

Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths are inserted in this column without charge.

BORN
McAFLINE - At the Guelph General Hospital, on Thursday, October 3rd, 1940, to Mr. and Mrs. George McAflin, of Eden Mills, a daughter.

MARRIED
NORTON-McARTHUR - At Knox Presbyterian Church, Acton, Ontario, on Wednesday, October 9th, 1940, by Rev. H. L. Benuke, Dorothy Jean, daughter of Mrs. MacArthur and the late Wm. D. MacArthur, to Harry Woodrow, son of Mr. W. R. Norton and the late Mrs. Norton, all of Acton.

DIED
McGILL - Suddenly, at Ottawa, on Saturday, October 5th, 1940, Mrs. J. A. McGill, sister of the late James Symon, Acton.

CHEVNE - Suddenly, at his home, Lakeland, Florida, on Tuesday, October 8th, 1940, James M. Chevne, beloved husband of Annie Stephenson-Johnson.

ROBERTSON - At Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton, on Sunday, October 6th, 1940 Duncan Robertson, son of the late John and Eliza Robertson, in his 76th year.

Odds and Ends

Monday is Thanksgiving Day.
Red Cross canvassers are starting their work. Do not fail this branch of our war effort.
In the recent registration of firearms, over 200 were registered with Clerk C. P. Leatherland.

Obituary

DUNCAN ROBERTSON
Duncan Robertson, a native of Esqueving Township, passed away on Sunday at the Peel Memorial Hospital in Brampton, in his seventy-sixth year.

Duncan Robertson was the son of the late John and Eliza Robertson and was born at the Scotch Block. He never married. He leaves four brothers and one sister. They are: Harry, at Speyside; Freeman and Benjamin, on the homestead; Levi, in Nassagaweya; and Mrs. Emmett, in Esqueving.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon with a service at the Johnstone & Rumble funeral home. Interment was in Fairview Cemetery, Acton. Pallbearers were Messrs. J. Moore, W. J. L. Hampshale, J. G. Gillies, W. Douglas, M. Turner and G. Leslie.

MILTON

Cadet training will be given the boys of Milton High School in the future, the High School Board has decided. Fifty wooden guns are ordered to help the boys with military training.
Rev. Ross and Mrs. Hare, of Springvale, spent Tuesday night with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hare.
Douglas Agnew, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Agnew, has joined the Royal Canadian Air Force.

Estimate-Cost of \$4,500 for Halton Assessment

ing Match be given a grant of \$500. Carried.
The Agricultural Committee recommended payment of \$99.00 to John McCormack, being balance due on corn borner inspection. Also the sum of \$6.70 be paid for mileage on reforestation work.
Council agreed that it might be necessary to call a special meeting of Council when arrangements had been made for Mr. R. J. Moore to address and advise Council regarding equalized assessment. Council adjourned.

SQUEEZE APPLES FOR 284,444 BREAKFASTS

Pressing daily one thousand barrels of Fameuse and MacIntosh apples, grown in this chief orchard area of Quebec, Rougemont, a newly established plant will produce 64,000 20-ounce cans of juice, reports the Industrial Department of the Canadian National Railways, which serves the productive Royville fruit county. The average serving of apple juice being 4 1/2 ounces, the daily output of the Rougemont plant will provide for 284,444 individual breakfasts. Other primary products of the plant are apple sauce and pie filler, while the by-products include pectin, vinegar, apple jellies, apple flour, concentrated nectar and cider.

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FRIDAY to MONDAY
-AUSO-
AFTER SUNDAY MIDNIGHT
At 12:05 p.m.
MICKEY ROONEY
JUDY GARLAND in
STRIKE UP THE BAND
With Paul Whiteman and Orchestra
Saturday and Monday Shows
Continues from 2:00 p.m.
TUESDAY to THURSDAY
Ronald Ginger
COLMAN ROGERS
-LN-
Lucky Partners
Shows Daily at 2:15-7:00-9:00 p.m.

