

Personals

Mrs. A. McDonald visited with Mrs. Wm. Hall on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. James H. Reed are holidaying at Point Au Baril. Mr. and Mrs. Robt. McArthur visited over the week-end in London. McDonald Brothers enjoyed a cruise to Port Dalhousie on Saturday. Miss Ruth Nelson is visiting in London with her sister, Mrs. W. E. Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gamble attended the Fryer-Kerr wedding in Toronto on Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Victor Gunton and daughter Marguerite of Toronto, visited Acton friends. Mrs. Thomas Mack of Everton is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Lambart. Mrs. H. Lane of Limehouse spent Thursday with her sister Mrs. A. McDonald, Fourth Line. Dr. Margaret A. Gould of Pittsburg Pk. is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gould, Bower Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Williams and family of Wyanotte, Mich., called on Acton friends during the week. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Churchill and Mr. Robert Churchill of Rowmanville visited with their sister Mrs. Blanch on Sunday. Mrs. Harry Walton of St. James, Winnipeg, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Walker, Mill Street, Acton. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Willis, Douglas and Carolyn of Vineland spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Willis. Mrs. Geo. Osborne of Rensselaer, N.Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Kirby, Toronto, spent Sunday with Mr. Lawrence Williams. Mrs. Geo. Fryer, Irene, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fryer, Ida, Wilmer, Jack and Edna attended Fryer-Kerr wedding in Toronto. Mr. and Mrs. Will Lane of Orton, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Bardeen of Hillsburg visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Moore. Mike Joyce and Betty Lambert returned Sunday from spending a week's holiday with their grandparents at Centre Inn. Mr. Joseph Leatham returned to Prince Albert, Sask., on Tuesday, after spending five weeks with his brothers and sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Ross Allan, Marie and John, of Toronto, are holidaying at Maplewood Farm with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Peoren and family. Miss Grace Lantz is in Detroit, Mich., attending the wedding of her friend Miss Mary Woods to Mr. Jack Latta on Saturday, July 12th. Mr. Wm. Fryer, Mrs. Langdon and Miss Helen Langdon of Acton, and Mr. David Darvel of Mount Dennis visited Mrs. A. McDonald and family at Dolly Varden on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Martin, little Dianne, Mrs. Geo. Campbell, Master Donald and twin sons Wallace and Peter of Toronto, visited on Sunday with their aunt, Mrs. E. F. Collier and family. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Johnston, Mrs. Henry Sayers and Miss Flora Sayers, Mrs. Earl H. Vincent, Bill and Barbara Vincent attended the Clark-MacDonald wedding in Hamilton on Saturday. Those from Acton attending the Hinton-Jackson wedding on Saturday afternoon in Southport were Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Brooks, Mrs. H. Helwig, Mr. James Ross and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Leatherland. A delightful party was held Friday evening on the occasion of Miss Mary Young's birthday. Miss Helen Ostrander entertained at dinner at her home, after which the guests went on to Brant Inn to dance. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Walker were in Toronto at the wedding of their new bride Isabel Stanley A.T.C.M. to Mr. Perc Bishop and after the reception motored to Casanova to spend a few days with her sisters at their summer cottage on Lake Simcoe. The engagement is announced of William Weaver, daughter of Mrs. E. Anderson of Acton and the late Mr. Wm. Weaver, to Harvey Douglas, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. McCutcheon of Acton. The wedding to take place quietly July 12th.

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Weekly War Commentary

Specially Written for The Acton Free Press by BY H. H. GORDON Canadian Press Staff Writer

Over the week end Russian resistance to the Nazi drive stiffened along the 600-mile stretch of front from Ostrov on the Latvian frontier to the Dnieper River. Boosting their estimates of German dead, wounded and captured, 1,000,000 Russian sources made repeated claims of having back enemy attempts to burst through the defenses and continue the march on Moscow.

Although Russia's estimates of German casualties may be open to question, there remains every indication that Germany is meeting the heaviest opposition of the war. German boasts that Russia would succumb speedily have not been borne out as yet, and the breathing-space provided by the fierce activity on the Eastern Front is being used to full advantage by the British.

