort welfare and satisfaction, leaves a glow of pardonable joy. —And gratitude, too; for our livelihood depends on service to others.
Joseph Assaly
Drygoods Store 247B Main Street

Our Wish to You
Good health, good friends, good fortune!
Thanking our customers for past favors, and anticipating a mutually pleasant relationship in the year ahead.
Urg. Quesnel
Shoe Repairs Main St.

Fellowship
It sharpens the zest of life, and dulls the edge of care. Can we, then, regret the daily toil that brings us into fellowship with you, our neighbor-citizens? . . . We greet you, one and all, with a hearty hand-shake and a Merry Christmas!
Alcidas Laurin
Building Contractor Phone 599-J

Bright lights . . . Cheery countenances . . . We trust that our business approach has reflected the pleasure we feel, in our privilege to serve. To this gladness we add, at this season, our heartfelt gratitude.
Frank Earle
Jeweler Phone 140

To all our friends within hailing distance — and to their cherished sons, brothers and cousins serving with the Forces — our sincere good wishes at this season.
Rubin's Store
Outfitters to the Family Main St., Lachute

Good Cheer!
As we have brightened your home surroundings, may our association with you prove a bright spot in the contacts of your daily life. Our thanks again, and all good wishes.
Lachute Upholstering Reg'd
Aimé Trudel Main St. W., Lachute

Not ultra-modern — not out-of-date — just keeping well apace with the times; 'tis thus we have built our business on substantial and progressive lines. And on the keynote of good service we treasure still those friendships we have enjoyed for the past few years.
North River Motors Ltd.
Dodge, DeSoto Dealers Main Street, Lachute

Monuments of principle and good living are evidenced in the give-and-take of small town doings. We are happy to share the neighborliness, the friendship, the loyal support which make life worth living in this Canada of ours.
Claude St. Jacques
Painter, Sign Writer Foundry Street

No Black-Out!
No sinister cloud, no brutal threat can eclipse the sentiment of Christmas . . . If there were MORE of that sentiment, there would be no war. So here's to the charity and cheeriness of the festive season; may you share its joys in generous measure!
Assad's Store
Phone 177 Main St.

"Aim at accomplishing great things, but in the effort see that the small things are well done". To the business entrusted with us, whether big or small, we have given of our best. Every customer commands our attentive service — and our warm appreciation.
Gordon's Garage
Service & Repairs Brownsburg, Que.

The Time o' Day
To pass the time o' day in a commonplace transaction, is like spice to the pudding and sparkle to the brew . . .! For the happy relations that gladden our daily dealings, we thank you with all our heart.
Jas. A. Hay, Dairy
Fresh Supplies Courteous Attention
Lachute

Success
lies not alone in initiative. Much depends on the "breaks" — the opportunity — the public support. Some consider this a factor of "luck"; we call it good sportsmanship, and we thank each customer for the encouragement of his business in the past.
G. I. McFaul
Merchant Brownsburg, 312

Peace —
may be a long way off; and the Prosperity we enjoy these days may be ill-founded, on the false stimulation of war's demands . . . . But here's hoping for better days; may you share in their joys and pleasures, right soon.
A. Lacasse
Dairyman Brownsburg, Que.

Good wishes to old friends in Lachute and district, and our sincere thanks for their support. In the selection of our products and accessories, we assure keen consideration to the needs of car drivers in all seasons.
Farmer Brown's Service Station
Phone 472 Brownsburg Rd.

—Let us take them as an inspiration. If the past is any guide to the future, peace and content will flourish again and time will heal the scars of war . . . There'll always be an England —as surely as there'll always be a Christmas to gladden our hearts.
MacKimmie Bakery
J. A. MacKimmie, Prop. Main St. W., Lachute

Perhaps we do not dwell long enough on the "thank-you's"; maybe our efforts are bent too earnestly to fill your needs and meet your personal tastes . . . Believe us now, our appreciation is as sincere as our desire to serve!
Beaton's Pharmacy
Phone 164 Main St.

A cheery word illuminates the common round of business. The "Merry Christmas" we wish you today — is sincere in the recollection of many happy contacts through the year that's past.
Geo. Paul
Grocery, Drygoods Main St., Lachute

Mid-Winter
brings wistful thoughts of summer-time . . . The modern pace brings back our longing for the "good old days" . . . Yet, then — and now — and all the time —there's friendship to make life pleasant. —We greet our friends sincerely at this festive season.
Rene Paul Raymond
Grocer, Butcher Lachute

It's a privilege we cherish — to furnish a service so closely linked with every phase of your activity. And whereas this service affords courtesy and consideration, so we feel ourselves associated in friendship with your daily doings. We thank you, and greet you today as friends.
Gatineau Power Co.
Electric Light Service, Giles Block, Main Street.

Old Memories
Many happy Yuletides have we shared with our good neighbors and customers. We hope this festive season may prove the merriest yet!
H. Filfe
Merchant Tailor Main St., Lachute

Harmony
Of French and English speaking citizens alike, we think the kindly thoughts and cherish the good-will born of mutually happy contacts. Our thanks to all.
Desjardins Hotel
H. E. Desjardins, Prop. Main Street, Lachute

A Wish, a Message
It has been a privilege to serve you, and in the coming year we solicit your continued patronage . . . Our thanks and hearty wishes for the Christmas season.
P. E. Leger
Barber, Hairdresser Main Street, Lachute

There are hardships and tragedies a-plenty in this war. But in tribute to the courageous souls who bear the brunt of its burden, let it never be said that Christmas finds us downhearted . . . To them, to you — happier days!
Z. Harbour
Drugstore Phone 332

Good Health!
They're linking the theme of national health with national survival. We must be healthy to win the Victory . . . We have confidence in the foods we sell; we commend these wholesome products to your use — at at this festive time we wish you—Health and Contentment through the coming year!
Campbell's Reg'd
Feed, Provisions, Dairy Supplies. Main St.

It's an annual custom — but don't think our "Merry Christmas" is just a matter of being conventional. We send you our greeting — and our thanks — with a depth of real sincerity.
J. P. MacKimmie & Sons
Cascade Bottling Works Foundry St., Lachute

With the Compliments of the Season and all Good Wishes.
Avec les Compliments de la Saison et les Meilleurs Souhaits.
Rex & Capitol Theatres
Lachute — Brownsburg

We thank our past customers — but would not limit our thanks to mere words. We hope for the privilege of serving them again, and often, to express our feeling in the very best this establishment can offer.
Geo. Licop Sr.
Foundry St. Tailor Phone 389-J

Assets — liabilities — at the year's end. In this annual recording, we feel rich in the good will and friendship of our many customers. Our thanks go out to them, for their loyal patronage.
Gregoire Raymond
Butcher West End

The past and the present — justify our optimism for the future; for time is ill spent that builds not friendship to brighten life's journey. We hope you, too, will meet happiness in every business and social venture.
Lucien St. Jacques
Sash and Door Factory Lachute Mills

Still in winter we recall the warmth of summer days. —The thought of underlying friendship is equally cheering in the round of daily business dealings. Our hearty greetings!
Atlantic & Pacific
Wilfrid Raymond, Mgr.
Main St. Lachute.

Thanks again for your loyal support.
We trust we have "filled the bill" in courtesy and service.
Our best wishes!
Edgar Pollock
Garage Brownsburg

Small-Town Sincerity
In this troubled world we wish there might be more of the neighborliness which lightens our business load. We count ourselves fortunate in the good will of our patrons.
Reg. Courtien
Agent for Harrison Bros.' P.O.M. Bakery

There's A War On!
It's war-time. There are luxuries we can do without. But this old custom of greeting one's friends with a rollicking sentiment — old Hitler cannot dampen our ardor in THAT diversion. So here's a hearty wish to you—and you—and you!
A. D. McGibbon & Sons
Lumber Merchants — Lachute Mills

Strange Times
Strange times we are living in. The turmoil of events might well discourage us. But let this season recall, there are still sentiments of charity and love and fellowship at the core of human society. It's a cheering thought . . . Our warmest greetings and thanks, to you.
W. M. Scott
Main St. Monumental Masons Lachute

These Words
speak volumes, for our sentiments at this season ring deep and true. Please accept our gratitude and our heartiest wishes.
MacRae Motor Sales & Service
Plymouth, Chrysler Dealer, Main Street, Lachute

Day in, day out — the routine of service would be dull, but for the human touch which enters all transactions. Our clients bring a friendliness which makes this round a pleasure. — In the same friendly spirit, our thanks and greetings at this time.
R. McArthur & Son
Plumbers, Heating Experts 144 Main Street

A Complex Structure
is modern business, built on essential policies and important details . . . We measure each customer, each transaction, as a factor in our progress, and appreciate accordingly those friends who favor us with their patronage. Our thanks and good wishes!
Gall & Jones
Insurance Phone 491-W

Through the anxieties of wartime, good neighbors stick loyally to that attitude of fellowship and understanding which alone can save the world . . . . We like to do our share and spread the spirit of good will. Our best to you, at Christmas time and all year 'round.
J. R. Seguin
Painter & Decorator Lachute

Step by step, the years lead onward to the mellow stages of life. But we're enjoying every minute; for each business-day renews old friendships and binds us closer to this grand community.
Ernest Rogers
Blacksmith Lachute

Avec les compliments de la saison et les meilleurs souhaits
With the Compliments of the Season and all good wishes
Leger Garage
H. C. Leger, Prop. Lachute, Que.

'BUSINESS AS USUAL' would be unpatriotic; all-out war forbids the lavish stocks and carefree spending. But dealers and retailers have continued their service, to the best of their ability . . . As the year ends they thank you for your support and anticipate, for you and yours, the better times of peace and progress.

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'LES AFFAIRES comme de coutume' devient antipatriotique; la guerre totale défend les stocks formidables et la dépense folle. Mais marchands et détaillants continuent de rendre service dans la mesure où ils le peuvent . . . A la fin de cette année, ils vous remercient pour votre encouragement et désirent pour vous et les vôtres des temps meilleurs, la paix et le progrès.

Christmas GREETINGS!

A wish to you, our customers! May the holiday season bring you a wealth of joy and good fellowship. May the New Year bring you Health, Happiness and Prosperity in full measure.

Nos Souhaits de Nouvel An

Un souhait pour vous, nos clients! Que la période de rejouissances vous apporte une abondante moisson de joies et de bonnes amitiés. Que la nouvelle année vous donne le plus possible de santé, de bonheur et de prosperité.

J. D. LEPINE
BROWNSBURG
●
Sash and Door Factory
Building Supplies



The Hon. Geo. E. Dansereau Extends Greetings



Another year has passed — one in which we had hoped for peace, but the battle still goes on . . .

My personal thanks, and that of our Provincial Government, to which you have appointed me your representative, are due to those engaged in serving their country; and this applies to all — for, whether as parents in the home, those serving in the Army, Air Force or Navy, or those working in war plants, each has his specific duty to perform in helping to bring this struggle to an early end.

And so, with my good wishes for the coming year, I trust that each one may be given health and strength to fulfill the many tasks and obligations which have been set for us to do.

Une autre année touche à sa fin — une année au cours de laquelle nous avons espéré la paix, mais la bataille continue de faire rage.

J'adresse mes remerciements personnels et ceux du gouvernement provincial, où vous m'avez fait l'honneur de me déléguer comme votre représentant, à tous ceux qui servent actuellement leur pays. Et ils s'adressent à tout le monde, car, soit les parents à la maison, soit le soldat, l'aviateur, le marin, ou celui qui travaille dans les usines de guerre, chacun a son devoir particulier à remplir pour terminer le plus rapidement possible cette lutte gigantesque.

Et ainsi, en vous adressant mes meilleurs voeux pour l'année qui s'en vient, j'espère que chacun aura la santé et la force voulue pour remplir les devoirs et les obligations qui nous ont été imposés.

—GEORGES-E. DANSEREAU

CHRISTMAS comes to bring you cheer and friendship. The New Year dawns to bring you hope and courage . . . The business folk by whom your daily needs have been supplied, take this opportunity to thank you and sincerely wish you the season's joys.

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NOEL vient pour vous apporter joie et amitié. Le Nouvel An se lève pour vous apporter espoir et courage . . . L'homme d'affaire qui vous procure les nécessités quotidiennes de la vie profite de cette occasion pour vous remercier et vous adresser ses meilleurs souhaits.

PATRONIZE your Home-Town enterprises in 1943

Merry Christmas !

Accept herewith our sincere greetings and our grateful thanks for your encouragement

Joyeux Noël !

Veuillez agréer nos meilleurs souhaits et nos remerciements de votre patronage

LACHUTE LUMBER Co.
LIMITED

Leo. Carrière & Sons.

Chatham St., Lachute Mills.

Seasonal Message from Jas. McGibbon, M.P.



At this festive season I consider it a privilege to extend my personal greetings through the columns of the home town newspaper, to my friends both in Canada and overseas.

As your federal representative for Argenteuil County, I also wish to express, on behalf of the Government, sincere appreciation of the part you are playing in this most serious and trying war period. Events have made us realize that, if we are to win — and win we must — every effort must be put forth, individually as well as collectively, in order to hasten Victory..

With sincere wishes for 1943,

En cette période des Fêtes, il me fait plaisir de transmettre par la voix du Watchman mes meilleurs voeux à tous mes amis ici et outre-mer.

En ma qualitd de représentant du comté d'Argenteuil, je voudrais également, au nom du gouvernement, vous remercier bien sincèrement pour la part que vous prenez dans les sacrifices qu'impose la guerre. Les évènements nous ont fait comprendre que si nous voulons la victoire — et nous devons gagner — chacun doit contribuer de tous ses efforts pour hâter cette Victoire.

Mes meilleurs voeux pour 1943.

—JAMES W. McGIBBON

We share that wholesome good will that exists among our townsfolk, and we are grateful to them for their confidence expressed in every business dealing.

A. Ethier

Butcher — Bethany St.

It's Yours, It's Ours

—this community we live in. And we appreciate the pleasant relations that have been our mutual contribution to the home-town harmony.

Argenteuil Bazaar Store

Phone 156 — Main St.

Our Aim

is to merit your confidence in reliable and courteous attention. If we have achieved that end, we thank you for the opportunity of having served you. And we trust this pleasure will continue through the coming year.

Albani Lamarche

Phone 313 — Main St.

Health and Happiness ! We cannot wish you more — for wealth, without either, would be a tasteless morsel. . . . . Our sincere Christmas Greetings.

Graham's Dairy

Geo. Graham, Prop. — Grace Street, Lachute

To those who have favored us with their patronage in the past year — we extend our appreciation and the heartiest Season's Greetings.

Ethier Express

Daily Service — Montreal - Lachute
Warehouse — 124 Grace St.

Business is inevitably linked with sentiment. As its scope and activity increases, so are friendships cemented more firmly . . . . We thank those customers whose support we have enjoyed in the past year.

J. R. A. Carignan

Plasterer — Phone 43 — Lachute Mills

Thanking all our customers, and assuring them of our best consideration in the coming year— With wishes warm and true — for your pleasure this Christmastide and your welfare till the next!

Romeo Giroux

Butcher, Grocer — 78 Main W. — Phone 109

Something to Learn

There's a lesson to learn in the tragedy of these times. How often in the days of peace we thought the world had "gone completely to the dogs". But NOW — how we long for them good ole days ! . . . Here's our wish for peace and happiness to you, in the coming year.

H. D. Graves

Grocery, Flour & Feed Store
Maple Ave., S. — Brownsburg

From Us, to You

Have you known friendship — health — contentment, in the year that's past? May the future bring you these, and all earth's joys, in greater measure.

Venus Drugstore - Café

Restaurant, Soda Fountain — Main St., Lachute

Thanks !

—And our appreciation of your support rings louder and longer than a mere word on our lips. We are sincerely grateful for your patronage and good will. Our warmest greetings at this season.

Muir Bros.

Service Station — Main Street

Not in mighty institutions — not in mass production enterprises — do you find that sentiment which adds zest to business. It's here, in the home-town stores and industries . . . We are grateful for that friendly approach, and to the customers who share it with us day by day.

Russell Rodgers

Farm Implements — Lachute, Que.

Service — Friendship

In rendering loyal service, we cherish the friendship we receive in return . . . Our thanks and season's greetings to all.

Don Fletcher

Main St. — Barber — Lachute

Greetings

The approach of Christmas brings with it our appreciation of your patronage.

Lachute Dry Cleaning

Eug. L'Heureux, Prop. — Barron Ave.

Often as we have called at your door, should we not cherish your acquaintance and wish you now the Season's Greetings? —Our thanks and good wishes to all.

Lachute Bakery

J. A. Menard, Prop. — Phone 106

Our windows, shelves and counters are gay with the spirit of Christmas . . . . But, be it Easter or Thanksgiving, we always pride ourselves on catering to the season. Even our sentiments ring true with the times; so now, friends, it's a—

Merry Christmas, Happy New Year !

Leonard 5c — $1 Store

Leonard Bedard, Prop. — Main St., Lachute

Things move fast these days — and furious. None can tell what another year may bring . . . We wish you luck, and the spirit of this Christmastide continuing through every day of 1943.

So may happiness be yours.

Deslauriers & Rozon

Insurance — Bedard Blvd.

We hope we may continue to serve you faithfully and well, making life easier and happier by the service we render.

Nous souhaitons de continuer à vous servir fidèlement, en vous rendant la vie plus agréable par le service que nous fournissons.

Lachute Creamery

H. Lamarche, Prop. — Water St., Lachute

Accept herewith our sincere greetings and grateful thanks.

Veuillez agréer les souhaits les plus sincères et nos remerciements de votre patronage.

Jos. Belanger

Painter, Peintre — 64 Robert St.

Neighbors !

As we share with you the daily exchanges of business, we share alike the social adjuncts of this town — the fellowship, the charity, the community work . . . Our wishes greet you now, as both a customer and a friend.

H. M. Lavigne

General Merchant — Lachute Mills

Our Thanks and Good Wishes

Assuring our customers of our warm appreciation and of our utmost endeavor to meet their demands with courteous and satisfactory service . . . . Our thanks and season's greetings.

John McFaul & Son

Hardware, Clothing & Sports Outfitters

Investments

We share with you the material investments of a thriving town — the thoroughfares, the utilities, the public buildings; but we value most the spirit of fellow-citizenship, not measured in dollars and cents. We greet you with these finer sentiments, as a good neighbor and friend.

Pariseau Bros.

Meat & Provisions — Lachute & Brownsburg

In Brief !

Thank you for your Confidence. —And have you thought, how Confidence is the foundation of everything pleasant in human associations ? Our wishes for your happiness this Christmastime ring true and sincere.

Geo. Licop

Tailoring, Repairs — Main St. Lachute

Realty

is not the yardstick of a good community. It's the loyalty, the friendship, the fellow spirit, that make this town worth-while. Your friendly support is a factor which makes the home-town a pleasant place in which to live and work. Our sincere appreciation !

M. G. Assaly

Bargain Store — 155 Main St.

With that example of optimism in the suffering masses of Britain, and in our soldier lads away from home, how can WE be downhearted ! Here's to them — and to you — and to a happy outcome in the dawning year.

W. J. Graham

Stationery — Patent Medicines — Novelties
Cor. Main & Maple Ave., Brownsburg

Think of Us

as we think of you — not merely as a contact in good business but as a friend sharing the pleasures of neighborly association. We appreciate your kindly patronage.

R. DeRepentigny

Baker — Brownsburg, Que.

Thanks — and Greetings

Too speedily, the months and the years pass. But while friends are true and customers loyal at least we feel that life is giving us of her best. We trust that you, too, are equally fortunate in the good will of your fellow men.

Bradford's Dairy

Milk Products - Cream - Chocolate Milk
R. R. No. 5, Lachute

A Toast !

Your health ! 'Tis a time-honored toast, and we feel we cannot wish you more.
Our thanks and sincere greetings at this Festive Season.

P. E. Lafleur

Cabinet Maker — Meubles — Elizabeth St.

We solicit

the privilege to serve you in the future as we have served you in the past. Our warm thanks and the season's greetings.

A Merry Christmas !

Lachute Electro Mechanic Service

E. Boivin, — Water St. Lachute

Then catch the moments as they fly,
And use them as ye ought, man;
Believe me, happiness is shy,
And comes not, ay, when sought man.
—Robert Burns

Our season's greetings—May happiness be yours.

McAdam's Dairy

Brownsburg — Que.

A Link of Friendship

A link from home to home, a bridge from year to year, is the home-town newspaper. We value the role which is our lot in this community; our readers, correspondents and advertisers are friends whom we salute with true appreciation.

Our thanks and hearty greetings !

The Lachute Watchman Publishers and Staff

Have We Served ?

Have we served with satisfaction in your daily needs ? . . It is our fond hope that our courtesy and friendship may likewise have counted, in making your days and dealings more pleasant. We extend our thanks and Christmas greetings.

Farmers' Supply Co.

84 Foundry St. — Telephone 384

Season's Greetings — and sincere thanks to all my customers.

Souhaits de Noël — et sincères remerciements à tous mes clients.

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DIFFERENCE AS TO CHRISTMAS DATE HAS PLAGUED WORLD FOR CENTURIES

Is December 25 the right date on which to celebrate Christmas?

This controversy has plagued the world for a great many years and is perhaps no nearer solution at the present time than it was when first voiced.

In this country as in many others December 25 is the day recognized as that when Christ first showed himself in human form in the manger at Bethlehem. The evidence we possess for this recognition is not only traditional but it is conflicting and confusing.

In the first periods of which there is any record of Christmas it is found that some communities of Christians celebrated it on January 1 while others celebrated it on January 6. Some celebrated it on March 29 to coincide with the Jewish Passover and others on September 29 to coincide with the Feast of the Tabernacles. It is certain, however, that even before the time of Constantine, the season of the New Year was chosen as the time in which to celebrate the Nativity.

A difference appeared, however, between the Eastern and the Western churches, the former choosing the sixth of January and the latter December 25.

The custom of the Western churches prevailed, however, and it was finally agreed by both ecclesiastical bodies to hold the observance on the same day. The fixing of the date appears to have been the act of Julius I, who presided as Pope of Rome from 337 to 352 A.D.

The circumstance is doubted by Mosheim but is confirmed by St. Chrysostom who died in the fifth century. He was a celebrated father of all the church and in one of his writings states that Julius, on the solicitation of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, caused strict enquiries to be made on the subject and that thereafter—following what seemed to be the authentic tradition—settled authoritatively on December 25 as the date of Christ's birth.

Some, however, lean to the belief that the fixing of the day was set by St. Telesphorus who was bishop of Rome from 128 to 139 A.D.

Coming closer to our own time Sir Isaac Newton declares in his "Commentaries on the Prophesies of Daniel" that the feast of the Nativity—like many other ecclesiastical ceremonies—was originally fixed at a cardinal point of the year without any reference to the dates of the incidents which they commemorated.

One objection to the December date is found in the fact that shepherds could hardly have been watching their flocks in December—a period generally of great inclemency in the region of Judea.

Despite these differences as to the date of Christmas, the holiday is the greatest of the year and so sacred and joyous a solemnity that it seemed that a special exception is made in its favor so that in the event of the anniversary falling on a Friday, that day of the week, under all other circumstances a fast, is transformed into a festival.

DOGS ON GUARD

London (CP)—Dogs are being used in increasing numbers to help guard vulnerable military installations and vital areas throughout Great Britain.

Season of the Star

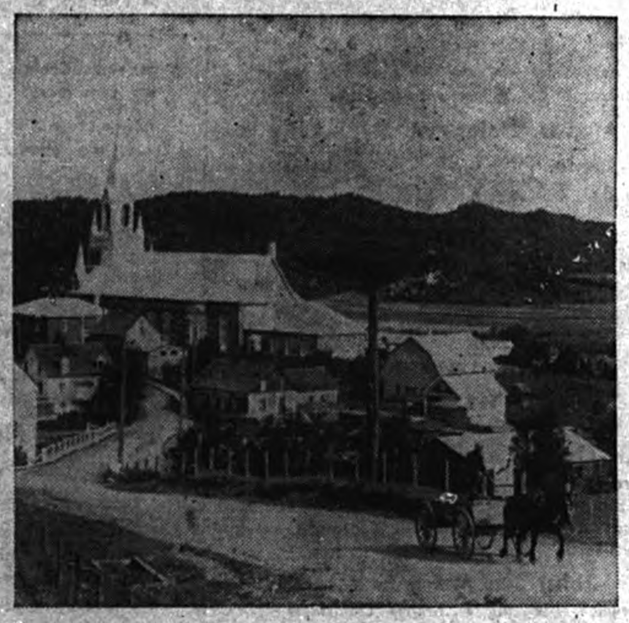
Lonely and cold, this brilliance
Of the first suspended star:
Thin-voiced in a violet sky . . .
Removed and far.
But I shall find it from a hill-top
Until it fills my sight,
Beyond the bare laced fingers
On the lucent rim of night.
I shall find it from a hill-top
Until I deeply hear its cry,
Until my soul is filled with music
And the pale violet sky!

Ste. Agathe, —Eva Buik.
Christmas, 1941.

STORIED SPOTS FROM SEA TO SEA

By W. J. Banks, B.A.

On the Road to Gaspé



Highway at Bic, Quebec

The motor road to Gaspé passes through many villages on the south shore of the St. Lawrence which combine scenic grandeur and historic interest. Highly placed on the list is Bic, whose odd little name is in itself intriguing. Bic appears to be a corruption of Pic, referring to a high, pointed peak to be seen in the distance. It was Samuel Champlain, that great name-giver of eastern Canada, who thus referred to the location some ten miles above Rimouski on one of his early voyages up the mighty river.

Just opposite the picturesque village lies Bic Island, known also as L'Islet au Massacre. Here in the seventeenth century warlike Iroquois trapped a party of two hundred Micmac Indians and slew them almost to a man. For many years the pilots who guided ships through the dangerous shoals of the river embarked and disembarked at Bic Island where they made their headquarters. Today this honor is held by Pointe au Père (Father Point), just below Rimouski. It was named for the Jesuit Father Henri Nouvel who in 1663 here celebrated the first mass in the region. Though Bic thus attracted the attention of some of the early visitors to the south shore it did not become a full-fledged municipality until 1855. The town experienced a boom during the building of the Inter-colonial Railway. Today it is well known as a summer resort.

God grants liberty only to those who love it,
And are always ready to guard and defend it.
—Daniel Webster

One way for the boys in camp to make the folks at home happy is not to write about the big, thick, juicy steak they just had.
—Exchange

CHEMICAL IS USED FOR FIRE-PROOFING

Fire-Retardant to Prevent Tragedy —Safeguarding Furnishings and Trim in Public Halls

Fires kindled by paper decorations, cloth upholstery and hangings in public places need never happen. Because of chemical research, flammable fabrics even to a sheer party frock can be rendered incapable of supporting fire by the simplest of treatment.

