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Allied Supplies For Red Army Pour Through The Persian Gulf

Some of the quantities of supplies pouring into Russia are brought by road from the Persian Gulf to a port on the Caspian sea They are transported across Persia by the U.K.C.C. (United Kingdom Commercial Corporation), who have at their disposal something like 1,500 heavy ten-ton lorries. The supplies are unloaded at the wharf and re-loaded on to Russian cargo boats which travel across the Caspian Sea to the U.S.S.R.

Picture shows: Crepe rubber from the Bri'sh War Department. Trucks being unloaded by Persian labour at the railhead.

District Soldiers Meet In England

Somewhere in England,
January 9th, 1943

Dear Frank,— I appreciate receiving The Advance, and I'm sure that all the boys on your mailing list to this country feel the same as I do. They are coming more regularly to me now.

A week ago to-day I received a real surprise when Earl Blackburn walked into my hut, as I didn't know he had left Canada. The next day he returned and brought Edgar Doupe with him and the three of us located Norman Williams and spent the afternoon together. I think it 's quite a record when four from near Flesherton meet at one time in this country, especially when all are in different places. Earl is only one half hour bus ride from me and is quite close to Edgar. Norman is about ten minutes walk from my quarters. Aubrey Aitken from Dundalk has a new address now, so I'll not likely see him again for some time. If it wasn't for the time it takes looking through buildings and records offices, I think I could find all the boys from Flesherton and district who are over here now. A new draft has arrived in camp from Canada. Several of my Camp Borden mates are here now, ready to get a taste of this moderate but damp climate.

The people from Flesherton, Ceylon and district have been very kind in sending parcels, cigarettes, letters. At Christmas I received a swell parcel from the Flesherton Soldiers' Welfare, as well as six hundred cigarettes also three hundred from the Flesherton Business Men's Association. There are other parcels and smokes on the way over, which I am anxiously expecting any day now. All my mail has been coming through in good condition. I might say that I was fortunate that none of my parcels received a drenching with water and Pyrene fumes at the fire in Halifax. Chocolate bars were tainted with Pyrene, even though the outside of the parcel showed no sign of damage.

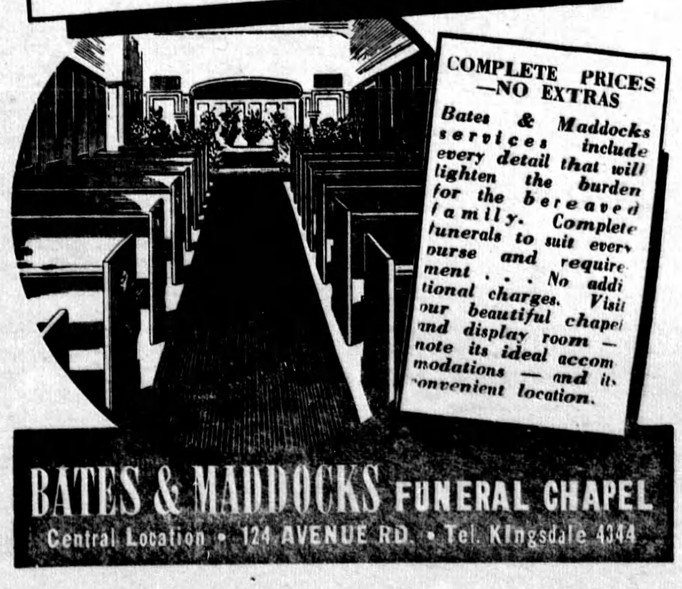
You should see our living quarters after we have our bedtime lunch from our store of canned goods, etc. It is great to have our "little spot" (English slang) of tea and eats before going to bed, and thanks to our parents, relatives and friends back home.

The bugle has just sounded "lights out," so I'll have to close and go to bed. Many thanks for sending the paper.

Sincerely yours,
—Milford Piper.

SKATING
FLESHERTON ARENA
TUESDAY
THURSDAY
FROM 8 TO 10 P.M.
SATURDAY
Skating from 8.30 to 10.30
SKATE FOR HEALTH

60% OF OUR FUNERALS COST LESS THAN $200.00



Robert Down Killed In Fall From Hydro Pole

Robert Down of Markdale, formerly of Flesherton, was instantly killed in an accident on Saturday afternoon, when he fell from a Hydro pole on which he was working, some distance south of Holland Centre. Some new poles had put in on the line and he had gone up this pole to connect the wires. His companion did not know anything was wrong until he saw Mr. Down fall. He was unconscious and when a physician arrived he stated that death had been instantaneous. An investigation was conducted by the Provincial Police and Hydro officials and it was decided an inquest was unnecessary.

