

Personals

Mrs. L. O. Johnston is visiting relatives and friends in Toronto. Mrs. Wm. Waller spent a few days with her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Legalliff, North Bay. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Johnston and Mr. Roy Johnston visited over the week-end in Toronto. Miss Clara Ziegler, R.N., of Guelph, visited at the home of Miss Bernice Reid on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Yanta, of Halleybury, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Dunn, Cameron Street. Mr. and Mrs. Hubert McPherson and Mrs. Chas. Hynds, of Toronto, visited in Acton during the week-end. Miss Hazel Wilson, nurse-in-training at the Western Hospital, Toronto, spent the week-end at her home here. Mrs. James McPherson, of Govan, Sask., visited this week with relatives and friends in Acton and district. Messrs. W. H. Clayton, E. J. Hassard, John R. Leshman and F. Wilds leave this week on a deer hunting trip. Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Stewart, Misses Katherine and Grace, of Midland, visited Acton friends over the week-end. Friends are glad to learn that Eleanor Beatty, who underwent an operation for appendicitis, is making a satisfactory recovery. Pte. Clifford Dale, Niagara-on-the-Lake, and Mrs. Dale, Galt, visited at Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Lantz's over the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Watkins and family attended the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. Dolson, Brampton, on Tuesday. Mrs. Harry Mainprize, who has been visiting her father and other relatives in Western Canada for the past six weeks, returned home on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Collin McColl, Bill and Colin, Mr. and Mrs. James Bradshaw and Peggy, and Mr. Earl H. Vincent spent Sunday in Hamilton with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Wansborough and family, of Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Day, of Rockwood, visited their mother, Mrs. R. H. Wansborough, on Sunday. Friends here will regret to learn that Mr. Charles Bailey, now of Guelph, but a former resident here, is ill in the hospital there. All will hope for a prompt recovery. Friends here will regret to learn that Miss Margaret Harrison, of Toronto, has been seriously ill the past week, but all will be pleased to know she is now recovering satisfactorily. Mrs. Wm. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. VanNorman, Miss Wills VanNorman, of Guelph; Pte. Ray Miller, Highland Light Infantry, Stratford; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Gordon and Nancy, Toronto, were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Lantz. Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Rawlings, Acton, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lucy Elizabeth (Beale) to Mr. Douglas Cecil Mapledeen, Georgetown, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mapledeen, Acton; the marriage to take place quietly on November 23rd.

BAPTIST FRIENDS BID FAREWELL TO MR. AND MRS. J. N. REID

Members and friends of the congregation of the Baptist Church gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Landsborough on Saturday evening, to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Reid and family. After spending a happy time together in the playing of games, Mr. and Mrs. Reid were called forward and the following address was read by the pastor, Rev. E. G. Baxter: October 26th, 1940 Mr. and Mrs. Joe Reid— Acton, Ontario Dear Joe and Lorrain: We have gathered this evening to express our Christian love and good will to you before you leave our midst. What your friendship and help has meant to us words cannot say. Our loss in your going is very real. You leave behind you empty places, but many pleasant memories. Our thoughts, our good wishes, our prayers will go with you all the way. May God richly bless and guide and keep you and Dorothy and Nancy, and their grandfathers, Mrs. Kennedy, as you leave soon for Hamilton. And may you soon come back again. As we wish you adieu we ask you to take with you a volume of the Book of Life and some of the Songs of Zion. Please accept this Bible and Hymnary as an expression of our kindest regards for you all. Sincerely in Christ, MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH IN ACTON

At the appropriate time Mr. and Mrs. Reid were presented with a new Baptist Hymnary, a Bible and a large Venetian style hall mirror. Mr. and Mrs. Reid both made suitable replies. A delectable lunch was served by the ladies and a very happy time spent together.

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GREGORY THEATRE FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1st "REMEMBER THE NIGHT" Brilliant romance with Barbara Stanwyck, Fred MacMurray. Comedy "How High is Up?" Cartoon, "Slap Happy Pappy," Chapter 4 of "Zorro's Fighting Legion." SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd "WE'RE GOING TO BE RICH" GRACIE FIELDS "MISSING EVIDENCE" Irene Rich, Preston Foster. Fox News. MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4th Special Matinee at 4:15 "ANDY HARDY MEETS A DEBUTANTE" The latest of the Hardy family pictures, with Mickey Rooney, Judy Garland, Action, "Spills for Thrills," Scenic, "Calling on Colombia." SOON "WATERLOO BRIDGE" Vivien Leigh, Robert Taylor