Within the past year, industrial chemists have begun commercial production of a new chemical known as ammonium sulphamate, a crystalline substance which "flame-proofs" so thoroughly that a blazing blowtorch merely scorches paper and cloth that has been properly sprayed or dipped in a solution and dried. Today this fire retardant chemical is produced in carload quantities, with the army and navy necessarily using most of it. Other suitable fire retardants, however, are still available, according to development chemists of Canadian Industries Limited.

Neither ammonium sulphamate nor the other recommended retardants when incorporated in paper or cloth will give off harmful or toxis fumes upon being subjected to heat. Flimsy window curtains, structural insulating materials, smoking jackets, negligees, bed linen, and mattresses are some of the common sources of fire fatalities which have been successfully treated with these chemicals. Because of the high degree of protection afforded against flame and flying sparks, fire retardants have been used for many months quite widely in industry. Workers' clothing in many war plants, foundries, steel mills and shipyards are immunized against flame by dipping in a solution of ammonium sulphamate or other suitable fire retardant after each laundering.

Of particular importance, it is pointed out, is the flameproofing of pile fabrics such as velvet draperies. These are prone to "flash" burn—that is, flame will literally sweep across the nap in an instant.

Municipal fire regulations in some cities require that all combustible materials in places of public assembly be flameproofed. These usually include all hangings of cotton, silk, rayon and stage scenery in theatres, halls and restaurants. It is a simple procedure for an experienced operator to spray-treat effectively with commercial equipment, but it is not a job that should be entrusted to an amateur, according to the C-I-L announcement. Some fabrics require special handling, particularly if they contain sizing, while others may need a heavier impregnation of the chemical solution. Generally, an affectively treated piece of cloth is one that has added 10 per cent to its weight after it has been sprayed or dipped and dried.

If it expected that laundries and cleaning establishments will eventually offer the public a fire retardant treatment for clothing, bed sheets, blankets and the like. Textile mills may also flameproof fabrics incorporating the chemical in the fibres at the time of weaving. Light weight paper can also be rendered flameproof by incorporating the chemical at the time of manufacture. Heavier grades can be treated by quick immersion and drying. Fire can be controlled by chemistry without injurious effects from fumes.

LIONIZING BIG THREE

London (CP)—Princess, a lioness at the London zoo has given birth to three cubs. They've been named after three great wartime leaders and are called Joe, Franklin and Winnie.

ESCAPES TO FIGHT

London (CP)—A Belgian condemned to death by the Germans in the First Great War but escaped has made another escape and now is in England. He is Adjutant Van Loo-Lambremont of the Belgian Army.

One War Savings Certificate will buy 12 rounds of .303 ammunition for a Canadian soldier's rifle. Keep those bullets flying!

THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

'Twas the day after Christmas, when all through the flat
There were wrappings and boxes and such stuff as that.
The rugs were all covered with tinsel and string
And various morsels that clutter and cling.
The housewife got up (rather tardy, I guess)
And said, with impatience: "This flat is a MESS."
Her daughter got up (being prodded by mother)
And lazily viewing this, that and the other
Which people had given her yawned and declared
"This flat is a MESS and it needs to be aired."
Small brother turned over and groaned in his sleep
His tummy too full. In a quickly-flung heap
Lay bed-clothes which father had crossly vacated
To make for the office a dash quite belated.
Said mother: "Come, Mary, let's straighten this out."
Said Mary: "Oh, WHY did we leave things about?"
This dress I must change and these shoes are too small.
I'm sure that I never can wear them at all.
This book I have read, and I wonder if brother
Will take it right back and then get me another."
By this time, young brother was up and about
And making for breakfast a heart-rending shout.
"Aw, Ma, hurray up fer I want to go skatin',
The guys are outside, there's a crowd of them waitin'."
So mother hikes off to get something together,
And Mary stands round doing nothing whatever,
And all through the flat there is string and red paper
With which dear Old Santa had cut such a caper.
The day after Christmas! Poor mother began
With almost despair the disorder to scan.
The daughter looked round with shudder and said:
"I think it's the grippe, so I'll go back to bed."
But (would you believe it?) when father came home
With utter amazement he scratched his bald dome,
For there was the flat all as neat as a pin—
Say! Aren't mothers handy when daughters sleep in?

—Anonymous



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CHRISTMAS CARDS, FAVORS AND DECORATIONS

Greetings to all our customers!

Is there a Santa Claus?

Back in 1897 a queer letter came to the editorial desk at the old New York Sun. It was a simple query from a little girl who quite obviously had experienced the chill of disillusionment in her faith in Santa Claus, and wished the matter settled finally, positively.

The letter was turned over to Francis Pharcellus (Frank) Church to answer. And Church bristled and pooh-poohed . . . but he took the letter and turned with an air of resignation to his desk.

He did not know that all the weighty words that he had written would be forgotten and that his claim to remembrance would rest on a simple message written in kindness to a troubled little girl.

This world-famous Santa Claus editorial has been reprinted in The Sun annually at Christmas time ever since and has been quoted by hundreds of newspapers and in a score of languages. It should be read every year, and at times such as these when doubt and scepticism assail and trouble you. Here it is:

* * * *

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun:

Dear Editor — I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in The Sun it's so." Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?

— VIRGINIA O'HANLON

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the sceptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies. You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain, and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay ten times ten thousand years from now he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

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The Christmas Celebration of Holy Communion will be held on Christmas Eve beginning at 11.30 o'clock.

Sunday Services

LACHUTE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. H. Charlton

Sunday School 9.45 a.m.
11 a.m., Morning Worship.
7 p.m., Evening Worship
Wednesday 8 p.m., Prayer Meeting.

ST. SIMEON'S CHURCH
Anglican
The Rev. B. J. Thorpe, M.A., L.Th.

First Sunday of Month —
Holy Communion 11 a.m.
All Other Sundays —
Morning Prayer 11 a.m.

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.

10 a.m., Sabbath School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
"The Incarnation"
7 p.m., Evening worship.
"The Year's Gilgal"

Special Christmas Music will be rendered by the choir at both morning and evening services.
11 a.m., East Settlement.
3 p.m., Thomas' Gore.
Welcome to all services.

MARGARET RODGER MEML. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. E. Orsborn

Wednesday, December 23, 8 p.m. Preparatory Service.

Sabbath—December 27.

10 a.m., Sabbath School.

11.00 a.m. The Communion Service. "The God of Hope"

7.00 p.m. Evening Worship
"The Valley of Trouble is The Door of Hope"

BROWNSBURG UNITED
Rev. S. J. Pike, Minister

10.00 a.m. Sunday School.
11.00 a.m. New Year Service.
7.30 p.m. Christmas Carols with Story.

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, BROWNSBURG
Rev. T. J. H. Rich, Pastor

10.00 a.m. Sunday School.
7.30 p.m. Brownsburg.
3.00 p.m. Chatham West Service at the home of Mr. Alvin Heatlie.

Each Sunday, commencing with January 3rd, services will be held in the morning and evening at Brownsburg.

BROWNSBURG CHURCHES, WEEK OF PRAYER SERVICES

Tuesday, Jan. 5, Regular Baptist Church, Brownsburg. Speaker, Rev. S. J. Pike.

Wednesday, Jan. 6, Maple Avenue Baptist Church, Brownsburg. Speaker, Rev. B. J. Thorpe.

Thursday, Jan. 7, United Church, Brownsburg. Speaker, Rev. T. J. H. Rich.

The services will commence each evening at 7.30 o'clock.

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"Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is". Heb. 10: 25.

REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES

10.00 a.m. Sunday School, Brownsburg.
11.00 a.m. Brownsburg
7.30 p.m., Dalesville

LAKEFIELD SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector

11.00 a.m. Dunany
2.00 p.m. Louisa
7.00 p.m. Lakefield

PARISH OF ARUNDEL
December 27

11.00 a.m. Arundel
2.30 p.m. Kasil
No Service at Weir.
11.30 p.m. New Year's Eve. Watchnight Service at Weir.

To Sing Carols Christmas Eve

The singing of carols outdoors —an old-land custom less popular in this frosty Canadian climate— will be observed by a group of girl singers, members of the Lachute C.G.I.T., on Christmas Eve. Those whose homes are favored with a visit from these girls, are advised that the contributions they receive will be devoted to the Queen's Canadian Fund for air-raid victims in Britain.

Christmas Presentation At Brownsb'g United

Brownsburg—In addition to the special Christmas service last Sunday morning, an interesting pre-Christmas missionary pageant was presented at 7.30 p.m. under the leadership of Mrs. S. J. Pike and Mrs. L. B. Johnston. Some seven nations were represented in the native costumes, all receiving gifts from the children of Canada, indicating the gifts of the gospel. The manger scene was particularly attractive, with the Shepherds, Wise Men and Angels depicting the biblical account. The closing tableau, in which all the children, over 20 in number, participated, brought home to the audience an impressive message of the Christmas spirit.

Following the church presentation part of this pageant was staged at the Recreation Hall in connection with Fireside program and singing of Christmas carols.

Next Sunday a New Year order of service will be conducted in the morning at 11 o'clock, and a carol service at 7.30 p.m.

Christian Science

"Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon to be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 27.

The Golden Text is from John 14: 15-17. "If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth."

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Howbeit, when he, the spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come." (John 16: 13).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Our Master said, "But the comforter . . . shall teach you all things." When the Science of Christianity appears, it will lead you into all truth. The Sermon on the Mount is the essence of this Science, and the eternal life, not the death of Jesus, is its outcome." (Page 271).

Celebrations Mark Christmas In China

In China the Christmas festival among Christians is known as Sheg Dan Jieh, the Holy Birth festival. This celebration has gradually penetrated inland.

Various paper decorations and evergreens adorn the churches and homes. Paper chains are made of green, red, yellow and blue and are suspended in interlocking festoons from the ceiling. On the white walls, large posters are hung. On them are elaborate characters meaning peace and joy.

No candles are used, but the trees are decorated with paper flowers, colored paper chains and cotton snowflakes.

There is usually an early service. The church is kept dark except for lanterns carried by the worshippers. Carolers wend their way along the road before dawn, singing the Chinese words to such melodies as "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing." The service consists of reading the Christmas message from the Bible, music, dramatization of the manger scene, and an offering for the poor.

Gifts are distributed to the children. The packages contain such things as tangerines, peanuts, pretty picture cards (sometimes used cards sent from America), candy and western pencils.

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GIRLS FROM DOMINION HAVE LONDON CLUB, "CANADA CORNER"

Home Magazines, Rest Rooms and Snack Bar Are Features; "House Mother" in Residence

London, Dec. 21 (CP) — Close by Canada House, off Trafalgar Square, Canadian women in the services or engaged in war work in Britain have their own central gathering place called "Canada Corner". The formal opening was on December 19 but even before that more than 100 young Canadian girls, mostly in uniform, were making use of the club's facilities at 5 Suffolk Street.

There is a comfortable sitting room, Canadian magazines and papers, a rest room and a snack bar. A house mother is in residence and with day hostesses she shares the task of giving information or advice to recent arrivals who don't know their way around London.

The idea of the club came from among the girls themselves, all of them engaged in war work of some kind. They stayed in London throughout the bombing and learned just how much it means to keep in touch with friends from home. So, after the idea was born, about a year ago, a house, bombed but in process of renovation, was acquired, furniture was borrowed and an austerity snack bar was set up.

The first organization meeting was held nearly 12 months ago, and later about 50 girls assembled in a tea room and the club was formed.

Some weeks ago the committee, headed by the honorary president, Mrs. J. Goodman, of Vancouver, formally took over a bombed house next to the United Universities Club. Ceilings were down, paint and paper hung in strips and the dust and plaster of three years of neglect and bombing covered the floors. Canadian soldiers helped move a little borrowed furniture and they were so impressed with the manner in which the girls worked they sent in a "slight donation" — a whole envelope of soap coupons, each man in a company sacrificing one, for the cleaning.

A young Canadian naval officer sent a radio and the Canadian Red Cross gave patch-work quilts for the rest room, rag rugs and bedding. The rest room, with five beds can be used by girls who have missed their train or bus.

The sitting room on the second floor of this five-storey house, is panelled in carved dark oak and the room was once a library. Club members sacrificed clothing coupons for the buying of curtains of gay pictorial hunting chintz in the sitting room, and curtains for the rest room were evolved from grey blankets bound with green and hung on green silk cords.

A large visitor's and member's book on the house mother's desk contains a record of girls who visit the club, to see who they know in town who has been there before them. A small series of nine books, each bearing the name of a different province, is being assembled for use of new arrivals and they will contain the names of girls from each of Canada's nine provinces who are in the Imperial or Canadian forces in Britain or engaged in war work.

Volunteers from among young Canadian matrons in London have formed a committee to act as afternoon hostesses or take charge of evening parties when the club is fully open.

Buy battle dress for a Canadian soldier with three War Savings Certificates and three Stamps. Do it now!

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Helen Deacon, of Montreal, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Y. Deacon.

Miss Vivian St. Eloi left on Wednesday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents in Mattawa, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kingsland, of St. Catharines, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hume, Hill Head.

The Misses Connie Vasseur and Gladys Woods are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents in Grand Falls, N.B.

Mrs. E. Lalande, Mrs. Tillotson and Mr. Granger Tillotson are spending the Christmas holiday with relatives in Montreal.

Miss Dorothy Adrian, of Ste. Therese, spent Tuesday the guest of Miss Kathryn Langille.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bradford are spending Christmas in Granby, Que.

AC-2 Edmund McFaul, of the R.C.A.F., Toronto Manning Pool, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart McFaul.

Gnr. R. W. Warren and Mrs. Warren, with their son, David, spent a few days visiting the former's parents in Woodville, Ont.

Miss Marjorie Seekins, of Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd R. Seekins, Lachute Mills.

Miss Dorothy McOuat, of Hull, is in town to spend the holidays.

Miss Louise Deacon spent the week-end in Montreal visiting the Misses Anna and Margaret Brennian.

Mrs. John Cruise left this week to spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Hodge, in Niagara Falls.

Mrs. J. H. Mason is spending the winter months with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Biggar, at Cowansville.

Among members of the High School staff spending the holidays at their respective homes are—Miss Vivian Rick, at Richmond; Miss Ruth Sherman, at Scotstown; Miss Eleanor Jones, at Bedford; Miss Patricia Bennett, at Bury; Miss Maude Cottingham and Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Upton, at Ormstown.

Mr. Wm. Painter left on Thursday last to visit his daughter, Mrs. Cecil Finnimore and Mr. Finnimore, in Brooklyn, N.Y.

LAC. Roy Bedard, of the R.C.A.F., Windsor, Ont., is spending his Christmas leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bedard.

LAC. Sydney Drew, of the R.C.A.F., Fort William, is visiting at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Walker, for a few days, having just completed his elementary flying instruction, in which he ranked second among the students of his class.

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. George Morrison, of Lachute, Quebec, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Helen Jean, to Keith Evans Nairn, of Jacquet River, New Brunswick. The wedding will take place quietly on December 30, 1942.

YEAR'S SALES IN SAVINGS STAMPS

Ottawa, Dec. 22 — Canadians have bought 108,000,000 War Savings Stamps worth $27,000,000 since May 1940. If strung out end to end, they would cover the 1,700 miles between Ottawa and Saskatoon, National War Finance Committee statisticians figured out today. When used to buy War Savings Certificates, the stamps have a return of 31 cents in seven and one-half years for each 25 cents invested now.

War Savings Stamps first went on sale on May 27, 1940. At present, they are being sold through about 45,000 outlets, including post offices, banks, trust and loan companies, retail stores, theatres, restaurants and at the offices of public utility companies.

Since there are about 2,500,000 homes in Canada and about 11,500,000 citizens, the total of 108,000,000 stamps is equal to approximately 40 stamps for each home, or about nine stamps for each man, woman and child in the Dominion.

Up to the end of November, 1942, about $22,500,000 worth of War Savings Stamps had been used by Canadians to buy War Savings Certificates. Substracting this figure from total sales of $27,000,000 reveals that there are about 18,000,000 War Savings Stamps, worth $4,500,000, outstanding in the hands of Canadians.

Most of the outstanding Stamps represent accumulations towards the purchase of War Savings Certificates although some part of the outstanding total reflects Stamps which are held for sale by banks, retail stores, and other stamp selling agencies.

Feel Crowded? Look at This

London (CP)—Jock McGovern, Labor M.P., cited these examples of over-crowding when he spoke in the Commons: An old married couple live in a hen house and one of their sons in the army has to live there when on leave; another married couple he knows with a five-year-old boy live in a washhouse. A woman near Glasgow lives with her family and her mother-in-law—eleven persons in all—in one small room and kitchen.

HOPPO SKIPPO PRONTO

Western Desert, Africa (CP)—The commandant of the 10th Italian Armored Corps left his personal caravan in the desert in his rapid retreat before the British. It had a luxurious diner and a menu including "Beefo Roasto Benghazi" and Turnip au Tobruk."

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IN LEGEND ALONE ARE "MAGI" KINGS

Scripture Makes No Reference to the Three Wise Men as Rulers of Countries

No mention of Christmas is complete without some reference to the three Magi. These Wise Men of the East, who visited the infant Saviour and brought gold, frankincense and myrrh, under ecclesiastical influence have become recognized as kings though nowhere in the Scriptures does one find the information that they were.

Legend not only converts them into kings but gives them names and affords details of their stature and the nature of their gifts.

Melchior—we are told in legend —was king of Nubia and the smallest man of the trio. He brought the gold.

Balthazar was king of Chaldea and offered incense. He was a man of ordinary stature.

Jasper, King of Tarshish, was tall in stature and brought myrrh. He is described as "a black Ethiope".

All came with "many rich ornaments belonging to kings' array and also with mules, camels, and horses loaded with great treasure, and with multitude of people".

The legend was a favorite with artists of the middle ages. The Empress Helena, mother of Constantine the Great, was responsible for the discovery of the place of burial of the three kings. She caused their bodies to be removed to Constantinople where they remained in the Church of St. Sophia until the reign of Emperor Emanuel who allowed the Bishop of Milan to transfer them to his Cathedral.

In 1164 when Emperor Frederick conquered Milan, he gave these relics to the Archbishop of Cologne who removed them to that city. His successor placed them in a magnificent tomb. These relics were enveloped in velvet and decorated with jewels — only the upper part of each skull was to be seen and the hollow eyes which the faithful believed once rested on the Saviour.

Bishop Patrick in his "reflections on the Devotions of the Roman Church" in 1674 asked with assumed naivete how these names of the three wise men—Melchior, Balthazar and Jasper—are to be of service "when another tradition says they were Apellius, Amerus and Damascus; a third, that they were Megalath, Galgalath and Sarsin; and a fourth calls them Ator, Sator and Peratoras; which last I should choose in this uncertainty as having the more kingly sound".

"FIGHTING MEN WHO CAN WEEP"

Peoria (Ill.) Journal Transcript

On the day the Senate confirmed the promotion of Rear Admirable William F. Halsey, Jr., to the post of full admiral, the navy released a story describing how the admiral wept while presenting 23 men with silver stars, four of them posthumously, and 17 officers and men with navy crosses for gallantry in action with the enemy.

The ceremony took place on the punctured deck of an American warship and the admiral's brief speech concluded:

"To all glorious immortal dead: rest in peace. You've fought a good fight and kept faith. Hail and farewell.

"We'll carry on the fight. We'll show them that every one of you is a better man than that little yellow monkey, and we'll make him wish he'd died before he was born.

"You are living proof we can whip them. Against great odds you defeated the enemy."

The "little yellow monkeys" as the admiral calls them, probably would sneer at the spectacle of a fighting man wiping tears from his eyes. They do not believe in softer human realities. But in the description of that ceremony on the battle scarred deck may be found one of the reasons why the United States of America will not lose this war. It has fighting men who can weep and give them hell at the same time. It has chaplains who can praise the Lord and pass the ammunition without any fear that there is incongruity in such co-ordination.

And it has heroes, such one of the men who was decorated posthumously, who—with a gaping shrapnel wound in his stomach—propped himself up against a carriage and kept ramming his gun in the midst of the battle which brought the decorations from a grateful nation to its fighters.

Somehow, we like Admiral Halsey the better because he knows how to weep.

MORE BANS FOR HOLLAND

Stockholm, Sweden, (CP) — In an attempt to stop residents of German-occupied Holland from writing or pasting up pro-Allied slogans on walls, the Germans have forbidden them to carry any "poster-glue, painting material, tar, chalk or other coloring material", reports reaching here said.

EXCHANGE RUBBERS IDEA FOR SCHOOLS

(Montreal Herald)

Nowadays rubber is even more scarce than coffee and gasoline.

As a result of this situation we should make full use of the rubber that is now here. With this in mind units of the Parent-Teacher Association below the border have established permanent "rubber exchanges" for several schools.

At stated times pupils who have outgrown their own rubbers can take them to the school and exchange them for larger ones, turned in by other students.

Children grow so fast that, in most cases, they outgrow both shoes and rubbers before the shoes and rubbers are worn out. The shoe problem is not at present critical but the rubber problem is.

If there are many children in one family, clothes and shoes and rubbers are all handed down from child to child. But there are many with only one child, or two or three that are widely separated in age. In such families the rubber exchange is particularly helpful.

By going to the rubber exchange instead of the store for rubbers, there is no undue call on the rubber market, already struggling to fill necessary orders.

It is an idea that could be generally adopted by schools here with benefit to the community and Canada's war effort.


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BOAR AND PEACOCK FORMER YULE FARE

Festive Boards of Old England Groaned With Delicacies Not Prominent Now

The boar's head with cranberries for eyes and a rosy apple between its tusks was the Old English symbol for jolly Christmas fare.

While perhaps rude and unrefined, the "brave days of old" were at least distinguished by a hearty and profused hospitality. Throughout the yuletide holiday open house was kept by barons and knights and for a fortnight or upward nothing was heard but feasting and revelry.

The grand feast given by the feudal chieftain to his friends and retainers took place on Christmas Day. The boar's head was first at the feast and foremost on the board. It was heralded by a jubilant flourish of trumpets and accompanied by merry strains of minstrelsy. It was carried in a dish of gold into the banquet hall at the head of the procession.

Of this noble dish one early poet wrote:

Sweet rosemary and bays around it spread;
His foaming tusks with some large pippin graced,
Or midst those thundering spears an orange placed.
Sauce, like himself, offensive to its foes,
The roguish mustard, dangerous to the nose.

Apparently this condiment was indispensable. One old book says: "First set forth mustard with brawn, take knife in hand and cut broln in dish as it lieth and lay on your sovereign's trencher—and see there be mustard."

Curiously enough, the dish of second importance was the peacock. To prepare it for the table was a task. The skin was first stripped off with the plumage adhearing. The bird was roasted. When it was done, it was sewed up again in its feathers, its beak gilt, and so sent to the table. The serving of it was the privilege of lady guests most distinguished by birth or beauty.

Geese, capons, pheasants, pies of carps-tongue were to be seen in profusion as well as venison, mutton, minced pies and plum puddings.

While Christmas as far as eating was concerned always had its specialties its liquor card was unlimited.

Perhaps the following stanza will best explain:

Lordlings, Christmas loves good drinking
Wines of Gascoigne, France, Anjou
English ale that drives out thinking
Prince of liquors old or new
... neighbor shares the bowl
... of the spicy liquor deep
... his till without control
Till he drowns his care in sleep.

CIRCULATION WITH BLITZES

London (CP) — Alexander MacLaren, 64, the man who made sure newspaper deliveries were maintained during the Battle of Britain, is dead. He was secretary of the Retail Newsagents Federation during the heavy blitzes.

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I, Your Father . . .

They sat down almost at the same moment—the Christmas tree was finished at last.

Suddenly it seemed very quiet.

Father looked at mother, — mother looked at father, both smiling relief.

A clock in the hall began to strike in faint musical tones that seemed to accentuate the quietude —twelve o'clock on Christmas Eve!

"I'm so tired," said mother.

"I'm tired, too," replied father. "It's been a long day. Shall we go to bed?"

"Yes, let's go to bed. I'm sure he's asleep now. If we go upstairs quietly you can slip the things into his stocking."

"Daddy! Daddy!"

At the sound of the shrill, childish voice the man frowned.

"Drat that kid!" he exclaimed, "he's still awake!"

Mother smiled. "He's so excited, you know. Christmas means so much to him."

"Daddy!"

"Well, what is it?

"Aren't you coming to bed? It's twelve o'clock, and Santy won't come if you stay up."

"Yes, yes, I'm coming."

Then, lowering his voice: "You go to bed, mother, you're tired. I'll stay up for ten minutes or so till he's dropped off."

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In a few minutes father was sitting alone with the Christmas tree. The house was very quiet. He found himself nodding. Mustn't go to sleep!" he thought. "Mustn't go to sleep!"

With an effort he kept his eyes open—kept them fixed on a little figure of Santa Claus standing on the tree.

Now wonderful things happen on Christmas Eve. As he looked at Santa Claus he saw the figure move. He rubbed his eyes. The figure stopped moving. Presently it began to move again—yes, it was no illusion. He sat spellbound.

Slowly the little figure descended from the tree—slowly, slowly it grew bigger. Presently it was the size of a full-grown man standing there beside the tree.

Santa Claus looked at the tree, looked at the presents grouped beneath the tree, then slowly turned and looked at him.

Then something else happened. It startled him. Beneath the red clothes, behind the snowy whiskers he recognized himself!

Santa Claus jerked a thumb to indicate upstairs, winked at him and beckoned him to follow.

He got up and followed him, out of the room, upstairs, into his son's bedroom. He saw the little gifts he intended for the boy's stocking in Santa's hands. He saw them being put into the stocking.

Then Santa went up to the head of the bed and looked down at the boy.

The little chap was sleeping, one hand crumpled under his cheek and the blond curls stickily wet on his forehead. Father became aware that Santa was speaking softly. He listened intently, and this is what he heard him say:

'Listen, son, I have stolen into your room alone. Just a few moments ago, after your mother had gone to bed, I felt ashamed of myself for being cross with you on Christmas Eve. I remember too, that I scolded you as you were dressing this morning because you gave your face merely a dab with a towel. I took you to task for not cleaning your shoes. I called out angrily when I found you had thrown some of your things on the floor.

"At breakfast, I found fault, too. You spilled things. You gulped down your food. You put your elbows on the table. You spread the butter too thick on your bread. And, as you started off to play and I made for my automobile, you turned and waved a little hand and called 'Good-bye, Daddy!' and I frowned and said in reply, 'Hold your shoulders back'.

"Then it began all over again in the late afternoon. As I came up the hill road you sped past me on your sleigh. I called you to me. There were holes in your stockings. I humiliated you before your boy friends by making you march ahead of me back to the house. Stockings were expensive—and if you had to buy them you would be more careful! Imagine that, son from a father! It was such stupid, silly reasoning.

"Do you remember later, when I was reading in the den, how you came in softly, timidly, with a sort of hurt, hunted look in your eyes? When I glanced up over my paper, impatient at the interruption, you hesitated at the door. 'What is it you want?' I snapped.