Just how the deplorable accident occurred is not know, but it was surmised that as he had just climbed the pole he was in the act of throwing the end of his safety belt around the pole to catch it with his right hand, when the spur on his climbing irons on his right foot slipped, causing him to lose balance and plumet to earth.

The late Robert Down was 50 years of age and was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Down of Flesherton, formerly of Hatherton district. He had been a lineman for quite a number of years with the Bell Telephone Co. and with the Hydro since 1931. He was in partnership with his father and brother in the garage business in Flesherton and Markdale under the name of H. Down & Sons, prior to going with the Hydro. He was held in the highest esteem by a wide circle of friends, who always found him a pleasing conversationalist and a real friend, and his untimely passing came as a great shock to all.

He is survived by his widow, who was formerly Gladys Carter of Dundalk, and one son and two daughters, Jack, with the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps, Toronto, Florence at the head office of the Province of Ontario Savings Bank in Toronto, and Betty, who is attending Toronto Normal School. He is also survived by one brother, Alfred, of Flesherton and one sister, Mrs. Wilbert Poole, of Collingwood.

The funeral was held on Monday afternoon with service in Annesley United Church, Markdale, at 2 p.m., conducted by Rev. G. K. McMillan, pastor of St. John's United Church, Flesherton, assisted by Rev. Caswell of Markdale. Interment was made in the Chapel in Flesherton Cemetery. The service was under Masonic auspices, he having been a Past Master of Prince Arthur Lodge No. 333, A.F. &A.M., Flesherton, since 1926.

The pallbearers were: Wor. Bros. C. D. Meldrum, A. S. Muir and Ray Pedlar of Prince Arthur Lodge, Dr. J. A. McArthur, Carman King and Bro. Stanley Kidd of Hiram Lodge, Markdale. The flower bearers were members of the Hydro staff.

"Bob" Down will be missed, not only in his home, but throughout the district, where he was well known. His kindly personality and pleasing manner won him many friends and to his wife and young family the sincere sympathy of friends is extended in their grief and sorrow.

Russian Relief Fund

The lists are still open for donations to the Canadian Aid to Russia Fund and we will continue to receive money for this worthy cause in aid of our allies, who are annihilating the German armies on Russian soil. Their victories the past week have been sensational. Let us assist their families with clothing and donations of money, as a slight testimonial of our debt to them. Don't delay, hand in your donation at once.

The following donations were received the past week:

Previously acknowledged	$153.00
John Nuhn	3.00
Mr. and Mrs. F. Cairns	5.00
C. P. W'lson	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. Harrison	5.00
	$167.00

The Nazis hoped to get oil out of the Caucasus. Now they'll be tickled to get themselves out.

Your Subscription

Our mailing list was corrected on Saturday and all payments made up to that time are acknowledged with a change of label. Look at yours now and see if we have given you proper credit. There are quite a number receiving The Advance who are two, three or more years in arrears. We would be pelased if these subscribers would have this deficit wiped out and the paper paid in advance. The Wartime Prices and Trade Board is eliminating all credit, and this applies to subscription accounts as well as other debts. So if you wish to have The Advance continue to come into your home after the 1st of March, 1943, have your arrears paid up. These are war times and we are asked to save on paper and the above is the one way we have of doing so, but we will be pleased to continue sending the paper to those who are paid up.

Roads Almost Filled

The County highways to Feversham and Kimberley are so full of snow that it is almost impossible to open them again for motor traffic. There is one track down the centre of the road and the banks are so high on each side that there is no room for the new snow. Every time the plow goes through the ice and hard snow falls in behind the plow and on the return journey the same routine is followed. Feversham has had one mail since Feb. 6th, and that was on Feb. 13th, and Kimberley has been almost as long without mail. The roads would almost be better if they weren't plowed if there was as much snow in succeeding winters as there is this year. One storm after another hasn't allowed the plow operators any time to wing back and now the banks of snow are so hard nothing can be done about it. Narrow lanes, with no turning-out points, and banks along the road anywhere from three feet to eight feet high, with straight sides, has to be seen to be appreciated. It is hoped that a thaw will come soon and alleviate the situation.

