NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Interesting Items Concerning Other Centres and Communities in which Many of Our Readers are Interested

OSPRINGE

LAC Russell Struthers of Winnipeg Man., enjoyed a few days leave at his home here. Other visitors at the same home were Miss Mary Struthers of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Wm Struthers, Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Tatham of Preston.

Miss Isabelle Scandon is visiting with relatives in Toronto.

Little Miss Evelyn Winter of the Townline is holidaying with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Brydon and Mrs. B. Wilson visited on Friday with Mr. and Mrs. James Brydon, Acton.

Mr. Ross Ferguson of Guelph, was a recent visitor with Mr. and Mrs. D. Stewart. Ross has joined the R.C.A.F. and is going to school in Hamilton.

Mr. Cliff Rice spent the week-end in Toronto. He had the thrilling experience of being one of the group of passengers on the bus that was marooned in the snow for several hours near Derry West.

There was no school on Monday owing to the fact that the teacher, Mr. S. Jay, who had gone home to Milton for the week-end was unable to get back due to blocked roads.

Mrs. D. G. Robertson was hostess for the "Temperance" meeting of Ospringe Women's Institute on Wednesday afternoon, February 4th. A goodly number of members and visitors were present. In the absence of the president, vice-president, Mrs. T. Aitken, occupied the chair.

It was decided to eliminate cake at afternoon lunch for the duration of war. Three Red Cross quilts were on display, also more war material was distributed. It was arranged to form a euchre club for the immediate community, the first being held on Friday evening.

Miss Ada Currie gave a very interesting address on "Temperance." She stressed the vital part that we as women should help our youth to see the harmful effect of "Intemperance" and emphasize the need of conservation of health as well as the need of encouragement and social contacts to keep up our morale.

The meeting closed with the national anthem. Cake, coffee and sandwiches were served by the hostess and assistants and a social half hour enjoyed.

ROCKWOOD

Owing to cold stormy weather Sunday services were considerably reduced at the Churches. Rev. J. Ward and Rev. Father Callaghan were unable to get to their stone Church and Oustic charges on account of road conditions.

Holy communion was observed at St. John's Church Sunday morning. The Rector, Rev. E. A. Brooks, officiated.

Last Wednesday evening members of the Presbyterian Church journeyed to the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. McNabb where a social time was enjoyed. Progressive crokinole and other games were indulged in. Refreshments were served. During the evening Mrs. Wm. Swanston and other members of her family who were at the social received word of the motor mishap in which Mr. and Mrs. Charles Austin and family were involved and which claimed the life of Robert Austin, twin son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Austin at Cooksville. The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Austin in their bereavement. The funeral took place Monday with interment in Fairview Cemetery.

The February meeting of the "Boys' Own" Mission Band was held Sunday afternoon in the Sunday school room of the United Church with a good attendance. The minutes of the January meeting were read by Ivan Howatt and Bruce Hosking took up the offering. Bradley Peel looked after new members and fees. Norman Lambert, Temperance convenor introduced Mr. George Gordon, superintendent of the Sunday school, who gave a good address on temperance illustrated by picture cards which were interesting. Mrs. Frank Moore, leader of the Band, looked after the business period.

The Rockwood Y.P.U. of the United Church were guests of Paisley Memorial Church, Guelph, Y.P.U. Monday evening when a Valentine party was held.

The Rockwood school pupils under the direction of Miss Annie Joliffe are preparing for a concert to be held in co-operation with Canada's Victory Loan.

Week-end and Sunday visitors were:

Miss Doris Dyer, Sarnia.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnston Howatt of Simcoe.

Miss Marjorie Beard, R.N., of University of Toronto.

Messrs. Hugh and Ernie Currie of Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Walton, Toronto.

Miss K. Spence, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Osburn, Guelph.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Duby on the arrival of a son, Lawrence Gene.