The Russian military mission which arrived in London Tuesday, a vanguard of the British party to Moscow two weeks ago, coupled with the return of the pro-British Maxim Litvinoff to favor in Russian political circles, is indicative of still closer cooperation between the strangest allies of the war.

The Russians conceded July 8 that Germans and Finns had moved to within 75 miles of Leningrad, but only after sustaining great casualties. Counter-attacking Red troops were said to have driven back mechanized Nazi columns in the Ukraine sector of Novograd Volynsk and to have repulsed attempts to storm the Dnieper River. Elsewhere fighting was also reported around Mogilev, Podolsk on the Bessarabian border and in the Lepel region.

On this continent, the big development of the week was the announcement by President Roosevelt to Congress July 7 that United States naval forces had occupied Iceland. He said the move was to forestall German attempts to menace the Western Hemisphere through occupation of the northern island.

Iceland is situated in the present German blockade zone, and the presence there of United States units is viewed by certain sections of the American press as a sign that the United States will enter the war within a few months.

Possibility of an early close to Syrian hostilities was seen July 9 with the House of Commons statement by Prime Minister Churchill that General Henri Dentis, Vichy High Commissioner for Syria, had asked for "discussion of terms leading to an armistice." Later reports from Vichy confirmed the request, admitting capture of Damour, near Beirut, by Australian forces. Armistice negotiations had already been begun through the United States Consulate at Beirut.

Conquest of Syria would mean consolidation of the British position in the Middle East. The domination of Ethiopia and now the capture of Syria, will free seasoned Empire troops for campaigns in either Libya or Europe.

For a year throughout Prime Minister Churchill's speeches there has been threaded a string of warnings that the Nazi war machine represents a menace to India.

In his most recent speech he declared that a German victory over Russia would be "only a stepping stone to an attempt to plunge 400 or 500 million people in China and 350 million who live in India into that bottomless pit of human degradation over which the diabolical emblem of the Swastika flaunts itself."

Now, in the 97th week of the war one of Britain's ablest and best known generals, Sir Archibald Wavell, took command in India where large armies are being built up and where the munitions industry is being rapidly expanded.

Speculation immediately arose when Sir Archibald was shifted from Cairo to Simla in an exchange of posts with his junior, Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck, whether this did not mean Mr. Churchill has in mind some nod by Russia from India to oppose the communist enemy.

Before the change was announced, the two generals held a conference in middle ground at Basra, Iraq, where it is believed they canvassed the entire sweep of Eastern operations.

India's Big Army The number of troops Gen. Wavell will command in India, and their distribution and state of equipment, are of course, military secrets. But it is known that India has raised at least 500,000 men of whom possibly 250,000 are outside the Indian Empire that is, are somewhere in the Middle East.

They took a large part in the putting down of the short-lived Baschid Ash insurrection in Iraq; they subdued much of Italian Somaliland and took part in the campaigns of Eritrea, Syria, Ethiopia and British Somaliland.

The Indian air force is becoming a major factor and Indian aircraft factories are nearing the stage where they will turn out airplanes. She is producing rifles, machine guns, field artillery and ammunition.

Meanwhile the armies of the United Kingdom were reinforced by the arrival of the largest contingent of Canadian troops yet to cross the Atlantic in this war. Headed by the First Canadian Tank Brigade, the Canadians included a 1,200-bed hospital unit, reinforcements for the first two divisions overseas, and some small parties and headquarters staffs of the 3rd Division.

Royal Air Force planes struck heavily and repeatedly at German industrial centres and invasion bases as the Luftwaffe was engaged over Russia for a second week. German air activity over Britain was light for the most part, with a few heavier raids coming Friday night.

Mid-summer desert heat has slowed Middle East warfare to a great extent during the past few weeks, and there is little indication of an immediate campaign by either force. The switch in commanders which sent General Auchinleck to the Cairo command may presage important Allied action along the Mediterranean.

