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### BORN

BLACKBURN — Mr. and Mrs. Hartley L. Blackburn of Port Credit are happy to announce the birth of their son, George Hartley James, on Thursday, May 14th, 1942, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Toronto.

Why did Polly throw herself at Tom, Because she knew he wes a good catch.

It may be that Laval's job is to prepare the French people for the revolution which appears to be brewing in continental Europe.

## Future Events

### DANCE AT MAXWELL

Dance in Maxwell Hall on Friday, May 22nd, to full Fourth Line Orchestra, in aid of Fourth Line Branch of F.-A. Red Cross. Hall supplied by Mr. T. Phillips. Admission: 25c and 15c. Lunch provided.

### PLAY & DANCE, MAXWELL

At Maxwell Thursday, May 21st, auspices of Women's Institute, the play "Don't Darken My Door" will be presented by Markdale A.Y.P.A. Proceeds for war work. The Pedlar orchestra for dance. Admission: 25c and 15c.

### MT. ZION SOCIAL

Come and see "Don't Darken My Door," Markdale's new comedy drama at Mt. Zion ice cream social on Thurs., June 18th, 1942.

### OPTICAL

D. Campbell, optometrist. will be at Flesherton next Tuesday, May 26th, from 10 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. Prompt attention given to all optical repair work. Our prices are very moderate.

### WILLIS TIPPING

And his famous 11-piece Cascade Rythm Band will play at the Crystal Gardens, Dundalk, Monday, June 1st. Admission: 50c.

### Flesherton United Church

**Rev. G. K. McMillan, Pastor**

Services during the summer will be held as follows:

10.00 a.m. — Worship at Ceylon.
11.00 a.m.—Worship and Sunday School at Flesherton.
7.30 p.m. — Vesper service at Flesherton.

Morning subject:
"The Elder Brother."
Evening subject:
"Is Christ Optional."

### Maxwell United Church

**REV. GEO. L. MERCER, B.D., D.D.**
**Minister**

**SERVICES OF WORSHIP**
**EMPIRE SUNDAY (May 24)**
**11 a.m. — Eugenia.**
**2 p.m. — Mt. Zion.**
**3.30 p.m. — Wareham.**
**8.30 pm. — Maxwell.**

### FLESHERTON AND ROCK MILLS BAPTIST CHURCHES

**Frank B. Keys, Pastor**

**ROCK MILLS SERVICES**
Sunday School — 2.30 p.m.
Church Service — 3.30 p.m.
**FLESHERTON SERVICES**
**Church Service — 11 a.m.**
**Sunday School — 12 o'clock**

Rev. H. E. Burritt of Mt. Forest Baptist church will be the speaker in morning at 11.00 and at the evening service at 7.30 at Flesherton, and at the afternoon service at Rock Mills at 2.30. The public will please take note of the hours. Mr. Burritt will also render solos at all services.

Mr. Burritt will be in charge of the services every night, except Saturday, at 8 p.m. in the Flesherton church.

## Artemesia Boy Talked To Queen

Signalman Don Meads, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Meads of the O.D.R., Artemesia, had an experience at his training base in England with the 5th Armored Division, of which very few Canadians can equal, when he talked to the Princess Royal and the King and Queen, all in a few days. Don said it was a thrill of a life-time to have such an experience and says that the Queen is easy to converse with. However, we will let Don tell about it in his own words in a letter to his mother.

Today (April 22) we were inspected by the Princess Royal (Mary) the King's sister, and I was talking to her personally. I was driving a seventeen ton armored signal vehicle in which she rode during a scheme, along with Major General Sansom and a few others. When I let them out at the officers' quarters she asked to see the driver. You see the driver is partitioned off by himself. So I had to get out and talk to her Royal Highness. Boy!

On Friday (April 24) we were inspected by Their Majesties, the King and Queen, and if the Queen didn't stop and talk to me! Cameras were flashing everywhere. The Queen is a charming lady, and real easy to talk to. I was tickled pink. Our Sergeant had me talk to Her Majesty in his movie camera and is going to have it shown at the local theatre. What a thrill! The last thing in the world I ever thought I would do. The King is a good looking man. He was standing beside me while Her Majesty was talking.

The boys have sure been ribbing me since then. The Colonel said: "Well, you are quite a personality kid; she said more to you than she did to me." Capt. McArthur, our officer, didn't even get a glimpse of them, they apparently passed behind him.

