

Personals

Mr. George Jiggins was home from Aurora for the week-end. Pte. Riddle, of London, spent the week-end with relatives here. Mr. David Foster, of Niagara Falls, visited at his home here this week. Miss Etta Dilla, of Toronto, is visiting this week with her sister and brother, here. Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Watson spent Sunday in Niagara Falls with his mother. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Egle, of Toronto, visited with Miss Margaret Garvin on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Reid, of Toronto, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Reid. Mr. Fred McLaughlin of Batavia, N.Y., visited his father, Mr. C. McLaughlin, over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd D. Forbes and children, of Detroit, Mich., visited relatives here on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Ramsden and Bill, of Buffalo, N.Y., visited with Acton relatives over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. F. Brynning, of Toronto, visited over the week-end at the home of their sister and brother here. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene MacPherson, Robert and Gary, of Toronto, visited with Mr. and Mrs. R. J. MacPherson. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bishop and Marilyn, of Toronto, visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bishop, on Sunday. Mrs. Orville A. Gane, of West Palm Beach, Florida, is visiting with her mother, Mrs. V. Polster. She expects to spend some time here. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dryden, of Flint, Michigan; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dryden, of Guelph, spent Mother's Day with their mother, Mrs. Jennie Dryden, and Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Holmes.

Officers Elected for the Rockalong Women's Institute

The Rockalong Women's Institute held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. W. Pasmore, with a good attendance. The roll call was responded to by paying joining fees. The year's reports were read. A donation of \$2.00 was made to the Central War Charities Fund. A pamphlet on "The Wild Flower Campaign" was read. The election of officers followed: President—Mrs. C. O. Plank. 1st Vice-President—Mrs. W. Pasmore. 2nd Vice-President—Mrs. W. McNabb. Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Helen Bayne. District Director—Mrs. D. McNabb. Alternate Director—Mrs. Shullis. Pianist—Mrs. E. B. Ramsden. Assistant Pianist—Mrs. W. Black. Flower Committee—Mrs. Tut and Mrs. G. Ouchard. Auditors—Mrs. B. Nelson and Mrs. H. Maude. Press Reporter—Miss Doris Watson. The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem, and lunch was served.

Record Tourist Traffic Expected

As no changes have been made in the generous regulations permitting the free and unhampered interchange of tourist traffic between Canada and the United States, it is confidently expected that the coming summer tourist season will be a record one in the history of American citizens into Canada, according to C. R. Johnston, General Passenger Traffic Manager of the Canadian National Railway. "Operators of Canadian resorts, merchants and others conducting relative activities may therefore expect unprecedented business to some their way this summer as millions of Americans cross the international 'peace border' for a vacation holiday in the Dominion." "Canada, with a wide variety of interests and attractions to the tourist, should be more widely known as a great vacation playground," Mr. Johnston said, "and with this in view, tourist folders in color, describing Canada's finest vacation lands, have been distributed all over the continent by the Canadian National Railway as a reliable guide to the vacation seeker." As a result of this distribution, inquiries have been pouring into our passenger agents' offices throughout the United States, seeking further information about Canadian resorts, added Mr. Johnston. "Following the proclamation of the President of the United States, the greatest travel year in American history is about to begin," said Mr. Johnston, "and with pathways from all points in the United States leading northward into friendly neighboring Canada, we have an exceptional opportunity as Canadians to benefit from this great migration of vacationists." "There is also the important duty of extending a cordial welcome to visitors from the United States and to maintain a strictly Canadian atmosphere," added Mr. Johnston, "which is what the American visitor wishes to see when he comes to this country."

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JACK KINGSHOTT FOR RAWLEIGHS QUALITY SPICE AND EXTRACTS PARKELP A SPECIALTY MAIN STREET - AT SCHOOL LANE

GREGORY THEATRE FRIDAY, MAY 17th "MY LITTLE CHICKADEE" Comedy western, with W. C. Fields and Mae West. Crime Does Not Pay. "Pound Foolish." Cartoon, "Ice Pond." Chapter 10 of "Lone Ranger Rides Again."