Most encouraging news last week from Moscow was the July 4 statement that Soviet troops had substantially delayed the Nazi crush at the Beresina River at the centre of the vast front. Red bayonets had left thousands of German dead along the banks of the river, although there was no specific claim that the costly attempt to cross it had failed. A German High Command communique said that the crossing had eventually been made.

Berlin propaganda put the delay down to bad weather, coupled with the "obstinate resistance of the Russians. Fighting was heaviest on the river line from Bobruisk to Borisov, scene of one of the bloodiest battles in the Napoleonic campaign of 1812, 50 miles beyond Minsk on the road to Moscow.

Saturday statements from the Soviet Information Bureau again said that Nazi attempts to cross the Beresina had been driven back. But German communiques reported that it had been crossed at several points, and that the Russian army was dropping back to the line from the black Sea to the Latvian border. There was a Russian admission of troop withdrawals in the vicinity of the railroad of Lepel.

Forty miles north of Borisov and 70 miles west of Vitebsk, Lepel is located on the Stalin Line, main defensive barrier of the Soviets. Thus German statements reported that the columns were closing in on the Stalin Line appeared substantiated at the week-end.

Both sides continued to issue large-scale statements regarding enemy loss in personnel. A German High Command communique July 4 said the surrender of 20,000 Reds at Minsk, followed the shooting of their political commissars, brought the Russian total to 180,000. But this claim was exceeded in optimism by a Moscow radio statement that German casualties and prisoners numbered 700,000.

Fighting continued to the south, where the Russians Saturday said strong Nazi tank units were stopped after crossing the Prut River into Bessarabia, and that a Nazi column moving on Tarnopol had been turned toward Novograd Volynsk. Far to the north, indeterminate fighting continued around Murmansk and Kandalaksha.

In the American Journal of Surgery, Dr. Benjamin Gruskin announced that 1200 cases of infection ranging from peritonitis to pyorrhoea and the common cold had been treated with a large measure of success by chlorophyll. Green and red are the colors of life. Chlorophyll is the green of plants and human beings eat green plants to the benefit of their health.

Dr. Gruskin says that for lung and brain abscesses, abdominal infections such as peritonitis, a solution of chlorophyll in salt water was applied directly to the affected surfaces either in wet dressings or through soft rubber tubes. Incident ulcers and weeping skin diseases were treated with a paste of chlorophyll and lanoline. Even floods of the green stuff do no harm to living tissues.

The most spectacular results were obtained in the treatment of sinus infections and common colds. In more than 1000 cases treated at Temple University Hospital, Philadelphia, there was "not a single case recorded in which either improvement or cure did not take place." Patients with mild colds snuffed chlorophyll nose drops once a day. Those with severe sinus infections wore chlorophyll packs or had large amounts pumped up their noses once every day for a period even as long as seven months.

Chlorophyll seems to act (1) by increasing the resistance to bacteria; or (2) by releasing oxygen which prevents bacteria from forming poison. Chlorophyll is bland and soothing and thus has a great advantage over antiseptics many of which are harsh and irritating. It is usually obtained from molasses.



Here is Rooney Pelletier, of the CBC Overseas Unit, busy at his desk in London. He is producer of several programs dealing with the activities of following the active Sergeant Puro. His most recent feature broadcast was "Beyond Vimy," heard over the CBC National Network on July 1, which he wrote in collaboration with Eric Gibbs, former Windsor and Toronto newspaperman.

200 Members Attend Leslie Re-union July 1st.

Over 200 members of the Leslie Clan, gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Leslie, Alluvialdale Farms, Georgetown, on Tuesday, July 1st, for their 83th re-union. Following the festive dinner, President Don Leslie of Georgetown, called the gathering to order for a short business meeting and program. Officers elected for the next re-union to take place in two years, are as follows:

President, J. Leslie Stewart, Hamilton; 1st vice-president, George H. Leslie, Georgetown; 2nd vice-president, Walter Leslie, York Mills; secretary, Elyn J. Pearson, Acton.