The LETTER BOX

England, September 22nd
Mr. G. A. Dills
Dear Sir:
I thank you for forwarding me The Acton Free Press. I greatly appreciate getting the news from home, for the papers here have nothing in them now but a little about the air raids we are having and the rest is all advertising.

We had a grand trip over; the weather was fine all the time and this week is the first rain we have had from the time that we got on the boat at Halifax. I have been transferred to the 4th Canadian Reconnaissance Squadron. This is the new Motorcycle Squadron that General McNaughton got for the Canadian Active Service Force. Three men ride a bike and sidecar. A Bren gunner occupies the sidecar and one man rides behind the driver. We call this the "Suicide Squad." The motorcycle will show a speed of ninety miles an hour.

I am having a good time over here in England now, as we go out on the bikes every day, around to the towns and the country. They give us a map and we have to go out and find our way, so that we will know how to read the maps. We get lost once in a while, but I think it is very fine work. If Hitler ever comes we will know where to take the troops to meet him, for we have to know all the roads around the first line trenches.

I thank you again for the paper, and the other boys here are glad to get it. There is a boy with me here that lived in Rockwood for a while.
Yours truly,
EDWIN LANDSBOUROUGH.
Pte. E. G. Landsborough, B36781
4th Canadian Recce. Squadron,
C.A.S.F.
Base P.O. Canada.

With the 48th Highlanders, at Camp Borden, October 6th
Dear Editor and People of Acton:
I have had pleasure to use the columns of your esteemed paper before, but only now in the capacity of a soldier. Lately the Acton boys and I, who are in training here, have seen and read letters in your paper from boys in England, and last, but not least, letters from my old pal, Herb Dron, now in the navy; also Verne Wheeler, another member of the Lorne Scots.

Jim McGeachie, the Nicol boys, Herb Dron and others have all given their views on their experiences. Now we will try to give ours. As you know, Bill Findlay, Harry Rogers, Percy Elliott, Bill Carnochan, Jack Scriven, Jimmie James, Ivan Braag were all members of the good old Lorne Scots, but are now serving in the 48th Highlanders-the best Regiment in Canada, if not in the Empire. Harry Rogers is now a Corporal-the rest of us, well we are just carrying on. We are now in the honored position of advanced training for No. 2 Company, having covered rifle training, platoon and company drill, also field tactics, signals, map reading, Bren gun, bayonet work. We now go on to further training in gas, trench warfare, aircraft firing and general principles of modern warfare.

I will now give you a description of the camp. It has a 20-mile area, they say. It has stone roads, well built huts to house 80 men, hardwood floors, gyproc walls and ceilings, electric light, hot and cold running water, inside toilets and showers, double steel beds, mattresses and pillows. We are permitted radios, writing tables, etc. In fact we are well used and comfortable. There are three stoves in each hut. The food is good and plentiful. The training is steady and the officers and N.C.O.'s are gentlemen. The morale and general health of the troops is gratifying. We are not fully equipped as yet, but soon will be. We had a 20-mile route march and night tactics. All the Acton boys were in good trim and came through it O.K.

We have a good Medical Corps, and Dental Corps here. Our old friend, Dr. Pearen, is here too. The general routine of army life is continuous, but given to us in periods, so it does not become monotonous.
In closing I will say this-while I am writing this letter, it also comes from the other Acton boys, who are here with me. So we hope to see it in the next edition of our dear old home town paper.
Thanking you, I am,
Yours for victory,
BILL COLEMAN, Jr.