"You said nothing but ran across the room in one tempestuous plunge, and threw your arms around my neck and kissed me, again and again, and your little arms tightened with an affection that God has set blooming in your heart and which even neglect could not wither. And then you were gone, pattering up the stairs.

"Suddenly, as I looked at the Christmas tree downstairs, after your mother had gone to bed, I saw myself as I really was, in all my selfishness and I felt sick at heart.

"What has habit been doing to me? The habit of complaining, of finding fault, or reprimanding—all of these were my rewards to you for being a boy. It was not that I did not love you; it was that I expected so much of youth. It was measuring you by the yardstick of my own years. And here was so much that was good and fine and true in your character. You did not deserve my treatment of you, son. The little heart of you was as big as the dawn itself over the wide hills. All this was shown by your impulse to rush in and kiss me good-night. Nothing else matters tonight, son. I have come to your bedside in the darkness, ashamed — I, your Santa!

"What feeble substitutes toys are for a real father! But tomorrow, I will be a real daddy! I will chum with you, and suffer when you suffer and laugh when you laugh. I will bite my tongue when impatient words come. I will keep saying, as if it were a ritual. 'Here is nothing but a boy—a little boy!'

"I am afraid I have visualized you as a man. Yet, as I see you now, son, crumpled and weary in your cot, I see that you are still a baby. Yesterday you were in your mother's arms, your head on her shoulder. I have asked too much.

"Dear boy! Dear little son. A penitent kneels at your infant shrine, here in the moonlight. I kiss the little fingers and damp forehead. I wish you a Happy Christmas; a happy childhood—I, your father! . . ."

"Daddy!" It was not the boy now. It was the mother, standing at the head of the stairs and calling in a whisper, "Daddy!"

"Yes, yes!"

"Aren't you coming to bed? He's asleep now!"

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Father got up, rubbing his eyes. "Bless me!" he murmured to himself. "I must have been nodding."

"Yes, yes, I'm coming," he answered in a stage whisper.

And Santy in the flesh went upstairs to slip into the child's stocking the thing he had seen the phantom Santy place there — and to think the thoughts he had heard the phantom Santy utter.

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(Editor's Note: — "I, Your Father," is one of several versions of a Christmas story, written by W. Livingstone Larned, and has been reproduced in many different publications. We print it because it is so true, because it will make many fathers think . . . and because we like it).

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As I Walked In Bethlehem

As I walked in Bethlehem
About the break of day,
Underneath a rosy sky
The little houses lay;
And much I marvelled that the town
Veiled with morning mist
Should seem walled with Chrysopras
And roofed with amethyst.

As I walked in Bethlehem
(And there I walked alone)
Such gladness filled my beating heart
As I had never known.
Broader seemed the narrow streets
As brighter grew the day—
I heard the bells of Heaven ring out
From not so far away.

As I walked in Bethlehem
Before the sun was high,
A woman's crooning voice I heard,
I heard a baby's cry.
And "Glory, Glory!" sang my soul,
The while I thought I trod
Between the lifted gates of pearl
The golden streets of God.

—Audrey Alexander Brown.

KNOWING HUSBAND AS GOOD FIGHTER

London (CP) — No man could ask for greater faith in him than Lady Mountbatten has in Lord Louis Mountbatten, chief of combined operations. After assisting at an auction in aid of prisoners of war she told the audience: "Fighting will be harder but victory will be much sooner than expected. My husband will see to that."

Notes of Thanks

It is my duty orthodox
To thank you for six pairs of socks—
Although were I a centipede,
I now have more than I could need,
I'm snug in those warm gloves you sent,
With your best wishes, kindly meant.
I know you'll join in my surprise
That you have almost hit my size.
The gifts of ties which now are mine
Number exactly twenty-nine,
And all, like yours, have stripes which wreck
My patient, insufficient neck.
How clever that you thought of slippers—
Those most unusual ones with zippers!
Something to wear, I always say,
Is what one wants on Christmas Day.

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The system for butter is different from that applying to Sugar, Coffee and Tea, where coupons have no specified expiry date.

Dates When Butter Coupons Become Useable—and Expire

Coupon Number	Good for Purchase beginning on	Not Good for Purchase After
1	December 21	January 3
2	December 28	January 3
3 and 4	January 4	January 17
5 and 6	January 18	January 31
7 and 8	February 1	February 14
9 and 10	February 15	February 28
11	March 1	March 14

NOTE: Brown Coupon No. 2, "Spare 'C'" will be good for use only during a 7-day period—December 28 to January 3. Brown Coupons Nos. 1, and 3 to 11, "Spare 'C'", can be used within 2-week periods.

Coupons for butter, like those for Sugar, Coffee and Tea (the red and green coupons) must be detached by, or in the presence of any seller of butter or his employee. If desired, consumers may lodge their butter coupon sheets with their retailers, so that the latter may detach the required coupons when delivering.

Temporary Ration Cards

All Brown Coupons on Temporary Ration Cards issued to members of the armed forces on leave, visitors to Canada, etc., are good after December 21.

Butter Holdings Exceeding More Than One Pound per Person Must Be Reported and Coupons Surrendered

Consumers or non-registered boarding houses having in their possession the equivalent of more than one pound of butter for each person in the household, must before January 3, 1943, report their holdings to the nearest office of this Board. They must forward with their reports the number of butter coupons representing their butter holdings. If the quantity of butter in possession of such persons represents more than the eleven brown coupons in Ration Book No. 1, which will be good for butter, they must in their reports undertake to detach from future ration books, additional butter coupons equal to the remainder of the surplus.

Special Notice to Retailers

On and after December 28, retailers must establish their right to purchase new supplies of butter from their suppliers by turning over to the supplier currently valid ration coupons equivalent to the poundage of butter ordered from the suppliers.

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THE WOMAN'S PAGE

Hints for Homebodies

By Jessie Allen Brown

A DIFFERENT CHRISTMAS

Christmas this year has a little different flavor. Christmas is still Christmas but there is not the same hoop-la this year. The other War years have affected it but not to the same extent. There is a more serious feeling and most people do not want to indulge in the trivial things this year. The buying that has been done is more practical—even if one wanted to be foolish, it could not be done as so many things have disappeared from the stores. Shopping certainly was done earlier, largely because of the fear that if one did not buy early one would be out of luck. Perhaps with less emphasis on the material side of the festival, there will be more attention paid to the inner spirit.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

It has been well said that Christmas is a state of mind. When those of us who are grown-up look back on Christmas it is not the individual Christmas present we received, that comes to mind, but the general feeling of happiness. We remember the way Christmas was celebrated in our family, the little things which built up our traditions. The first sign of Christmas, when I was a youngster, was the helping to stone the raisins. I can still feel the warm sticky water running down my arms, because, of course, the raisins had first to be soaked. Then there was the cloying smell of the washed currants spread out on a large pan in the oven with the door open to keep it cool enough. The rough stickiness of the peel as we cut it into slivers. Now-a-days that is all done for us. Then there was the snooping around the house trying to find any hidden presents What tears of disappointment I shed when I found a chair for my bed-room ticked away in the spare-room clothes closet. It was a lovely chair and I had great comfort out of it but at that time it was not my idea of a good Christmas present. Christmas Eve was spent down town in last minute buying. For some reason or other, things like the candy, nuts, and raisins, were always left until that night. That day the mail or the express would bring me my present from an aunt, who always sent such lovely, exciting presents, and this I was always allowed to open the minute it came. Then there was the hanging of my stocking and the waking before the dawn's early light, and the surprise and excitement of my parents at what I found in my stocking—a potato with a quarter stuck in it was sure to be there. Never will I forget the delight of finding a torquoise ring in the very toe, when I thought I had found everything. Then there was the uncle who always came in fairly early in the morning and opened the door calling Christmas Box on you' in a laughing, cheery voice. Then there was the dinner, the climax of the day. It was always the same, never varied a bit and was always just perfect. The center-piece was always a silver dish of fruit topped with a noble bunch of grapes. Supper Christmas night was always chicken salad, and in those days lettuce was not something you had every day in the winter, it was something special. Christmas night was spent at the rink and it was always more exciting than any other skating night. Usually there was something new to wear and it was fun to hear what the others got for Christmas and to see the people who were home for the holidays. It was always a day of complete happiness. Now, in our family some of the ways we had at home have survived, some have been brought from the other side of the house, and we have evolved some new ones to build up our family traditions of love and happiness.

GIBLET SANDWICHES

Put cooked giblets through the food chopper, add chopped hard-cooked eggs, and mix with salad dressing.

JELLIED CHICKEN SALAD

2 Cups cooked chicken, 1 cup salad dressing, 1 tablespoon gelatin, ½ cup chopped parsley, ¼ cup cold water, ¼ cup chopped pimento (if obtainable).

Cut the chicken in small even pieces. Soak the gelatin in cold water dissolve over boiling water, then add to the salad dressing. Fold in the celery, chicken and pimento. Turn in to a large mould or individual ones, chill until firm, and serve on lettuce.

SPANISH CREAM

2 Egg yolks, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, ½ cup sugar, 2 egg whites, ¼ cupcold water, 1 cup scalded milk, 1' tablespoon gelatin.

Make a custard of egg yolks, milk and sugar, and cook over a slow heat until the mixture thickens slightly. Add the gelatin which has soaked in cold water, and dissolve. Then add lemon juice and fold in the beaten egg whites. Mould and chill.

A. & P. Food Stores Close 7 p.m. on Christmas Eve

"A & P" employees again this year, as last—will be able to spend Christmas Eve with their families, as all A. & P. food stores in Ontario and Quebec will close at 7 p.m. on December 24.

L. W. Beebe, vice-president of A & P, states, "This early closing, established last year, was a success, as the public in general supported the move by shopping earlier Christmas week."

STRETCH BUTTER WITH OTHER FAT FOR WINTER USE

Various Substitutes and Dilutions Advised to Eke Out Scarce Article of Food

By The Canadian Press

Making the best use of butter and other scarce fats is a nutritional and thrift-cooking "must" for housewives this winter.

Fats are very important in the diet as a source of energy. They also give flavor, richness and staying quality to the day's meals.

If you are short on butter, remember that kitchen fats such as poultry fats and those trimmed from raw meat can serve as energy substitutes. The fat collected after stewed chicken and stock has cooled is delicious used in place of other fat for sauce or biscuit or pot pie covering. Cold chicken fat can be put into molasses, chocolate or spice cake to substitute for other shortening.

Good Drippings

Drippings from roasts and other cooked meats make flavorful fats for seasoning. In place of that big piece of butter on top of hot meat as it goes tableward, use the hot drippings. You can also use the drippings in gravies, for seasoning vegetables, in salad dressings and on wilted lettuce. Or in ways that best suit your family.

Clear fat taken from raw meat and cut into small pieces is an excellent shortening for pastry, biscuits and other quick breads. It is also good for browning foods and this saves a lot of butter or margarine.

Diluted Butter

You can stretch your butter supply and please the budget by using half butter and half other fats in cake, cooky or pudding recipe calling for all butter and you will still have enough butter to give the desired flavor. Try using other fat as a seasoning for spinach, for a top glaze for fluffy mashed potatoes and as the fat called for in savory cheese sauce put over boiled rice or macaroni to be baked.

To save your precious supply of butter, keep it wrapped or in a covered jar and set in the coldest part of the refrigator. Cut off just enough butter needed for cooking or the table. If butter has softened on a plate set in refrigerator until it hardens. There will be less waste on a plate by escaping off hard butter. You can reduce amount of butter called for in recipes also calling for cheese and chocolate as they too are high in fat.

Remember that all fats are perishable. Keep in a very cold place and use up within a reasonable length of time to keep them from getting rancid.

Housing Essentially A Problem for Women

Mrs. Christine White, a Winnipeg woman who is now attached to the staff of the Consumer Branch, Wartime Prices and Trade Board, thinks that finding additional living-space in congested communities for war workers, military personnel and their dependents is essentially a woman's problem. The woman in the house is the one who will be most affected by any arrangement that may have to be made. So get ready to fight with the weapons you have. If an empty room is what you can contribute, do it cheerfully. And treat your tenant as you would like to be treated.

The maid was cleaning the stairs the other morning following a wedding reception, and picked up a spoon. "Some guest must have had a hole in his pocket," she observed.

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MURMANSK NOW A CITY OF WOMEN

They Have Taken Over All Types of Jobs

Toronto (CP)—Murmansk is a city of women. Robert L. Snider, of London, Ont., formerly an oiler on H.M.C.G.S. Montcalm, says the famed Russian Arctic port is entirely run by women of the Soviet Republic.

Women engineers and "fire-women" operate all the trains taking the huge cargoes of the United Nations from the port city to inland supply depots. Women run the enormous dock winches which transfer from ship to pier everything from planes and tanks to huge bundles of supplies. A male Russian is a rare sight in Murmansk. Every able bodied man is at the front keeping Hitler in his place and all the other men are working nearer to the front lines.

The city of women has a peace-time population of about 50,000. The seamen of the United Nations paradoxically have rather a dull time in Murmansk. The girls are friendly and cheerful—but that's all. They are much too busy keeping the Russian war effort going to take time off for international romance.

Just to make matters worse, there are no pubs—no hotels—no movies—no dance halls—not even restaurants with juke boxes.

"Why the sun doesn't even go down," said the young Canadian seaman.

Everything is strictly business in Murmansk and the business is fighting a war.

Gangs of seamen in from months on the U-boat invested waters of the world just have to get used to it.

They rarely see a woman in skirts. All these hard-working and definitely honest young women wear trousers and workshirts. They all scrub their faces to a polish and a woman with lipstick would feel just as odd there as a woman without it here. None of the girls speak English, they just smile. The food is good and plentiful and everyone is glad to trot out the best in the larder for the men who keep Russia's lifelines open.

Carving the Turkey

Few Little Tricks That Are Very Useful to Know

When you are preparing your Christmas turkey, rub all over with fat; you will find this will greatly improve the flavor of the bird, besides making it deliciously tender and juicy. Carving a turkey comes a lot easier if you understand a few of the rules. No matter what it is you have to carve, insist on the carving knife being really sharp. This makes for speed and neat carving.

Carve the breast first, in thin, long slices. Begin at the leg and slice towards the neck, moving upwards to the breastbone. Legs should be removed next and the thighs separated from the actual drumsticks. One careful look will soon show you where the joint is, then the wing can be removed without touching the leg. The usual process is to serve some of the "brown meat" with the white. Slices of the breast should always be thin. The carving fork should always be inserted into the leg, after which the knife is slipped between the body and the last leg joint. This brings the knife to a vertical position, and with one deft twist it will be brought round to the horizontal, thus placing the cutting edge towards the body. This will sever the leg. Cut the breast around the wing to remove this, and proceed in the same way as with the legs. Slice the breast thinly. These slices should be as long as possible. The carving fork should never be inserted into the breast of chicken or fowl.

DIAMONDS IN WAR

Cape Town (CP)—Diamond cutting for industrial purposes, particularly munitions and gun-making tools have made for this South African industry an output of £1,000,000 ($4,470,000) annually.

A suit of warm army underwear costs $2.30. Ten War Savings Stamps will more than do it. Buy them regularly!



Merry Christmas, Mary

Without Mary Granman the CBC Christmas schedule would be incomplete. Her genius for story telling and her warm, unassuming personality have lent distinction to Canadian radio for several years, and every program is a fresh inspiration to her legion of devoted fans. For a gallant spirit, for an imperishable belief in make-believe, for merriment and ambassadorial triumphs; for The Children's Scrapbook, for the Just Mary stories, and for the second annual Christmas fairy-land cycle, The Magic Chord, the former New Brunswick school teacher is asked to take her bow.

Baby Teeth

The dental health of young children is a problem demanding intelligent and special care by parents. The future health of the child is, in a measure, dependent on the attention given him during the period of "the first teeth."

The front deciduous, or baby teeth, come in at about the age of six months, and should remain in the mouth for at least six years. The baby molars, which come in between the first and second year, should remain between eight and ten years.

The fact that baby teeth are temporary should not be used as a pretext for carelessness with regard to them, for their function is vital. If cavities appear, they should be promptly cared for. Neglect may result in infection which may seriously affect the health.

One of the most important items in the preservation of baby teeth is proper diet. Milk and other dairy products, green leafy vegetables, fruits, meat, eggs, bread and cereals made from whole grains are indispensable in the young child's diet. The child should be taught to chew his food properly.

From the time the child is 18 months old, a small soft bristled brush should be used with a normal salt solution. When most of the teeth are in, an unmedicated, mild tooth paste may be substituted for the salt solution.

As soon as the child is able to brush his own teeth, he should be taught to do so thoroughly, but the brushing should be done under careful parental supervision.

Examination by a dentist should take place at least every six months after 2½ or 3 years of age, or even earlier if dark spots appear on the teeth.

The rewards of such care are both immediate and lasting. They are a protection against the many ills of childhood and an insurance for dental health in later years.

The Fir Tree

Far away in the heart of a deep forest there once grew a pretty Fir Tree. And the sun shone upon it . . . and Christmas time came . . . And John Adaskin's Magic Carpet will transport you gently down beside it, and tell you its story. It is, of course, the Hans Christian Anderson tale, adapted for radio by Fitzmaurice Hill. The fairy music of Robert Farnon belongs to the little Fir Tree, which, as you remember, wanted more than anything in the world . . . even more than being a mast on a sailing ship . . . to be carried away as a Christmas tree. And how the Fir Tree's dream came true, and how after Christmas the dream vanished away, will be told on Sunday, December 27 over CBC at 5.30 p.m. EDT.

Star of Christmas Continues to Shine

Beyond the curtain of man's selfishness and greed now blotting out the warmth and light of Brotherhood and Peace, the Star still shines. May this Christmas be the time to look up as did those men of old and read again its message.

May it be mighty inspiration spurring us on to crusade in pointing the way to a world ruled by Peace and Love.

New Ideas Foster the Spirit Of Christmas

At Christmas time ideas are more important than ever—amusing ideas to keep minds from too stern realities; clever ideas to make money-saving a pleasure; ideas to stress the old, old Christmas spirit of joy and reverence and gay family gatherings.

Get the family into the spirit of an old-fashioned Christmas with all helping — "deck the hall with boughs of holly," bring in the yule log. If you have no fireplace, then let the yule log become a centrepiece decoration for the table.

Use evergreens, red berries, pine cones, acorns for that home-made Christmasy look. Grandmother's festoon of cedar boughs tied with a big red bow still holds more genuine Christmas spirit than the most expensive artificial decorations.

But if your family demands a change from the too-familiar, suggest they invent decorations. Maybe they want a red, white and blue Christmas. Red barn paint and bluing are still cheap.

For packages for mantelpieces—think how many everyday things are already red, white or blue, or how easily things may be enameled or dyed. Paint or dip pine cones, sticks and dark things in enamel or show card colors. Dye pipe-cleaners, little fluffy feathers, dried grasses.

A package with red, white and blue feathers tied in with the bow, a Christmas tree decorated solely with balls of cotton, bright red white and blue — they can't be beaten. Strew white and blue stars around; decorate with candy canes crossed sabrewise and tied with a big blue bow. Make huge imitation candles of mailing tube or stove pipe or logs, covered as you please. They are fine for outside the door or by the fireplace.

Whatever you do, hide your solemnity with old-fashioned simple gaiety — make it a seriously important family Christmas!

GREEN STUFF FOR 10,000

London (CP) — Enough vegetables to provide 10,000 men with potatoes and green vegetables for the past nine months was grown by the army in the south eastern command this year.

Civilian Defence Article

WOMEN IN THE WAR EFFORT

Written especially by P. N. SODEN, Deputy Provincial Officer, Civilian Protection Committee

As a matter of interest, much can be said about the valuable work the Women in Great Britain are doing in tht war effort. It is common knowledge that in practically every branch of active and civilian war efforts, women now are taking leading parts.

On September 3rd the Minister for Home Security for Great Britain, the Hon Herbert Morrison, issued a call that all women between the ages of twenty and forty-five must register as fire wardens. This, as we all know, is possibly one of the riskiest jobs of Air Raid Precaution work, and it requires not only coolness, but sometimes heroic effort to handle incendiary bombs while other bombs are falling all around. Such efforts on the part of the women of Great Britain are laudable.

In Great Britain and the United States women are doing their full share of A.R.P. training. This is now a vital question which each municipality of this Province must decide. The responsibility is theirs, and I am sure there are literally thousands of women who are prepared to come forward immediately to become members of the Civilian Protection Committee. They can serve so well in so many posts of responsibility. Now is the time for their offer of service to be accepted. It is far better that they should be ready to serve their home than not to know what to do.

On the other hand women must not think for one moment that the Civilian Protection Committee work is a pastime. They must not available (or published), fellow C.W.A.C.'s affirm that for that day at least Joan Stevenson was the most talked off woman in the camp.

to give their time, a few hours a week, to this, they must also be prepared to be very serious with regard to their training. This training requires a great deal of study, concentration and practice in whatever branch of the Civilian Protection Committee a woman takes up.

Their training should be the work which they are most adapted for, and every effort should be made on the part of all concerned to see that the women fit into the right place, and those places are First Aid, the manning of Casualty Clearing Stations; in fact, every type of medical work, as well as operating Control Centres, Warden Posts, driving ambulances, and as communication Officers and doing clerical work. All these are necessary to the success of Air Raid Precautions, and women can no doubt fill these posts and show excellent results.

There will shortly be established in Montreal a Provincial Warning Centre, which will send out warnings to all the towns in the Province, and which will chart the flight of any enemy planes. For this work alone, many women will be needed who can handle the sending out of these warnings and who will be trained to carry out these duties as described.

Women can serve in the Warden Posts in every area in Montreal and in the Province, and there are many suchlike opportunities for which women can be available.

Those interested should apply to the nearest Civilian Protection Committee Headquarters in whatever town they may be.

BUGLED GUNNERS HOUR TOO EARLY

Women in Army Going Too Far, Say Artillery Old-Timers At Brandon

Brandon, Man., Dec. 22 (CP) — You've got to get up early in the morning at the A4 Artillery Training centre, Brandon, Man., but if Trumpeter Joan Stevenson, of Pipestone, Man., is the bugler you may have to get up an hour earlier.

Miss Stevenson, who is a member of the Canadian Women's Army Corps, was the first girl trumpeter to go on duty at a Manitoba camp. Here every day at 6 a.m. she blows her shining bugle.

Recently one of her clarion calls broke into the beauty sleep of a campful of men. One of her friends had set her alarm clock wrong. Spectators record that the speed with which the gunners tumbled out of bed was equalled only by the speed with which they bounced back in.

And although exclamations are realize that if they are prepared

Gives Hints on Saving of Butter

"Two practical and simple ways in which women, as custodians of table supplies in the home, can economize on butter," says Mrs. J. Ross Vant, president of the Edmonton Council of Nutrition, "are by saving the little dabs left on plates for sauces and vegetables and by serving butter at room temperature rather than right off the ice. At room temperature, it spreads more easily and goes farther." Some people butter their bread with a third of an ounce of butter, she adds, and a good economy is to make that generous buttering do two pieces.

Has 255 Men On Her List

New York, Dec. 23 (CP)—One contestant for the title of "champion service men's letter writer" is Rose Marie Cindrich, 18, of Buena Vista, Pa., who writes fewer than 255 men in Uncle army, navy and air service the past year and a half, she says, she had dated 1,000 fellows. Her pictures in the papers have her looking a little tired. Well, who wouldn't be?



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If you really must send your greetings by Long Distance, won't you please do so a few days *before* or a few days *after* Christmas—not on Christmas day.

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Small Packages of Cigarets "Out" After April 30 Next

Smallest Box to Contain 18; Pipe Tobacco for Dime Also Disappearing

Small packages of cigarets and dime packages of pipe tobacco must go, the Prices Board has ruled. After April 30 next, the smallest package of cigarets made for sale in Canada will contain 18 cigarets and no container of cut tobacco will hold less than 1-13th of a pound.

The restrictions were announced by David Sim, administrator of tobacco, who with an advisory committee from the trade, has for some time been studying the possibilities of conservation in packaging. A number of plans have been considered and some not now adopted may be introduced later the Board announcement said.

New Brands Prohibited

The order prohibits introduction of new brands of tobacco products and the size, labelling and pricing of brands now sold is not to be varied. Savings in material and labor will assist manufacturers in meeting increased costs of raw materials.

It is expected that the regulations will assist in overcoming local shortages in the supply of cigarets by enabling the operation of cigaret machines at full capacity on standard packages.

The order places a ban on packages now made containing three, four, seven, eight, nine, ten or twelve cigarets which represent approximately 187,000,000 packages, or 33 per cent of production. Permitted sizes of cigaret packages after the order becomes effective will contain 18, 20, 22, 25, 40 and 50 cigarets.

Save on Containers

Material savings will be effected through a reduction in the variety of containers for cigarets. Those retailing at two for 25 cents and up to $1 will appear only in packages of 10, 25, 50 and 100. Packages of five 10-cent cigars will be permitted. Cigars selling for more than five cents and less than 10 cents will only be packed in 25's and 50's.

The order eliminates all packages of cut tobacco smaller than ¼ of a pound and the number of different size packages for each brand is limited to three. Some brands now are sold in as many as five different sizes. In cut tobacco about 21,000,000 packages annually will be saved, approximately 19 per cent of the total, the announcement said.

To prevent use of unnecessarily large containers which might be misleading, restrictions are placed on the cubic content of packages.

Plug or twist tobacco will be available only in weights of one ounce or a multiple of one ounce. Snuff is to be sold only in containers of 1-13th of a pound, one ounce, or multiples of one ounce.

Mystery of Mistletoe

Everyone knows that mistletoe is a parasite which grows on trees of several kinds. But how many could say how the mistletoe plant first gains a footing on the tree which becomes its unwilling host?

The planting is actually done by a bird, the missel-thrush. His favorite meal is a feast of mistletoe-berries. He takes each one whole into his beak, and, after swallowing the skin and the juice, tries to get rid of the hard pip.

As the juice is very sticky the pip adheres to his beak and refuses to be dislodged. He therefore, pushes his bill into a crack in the bark of the trees on which he is sitting, and works it up and down until he is rid of the encumbrance. The pip remains in the crevice, and soon starts to grow like any other seed. Without knowing it, the missel-thrush plays the part of Cupid.

Moscow (CP)—The Red Army constantly receives gifts of new armored trains presented by Soviet workers who build them with their own funds and their own labor.

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Boy Scouts The World Over

Boy Scouts at Prestwich, England, acted as casualties and messengers in an all-night invasion exercise by Home Guard units.

Taking the money they had saved toward the operation of their summer camp next year, Scouts of the 14th Toronto (Swansea) Troop purchased a $100 Victory Bond.