Short speeches were given by the new officers and also by Rev. Chas. Leslie, Toronto, and Mr. Thos. J. Leslie, Ingersoll. Mr. Roy Leslie, Rockwood, thanked Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Leslie for their hospitality and spoke of the suitability of this fine home, with its spacious lawns and beautiful walnut trees, for such a gathering. Mr. Thos. J. Leslie, Georgetown, gave an interesting talk on the history of the Leslie family and stated that a thousand acre block in this district, taken up from Crown land by the Leslie family is still owned and occupied by Leslies and descendants of the Leslie Clan. Everyone joined in singing "God Save the King."

Mr. Joe Finlay of Toronto, Scottish poet, delighted all with his numbers and Miss Beth Watson, versatile entertainer, also of Toronto, assisted with "musical selections" and variety dances. During the afternoon, a program of races was enjoyed, also a game of ball.

Those attending from the farthest distance were Mrs. J. C. Leslie, Calgary, Alberta, and Mrs. Norman Hopkins of Rosetown, Saskatchewan. Other members were present from Brantford, Toronto, Oshawa, Hamilton, Guelph, Thimmsford, Ingersoll, Brampton, Milton, Terra Cotta, Streetsville, Acton, Rockwood and Georgetown.

Vanity Costs Scales.

LONDON, (CP) Refusing to wear the safety cap provided for them, three "win-the-war" girls had their hair caught in the machines of a munitions factory and lost their tresses and part of their scalps.

LONDON, (CP) Ten tons of American seeds of a promised 250 tons for Britain are now on British soil, including onions, carrots, beans, cauliflower and tomatoes.

ROSS-STEVENSON WEDDING IN PARKDALE CHURCH.

Miss Marion Elizabeth Stevenson, Lake Shore Dr., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas Stevenson, was married in Parkdale Presbyterian church on Saturday, June 28th, to David Russell Ross, Harvard Ave., son of Mrs. Ross and the late David Ross of Acton. Eric James Mackel officiated and Earl Perry played the wedding music. During the signing of the register Miss Helen Shinn sang. Feonies and delphiniums decorated the church.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and wore a gown of white triple sheer with a finger-tip veil caught with coronet of seed pearls. She carried a white bouquet with showers of orchids and bouvardia. Mrs. P. B. Stevenson, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, gowned in pale pink, pink-desprit and carrying an arm bouquet of pink carnations and coraflowes. Barbara Stevenson, niece of the bride, was junior bridesmaid and wore a gown of blue print desprit and carried a nosegay of pink sweet peas and borlflowers. James Ross was groomsmen for his brother. The ushers were Donald Stevenson and Jack Lawson.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Mrs. Stevenson received, wearing a gown of cornflower blue sheer with white accessories and a corsage of roses. The groom's mother, who also received, wore a gown of powder blue crepe with yellow-belt accessories and a corsage of roses. Following a wedding trip to Vancouver, the couple will reside in Toronto. For travelling the bride wore an ice blue crepe ensemble with natural accessories and a corsage of orchids.

Same Village Supplied Nelson's Sails and 1,000 Miles of Anti-Nazi Hose.

To fight the Nazis' rain of incendiaries on Britain one thousand miles of fire-hose have been turned out since the war began by the weavers in a north of England village. Here craftsmen were weaving on their hand looms two hundred years before the mill from which it came began the manufacture of up-to-date canvas hose. They made by hand the sailcloth, the tradition runs for Nelson's famous flagship "Victory."

The mill in which their descendants work has produced more than eight thousand miles of fire-hose by modern machine methods. One order was for two hundred miles of it. It was in this same village, that two brothers, working in a cellar, wove the first circular tube which eventually led to the making of flax hose-piping. They labored on the loom when trying to discover a simpler way of making purses.

No Oil to Spare

MANCHESTER, (CP) Farmers and other throughout England have been warned they must conserve their oil in farm machinery and motor cars as "there's no oil to spare."

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One of the more pleasant jobs for the men at the Lansdowne Park Army Camp was showing the visitors the use of the equipment. R. T. Patterson is seen here instructing an interested visitor on the use of a Lee-Enfield Rifle.