

Personals

Miss Frances Dills was home from Toronto for the holiday.

Mrs. John Gibson and Miss Betty spent the week-end in Kitchener.

Miss Emma Robinson visited last week at her home in Kenilworth.

Mr. D. Richardson spent the week-end at his home in Toronto.

Miss Ada Clarke, of Toronto, spent Thanksgiving Day at "Hill Hall."

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Maxwell, of Guelph, spent the holiday week-end in Acton.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Browning, of Toronto, spent the week-end and holiday here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harrison, of Toronto, visited in Acton during the week.

Miss Harla Staniland, of Guelph, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. John Wood.

Miss Bertha Brown, of Toronto, spent the week-end with her sister, Miss Fern Brown.

Miss Christina Henderson, of Toronto, spent the week-end holiday with Acton relatives.

Mr. George Edvard and Miss Lucy Edwards visited in Toronto, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. White and Mary Lou spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Schroeder.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Mann spent the week-end in Toronto, visiting with Mrs. J. A. Moffat.

Councillor W. J. O. Oakes left this morning on a trip to Sherbrooke, Que., for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Landsborough, Bobby and Helen spent a few days in Welland recently.

Mr. Arthur MacDonald and Mr. and Mrs. Ian MacDonald visited in Toronto over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Schroeder spent Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Benalick, Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Warren and Jimmie, of Toronto, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Wood over the week-end.

Mr. T. B. Speight, of Toronto, and Miss Nellie Speight, of Lansing, visited Acton relatives this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson, of Toronto, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kennedy.

Mrs. A. E. Nicklin and Mrs. T. K. McCallum spent Thanksgiving in Guelph with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Nicklin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ramsden and Bill, Jr., of Buffalo, N.Y. spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mason.

Miss Jeannette Russell, of Oakville, visited with her grandmother, Mrs. Wm. Johnstone, over the holiday week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Coy, Galt, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gordon and Nancy, Toronto, at Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lantz's.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Atkins, of Winnipeg, Man., visited friends in Acton and district and his sister, Miss Laura Atkins.

Mr. Jack Winton, Toronto, and Miss Bernice Burrell, Hamilton, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Lantz.

Friends will be pleased to learn that Miss Margaret Brown is making satisfactory progress following an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Elliott attended the wedding of Miss Doris Hewson and Mr. Fred Sewell at Cookstown Anglican Church on Saturday.

Miss Etta Dills, Mrs. F. Browning, Mrs. R. J. McPherson and Mr. O. A. Dills visited over the week-end at Port Dover and Nanticoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wansborough and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wansborough and family, of Toronto, visited their mother on Thanksgiving Monday.

Mrs. W. J. Russel, Helen, Kenneth and Betty, Mrs. Harold Snowball, of Unionville, visited Mrs. J. R. Kennedy and Miss Nelson for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Angus Kennedy, Dianne and Joanne, Mrs. Harold Staniland and Wilma, of Guelph, visited Mrs. J. R. Kennedy and Miss Nelson on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sibbett and family, of Toronto, spent Thanksgiving Day with the latter's mother, Mrs. Peter Smith, and also look in the Spitfire Carnival.

Mrs. John Blanchford and her daughter, Miss Marion Blanchford, were guests of Mrs. (Rev.) O. C. Gifford and Miss Willis, at the United Church Parsonage, over the Thanksgiving week-end.

Visitors over the week-end and holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Elliott were: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Melius, Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Elliott and Mrs. Roy Creasy, Cambridge; Mrs. Ferguson, Windsor; Mrs. J. MacCallum, Paisley; Mr. Reg. Dodson, O.A.C., Guelph.

Emily Miller, who was maid of honor at the Cumming-Phillips wedding yesterday, announced her engagement to Lloyd Stastebrock at the party after the ceremony at the Royal York last night. Emily is the niece of Mr.

George Wallace
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GREGORY
THEATRE
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18th
"THE BOYS FROM SYRACUSE"
A new design for laughing, Allan Jones, Rosemary Lane, Joe Penner, March of Time, "The Philippines," Cartoon, "Romeo in Rhythm," "Unusual Occupations," Chapter 2 of "Zorro's Fighting Legion."

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19th
"FRENCH WITHOUT TEARS"
Ellen Drew, Ray Myland
"OPENED BY MISTAKE"
Charles Ruggles, Fox News

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21st
"VILLAGE BARN DANCE"
The gayest party you've ever attended, Richard Cromwell, Doris Day.

"INSIDE STORY"
Michael Whalen, Jean Rogers, Scenic, "Seattle."

and Mrs. Frank Bero and plans to be married in January. Her fiancé is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Easterbrook, of Acton.—Toronto Telegram.