## Edgeley Hazard Knits Articles For Red Cross

Mr. Edgeley L. Hazard of Ceylon has been busily engaged during the past year and a half knitting articles for the Flesherton-Artemesia Branch of the Red Cross and has compiled quite a record, considering that he had never knitted an articles before the fall of 1940. To date he has handed in the following: One pair of whole mitts, 7 pairs two-way mitts, 2 heavy turtle-neck sweaters with sleeves, 1 seaman's scarf 66 inches long, 6 pairs alternative seaman long stockings, 25 pairs. plain heavy service work socks, 8 aero caps.

Besides the above for the Red Cross, he has completed the following for private parties: 6 pairs stockings and one pair whole mitts.

### In Memoriam

BEECROFT — In loving memory of our dear mother, Mrs. Mary Beecroft, who passed away May 19th, 1938.

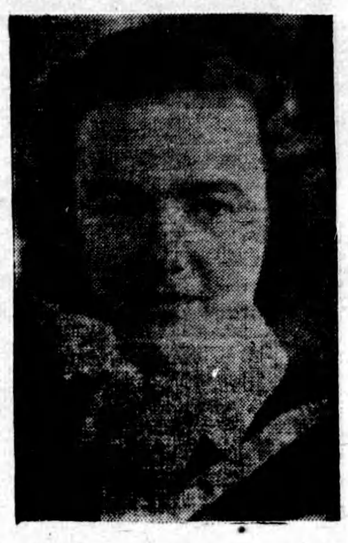
Her charming ways, her smiling face
Are a pleasure to recall;
She had a kindly word for each
And died beloved by all.
—Ever remembered by the Family

### Card of Thanks

I wish to acknowledge my sincere thanks and appreciation to all friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and for treats, flowers, letters and cards sent to me while in Toronto hospital and at home.
—Mrs. Walter Russell.

### Card of Thanks

I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to all friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness during my illness; also for the lovely flowers, treats, letters and cards which were sent to me while in Markdale and Toronto hospitals, and at home.
—Mrs. James E. Russell



MISS DORIS BANNON

Miss Bannon is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bannon, Victoria Corners, and recently graduated from Queen's University with her Bachelor of Arts degree. Doris was also awarded a Roberta McCulloch scholarship in English, valued at $50. She is a graduate of Flesherton High School.

## Urges Greater Support

A telegram was received Tuesday evening by the Flesherton-Artemesia Branch from the head office, urging greater support in the present drive for funds. The telegram stated that our objective of $2,000 is the absolute minimum to be raised by this Branch. Elsewhere on this page will be found a list of the names of the canvassers and the objectives for the different sections. It is necessary that these section objectives be reached in order to raise the $2,000 by this Branch.

This is an appeal to you to increase your contribution to the Red Cross. Your canvasser will gladly accept a further contribution or, if more convenient, you may pay it to the treasurer, Mr. J. A. Richards, and have it credited to your own school section. The closing of the Red Cross drive has been advanced to June 1st.

## Fatality At Dundalk

Another fatality occurred at the main street railway crossing at Dundalk on Tuesday evening of last week when the evening train crashed into a car, fatally injuring Mrs. William Duffy of Weston and Walter Benham Jr. of Toronto. Mrs. Duffy died that evening in Lord Dufferin hospital at Orangeville and Benham died the following morning from the severe injuries. The inquest was held at Dundalk Monday afternoon, when the jury brought in a verdict of accidental death, with the following rider "We, your jury, know this to be a dangerous crossing, and strongly recommend, urge and implore that a suitable warning signal system be placed at this railway way intersection to prevent further accidents."

### FLESHERTON OLD BOYS & GIRLS, PLEASE NOTE

Owing to the fact that the Government has taken over Exhibition Park, Toronto, for military purposes, it has been necessary to change the location for our picnic in July, to Area No. 4, High Park.

Have you yet reserved the date, Saturday afternoon, July 25th, 1942, to meet your old friends in the delightful setting of High Park?

### Federation Held Banquet

Members of South Grey Public School Federation met in Flesherton on Friday evening, when about forty members were in attendance. It had ben expected that speakers from Toronto would have been present, but these were unable to come and Miss Thompson of Hanover and Mr. Brown of Neustadt filled in very acceptably. Inspector Pentland spoke on the duties of the teachers and the need for more leaders of children. The Ivy Red Cross Branch provided the supper for the gathering.

### NEW BOOKS IN FLESHERTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

**Juvenile**

"House in the Hoo" by Wood; "Whilemina" Johl; "The Sailor" by Carey; "Fairy Tales" by Anderson; "Red Blanket" by Dickson; "Speedy" by Hamilton.