Ice Harvest Poor

Those people and firms in town who are dependent on natural ice for their their summer needs, are having considerable difficulty in deciding what to do. They usually secure their supply from the small Munshaw lake, but this year the ice is not very thick, neither is the blue ice any depth. A supply from the Eugenia Hydro lake is being considered, but the expense in laying the ice in town will be greater. Oth[illegible]rs the supply of ice is already [illegible]at this time. A Markdale fir[illegible]ntending to secure ice from [illegible] done in former years.

Ceylon Presentation

(By Ceylon Reporter)

Gnr. Chas. McWilliam, Petawawa, and Jas. Kennedy, sailor on H.M.C.S. York, Toronto, were honored by Ceylon friends recently. Despite weather conditions, the social evening Wednesday last was well attended at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Sinclair. Owing to a brief visit home, and having to leave on the six o'clock train, Jim could not be present that evening so in the afternoon Mrs. M. Hogarth, Mrs. J. McWilliam and Mrs. J. Sinclair visited his home and Mrs. Sinclair presented a wrist watch to Jim, who thanked the ladies for their kindness. At the social evening Mrs. Kennedy, on behalf of her son, expressed her appreciation for the gift. Gnr. Chas. McWilliam was unable to be present at the social evening, owing to illness and on Thurday Mrs. M. Irwin, Mrs. M. Hogarth and Mrs. Sinclair visited Charlie at his home and also presented him with a wrist watch. Charlie also expressed his appreciation of the kindness shown him. The addresses were signed by Mrs. R. Piper and Mrs. Jas. Sinclair on behalf of Ceylon community. We wish the boy[illegible]e best of luck and hope that [illegible]lors and soldiers may be ab[illegible] short time.

Get Your Ration Books Next Week

The issuing of the new Ration Book No. 2 will commence through the Local Ration Board on Tuesday of next week, February 23rd, and continue until Saturday, Feb. 27th. At each of four main centres in this area, local chairmen have been appointed who will be responsible for the issuing of the books. There will be a battery af assistants on the job with special hours for each and it is expected that the issuing of the books will proceed with the utmost speed and dispatch. When you go to the place of issue, be sure you have the car in the back of your present book filled out and signed so that there will be as short a delay as possible in receiving your new books. Keep your present book, as there are coupons still there to be used. The number of your present ration book will continue on to your new book and it will be your number for the entire period in which rationing is in force.

When the new Ration Book is received it should be checked to see that it contains the following: One green sheet for tea and coffee; one pink sheet for sugar; two orchid sheets for butter; four buff sheets for Spare A; one blue sheet for Spare B; two grey sheets for Spare C; one white sheet of canning sugar instructions; one application for canning; one return post card; and one change of address post card.

Following are the places of issue with the chairman and committee in charge at each centre:

FEVERSHAM—C. N. Long, chairman; Rev. McNichol, Jas. Long, Mrs. E. Hawton, Mrs. H. Francis, Miss Alda Hawton.

MARKDALE — Mrs. G. Beaton, chairman; Miss M. Neeley, Mrs. A. G. Robertson, Mrs. F. D. Sawyer, Mrs. S. Arrowsmith, Miss Leone Matthews.

FLESHERTON—Alf. Down, chairman; Mrs. E. Betts, Mrs. M. Stewart, Mrs. K. Betts, Mrs. Laurie Smith, Mrs. J. Dargavel, Mrs. Richards.

DUNDALK—D. T. Wright, chairman; Mrs. F. McIntyre, A. D. McAlister, Mrs. Sudden, C. R. Werry, R. E. Clunas, E. A. Ruttle.

There will also be other assistants appointed to make the work as light as possible for all concerned. It must be remembered that all these people who are issuing the Ration Books are doing so on their own time and are not receiving a cent of pay, giving their time in the interests of Canada and saving unnecessary expenses.

Dargavel Won 'Spiel

Flesherton Curling Club held their annual Red Cross Bonspiel Thursday and Friday of last week, with J. O. Dargavel's rink defeating Roy Piper's rink 6-4 in the final which was played Saturday night. Sixteen rinks joined in the bonspiel, with three of them from Markdale. It is interesting to note that not one of rinks which won their first game were successful in the second round.