SATURDAY, MAY 18th Gift Night "DEAD END KIDS ON DRESS PARADE" John Lital and Frankie Thomas. "ZENOBIA" Feature length comedy, with Oliver, Hardy and Harry Langdon. Fox News.

MONDAY, MAY 20th "THE HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES" Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's mystery story, with Richard Greene, Basil Rathbone and Wendy Barrie. Musical, "International Revels." "Popular Science." Pete Smith. "Domineering Mlle."

TREASURER'S SALE OF LAND FOR TAXES

Village of Acton, County of Halton. To Wit: By Virtue of a warrant issued by the Receiver of the Village of Acton bearing date the Second Day of January, 1940, sale of lands in arrears of taxes in the Village of Acton, will be held at the Council Chamber in the Town Hall in the Village of Acton at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon on the Tenth Day of June, 1940, unless the taxes and costs are sooner paid. Notice is hereby given that the list of lands for sale for arrears of taxes were published in the Ontario Gazette on the 1st day of March, 1940. The following is the list: Taxes Costs Total Lot 33, Block 11, Plan 227, corner Church & Fredrick Sts. \$266.89 \$18.88 \$285.77 Lots 2, 3 and 4, Block 2, Plan 227, Victoria Ave. and Lot 82, Plan 227 398.49 25.35 423.84 Parts of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 25, Plan 227, Agnes St. 95.71 6.16 101.87 Lot 7, Block 24, Plan 227, Church St. 237.76 15.12 252.88 Lot 33, Block 11, on the north side of Guelph St. 48.74 2.97 51.71 Treasurer's Office, this 17th day of February, A.D. 1940. C. F. LEATHERLAND, Treasurer 37-13 Village of Acton.

TENDERS FOR COAL AND COKE SEALED Tenders addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Coal" will be received until 12 o'clock noon (daylight saving) Wednesday, May 23rd, 1940, for the supply of coal and coke for the Dominion Buildings throughout the Province of Ontario. Forms of tender with specifications and conditions attached can be obtained from the Purchasing Agent, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, and the Super-Vising Architect, 36 Adelaide St. East, Toronto, Ont. Tenders should be made on the forms supplied by the Department and in accordance with departmental specifications and conditions attached thereto. When the amount of a tender exceeds the sum of \$5,000.00—whether it be for one building only or more—the tenders must attach to their tender a certified cheque on a chartered bank in Canada, made payable to the order of the Hon. the Minister of Public Works, in an amount equal to 10 per cent. of the amount of the tender, or Bearer Bonds of the Dominion of Canada or of the Canadian National Railway Company and its constituent companies, unconditionally guaranteed as to principal and interest by the Dominion of Canada, or the aforementioned bonds and a certified cheque, if required to make up an odd amount. The Department also reserves the right to demand from any successful tenderer a security deposit in the form of a certified cheque or bond as above, equal to 10 per cent. of the amount of his bid, to guarantee the proper fulfilment of the contract. By order, J. M. SOMERVILLE, Secretary, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, April 30th, 1940.

NEAR DEATH



Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Arctic explorer who was the centre of the great North Pole controversy more than 30 years ago, is reported to be near death from cerebral hemorrhage at Unity Hospital in Port Chester, N.Y. Dr. Cook is now 74 years old. His claim to have discovered the North Pole was discounted when Robert Peary discovered the Pole in 1909.