TERRA COTTA

Robert McCauley had the misfortune to fall on the ice recently and fractured her wrist. She was taken to Guelph hospital for treatment. We are pleased to learn that she has returned and is getting along fine.

Mr. George Stringer of Brampton was a caller in our hamlet recently. We understand that he has enlisted with the regulars.

Mr. James Marchment has arrived home from Christie Street Hospital, Toronto, much improved in health.

Mrs. A. Dawson, we are pleased to learn, is slowly improving in health after her recent illness.

Mr. A. McDonald has moved into his new house on the Town Line.

Henry Dobson passed away suddenly in Brampton hospital. Deceased was a native of England and had no relatives here. He had been an employee of Mr. Fred Lyons for about 35 years and was highly respected in this community. His remains were interred in Georgetown cemetery.

Jane Smith passed away at the home of Mr. John McDonald of Inglewood recently after a lingering illness. Deceased was a former resident of Terra Cotta and was well known here and very highly respected. She was engaged for some time keeping store with her sisters. She was in her ninety-second year. Interment was in the family plot in Glen Williams.

EDEN MILLS

Mr. and Mrs. D. MacDougall visited friends in Detroit, Mich., recently.

Mr. Sam Gibb who is stationed at Manning Pool visited over the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. Lee.

Mr. George Lee of Georgetown was also a week-end visitor in his home here.

Pte. Melvin Locker was a visitor in the home of his sister Mrs. J. D. Lowrie and Mr. Lowrie over the week-end.

Miss Wilma Moore spent the week-end with friends in Toronto.

Mr. Robert Croft and Miss Evelyn of Toronto visited over the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Croft.

Mr. Norman Lee had the misfortune to have his driving shed destroyed by fire during Sunday night. The cause is unknown. A tractor and also a car were among the contents.

The sympathy of this community is extended to Miss Sarah Farrell in the death of her brother the late Dennis Farrell.

The sympathy of all is also extended to Mrs. W. J. Burrows and Mrs. W. D. Cole in the death of their mother, Mrs. Ann Young.

Owing to the storm on Saturday night the attendance at the local church services were small on Sunday.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed next Sunday in the Presbyterian Church. Pre-communion services on Thursday night. These services will be held on daylight saving time.

LIMEHOUSE

The Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Beerman on Thursday last with nine ladies attending and Mrs. Elliott, President, in the chair. Roll Call was answered by repeating a Scotch poem or story. Money cleared during the month for war work amounted to $22.79. Yarn was supplied to the school children as well as needles and they are working on an afghan. 17 knitted articles, 3 childs dresses, a wool jersey and a large quilt were delivered to the Red Cross rooms on Friday.

Mrs. Jamieson was appointed representative to the Federation of Agriculture meeting from the branch. All were urged to save salvage and ask others to do likewise in preparation for a collection in early spring. In preparation for summary day, Mrs. Gowdy asked those interested in nutrition to attend a meeting at Mrs. Norrie's on Monday. A sewing meeting was to be held at Mrs. Benton's on Wednesday. Another bolt of flannelette was ordered for quilt backs and other refugee sewing. The committee named for February included Mesdames Gowdy, Hill, McVey and Elliott, and are planning a euchre at the home of the last named this week-end weather and roads permitting. Ten dollars donated to each the Red Cross and Central Fund by W.I. were voted from the funds. Mrs. Smethurst read current events, Mrs. Norrie a paper on Fathers of Confederation, and Mrs. Hill a paper on early township history. The meeting closed with the National Anthem, after which a social half hour was spent.

The sideroad is still closed to No. 7 highway. It is the first time that it has been closed for over half a day since the winter of 1936, when we were closed in to motor traffic for three weeks.

OAKVILLE

Mrs. Carl Wyndham was elected Regent at the annual meeting of the Angela Bruce Chapter I.O.D.E. held at Oakville Club, Monday evening.

Rev. D. H. Gallagher was the guest speaker Tuesday at the Father and Son annual banquet of High Park United Church, Toronto.

