

## Personals

Mr. George Jiggins was home from Aurora.

Miss Etta Dills visited in Toronto over the holiday.

Miss Ethel Pargeter of Toronto, visited her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Reed spent the week-end in Toronto.

Miss Nellie Hall, Toronto is home for the Easter vacation.

Mr. Jack Graham is home from Western University, London.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Browning of Toronto visited here on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Mann spent Easter with friends in Toronto.

Miss Gladys Huffman of Toronto, was home for the Easter holiday.

Miss M. Z. Bennett and Mrs. Morris visited Jr. Brantford last week.

Miss Hazel Andrews of Milton, visited with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ritchie.

Miss Margaret Garvin spent the holiday and week-end visiting in Toronto.

Miss Jean Beatty was home from Guelph General Hospital on Good Friday.

Mr. Eugene McPherson, Bobby and Gary, visited the home of his parents.

Miss Bertha Brown, of Toronto, visited her sister Mrs. Fern Brown this week.

Miss Helen Lamb of Barkway is spending her Easter Holidays at her home here.

Miss Hazel Wilson, of Toronto Western Hospital was home for the week-end.

Mr. Gordon Hayward of Toronto, spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. J. McGeech.

Miss Edna Smith and Miss Audrey McLeod spent Easter with Miss E. Hawthorne.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Benham of Georgetown, visited Acton friends on the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Huffman and wife of Hamilton, visited with Mrs. E. Huffman.

Miss Margaret Arnold was home from Western University, London, for the week-end.

Mr. George Elliott of Cobber, visited his sons Messrs. R. H. and C. H. Elliott here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Huffman and Brenda spent the Easter holidays visiting friends in town.

Janet Russell of Oakville is visiting with her cousin, Joan Rumsey, for the Easter vacation.

Miss Violet Laird of Toronto, spent the Easter holidays at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Huffman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jennings spent Easter in Brampton with their daughter Mrs. E. Wale.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Kentney and children of Toronto, visited Acton relatives over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ramsden and Billy of Buffalo N.Y., spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Mason.

Mr. Frank Kelly, Wingham, spent the week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kelly.

Mrs. Charles Kirkness, Mrs. Fred Dawkins and Miss Marguerite Currie visited friends in Toronto last week.

Misses Alzina Gibson and Lillian Fields visited at the home of Mrs. P. Merchant, Toronto, for the Easter holiday.

Mr. Alex Holmes of North Bay visited her brother, Mr. Peter McIsaac and other friends over the Easter weekend.

Miss Frances Dills and Donald McPhail are home from Toronto Normal School for their Easter holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shaw, and Mrs. Nancy Shaw of Buffalo, N.Y., visited Archie Currie and family over the Easter weekend.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gamble, Mrs. F. F. Collier, Mrs. Geo. Campbell, (Georgetown), Mrs. Fred Anderson and Donna attended the funeral of the late Mr. Harvey Kaiser at St. Catharines last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pugh and Billy of Waterloo; Mr. and Mrs. Austin Reid of Stratford; Mr. Allan Marshall and Jack Reid of Hamilton, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Reid over the weekend.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
The May family of Rockwood, wish to thank all the friends and neighbors for their kindness in their recent and bereavement.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
Mrs. W. H. Anthony and family wish to express their deep appreciation of the many kind words of sympathy extended to them and also for the many beautiful floral tributes when the beloved husband and father of the home passed away.

## George Wallace

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## The LETTER BOX

Sussex Military Camp, N.B.

11-4-41

ACTON FREE PRESS.

Dear Mr. Dilly:

I am dropping you a line to thank you for sending me The Free Press when I was up at Camp Borden, as it kept me in touch with the folks in, and around Acton.

I was with the 48th Highlanders there, but now you will see by the address, that I have transferred to the Queen's Own Rifles, and was moved down here to N. B. I like it down here and the only thing I miss is the sand that we used to march through in Camp Borden, but we have a little mud to make up for it down here.

We had a very nice trip down here on the train, and we saw quite a lot of Canada. It took us two nights and a day. There is still quite a lot of snow in Quebec, but it is all gone from around here.

Sussex is a town about the size of Acton and we are allowed to go there every night without a pass, it is a ten-minute walk from camp so I guess I shall go there quite often. The nearest city is St. John's and I intend going there on my weekend leave that comes up next weekend.

It is Good Friday to-day and we all have a holiday so I am going to try to catch up with my letter writing.

I would like if you would remember me to all my friends there as it will be some time before I shall get a letter away to all of them.

Shall close now thanking you again and sending my regards to you and all my friends.

Yours,

R.F.N. S. A. JAMES.

Position of Russia

Assuming that the worst happens and that the Nazis over-run Greece, they will then be sprawled even farther across the continent than before. They will be at the threshold of Turkey, and at the front door of the Ukraine. Prime Minister Churchill's recent warning to Russia was based apparently on such an escalation. And Russia, whose conduct from the day-war began, has been that of an uneasy, hesitating power, seeking to protect itself from the ultimate clash with the very Nazi power with which she avowed friendship, will suddenly find her self face to face with a Teutonic threat to the Dardanelles. That is the last thing Moscow expected when the non-aggression pact with Germany was signed.