In England, September 22nd
Dear Sir:
Just a few lines to tell you a part of our experiences in England, to congratulate you and all your staff on winning the printing association's award and the printers' great prize, which I'm sure is well deserved. I think I'm as much interested in reading The Acton Free Press, as my brother, Ivan. It is always a welcome item, looked for in the in-coming mail. I have worked for a few months in and around Acton, also having relatives there, and I am favored with having a few friends there.
It is raining out at present. The wet season has set in, I believe. The rain is driving across land in sheets. We are still under canvas and it gets pretty uncomfortable at times. Another I have noticed air raids are fewer, I don't know whether you folks in Canada believe the papers or not. We get the English papers here in camp daily, and we believe them when they say so many of the Germans are down and so few of the R.A.F. are down.

We hear the siren, then grab our helmets, put our respirators on at "gas alert," and take our anti-gas capes and go to the different trenches. Soon we hear the roll of many planes and look up to see many, many planes, so high in the air as to be almost invisible. Then we hear the machine gun fire and ack-ack fire, like the roll of thunder, with now and then the blast of a bomb. It's only a few minutes until the Germans are flying hither, skitter for home with the Spitfires hard on their tails. Our big moment comes when we see the occasional enemy plane and parachute heading straight down.

It isn't all tense moments for us either. For instance some boys take month-organs or accordions with them in the trenches. I heard one of the boys dove headfirst into a trench and got stuck with his feet in the air! I just heard somebody say, "It's a wonder the birds would try to improve their flying to match that of the pilots in the airplanes. The other night a Captain, seeing a red glow on the horizon, called the pliques and a few others to the top of the hill to see it. One of the pliques, not recognizing the Captain, said, "That's the moon, you dummy!" which was correct. So you see we have our fun too. We will soon be going into billets, I hope. And we have had a very good summer.

We got up at 6.30 a.m.; wash, shave, put our bed (which consists of three blankets, one pallias and our great-coat, if we need it), and our equipment in a neat pile outside of the tent, have breakfast. At 8 a.m. we fall in and have roll-call, physical training until 9 a.m. From then until 5 p.m. with two hours off for dinner, we have stretcher drill, first-aid and lectures, route march, camp clean-up or whatever happens to be on the "bill of fare". From 5 p.m. when we have supper, until 10.15 p.m. when its light "Lights Out" (if you have a light) the time is our own. On Sunday our time is our own, except Church Parade, which takes in one hour.

Our mail lately has been held up considerable, on account of expected moves, intended invasions, etc., I believe. One German pilot, who was captured here said that he was told in Germany that Ireland, Scotland and the north of England was captured and occupied by the Germans. London being the only place left in England, holding against the enemy. Another, on being captured wanted to be taken to the German occupied area in England, at once. As if there was such a place!
Well time is scarce and the siren is going, so I'll say cheerio and thumbs up.
From
Sussex, N.B.
Yours sincerely,
F.T.E. A. MARTIN.

B39943 Pte. A. Martin,
A Co., 5th Field Amb. Med. Corps,
R.C.A.M.C., C.A.S.F.,
c/o Base P.O., Canada.
Dear Mr. Dills:
I am writing a letter to you that I should have written a long time ago, but I guess it is better late than never. I suppose you know that the 18/43rd Battery from Guelph have moved again and we are now closer to our objective. It is a very small camp in comparison to Petawawa, but it will be alright when we get used to it. At the present time we are sleeping in tents, but we will soon move into huts-in a couple of weeks. There are two other units here, a French Canadian Regiment of Infantry and the 4th Motorcycle Corps from New Brunswick, so I guess they figure that we are a long way from home.

We had a wonderful trip down from the other camp. The country down here is really beautiful and especially now when all the leaves are changing color. It is simply wonderful; also the Bay of Fundy, which, as you know, is part of the Atlantic Ocean and is 3 swell sight.
But I think some of the boys would like to be looking down the main street of Acton, especially on Sunday, when there is no place to go.
We are on active service now, so only 15% of the Regiment is allowed out of camp at one time.
Well, I guess I had better close now, and I am thanking you very much for The Free Press, which I read over many times with the boys from Acton, who all appreciate their home town paper.
Thanking you again; and good wishes to all my friends at home, I remain,
Yours gratefully,
DAVEY HODGE.