REFUGEE GERMAN SCOUT GETS AWARD FOR BRAVERY

Boy Scout Herbert S. Ermann, aged 16, a refugee from Germany and now a member of a British Boy Scout Troop, has been awarded the Scout Certificate of Gallantry for firefighting during an enemy raid. An officer of the local Fire Brigade reported the boy's work as reflecting great credit on his training as a Scout.

RETURN FROM CAMP TO FIND HOME TOWN HAS BEEN BOMBED

Boy Scouts of the 5th Whitley Troop, England, returned from their summer camp to find their town had been bombed. The boys went right to work cleaning up the town, helping bombed people remove their furniture, and making tea for A.R.P. workers. Another group went to work as assistants at the local Hospital.

BOY SCOUT FIRST AIDER HAS EARLY OPPORTUNITY TO TEST ABILITY

When Boy Scout Bob Kemp of the 24th Legion Troop, Hamilton, studied the use of the tourniquet at his Scout meeting one night, he hardly expected to have his knowledge tested so quickly. The next night he was at the scene of an automobile accident and by the application of a tourniquet was able to prevent a serious loss of blood from one of the victims, who happened to be a former Scout leader.

SCOTTISH BOY SCOUTS HAVE UNIQUE RECORD OF NATIONAL SERVICE

Boy Scouts of the 14th Edinburgh Troop had a record of 23,000 hours of national service during the past year. In addition to regular messenger and salvage services they have included Home Guard and Zoo policing duties.

BOY SCOUTS "PATIENTS" FOR PARALYSIS DEMONSTRATION

A dozen Boy Scouts of St. Catharines acted as guinea pigs at the St. Catharines General Hospital when they were "patients" for a whole day as nurses demonstrated a new method in the treatment of infantile paralysis.

AUSTRALIAN SCOUTS TACKLE AMBITIOUS WAR PROGRAM

Boy Scouts of the 1st Narrabri Troop in Australia, besides making regular salvage collections with their own trek cart, also collect books and magazines for the services library, donated $50 to the services club, and are to present a bed for a children's ward in a new hospital under construction.

McGEES TAKE THEIR HONEYMOON ANEW

In Film with Bergen and McCarthy, Coming to Local Theatres

Romance and comedy in a Western summer resort form the theme of "Here We Go Again", billed for the Capital Theatre on New Year's night, and the Rex on January 2. The picture stars Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy and Fibber McGee and Molly.

A second honeymoon to celebrate their 20th anniversary takes the McGees to the mountains, where Bergen, primarily searching for a rare type of silk moth, develops an unexpected heart interest in a pretty young vacationer, to Charlie's disgust. The fun concerns the stock-selling scheme of a suave promoter, who, it appears, is a former admirer of Molly McGee.

Both McGee and Bergen are involved in the scheme before they discover it is fake. By that time, Fibber is jealous of the promoter, and this leads to the conclusion of the picture as the two victims pursue the crook and Molly McGee along perilous mountain roads.

Claimed as even funnier than the quartet's earlier Look Who Laughing, the film features a supporting cast that includes Charlie's wooden-headed cousin Mortimer Snerd, Ginny Simms, Gale Gordon, the Great Gildersleeve, Isabel Randolphe, Sterling Holloway, Bill Thompson and Ray Noble and his orchestra.

RADIO LINKS EMPIRE LANDS AT CHRISTMAS

For ten years, seven in peace and three in war—fighting the darkest enemies mankind has known — the British Broadcasting Corporation has been sending Christmas greetings around the world. Far into strange places, across sky, land and sea, reaching out to the members of the family who have gone forth, the magic fingers of radio now beckon the adventurers home. The BBC worldwide Christmas program is of very special importance this year. In spite of the war, there are manifold signs of gentleness; the old customs hold. And so, at 9.00 a.m. EDT, which is thirteen o'clock Greenwich Mean Time, networks the world over will be tuned to London for the family party which strikes a warm and vibrant note in this its tenth year. All the friends of the Commonwealth have been invited to the party as well as all the members of the family and there will be brave moments in this hour as sacred thoughts of other Christmases come to mind. Listeners will travel to Malta for a glimpse of a children's party; they will view a workers' playtime in a Midlands factory, stop off to wish good cheer to young wounded soldiers in a London Military Hospital. There will be pick-ups, as the radio men call them, from South Africa, Canada, China, India; from Australia, New Zealand and Russia. There will be glimpses of the U.S. troops on active service in North Africa, and there will be a carol from a cathedral in Cairo. The full National Network of the CBC, the Home Services of the BBC, and all the major networks of the U.S. will receive this tenth annual Christmas program of the BBC, and, by short-wave, the program will be heard 'round the Empire.

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Percy J. Philip



Born in Scotland, educated in England and a Parisian by professional adoption, until his arrival as Ottawa correspondent of the New York Times two years ago; assistant compiler of the Oxford Dictionary, representative of important British newspapers during the First Great War and at the Peace Conference that followed, Percy James Philip escaped by a tick of the clock from death by bombs in Great War II. He is a frequent speaker in the CBC Week-end Review, heard Sundays at 8.30 p.m. EDT, with Dr. James L. Stewart and Watson Thomson taking their turn every third week. Mr. Philip will be heard next on January 3.

ST. SAUVEUR BACKS NEW YEAR SKI MEET

Zone Officials Probing Possibilities for Annual Event in Laurentians

St. Sauveur may have its annual New Year's ski classic again this year if Laurentian Ski Zone officials are successful in carrying out plans to sponsor the meet.

President Fred Urquhart said that Zone officials were doing all in their power to interest the St. Sauveur club in staging the annual event but that so far there was nothing definite. He has high hopes, however, of being able to arrange the meet and said it all depends on the number of competitors available for the competitions.

The Zone president also said he was probing possibilities of restaging the Mount Royal cross country event on the Montreal Mountain.

The cross country, an annual event which up to last year was run off over the trails of Mount Royal, was moved to the Laurentians in 1942 because of lack of facilities in the city area.

Urquhart said that major drawback to the cross country is that the trail necessitates cutting through part of the Cote de Neiges Cemetery and that permission to pass through would first have to be granted before the race could be sponsored.

Officials of the Park Toboggan Club were said to be conferring with the Zone towards realizing this end and there is a very good possibility that the cross country will be staged in local surroundings.

Holding of the annual Quebec provincial championships will also depend on the number of interested competitive skiers Urquhart said, but he stated that Junior Zone Competitions would definitely be run off in the new year.

A soldier can't get along without water. Three War Savings Stamps will buy a water bottle.

CHRISTMAS AT THE SEIGNIORY CLUB

Holiday Program at Famed Hostelry

Seigniory Club, Que—Christmas-New Year's week promises to be one of the brightest and most attractive of the winter season here at the Seigniory Club. The little log cabin station at Montebello, normally surrounded only by silence and the bright radiance of snow glinting on snow coated firs, reawakens to new life and activity as the holiday parties arrive bound for the Club. Sleighs are ready, dog teams strain at the leash, laughter rings on the cold air. The Log Chateau's hospitable doors are open and fires glow in the famous six-hearth fireplace.

A home for the holidays atmosphere is all about the Log Chateau and overworked business men and government officials, women with vital war-work which cannot be left for long, men of the Army, Navy and Air Force on brief leaves, form a big jolly house party for there is respite in the Club's tranquil surroundings for those harassed and worried with various phases of war-work.

The Seigniory Club's vast territory lies in a wide rolling section of the Ottawa river valley with only occasional farm houses set down a discreet distance from one another. Ski-ing (fifteen inches of soft snow is reported from the Club) skating, sleigh driving, curling and all the other winter sports are here as well as swimming in a glass enclosed pool, badminton and other activities indoors.

The holiday program is an interesting one. It starts Christmas Eve with carol singing by the fireside in the Log Chateau and the trimming of a giant tree, then many will go to the mid-night service in the nearby French Canadian village church. On Christmas Day the children will sleigh drive and take part in a family Christmas dinner, their parents attending a supper dance in the evening. The rest of the week is taken up with ski tours, hockey games, curling competitions, toboggan parties, tea dances and figure skating exhibitions. The New Year's Eve party will be held as always, in the Log Chateau's big main dining-room with floor show, dancing and entertainment.

"The question of youth movements is today very much in the air, but Lord Baden-Powell solved the problem many years ago by founding the Boy Scouts, the greatest work any individual has done anywhere in the past hundred years." Lord Aitken

Notice to Customers

For the information of our customers, we wish to announce that since December 1, as a wartime measure, town deliveries are made every second day, as follows: East Ward on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; West Ward on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday — the division line being Barron Avenue.

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FIREMEN'S BALL

The annual dance sponsored by Lachute Fire Brigade will be held in the Auditorium on New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31.

CURLING CLUB HOLDS SUPPER, OPENING EVENT

The annual opening and supper of the Lachute Curling Club was held in the club rooms last Friday evening. Following the supper, a tournament was held, prizes being donated by a member of the Caledonia Club in Montreal. The winners were — A. B. Ogilvie, Harry Scott, S. S. Campbell and Jas. A. MacKimmie (Skip).

The members of the Lachute Curling Club are looking forward to a very successful year.

SKI TRAINS 'OUT' FOR SPORTS FANS

A recent decision of the Controller of Transport has prohibited railway companies from organizing special trains or sections of trains for transportation of skiers. At the same time, warning has been served that other restrictions may be forthcoming, in order to eliminate all non-essential travel.

The disappearance of "ski trains" will be keenly regretted by winter sports enthusiasts, who were able to enjoy a few hours of relaxation as a result of these trains, in the various winter sports centres. It is, however, imperative that all transportation facilities in the land, even though they are heavily taxed now, be devoted to Canada's war effort and essential travel, and ski enthusiasts from Canadian cities will cheerfully accept this sacrifice demanded by recessities of the hour.

Seamen Sing Yuletide Songs

Some of the bravest men in the world will sing on Christmas Day the long-loved Yuletide songs, and their voices will be carried to every CBC listener in the land. The Merchant Navy will make its contribution to the Christmas schedule at 6.00 p.m. EDT, with the songs that sailors love to sing when they come ashore.

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ROBERT STACK, DIANA BARRYMORE, John Lodger in
EAGLE SQUADRON
with Eddie Albert, Nigle Bruce, Leif Erikson, Jon Hall.
Virginia Gilmore, James Ellison, Dan Duryea in
THAT OTHER WOMAN
Also: MARINE BAND

TUES., WED., THURS., DECEMBER 29-30-31
Gene Tierney, Preston Foster, John Sutton, Jack Holt in
THUNDER BIRDS
Lloyd NOLAN, Carole LANDIS, Sara Allgood, William Frawley in
It Happened in Flat Bush
And: POLO WITH THE STARS

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MARITIME PROVINCES COUNT MORE MEN IN SERVICES, IN PROPORTION TO POPULATION

Enlistment Figures Reflect Credit on Nova Scotia, P.E.I. and New Brunswick

Federal Expenditures Will Exceed Mark Forecast in Year's Budget, Says Ilsley

By DOUGLAS GREEN Canadian Press Staff Writer

Ottawa, Dec. 29 (CP)—The possibility that parliament will be asked at its January session to provide Great Britain with further funds to enable her to finance the purchase of war supplies and foodstuffs from Canada is raised by Finance Ilsley's announcement that a $1,000,000,000 appropriation for this purpose made at the last session will be exhausted by the end of 1942.

In reviewing the Dominion's financial position as at the close of the year, Mr. Ilsley did not specify the means which Canada will adopt to assist Britain and other Allied nations to pay for purchases of war materials and other goods from the Dominion.

The Finance Minister said merely that "other means will soon have to be arranged" to carry out these purposes, and it is considered probable that an outright "gift" to the motherland will be the method adopted to meet the situation.

Goods furnished Britain by Canada have been high in value, principally because the Dominion's output of war materials has exceeded anticipations and expenditure upon the Canadian army in Britain has been relatively moderate in the absence of active operations.

Sinews of War

For the fiscal year 1942, Mr. Ilsley said, Canada's expenditures will approach $4,500,000,000 instead of the $3,900,000,000 which he forecast in the budget, and will amount to "something over" $2,225,000,000 in all.

To bridge the gap between revenues and expenditures, Canada has recourse to taxation, the flotation of victory loans and the sale of war savings stamps and certificates. It has been indicated in the past that taxation in Canada has about reached the peak of its effectiveness as a source of revenue.

As a means of siphoning off excess purchasing power and thereby checking the development of inflationary tendencies, it is probable that efforts will be made further to increase the sale of war savings stamps and certificates in the intervals between victory loans.

Help for Farmers

Of special interest to farmers is the current report that men medically rejected after being called up for military service will be liable for transfer to industries anywhere in Canada at the behest of Selective Service authorities.

The report, as yet unconfirmed by governmental sources, says that such compulsory transfers of labor have been approved by the Selective Service Advisory Committee.

If such approval has been given, it appears that farmers, though not specifically mentioned so far, will have at least a small pool of labor upon which to draw. Not all rejected draftees will be suited to farm work, but some, at least, should be capable of undertaking the lighter kinds of agricultural labor. It is understood that proposals looking to the transfer of labor have yet to be considered by the cabinet's manpower committee.

Fighting Men

Canada's maritime provinces share the distinction of contributing more men to the fighting services in proportion to populations than any other part of Canada. Enlistment figures for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island show that 41.5 per cent of their total eligible male population is in the forces, and that 37.9 per cent volunteered for service anywhere.

New Brunswick has 39 per cent of its eligible population in uniform. Of these servicemen, 35.3 per cent volunteered for service anywhere.

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Dr. Harold S. Hooper, Formerly of B'burg, Heads Rotary Group

RECEIVES CHARTER FOR GRAND'MERE CLUB AT ST. AGATHE FUNCTION

Dr. Harold S. Hooper, of Grand-'Mere, Que., is president of a newly-formed Rotary Club in that city. On behalf of the group he received the Club charter and was welcomed into the Rotary International membership, at a function held recently at the Laurentide Inn, Ste. Agathe.

Dr. Hooper, a former Brownsburg boy, is a brother to Dr. Willis Hooper of this town, and has been successful as a medical practitioner in Grand'Mere for a number of years.

As president of the new Rotary unit, Dr. Harold S. Hooper was master of ceremonies for the occasion and introduced the visiting Rotarians, among them District Governor, Arthur Lagueux, of Quebec City, was the principal speaker of the evening and presented Charter No. 5558 to Dr. Hooper in the name of Rotary International. Other speakers included Mayor J. A. Gagnon, who welcomed the visitors; Alex. Gelinas, president of the Shawinigan Falls club, and Hector Fabre, a past president of the Quebec club.

A lull in the war would be enjoyed if we knew the enemy was lulling, too.

A Happy New Year to 'Watchman' Readers

The Bells --- a changing symbol



As in Britain they were silenced, to issue warning on that ominous day which never dawned . . .

As they rang, again, their peal of triumph for a victory well won . . .

So may the festive bells ring out with new significance — to banish all misgivings, to still the anxiety of those whose days are shadowed, and stir the will of men to conquer evil and rebuild the world . . .

May the New Year bring peace, and to one and all the fulfilment of their dearest hopes.

Anecdotes of Ottawa Valley Days Recall Defence of 'Bellevue', Carillon, in Rebellion

Rebels Projected Raid on St. Andrews

But Bravado of Loyalist Joe Giroux, Musket in Hand, Put Terrorists to Rout

From a Series of Articles prepared for the Ottawa Farm Journal, by Harry J. Walker

On a bleak day in late November, 1837, as the Abbe Jacques Paquin of the little whitewashed hamlet of St. Eustache was eating a frugal lunch in the Presbytere, there was a thudding on the door and a cluster of frightened villagers burst through, disturbing the peace of the quiet room. They had come to him for succor from the rebels who were even then coming down the road from St. Benoit, pillaging the abandoned homesteads.

For weeks this storm had been brewing in certain townships of the Lower Ottawa, where the ferment of revolt had been stirred by the fiery oratory of Louis Papineau and Dr. Chenier of his own parish. Disregarding the injunction of their own hierarchy that "rebellion was a sin", many had gone, or had been forced, into the camp of the insurgents at Grand Brule.

Even last Sunday after Pere Paquin had intoned the mass in sonorous accents that made the ancient ritual a comforting and vital thing, he had again warned his flock to be obedient to civil authority, but to leave their homesteads so that when the rebels came to St. Eustache they would find no potential recruits there, and also that when the soldiers marched against the rebels there would be no black mark against the village.

Abbe Advises His Flock

It was sound advice. Many obeyed his instructions, but a considerable number had remained, reluctant to leave the unfed cattle lowing in the stalls, or the fields their fathers had won from the wilderness. But now the storm was close upon them, and these tardy ones in desperation and panic sought the good pere Paquin. This man of God, with calm courage, scorned his own safety but was intent on saving these helpless peasants and the village from the wrath of rebel and red-coat. Again his very presence sustained them as he issued his last order—"Get you gone, now, I command you, to the islands and other villages where there is peace, that worse things do not fall upon you and that your village be not consumed".

That night the rebels took possession of the village in wassail and song. The church and the convent were commandeered by the desperate and bitter Chenier as billets for his "army of occupation" on its way to sweep the loyalists French and English beyond the St. Lawrence. The sign of the eagle, secret symbol of the Patriotes, was on many a tavern door. The Furies were about to descend upon peaceful St. Eustache where lately at vespers the church bell had proclaimed its message of peace across the hushed white fields to the blue ramparts of the Laurentians — lone remnants of a glacial barren age before Eden and sin and strife.

It is not necessary to detail here the causes and background of the rebellion that broke out in two widely separated areas of Lower Canada, synchronizing with the "patriot" rising in Upper Canada. All that is recorded history. But the flaming of the revolt along the Lower Ottawa is an event that constitutes a turbulent chapter in our Valley story.

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'Wings' Graduate In the Air Force

George E. S. Leggett Is Pilot-Officer

Sgt. Pilot George E. S. Leggett, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Leggett, Lachute Mills, has received his wings at No. 16 S.F.T.S., Hagersville, Ont. He was educated at Lachute High School and Bishop's University and is 22 years old. He joined the R.C.A.F. in the spring of 1941 and trained at Toronto, Windsor and Hagersville.

Receives Word His Brother Buried at Sea

Bethany Resident Has Sad News on Christmas Eve

Mr. Harry Skinner, of this community, received word on Christmas Eve of the death and burial at sea of his only brother, John William Skinner.

John W. Skinner spent practically all his life in the services of the British Empire, firstly in the British Imperial Army, then in the British Navy, the Navy Volunteer Reserve and Mercantile Navy. He spent 42 years at sea.

During the last war he was engaged on escort work accompanying Canadian troops to England. During the first month of the present war, John Skinner's ship was torpedoed in the Mediterranean, and he spent 18 hours in an open boat before being rescued.

He leaves to mourn his passing one son and one daughter, both in England, three sisters in the British Isles and one brother, Mr. Harry Skinner, of Lachute.

W.I. Supporting Wartime Prices and Trade Board

Canadian Women's Institutes have been asked to appoint liaison officers in all their branches as a basis for support from them for the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. Literature has been sent to all members, and Price Record books distributed. The Institutes are represented on regional and advisory committees throughout Canada, and are giving unlimited support to this phase of the war effort.

SWEDEN'S POSITION

Stockholm (CP)—Called especially by Premier Per Albin Hansson for an "informatory session" on matters of both foreign and economic policy the Swedish Riksdag met several days and discussed neutral Sweden's position in the war.

About 7,000 Marriages Among the Canadian Forces in Gt. Britain

London, Dec. 29 (CP) — Irish colleens, Scottish lassies and English and Welsh girls have found new romance during 1942 with Canada's fighting men in khaki.

The exact number of marriages hasn't been definitely established but authoritative Canadian military sources figure about 7,000 soldiers serving overseas have nervously nodded "I do" since the war started.

They acknowledged a few marriages — just as in civilian life — have gone "on the rocks," but for the most part these war marriages have progressed satisfactorily from all points of view.

It isn't a case of marrying in haste and repenting in leisure in the army, nowadays. A starry-eyed swain and his sweetheart can't pick up a licence on Wednesday and trot to the altar on Saturday. They have plenty of time to think things over before making the leap.

Under Canadian military orders soldiers have to wait at least three months after application to marry is made and then only if they have their commanding officers' blessing. They must also have $100 in the bank to help re-establish themselves and their wives in Canada after the war.

The Canadian Army Chaplain Service, which does a lot of delicate investigating before most servicemen get permission to marry, isn't greatly worried about the outcome of the majority of marriages. Col. W. T. R. Flemington, Sackville, N.B., Senior Protestant Chaplain, and Col. M. C. O'Neil, Edmonton, Senior Roman Catholic Chaplain — made that plain.

But just for the record, here's a tip from Col. O'Neil to Canadian girls who may be worrying about their boy-friend falling for a blonde, brunette or red-head on this side of the sea:

Write plenty of letters to keep his interest at a peak; don't talk about knocking around with other boys or topics which will make him depressed, and above all, keep saying how much you love him. That's the stuff he wants to hear.

"The Rumor Clinic"

— Prepared by The Canadian Column —

Beware of Falsehoods Attacking Currency

It has been clearly established that Lie, Rumor and Falsehood played a major role in breaking down the "will to resist" in those European countries which have fallen under Nazi slavery and domination.

Hitler is attempting exactly the same tactics on this Continent: a fact amply demonstrated by the similarity of rumors circulating in the United States and Canada.

Rumors and lies inspired by Axis short-wave broadcasts, enemy agents or sympathizers, and passed along by thoughtless Canadians, differ very little from those which Hitler used to "Divide and Conquer" Europe, to set race against race, class against class, creed against creed.

The Rumor Clinic has frequently exposed falsehoods regarding Bank deposits, Victory Bonds, War Savings Certificates. When you hear stories which attempt to undermine confidence in Canada's currency and securities, remember Czechoslovakia. Thomas Bata — son of the famous Czechoslakian shoe-manufacturer who came to Canada in April, 1939, when he was forced to flee from his native country when the Nazis marched in—has furnished the following information regarding events which preceded the invasion of his country.

"During the whole existence of the Czechoslovakia Republic, no question had arisen among the different nationalities of that country, as to the honesty of its finances or the value of its currency. Suddenly in the middle of 1938, people, in some districts, began to withdraw money from the banks; rumors concerning currency, finance and economy had arisen from nowhere and had no traceable source. Only after Munich, was it discovered that these rumors had been spread by agents moving through the country mostly under the guise of commercial travellers and pedlars. This trick was one of the most potent tools for undermining the authority of the state and brought very serious damage to the country."

Every once in a while, we get a batch of silly stories regarding the new style five cent coin. Here is the latest myth which is completely exploded by the facts.

Rumor: "New 5-cent coins are not issued because platinum was allowed to be used in the manufacture of the first batch by mistake. Hence their recall."

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SOUTH AFRICA IN WAR GAME

Johannesburg (CP) — America may have to fight Japan from the eastern coast of the United States, said Minister Without Portfolio, Piet van der Byl, and in that case South Africa would be the pivot of Allied Nations war strategy, he declared.

Has Narrow Escape When Stalled Car Smashed by Train

A Brockville news despatch states that the Rev. Norman A. MacLeod, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, on Monday narrowly escaped from a car stalled on a railway track near Caintown, Ont., a few moments before it was smashed by a Canadian National Railways passenger train.

A fellow passenger, Henry Cousens, Jr., of Brockville, son of the Rev. H. Cousens, former minister in Lachute, also escaped without injury.

FESTIVE ATMOSPHERE IN DECEMBER SESSIONS OF W. INST. BRANCHES

Reports have been received from the following W.I. Branches for the month of December:

Brownsburg donated $5 to the Children's Memorial Hospital, $5 to the Grace Dart Home, and cookies to Ste. Anne's Hospital. The drawing of a quilt realized $17.35. Mrs. Wm. Fletcher convenor of Education, recently donated to Brownsburg Consolidated School an Honor Roll, in honor of her daughter, Nursing Sister A. C. Fletcher, and 89 boys serving in the Forces.

Frontier held a Christmas party for children and adults. The program consisted of songs, readings and several contests. Fruit, candy and prizes for the contests were provided.

Lakefield members were unable to hold their usual meeting on account of the stormy weather.

Mille Isles meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Walter Maxwell. Proceeds from the sale of poppies amounted to $14.35. An instructive paper was read by Mrs. Gilbert Ryan, convenor of Home Economics. Christmas gifts were exchanged among the members. Children of the district donated $5.25 for war stricken children in other countries, and $1.75 was given towards the purchase of seeds for Prisoners of War; $13 is being sent to the Self-Denial Fund and $16 to the Red Cross.

Pioneer also had to postpone their meeting due to the weather. A card party held at the home of Mrs. G. Smith realized about $25.

Jerusalem - Bethany completed a quilt for the Red Cross. Members exchanged gifts, and Christmas carols were sung. Boxes were packed for soldiers of the community serving in Canada.

Upper Lachute - East End arranged to send Christmas cards to boys in the Services in Canada. Fruit was sent to an invalid and groceries to a needy family; $5 was donated to the Children's Memorial Hospital. A social hour was spent, with carol singing and contests.

Lachute members held their Christmas meeting in the High School on December 1. Donations were sent to the Laurentian Sanatorium, the Grace Dart Home and the Aid-to-Russia Fund. Letters of appreciation were read from a large number of overseas boys who had received gifts. Grade I and II of the School sang Christmas carols and Miss Yvonne Bedard sang "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas", with piano accompaniment by Miss Doris Mitchell.

A fashion show was also held for the W.I. members, by pupils of Miss P. Bennett's class.

Officers Installed In Masonic Lodge

On Monday evening members of Argenteuil Lodge, No. 67, A.F. & A.M., met for the annual St. John's Night and the installation of officers for the coming year. The annual banquet was dispensed with as a wartime measure, and light refreshments were served instead.

Rt. Wor. Bro. H. M. Gall carried out the installation ceremony in his usual capable manner, and was assisted by a number of Past Masters.

During the evening Rt. Wor. Bro. John Hadley presented the Immedfate Past Master, Bro. C. Stephens, with a jewel in appreciation of his splendid and efficient work during his term of office.

Welcome was extended to the new officers, who are as follows:

Wor. Master R. McAdam; Sr. Warden, Rev. W. B. Rosborough; Jr. Warden, Dr. F. McMartin; Sr. Deacon, C. L. Duncan; Jr. Deacon, Geo. Rodgers; Inner Guard, Ben Hammond; Outer Guard, W. McPaul; Secretary, H. M. Gall; Treasurer, R. P. Fraser; Chaplain, Rev. E. Orsborn; D. of C., F. A. Brennan; Organist, R. A. Gibb.

TAX RATES SET AT YEAR-END COUNCIL MEET

Roll Is Homologated at Nearly 2½ Million Dollars Property Valuation

At an adjourned meeting of Lachute Town Council held last Wednesday, the tax by-law for 1943 was adopted, with levies as follows:—

	Per $100
Municipal General Tax	$1.00
Catholic General School Tax	1.10
Protestant Gen. School Tax	.60
Neutral General School Tax	1.10
Catholic Special School Tax	.30
Protestant Special School Tax	.10
Neutral Special School Tax	.30
Plus	.10

The valuation roll for 1943 was homologated for a total of $2,481,450.