Reporting a total of $23,895.63 outstanding on properties 3 years, in arrears of taxes, Reeve J. M. Campbell, at Monday's council meeting suggested that a tax sale might be necessary.

In reporting the result of a dental survey made of the Oakville schools last year, Dr. J. H. Stead informed the town council on Monday night that of the 567 children examined, 203 or 43.6 per cent. had never received any dental care. Record Star.

MILTON

Esquesing rural teachers were entertained at the home of Inspector and Mrs. L. L. Skuce, Milton, one night recently.

Frank Pearen was chosen chairman of the Milton High School Board at their re-organization meeting held last Thursday. Edward Mahon, of Campbellville, was elected vice-chairman, and the property committee consists of F. H. Gilroy, H. B. Browne and S. G. Wharin.

"We are bound together by common traditions, peace and trade treaties, spiritual ties, a strange but strong tie," Rev. Ross Cameron, Dovercourt Presbyterian Church, Toronto, told a large attendance at the initial banquet of the Milton Canadian Club held at the Milton Inn last Friday. Sheriff W. J. L. Hampshire, president-elect, was in the chair.—Champion.

GEORGETOWN

Council has reduced the tax rate for Georgetown this year by four mills, making the 1942 rate 40 mills, the lowest since 1917.

It was also decided by council to abolish the salaries paid the Mayor, Reeve and Councillors.

St. Alban's Church of England, Glen Williams, was the scene of a pretty wedding on Saturday afternoon last, when Lily Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Barclay, became the bride of Gordon James Hilts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hilts, Georgetown. The Rev. W. G. O. Thompson officiated and Mrs. R. J. Williams played the wedding music.

Mrs. George Barber and Mrs. Paul Barber were joint hostesses at a kitchen shower at the former's home on Monday afternoon in honor of Miss Frances Cramer, of Toronto, whose marriage to Mr. Norman Barber takes place shortly. The tables were beautiful with pink and white decorations, and made a lovely setting for the delightful tea which was served.—Herald.

Had Meat Last At Easter, 1941 An Ox to 2,000

Mother with Four Children Rescued from Nazi Occupied Norway Tells of Meagre and Difficult Rations

LONDON, (CP) Shopping in Norway is a "nightmare" even on a family income equivalent to $90 weekly.

Housewives brought to Britain after the Commandos raided Vaagso Island described a grim struggle to obtain food, after supplies dwindled before the German invasion were requisitioned by the Nazis. Some had not been able to obtain meat or eggs for more than six months.

A mother of four grown children told with tears in her eyes of how she tried in vain to heat her home with meagre coke fires and feed her family on dried fish and skimpy rations.

Skimpy Food

Her weekly household rations for the family, she said, included five ounces of sugar, enough margarine to fill a small match box and no butter, five pounds of fish flour and 2½ quarts of skimmed milk.

"There was no bacon of other fats apart from margarine," she continued. "We had to make our own jam and groceries were almost unobtainable. The last time we had meat was when an ox was slaughtered at Easter and shared among 2,000 persons."

Shopping was a "nightmare," she said. "There would be 200 persons in a queue for a pound of fruit and I would have to visit 12 shops to get a pound of potatoes or carrots. Our ration cards meant nothing. They were merely a token of Nazi discipline. Nobody could buy food because there was none to be had."

MUDDLING IN WAGES

LONDON, (CP) Cleaners and watchmen are getting $5 ($27) weekly and scientists with honors degrees £4 ($18) which, says The News Chronicle, "is one of the many examples of muddle and injustice which are stumbling blocks in the way of Britain's war-winning effort."

Weekly War Commentary

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munitions assignment board will decide where weapons are most urgently needed to give effect to United States strategy. This has a counterpart in London, both with British and United States membership.

Enemy Near Tobruk

Axis forces at the week-end had cut clean across the hump of Libya along the coastal road from Bengasi. Indications point to a big battle a few miles west and south of Tobruk where the British 8th Army is believed to be organizing strong defensive positions.

