

Notice of Birth, Marriage and Death... in Memoriam Notices, see and see per the additional for poetry.

MARRIED SAVERS-SWACKHAMER—The marriage is announced of Etta Winifred daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Swackhamer, Acton, to Mr. Charles W. Sayers, R.C.A.F.

LOGAN-COLE — On Saturday June 20th, 1942, at Danforth United Church, Toronto, by Rev. Norman A. McMurray, Dorothy Jean, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Cole, Toronto, to Pte. Victor Angus Logan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Logan, Toronto.

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July and the last half of 1942. Strawberry season never seems to last half long enough. Elliott Bros. had a very fine window display for "Army Week". Mrs. Harold McIntyre received a telegram on Monday giving word of the safe arrival of her husband overseas.

The local platoon of the Lorne Scots will leave on Sunday, July 19th, for two weeks' training at Niagara Camp. The local Red Cross shipment this week included 10 pairs knickers, 10 shirts, 10 blouses, 10 sweaters and 10 coats. The midweek holiday was not very popular and several industries operated that day and arranged for a week-end holiday. Several of the local stores are now selling War Savings Stamps. Get the saving habit of taking part of your change in stamps. Anniversary services of Ospringe Presbyterian Church will be held on Sunday with Rev. John Lindsay of Whitby as the special speaker. Salvage collected in Acton in June amounted to 39,164 lbs. which brought in revenue of \$227.27. This includes the rubber collection made by the Acton School children.

S. S. 4, Nassagaweya Has Picnic at The School Grounds

On the afternoon of Friday, June 26th, a large number of parents and neighbors joined with the pupils of S. S. No. 4, Nassagaweya in enjoying an afternoon of sports. The picnic, which was held on the school grounds, was a combination of ball games, races and lunch. The races were well contested, the following being the winners: Girls, 6 years and under, Frances Fletcher, Marlene Richardson. Boys, 6 years and under, Aubrey Richardson, Billy Laing. Girls, 7-10 years, Betty Anderson, Donna Easterbrook. Boys 7-11 years, Leonard Laing, Clarke Moore. Girls 12-16 years, Marjorie Webber, Willa Laing. Boys 12-16 years, Fred Laing, Jack Gilbertson. Young ladies' race, Alma Simpson, Margaret Moore. Young men's race, Walter Chilcott, Harry Simpson. Girls, three-legged race, Marjorie Webber and Thelma Simpson. Boys' three-legged race, John Simpson and Clarke Moore. Peanut Race, Shirley Gilbertson, Lois Wilson. Married ladies' race, Mrs. Adie, Mrs. H. Wilson. Married Men's Race, Mr. Adie, Mr. Archibald. Ladies' kicking the shoe, Vera Hall, Mrs. Brownlow. Wheelbarrow race, Mr. Adie and Mr. Archibald. The race, couples Jack Gilbertson and Margaret Moore. Plate race, couples Jean, Early and Fred Laing. Grandmother's time race, Mrs. Land, Mrs. Easterbrook. Flag-of-war, captains Mr. Archibald and Mr. Adie. Mr. Adie's side won. In the last two weeks the children have been selling tickets on a bag of groceries, from which \$35.80 was realized. This sum was given to the British Distress Fund. The prize was won by Mrs. W. J. Bruder of Breslau. The ladies of the section provided a very generous supply of sandwiches, cake and doughnuts. After supper many of the young people remained to play ball until darkness called a halt.

Weekly War Commentary

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

United States congressmen were cheered into a state of optimism by words of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill from their Washington conference during a week in which the war news was just about as bleak as it has been since Dunkerque. British forces had lost Tobruk, the desert bastion they had held for 17 months during eight of which they were under direct siege. They were retreating as rapidly as possible and seeking to establish a new line with better communications inside Egypt, in front of Mersa Matruh, head of a railway line out of the naval base at Alexandria. On the Russian front the Germans were pressing closer to ravaged Karhkov and Sevastopol, suffering enormous losses but gaining ground in a slow, painful but relentless manner. The question arose in many minds why should the two leaders be optimistic in what appeared to the ordinary observer to be for the allied nations one of the grimmest periods of the war? It was a question no one in authority answered, but there was one obvious and probable correct answer.