Following are list of games and the results:

FIRST ROUND

M. Wilson 8	Hunt 6
Thibaudeau 8	C. McTavish 6
Arrowsmith 9	Richardson 6
McCauley 8	Best 6
G. McTavish 7	Nuhn 5
Kennedy 6	Dargavel 4
Piper 10	Henry 3

SECOND ROUND

Hunt 9	R. Boyd 7
G. Boyd 10	Thibaudeau 9
C. McTavish 9	Arrowsmith 5
Nuhn 9	Kennedy 8
Dargavel 12	Wilson 1
Betts 8	McCauley 4
Richardson 7	Piper 6
Henry 7	G. McTavish 5

As there was not a rink in the first two rounds that had won two games, the managers of the draw decided to have those with the highest plus play for the title, and these were Jim Dargavel and Roy Piper.

FINAL

Dargavel — 1 1 0 2 0 0 1 1—6
Piper — 0 0 1 0 1 2 0 0—4

Two of the games were real close with Geo. Boyd winning from Lou Thibaudeau 10-9 and John Nuhn from Jack Kennedy 9-8, both with extra ends. The ice was keen and the games were run off quickly.

Send Papers Overseas

Last week we gave notice that we would not be able to continue sending The Advanced each week to the boys overseas, as we have been doing since the first contingent went away. We suggested that different organizations look after this problem and send The Advance to those boys who have gone from their district. The Flesherton Soldiers' Welfare League has taken upon itself to supply the boys from Flesherton with the paper and have paid the $1.00 to send to the following:

Wes Armstrong
John W. Cook
Fred Patton
Edgar Doupe
Carl Teeter
Don McMillan
Milford Piper
Emerson Thomson
George McFadden
Earl Ottewell.

There are many others to whom we are sending The Advance overseas, but these will have to be discontinued after March 1st, unless the subscription is paid, as regulations forbid that papers be sent overseas without being paid for. The boys look forward to the arrival of The Advance, just as much as letters, as it gives them considerable news that letters don't touch.

SUNDWARK — BELLAMY

Mr. and Mr. Geo. A. Bellamy of Winnipeg, Man., wish to announce the marriage of their only daughter, Marjorie Evelyn, to Aircraftman Alf. Victor Sundwark, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Sundwark, on Thursday, Feb. 4th, at 7 p.m., in the parlor of Augustine United Church. Rev. Russell McGillivray officiated. Elmer Sundwark, brother of the groom, and a sister, Mrs. Ole Nelson, Kenora, Ont., were the attendants.

Mr. and Mrs. Sundwark will visit his parents in Dauphin, Man., before returning to Prince Rupert, where he is stationed.

BORN

BODDY— At Mrs. Nuhn's Nursing Home, Flesherton, on Sunday, Feb. 14, 193, to Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Boddy (nee Isabel Fullerton) of Dundalk, the gift of a son.

McARTHUR — 'n Collingwood on Saturday, Jan. 30th, 1943, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank McArthur (nee Grace Hopps) a son.

LITTLE CHILD DIES

Wednesday evening, Feb. 10, death came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sensabaugh (nee Marguerite Croft) Thistletown, Ont., when their little one year and 8 months' old daughter, Joan, passed away. She had never been strong from birth. Besides her sorrowing parents, three sisters mourn her loss, her twin Joy, Evelyn age 5 and Lois age 3.

The remains were taken to Owen Sound for burial and the funeral was held from the Kyle Funeral Home on Friday. Rev. Bombay conducted the service and spoke very feelingly on the subject "Suffer little children to come unto Me." Interment was made in Greenwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Harry Patton, grandmother, and Mrs. Arthur Hutton, aunt, attended the funeral.

Wherefore should I make my moan
Now the darling child is dead?
She to rest is early gone,
She to Paradise is fled;
I shall go to her, but she
Never shall return to me.

God forbids her longer stay,
God recalls His precious loan,
He hath taken her away
From my bosom to His own;
Surely what He wills is best,
Happy in His will I rest.

Card of Thanks

My sincere thanks and appreciation to all my friends who so kindly remembered me during my recent illness by visiting me and sending me flowers and cards.

—Alex. McEachnie.

Women who leave their homes to take jobs in vital war factories and essential industry, should be referred to as V-males!