Spring Rally Guelph Presbytery at Eden Mills

on the work of the W.M.S., particularly emphasizing the work of the deaconesses. During the afternoon a presentation of a Life Membership and accompanying gold pin was given to Mrs. W. P. Gamble. Miss McElliott, Honorary Presbyterial President, spoke in making the presentation on "Golden Memories," reviewing the work of the Presbyterial W.M.S. for the past fifty years, and bringing it skilfully to the present year, in which Mrs. Gamble is giving leadership. Mrs. Malton, Life Membership Secretary, presented the membership and accompanying gold pin. The Acton Auxiliary were particularly interested and pleased in the presentation, as Mrs. Gamble seems to be one of their own, having been born and spent some of her childhood in Acton. Mrs. A. McIntosh, Guelph, gave the Treasurer's report and Mrs. E. C. Dunbar, Guelph, the Secretary's report. The ladies of Eden Mills Presbyterian Church were hostesses and provided a delicious luncheon. Those attending from Acton Knox Church were: Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Bennie, Mrs. E. M. McDonald, Mrs. H. Mainprize, Mrs. E. J. Hassard, Mrs. P. S. Blow, Mrs. Coles, Mrs. Lanz, Mrs. A. J. Buchanan, Mrs. A. Rannawin, Mrs. W. Johnston, Mrs. W. J. Gould, Mrs. R. Spielvogel, Mrs. R. O'Hara, Mrs. F. Elliott, Mrs. Patrick, Miss E. Coles, Mrs. J. Inglis, Mrs. Matthews.

Vacationing in the Mountains

All the delights of a mountain vacation are described in a new booklet issued by the National Parks Bureau of the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa. This timely publication portrays the beauties and recreational opportunities of Banff, Kootenay and Yoho National Parks in the Rocky Mountains, and Glacier and Mount Revelstoke National Parks in the Selkirk. Banff, Kootenay, and Yoho National Parks, in the form of a clever leaflet, are linked by scenic highways which combine to form a picturesque motor loop of more than 250 miles. Located on the eastern slope of the Rockies, Banff has the distinction of being Canada's oldest park reservation, and is famous for its hot sulphur springs, resorts, golf course and other recreational facilities. Kootenay Park is primarily a highway park, established to preserve the natural beauty along the Banff-Windermere Highway, the first road built across the central Rockies. Its outstanding scenic features include remarkable canyons and beautiful valleys, as well as the famed Radium Hot Springs. Yoho Park is typical of the rugged scenery on the west slopes of the Rockies, and takes its name from an Indian expression meaning wonder and delight. Yoho Valley, Takakawa Falls, Emerald Lake, and Lake O'Hara are among the attractions in this park in the Selkirk Mountains. Glacier National Park is impressively different in its rugged grandeur. Accessible only by rail, Glacier is the most primitive of Canada's parks, and its immense peaks, ice-fields, glaciers and deep canyons of delight—both mountaineers and nature lovers. Mount Revelstoke National Park, the western terminus of the new Big Bend Highway, is a high plateau on the western slope of the Selkirk Mountains, where numerous forms of wild life abound and alpine meadows thrive in colorful profusion. It lies at an elevation of about 6,500 feet above sea level, and is reached by a spectacular motor highway which ascends more than 4,000 feet in a distance of eighteen miles. Travelers come from the world over to visit these mountain playgrounds, where nature sets a magnificent stage for their enjoyment and pleasure. No one can adequately express the charm of the lakes and streams or the majestic splendor of the towering peaks and yawning chasms. The mountains yield their riches only to those who come and live among them, and their beauty and endurance come strength, health, and restoration of spirit against the stress and cares of a restless world.

Acton Soldier Writes Intimately on Camp Life

Jim McGeachie Tells of the Stew, the Training Activity in an English Camp

The following letter was received from Pte. Jas. McGeachie by a friend who attempted to join the 46th Highlanders with him from Ottawa, last fall. That friend is Ernie Foote, of Ottawa, who kindly sent the letter to us. We found it right interesting and we know our readers will find it the same.

We might also mention the fact that it has been passed upon by the Press Censorship Committee before publication in Full.

Hi Ya, Foote and Gang: Sorry old boys, that I haven't written sooner, but we are kept so busy here all we do at night is go to bed. They are pulling us out now at 5:30 a.m., and march us out 20 miles a day. It's sure some of the bills we have to climb. They go practically straight up. They must be training us for mountain climbing in Sweden. It sure feels like it.