Official Optimism The president and the prime minister presumably have reached the opinion that allied preparations, production and growing manpower are such that they must necessarily engulf the Axis no matter what local success it may achieve in the meantime. The fury of the Axis assault on the two Russian fronts was indicative of a German desire to end the campaign this year but so far it had not assumed the proportions that Hitler had promised his people. This was stressed by President Mikhail Kallin of the U.S.S.R. in a message to the nation on the first anniversary of Germany's attack on Russia. Kallin said the Germans and their satellite partners no longer possessed the strength for an all-out general offensive, but would have to content themselves with striking hard at isolated points. This, then, apparently was happening at the Karhkov and Sevastopol fronts. Nevertheless, it was obvious to even the most casual observers that either the Egyptian or Southern Russian actions could place the allies in a great predicament if they succeeded for the Axis. Back in London Prime Minister Winston Churchill returned to London from the United States at the week-end to face the gravest political crisis of his career. The defeat in Libya brought to a head widespread criticism of military direction of the war and an early statement from the prime minister was expected. Much will depend on the progress of the fighting in Egypt. If Lt. Gen. Neil M. Ritchie's 8th Army is successful in withstanding the shock of the Axis offensive against the defences based on Mersa Matruh Churchill may be expected to make a fighting response to his critics. Shortly after the prime minister's arrival in Washington in which Churchill and President Roosevelt declared that "coming operations" of the United Nations "will divert German strength from the attack on Russia". Manifestly, the confidence expressed at Washington was engendered by a long-range view of the war. Prime Minister Mackenzie King on returning to Ottawa from the United States capital said there was no question of the eventual outcome of the war, but the disturbing events in the Western Desert might lengthen its duration. Encouraging Signs. News of the three-day visit of the King and Queen to the United States forces in Northern Ireland and the battering of Bremen June 25th, by 1,300 R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. planes proved encouraging last week. Their Majesties saw everything "from bridge-building to doughnut-making" and were impressed with the efficiency demonstrated in manoeuvres by the American forces. The aerial attack on Bremen was the heaviest of the war, an impressive sample of the power of the British air forces. Four Canadian Squadrons were included among the 1,300 fliers who rained incendiaries and high explosive bombs on the big German seaport. Fifty-two planes were reported missing after the 75-minute raid, less than two per cent of the aircraft participating. It was the 93th attack of the war on Bremen which is Germany's second largest port and has many war industries, warehouses and oil refineries. Russia and Egypt At the week-end Sevastopol's gallant garrison still defied Axis assaults. Reports from the beleaguered city even indicated that the enemy drives lacked some of the power concentrated in the earlier assaults. Nazi regi-

ments had been shattered and new troops thrown into the attack. The Axis army in the Karhkov sector was reported to have driven a wedge into Soviet defences with the capture of Qupynsk, 60 miles south-east of Karhkov, but Russian lines remained intact.

The British 8th Army was said to have been reinforced and re-organized to meet Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's onslaught in Egypt. British and United States bombers, by delivering damaging columns strung out hundreds of miles over the Libyan desert, delayed their advance and gave General Ritchie many precious hours for reorganization of his forces. At the week-end Axis forces had made contact with the defences of Matruh.

The situation in Western Egypt became very grave early this week when Axis armored columns pushed up the coast from the Egyptian-Libyan frontier and forced the evacuation of Matruh. Between the seaport and British positions some 50 miles to the east a great tank battle developed. Announcement was made by Prime Minister Churchill that Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck, commander-in-chief in the Middle East, had taken over personal command of the 8th Army. The British have been reinforced by New Zealand and Free French troops and heavier guns and more tanks have been brought up. Military observers in Cairo declared Tuesday that the situation was not hopeless and looked better than at the end of last week. The Allies have maintained air superiority over the entire area and this has had a big effect on the morale of the defending troops. British naval and air strength are two encouraging factors at the present stage of the North African campaign. It is reported that Rommel has been unsuccessful in getting sea-borne reinforcements through Bengasi, Tobruk and other Mediterranean ports. From the air Allied planes are strafing the Axis armored and supply columns strung out for hundreds of miles along the line of the advance.

