

Personals

Miss Etta Dills visited in Toronto over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Robertson, David and Douglas, of Toronto, were visitors on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. Anderson.

Mr. David Folster of Niagara Falls visited last week with his mother and sister Mrs. D. Folster and Miss Daisy Folster.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. Baldwin of Sault Ste. Marie visited last week with Miss M. Z. Bennett.

Miss Isabel Swackhamer returned home on Sunday after visiting in Hamilton for a week with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Swackhamer.

Mr. Melfort Collier, Jr., of Toronto spent several days of the past week with his grandmother, Mrs. E. F. Collier and other friends.

Mrs. E. Brooks of Galt, Mrs. Oscar Brich and Jacqueline, of Hespeeler, visited at the home of their aunt, Mrs. D. Folster last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. Baldwin, Miss M. Z. Bennett and Mrs. M. Morris, visited with friends in Preston and Brantford last week.

Friends regret that Postmaster J. C. Matthews is confined to his home through illness for a few weeks and all wish him a prompt return to good health.

Mrs. G. A. Dills, W. George Mason, E. A. Force and C. F. Leath-land attended a meeting at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto of the District War Savings Committee.

Miss Margaret Brown, Binnockburn branch; Mrs. W. Watkins, Dublin branch; Mrs. J. E. Gamble, Acton branch, of the Women's Institute, attended the Board meeting in Milton.

Mrs. Caldwell's family surprised their mother with a birthday party in Toronto on Friday, at the home of Mrs. (Dr.) Agnew, who is home from China on furlough. About 75 guests were present.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Wilson, Campbellville, Ont., wish to announce the engagement of their second youngest daughter, Mary Charlotte, to Mr. Christian Frank, Georgetown.

Best son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Frank, Nassagaweyn, the marriage to take place the first week of April.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. McEnery wish to express their deep appreciation of the kindness and sympathy shown by friends and neighbors through the loss of their home by fire. These many kindly deeds will ever be gratefully remembered.

MR. and MRS. ROBT. MCENERY.

DEATH-WATCH BEETLE

LONDON, (CP) War with Germany, it seems, makes no difference to the death-watch beetle which brings slow death to ancient structures by burrowing into roof timbers. Experts are writing to the paper telling how to stem the beetle's invasion.

REED-JACKSON WEDDING IN MELVILLE CHURCH.

A very pretty wedding was solemnized in Wesley Chapel Melville Church, Fergus, on Monday, March 24th, at three o'clock in the afternoon, of Myrtle Irene, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Reed, Framson, and Allan E. Jackson, of Guelph, son of Mrs. Jean Jackson and the late William Jackson, of Arthur. Rev. C. W. Bishop officiated at the ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was charming in a Roman blue street-length dress with darker blue accents, black hat and a corsage of Briardelle roses and black accessories. Her flowers were blue forget-me-nots.

Mr. E. T. Carroll, of Guelph, was the groomsmen and Mr. Robert C. McEwan of Marsville, and Mr. Josiah Reed, Orton, uncles of the bride, were ushers. The wedding music was played by Miss Wella McEwan, Fergus, cousin of the bride and "I Love You Trill" was sung by Mrs. Church, also of Fergus.

The reception which followed the ceremony was held at the home of the bride's parents. The bride's table was centred with a beautiful tiered wedding cake and all the decorations were carried out in pink and white. Receiving with the bridal couple were Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Reed and Mrs. Jackson. The bride's mother chose a navy costume with navy accessories and the groom's mother was in a black gown with black and white accessories. Guests were present from Marsville, Orton, Toronto, Fergus, Guelph and Arthur.

Later Mr. and Mrs. Jackson left on their wedding trip for Hamilton and Fort Erie, the bride travelling in a blue tailored suit and a blue plaid top coat in a Little Boy style. The happy couple will reside in Guelph.

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Glimpses of Parliament By Hughes Cleaver, Halton's Member

With the passage of the War Appropriations Bill we are now entering the throes of a long and perhaps bitter discussion on the question of agriculture. This discussion instead of taking place on agricultural estimates as it usually does has been opened on a strictly political plan owing to the fact that two members of the Opposition have moved a non-confidence amendment which, if carried would mean the defeat of the government.

Whenever a member of the government moves that the House go into Committee to vote supply it is the privilege of any member of the House to move an amendment to this motion to go into Supply. Under the established rules of the House any such amendment if carried means the overthrow of the government. This is what has been done on this occasion and the result is that every member of the House must either vote against the government or against agriculture. To me this would appear to be a legitimate move on the part of the Opposition in peacetime but in wartime the problem of agriculture is too serious a problem to be used as a political football. It does appear to me that an account of our loss of foreign markets and on account of the government's war policy to prevent increase in prices of agricultural products, agriculture is a war casualty and the problem should have the serious consideration of the House on a non-political basis.

As we are just entering this contest which will doubtless be a bitter one I will reserve further comment on it until my next week's letter.

Perhaps the outstanding event of the week was the recapitulation by the Prime Minister of Canada's war effort to date. He did this apparently for two reasons:

1. Canada's war effort has been given out "piece meal" during the past months which might result in a lack of appreciation of our full effort.

2. There is considerable propaganda being spread in the United States to the effect that Canada is not going "full out" in its war effort.