Accounts totalling $1,793.18 were submitted and approved for payment.

A by-law calling for removal of gasoline tanks in Lachute was given its first reading.

The firm of W. J. Adamson & Co'y, chartered accountants, were hired to audit the town books.

A letter was read from Miss Catherine Martin, notifying the town of an accident that happened when she fell on the sidewalk in front of Mrs. Miller's property on Main Street on December 8. Also another letter was received from J. O. Desjardins, notifying Council of a similar accident that happened in front of St. Julien Church on December 22. Both letters were left on table for further consideration.

May Exchange Christmas Gifts

Twelve-Day Limit Does Not Apply

The Wartime Prices bulletin draws attention of retailers to the Board's ruling with regard to change of gifts. The twelve-limit does not apply on which have been sold for gifts. Such goods may be exchanged but cash refunds may not be made on gift sales.

To Collect Salvage Saturday, January 9

Holidays having interrupted the salvage collection routine, it is announced from the town secretary's office that the rounds will be made Saturday, January 9. Citizens are requested to have their salvage material ready on that date.

Following this collection the regular schedule will be resumed, namely on the first Saturday of each month.

Roof Collapses on Ice Skating Rink At Brownsburg

BUILDING FORTUNATELY UNOCCUPIED WHEN CRASH OCCURS

Brownsburg — During the noon hour on Monday the roof of the Brownsburg skating rink caved in, crashing onto the ice amid a shower of dust and debris. The curved galvanized sheets, supported by wooden beams, collapsed toward the centre of the building, probably due to the weight of ice and snow. The extremities of the roof did not crash.

The rink, well patronized by skaters during evenings and week-ends, was fortunately unoccupied when the cave-in happened. Had the mishap occurred with a crowd in attendance, there would doubtless have been a costly toll to add to the recent disasters in public recreation spots.

A lone attendant was reported to have been removing snow from one end of the roof. When unusual sounds indicated the supports were cracking, he slid down the side of the roof to safety.

Proprietor of the building is A. Carriere.

Quebec Boosted Acreage Yields, 1942 Agriculture Records Show

Province Increases Field and Dairy Production: Cheese Output Is Up 77 Per Cent

By Stewart Nebbs,
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Quebec, Dec. 29 (CP)—Quebec farms this year gave forth a higher yield per acre than in 1941, to add to the bin of foodstuffs needed in the prosecution of the war, according to most recent reviews by the provincial ministry of Municipal Affairs, Trade and Commerce.

Quebec is proud of her achievements of farm and dairy and her leaders are anxious to maintain the province's high place in the agriculture of the Dominion. Premier Adelard Godbout, who also holds the portfolio of Agriculture, has time and again stressed the importance of the farm industry, especially in wartime, and has repeatedly urged Quebec farmers to remain on their lands and not to leave them for larger centres.

Provisional estimates for 1942 wheat, oats, barley, beans, buckwheat and mixed grains in the province are well ahead of the comparable figures of last year. Also on the the upgrade are hay, clover, alfalfa, fodder corn and various other products. Estimates for rye and potatoes are somewhat lower.

Cheese Production

In dairy products, cheese production jumped 77 per cent over that of last year but butter showed a decrease of eight per cent. In this connection the Provincial government discontinued, as of December 1, payment of a premium of two cents a pound for cheese because "there exists a lack of balance which must be corrected . . ."

Value of canned fruits, meats and vegetables also shows a considerable increase as does production and value of maple products. Flax is well ahead of the previous year.

A factor that aided this year's crops was announced recently by Premier Godbout who told a press conference that technicians of the plant protection division of the ministry of agriculture had succeeded in reducing infection of various crops in the province from 20 per cent in 1941 to 6.5 per cent this year.

Although in some cases the areas under crop were below last year, Quebec farmers recorded an increase of almost 100,000 acres in the amount of mixed grains cultivated this year by planting 972,000 acres. The grains are used to feed hogs which are sent overseas for wartime markets, and a premium of $2 per acre, up to [illegible], was paid by the government this year to farmers who cultivated mixed grains with which to fatten hogs.

Some Comparisons

Following are some Quebec crop comparisons with the 1941 amount given in brackets. The 1942 figure is a provisional estimate and all are expressed in bushels: Wheat 603,000 (533,000); oats 50,580,000 (47,291,000); barley 3,881,000 (3,715,000); peas 513,000 (415,000); beans 257,000 (227,000); buckwheat 1,896,000 (1,773,000); mixed grains 8,976,000 (5,539,000).

Hay and clover production is expected to reach 6,402,000 tons, compared with 4,103,000 tons in 1941 while alfalfa and fodder corn are expected to yield 1,024,000 tons against 779,800 last year.

During the first 10 months of 1942, butter production amounted to 64,896,602 pounds, dropping eight per cent from the 1941 figure of 70,516,043 but cheese production soared from 33,627,448 pounds last year to 59,523,389 pounds. Stocks of butter and cheese in storage in the province as at November 1 totalled 13,104,149 and 44,180,082 pounds respectively.

Maple Syrup Yield

Of the 2,876,900 gallons of maple syrup produced in Canada this year, Quebec showed a production of 2,272,400 gallons. The province also contributed 3,537,900 pounds of sugar, against 2,244,000 last year, combined value of both being estimated at $5,098,400. The 1941 value was set at $2,807,000.

In canned fruits, meats and vegetables, figures of which are for 1941, total value of all products canned amounted to $692,717, against $466,029 the previous year. Total of canned fruits reached 219,969 pounds (146,809), vegetables 12,352,784 pounds (8,803,375) and meats 3,096 cases (1,625).

The flax crop, based on an average yield of 300 pounds per acre, is expected to attain more than 9,000,000 pounds. There are 13 flax plants in the province, located at Montmagny, St. Alexandre, Ste. Anne de la Pocatiere, De Beaujeu, Rigaud, St. Clet, Ste. Martine, Acton Vale, Yamachiche, Louiseville, St. Francois de Salle and Plessisville where a flax school is situated.

ALL IN FRONT LINE!

London (CP) — The Imperial Graves Commission is compiling a list of the 50,000 civilians in Britain killed by enemy action. The list probably will be printed as an official Roll of Honor. Also being prepared is a list of passengers lost at sea during this war.

Farming Paper Will Run Farm

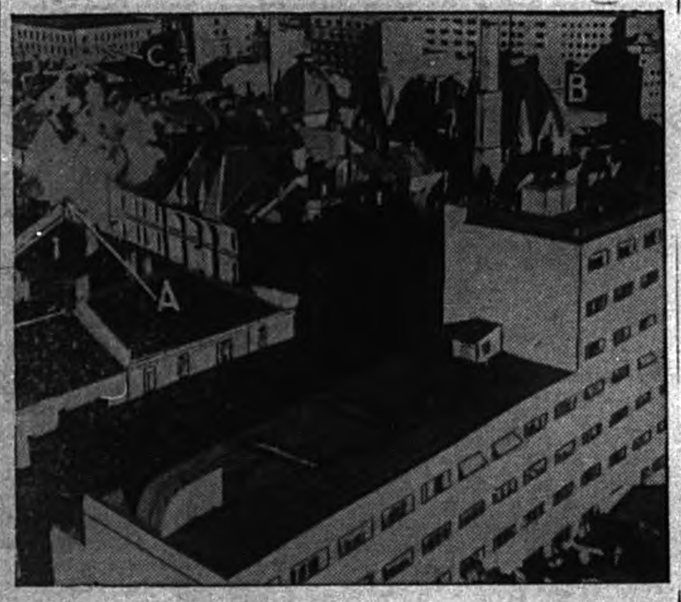
To Publish Such Paper, One Must Have Mud on His Boots, Editor Declares

London (CP)—None of this armchair farming for the Farmers' Weekly, well-known British agricultural paper. It is in the market for a farm.

"We believe that to run a good farming paper you must have mud on your boots," the paper said. The move was "a deliberate, unpretentious, matter-of-fact step in the natural order of the paper's development. It didn't mark a sudden conversion because individual members of the staff have been encouraged to farm on their own account.

"What is new is the determination of the Farmers' Weekly to farm, as it were, publicly. We propose to tell the people everything that goes on at the farm—our ups and downs, our successes and failures, our losses and gains. Our idea is to farm in sight of the road—and the gate will be always open to the interested."

R.A.F. Drops Bombs on Headquarters of Gestapo at Oslo



On September 25, 1942, "Mosquito" aircraft of the R.A.F. Bomber Command bombed the Gestapo Headquarters building in Oslo. This picture, taken by the first "Mosquito" as it flew away after the attack, shows (A) dust and debris rising from a direct hit by a delayed action bomb; (B) the central cupola, on which the pilots saw the Nazi flag was flying; and (C) the University, where Quisling was hurriedly making for the shelter of the cellars.

WHEAT PLASTICS ANOTHER REMEDY FOR GRAIN GLUT

With Too Much Stored Away in Granaries, Experts Battle With Question of What's Best To Grow in 1943

By GORDON M. BATEMAN,
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Winnipeg, (CP) — Farmers in the west, producers of the largest grain crop in history, have many complex problems to meet in planning 1943 operations, aimed to increase foodstuffs for the United Kingdom and allied fighting forces.

The farmer is faced with a skilled labor shortage and clogged granaries as much of the 1,358,700,000 bushels crop harvested this year has not been turned into ready cash.

A glimmer of hope through the cloud, however, as scientists continue to delve into methods of using wheat for plastics or manufacture of alcohol, for various industrial uses during wartime. Any project to reduce the wheat surplus — officially placed at about 1,000,000,000 bushels — would give a clue to what best to sow in the next crop-year, farmers say.

A substantial amount of the large course grain production will be fed to increase livestock herds, to boost milk, cheese and bacon output. But even here, the labor shortage threatens to curtail production.

Youth Harvest Success

Government officials proclaimed the youth harvest excursions from Ontario and Quebec that brought more than 5,000 harvest helpers to Saskatchewan and Alberta for the first time in 14 years, a success. When the two provinces were threatened with a loss due to adverse weather in October, the movement of university and college students enabled approximately 40 per cent of the crops in these areas to be harvested. In 1943, it is expected harvest excursions will begin earlier.

Pending announcement of the Dominion's crop-growing policy, which farm officials say is essential before any plans can be made regarding 1943 acreages, a prominent grainman has suggested a wheat holiday.

Leonard D. Nesbitt, director of publicity for the Alberta wheat pool, suggested that by discontinuing wheat production in some districts the production could be brought more in line with annual wartime export and domestic requirements.

The Dominion government agreed to purchase 280,000,000 bushels of wheat from the 1942 crop, slightly less than the actual crop of 1941. Despite reduction of almost 500,000 acreas in wheat sowing in the prairie provinces, production this year jumped to 580,000,000 bushels, a yield of 28.1 bushels an acre—an all-time high.

Export to Greece

While Canada continues to export wheat to the United Kingdom and has shipped about 3,000,000 bushels as a gift to Greece, Mr. Nesbitt estimates that by the time the next harvest rolls around the Dominion will still have 700,000,000 bushels of wheat on hand. This, he estimates, is sufficient to take care of domestic and export requirements for more than two years without a single bushel being grown in the Dominion. He suggests that money paid for unwanted wheat and for grain elevator carrying charges might be used better as bonuses to farmers to grow grass, summerfallow lands or grow other crops.

In the last two years the Dominion government paid bonuses for turning wheat acreage into course grains or summerfallow and encouraged flax production with a $2.25 minimum price a bushel for top-grade quantity.

Buy War Savings Stamps!

CANADA'S COWS TAKE BIG PART IN PRODUCTION

Butter Scarcity No Fault of Bossie; Average Milk Yield Reaches Wartime Record

Ottawa, Dec 29 (CP)—The common or farm cow today appeared as one of the unsung heroines of the Canadian war effort. She has increased her average milk production by nearly two pounds a day compared with 1938, timing this improvement with the progressively rising increase in the demand for milk and milk products by the fighting forces, the Allied Nations and the civilian population.

In October 1938, the average cow produced 13.9 pounds of milk a day and in the same month this year 15.8 pounds, Dominion Bureau of Statistics records showed.

In the last three years, in addition to increased milk production per cow, the number of cows milking has been raised. In 1940, 77.5 per cent of the total cows in Canada were being milked and in 1942, 78.1 per cent.

For Future Milking

Ottawa records indicated that more farmers are holding young cattle stock for sale or future breeding, along with young female cattle to be used for future milking. Sales of cows are about normal, but farm to farm sales are more in evidence than in previous years.

The enlarged demand for milk products was reflected in the report that sales of fluid milk for Canada as a whole increased eight per cent in October as against the same month last year. Milk used in farm homes and for livestock feeding has shown an increase in all provinces.

Officials said the farm labor situation was a factor affecting the size of cattle herds. Farmers with adequate family help were increasing their herds but those uncertain of labor supplies were enlarging their herds only cautiously.

Abundant feed supplies are encouraging the extension of herds in most provinces, but in parts of Western Canada the coarse grains harvest still is in the fields and will not be threshed until spring. Although the percentage of cows being milked is larger for all Canada, some provinces reported a reduction in October. In Saskatchewan only 65.3 per cent of the total cows were being milked against 75.1 per cent in the same month in 1941.

MAKES STOOKER FROM OLD CARS

Farmer's Son, with Mechanical Ability and Spare Parts, Does Swell Job

Drumheller, Alta. (CP) — Parts from abandoned automobiles of another day are back in service again, working together now as a giant machine which 21-year-old Tom Kempling built for sweep-raking and stook loading on his father's farm near here.

The machine, designed to handle 90 to 100 bundles at a time, has eliminated the necessity of three teams to carry stooks to the threshing machine.

Parts from all sorts of old cars went into its making. The front end is part of a 1928 Buick while the rear end is that of a Model T Ford, vintage unknown. The transmission was once part of a truck and the machine boasts an Essex steering wheel. Parts from 1927 Dodge went into the making of the hoist it has for raising the stooks.

Young Kempling constructed the machine in a farm workshop which he also built himself.

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DEFENCE OF 'BELLEVUE' IN REBELLION

(Continued from page 1)

Casting of Bullets

Weeks before the bloody battle of St. Eustache, in all the back concessions, arms were being secretly cached, pikes were being furtively fashioned at cross-roads blacksmith shops; and bullets were being cast by candle light in many a homestead. Rebel and Loyalist were preparing for the day of reckoning.

It is a strange commentary on human nature that men and neighbors who had fought together to repel invasion when the bugles blew in the woods of Chateauguay and on the sodden fields of Crysler's Farm should be seeking each other's blood. And it is equally strange, but true, that in the permutations of Time and Circumstance, "rebel" and "loyalist" are often in juxtaposition.

The researches of Alfred D. Decelles in his "Patriotes of '37" and Walter Johnston's fascinating history entitled "Pastor Invictus" indicate that the Lower Canada from Carillon down the river was in turmoil during the entire Autumn of 1837. The Patriotes at first dominated the district by aggressiveness, and sheer numerical strength. There were, however, scattered militia units at widely spaced intervals with communication difficult. Colonial Daniel De Hertel, at St. Andrews; Lieut.-Colonel Thomas Kains, at Grenville; Major Donald McLean, at Buckingham, and Capt. John Dennison, at Lachute, all held commands in the old York militia.

When the situation became critical volunteer companies were raised in Argenteuil. At Carillon there was also stationed a small detachments of the 24th Regiment, under Capt. Mayne, who supplied a few old flint-lock muskets. This company, thus inadequately armed, patrolled all the roads leading out of the village.

Defence of "Bellevue"

St. Andrews was flanked by the rebel areas of Cote St. Pierre and Les Eboules. In the latter place the Patriotes were meeting and drilling. On a hill a short distance from the Ottawa River, not far from St. Placide, they had formed a barricade of felled trees. It was a strong strategic point for either defence or offence. One morning in November a courier galloped into St. Andrews with news that this force was preparing to make a raid on the village. In less than an hour about 300 men—all those able to bear arms—mustered in St. Andrews.

At Carillon the beautiful colonial residence ("Bellevue") of Commissary-General Forbes was converted into a fortified "House of Refuge" for the wives and families of the menfolk who had gone to to fight against the rebels. Mrs. Forbes was a brave hostess, and spent a whole night casting bullets. The former tutor of her sons was one of the rebel leaders, Armoury Girod, the mysterious swash-bucking adventurer who linked his fortunes with Dr. Chenier and the rebel cause. Girod knew how well "Bellevue" was victualled, and had boasted on having his Christmas dinner there. But before Christmas Chenier had died bravely in battle at St. Eustache, standing by his deluded followers. Girod fled the field and a few days later—a fugitive hiding in cold barns—he blew out his brains.

Heroic Joe Giroux

One of the unsung heroes of those tragic days and nights that preceded St. Eustache was Joe Giroux. The rebels in roving bands were terrorizing the countryside, burning barns, stealing cattle and impounding many who would not enlist in the rebel ranks. A band of rebels, headed for St. Andrews, stopped before the house of Joe Giroux, a loyalist. Joe casually met them with his musket, and the leader of the band demanded the firearm.

"Come and take it", challenged Joe.

"If you don't come and join us we will shoot you", countered the gang, levelling a line of muskets at him.

Joe pushed his trembling wife out of the direct line of fire and coolly dared them to shoot. His bravery and boldness disconcerted the band who thought that there surely must be a force of loyalists in hiding to ambush them. They rushed away in the opposite direction, and Joe galloped to St. Andrews to tell the settlement that it was safe.

MONTREAL TUNNEL LONGEST ON NATIONAL SYSTEM

Montreal — Contrary to general impression the longest tunnel on the C.N.R. system is not in the Rocky Mountains but is situated in the heart of the Metropolis connecting Montreal with the Town of Mount Royal after passing under the historic local mountain. This tunnel is 16,545 feet in length, 3.1 miles. In second place on the National system is the St. Clair tunnel, running under the St. Clair River from Sarnia to Port Huron, being 6,028 feet between portals. This Canadian enterprise was the first sub-marine bore in North America. At Battle Banff, eight miles west of Kamloops, B.C., is a tunnel 2,837 feet in length, the third longest on the system.



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Souvenir of the First "King's Highway"

Those to whom pleasure driving in this province may soon be but a happy memory, will be interested in this commemoration of an early development in road transit . . .

**"On August 5, 1734,
Lanouiller de Boiscler,
road surveyor of New France,
left Quebec for
Montreal by carriage, officially
inaugurating the main
royal highway in the Colony"**

—Thus reads the inscription on a historic plaque which has been affixed to the Saint John Gate, in Quebec, and which was unveiled recently to commemorate the second centenary of the opening, between Quebec and Montreal, of the first main "King's Highway" in New France, and forerunner of modern national highways.

There were no highways in Canada, with the exception of a few disconnected strips here and there, until the first thirty years of the eighteenth century had elapsed. The St. Lawrence and other streams were the universal means of communication, and travelling was accomplished by canoe. Lanouiller de Boiscler, who was appointed road surveyor of New France by intendant Hocquart in 1730, was charged with the task of laying out a highway between Quebec and Montreal, and such was his energy and skill that he was able to set out on August 5, 1734, by stage-coach, to inaugurate the first direct and continuous highway between the two largest cities of the colony. The highway had a uniform width of 24 feet.

There is a vast difference between this dirt highway of 1734 and the modern asphalt highways of 1942. In olden days the trip from Quebec to Montreal required five days. Today the same journey may be accomplished in five hours, at moderate speed.

What's Wrong ?

One of the first salutations of the week was "Why don't you have something interesting in the paper?" and while this is not the best Monday morning fare, it is a question which merits attention and for which an answer must be provided.

The question is the counterpart to the trite expression "There's nothing in the paper this week." Just what some readers expect, we cannot say. Perhaps their ideal paper is "Hush" or it may be the "Northern Miner", not that there is any similarity between the publications. Each, however, has its appeal to a certain group of people.

A weekly newspaper must conform to certain standards and must have a broader base of appeal to the general public if even a faint measure of success is to attend it.

Readers should remember, too, that a paper worthy of its name merely records and reports the news, it does not manufacture.

How many of the people who asked the question or provided the answer we have mentioned have ever made any contribution even in the form of a personal item to make it possible for there to be "something" in the paper?

—Kincardine News

The Cold Facts

"The cold bug is highly contagious. He is responsible for more loss of time from work than any other cause. He saps your vitality and often leads to more serious illness, such as influenza or pneumonia" . . . Thus reads a pamphlet called "The Cold Facts" just issued by the Industrial Division, Health League of Canada, for use in factories and industrial plants. Accompanying it is a graphic poster illustrating the menace of the cold carrier in industry, which is designed for use on plant notice boards.

Rules for defence against cold germs are outlined in the pamphlet as follows:

1. Give coughers and sneezers a wide berth.
2. Avoid undue fatigue. Rest, sleep—and relax after work.
3. Eat food which will build up resistance. Avoid constipation.
4. Dress sensibly. Exercise in the open.

A plan of attack is also given in the event of catching a cold. Stay in bed, drink plenty of water, and eat lightly. A hot foot bath before retiring is helpful. Hot drinks are also helpful.

Lost time from work is lost wages. It costs less to prevent than to cure.

New Year's Inspiration — Begin Today

Dream not too much of what you'll do tomorrow,
How well you'll work perhaps another year;
Tomorrow's chance you do not need to borrow—
Today is here.

Boast not too much of mountains you will master,
The while you linger in the vale below;
To dream is well, but plodding brings us faster
To where we go.

Talk not too much about some new endeavor
You mean to make a little later on;
Who idles now will idle on forever
Till life is gone.

Swear not some day to break some habit's fetter,
When this old year is dead and passed away;
If you have need of living, wiser, better,
Begin today!

—Anonymous

The Last Straw

Seven stalwart men to move a truck
Deep sunken in the mire,
Used all their force without avail
Despite much strain and ire.
When up there strolled a little boy
Pulling a kiddie-car.
"Are you guys stuck?" the stranger asked.
They answered, "Yes, we are."
"I'll come and help," the urchin said.
"Okay," returned the men.
"When shall I push?" "Oh," one replied,
"When I say 'shove' — that's when."
The men all laughed. The willing child
Placed both hands on the truck.
"Shove!" They all gave a mighty heave;
It rose out of the muck.
Up went the truck upon the road
Like some magician's trick.
"My goodness," one man turned and said,
"Who have we here? — Old Nick?"
"Who is Old Nick?" the kid replied;
"My name is John, or Jack."
"'Tis the last straw," another said,
"That breaks the camel's back."

Well, there it is. Does someone think
His war work isn't much?
And yet that extra quarter-ounce
May give the magic touch.

It's the last straw will turn the trick
And make the Axis crack.
To add that straw may be the luck
Of any John or Jack.

—Salmon Arm (B.C.) Observer

WAR -- TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

By H. H. GORDON Canadian Press Staff Writer

Christmas and New Year's Day on the Arras Front

Canadian soldiers celebrated Christmas and New Year's Day 25 years ago in winter quarters amid familiar positions on the Arras front. After the swamps of Passchendaele and the Ypres salient, the well-kept trenches and commodious dug-outs around Vimy Ridge and Lens merited a "luxury" ranking.

During the year 1917 the Dominion troops had maintained their reputation as first-class fighting men with outstanding victories at Vimy Ridge, Hill 70 and Passchendaele. They had earned their "rest," but were aware that the Germans, freed from the Russian campaign, were preparing for an all-out offensive on the Western Front in 1918.

But that was to come. The holiday season to the Canadians meant Christmas mail and parcels from home and a respite from heavy fighting. Back of the lines, battalions at rest played football and other games and revelled in the recreational and entertainment facilities provided by the Y.M.C.A. and other organizations. Concert parties, with clever entertainers recruited from the ranks, put on splendid performances in battered buildings.

Lines Little Changed

The Canadians had been brought back from the Ypres area soon after the Passchendaele victory stabilized the Flanders front for the winter. They found the Germans still holding the coal mining city of Lens as well as Fresney which they recaptured after the sharp battles of the summer.

The new Canadian positions ran south and east from Hill 70 toward Lens which was partly encircled. Just north of Lens the Canadians held Cite St. Emile and Cite St. Elizabeth, but to the south Cite St. Antoine was in German hands. Avion was behind the Canadian lines and further south No Man's Land widened and the front ran forward from the eastern slopes of Vimy Ridge, with Mericourt and Acheville in enemy territory.

At Fresnoy the lines narrowed considerably. Sir Arthur Currie's troops where on the outskirts of Oppy and in control of Arleux-en-Gohelle. The Canadian front ended in the vicinity of Gauvrelle, further to the south.

Army Life Hard For Vegetarian

Great Falls, Mont. (CP)—Pte. Benny Bee says the Army is pretty tough on a vegetarian, and he has been one for 23 years.

Benny passes up everything like chicken, roast beef and turkey. "I hate meat and I don't eat anything that walks, swims, crawls or flies," says Benny. "And no pastry, please."

That takes in a lot of eating territory and so Benny has to be content with bread, potatoes and salads, of which he wishes there were more.

"My advice to vegetarians who go into the Army is this: Bring your own truck garden with you," says Ben.

SEARCHLIGHT STREET-LIGHTING

Winchester, Eng. (CP)—Experts are considering the proposal of Alderman C. G. Sankey, of this Hampshire city, to do away with street lamps and illuminate the city with batteries of searchlights.

Civilian Defence Article

Experience Counts !

**Written especially by P. N. SODEN,
Deputy Provincial Officer, Civilian Protection Committee**

Some years ago there was a story written, "Life Begins at Forty". In recent weeks I have heard many discussions on whether one is too old at fifty to be active in the Civilian Protection Committee. Age has really nothing to do with the ability of a man to be able to render service to his country through the Civilian Protection Committee. It is fitness that is the main consideration; fitness, not only physically and mentally, but fitness in his knowledge of the work which he has to do. Besides, any man that is not eligible for military service should be actively engaged in the Civilian Protection Committee.

This task of Air Raid Precautions is possibly not well enough known to the citizens. There is a dire necessity for warden service. The necessity for this service is beyond doubt, if one would only take the time to analyze the disasters to nations that have been under assault. We need no longer quote the experiences of Great Britain, or any other European country for that matter. There is hardly a day but that the newspapers publish items telling of air raids in all parts of the world, and in some of these far countries that have felt as we have felt, that we are safe, that there is no need to prepare ourselves, they have suddenly been faced with air raids, and what has happened? They have been unprepared. There has not only been terrific loss of life and property, but no organized means of dealing with such emergency conditioins.

One of the causes that led to the fall of France was the lack of organization behind the lines — civilian organization. The people fled from the oncoming hordes in such a way that their traffic blocked all roads. They were just panic-stricken, and the results were that the combatant forces were unable to move or that they were unable to bring up forces and assistance to help stem the onward rush of the Nazis.

