

Personals

Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Dole of Ridgeway called on Acton relatives and friends during the week.

Mrs. Harold Hamilton and her son Mr. Herbert Hamilton, of Toronto, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Currie.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davidson and Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bishop visited with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Noble and Mr. and Mrs. Jones at Cheltenham on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Field and Dorothy and Nancy and Mrs. Frank Kennedy of Hamilton, spent the week-end visiting Acton relatives and friends.

Friends are pleased to learn that Miss Jean McMillan is making satisfactory progress following an operation for appendicitis. All hope for her early return home from the hospital in Guelph.

Mrs. Victor Alger received word last week of the death of her father Mr. H. Dubois at Arcola Sask. Mrs. Alger left for the West and attended the funeral there on Saturday. Acton friends extend sympathy.

On the society page of a Toronto daily we read that "Among the couples at the supper dance in the Oak Room of the King Edward Hotel on Saturday night were Rosalie Hepburn and Bill Heveran, of Acton, who announced their engagement."

Mr. and Mrs. John Lambert announce the engagement of their daughter Emily Jean, to Leaning Aircraftman Francis Wilbert Brown, R.S.A.F., of Trenton, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brown of Edgely, Saskatchewan. The marriage will take place quietly in April.

County Council Gives \$300 to New Organization

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Insurance of all drivers and owners of motor vehicles against public liability and property damage, and that those drivers who are either unfit or unable to procure adequate insurance or to otherwise make proof of financial responsibility be deprived of the right to drive or operate any motor vehicle."

From the Council of Nassau County: "Be it resolved that this Council appeal to the county council for equalization of county assessment and further that this council takes exception to equalization as formerly done and requests that legal expenses be eliminated as far as possible and that valuation be made by a board of arbitration consisting in part of ratepayers who are conversant with values and that the County Council be asked to work on this immediately and that their services be computed to a minimum as a council member."

After considering this resolution it was decided that a special meeting of the county council should be called by the Warden at some future date for the sole purpose of discussing county equalization in order that some decision might be arrived at. The following resolutions were passed:

Moved by Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Finney, that the trees for the reforestation farm be ordered to the number of 10,000 of the varieties approved by the Department.

Moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Gilbert, that the Reeves of the towns be a delegation to see about getting a wig-wag on Kerr Street and at the Railway crossing in Oakville and that the clock work the railway Board to see what action should be taken. Also that a wig-wag be installed at the 8th line of Trafalgar.

Moved by Mr. Gilbert, seconded by Mr. Hall, that leave be granted to revert a building to the township of Trafalgar being a road extending south-easterly across part of 23, concession 1, south of Dundas.

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Craig, that we make a grant of \$50 to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind.

Moved by Mr. Blair, seconded by Mr. Craig, that a grant of \$500 be made to the Home Scots Rifles (This is an increase of \$20 over that of last year).

Moved by Mr. Finney, seconded by Mr. Robertson, that the following accounts be passed:

Finances \$2,191.28 County buildings, \$123.33 Agriculture, \$37.60 Printing \$143.89 Hospitals \$882.20 Education \$7,759.50. Total \$12,138.75.

A motion was also passed giving authority to the committee for the Hutton and Peel House of Acton, to take such action as they saw fit towards the purchase of land adjoining the Old People's Home at Brampton.

A by-law was passed authorizing the appointment of corn-bread inspectors throughout the county.

Council adjourned.

BUT ELEPHANTS ESCAPED

SUBRENTY, Australia, (C. P.) Skimming in from the sea, an Air Force training plane cut the roof from a big circus van and narrowly missed ponies, elephants, monkeys and throngs of spectators.

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THURSDAY NIGHT — ONE SHOW ONLY — TWO P.M.
Other Nights — At 8 P.M. as Usual

Weekly War Commentary

Specially Written for The Acton Free Press by LEON EDEL Canadian Press Staff Writer

The history lesson that Adolf Hitler probably has studied most is that of 1803 when Britain declared war on Napoleon, partly as result of his refusal to evacuate the Netherlands. For the next two years, the war took the form of a gigantic scheme for an invasion of England.

Shallow water of the Channel, the first week of the Second Great War, was the French base chosen as centre of operations. An army of some 150,000 men was encamped along the Channel coast, on either side of that port. Especially-built flat-bottomed boats were brought from all parts of France. The army practised embarking, disembarking, constantly.

In order to succeed, Napoleon had to seize control of the Channel, even for a short time. He had three alternatives: To meet the British fleet in full battle and defeat it—a hazardous undertaking—or to try to scatter the fleet. He decided on the latter.

But there's Churchill. There is no doubt that Hitler, certainly his generals, have studied every detail of those historic two years. Now, however, the shallow waters about Boulogne provide no protection. Britain's bombers have been able to disrupt invasion preparations.

Hitler must gain control of the Channel. He must also gain control of the Channel air, which he wasn't able to do at Dunkerque, when Britain's air strength was nowhere near what it is at present.