In the meantime British armored patrols hammer away at the extended line of enemy communications from positions far to the south of the highway and the Royal Air Force has attacked points as far west as Tripoli. In one of these raids the British fliers inflicted heavy damage on a concentration of vehicles and near Tripoli.

Axis airmen continue to strike at Malta, while news is still being received of great preparations for operations out of occupied Greece and Bulgaria. There is little reason to doubt that Hitler hopes to carry out his plans for an attack on the Caucasus and the Middle East, but first Gen. Erwin Rommel must show greater strength in Libya and in addition the Russian drive on the southern sector of the Eastern Front must be stopped.

Moscow communiques have little to say regarding specific gains and some military observers believe Soviet armies are reorganizing for fresh attacks. The Russians are trying to extend their gains on three fronts. In the northwest they threaten Veliki Luki, less than 100 miles from the Latvian border, further south they are driving toward Smolensk from the Vyazma area and between Kharkov and Stalino the drive through the Ukraine is headed for Dnieperpetrovsk.

In The Far East

Reports that Japanese aircraft had inflicted severe losses on the Netherlands East Indies Fleet were denied Feb. 7 at N. E. I. headquarters. "The Netherlands Indies fleet is absolutely intact, at sea and ready for action," it was announced. On the other hand the sinking was reported of a Japanese cruiser and transport in operations off Amboina Island which the Japanese now control.

Singapore's defence guns destroyed small Japanese boats in the Strait of Johore on February 7, while enemy artillery for the first time sent shells into residential areas of the city. British naval units have been successful in rescuing about 1,000 Imperial troops cut off in the jungles of Malaya during the withdrawal to Singapore. These vessels are also harassing enemy shipping movements in the Strait of Johore.

Japanese warplanes are making frequent raids on Rangoon, but the attacks are proving costly. Up to the week-end Allied fliers had shot down 122 enemy planes, losing only five themselves. R.A.F. Blenheim have made heavy attacks on the enemy's Salween River base at Paar.

Grave Situation

Swarming across the Strait of Johore Sunday night Japanese forces made successful landings on the western shore of Singapore Island. Australian troops in the area were forced to give ground, inflicting heavy losses on the invaders. While dive bombers attacked the defenders from the air, Japanese artillery and machine-gun units protected further troop movements across the strait.

Advices from Singapore on Feb. 10 said fighting was taking place only 16 miles from the city. Tokyo claimed Japanese assault forces had driven within five miles of downtown Singapore.

The United Nations will suffer a severe blow should the great naval base fall to the Japanese. The Japanese would gain a passage to the Indian Ocean and the Bay of Bengal and hordes of troops in Malaya would be released for attacks on the Netherlands East Indies, Burma and possibly Australia. The evacuation of 60,000 Australian, Indian and Imperial troops would be a major problem.

Drive on Indies

Extending their operations in the Far East the Japanese were reported by Netherlands East Indies headquarters to have landed troops near Macassar on Celebes Island, 500 miles northeast of Surabaya, Java. Another force was put ashore on the south coast of New Britain, Australian-mandated island about 600 miles north of Australia.

Gen. Chiang Kai-shek has arrived in India and the Supreme Commander of the China theatre of war will confer with military authorities on the defence of India and Burma. Chinese forces are now in Burma and it is from there the United Nations may make the biggest thrust by land in the Far East. Thailand lies immediately to the south and offers one of the best battlegrounds for operations if sufficient forces can be assembled in the near future.

British bombers based at Rangoon bombed Japanese positions in the Martaban sector at the mouth of the Salween River Feb. 10. Other planes bombed enemy concentrations in Northern Thailand and reconnaissance flights were made over Burmese territory in enemy hands.