You can well imagine in the City of Montreal what would happen if panic overtook the population. There would undoubtedly be a possible move towards the Laurentian Mountains. Study this problem for a few minutes and you will see that the means of egress from the Island of Montreal on the north side is by two bridges to which the roads leading from them have to more or less converge on one main highway. The mere attempt of a vast number of people, under normal conditions to move out of the city, as you will remember only a few years ago, caused, on Sundays, many miles of waiting traffic much delay getting in and out of the city. Now that a better traffic police system has been in charge and the roads are wider, this traffic, under normal conditions, is handled much better, but under distressing conditions today, people fleeing from the city, with their minds unsettled and in terror, would soon congest traffic.

Here, in this instance alone, is an outstanding example of why citizens should join the Civilian Protection Committee, where they could be given instruction in this important work of controlling the traffic and keeping the lanes open, and I am quite sure that men of fifty and over could handle this work without any great physical strain, so do not let anybody convince you that age is a deterrent to assistance to your country's needs.

Mobile Tombstones

Judith Robinson might write it something like this: He asked that it not be written just now; he wished to be sure that first the dates were filled in on the tombstone in the space left for them when the father of the family died some years ago. But the other Sunday he made his inspection and paid the bill. So This Space may go ahead now.

One recalls June afternoons in the cemetery. Here and there there would be the noise of sandblast filling in dates. The memorial stone people had portable outfits. But awhile ago, orders went out that portable tombstone carvers must be immoblized for the duration. Gasoline and rubber, you know.

How do they fill in dates now? It can't be done with hammer and chisel—not well, at least. So what is done is that the tombstone is lifted from its base, put on a truck, transported to the tomstone maker's place of business, the sandblasting completed, and the tombstone transported back to the cemetery. The portable outfits used to do several jobs in each cemetery on each trip. But not often are two tombstones feathery enough to go on one truck.

The tombstone people — This Space is told—say that if obeying Ottawa's orders helps to win the war, then they are helping. But if saving gasoline and rubber helps to win the war they are not saving either.

—The Printed Word

It costs $5.46 a day to maintain a soldier in Canada, and $7.11 to maintain him overseas. That means you must pledge yourself to Buy War Savings Stamps and Certificates regularly!

Nylon Brushes Are Shipped with Guns

Nylon bristles, the same as you use to brush your teeth and smooth your hair, are now cleaning the guns being fired on land and sea. All types and calibre of guns, from those mounted on a submarine chaser or corvette to the 25 pounders in North Africa or the monster guns on the newest battleships, are cleaned with Canadian-made brushes bristled with nylon monofilament fibres, according to John Harwood-Jones writing in the current issue of C-I-L Oval.

With natural hog bristles formerly imported from Russia and China now on the reserve list, nylon fibres produced by Canadian Industries Limited at Brownsburg, Que., have literally stepped into the breech as a replacement material. When a gun leaves the factory, says the article, breech and barrel brushes are shipped with it. Modern war is on a bigger scale than even Napoleon ever dreamed possible and when guns are shipped to fronts many thousands of miles away the replacement of gun cleaning brushes becomes a big problem. The importance of the long lasting properties of nylon monofilament bristles over those of hitherto imported natural bristles was soon realized by government and military specialists and brush makers alike.

In addition to their use on active service, brushes bristled with nylon are being used in larger numbers and for increasing duties in war plants for cleaning shells, fuses, gun barrels and parts and many widening industrial uses.

INCREASE GROWTH IN SOUTH AFRICA

British Union in Southern Seas Would Improve its Agriculture Situation

Ottawa, Dec. 29 (CP)—The immediate task confronting South African agriculture is not only to maintain but increase the output of foodstuffs, J. C. Macgillivray, Canadian Trade Commissioner at Cape Town, said in a report on the South African agriculture situation to the Department of Trade and Commerce at Ottawa.

He said agriculture is the weakest point in South Africa's economy, the country being poorly endowed by nature for farming and "the position is deteriorating rather than improving owing to soil exhaution and erosion."

"An authority" on the subject had estimated "that in a little over half a century there will be no land left in South Africa suitable for agriculture," a situation which was being hastened by the increasing utilization of the soil to increase production.

Approximately 200,000,000 acres were devoted to farming, of which roughly 14,000,000 acres were cultivated and 180,000,000 used for grazing. The remainder, some 6,000,000 acres, was under forest.

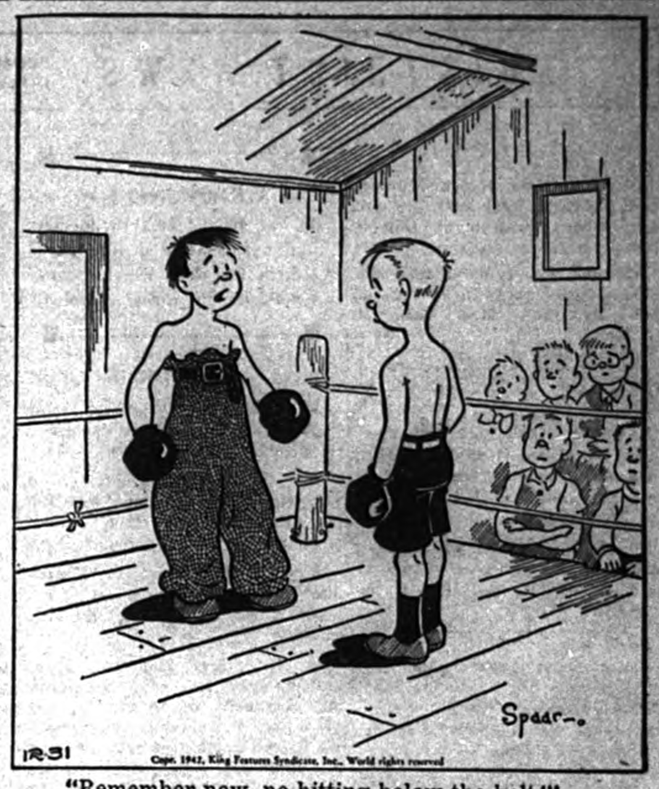
Cultivated land accounted for only about seven per cent of the aggregate farming area. Despite this relatively small figure, this land was an important factor in the agricultural economic structure of the country by supplementing the natural supplies of animal foodstuffs and by supplying the bulk of the nation's requirements of foodstuffs of vegetable origin, Mr. Macgillivray said.

A serious drought during the past year, a shortage of agricultural implements, fertilizers and farm labor, coupled with the extra demands on the food supply by the increasing industrial population, war prisoners, soldiers, evacuees and passing convoys and for exports to the armies in the middle east had given a "serious turn" to the situation.

Opposed to Rationing

Mr. Macgillivray quoted the South African minister of agriculture as saying: "As government policy is opposed to any coupon rationing of foodstuffs, considerable maldistribution of commodities has been unavoidable."

In his report Mr. Macgillivray said that food prices in South Africa were much higher than they were three years after the outbreak of the 1914-18 war, "due largely to the scarcity of shipping for transporting imports and to record drought in the past year, which did much to force prices upward and also create a scarcity of supplies."



"Remember now, no hitting below the belt!"

Laugh 'n Like It!

"Who's the long and lanky dame?" asked the stranger.

"That tall and stately lady", said the local citizen rebukingly, "is the sole beneficiary of a $100,000 life insurance policy".

* * *

Master of House: "Why did you tell your mistress what time I came home last night, after I had told you to be quiet about it?"

Maid: "I didn't, sir. She asked me what time it was, and I told her I was too busy getting breakfast to notice."

* * *

When the two business men met, one said to the other: "I have made an addition to my staff. I have engaged a man at $5,000 a year to do all the worrying for me."

"But how are you going to get the $5,000 to pay him?"

"Ah, that will be his first worry."

* * *

With a captain at a table on a ship from Africa to England were a trader and an African chief. Foreign missions were the subject of talk. The trader said he had no use for missions and did not believe in them. The African chief retorted: "If it were not for those missions for which you have no use you would be on the table by now, and not at it."

Ephraim had put on a clean collar and his best coat, and was walking majestically up and down the street.

"Aren't you working today, Ephraim?" asked one of his acquaintances.

"No, suh, I'se celebratin' my golden weddin', suh".

"You were married 50 years ago today?"

"Yes, suh".

"Well, why isn't your wife helping you to celebrate it?"

"My present wife, suh," replied Ephraim, with dignity, "aint got nothin' to do with it. She's de fo'th".

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As one quipster observes this is an all out war—we'll soon be all out of everything.

—Hamilton Spectator

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DISTRICT NEWS

FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

MABEL

Mr. and Mrs. James Murdoch spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Alton Murdoch at Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. and Mrs. James MacKenzie, of Lachute, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Murdoch.

The Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Simpson and children, of Montreal, visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Heatlie during Christmas week-end.

Mr. David MacDonald and Miss Mary MacDonald, of Verdun, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Murdoch.

Mr. Morris Davis, of Aylmer, East, was a Christmas visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Murdoch.

ST. ANDREWS EAST

Mr. Ray Murray, of Woodstock, Ont., spent the holidays with his parents at Carillon.

AW-1 Hazel Robertson and Miss Enid Robertson were at their home here for the holidays.

LAC. Hugh Robertson is spending a month's leave with his family.

Mrs. Brown and Clive spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. John Allen.

Dr. and Mrs. Campbell Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Kerr spent their holidays with their mother, Mrs. Henry McOuat.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugget and sons are occupying their home here for the holidays.

Miss Adrian Dorion is visiting with her sister, Mrs. F. Robertson.

Others here for the holidays were Eileen and Russel Bryson, Lois Perks, Elizabeth, Jeannette and Freda Wales.

Mr. and Mrs. N. MacGregor are occupying their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Yale, accompanied by Miss D. Leroy, spent a week with their son in Montreal.

Mr. Vernon Rayson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fredenburgh were at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Rayson for the holidays.

Mr. Bob Watson, of the R.C.A.F., from Galt, Ont., was home for the holidays.

BELL FALLS

Miss Beulah MacNeil, of Brownsburg, and Miss Ruby MacNeil, of Grenville, are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. MacNeil.

Miss Hazel Meyers, of Shawville, is guest of her aunt, Mrs. Wm.

Miss Jean MacLean, of Montreal, and Miss Della MacLean, of Toronto, are the holiday guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. MacLean.

Mrs. Wm. MacMahon spent a few days this week visiting friends in Lachute.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas MacMahon and family, of Lachute, spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. George Paul, of Lachute, spent Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas MacNeil.

Mrs. John Meyer, of Brookdale, who has been spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Craig, is confined to her bed; people of this community wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil MacCallum and family spent Christmas in Arundel, the guests of Mrs. Val Swail.

Miss Nellie Campbell, of Lachute, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Campbell.

Holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bennett include Miss Mary Bennett, of Grenville, Mr. Thomas Bennett and Master Bobby MacMahon, of Lachute, and Mrs. N. McCaig.

Miss Edith MacCallum, of Lost River, and Miss Isabel MacCallum, of Kilmar, are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neil MacCallum.

MORIN HEIGHTS

(Intended for last issue)

School closed on Friday, December 18, with a Christmas tree for the kiddies. Miss Sutherland and Mr. Perkins left the following morning to spend the holidays at their respective homes.

Mrs. Wm. Doherty left for Montreal to be joined later by her husband to spend Christmas with relatives in Cornwall.

On Monday afternoon the children of the Sunday School of Trinity Church were presented with gifts from the Guild.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Greene and Mr. and Mrs. H. Gillingham are spending Christmas at Lakeside and Montreal.

A Happy New Year

to our district correspondents, and appreciation of the publishers for their regular contributions to these columns.

CUSHING

Miss Margaret Canning spent Saturday in Lachute as the guest of Miss Ruth Todd.

Miss Elsie Graham, of Verdun, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Graham.

Mrs. W. Y. King spent Christmas in Montreal, the guest of her brother, Mr. L. Cushing and Mrs. Cushing.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Joyce and children, late of Philadelphia, but formerly of Australia, are spending the holidays at "Ingleside", with Mr. Joyce's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Joyce, Sr., who are staying at "Ingleside" for the winter.

Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Graham were—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dougall, of Verdun, also Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Scott and Mr. Thomas Pollock, of Lachute.

Christmas and holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Innes were Dr. and Mrs. McGerrigle and son, John, of Quebec, also Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Innes, of Montreal.

Frontier Branch of the Women's Institute held a belated December gathering on Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. James Murdoch, where arrangements were made to hold the January meeting at the home of Mrs. D. McKenzie, Brownsburg Road, on Tuesday afternoon, January 5. The children of the vicinity had their annual Christmas treat and program, including recitations and contests with prizes, at this meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Gaston were in Hawkesbury on Sunday attending the funeral of the late Mr. Struthers Johnston, of Hawkesbury, which took place in the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Johnston, who was well known in Cushing by the familiar name of 'Pud' Johnston, passed away December 24 at the Civic Hospital in Ottawa after a lingering illness. One sister, Mrs. A. Fraser, of Caledonia Springs, Ont., and one brother, John Johnston, of the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, are left to mourn his loss.

HARRINGTON

Gnr. Ed Campbell, of Lansdowne Park, Ottawa, spent a two days' leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Campbell.

Miss Pearl Campbell, of Halifax, N.S., spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Campbell, and also visited her sister, Mrs. C. MacTavish, in Brownsburg, and friends in Montreal.

Pte. D. K. Campbell, of Ottawa, will spend New Year's with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Campbell.

Word was received recently by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Campbell that their third son, Gnr. Malcolm Campbell, of the R.C.A., had arrived safely overseas.

GRENVILLE NORTH

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard McCart spent the week-end in St. Philippe as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Derouin. Mr. Joseph Robert returned with them.

Miss Genevieve McCart, of Chapleau, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents.

Miss Lilly Larocque, of Lachute, visited Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Larocque.

Mr. James Stewart has left for Ottawa, to spend the winter months with his daughter, Mrs. Milton Anderson.

Cpl. Bernard Lowe, Pte. Martin Lowe and Mr. Clifford Lowe are spending some time at their homes here.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Matthews and son Walter, of Kilmar, spent Christmas week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Murray.

Others spending the holiday at their respective homes were—Miss Mary Nixon, of Brownsburg, the Misses Rainey and Cousins, Miss Beatrice McCart, of St. Philippe, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Prophet, of Calumet.

TORONTO SCOUT LEADER THRILLS TO DIEPPE RAID

Writing to Imperial Headquarters of the Boy Scouts in London, Corporal House, former Scoutmaster of the 145th Toronto Group, had this to say: "Since my last call at I.H.Q. I have travelled. Yes, I went to Dieppe and it was quite a show. We did our best, and showed we could take it. I am one of the lucky ones to come back."

WEIR

Miss Lorna Bennett, of Montreal, was the Christmas guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bennett. Mr. Bennett was home from Kilmar to spent the holidays with his family.

Holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Owen included—Miss Dorothy Owen, of Beaurepaire, Mr. Thos. Owen and daughters, Verna and Fay, of Prescott, Mrs. L. Smythe and Miss Christena Thompson, of Montreal, and W.O. David Owen, R.C.A.F., of Queen Charlotte Islands.

L/Bdr. Murray Morrison, R.C.A., and Mrs. Morrison, also Mr. Bradley Morrison, of Montreal, were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Morrison.

Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams were Mr. and Mrs. George Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Phillips, all of Montreal.

Mrs. A. Larose spent Christmas in Montreal at the home of her daughter, Mrs. K. Cowan and Mr. Cowan, returning home on Sunday accompanied by her granddaughter, Mildred Cowan, who will spend her holidays here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Bowie, Jr., of Montreal, spent Christmas at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Craig. Mr. Bowie returned home on Sunday, but Mrs. Bowie is remaining here for the next fortnight.

Christmas Day guests at the home of Mrs. John Morgan included—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bell, of Montreal, Mrs. R. Sinclair and Mr. Ivan Morgan, of Rockway, and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Boyd and family, of Arundel.

Pte. Stanley Craig, R.C.O.C., of St. Johns, Que., spent the holidays at his home here.

Pte. Lionel Labrosse, R.C.O.C., of Huntingdon, also Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rumbolt, of Lachute, spent the holidays as guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Labrosse.

Mrs. Alex Williams and sons, Pte. Royce Williams, of the Black Watch and Victor Williams, R.C.A.F., of Debert, N.S. spent Christmas Day visiting friends here.

Mr. P. Cantin left on Thursday to spend the holidays visiting friends in Montreal and Quebec.

Able-Seaman Willard Dubeau, R.C.N.V.R., of Saint John, N.B., spent the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Dubeau.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Booth, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Booth, Raymond Kerr, R.C.A.F., of Manning Depot, Toronto, and Mr. Lionel Kerr, of Montreal, were Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Kerr.

Mr. Brian Morgan is spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Strome, Kilmar.

Mrs. M. Champagne, of Montreal, visited recently at the home of her mother, Mrs. E. R. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Breckenridge, Miss Joan Breckenridge and Master Blair, of Montreal, are spending the holidays at their cottage here.

GRENVILLE

Miss Vera Gauley, of Montreal, is spending the Christmas and New Year's holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gauley.

Miss Lillian Steele, teacher at Avoca, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Charles Steele.

Miss Lois Cooke, of Ottawa, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Cooke, for the holidays.

Mrs. Isaac Arnold is visiting her son, Mr. Thomas Arnold and Mrs. Arnold, at Rigaud.

Mr. Harlow Hoare, of Lachute, spent the week-end here with his family.

Mr. William Bradshaw is spending the holidays in Ottawa with his daughter, Mrs. Bennett.

Friends here extend good wishes to Mr. J. Bovington, of Hawkesbury, who is at present on the sick list.

Miss Helen McCullough, of Brownsburg, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. McCullough.

The Misses Margaret, Ida and Royetta Welden, of Ottawa, are spending the holiday week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Welden, Stonefield.

Miss Evelyn McCullough, of Brownsburg, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. McCullough, during the Christmas and New Year holidays.

At St. Matthews Church on Christmas morning there was a large congregation in attendance. The services on Sunday morning and evening were also well attended. At the evening service a Christmas pageant was presented.

AVOCA

Miss Evelyn MacCallum and Mr. Lester MacCallum, of Montreal, are spending the Christmas holidays with their mother.

Mr. Howard Garland, of St. Patrick's College, Ottawa, is home for the holidays.

Capt Doig, Chaplain at Petawawa, will spend the New Year with Mrs. Doig at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McTague and family also Miss Gladys McTague, of Beauharnois, spent Christmas with Mrs. M. McTague.

Miss Ethel Arthurs, of Ottawa, is visiting her parents for the holidays.

Mrs. A. E. Ball, the Misses Zeenie and Dorothy MacLeod, also Mr. D. Currie, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. MacLeod for Christmas.

Mr. Evan Bates, Jr., and Leslie Kerr, of the R.C.A.F., were at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Bates for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Kelly spent Christmas week with Mr. and Mrs. Allan MacPhee.

The annual meeting of the United Church will be held at the home of Mrs. N. McCallum on Thursday evening of this week.

School Entertainment

The Christmas tree entertainment, held Wednesday afternoon, was well attended. The program given by the children of No. 3 School was a credit to their teacher, Miss L. Steele, and to Miss Joyce Bates, who took care of the musical part. The arrival of Santa Claus proved a highlight for the youngsters, and on his departure he promised to return to all good children next year. The singing of the national anthem brought the entertainment to a close.

BROWNSBURG

LAC. Linton Tomalty, of the R.C.A.F., Sydney, N.S., spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tomalty.

Messrs. Stephen Pike and Robt. Allen are at home from Stanstead College, spending the Christmas and New Year holidays with their parents.

Cpl. E. ThackRay, of the R.C.A.F., and Mrs. ThackRay, and Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Smith and daughter, Elizabeth, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter MacQuaig.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Woods and family, of Montreal, were visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woods, here over the Christmas vacation.

Mr. Erid King, principal of New Carlyle High School, on the Gaspe Coast, is spending the Christmas and New Year vacation at his home here.

AC-2 Robert Seary, of the R.C.A.F., has returned to No. 1 manning depot at Toronto after spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Seary . . . Miss Muriel Seary also spent Christmas with her parents, and has returned to Toronto.

Joyce and Patsy Fulton are spending the holidays with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Seary.

LAC. George Stewart, of the R.C.A.F., Guelph, Ont., and Miss Marion Stewart, R.N., of Montreal, spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Stewart.

Sgt. James Low has returned to his duties in Regina after visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Low. He was accompanied to Montreal by the Misses Margaret Low and Edith Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Graham and son, Keith, of Verdun, spent the Christmas holidays with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Morrison and children, Marjorie and Arthur, spent Christmas Day at Rock Island, Que., the guests of Mrs. Morrison's mother, Mrs. Curtis.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Roberts and son, Preston, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. McKay at Calumet.

Miss Mary McMeekin spent part of last week visiting relatives in Montreal.

Miss May Petley, of Ste. Agathe, spent the Christmas holidays at her home here.

Among members of the Services home on Christmas leave were—Roddy Izzard, Joe White, Donald Graham, Maurice Robbins, Wm. Birch, Winston Smillie and Linton Tomalty.

A Union Watch-Night service is being held, between the Maple Ave. Baptist and United Churches, on Thursday night at 11 o'clock in the Maple Avenue Baptist Church. It is hoped everyone possible will attend, to see the Old Year out and the New Year in, in this happy manner.

The Week-of-Prayer services are being arranged for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, January 5, 6 and 7 in the Regular Baptist, Maple Avenue Baptist and United Churches respectively. Speakers in these Churches, respectively, will be the Rev. S. J. Pike, the Rev. B. J. Thorpe and the Rev. T. J. H. Rich. The services begin at 7.30 o'clock. The offerings taken will be devoted to the Bible Society Fund, of which Mr. J. Connolly is the treasurer.

CUSHING WEST

Miss Catherine Cooke, of Stanstead, Que., is spending the Christmas vacation at her home here.

Miss Helen Weir, of Montreal, spent Christmas day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Weir.

Mr. Kenneth Weir, of the Royal Navy, was a week-end guest at the home of Mrs. L. C. Cooke.

Mr. C. F. Watson was home from Sorel for Christmas, and with Mrs. Watson and daughter, Ora, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dawson at Stonefield Heights.

Mr. Sandy Stalker, of Montreal, is a guest at the home of Mr. T. W. Weir at present.

The Misses Rita and Jeanne Desjardins, of Brownsburg, spent Christmas with their parents here.

Mr. and Miss Whelehan and Mr. S. Robert were guests on Christmas of Mr. W. H. and Miss Tessie Robert at Monalea — whose other guests included Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mahoney, of Montreal, and son, Billy, the latter of the R.C.A.F., who has just completed six months' instruction at Dartmouth, N.S., and is en route to Guelph, Ont., for further training.

MORIN HEIGHTS

Mr. John Kennedy and daughter, Dorothy, spent Christmas Day and week-end with relatives in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown, of St. Donat, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Davis and daughter, Margaret, spent Christmas week-end as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Deacon at Lachute.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Campbell were week-end guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Scott, at Lachute.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Hollingworth and son, Bryan, of Dixie, spent Christmas with Col. and Mrs. J. E. Seale.

Mrs. H. Bennett and daughter, Lois, of Harrington, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Seale.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Hulley, of Verdun, were week-end guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. F. Goldthorpe.

Miss Reta Doherty, of Montreal, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Doherty.

Mr. Jas. McCullough, of Montreal, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. McCullough.

Mrs. E. Johnson and daughter, Margaret, of Montreal, spent Christmas Day with the former's parents, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Seale.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Watson and sons, of Montreal, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. Watson.

Mrs. E. Workman and family are spending this week at their "Mountain Rest" home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Doherty returned home Sunday after spending Christmas with the latter's sister at Cornwall.

Mr. and Mrs. V. Lefebvre, of Toronto, have taken over "Minto House" for the coming year.

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OBITUARY

Former Resident of Ogdensburg Is Mourned by Friends

Cushing—Another link with the past has been severed with the death of Justina Eugena Elliott, wife of the late Edward DeGruchy in her 78th year. Mrs. DeGruchy passed away Saturday, December 19, at Bishopton, Que., a funeral service being held there in the United Church on the afternoon of December 21. The remains were afterwards conveyed from Bishopton to St. Andrews East, where they were placed in the vault there on Wednesday, December 23, to await interment in the Schagel family plot, beside her former husband, the Rev. George Schagel and her two small sons, who predeceased her some years ago.

Justina Elliott, or "Tina" as she was known to her friends, was born at Farren's Point, Ontario, a daughter of the late Lavia Elliott and his wife Johanna, of Scotland, but spent many of her girlhood years at the home of a relative, the late William Heatlie, of Ogdensburg.

The late Mrs. DeGruchy will be long remembered by her many friends in Cushing and vicinity, as a bright, gentle lady with a helping hand and a kindly smile for all, and as an active participant in all good works in connection with the church and community. Her nearest known relatives are two nephews, Thomas MacAdam, of Papineauville, and F. Elliott, of Lachine—relatives in this vicinity being Mr. Frank Fuller, of the Fuller Road, and the Heatlie families, of Ogdensburg.

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A Text for Sermons

(From New York Herald Tribune)

It was natural that Captain Edward Rickenbacker, in his extraordinarily moving account of his lost days and nights in the Pacific should say that he "wouldn't dare" tell one part of his story except for the fact that he had seven witnesses.

It seems they had a Bible with them. They would read passages and then they would pray — "frankly and humbly" for deliverance and for food. Within an hour after prayer meeting a sea gull came and alighted on Rickenbacker's shoulder. He caught it, and they ate part of it and used the rest for bait with which they snared fish.

Has there been, in modern times, an incident, so simple and yet so strange, more calculated to rekindle our ancient heritage of faith? It has an authentic Biblical flavor. But, if it were not for the witnesses, Rickenbacker would not tell it.

And this is understandable. He has said before that, by any ordinary standards, he has never been what the world generally knows as a religious man. He has put his trust in the heaviest guns and the staunchest engines. Moreover, we do not live in an age of miracles. Ours is a time of calibration, structural tension, wind surfaces, atomic dislocation, magnetic variations and mathematical formulae. The story of the loaves and the fishes, and the other one about the despairing Elijah—these and many others sometimes seem dim and far-off, to be taken with a certain amount of indulgence.

The materialists may tell us that the sea gull might have sought out Rickenback's shoulder anyway. There are plenty of sea gulls out there. They are sometimes inquisitive. And what is more natural than that one should decide to look into the case of these poor men bobbing about in a rubber contraption?

Very well. Perhaps it could have happened without prayer. But we venture to say that neither Rickenbacker nor his mates would be willing to agree wholly to any such cold explanation. For they were there, and they saw this thing at a time when they were very close to the unknown frontier of the great darkness. And, as Rickenbacker himself might put it, when this time came and "the chips were down", they prayed "frankly and humbly".