They usually bring our dinner out to us, which consists of stew (phew!) dry bread and water. Sometimes we carry sandwiches, two corn beef and one jam. I don't think I'll ever look at stew when I get home again. Sometimes they put a crust on it and call it meat pie. However, we sometimes get a good dinner. We have had steak and onions twice since we got here and they were very good. There's a lot of stuff to cook and one of the best kitchens in England, but the cooks don't know how to use them. Our tea and cocoa is practically sugarless, and we get margarine twice a day, dry bread for dinner. However, I guess we asked for it and will have to make the best of it.

We spent 24 hours in the trenches last week and had a most enjoyable time. We went in at 11:00 o'clock one night and stayed till 11:00 the next night. Another company was in the opposite side and were our enemy. We were firing blanks and throwing up flares all night. We also went out fighting and reconnaissance patrols. They attacked one of our patrols with tear gas and our Major was in it, but he obliged them by joining right in the fight. He finished up by losing his glasses so next day it was just a series of raids, with no rifles, just bare hands, and there were some lovely fights. There were a few black eyes and lots of scratches by barbed wire, but nobody really got hurt. We really enjoyed it, as officers were just the same as privates.

We nearly froze at night, though, and the water in our bottles did freeze. And, to top it all, they made us shave right in the trench! It's a grand war. I nearly got my first taste of the "Glass House" (Tom Wilson will likely tell you what that is) on the way out of the trenches. We had to carry the stuff out and I got stuck with a Bren gun tripod, that weighs 36 pounds. I had my rifle on one shoulder, the tripod on the other and a big pack on my back. After walking about 2 miles and nearly roasting, I got fed up and tossed it in the trench! It's a grand war. I carried it the rest of the way. I was in the Orderly Room yesterday for it and really thought I was going down for a stretch, but I gallantly talked my way out of it, and promised not to do it again.

I have it easy this week, as I am working at the Command Post. I look after the fires during the day and at night just sit and wait for air raids. If one comes I turn in the alarm, which is a siren. The Captain carried it the rest of the way. I was in the Orderly Room yesterday for it and really thought I was going down for a stretch, but I gallantly talked my way out of it, and promised not to do it again.

We are getting issued with Balmoral's this week. They have red tassels and look quite natty, but not as nice as the Glengarrys, but we still keep our Glengarrys for walking out dress. Cy got himself a new battle dress this week. He got sick of his old one, so went to work on it with a needle and scratched enough holes in it around the knees and elbows, to get a new one. He had quite a job talking to the Quartermaster, but made out all right.

There is lots of activity around here. I hope we get some leave soon the boys are all getting restless and every weekend there are a bunch A.W.O.L. There were ten in our Company alone this week-end, including two sergeants, and they were just the ones that got caught. There were ten in our room who got away with it, and Walsh was one of them. I had a most pleasant week-end in Aldershot. Another chap and myself met two young ladies who just got in from London, so we had an enjoyable time, showing them around and also got an address for the next time we are in London. It's not a bad place, if you look at it the right way. I am enclosing a picture of Cy and myself and another chap we chum about with, Jimmy Bal'antyne, another Glengarry boy. Cy is sitting because he had his ankle sprained at the time. He usually gets some reason to stay off parade. The Printosphere is just like a letter from home. Tell them to keep up the good work. The Times is also appreciated, especially the hockey news. But I think the West will beat Ottawa, just to the obstinate. Well, boys, it's time for slumber now, so I had better turn in. Well so long for now, fellows. JIM McGEACHIE. If a boy saw a pig that was sad, what animal might he be expected to name? Pork, you pine (porcupine).

Rural Mail Couriers Meet at the Home of the Secretary

The winter snows, with its blocked roads and full time job for couriers were entered among the happenings of the past when a goodly number of the Halton fellows, together with their ladies and friends, enjoyed the first really spring evening as they met for their regular monthly session at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Wobeler.

The agenda, which outlined a vigorous summer campaign, was entered into so whole-heartedly that the entire evening was taken up with discussion and the formation of plans for the few remaining months in the Association year. Considerable interest was shown in the advisability of asking for gas-tax exemption, and the conclusion arrived at was in favor of laying it aside for the present, principally on the grounds that the 30 running mile asked for from Ottawa, and now before the Civil Service Commission was to cover the cost of operation and as this would be duplicating our request, we might be setting up a barrier in attaining our aim at Ottawa.