The engagement is announced of Josephine Louise, daughter of Mrs. Lewis and the late Mr. Frank Seath Lewis, of Collingwood, and granddaughter of the late Mr. Edward Berwick, of Shelburne, to Mr. Harold Rancier Force, of Acton, Ontario, son of Mrs. Alberta Force and the late Mr. Force of Galt the marriage to take place quietly in St. Alban's Church, Grand Valley, Ontario, on November 2nd.

THEN WHAT?
Hubby—I'm going to ask you a riddle: What makes life so miserable?
Wife—You've got me.
Hubby—That's right.

BOWLING MATCH RESULTS UNDECIDED UNTIL OTHER GAME

The Force Bowling Team journeyed to Guelph Tuesday night, and although they bowled three good games, they were forced to bowl by themselves, as the B. & R. Motor Team were unable to play.

The B. & R. Team will bowl later this week against the Force Team's score and the result of the match remains in doubt until those games are played, although the Force Team should take at least five points out of the possible seven.

The score:

M. Roote	127	194	338	659
H. Otterbein	175	147	160	482
R. Langford	194	180	156	530
W. Corry	248	213	271	732
E. Grischow	198	218	159	571

Force Electric 940 950 1084 2974
B. & R. Motors (to play later this week)

NIGHT OF GAMES AND FUN BY LAKESIDE I.O.D.E.

The Lakeside Chapter I.O.D.E. held a hilarious evening of fun and games on Tuesday last at the home of Miss Jessie Russell. Group Two had charge of the evening, with Miss Bessie Rawlings proving a most capable master of ceremonies. Bingo, musical games and contests—with heaps of prizes—kept the event exciting. Lunch was served by the hostesses. Then a most humorous account of the party, written and read by Bessie Rawlings, sent the crowd into peals of laughter—closing the evening with everyone in a very happy mood.

Navy Nearly Six Times Stronger Than a Year Ago

The Royal Canadian Navy is now nearly six times stronger than it was a year ago, according to a statement made by Hon. Angus L. MacDonald, Minister of National Defense for the Navy. In inaugurating his press conference the Minister gave an encouraging report of activities since the start of the war, dwelling on the Navy's expansion, on the high quality of its work performed while serving with the Royal Navy and pausing long enough to hit at Nazi planted rumors concerning ship movements.

Expansion—The Canadian fleet has grown from 15 vessels, a year ago, to 10 vessels now commissioned for active service. During the coming year 95 more ships will swell this total to 215. These include three destroyers. More than 15,000 men are busy in Canadian shipyards pushing the shipbuilding program ahead of schedule.

The personnel of the Navy has grown to about 10,000 officers and men. More are being trained every day to meet growing needs.

Work Praised—A cablegram from Hon. Vincent Massey, Canadian High Commissioner in London, was read by the Minister. It paid high tribute to the units of the Canadian Navy in action with the Royal Navy, noting the British Admiralty's praise for the work of Canadian destroyers in hazardous duties, rescue work and the convoy of ships.

The men of the Canadian Navy serving in units of the Royal Navy and the officers in training in England were signed out for special praise. Over 400 men of the R.C.N. are with the British fleet.

Rumors Spiked—Rumors to the effect that the enemy broadcasts departures of ships and convoys from Canadian ports have never been authenticated. Planted by Nazi agents, these rumors are meant to lull authorities into relaxing censorship rules.

Best wishes to all and good luck.
GNR. C. BYRNE.
16 43rd Battery, R.C.A. C.A.S.S.F.,
12th F.D. Reg., Sussex Military Camp,
Sussex, New Brunswick

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Sussex, N.B.,
Friday, October 11th

Dear Mr. Dills:
I believe it is about time I should write and thank you for the paper I have been receiving regularly ever since I joined the army. It is not until one gets away from Acton that they realize just how much your Free Press can mean to them.

Here in Sussex the people are all very friendly and seem to be doing everything possible to make our stay here as enjoyable as possible. The band of the town is not organized just now, so the bandmaster has placed their band room at the disposal of the 16 43rd Band to practise in. The Depot House, a hotel, has arranged a room for us soldiers to use for letter writing. The town is situated in a valley. The view here is marvellous, with the mountains ranging around us in the distance. There are numerous restaurants to accommodate the soldiers and one theatre, with a seating capacity of around five hundred. The manager runs three shows a night, from five o'clock on, to the care of the huge crowds of soldiers wanting to see the pictures.