The durable captain has given us a story which is the very stuff of which the oldtime religion was made. It will, we hopefully and confidently suspect, be made the text in ten thousand pulpits — the text for sermons of the sort we need.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Shirley Heatlie, of Montreal, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Heatlie.

Pte. Dorothy Funcheon, of the C.W.A.C., Kitchener, Ont., spent last Thursday as the guest of Mrs. Joan Gordon.

Dr. John Hope and Mrs. Hope, and daughter, Mary Elizabeth, of Timmins, are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. John Hope, Sr.

Lieut. Douglas Todd, of the R.C.O.C., Camp Borden, spent Christmas with his brother and sister, Mr. Owen and Miss Ruth Todd.

Mr. George Miles, accompanied by Mrs. Place and daughter, of Montreal, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Miles, Lachute Mills.

LAC. Frank Laronde, of the R.C.A.F., Toronto, and LAC. Ralph Laronde, of Chatham, N.B., were guests during the holidays of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Demerse.

Mrs. George McIntosh, of Montreal, was the Christmas holiday guest of her mother, Mrs. R. E. Carkner. Mrs. R. W. Carkner, of Iroquois, Ont., is also spending this week with her mother, Mrs. Carkner.

Miss Doris LeRoy was the guest of Mrs. H. W. Giles for Christmas.

Miss J. Valpy spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. A. Miller, in Ottawa.

Mr. Alex Winter, of Napanee, Ont., was the holiday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Morrin.

The Misses Mona and Verna Bates, of Montreal, spent Christmas at their home in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burnett, of Montreal, spent Christmas Day with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Giles.

Lieut. Arthur Power and Mrs. Power, of Farnham, Que., spent the Christmas holidays as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Kerr.

Mrs. Gordon Alder and Miss Margaret Graham, of Verdun, spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Graham.

Trooper Gerald Riddell, of the Reconnaissance Regiment, stationed at Dundurn, Sask., spent a five days' leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Riddell.

Miss A. Bochsler, of The Pas, Man., and Ottawa, also Pilot Officer Ralph Allen, of the R.C.A.F., Rosemount, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Deacon.

Miss Violet Woods spent Christmas Day at her home in Dunany.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roberts spent Christmas with relatives in Montreal.

Miss Elizabeth Tomalty is spending this week with Mrs. Harold Hibbard in Granby.

AW-1 Margaret Dorion, of the R.C.A.F. (W.D.), Mont Joli, spent five days' Christmas leave with her mother, Mrs. Joan Gordon.

Miss Gertrude McMahon was the week-end guest of the Misses Catherine and Janet Farmer in Lachine.

Mrs. Henry Lister spent Saturday in Ottawa, attending the funeral of the late Mrs. Thomas Robertson.

Mrs. James B. Smith, of Flint, Mich., is visiting this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Hodge and family spent the Christmas holidays in Harrington as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leclair.

Mrs. Earl Marshall, of Montreal, and Pte. Billie Stewart, of Peterborough, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Davis and daughter, Margaret, of Morin Heights, and Miss Millie Davis, of Ottawa, were Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Deacon.

Mrs. J. Findlay and sons, of Montreal, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Creswell.

The Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Simpson and children, of Montreal, visited friends here during the Christmas holiday.

Miss Beryl Underhill, of McGill University, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Underhill.

Cpl. John Dixon and Mrs. Dixon, of Ottawa, Mr. and Mrs. S. Holstead, and Miss Olive Holstead, of Montreal, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Carson.

Miss Ivy Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tomalty and daughter, Elva, and Mr. Edwin Pollock, all of Montreal, were guests of Mrs. J. Warwick for the Christmas holidays.

Flight-Lieut. Rev. T. Dale Jones, former rector of the Cathedral at Kamloops, B.C., visited the Rev. B. J. Thorpe during the Christmas holidays. The Rev. Jones had completed his chaplain's training at Lachine and is now posted to St. Thomas, Ont.

Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilson, North River, were Pte. E. Wilson, North Bay; the Misses Gertrude, and Grace, Mr. Stuart Wilson and Miss Janet MacKenzie, of Lachute; Mr. and Mrs. J. Dixon Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. Russel Sutton and son, Carmen, also Beatrice and Lawrence Wilson, of Brownsburg.

Married in Lachute

Nairn - Morrison

At the United Church manse on December 30, at 4 o'clock, the marriage took place quietly of Miss Helen Jean, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Morrison, of Lachute, Que., to Mr. Keith E. Nairn, of Jacquet River, New Brunswick.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, and wore a gown of Queen's blue crepe, a corsage of pink roses, and black hat and accessories.

The wedding supper was held at the bride's home. Later Mr. and Mrs. Nairn left for a honeymoon trip to New Brunswick, the bride travelling in her wedding outfit under a black seal coat.

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AMONG THE CHURCHES

Carol Singers Visit Brownsburg Homes

Other Groups Active in United Church

Brownsburg — Following the Christmas carol service on Sunday evening the members of the United Church Junior Choir, augmented by others of the congregation, together with the Minister, Rev. S. J. Pike, visited a number of the homes of the "shut-ins" to give them a surprise and treat in carol singing. The group also included a soloist and duet. The effort was much appreciated by those visited—who have expressed a wish to convey their thanks to all who took part in this thoughtful act.

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Next Sunday being the first Sunday in the Year and Quarter, Communion Service will take place at 11 a.m. . . . A special New Year topic will be the theme at the evening service.

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The Senior Ladies' Auxiliary performed a splendid gesture in packing and sending Christmas boxes to local boys overseas, as well as to those stationed at various points in Canada and the United States. They were not seeking bouquets or commendation, but their thoughtful service is being very gratefully acknowledged, as the following letter confirms:

England,
Monday, Dec. 7, 1942.

Dear United Friends:

Please accept my sincere thanks for the wonderful parcel you so thoughtfully sent me. It made me realize all of a sudden just what the Christmas Spirit means. My morale has received a 100% boost and I am sure it will do the same for the other lads who may be fortunate enough to receive parcels from you.

Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous 1943.

I am,
Yours sincerely,
Guardsman Stan Seary.

Sunday Services

MARGARET RODGER MEML. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. E. Orsborn

10 a.m., Sabbath School.
11 a.m., Morning Worship.
"Our Banner"
The Honor Roll and Flag will be dedicated at this service.
3 p.m., Brownsburg.
7.00 p.m. Evening Worship
"Hearts Courageous"

LACHUTE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. H. Charlton

Sunday School 9.45 a.m.
11 a.m., Morning Worship.
7 p.m., Evening Worship
Happy Hour, Tuesday, at 7.00 p.m.
Senior Young People, Tuesday, at 8.00 p.m.
Wednesday 8 p.m., Prayer Meeting.

ST. SIMEON'S CHURCH
Anglican
The Rev. B. J. Thorpe, L... L.Th.

First Sunday of Month — Holy Communion 11 ...
All Other Sundays — Morning Prayer 11 a...

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.

10 a.m., Sabbath School
11 a.m., Morning Worship
7 p.m., Evening worship.
Both services will be appropriate to the first Sunday of the New Year.
2.30 p.m. East Settlement.
Welcome to all services.

BROWNSBURG UNITED
Rev. S. J. Pike, Minister

10.00 a.m. Sunday School.
11 a.m., Communion Service.
7.30 p.m., New Year Service.
New Year Greetings to All!

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, BROWNSBURG
Rev. T. J. H. Rich, Pastor

10.00 a.m. Sunday School.
Each Sunday, commencing with January 3rd, services will be held in the morning and evening at Brownsburg.

Sunday, January 3, Proclaimed National Day of Prayer

The Canada Gazette sets forth a proclamation calling for a national day of prayer to be held Sunday, January 3, throughout the Dominion. The proclamation reads as follows:

We do hereby appoint Sunday, the 3rd of January next, to be throughout our Dominion of Canada a day of humble prayer and intercession to Almighty God on behalf of the cause undertaken by Canada, by the United Kingdom and the other Dominions of the British Commonwealth of Nations, the United States of America, and Allied and Associated Powers and all those who are offering their lives for our cause, and for a speedy and favorable peace that shall be founded on understanding and justice, to the end that peace shall endure.

BROWNSBURG CHURCHES, WEEK OF PRAYER SERVICES

Tuesday, Jan. 5, Regular Baptist Church, Brownsburg. Speaker, Rev. S. J. Pike.
Wednesday, Jan. 6, Maple Avenue Baptist Church, Brownsburg. Speaker, Rev. B. J. Thorpe.
Thursday, Jan. 7, United Church, Brownsburg. Speaker, Rev. T. J. H. Rich.

The services will commence each evening at 7.30 o'clock.

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"Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is". Heb. 10: 25.

REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES

10.00 a.m. Sunday School, Brownsburg.
11.00 a.m. Brownsburg
7.30 p.m., Dalesville

LAKEFIELD SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector

Lakefield 10.30 a.m., Holy Communion.
Shrewsbury 2 p.m.
Dunany 4 p.m.

PARISH OF ARUNDEL
January 3

11.00 a.m. Arundel
7.00 p.m. Weir.
Please note change in services.

Armoured Division Seen In Realistic Manoeuvres

Another in a series of articles written by W. R. Legge and C. V. Charters, who represented the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association in a recent tour overseas.

The Bomber Press in England

(Article 13)
By C. V. Charters

One of the most realistic manoeuvers which we were privileged to witness overseas was "laid on" by the Armoured Division, commanded by Major General E. W. Sansom, D.S.O. It was the largest complete battle exercise by one armoured brigade yet staged.

The afternoon was clear and cool. The setting sun was perfect for this operation which extended over several miles. We were situated on a commanding elevation and equipped with field glasses. Junior officers acted as our guides, and hosts, and kept us informed on the technical aspects of the operation. Your correspondent was the particular charge of Lieut. Laird Bovaird, of London, formerly of Peel County, just recently named Aide-de-Camp to General McNaughton.

Training Is Hazardous

Such training as we were witnessing is carried out under hazardous conditions. German reconnaissance and daylight bombers take great delight in trying to detect and, where possible, interrupt routine training of this kind by bombs and machine gun fire. Everything possible was therefore done to conceal troops and equipment, and some clever camouflage was used.

Spotters and Gun Production

On this particular afternoon, just as operations were about to begin, we were advised that enemy bombers had been sighted not many miles distant. At the same time, we were told what to do if "he did come over," and assured that one of the best "kite spotters" in the service, equipped with strong binoculars, was looking after our welfare. We were comforted to learn also that the entire area was ringed by our own ack-ack guns.

The enemy did not molest us — the show went on as planned — and we were impressed and thrilled by it.

Functions of An Armoured Division

Chief function of an Armoured Division is to slash through enemy defences, penetrating and consolidating ground by means of tanks, armoured cars and motorized infantry.

In a classic attack, it would follow the heavy tanks of an Army Tank Brigade in the initial breakthrough, then rapidly, infiltrate and pave the way for fast-moving infantry.

Such a Division has its own support group of artillery and motorized infantry. It is self-contained, but not intended for static warfare or ground consolidation other than holding areas until regular infantry formations arrive. The armoured fighting vehicles of an armoured division are exceptionally powerful and some can reach speeds in excess of 60 miles per hour.

One of the chief functions of a Motor Battalion is to find and destroy enemy tanks. Equally important is the job of occupation of strong-points gained by the armoured advance and held until relief from regular infantry arrives.

A Make-Believe Attack

Assuming fictitiously that the Germans had made a raid on the coast, one armoured group has been warned that it may be required at any time. A Canadian Infantry Brigade and an army tank brigade have been warned to hold approaches until the Canadian corps can be moved to carry out its objective role.

Our party of Canadian newspapermen have just completed an inspection of the Armoured Brigade when a message is received by the Commander that approximately 800 parachute troops, armed with light automatics and light anti-tank guns, have landed on a large hill, which was clearly shown on the mimeographed maps with which we were supplied. It is expected that their purpose is to establish a landing place for airborne troops to be landed later in the day.

The Brigade Commander calls for his orders group at the Armoured Command Vehicle and issues his orders for the advance and attack.

List of Brigade Commander's Orders

Following are the orders as issued by the Brigadier and carried through by Major C. A. Turnbull, Capt. B. F. Neary, Capt. J. M. Bowie and Lieut. J. H. Owen, Intelligence Officer.

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Christian Science Sunday Services

"God" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon to be read in Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, January 3.

The Golden Text is from I Timothy 1: 17, "Unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory for ever and ever."

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you." (Exodus 3: 14).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "GOD. The great I AM; the all-knowing, all-seeing, all-acting, all-wise, all-loving, and eternal; Principle; Mind; Spirit; Life; Truth; Love; all substance; intelligence." (Page 587).

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Melbourne (CP)—Australia has undertaken to supply American forces in the Australian zone with a wide range of munitions as well as foodstuffs, equipment and services under a reciprocal lease-lend arrangement.

Pretoria (CP) — The Italian government has permitted Dutch Reformed Church clergymen to carry on religious work among the South African prisoners of war in Italy.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

Births, Marriages, Deaths, In Memoriam, etc., 50 cents each insertion; 5c a line extra for verse with In Memoriam.

BIRTH

STEWART — At the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, on December 27, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Stewart (née Hazel Thorburn,), a daughter — a baby sister for Melvyn.

MARRIAGE

McOUAT - WYNOTT — The marriage of Ethel Kathleen, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Wynott, of New Germany, Nova Scotia, and James Walter, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McOuat, of Brownsburg, Que., took place quietly in Lachute on Saturday, December 19. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. W. B. Rosvorough.

DEATH

DeGRUCHY — at Bishopton, Quebec, December 19, 1942, Justina E. Elliott, beloved wife of the late Rev. Edward DeGruchy, in her 78th year. Funeral service held at United Church, Bishopton, Quebec, on Monday afternoon, December 21; interment at St. Andrews East, Que.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

SHAW—We wish to thank friends and neighbors for kindness in our recent bereavement.—Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Shaw and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McMahon.

IN MEMORIAM

MORRISON—In loving memory of a devoted husband and father, Thomas Barron, who passed away December 29, 1936.—Ever remembered by his wife and family.



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DISTRICT NEWS FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

MILLE ISLES

Mr. George Connelly and Mr. John Williams, of Montreal, spent the Christmas holidays at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Williams.

Friends of Mrs. Will Morrow are pleased to know she is progressing favorably after her recent illness.

Mrs. Douglas Dawson spent a few days in Montreal recently.

Miss Verna Adams, teacher of Mille Isles No. 2 School, is spending her holidays at her home in Gaspe.

Christmas Entertainment

Mrs. Edgar Elder and her pupils of Cambria School entertained a number of parents and friends to a Christmas concert on Wednesday afternoon of last week. An excellent program was presented, after which Santa Claus made his appearance and, assisted by Mrs. Elder, distributed presents from the tree, as well as candy and fruits.

HARRINGTON

(Intended for last issue)

Mrs. N. E. McCaig, of Montreal, is spending the holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McCabe have gone to spend the holiday in Hemmingford, at Mrs. McCabe's home.

Mrs. L. M. Marshall is visiting Mrs. R. Swail in Renfrew.

Mrs. H. Bennett and daughter, Lois, are spending Christmas in Morin Heights.

Pte. Stanley Poulter, of Val Cartier, is spending the holiday at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Carroll are spending the holiday in Montreal.

MORIN HEIGHTS

(Intended for last issue)

The current cold spell has caused a large number of water-pipes in this community to be frozen. Also reported have been numerous frost-bitten noses, ears and fingers. Most people have chosen to remain indoors.

Christmas Services

The annual carol service of Trinity Anglican Church was held Sunday evening, December 20, with the attendance of a large and appreciative congregation. The choir was under the direction of Mrs. H. Gillingham, with Mrs. R. Seale organist.

The junior section of the choir [illegible] "Away in A Manger". The [illegible] placed in front of the [illegible] was surrounded by six boys [illegible] girls, seated in the candle-[illegible]

[illegible] taking the various parts [illegible] were — Mrs. H. [illegible] and Miss [illegible]. Moss, Mrs. Row-[illegible] Toronto, [illegible] Mrs. E. Greene, and in the male section Mr. Gillingham, Mr. E. Greene and Mr. A. Black.

Mr. H. G. Baugh preached on "Jesus Christ, the Messenger of God," outlining the four great messages — of Love, Life, Peace and Salvation.

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Mrs. Downey entertained Trinity Church choir and a number of friends at her home following the carol service.

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A service for children was held in Trinity Church the following afternoon. Christmas gifts and candy were distributed, and "record attendance cards" were given to the Sunday School members. Mr. Baugh spoke briefly on the meaning of Christmas.

Buy War Savings Stamps!

ARUNDEL

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bulley are spending the Christmas and New Year's holiday at their cottage. Their guests over Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Darling and little Miss Kathleen Paritt.

Miss Lizzie Loughren and Mr. Melvin Loughren were week-end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Loughren.

Mrs. R. G. Cooke and Miss Margaret Cooke are spending the holidays at their home here. Mr. R. G. Cooke and 2nd. Lieut. T. Sevigny, R.C.C.S., spent Christmas with them.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Cooke were Mrs. Howard Cooke, LAC. Douglas Cooke, R.C.A.F., and Mrs. Cooke.

Edgar Evans, R.C.O.C., spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Staniforth and children, of Sherbrooke, and Sgt. Haig Staniforth, C.M.S.C., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Staniforth over the holiday.

Miss Muriel Graham and Mr. Melvin Graham are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Graham.

Grant Staniforth, R.C.N.V.R., also Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Staniforth, of Brownsburg, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Staniforth.

Miss Jean Morrison and Mr. Billy Morrison spent Christmas with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Morrison.

Miss Jean Smellie was a Christmas guest of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Smellie.

Mr. Val Swail, Jr., of Hudson Heights, is spending the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Val Swail.

Miss Ethel Cooke, of Montreal, Miss Winnifred Cooke, of Ottawa, and Sgt. Leslie Cooke, R.C.A.F., spent Christmas at their home here.

Miss Edna Moncrieff is spending the holiday at her home here. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ronalds also spent Christmas as guests of the latter's father, Mr. Jack Moncrieff.

Miss Dorothy Kerr is spending the holiday at her home here.

Miss Stella Cooke is spending some time at her home in Arundel.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Gordon and family spent Christmas in Lachute, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gordon.

MABEL

(Intended for last issue)

Miss Bessie Murdoch, of Cascades, Que., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Murdoch.

Miss Shirley Heatlie, of Montreal, is spending the holiday season at her home here.

Sgt. James Lowe, of the R.C.A.F., has been visiting friends in this community while on leave at his home in Rousillon before leaving for Regina, Sask.

Mrs. Walter Murdoch has returned home after undergoing an operation in the Women's General Hospital, Montreal.

The sincere sympathy of this community is extended to friends and relatives of the late Mrs. Robbert Silverson, of Dalesville.

REAL SQUARE HEAD

Towbridge, Eng. (CP)—Sgt. R. Higgins of the 10th Hussars said in a letter to his parents here that Gen. Ritter Von Thoma, Nazi officer captured in Egypt is a "big fellow with a great square head, hooked nose, beady eyes and . . . snores like a pig."

"The Rumor Clinic"

— Prepared by The Canadian Column —

(Continued from page 1)

Fact: H. E. Ewart, Master of the Royal Mint, Ottawa, Ontario, states: "I have to advise you that this Department has no knowledge of the recall of new 5-cent coins.

"I would also advise you that it is not possible that coins of any denomination are struck containing metal other than that prescribed by law."

Rumor: "Major l'Abbé Sabourin had been stopped by the Bishop of St. Hyacinthe from saying mass anywhere in the diocese."

Fact: Arthur Douville, Bishop of St. Hyacinthe, states: "The Reverend Abbé Sabourin is not interdicted to the diocese of St. Hyacinthe; moreover, how could he be if he has not been interdicted in his own diocese, which is Montreal?

"If one rumor can be destroyed by another I could say that I am known to be in favor of l'Abbé Sabourin, or that we were students in Rome and that I have kept an excellent souvenir of him.

"Those who utter such false rumors confuse the mind and embitter the hearts; they are worthy of content or of pity as according to whether or not they are conscious of what they are doing."

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One of our rumor wardens has reported a very interesting experience in an uptown Club, where he overheard a small group repeat no less than three entirely false stories within the space of just a few minutes' time. We think his experience very well illustrates how rumors are spread by foolish people who, in this case, were obviously trying to impress each other with their own importance by pretending to be "in the know".

The first story referred to the S.S. Queen Mary and the teller—pretending to know, though he would not (or could not) give the source of his information—said:

Rumor: "The Queen Mary entered Boston Harbour in a fog, hitting a ship and sinking it, with great loss of life."

Fact: This story and many others concerning the Queen Mary, ranging all the way from mutiny aboard to the alleged sinking of the Queen Mary itself, circulated in the New England States months ago. They have all been exposed as untruths by the Boston Rumor Clinic.

The second phony story teller, probably hard pressed to keep up with his rumor mongering friends, had to fall on that hardy, old perennial which first saw the light of day in 1917.

Rumor: "A Boston bakery shop had a German submarine as their best customer, and that hundreds of loaves of bread were regularly delivered to personnel of the submarine who regularly called at some designated spot on the coast."

Fact: This one has been exposed in this Clinic, as well as by the Boston Clinic. Records show that along with other fantastic tales of German submarines, it has been circulated in practically every city and town from Galveston, Texas, to Montreal.

The prize goes to the third "wise guy" who, getting his gossipy friends into a huddle, whispered that he had some really hot news . . .

Rumor: "The Nazis had sabotaged a new aluminum plant and that a terrific explosion took place there on November 21st, resulting in the loss of hundreds of lives; further hundreds of injuries, and the crippling of the plant for some time to come. He knew because special trains were run with survivors and injured ones."

Fact: The alleged sabotage was a huge blast set off to open a passage from the river to the powerhouse.

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Canadian newspapers carried the following news item on November 23: "A tremendous man-made explosion here Saturday marked the completion of the hydraulic portion of the mammoth Hydro-Electric Development. The power project is the largest in Canada. Saturday, almost 100,000 pounds of explosives removed the remains of what had once been a sizeable hill separating the river and the powerhouse. Immediately after the blast, water flowed from the river into the canal adjoining the powerhouse.

"Telegrams of congratulation included one from Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Munitions.. '. . . Demolition of barrier and the passage of water through the first generator . . . is an outstanding engineering achievement which takes on added importance because of its vital relationship to the war effort.' "

Unsigned Letters

The Rumor Clinic is in receipt of letters which ask for and require a personal reply; however, apparently through an oversight, no names or addresses are given. We hope these people will write again so that we can answer their enquiries.

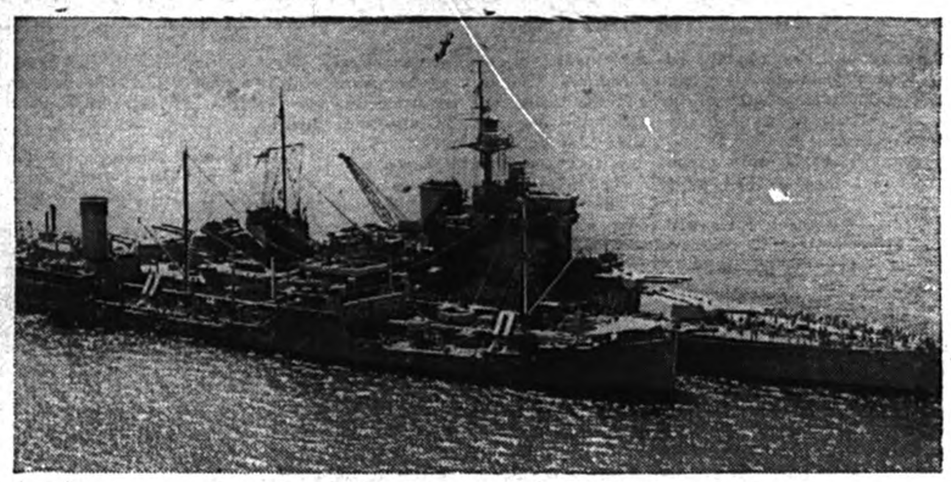
Get the Facts!

Arm yourself with the facts regarding Canada's War Effort. They are far more interesting and inspiring than Hitler's lies and provide the best weapon to fight rumor mongers.

Fact: More than 2,000,000 rounds of heavy ammunition are produced in Canada every month. Output of small arms ammunition (rifle and machine guns) has reached nearly 1,500,000,000 rounds a year. Where 500 workers were once employed in one plant, there are now 30,000 workers in two government arsenals and numerous factories being operated for the Government. Monthly production of small arms ammunition in the first half of 1943 will amount to 300,000,000 rounds or at the rate of 3,600,000,000 rounds per year.

You can help. Don't repeat rumors — report them. Write to the Canadian Column, Transportation Building, Montreal.

H.M.S. "Warspite", of Narvik Fame, Still on the Job



The British Battleship, H.M.S. "Warspite" oiling from a tanker while on active service. The Warspite is famous for her successful attack on Narvik at the head of British destroyers in April, 1940. She was laid down in 1913 but underwent extensive reconstruction in 1937. Her eight 15-inch guns are carried in four twin gun turrets. These with eight 6-inch guns, twin 4-inch A.A. guns and considerable smaller armament, make her a formidable fighting unit.

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Advertisements on this page contain several hidden names, of readers living in Lachute and district. These names are taken from the subscription list of The Watchman. If YOUR name should appear at the bottom of one of these spaces, clip out the advertisement, bring it to The Watchman Office within seven days and you will receive two

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THE WOMAN'S PAGE

Hints for Homebodies

By Jessie Allen Brown

LET US RESOLVE

Peace is our ultimate aim; let us start it at home. Things do not always suit us and there is much to annoy, but let us resolve not to hold a grudge, not to sulk. Let not the sun go down on our wrath. If we have anything to say, say it and be done with it. Forget it. But before we say anything let us try to find out why the other person feels and acts that way. If we know what makes them tick we can forgive a lot easier, And for Pete's sake, don't enjoy feeling sorry for yourself. That can almost be classified as a woman's disease. If you ever begin it just think of the comforts and freedom we have that other countries lack. Let us extend this feeling of peace to the organizations we belong to. Maybe they are not being run the way you would do it. Perhaps your President did not want the job but took it from a feeling of duty because no one else would take it. If you were not ready to do the work yourself then you haven't the right to criticize. If we could just learn not to talk about people this would be a happier world in which to live. I am no Pollyanna but I do think we could all be much happier if we did not look for trouble. If you are looking for insults you will get them.

ONE WAY TO SERVE

One of the best ways to serve is to do what our Government asks, cheerfully. They are not asking us to do these things simply for the desire to regiment. We may not see the reason but they do or they would not ask it. When we are asked to do without pork and bacon, alright, let us do without and not complain. There will be things asked of us from time to time and let us do them uncomplainingly.