In order to answer both of these conditions, the prime minister made a complete statement of our war effort and he also related our war effort to the United States' economy. The prime minister's speech I quote in part as follows:

It is only eighteen months since we entered the war. Yet, in that year and a half, our armed forces have grown to the point where today, in the three services, there are in a quarter of a million men on active service. I might add that this figure does not include over 175,000 additional men, enrolled in the reserve army, who are subject to call for the defence of Canada.

A Canadian Army Corps, Canadian destroyers, and Canadian air squadrons are sharing in the defence of Britain. Our navy and our air forces are doing their part to keep open the vital sea lanes of the north Atlantic. Canadian garrisons in Iceland, Newfoundland and the West Indies are on guard in the outposts of this continent. Canadian engineers are strengthening the defences of Gibraltar. In recent months we have also sent overseas hundreds of radio mechanics for vital defence duties with the Royal Air Force.

From the Atlantic to the Pacific, Canada today is throbbing with military activity. Soldiers, sailors and airmen are co-operating in the defence of our ports, our coasts and our coastal waters. The Canadian navy, which had only fifteen ships when war broke out, now has over 180. Nearly sixty military training camps are distributed across the country. In these camps, the soldiers in our active army and the young men called up under the National Resources Mobilization Act to prepare them for the defence of Canada are now training side by side. Some ninety establishments of the British Commonwealth training plan are already in operation. In addition facilities are being provided for training schools at the Royal Air Force under the jurisdiction of Canada's air ministry.

Canada is also a major source of supply for Britain. In common with the United States, Canada is an arsenal of democracy. Since the war began the British and Canadian governments have undertaken a colossal advance of over \$500,000,000 for the expansion and equipment of Canadian industry. New plants have been built, old plants extended to make the complex instruments of war, many of which were never before made in this country. The creation of a vast new war industry has taken time, occasionally impatience has been shown at delays. The same impatience has been evidenced elsewhere - even in Britain. I might say that none in Canada are more impatient of delays than members of the government itself.

I have given, in a few words, an outline of Canada's direct war effort. Perhaps the best illustration I can give of the magnitude of the indirect contribution by Canada to the war is to say that, over and above what is being appropriated for our direct war effort, we expect, during the next twelve months, to send to Britain approximately \$1,500,000,000 worth of munitions of war, raw materials and agricultural products.

The Column Y

The local Badminton Club returned from Fergus on Monday evening after having taken that town's players to the tune of 24-8. It was one of the most decisive victories this season and with only nine players.

On Thursday evening they visit Brampton, which will no doubt be the season's playing and the raquets and birds can be stowed away, while the players busy themselves with outdoor sports. The 1941 season was rather slow in getting started, but has been very active and many new prospective tournament players have appeared on the scene. Everyone regrets the fact that one of our top ranking lady players, in the person of Miss Mary Chalmers, has moved to Toronto and join in wishing her every success in her new venture.

To those parents, who wish their boys and girls to enjoy a rare camping experience this summer, may we say that the Camp Bank is now open and invite every boy and girl in the membership to avail themselves of this opportunity of assuring themselves of an enjoyable holiday.

If you like enthusiasm you should have been present at the meeting of almost a score of young chaps, fifteen to eighteen, in the social room on Tuesday night, when a brand new club, which promises to be one of the liveliest things around Acton, was launched with very fine prospects.

The name, to be chosen later, probably doesn't matter much.

But look at the objects, as set forth in the constitution, this drawn up by the way, by three or four of the fellows themselves at a preliminary meeting and duly adopted, with revisions, at this one: "To cultivate good fellowship among the young men of the Y in our community. To aid our country by the betterment of its youth, physically, morally and spiritually. To do our utmost to aid in developing a better Y.M.C.A. in Acton; To make this club a credit to our community by developing a sense of sportsmanship among its members." Gord. Beattie and Ken Blow and Gord. McCutcheon had been responsible for the preliminary arrangements, including the supper, and carried on, as temporary chairman and secretary, presiding, the election of the officers, which were chosen as follows: President, Ken Blow; Secretary, Gord. Beattie; Treasurer, Ken Hassard; Directors, Cliff Young and Erwin McKeown; Advisor, E. J. Moore.

The club arranged to meet twice monthly and several projects, such as coaching in public speaking, vocational guidance, various sports, were suggested and are being considered. The new club is really under the aegis of the Y's Men's Club, but judging from the spirit of the organization meeting, there will be little need of anything, but occasional advisory help from the older brothers.

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F. J. Anthony has been appointed C. P. R. agent at Kleinburg and with Mrs. Anthony and Miss Jean has taken up residence there. He succeeds Alex Touston who has retired and is living in Brampton. Mr. Anthony was agent in Erin for twenty-three years before going to Wellington four months ago.

About one hundred neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McKinnon, of Coningsby, assembled at their home and spent a pleasant evening on Wednesday, March 12th, to bid them farewell before their departure to Guelph, and presented them with a well filled purse and address.

INDIA'S WAR CHIEF BOMBAY, (CP) - Lt.-Gen. Claude Auchinleck, who came to India as a gunner 25 years ago, and who served in the present war in Norway and in Southern England, has been appointed commander-in-chief in India.

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WILLIE CHATS WITH CHAIRMAN

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STAGGERED CINEMAS

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