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Yours truly,
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WORLD'S LARGEST
New Signal Box Controls 800 Routes

The largest railway signalling installation of its kind in the world is now being completed to cover the six miles' network of railway track at York Station (L.N.E.R.) England. Where, formerly, eight signal boxes were needed for this vital railway system, control will in future be directed from one central signal box.

An ingenious method of relay interlocking produces a remarkable economy of working, as the point and signal control levers are no longer directly linked. At the touch of a switch or lever, not only are all the necessary points operated and the signals cleared over the complete route, but, at the same time, any conflicting move is automatically prevented.

The principle advantage of the system is that the switches or levers are small and can actually be mounted on the track diagram, which tells the signalman at a glance exactly what is happening in the area under his control. He knows from lights on the chart before him whether sections of the railway track are occupied or not, the indications of the signals, and what routes have been opened up.

The control panel covers 800 routes, 270 sets of points, 300 signals, 45 route indicators, and 10 junction indicators. More than 1,200 train movements a day will be directed from it.

Soldiers Write from Many Points to the Editor

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night, without any warning. However, though we are some 3,000 miles from home, "The Acton Free Press" found us and the Acton boys are more than grateful to you for keeping us in touch with the local news. We appreciate it and thank you very much.

After thirty-seven hours on the train, during which we stopped at such places as Smith's Falls, Montreal, Three Rivers, Quebec, Campbellton, N.B., Moncton, and many smaller centres, we arrived safely at our destination. The citizens of Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick gave us a hearty welcome all along the route, and especially during our route marches through the streets of some of the larger centres. The walk was appreciated after the long ride, and the conditions much different than we were used to, walking through bush and sand in Petawawa.

We arrived here in the dark and by flashlight found our way into the camp. When we woke the next morning we found that we had landed in a large, flat valley, surrounded by mountains, and covered with a frost, as heavy as snow fall. Sleeping in tents, as we are, isn't just the nicest place to be on a cold, damp, foggy, frosty morning but that's how we found it, and still do. It is very foggy in the mornings and it is usually nine or ten before it lifts. By this time the washing facilities (outside) are thawed out and in running order.

However, the afternoons are much warmer, and Indian summer weather is quite common just now. We have had several days of rain, and conditions then are very damp and muddy, as the camp is for the greater part grass and clay.

Huts, such as we had in Petawawa, are under construction, and we hope by next week to be able to move in and start to throw some logs on the fire.

How is the Acton Concert Band doing? We (the 16 43rd) have the only brass band in the camp of three thousand, of which some 1,100 are French and speak little English, and are kept quite busy playing for parades and concerts in the theatre in town.

The Y.M.C.A. have a hut in the town, and the Salvation Army and K. of C. have new ones under construction.

Best wishes to you and the future success of THE ACTON FREE PRESS, and I hope the other Acton boys on active service are enjoying the best of everything and that we may do our part to end this bitter struggle to a successful end. I would be glad to hear from any of the boys and hope to go over to Halifax in the near future and call on Herb Dron, Verne Wheeler and Fred Turner.

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ALL INTERESTED
A woman who fasted for sixty-two days to prove that the stunt could be done, from hundreds of Scotsmen had letters of praise.
And proposals from seventy-one.

Twenty Years Ago

From the issue of The Free Press of Thursday, October 21st, 1920.

Leaves enough now have fallen to rattle under the feet.

A goodly quota of Actonians attended the Erie and Burlington Fairs on Thanksgiving Day.

Numbers of our householders spent Thanksgiving Day digging their private waterworks trenches and connecting up their homes with the mains.

Mrs. D. Ross picked wild raspberries on Mr. A. Lawson's farm, on the Fourth Line, on Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. Chester Plank has purchased from Mrs. W. D. Smith, Toronto, the double house at the corner of Main Street and Knox Avenue.

A complimentary excursion was tendered by Messrs. Beardmore & Co. to Toronto Repairmen and Leather Jobbers to Acton a couple of weeks ago. After being conducted through the tanneries they were entertained on the beautiful lawn of the old homestead of the Beardmore family.

At a meeting of the Directors of Acton Fair the Secretary gave a very satisfactory report. It is estimated there will be a balance of upwards of \$150.

DIED
McGARVIN—At Orangeville, on Sunday, October 17th, 1920, Mary McGarvin, formerly of Acton, daughter of the late John and Rhoda Reid.

A GREAT TIMEPIECE
"Does your watch keep good time?"
"Does my watch keep good time?"
Why, you notice the days are getting longer, don't you?"
"Yes."
"Well, that's just the sun trying to get back to schedule with my watch."