Further, if Hitler has studied the Napoleonic history lesson and hopes to better it, another man, an historian and a master of military strategy, has studied it probably more closely. This statesman, also has presided over the Admiralty where the traditions of Trafalgar have been cherished for almost a century and a half.

Britain is preparing for a terrific battle, in the submarine-infested waters around its embattled islands. The Admiralty announced March 14 that Admiral Sir Percy Noble had been appointed commander-in-chief of Western approaches to Britain, the vital defence area in the Empire's life-or-death struggle with Germany.

Port Albert, Ont., and were flying in a navigational exercise.

The Royal Air Force has thrown aside some of its restraint now that United States aid is assured. Last week swarms of British planes rode the air lanes over Germany and occupied territory to attack Berlin, Hamburg, Bremen and the invasion bases on the Channel.

British night fighters have taken a big toll of German planes which made Glasgow and the great shipbuilding centre along the Clyde their main objective in recent attacks. In one 24-hour period no fewer than 17 planes, most of them expensive bombers, were destroyed by night-fighters using new devices, and anti-aircraft guns.

The Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security announced March 18 that approximately 1,000 persons had been arrested in raids on Liverpool and the Merseyside area March 12 and on Glasgow and the Clyde the following night.

Virtual encirclement in Ethiopia of Italy's East African forces resulted from the daring British raid on Berbera, British Somaliland, March 16. British warships stole up along the coast at midnight and under cover of naval guns Indian, Somali and Arab forces quickly routed the Italian garrison.

Announcement by Prime Minister Winston Churchill March 18 that three German submarines had been destroyed in one day recently, offset a report that British and Allied merchant shipping losses for the week ending March 9 amounted to 25 ships, totalling 28,832 tons. In the previous week 28 ships, totalling 141,314 tons, were sent to the bottom.

Reports of landings of British troops in Greece have not yet been officially confirmed in London, but Belgrade and Ankara reports during the past week indicate a considerable force is being made ready to move against the Germans should they attempt an invasion of Greece.

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Glances of Parliament

By Hughes Cleaver, Halton's Member

During the past week the debate on the War Appropriations measure has dragged along in a dreary fashion with but little accomplished in the way of results and the end of the debate still appears to be a long way off.

The Government's policy on wheat was announced this week, but the discussion of wheat will doubtless be postponed until the entire farm problem can be discussed. It is estimated that as of July 31st, 1941, the Dominion government will own 575 million bushels of wheat at a cost of at least 400 million dollars and that it will cost at least another 50 million dollars to store this wheat for the following twelve months.

Canada's former Prime Minister in England. LONDON, March 13, (CP)—Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, former Canadian Prime Minister, in an address opening a War Weapons Week in Surrey, said the people of the Empire would never be puppets under dictators.

The new wheat policy, which will admittedly cost the country \$80,000,000 a year, raised angry protests among Ontario farmers today, and followed with an editorial equally misleading.

The select committee of the House to examine War Expenditures, met this week for organizational purposes. Mr. J. T. Korson, K.C., M.P., of Manitoba, was elected chairman.

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There was only one survivor, A. J. L. Flower, Eastleigh, Eng., radio operator on one of the planes, who suffered severe injuries. The fliers were from the air training school at

Halton Seed Fair

Attracts Record Entry and Crowd

10 bushels Barley 4 entries; M. T. McNabb & Sons, Georgetown; Ward Riddell, Georgetown; Miller Bros., Georgetown; John Pickett & Son, Hornby.

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LEARNING TO SHOOT HUNS



An instructor in the Royal Canadian Air Force, Trenton Air Base, Ont., explains the different parts of a machine gun and their function during a class period.

The Column

The regular Friday Night Parties sponsored by the Acton Y. Men's Club will be resumed this Friday, after a lull of a couple of weeks. The meeting with the season there will be a touch of St. Patrick's day sprinkled about. Arrangements are under the guidance of Y's Men Culture and Meleach.

With Midget and Hartman Hegy schedules finished boys classes will centre on the gym floor now. The Tuesday class of Junior Boys was replaced by hockey but a good turn-out is expected next week.

The Padminton Club, following their busy on Thursday night last week after having been disbanded at Port Credit and Guelph by Vancouver, the Brampton St. Paul's Church is a source of 15-4. This is the first meeting with this club and the acquaintanceship made will no doubt be a lasting one. A return meet is scheduled for April 2nd in Brampton, while on March 21st, the local club journeys to Fergus.

Seven South American Railways

Are Using British Brakes
Up-to-date apparatus for brakes and signalling have been dispatched from the Westinghouse works at Chippenham, England, to several of the South American Republics. The installations include the Southern Railway of Buenos Aires, the Central Railway of Uruguay, the Northern Railway of Argentina, the Midland Railway of Uruguay, the Central Railway of Argentina, the Sao Paulo Railway of Brazil and the Transandinian Railway of Bolivia.

The equipment is very light in weight, which appeals to engineers because it is all the easier to carry. When the Southern Railway of Buenos Aires, for example, recently adopted Diesel coaches, it was estimated that the weight of 6 passenger coaches was saved on a total of 107 of this type.