**Defence, War and Miscellaneous**

"Flight to Arras" Exupery; "Canton Captain" Conley; "France on Berlin Time" Kernan; "Mission to Moscow" Davies; "Hotel Splendide" Bemelmans; "Air Raid Safety Manual" Leyson; "Bombs and Bombing" Ley; "New Way to Eat and Get Slim" Cooley; "Atlantic System" Davis.

Current Best Sellers

"Dragon Seed" Buck; "Corn in Egypt" Deeping; "Columbus" by Sabatini.

## Portugese Bullfight Brilliant Pageant Without Blood Spilt

By HUGH TEMPLIN

I have already written something of Lisbon, the capital of Portugal. This week, I add some more. Frankly, what I write is colored by my point of view. Perhaps I do Lisbon an injustice.

An excellent guide book, published by the government of Portugal and presented to me with the compliments of the Minister of Propaganda (for they call a spade a spade in Portugal), says:

"Lisbon is enchanting. It is a city at once ancient and modern, with wire avenues bordered by magnificent houses and crowded streets of steep steps in which houses of many-colored fronts jostle one another confusedly, while between them passes a motley crowd in typical costumes—fishwives, bare-legged but wearing golden necklaces, women carrying jars of water on their heads in classic pose."

True enough, no doubt, but my diary tells a different story. Up to that time, it had been full and complete, as readers may have guessed. But for the week in Portugal, it is brief. It says:

"Saturday, October 10th, to Friday, October 16th—The terrible week in Lisbon. Disliked it from the start. Saw bullfight on Sunday, October 11th. Sick on Tuesday and stayed that way till Excambion sailed on Friday—and for four days more."

And that, except for two pages of notes on the bullfight, is all. But I need no notes to bring back memories of Lisbon. They keep coming back, even in my sleep, and nearly always as nightmares.

**All in the Point of View**

Yet it is all in the point of view, apparently. To thousands of people from Nazi-dominated Europe, Lisbon in those months and for some fifteen months before, was the the symbol of liberty and comparative safety. Some of them gave up everything they had except their lives, to reach the city. Uncounted hundreds probably lost their lives trying to reach it. Lisbon was the only point of contact with the free world—with the United States and, to some extent with Great Britain. During the voyage across the Atlantic to New York, I was to hear at first hand the stories of some of these refugees. Not till then did I learn what Nazi domination really means. For those poor people, Lisbon was literally the doorway out of Hell.

I didn't look on Lisbon in that way. To me, it was but a port of call on the way back to the hom I was anxious to see as soon as possible. When I learned I would have to wait ten days for a plane across the Atlantic, it was a shock. With the seven other Canadian editors, I began to haunt the offices of Pan American Airways and later, those of American Export Lines. I stood in line with other refugees and became one of them. Would I get out of Portugal before the Germans arrived? I wondered. Would the United States be forced into the war while I stayed on in Lisbon waiting for the Clippers that were so slow coming.

I had just come by plane from Britain. The trip had its dangers but they were of the exhilirating kind. A few nights before, I had come unscathed through a bomb raid and had marvelled at the way free people took these things. There had always been some danger in those days and nights in England but the people were of my own kind, and it had seemed a good place to be.

In Portugal, the very air was different. I knew not a word of the language and little of the customs. An unusual number of policemen were to be seen everywhere. One could buy lottery tickets on the streets, but could be arrested for using a cigarette lighter.

Portugal has a benevolent dictator, a Professor Salazar. He has done much good, they say. But there must be times when he quails at the magnitude of the job ahead of him. The people are desperately poor; many of them have deadly sicknesses. I had been warned not to drink the water in Lisbon or even clean my teeth with it Distilled water was sold in five-litre bottles for that purpose. Nobody warned me against all raw fruits and vegetables. It may have been a lettuce salad, or perhaps a bunch of handsome grapes that finally sent me to bed, quite ill.

But it may have been partly the fear that comes from being watched day after day by enemy eyes. The new Hotel Victoria swarmed with Germans, one of them said to be the head of the local Gestapo. I had to turn over my passport on arrival to the International police. I never did find out who constitute that body, but I knew the passport said I was travelling "on official government business." The Germans knew that. Only once in the whole week in Lisbon did I feel really at ease, and that was the night the people in the British Embassy gave us a dinner at the British Club. It was a grand old building and inside its thick walls one could talk freely.

**The Bullfight a Bright Spot**

To Canadian readers, it must seem strange when I say that the bullfight I saw in Lisbon provided some recreation.