HARDWOOD FUELS
The best hardwood fuels are beech, yellow birch, rock elm, hickory, hard maple and oak. The fair hardwood fuels are ash, white birch, black cherry, red, and white elm, and red, and silver maple. One and one-quarter cords of the best hardwoods are computed to have the same heating value as a ton (2,000 lbs.) of anthracite coal, while one and one-half of the fair hardwoods are required to produce the same amount of heat. In the case of light hardwoods, alder, basswood, butternut, and poplar, two cords are needed to equal a ton of coal.

Fund of \$900 Raised to Aid Spitfire Purchase

Scouts assisted in the booths as well as many other public spirited citizens.

It will, indeed, be a very fine letter with a very fine enclosure that Revue Chairman will be able to write Mayor Birkeitt, of Acton, England, when the fund is completed.

There was yet another thrill for Actonians when the "Carry On, Canada" program on Sunday evening, reference was made to the response Acton had given to the call from the Acton overseas and this community took its place in the "Carry On" program—"Carry On, Canada" had a new local meaning.

\$68,000,000 FOR EXPLOSIVES
Canada's chemicals and explosives program now involves capital expenditures of about \$6,000,000. This includes the erection of 10 new plants, several of which will equal in magnitude anything of a similar nature existing in the Empire.

The Column Y

The Senior Boys' Class organized themselves into three groups for competition. Cliff Young, Ken Hazaar and Orl Bowles were elected as Leaders for the respective groups. Points will be kept until Christmas time and the winning group will be feted in some suitable manner.

Plans were made for a party, to be held on Friday, October 20th, at 7:45 p.m.

The Junior Boys' Group is growing rapidly and is made up largely of new members. Special consideration is being given to boys who wish to join who have not yet reached their tenth birthday.

The installation of a Mills recording machine in the Y, was completed this week. As well as providing excellent music for the various social affairs, an attempt will be made to use the music for gym classes as soon as the proper records arrive. This is an innovation in the Y.M.C.A. and should prove to be very popular for rhythmic exercises.

B. D. R.
says
Men! It's the middle of October and you just can't go wrong now in getting your Winter Underwear. Last year our stock was short in some of the popular lines. Right now we have complete assortments in all lines and a full range of sizes. A word to the wise—Buy Now.

For Boys we are showing an especial value in School Shoes. Real good wearing, He's Call shoes, just the thing for fall. Sizes 1 to 5 1/2, at \$2.25. You can't get better value.

Another line of Youth's Oxfords, in sizes 11 to 13 1/2, at \$1.40 is real value. The same type in a boot sells for \$1.50.

THIS IS PART OF THE NEWS FOR THIS WEEK

B. D. Rachlin
CLOTHING — SHOES
Men — Women — Children.

CARROLL'S

Bright's Solid Pack
Pie Cherries
2 15-oz. tins 21c

PURE LARD 1-lb. pkg. 8c
Domestic 2 1-lb. pkgs. 25c

Wagstaff's Red, Stoneless
PLUM JAM with 32-oz. jar 19c

Aylmer Tomato
CATSUP No. 2 7c

Beaver
Blueberries No. 2 tin 15c

Choice, Hand-Picked, White
BEANS 2 lbs. 9c

Campbell's
PORK and **BEANS** 2 20-oz. tins 15c

Canadian, Chicken-
Huddle 2 1-lb. tins 25c

Kellogg's CORN
Flakes 2 No. 2 pkgs. 13c

"There'll Always Be an England"
JELLY 12-oz. glass 15c

IVORY SOAP 8c
Sunlight SOAP 10 bars 49c

60-70—Medium sized—Regularly 10c
PRUNES 3 lbs. 25c

Cooking
FIGS 2 lbs. 25c

Weston's Butter
Wafers 15c

Christie's Rainbow
CAKE each 20c

Christie's Fluff
CAKE each 20c

Cowan's
COCOA 1-lb. tin 25c

Campbell's
New Pack
TOMATO JUICE 19 1/2-oz. tin 7c

Pearl Naphtha
SOAP 5 bars 19c

Soap Flakes
JIF 12-pkg. 19c

Infants Delight
SOAP cake 5c

Handy Powdered
Ammonia 2 pkgs. 9c

Lifeway
SOAP cake 7c

Sweet Juicy Sunkist
ORANGES, per dozen 27c

Crisp White
CELERY HEARTS 2 bunches 17c

Ontario No. 1 Small
COOKING ONIONS 10 Bag for 21c

Clean Dry
SWEET POTATOES 3 lb. 10c

Fruit and Vegetable Specials Until Saturday Night Only