Russia's Gallant Stand Sevastopol's defenders retained control of the great Crimean fortress early this week. Over the week-end German shock troops were thrown into a violent assault, but when the situation was at its worst the Russians made an 11th-hour rally to beat off the attacking forces with heavy losses. Moscow communique indicated that Russian forces are holding the invaders in the Kursk and Karhkov sectors. In these areas the Germans are striving to cut Soviet communications between Moscow and the Caucasus.

On Wednesday it was announced from Cairo that Axis troops had narrowed their distance from the vital British base of Alexandria to less than 100 miles. It was added British commanders still had not committed their main forces to the supreme effort of halting the invaders. Thus far, the experts pointed out, the British withdrawal was in keeping with Gen. Auchinleck's plan. In a sacrifice ground in exchange for time while the forward forces fought tenaciously to make the Axis pay heavily for its advances. Washington reported that American air reinforcements had been delivered to Britain's much-bombed Malta in the Mediterranean and had already caused the enemy considerable losses. It was officially hinted in London that the Suez Canal might be destroyed as a waterway should the German forces reach the Red Sea.

Scout Mothers Held Picnic for Acton Cubs and Scouts

The Scout Mothers held a picnic in Acton Park Monday afternoon for the Scouts and Cubs. Rev. E. A. Brooks conducted the special program. Winners of various races were: Boys, 7 years, Billie Spoelvogel, Leo Marchmont. Boys, 8 years, Roy Kirkness, Frank Spoelvogel. Boys, 10 years, Fred Kentner, Bob Tyler. Boys, 12 years, David Drysdale, Andy Ngol. Boys, 14 years, James Dills, Gordon Lawson. Ladies' Rumping Race, Mrs. F. Kentner. Ladies' Kick the Shoe, Mrs. Drysdale. Ladies' Time Race, Mrs. C. Spies. A splendid outing was enjoyed and during the afternoon the Cubs gave a demonstration. Of course the hearty picnic lunch provided was a feature that appetites testified to being enjoyed.

FRIENDS HONOR MISS BETTY HAWKE AT SOCIAL GATHERING

Miss Betty Hawke was honored last Thursday evening when Mrs. F. C. Onkes was hostess for a gathering of friends at her home. Court waltz and Bingo were enjoyed by the group and a presentation made to Miss Hawke of miscellaneous gifts. A delightful lunch was served and a most enjoyable time spent by the friends who regret Miss Hawke's removal from Acton but wish her much joy and happiness in her married life.

Exam. Results At Continuation School in Acton

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Prac. C; Geog. C; Sc. C; Art C; Eng. C; Br. Hist. C; French F. *Mac Sprawl—Math. F; B. Prac. C; Geog. 2; Sc. C; Art 3; Eng. C; Br. Hist. C; French F. *Jack Stewart—Math. 2; B. Prac. 1; Geog. 2; Sc. 1; Art 2; Eng. 2; Br. Hist. 2; French 3. *Annie Thompson—Math. 2; B. Prac. C; Geog. C; Sc. 3; Art 2; Eng. C; Br. Hist. F; French 2. *Ernie Thompson—Math. F; B. Prac. C; Geog. F; Sc. C; Art 2; Eng. C; Br. Hist. F; French F. *Ena Van Der Griten—Math. 2; B. Prac. 2; Geog. 2; Sc. 3; Art 1; Eng. 3; Br. Hist. C; French F. GRADE X *Patricia Aldrie—Math. 1; Book. 2; Geog. 3; Sc. C; Eng. 1; Can. Hist. 1; French 1; Lat. 1. *Eleanor Allen—Math. 2; Book. 2; Geog. 2; Sc. 2; Eng. 3; Can. Hist. 2; French 1; Lat. 1. *Margaret Blow—Math. C; Geog. 3;

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Meeting War-Time Conditions The past month has provided many difficulties to our usual service in offering a varied supply of quality meats for our customers. Everyone is aware of the shortage of beef and the difficulty in securing adequate supply. It will be our constant endeavor to maintain the best variety at all times and you can be assured our standard of quality meat always will be upheld. As long as supplies are available we will do our best to secure a fair proportion for our customers. For your acceptance of the difficult situation we are appreciative. You'll find our counters always offer the best variety the market affords.