RUBBER PESTS ROUTED
The pests which attack rubber plantations and the planter of his crop have been outwitted by the discovery of a former rubber planter, Mr. John E. Barr.
When a rubber tree is tapped for a flow of rubber "milk" the cut in the bark says the tree open to invasion by germs, much as a cut on the finger may lead to septic trouble.
Researchers at the Newton Chambers laboratories in England have now demonstrated that, when certain vegetable oils are prepared with a special disinfectant base they have a stimulating effect upon the tapped bark. The discovery has been made in the course of work on the fungicidal and germicidal properties of coal oils.
Cuts, smeared with the new compound not only give the tree a waterproof destroyer of fungus and protect it against other pests, but the rate of latex renewal is increased, so raising the future value of the tree.
The immense war demand for rubbers gives more than ordinary significance to this discovery of how, in a single operation, disease may be fought and productive capacity increased.

Change of Time Table

Table with columns for EASTBOUND-TO TORONTO and WESTBOUND-TO LONDON, listing departure and arrival times for various routes.

Thanksgiving FOOD BARGAINS

- List of food items and prices: WILKINSON FAMOUS POPPING CORN 1 lb. bags 15c, DELICIOUS FRESH CRANBERRIES 1 lb. 25c, LARE SIZE RIPE PEPPER SQUASH 3 for 10c, etc.

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We Give Free War Saving Stamps with Purchases
A Great Three Way BUY - SAVE - HELP System

TAX NOTICE---1940

MUNICIPALITY OF ACTON
Last Instalment Now Due
Attention is drawn to the change this year of the payment of 1940 Taxes, which are now payable in Four Instalments, at the Public Utilities Commission Office.
FOURTH INSTALMENT-OCTOBER 15th
The attention of Ratepayers is directed to the Penalties and Other Clauses as printed on the reverse side of every Tax Notice.
Fourth and Final Instalment must be paid on or before October 15th to avoid a penalty. An additional penalty comes into effect if the Third Instalment has not been paid before October 15th.
MAKE PAYMENT NOW AND TAKE YOUR TAX NOTICE WITH YOU WHEN MAKING PAYMENT
E. E. HARROP, Collector

Ocean Bottom Has Many Features of Land Areas

Oceanologists declare there is a world below the world as we ordinarily know it, according to the Canadian National Telegraphs, whose cable connections reach all continents of the earth. Aside from ocean life, a great study in itself, the topography of the ocean bottom shows that it has mountains, valleys and plains.
The greatest depth recorded in the Atlantic is 4,662 fathoms (more than 5 1/2 miles) in what is known as the "Nares Deep" to the north of the West Indies. There are many of these "deeps" in the sea and they all bear distinctive names. To avoid laying cable in the deepest of these valleys, cable engineers have followed a course across the North Atlantic, extending from the Grand Banks of Newfoundland, across the "telegraphic plateau" to Valentia in Ireland and Penzance in England, and Sullivan's Bay on the southernmost tip of England.

THANKSGIVING Week-end Specials

Table of Thanksgiving specials: Choice Blade Roast 23c, Lean Side Pork 21c, Shoulder Roast 22c, Fresh Hams, whole or half, per lb. 27c, etc.

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Weight 4 to 7 lb.
23c - 25c - 27c per lb. - Please Order Early
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Interviewing Canadian Soldiers Overseas



Here is Bob Bowman, in charge of the CBC Overseas Program Unit, interviewing a member of the C.A.S.F. in a studio of the British Broadcasting Corporation. Every day members of the group are busy interviewing soldiers, sailors and airmen for interesting items relative to their activities. These interviews and messages are incorporated in several broadcasts now being presented from London for CBC listeners. Bob Bowman is heard on the weekly broadcast, "With the Troops in England," on Mondays at 9:00 p.m., EDST.