Truly, I never expected to be seen at a bullfight, and on a Sunday afternoon, of all times. It took some time for the idea to sink in. B. K. Sandwell and I walked up the Avenida da Liberdade on a Saturday afternoon, dodging the hawkers who tried to press lottery tickets on us, and looking at the hights. The huge, colored posters advertising the bullfight fascinated us. They bore some resemblance to fall fair posters back home, but they had pictures in brilliant colors, of toreadors and raging bulls. Slowly, we translated the posters—or thought we did. The top line was clear enough "8 Bravos Torros." "8 Brave Bulls." And then the time and the place and the price, which was only 15 escudos or less than 75 cents for box seats. But the line that really fascinated us was down near the bottom, "6 Torros Disembollos." We shuddered over it. "Good gosh, Templin," said Mr. Sandwell, "it must be a bloody spectacle if they are going to disembowel six bulls."

Back in the hotel, others of our party had other details. They said the bulls weren't killed. It was all just pretend. But it was the national sport, something like hockey. We shouldn't miss it. Besides, a young Portugese Army officer, who spoke excellent English, would accompany us to explane the fine points. One of the crowd had already arranged for two boxes for the company.

Lisbon's bull-ring has a magnificent setting. The taxi turned out of the broad Avenida into a beautiful park. In the centre rose the great, circular bull-ring, a tall structure in fancy Moorish architecture. People were getting out of cars all around it. while hundreds of others came off the street cars or on foot.

The Portugese Lieuntenant found the proper door and we began to climb up and up on concrete stairs. It reminded me of the Maple Leaf Gardens in Toronto. It was another typical "hockey crowd," mostly fairly young people, a few families with the children accompanying the parents. They were a happy, excited lot.

The box seats were on top, on the shady side. Lisbon is a hot place. The temperature in the daytime ran about 85 degrees. Seats in the sun cost about half the price of those in the shade. We sat on chairs in a large, uncrowded box. Nearby various prominent families occupied their own boxes. The family coats-of-arms showed on bright cloths hung over the railings in front.

Down below were the cheap seats, around a perfectly circular ring with a sandy floor. Over on the sunny side, a band played unknown airs. The place seated about 15,000 and was fairly well filled, though there was a big counter-attraction that day in a smaller city nearby, with nearly twice as many bulls.

**On the Side of the Bulls**

The Portugese bullfight, as it turned out, is not a bloody spectacle, but rather a pageant. Horses and but rather a pagena.te costumes are beautiful and even the bulls look impressive as they came on at first, snorting and occasionally pawing the sand. But no blood was spilled, no animals are killed and no person gets hurt, though that was merely because the bulls failed to follow up their advantages, when they came. It was less cruel than a rodeo, much less exciting than a


PORTUGAL BULLFIGHT
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### ARTEMESIA COUNCIL

Artemesia Council met at Flesherton on Monday, the 11th of May. The members were all present, the Reeve in the chair.

Accounts presented and payment ordered were from: Municipal World, Collector's Roll $7.38; and Department of Health for insulin 88 cents. The treasurer was instructed to receive $24 from John Teeter for snow plowing road east backline.

Mr. I. B. Whittaker presented his resignation as a member of this Council, which, on resolution, was duly accepted.

By-law No. 4, 1942, was introduced and read the required number of times, and ordered to be signed by the Reeve and Clerfi, being a by-law appointing Mr. I. B. Whittaker Road Superintendent for the remainder of 1942.

Monday, June 8th, 1942, was set for the first sitting of the Court of Revision, at the hour of 10 o'clock at the town hall, Flesherton.

### OBSERVE KING'S BIRTHDAY ON MONDAY, JUNE 8

Observance of the King's birthday in Canada this year will take on Monday, June 8, it was announced at Ottawa a few days ago. A proclamation to that effect also has been published in the Canada Gazette.

The proclamation follows the custom observed in recent years of having the celebration during the summer period, rather than on December 14th, His Majesty's actual birthday.

## Increase Givings To Make Red Cross Canvass Successful

The canvass for the raising of $2,000 by the Flesherton-Artemesia Red Cross Branch commenced this week with all committees working. The area being canvassed has been divided into the school sections and a canvasser appointed in each by Mr. Clifford Allen, campaign organizer. The total to be collected in this area has been raised above that of a year and a half ago, but then the Canadian total has been raised to $9,000,000, which means that all will have to give more this time if the Red Cross services are not to be curtailed.