The work and results of the picture at Georgetown Theatre were also important items among the discussions. The cash outlay of the project was the price of the tickets and the remuneration to the group was 25% of the amount received from the sale of these tickets. The thanks of the group and the Association goes to the Georgetown company whose loyalty to the Association was so ably displayed in the business-like way they went after prospective ticket purchasers. With a small amount still to come in the proceeds will be about \$30, of this amount one-half was voted to the Central Board's funds, which, with the \$10 previously donated, will bring the contribution of the Halton group in donations for the year to approximately \$25.

The picnic also came up among the discussions and plans are under way to have Halton well represented at the picnic in Waterloo on July 1st. One more membership was received and the members present accepted the responsibility of having a chat with the few who have not yet paid their membership fees for the current year. Recent meetings have been held in Milton, Georgetown and Acton, for the June gathering we again hope to journey to the southern part of the County, where we last met on one of the few below zero nights of January, with our faithful courier and his good lady, Mr. and Mrs. George Bridle. At that meeting we had the honor of having as our guests the staff of the Central Board, as they were on their way to Ottawa to meet with the Postmaster General in that all-important discussion, which has been so fully explained in our Association paper, "The Courier," during the winter months.

JUST LIKE HOME

The after-dinner speaker had rapped on for half-an-hour and seemed to be just getting a good start. "Can nothing be done to shut this man up?" said one guest to the lady next to him. "Well, I've tried it for fifteen years," she replied, cheerfully and frankly. "He is my husband."

NORWEGIANS ORGANIZE

Throughout Canada Norwegians and Canadians of Norwegian descent are organizing themselves into war welfare groups to bring relief to their stricken countrymen overseas. Many of them were already actively concerned with war work, but all are now redoubling their efforts so that some measure of comfort can be brought to refugees of the Nazi invasion of Norway.

The Column Y

Due to the fact that the Annual Meeting of the Y. is on Monday evening next, the Track Competitions will be held on Monday, May 27th, at 7:00 p.m. This delay should afford a better opportunity to get into condition.

Quite a number of Junior Boys and Junior Girls became interested in Badminton throughout the winter months and now that indoor sports have given way to outdoor, consideration might well be given to joining the Tennis Club on the special rate. Both these games are in a class by themselves as reasonable activities and both call for the utmost precision and endurance.

Senior Members are urged to let nothing stand in the way to prevent their attending the Annual Meeting on Monday evening. An interesting program is being planned by the Special Features Committee. Events begin at 8:00 p.m., and your presence is necessary to help decide an issue of vital importance to the Acton Y.M.C.A.

SO FORGETFUL

First Movie Actress—Hear you're married again. Whom did you marry this time? Second Movie Actress—Er-er, I believe I've got his card in my bag somewhere.