FAT SALVAGE

There is not so much fat these days with no bacon or pork roasts but it is surprising how much can be gathered up even in the small household when one really tries. We cannot pass the ammunition, but we may be able to save the fat to make the glycerine to go in it. The fat should be put in a wide-mouthed can, such as a shortening tin or a coffee can and it should be kept in a cool place. Take it to the butcher or salvage committee frequently as a rancid fat loses some of its value. If you haven't much yourself join in with a neighbor. After all it is not the four cents a pound that matters it is getting the fat to the place where it will do the most good quickly.

CYCLAMENS AND VIOLETS

Cyclamens are a favorite Christmas plant and they will bloom for three months or more if they have the proper conditions. They must be kept cool, and even one day in an over-heated room may spoil the plant. They should have a couple of hours of sunlight whenever possible and they need to be kept well watered. They are best watered from the bottom of the plant and should be kept moist, not allowed to dry out and yet not kept wet. The African Violet is another plant which likes a cool room. It can stand a little sun but does alright if just kept in a light place. It should be watered from the saucer as water must never touch the leaves. It should be well watered and then let dry out a bit between waterings. You can start new plants from the leaves. Break off the stem and plant the leaf about a quarter of an inch deep.

CREAMED CHICKEN

If you are going to make a creamed dish from your left-over chicken or turkey, make a small quantity of stock from the bones to use as part of the liquid. About half stock and half milk is a good proportion. Creamed chicken is so bland it is rather tasteless; so if it is made with stock it peps it up considerably. Adding a beaten egg (just before you take it up) to creamed chicken is another improvement.

TOMATO JELLY

4 Cups canned tomatoes, 2 tablespoons gelatin, ¼ cup cold water, ½ cup boiling water, 1 tablespoon chopped onion, ½ cup chopped celery, 2 cloves, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon sugar, 2 teaspoons lemon juice.

Cook the tomatoes, onion, celery, cloves, salt and sugar slowly for 15 minutes, then strain. Soak the gelatin in the cold water and dissolve in the boiling water, then add to the strained tomatoes; add lemon juice. Mould in a large mould or individual moulds rinsed with cold water. Chill until firm.

CHOCOLATE CUSTARD

1 Square unsweetened chocolate, cut in pieces, 2 cups cold milk, ½ teaspoon vanilla, 2 eggs slightly beaten, ¼ cup sugar, ⅛ teaspoon salt.

Add chocolate to milk and heat until chocolate is melted, then beat with a rotary beater until blended. Combine eggs, sugar and salt and add chocolate mixture gradually, stirring until sugar is dissolved. Add vanilla. Pour into custard cups, place in a pan of hot water, and bake in a slow oven of 350 degrees for about 40 minutes, or until a knife inserted in the centre comes out clean.

Love Everywhere — Even in Parachute

Melbourne (CP) — Home mail brought a United States flyer in Australia a letter from his girl in Louisiana but an alert came before he could read it.

In a few minutes his formation was tangled up with 15 Japanese fighters and three of them shot him up. He went smoking into a spin which brought him from 20,000 to 8,000 feet and then bailed out. His parachute caught in a tree and he was left dangling 40 feet up.

"Things got kinda monotonous," he said, "so I pulled out my girl's letter and read it as I swung in the breeze. It kept me interested until some Aussie soldiers and natives arrived and got me down."

Fashionable Women Dig "Murphies"

Belfast (CP)—An Ulster farmer who applied to the Ministry of Agriculture for labor to pick potatoes was startled when a bevy of beautiful women in fashionable furs and sealskin coats showed up. But they soon changed their finery for trousers and wellington boots and had the potatoes gathered in double quick time.

SILK STOCKINGS? BRAZIL HAS THEM

South African Women to Get Them From American Republic

Montreal, Dec. 29 (CP) — Silk stockings — if any — are mighty scarce in Canada. Material for them used to come in great quantities from Japan. Down in South Africa, which also used to depend on Japan for its silk, the girls are getting their's across the South Atlantic—in Brazil.

Trade is on the increase between South Africa and Brazil, and the South African controller of textiles has announced that many applications have been received from firms to import from Brazil large quantities of cotton goods, textiles and silk stockings. Within a month or two, it is stated, South African women may be able to buy Brazilian-made silk stockings in shops all over the Union of South Africa.

It is pointed out that millions of mulberry trees are under cultivation all over Brazil for the breeding of silk worms and South African women who buy the first silk stockings from Brazil will be wearing a product of intensive research. All over the country the Brazilian Government has established research stations to help silk cultivation. Silk farmers are liberally assisted by the government and the industry is worth millions every year.

Japan is generally associated with silk, but it is not generally known that in Amazonia, one of the provinces of Brazil, the mulberry tree, necessary for cultivating silk worms, grows at least twice as big as similar trees in Japan.

SHE ASKS PENSIONS TO HEROES' MOTHERS

London (CP)—The mother of a 22-year-old commando fighter, missing after the Dieppe raid, is starting a nation-wide campaign to get what she terms a "square deal" for the mothers of soldiers killed or missing in the war. She is Mrs. A. Hayes, of Bunce Lane, Blackburn, Lancashire, and she wants pensions for mothers whose sons are killed.

RESOLVE TO KEEP HAIR SPARKLING THROUGHOUT 1943

Begin at Top with New Year Resolutions — Expert Tells How to Look One's Best with Head Care

By Betty Clarke

"To look my best at all times"—that should be number one among your New Year resolutions.

But with the holiday festivities so near at hand, a still better time to begin is right now. It's such an easy way to lift your own morale and that of those around you.

Where to begin? Right at the top — with your hair. Take a look around and you'll see how many girls neglect the fine points in good grooming. Brushing and frequent shampooing, for example, are more important than a highly styled coiffure. Fifty strokes per day with a good strong brush are none too many to keep your hair sparkling with health and cleanliness. As for your weekly shampoo, many hair experts prefer a liquid soapless shampoo that has hair conditioner added. They say with it there is no remaining thin film to dim out the lustre and highlights.

In addition to the highlights you'll want a new coiffure for the holidays. But that, while the world is full of lovely women and beautiful coiffures, not all of them are "made for each other." So, be sure to choose a coiffure that harmonizes with your face, or stick to the old one which everyone likes.

For Finer Hair

If you're the sophisticated type, the hair may be simply set to brush upward at the sides and worked into a top arrangement of ringlets and curls. This coiffure works best with hair that has body to it, as do all the upsweeps.

In case your hair is baby-fine in softness, you'd better not try to wear an upswept coiffure. For very soft hair—and for the sweet, serene face—a centre part with rolls at the sides are pretty. The hair is brushed smoothly over the top and back of the head, then formed into a cluster of soft curls at the nape of the neck.



"We feel we have enough theory; what we need is practice, sir."
—Nitro Journal

WHEN MOVIE STARS TAKE TO KITCHENS

It's Pretty Tough, It Seems, With Salary Ceilings and Help Shortage

Hollywood, Dec. 28 (CP)—The movie queens of Hollywood used to have "servant problems." Today they're lucky if they have servants. The world-wide shortage of household help, plus new income taxes and the $25,000 salary ceiling are conspiring to send many a star back to the kitchen, which she may not have seen for years.

The Tyrone Powers, who used to have three servants now have one—and Ty is in the Marines. Though Mrs. Powers (Annabella to you) has resumed her movie career, she is determined to keep her eight-room home while Ty is away.

"It won't be hard," says Annabella. "I really like housework. You can think about other things while you're doing it. You can turn on the radio for music while you work."

As For Cooking

Also, there are so many gadgets and buttons and modern electric equipment to simplify housework that it shouldn't be terrifying, she says. Cooking? She doesn't enjoy it (if left to herself she'd have boiled eggs for dinner) but she does have a few "specialties".

"We can't have pretty dark red fingernails any more," she laughs, "but most men didn't like them anyway. Long nails are out, too. You'd break them, just making a bed."

Annabella's weak point in housecleaning is the library. She dusts off a book and begins thumbing through it, settling down eventually to read.

But Annabella is philosophical about Hollywood's new hard times. "We were spoiled. This is really back to normal," she states courageously.

Her afterthought may be Hollywood's too: "But I hope we get spoiled again. It was divine!"

Wedding Astride The County Line

Skiatook, Okla. (CP) — Private Fred Sutton of Sheppard Field, Tex., bought a licence to wed Helen Haddock, of Collinsville, Okla. Then he learned his sister, Gertrude, was going to marry Pte. Wayne Case, of Fort Sill, Okla. They planned a double wedding but a hitch developed. Sutton had obtained his licence in Tulsa County. Case had purchased one in adjoining Osage County.

Then Gertrude remembered that a street in Skiatook, where she lives, is the dividing line between the two counties. The minister stood in the middle of the street. Case and Gertrude took up their stations on the sidewalk on the Osage County side, Sutton and Helen on the Tulsa County side, and the double ceremony was performed.

Postscript to Heroism

In a certain Canadian military camp a number of soldiers recently volunteered for training as parachute troops — perhaps the most dangerous form of service that the army has to offer. It is no detraction from the merits of other soldiers to say that the paratroops have an extra dash of the heroic in their composition.

But one sergeant in this group of volunteers is still not quite up to the specifications of the complete hero. As the group entrained for the school in the United States where they receive instruction, he said to another sergeant who had come to see them off: "By the way, old man, I've never been able to get my nerve up to tell my wife that I've volunteered. You might let her know I've gone, will you?"

The second sergeant delivered the message — by telephone.

—The Printed Word

STAR'S NEW JOB

London (CP) — Betty Warren, stage and film star, now appearing in London show "Waltz Without End," is building lifeboats, whalers and dinghies for the Admiralty and the Ministry of War Transport.

SIDELIGHTS ON PRICE CONTROL

Milk Consumption Rises

Consumption of milk in Montreal has risen 10,000 gallons a day during the last two years and the increase is still taking place. At the present time about 354,500 quarts of milk are used in Canada's largest city every day. This information was made public when Montreal milk dealers reduced milk prices two cents a quart this month in accordance with instructions of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

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Control Lighting Fixtures

Persons wishing to buy metal electric lighting fixtures for their homes must sign a declaration that the fixtures will not be used to replace existing fixtures "except for essential maintenance and repairs." Then permit is required before the purchase can be made. A new order of the Prices Board also rules that brackets and "close-up" fixtures of glass, porcelain or plastic may be purchased without permit.

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Fined for Disobedience

Failure to supply two apartment tenants with hot water and with neglecting to obey a Prices Board order that the hot waten be resumed, cost Mrs. Berthe Desy of Montreal fines totalling $50. Judge J. C. Langlois, assessing the fines, said that neglecting to obey the board order was the more serious offence because, directly or indirectly, it meant that the landlord was refusing to obey.

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Limit Sizes of Drug Packages

The pharmaceutical industry has decided that Canadians can get along with a greatly reduced range of sizes in household drug packages. Accordingly the administrator of pharmaceuticals, Wartime Prices and Trade Board, has issued an order restricting the sizes in which such drugs shall be put up by manufacturers. An example is castor oil, which has been put up in ten sizes from one to 16 ounces. Now there will be only two.

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Blue Books Check Prices

Canadian women are waging a war against inflation by arming themselves with Blue Books—the compact shopping records supplied them by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. There are lots of examples of their usefulness but here is just one, supplied by a woman: "I almost got fooled last week. I bought a set of underwear for my son, who is 13 years old. Last year I paid $2.98; this year the store charged me $3.49 . . . I went home and checked with my Blue Book and then back to the store I went, where they returned the difference to me."

Children Need Affection

During the past few years there has been a belief among some well-to-do parents, and some others not so favored but who have what they call "modern, up-to-date ideas about rearing children," that youngsters should have little or no fondling and cuddling. If there are any of the older generation who have been so "sat upon" for their views, they can now take comfort from an article by Dr. Dorothy W. Baruch in The American Journal of Orthopsychiatry. It points out that one-third of seventy-two nursery children of educated well-to-do parents showed evidences of maladjustment. They had all been deprived of "cuddling" experiences by mothers who were trained to advanced ideas of the present time. As soon as the "don't touch" policy of the parents changed to tender affection and close maternal contacts, the youngsters, who had been deprived of parental love, began to improve in temperament and general conduct.

—Kingston Whig-Standard

Betty: "Do you know you're wearing your wedding ring on the wrong finger?"

Ethel: "Yes, I married the wrong man".

W.I.'s Donate Field Ambulance

A heavy field ambulance for use overseas has recently been provided by the Women's Institutes of Canada. The cost of the ambulance was $2,000 and this was collected from the members of Women's Institutes throughout Canada.

This is the second ambulance contributed by the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada since the war began, the first having been given in 1940.

Figures Different With Service Girls

London (CP)—The government recognizes that Land Army girls and Auxiliary Training Service girls have different sorts of figures. Agriculture Minister Hudson said in London the Land Army might have been 1e to obtain more great coats from the A.T.S. were it not for the "unexpected fact that the conformation of mem- of the W.L.A. in material particulars is substantially different from that of the A.T.S."

Diet and Care of The Teeth

Teeth in the formative stages are sensitive to the many conditions that affect growth and health. An adequate diet is needed at all ages, and particularly during the growing and developing years.

Some foods are more valuable for protecting health and promoting growth than others. They are called the "protective foods" and they should form the basis of meal planning. These foods include milk and milk products, vegetables and fruits, whole grain cereals and breads, eggs and lean meat, poultry and fish. In some sections of the country, iodized salt and, in most areas, fish liver oils may well be added to these foods.

Teeth are composed largely of calcium and phosphorus. A sufficient amount of these minerals must be provided in the diet or the teeth may be improperly formed. During the enamel-forming years, that is during the first thirteen years of life, the enamel coverings of the developing teeth can be aided by a wise choice of diet.

An adequate diet will contain a sufficient amount of foods rich in carbohydrates without the addition of large amounts in concentrated form such as [illegible] in candies, jams an[illegible]

Skillful prepar[illegible] a sharp eye to tective foods" with[illegible] equently the variety, can make [illegible] table, ceptable however appear on the daily

DOLLS AID RUSSIA

London (CP)—An exhi[illegible] 200 dolls, beautifully dre[illegible] Russian national costume[illegible] here, and 40 were a[illegible] the proceeds going [illegible] Soviet Aid Fund.

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Two Boy Scouts of the 1st Headstone Troop, England, found a "live" hand grenade. One lad remained on guard while the other went immediately to secure a disposal squad to dispose of the dangerous weapon before someone was harmed.

Fire Extinguisher Also Insecticide

Many an airman owes his life and the preservation of his aircraft to a very versatile chemical called methyl bromide, which was known on this continent in peacetime mainly as an insecticide. Besides its ability to destroy insect pests, methyl bromide was discovered to have some remarkable qualities as a fire extinguisher which makes it superior to many better known fire-fighting chemicals for use in aircraft. Its main advantage is lightness of weight since extremely small quantities of the chemical are needed and the low working pressure required obviates the necessity for heavy steel cylinders. In addition methyl bromide is a non-conductor of electricity and is very effective in smothering fires involving highly volatile liquids such as the high octane fuel used in bomber and fighter aircraft.

[illegible] bromide fire-[illegible] being made in [illegible] equipment is going into [illegible] aircraft and [illegible] control. But [illegible] itself is under strict [illegible] it is interesting to [illegible] its use in England, in addition [illegible] gasoline-driven ve[illegible] Army, Air Force and [illegible], it has been widely [illegible] meet industrial fire haz[illegible] whatever its future in Can[illegible] be, it is safe to predict [illegible] having won its wings in war, [illegible] will retain and en[illegible] as a fire fighter in [illegible] and will never again be thought of exclusively as a killer [illegible] insects.

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On Monday next the regular scheduled matches will start, the first competition being for the Dunany Cup.

BOMBER PRESS VISITS ENGLAND

(Continued from page two)

"The Brigade will advance and destroy the enemy on the Hill and hold this position — The advance will be covered by an advance guard composed as follows: Major W. T. Ibbott, Commander, one tank troop from HQ Squadron of Brigade, four Scout Platoons from the Motor Battalion, one troop from the Anti-Tank Battery. The advance guard will clear the front and flanks of all enemy—particular attention being paid to anti-tank guns which could knock out our tanks and machine guns which could shoot up our embussed infantry—the advance guard, on receiving code word from Brigade, will come under command of the Motor Battalion when that unit has arrived at the assembly area. The Armour Regiment will advance to its assembly area by covered approach marked on the map in red—the Motor Battalion, less four Scout Platoons, and with under command the Anti-Tank Battery less one troop, will advance to its assembly area by routes marked on the map in green—synchronized attack will then be ordered by Brigade — on Orders from Brigade, the Field Battery will give supporting fire to the attack with high explosive and smoke on targets marked on the map.—The attack will be made by the Armoured Regiment against the left flank of the position — the enemy anti-tank guns on and to the west of the enemy position being blinded by smoke — when the Armoured Regiment has overrun the position, it will be occupied and held by the Motor Battalion who will advance from the East—the Armoured Regiment will rally in A PARK.—The light Anti-Aircraft will place themselves where they can engage enemy planes attempting to land further troops on CP BEACON HILL—the light Field Ambulance will establish an Advanced Dressing Station at ALICE FARM and a Main Dressing Station at H—Brigade HQ will be at T Hill. — Code words are issued covering reports at various stages of the advance as well as orders from Brigade to the units engaged."

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A cup of hot tea from the mobile canteen of the Y.M.C.A. and a bumpy ride by jeep back to our rendezvous not many miles distant all helped to make us feel as if we were part of Canada's army in training overseas.

Public Notice

Public Notice is hereby given that the private road at the north and east end of Curran Lake, Dunany, Que., from George C. Draper's property line to Edmund Littler's property line will be closed to all traffic on Friday, January 1, 1943.

-1c —C. G. Brown
Curran Lake.

"JUNGLE BOOK" WAS BIG UNDERTAKING

Outside of the motion picture industry, few people have any concept of the everlasting headaches produced by long and elaborate journeys to location. As a matter of fact, it is quite possible that few have any idea what a location is. Actually it is that part of any motion picture which is shot at a distance from the studio and requires a protracted trek extending over a period by the entire troupe.

The average producer shuns them, will resort to any legitimate means (process shots and similar expediencies) to avoid the costs and dangers attendant upon expeditions far from the home studio. In a sense, going on location is similar in many respects to moving an army. Both have their advance guards, their transportation, feeding and housing problems and they share alike in matters of sanitation, policing and the observance of schedules.

One of the most ambitious location efforts to be attempted by any company in recent months is Alexander Korda's "The Jungle Book," starring Sabu and directed by Zoltan Korda, who filmed Rudyard Kipling's lengend of India in Technicolor. "The Jungle Book" appears next week at the Rex and Capitol Theatres.

The location phase of this production requires approximately eight weeks of day and night shooting, with the entire company of between 250 and 400 living at the camp for the period.

The task of organizing an expedition of this kind is tremendous in scope. In the first place, the production manager, Walter Mayo, sends out his "location men" whose duty it is to choose the site which most resembles the locale of the story, the jungle fastnesses of Northern India.

These location scouts must observe definite rules. The site must be without interfering houses, telephone poles, etc., just fit the action of the story and be accessible to roads, electricity, water and a suitable spot to build the housing facilities for the company.

The location men make a series of photographs of the country under consideration. These are taken back to the studio and in the case of "The Jungle Book," were submitted to producer Korda and his director-brother.

A thickly wooded section adjacent to a rocky mountainside was finally chosen and this then became the focus for an amazing demonstration of industry. The section is in the famous Sherwood Forest region, a mile below Sherwood Lake, already the scene of hundreds of motion picture productions during the past five years.

Arrangements were made with the owners of the property and then some 200 carpenters and artisans were hurried to the spot. These artisans, working in three eight-hour shifts over a period of three weeks transformed the region into a five-acre Jungle City, with temple, business buildings, square, dwellings, and landscaping.

In addition a reproduced jungle was constructed nearby, complete with dense growth of tropical trees, vines and flowers and a sluggish river coursing through. All construction was done under the supervision of Vincent Korda, who had labored in the studio for months before anything was actually started on the location, creating scale models of every setting and making over 10,000 drawings of every bit of action in the picture.

The Sherwood Forest construction ran close to $100,000, with one-fourth of this apportioned to labor and nearly one-fifth to building materials. Additionel charges went to transportation, rentals of the property, electricity, maintenance for the men and many other miscellaneous charges.

Diner: "Is this a good restaurant?"

Waiter: "The very best! If you order a fresh egg here, you get the freshest egg in town. If you order hot soup, you get the hottest soup in town. If you—"

Diner: 'I believe you're right. I ordered a small steak".

"THE BOOGIE MAN" IS BILLED FOR CAPITOL

Boris Karloff who returns shortly to the Capitol Theatre, Brownsburg, in Columbia's "The Boogie Man Will Get You" in company with Peter Lorre, has been absent from Hollywood for the past two years, during which he proved to Broadway that murder and merriment can go hand in hand, in "Arsenic And Old Lace."

Karloff is again combining horrors with howls in the new film. He appears as a professor whose mysterious experiments result in a roomful of corpses. Lorre is said to contribute his share of the fun as the conniving, rascally villian of the piece, the mortgage-holder who also is the local sheriff, doctor, justice of the peace, postmaster and everything else in the neighborhood.

"The Boogie Man Will Get You" includes in its cast of supporting players "Slapsie" Maxie Rosenbloom, who winds up an unwilling victim of the gruesome experiments, Larry Parks, a young newcomer, and Jeff Donnell, another newcomer to the screen who made her debut in "My Sister Eileen". Lew Landers directed the film.

GAS FROM TURF OF IRISH BOGS

Not in War, but Feeling the Pinch — Eire Talks of Farmlands and Hogs

Dublin (CP)—Eire, though not engaged in war, is nevertheless feeling it's effect to such an extent that extensive plans for post-war reconstruction, hinging mainly on greater use of the land, are being undertaken.

Premier Eamon de Valera outlined the plans in an address to the Dublin Chamber of Commerce and spoke of agriculture as being the basis of the scheme and mentioned among possible developments a survey and classification of soils and the piping to towns of gas from turf of the Irish bogs.

Because of the likelihood that Eire for many years after the war may be forced to depend almost exclusively on her own resources—as the country is being forced to do now to a large extent—Mr. de Valera said much greater use must be made of agriculture. Full use of agricultural scientific knowledge should be made and the pig and bacon industry should be reorganized with a view to cutting transport and distribution costs.

In the matter of fuel the prime minister declared Eire's best peat bogs must be more fully developed and wind-power should be utilized at least for the lighting of isolate farms.

IT DIDN'T WORK

Bradford-on-Avon, Eng. (Cm)—Because there were so many soldiers at the train doors kissing their sweethearts good-bye three youths said they couldn't get into the train. Convicted of riding on the buffers they were fined $5 apiece.

BILLION IN BEER

London (CP)—The expenditure on beer in Britain during the last year was £330,000,000 compared with £165,000,000 ($742,500,000) in 1938.

PERSISTENT SMOKER WINS A BOUQUET

For reasons of health or economy or both, several friends have recently given up smoking or have greatly reduced their consumption of tobacco. Some have increased their consumption, but reduced its cost by changing from cigarettes to pipes.

In normal times these changes of habit would be strictly the business of the former addicts, and those who were irritated by the spiritual pride thus engendered could seek more congenial company. Now, when no matters of life or habit can be considered as private, it appears that something should be done about these flaunting abstainers.

When it is considered that for every large package of cigarettes that is not consumed the country loses about fourteen cents in revenue, the spiritual pride takes on the lurid light of subversiveness. Three weeks' abstention from cigarettes would deprive the treasury of nearly enough to pay the interest on a hundred-dollar bond for a year. If it is welshing, as the National War Finance Committee assures us it is, to sell a Victory Bond, what term can be fairly applied to these new non-smokers who no longer provide the interest?

An appeal to their patriotism might be useless, but something could be done with those men and women who have never smoked. The man who has smoked for the past thirty years or so may argue that he has done enough for his country; and it is true that he has been the standby for every maker of a national budget in that time. His retirement as a source of revenue in a period of national emergency may be questionable patriotism, but it is fair to expect non-smokers to take up the burden he has laid down.

While an advertising campaign on the theme of smoking our way to Victory is under preparation, it might be made a breach of the Defence of Canada Regulations for anyone who has given up smoking since the latest budget to refer to the fact directly or indirectly.

—The Printed Word

Aussies Strong On Dried Fruits

Canberra, (CP)—The Australian Commonwealth government has approved the expenditure of £200,000 ($740,000) on the dehydration of fruit and vegetables, twice the amount approved at the beginning of the year.

Negotiations to expand dried apple production have been carried on with firms in Tasmania, South Australia and Western Australia, and more than 30,000 tons of fresh apples—about 1,650,000 cases — will be used to produce 4,000 tons of dried apples each year.

At present the production of canned apples represents 8,500 tons of fresh fruit, of which 50 per cent is retained for needs of the services, the remainder being for civilian consumption.

HITCHING POST BACK

Hiawatha, Kas. (CP)—By popular request, Mark Cadle, theatre manager, has constructed a hitching rack in front of his motion picture house.

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Men's PARKAS	$7.50 to $9.95
Men's GABARDINE SLACKS	$5.95
Men's SKI BOOTS	$5.00 to $8.95

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FIREMEN'S BALL

The annual dance sponsored by Lachute Fire Brigade will be held in the Auditorium on New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31.

LACHUTE W.I.

The Lachute W.I. will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 5, in the High School at 3 p.m. Members are requested to bring boxes of shortbread for boys overseas. Guest speaker expected.

—Mrs. R. Percival, convenor.
Mrs. Geo. McGibbon, president.

WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION MEETING, NEW COURSE UNDER RED CROSS

An organization meeting will be held on January 4, 1943, for all women interested in taking a course in "Emergencies in War."

This course is under the direction of the Canadian Red Cross. Registration will take place from 7 to 8 p.m. on Monday, January 4, at Lachute High School.

All women contemplating taking this course are asked to report at the above mentioned time and place.

The Red Cross Committee
—Mrs. Gordon Wyness
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IT'S AN HONOR

London (CP) — Hitler's quisling government in occupied Norway has deprived 189 Norwegians living abroad, in the British Isles and in America, of their Norwegian citizenship, "because of their hostile attitude toward the Norwegian State."

ORDER OF FROZEN FISH

Moscow (CP) — "Last year's story is being repeated—we shall all freeze to death," said a German private captured half-frozen with thousands of others by the Russians. He told of a new medal granted by Hitler for his eastern front soldiers and nick-named "The Order of the Frozen Fish."

REX
SATURDAY, JANUARY 2
One Night Only
FIBBER McGEE and MOLLY, EDGER BERGEN, CHARLIE McCARTHY in
HERE WE GO AGAIN
with Harold Peary, Ginney Simms, Bill Thompson.
Also Comedy, Cartoon, Sing-Song, and other holiday attractions.
SUN., MON., TUES., JANUARY 3-4-5
The one and only Chaplin in a wave of laughter.
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