During the last canvass it was surprising how many gave twenty-five cents, and even less, by people who have the pleasure of running cars. It was a pitiful contribution to so great a cause. We are not belittling the donor of twenty-five, as that might mean as much as dollars to others who can afford to give more and fail to recognize their responsibility to mankind. Increase your giving so that your district can go over the top. Below are the names of the canvassers with their objective for each school section.

| Section | Canvasser | Objective |
|---|---|---|
| Springhill | Earl Best | $75 |
| Victoria Corn. | Mrs. E. Stevens | 75 |
| Portlaw | C. D. Meldrum | 100 |
| Proton Sta. | Neil McCannell | 75 |
| Rock Mills | Mrs. S. Phillips | 100 |
| Q. D. R. | Bob Parslow | 100 |
| Priceville | R. H. McConkey | 150 |
| Ceylon | Mrs. H. Hogarth | 75 |
| Stone's Line | Mrs. W. Beaton | 80 |
| 8th Line | Alex. Cameron | 60 |
| Vandeleur | Geo. Buchanan | 125 |
| Irish Lake | W. McWhinney | 80 |
| Orange Valley | F. Russell | 125 |
| East Mountain | Stan. Magee | 20 |
| Flesherton: | Mrs. E. Betts<br>Reg. Boyd<br>F. W. Duncan<br>Bob Phillips | 860 |
| Flesh. Rural | Geo. Swanton | 50 |

## Salvage Brought $61

Thursday of last week salvage was collected in Flesherton by officials of the Flesherton-Artemesia Red Cross, Mr. Bob Phillips being head of the committee, and a large amount of salvage was collected. The citizens co-operated well in placing the articles for collection in a convenient place and the collectors were able to cover the village more quickly. By Tuesday afternoon the salvage had all been disposed of and the Red Cross Branch was richer by $61.00. Citizens are asked to start immediately to save up for another salvage collection. The committe, however, wishes to point out that cereal boxes, waxed paper and plain junk are not required, as they cannot be turned into cash. The collection was considered to have been a success.

### Cpl. Wes White Instructor At St. Thomas Air School

Cpl. Wes White of St. Thomas was home over the week end to visit his wife and daughter at the home of his father, Mr. Geo. White, Springhill. Wes finished his course at the St. Thomas Air Training School as an aero electrician, coming second in an entry of seventy men, and two marks behind the gold medalist. He was selected by the Commanding Officer of the school as an instructor and raised to the rank of Corporal. Prior to enlisting Wes was employed as an operator with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission and joined the Air Force from the Severn Park station. We wish Cpl. White every success as an instructor.

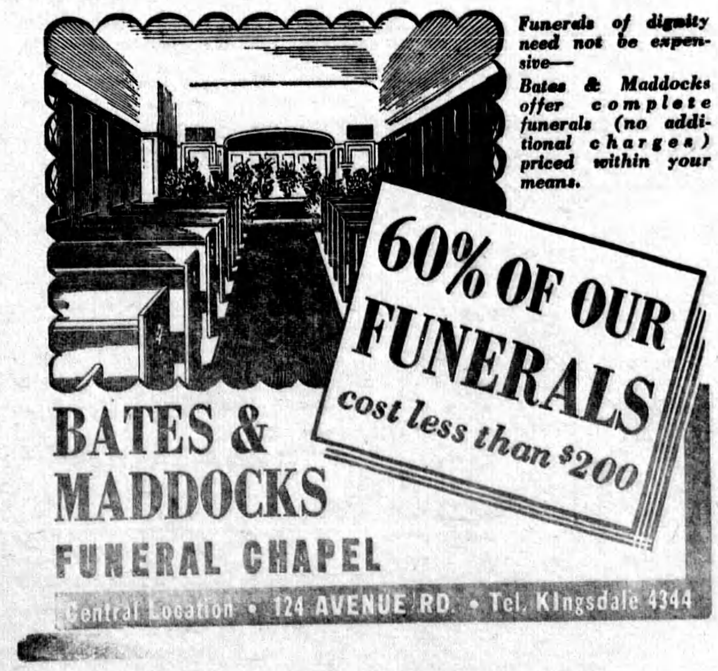
### OSPREY COUNCIL

The Osprey Municipal Council met in regular session on Saturday evening, May 2nd, with all members present.

Tenders for the crushing and hauling of gravel were to have been awarded, but as some misunderstanding as to the nature of the work to be done, arose between the members of the Council and the contractors, it resulted in the tenders being withdrawn and new tenders will be called for.

A grant of $600 was made to the Osprey Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society This was done in lieu of making a general canvass of the Township, as had been done in former years.

General accounts ordered paid, were: Mrs. J. Smith, care of E. Miller $35; Jas. Izard, relief $10; Treasurer County of Grey, indigent hospital accounts $54.25.

General road accounts ordered paid, were: Daily Commercial News, tenders $9; A. McLean, road through field $5; R. Somers, road through fields $5; Pay Roll No. 5, $218.20.

Council adjourned to hold a Court of Revision of the 1942 Assessment Roll on Saturday, June 13th, 1942, at 10 o'clock a.m.