MILTON Mr. and Mrs. Frank McNeven are visiting their daughter, in Kirkland Lake. James Bentley has bought the residence on West Mary Street, formerly owned and occupied by the late E. F. Earl, and is having it repaired, prior to moving into it. Rev. S. W. Hann, Mr. and Mrs. J. McCrea, of Guelph; J. L. Landsborough, of the Grand Valley-Star and Vidette, and Mrs. Landsborough, called on Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hare, here, last Sunday. The engagement is announced of Marie Maud, daughter of Mr. Edward Fleck and the late Mrs. Fleck, Georgetown, Ontario, to Dr. Charles Ansley Martin, of Milton, Ontario, son of Mr. Charles William Martin and the late Mrs. Martin. The marriage to take place November 16th, in Georgetown, Ontario.

The LETTER BOX

Hallfax, October 28th Mr. S. A. Dills Dear Sir: Just a few lines to thank you for sending me The Free Press. It is very welcome and I look forward to getting the news from home, and especially reading the letters from other Acton boys on active service. Herb Dron is the only one from Acton that I have seen here, but don't see him very often, as we are in different divisions, and he lives in barracks and I board out, and am only there while on duty. E.R.A. is Engine Room Artificer and is the naval rating for engineers. There are 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th class. From third class up can be a Chief, depending on the size of ship he is in charge of. I am at present Acting 4th Class and require sea time before being confirmed. There are lots of clubs and canteens for service men in town, run by the Y.M.C.A., Salvation Army and different churches. They all put on concerts and entertainments, so there is always some place to go. We have a good Naval Band here, of about 40, and I believe most of them are from Toronto. They parade on the square twice every day. Well, I think that's about all the news I can write about for this time. So, thanking you again, I am, Sincerely yours, V. A. WHEELER, E.R.A. R.O.N. Barracks, Halifax.

Wednesday, October 9th Dear Mr. Dills: I have been reading THE FREE PRESS each week and I really appreciate it very much. One often wonders how the old home town is progressing and when you receive the home paper you can keep right up to date. I have been reading in THE FREE PRESS the letters which you receive from the boys who have joined up. It seems that we have spread quite a distance. We have Len Lambert in Vancouver, and Herb Dron in Halifax, and quite a few of us over in England. It is very funny how much can happen in such a short time. Well, Mr. Dills, England seems to have stepped into the bad weather season. It has rained nearly every day for about two weeks. But, rain or no rain, we Canadians can take it (I hope). So far I have just missed meeting up with the boys I know. But I hope to see them very soon. I understand the Fall Fair was a great success. I am awfully glad to hear it. Well, time seems to be growing short, so I will close, but before I do I want to give my regards to all the Acton people, and it won't be long before we will all be home. So long, and we will be seeing you. Yours truly, "CHUCK" TYLER. Pte. "Chuck" Tyler, B76738 Toronto Scottish M.O. No. 1 M.O. Holding Unit, c/o Base P.O., Canada

Thousands Employed in Canadian Yards Building Navy Ships

Almost dormant since the end of the First Great War, Canada's shipbuilding industry within a year has been brought back to capacity production to meet the needs of the Dominion war effort. Some 15,000 workmen are engaged at more than two score shipyards on the east and west coasts, along the St. Lawrence River and on the Great Lakes, constructing modern naval vessels, particularly adaptable to the requirements of the Royal Canadian Navy. Ships are also being built for the Royal Navy. The major naval program involves the construction of about 65 sleek, speedy corvettes and some 30 minesweepers, at a cost of approximately \$52,000,000. It is anticipated that by the end of the year about half of the corvettes and five minesweepers will have been delivered to the naval services. Three fast passenger liners have been converted into armed merchant cruisers, at a cost of \$1,700,000. This expense was amply justified recently when one of these cruises, the Prince Robert, captured the Nazi express cargo vessel, the Weser, thought to be acting as a supply ship to submarines off the coast of Mexico in the Pacific Ocean. Other merchant vessels have been fitted with equipment to defend themselves at sea and travelers have been converted for minesweeping. Work is under way on a program for the construction of high speed motor torpedo boats, rescue vessels, and target boats for bombing practice. A \$500,000 small boat construction program includes refuelling scows and fast rescue boats for the Royal Canadian Air Force, aircraft and open-loading tenders, salvage boats and other pieces of floating equipment for the handling of supplies of all kinds. Existing shipbuilding facilities have been used exclusively and some facilities have been developed to permit enlarged operations where shipbuilding workers and technicians are available. SATISFIED ADVERTISER Rolling Fork, Miss. (CP)—The Rolling Fork Pilot says it has carried the advertisement of a Vicksburg department store in every issue for 55 years.