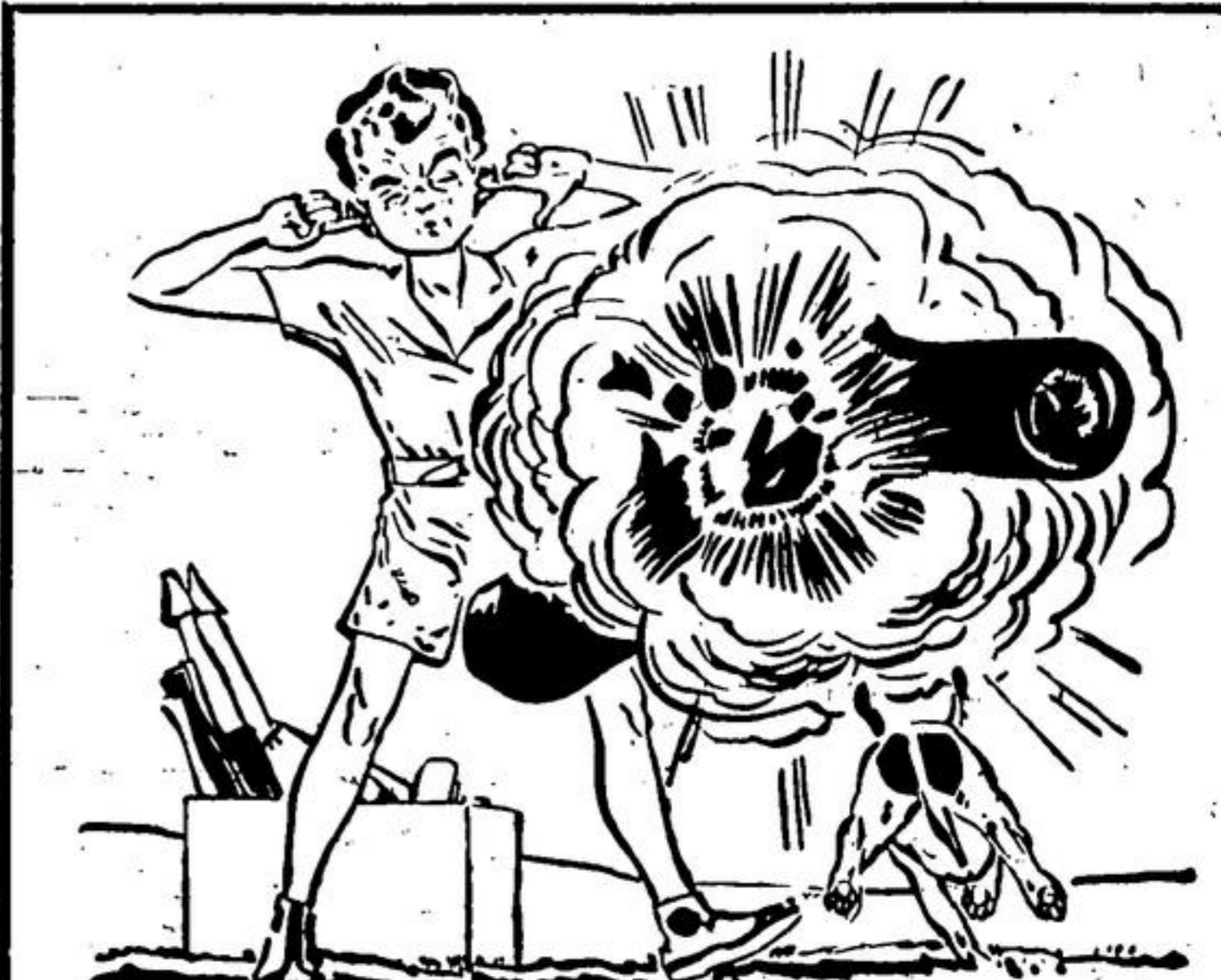
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FIREWORKS for May 24th

The same as we used to get when we were kids. Ask your neighbors over for the Evening of the 24th. Make it a Dutch Party, with Everybody bringing Their Own Parcel of Fireworks. You will have a grand time watching the Fireworks and the Kids will experience the thrill of their lives.

- Pin Wheels, Lawn Light, Volcanoes, National Colors, Toronto, Roman Candles, Fire Fountains, Hell Hiller, Myotic Italy, Star Mines, Magic Sparklers, Cannon Crackers, Golden Cascades, Airport Beacon, Silver Fountain, Firefly Battery - 2 for 5c; 5c; 10c; 15c; 25c; 50c; \$1.00. Sky Rockets 2/5c; 5c; 10c; 25c. FAMILY ASSORTMENTS per bag - 50c; \$1.00. Magic Sparklers - 5c; 10c. Squibs, Cannons, Sparklers, etc. 1c each.

Buy Now - Purchases Will Be Held Until the Holiday A Complete Stock of Fireworks is on Sale at Hinton's 5c to \$1 Store

Belgian King Leading His Troops in Battle Again



In 1914 King Albert of the Belgians personally took up the defence problem against the invading Germans. To-day, his son, King Leopold, fights another German invasion. The young King is shown in a photo made a few years back when he led his own company of Grenadiers through the streets of Brussels.