A British success in holding the German tide in co-operation with her Greek allies will be a great moral victory, but a failure will not lose the war. Far from it. And a German victory in Greece will actually be just the beginning of new and complex problems for the Nazis, even though the first flush of such a success may have some domestic value in the Reich.

Defend Greek Peninsula

Australian, New Zealand and British troops, together with the main body of the Greek army, opposed the Germans at the weekend along a front that stretched across north-east Greece from the Aegean Sea to Albania. From their strongly fortified mountain positions, some of which extended through country in which Italian invaders were thrown back into last year, the Allies engaged the German motorized divisions in an effort to hold the Greek Peninsula.

The loss of Salonika, Eastern Macedonia beyond the Vardar River and Western Thrace cannot be regarded as a military catastrophe. Salonika was long ago regarded as particularly vulnerable and before they retired to their mountain lines, British troops demolished its harbor works and carried away huge quantities of gasoline and military stores. No serious plans had ever been made to defend Eastern Macedonia and Western Thrace.

A Greek government spokesman characterized reports that 80,000 Greek soldiers had been cut off and captured east of the Vardar River as "most exaggerated." He declared that the number of soldiers in this area was much smaller, than the figure given and many were able to withdraw and reach Greek territory.

Air Force Active

Bright moonlight nights saw British and German air forces thunder to the attack. The Royal Air Force followed up raids on Berlin with attacks on Dusseldorf and the Ruhr, and the English Channel ports. In the latter the airmen ran armor-piercing bombs on the German warships Scharnhorst and Gneisenau in the harbor at Brest.

The Midlands and the south and west of England suffered severely from attacks by German raiders.

Battered Coventry and the great industrial city of Birmingham, were subjected to concentrated bombings April 9 and 10 and Bristol was attacked Good Friday.

Leaves for Libya

With Addis Ababa, Ethiopian capital, and the Eritrean port of Massaua in British hands the mopping up process in East Africa has begun. Meanwhile British troops have left to reinforce the army opposing the German-Italian thrust in eastern Libya and President Roosevelt has made the Red Sea a non-combat zone. This would allow the United States to send ships to Egypt by way of the Indian Ocean and the Red Sea.

British forces concentrated around Tobruk to meet the enemy advance and military spokesman expressed

## Weekly War Commentary

Specially Written for The Acton

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Any attempt to estimate, in this 85th week of the war, the consequences of the Balkan explosion must take into account one important fact—that neither a British victory nor a British defeat in that region will change the main course of the war, although it may affect it to some extent.

The main course of the war can

only be altered if the Nazis can

succeed in capturing the island fortress

of Britain and the stool of a whole Empire behind her.

If Britain holds in the Balkans it

will be so much to the good. If she

has to withdraw — and she is

fighting with the odds overwhelmingly against her—then the battle is

still far from lost. The ultimate

course of the war is not going to be

decided in the Mediterranean or in

the Balkans.

Experts agree that the Battle of

the Atlantic and the Battle of

Britain far transcend in importance

any other battle—including the re-

sounding British successes in Africa

or the setbacks suffered there in

recent days.

Shorten Greek Line

Early this week Allied forces in

Greece were compelled to withdraw

a portion of their west flank in the

vicinity of Philarion which had been

the northernmost hinge of the original

defence line. The Germans captured

Philarion and other towns and

villages in the area, but suffered

many casualties so fierce was the

British and Greek rear-guard action.

All attacks on the British-held right

flank have been repulsed.

The new line runs through moun-

tainous territory and it is expec-

ted to be forced to the west by the

German tanks. This will be a

difficult task with British and

Greeks holding strategic positions in

the hills. It was reported April 15

that British reinforcements were ar-

riving in the defence positions.

The Admiralty announced April 15

that the 5,450-ton cruiser Bonaventure had been torpedoed and sunk

while acting as escort to a convoy.

At the same time it was stated the submarine "Pigfin" had sunk a heavily laden tanker of about 10,000 tons

bought for a port in German-occupied France.

Held at Frontier

Reports from naval and military

headquarters in the Middle East re-

garding the situation in North Africa

were more encouraging on April 16.

British patrols were active around

Sabot where vehicles were captured,

while Fort Capuzzo, a few miles to

the west in Libya, was reported in

British hands.

The Royal Navy has taken a hand

in the operations along the Libyan

coast, constantly and successfully

harassing German-Italian lines of

communication and protecting the

garrison at Tobruk.

GARAGE OPERATORS'

EDUCATIONAL MEETING

HELD IN MILTON

A large and enthusiastic number

of members and visitors turned out

for the regular meeting of Halton

Garage Operators' Association held

April 3rd, in the Farmers' Hall, Mil-

ton. Mr. A. C. Patterson of George-