The Week at OTTAWA

Ottawa, October 30th (CP)—The major interest in Ottawa this week is the new-session of Parliament, starting November 7th. Nobody pays much attention to the November 5th sitting, which is only for the formality of proroguing the session, which was adjourned last August.

The Government's change of plans has started a flurry of activity in the various departments. Early this month Prime Minister Mackenzie King said Parliament would be adjourned again November 5th to early in January. Then, last week, he announced decision had been reached to prorogue instead and start a new session immediately.

Ministers on Hand Before the session starts Agriculture Minister Gardiner will be back from the United Kingdom, where he consulted with the British Supply Ministries and negotiated a new bacon agreement. Defence Minister Ralston has postponed his scheduled trip across the Atlantic so he can attend. Thus all the Cabinet ministers will be on hand to take part in the debate and answer questions on their administration.

Trade Minister MacKinnon has reported the Dominion now stands third among the exporting nations of the world. Only Britain and the United States export more goods than this country. Germany, which used to be third, gets little goods through the British blockade.

Canada's exports to the United States have increased more than a third and every South American country is stepping up its purchases in the Dominion to replace other sources cut off by the war. Mr. MacKinnon finds the wheat situation his biggest worry, and he's working at it almost constantly. Marketing Canada's huge bacon output it simplified by the agreement with Britain. The present agreement, expiring October 31st, calls for a weekly delivery of 5,600,000 pounds of Wiltshire sides at a price of 180 cents a pound. The big bacon and ham export is reducing to a surplus of 140,000 in the Dominion, but marketing experts say there is no cause for uneasiness so far.

Additional power supplies for central Canada's spurring war industries seem still another step closer. Canada and the United States have appointed temporary committees to carry on investigations aimed at early development of power resources along the international rapids section of the St. Lawrence River. But even if work should be started by next spring—that has been suggested by some officials here—it will be several years before the job is done. There is no immediate threat of a power shortage for Ontario and Quebec, but it is considered a possibility in the future as the war effort grows.

Some Time Off Even with all the work of arranging for a parliamentary session, amid wartime activities, most government men

Life Light for Shipwrecked

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Controlling Convoys by Electricity

British ships in convoy are now being "in step" by a new electrical device. Hitherto the adjustment of the varying speeds of the cargo boats in a convoy has meant the continuous issue of instructions by phone from the officer on the bridge to his engine room below. "Pull steam ahead" would not necessarily have the same meaning for each ship: to one it might mean 12 knots, to another 10.

Very Substantial Approach to 125,000 Tons Output

Month by month British dyestuffs are approaching a production of 125,000 tons, or half the world supply. Exports to industrial undertakings hitherto dependent upon Germany, France and Italy are progressively increasing. In war time actual figures are forbidden, but the increase is officially stated to be "very substantial indeed."

Any exportable surplus at all would have been an achievement. In 1914 Britain produced only about one-tenth of the dyes used; last year she made four-fifths of the £6,000,000 worth needed for the home market. In normal times Germany, France and Italy supply between them 39.8 per cent. of a world production estimated at 250,000 tons, the United Kingdom's share being 11 per cent.

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BOYS' WORK LEADERS TO ADDRESS HALTON AUDIENCES

A meeting for leaders of boys' Sunday School classes or other groups is being held in the United Church at Milton on Friday evening, November 8th. The principal speaker at this meeting will be Rev. David Forsyth, who is in charge of the United Church. He has been released for several weeks to assist the Ontario Religious Education Council in promoting boys' work in the Counties of Ontario.

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Knox Church Anniversary Marked by Many Features

Event measured up to many, and successes of the past. Following the supper a program of music, song and story was presented and enjoyed. Those taking part were: Miss Wilva Bell, of Toronto, and Miss Flora Sayers, elocutionists; Mrs. W. J. Beatty, Mrs. Cameron Leshman and Mr. Wm. Burton, vocal solos; Miss Wilma Hansen, piano solos; Messrs. R. Spielvogel and Chas. Landsborough, cornet duets, with Mr. F. Salt, as accompanist; numbers by Knox Sunday School Orchestra; brief addresses by Rev. Mr. Riddell, of Milton, and Rev. Mr. Andrews, of Boston Church.

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