When commanders of the various fighting services of the United Nations operating in the Southwestern Pacific under the supreme command of Gen. Sir Archibald Wavell were announced some weeks ago, regret was expressed in Batavia that the Netherlands East Indies were without representation.

Illness of Admiral Thomas C. Hart, United States naval officer led to his removal as chief of Allied naval forces in the Western Pacific and his successor will be Vice-Admiral C.E.L. Helfrich of the Royal Netherlands Navy. Admiral Helfrich is 55 years old, a native of Java and an expert in submarine warfare.

Bells "Ringing" For Practice

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, Eng., (CP) The peal of the bells of St. Peter's church has not been heard since the war began, but the bells are still rung regularly to keep the ringers in practice.

"Bell ringing is not an art that can be learned in a few minutes, so we had to think of a way to keep our ringers together and train new ones," said B. Collison, captain of the ringers. "We removed the clappers and practise on silent bells."

UP FROM URUGUAY

LIVERPOOL, (CP) Mr. and Mrs. Donovan Hill, married in Uruguay, spent their honeymoon on the Atlantic Ocean, coming to England to join the forces. Hill, 21, joined the R.A.F. as a mechanic, his 20-year-old bride the Women's Auxiliary Air Force.

JAMES M. MINIFIE

Born in England and brought up on a farm near Vanguard, Saskatchewan, James M. Minifie, CBC's Washington correspondent, served in the war of 1914-1918 with the 209th Canadian Battalion. Later, as foreign correspondent for the New York Herald Tribune, "Don" Minifie spent three uncomfortable days as a prisoner of Franco's army during the Spanish Civil War, and has been with the Herald Tribune's bureaus in Paris, Rome and London. He is now White House Correspondent for that paper, and was appointed CBC's Washington correspondent last November. CBC's National Network will carry his commentary at 10.45 p.m. EDST (11.45 p.m. ADST) on Saturday, February 21.

NO SOUR-PUSS, ANYWAY

LONDON, (CP) Sale of sweetening powders that may be used as substitutes for sugar have been forbidden throughout the United Kingdom by the Ministry of Food.

TAKE ONE IN FIVE

LONDON, (CP) Because of physical and technical requirements only one woman applicant in five can get a job in wartime iron and steel factories.

Church News

United Church of Canada
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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th, 1942
11.00 a.m. Worship Service. Sermon subject "The Grace of Quietness."
12.15 p.m. Church School
7.00 p.m. Worship service, sermon series "The Church," subject "VI Church Makers."
Thurs. 7.30 p.m. Mid-week service. Come and Worship. Everybody Welcome

Presbyterian
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON

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11.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m. Rev. Mr. McQueen, first minister applying for call to the church.
2.30 p.m. Sabbath School
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11.00 a.m. Church service
12.15 p.m. Sunday School
Monday evening Tobaggan Party.
Wednesday 8.00 p.m. Prayer meeting.
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Proclamation!

In accordance with the request of the Halton County Headquarters of the Second Victory Loan Campaign which starts on February 16th and lasts for three weeks I most humbly urge that everyone in the County of Halton will assist in this Campaign by decorating a week in advance. Public Buildings, places of business and their homes with suitable patriotic decorations.

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Notice to Creditors

In the Matter of the Estate of Hiram Denny Gibbons, late of the Village of Acton, in the County of Halton, Gentleman.

PARTIES having claims against the estate of Hiram Denny Gibbons, late of the Village of Acton, in the County of Halton, Deceased, who died on or about the Fourth day of January, 1942, are required to send particulars and proofs thereof to the undersigned Solicitor, before the Fourteenth day of February, 1942, when the assets will be distributed among the parties legally entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims which shall have been filed as aforesaid pursuant to Section 51, Chapter 165, R.S.O. 1937.

DATED this Twenty-second day of January, A.D. 1942.
C. F. LEATHERLAND, Acton, Ontario, Solicitor for the Executor, Harry Gibbons Murray, R.R. No. 1, Acton, Ontario. 31-3

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