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Sc. 2; Eng. 3; Can. Hist. 3; French 3; Lat. 3. *Manuel Borkholder—Math. C; Geog. F; Sc. 3; Eng. 3; Can. Hist. F; French C; Lat. C. *Hartley Coles—Math. F; Geog. C; Sc. 3; Eng. C; Can. Hist. 2; French C; Lat. C. *Douglas Davidson—Math. 1; Book. 2; Geog. 2; Sc. 2; Eng. 3; Can. Hist. 3; French C; Lat. 2. *David Dilla—Math. C; Geog. C; Sc. 3; Eng. 3; Can. Hist. C; French F; Lat. F. *Betty Gibson—Math. C; Geog. C; Sc. C; Eng. 3; Can. Hist. C; French C; Lat. C. *Jack Gordon—Math. 3; Geog. 3; Sc. C; Eng. 3; Can. Hist. 2; French C; Lat. F. *William Kanis—Math. 2; Geog. 3; Sc. 1; Eng. 2; Can. Hist. 3; French 3; Lat. 3. *Howard Kilrick—Math. 1; Book. 1; Geog. 2; Sc. 1; Eng. 2; Can. Hist. 2; French 3; Lat. 2. *Jack Malnprize—Math. 1; Book. 3; Geog. 1; Sc. 1; Eng. 3; Can. Hist. 1; French C; Lat. C. *Earl Masales—Math. 1; Geog. C; Sc. C; Eng. C; Can. Hist. C; French F; Lat. F. *Dorothy Morris—Math. F; Geog. F; Sc. F; Eng. F; Can. Hist. F; French F; Lat. F. *Clayton Mullin—Math. 2; Geog. C; Sc. F; Eng. C; Can. Hist. C; French C; Lat. F. *May Nicol—Math. F; Geog. C; Sc. C; Eng. 2; Can. Hist. 2; French 2; Lat. 2. *Bessie Reid—Math. F; Book. F; Geog. C; Sc. 3; Eng. C; Can. Hist. 3; French C; Lat. F. *June Talbot—Math. 3; Book. 3; Geog. 3; Sc. 1; Eng. 3; Can. Hist. 1; French 1; Lat. C. *Rien Veldhuis—Math. C; Geog. C; Sc. C; Eng. C; Can. Hist. C; French F; Lat. F. *Lois Watson—Math. 3; Geog. F; Sc. C; Eng. C; Can. Hist. F; French C; Lat. C. *Warren Wood—Math. 3; Geog. 3; Sc. 1; Eng. 3; Can. Hist. 1; French F; Lat. C. GRADE XI *Edna Aitken—Geom. 1; Chem. 3; Eng. 3; A. & M. Hist. 2; French C; Lat. F. *Dorene Akins—Geom. 2; Chem. C; Eng. C; A. & M. Hist. 3; French F; Lat. F. *Evelyn Braida—Geom. 1; Chem. 1; Eng. 1; A. & M. Hist. 1; French 1; Lat. 1. *Frank Burgess—Geom. 1; Chem. 2; Eng. 2; A. & M. Hist. 1; French F; Lat. F. *Mabel Burkholder—Geom. F; Chem. 2; Eng. 3; A. & M. Hist. C; French C; Lat. F. *Dorothy Clayton—Geom. 2; Chem. F; Eng. 3; A. & M. Hist. C; French F; Lat. C. *Shirley Duval—Geom. 2; Chem. C; Eng. 1; A. & M. Hist. 1; French 3; Lat. 3. *George Hollinger—Geom. 1; Chem. C; Eng. 1; A. & M. Hist. 3; French F; Lat. F. *Isabel McLeod—Geom. 1; Chem. 3; Eng. 2; A. & M. Hist. 1; French C; Lat. C. *Mary Ritchie—Geom. 2; Chem. 2; Eng. 3; A. & M. Hist. 3; French 2; Lat. 3. *Charles Rushmere—Geom. C; Chem. F; Eng. C; A. & M. Hist. 1; French F; Lat. F. *Wanda Rutledge—Geom. 1; Chem. 3; Eng. 3; A. & M. Hist. 1; French 1; Lat. 1. *Margaret Smith—Geom. F; Chem. C; Eng. 2; A. & M. Hist. 1; French 3; Lat. C. *Ada Thompson—Geom. F; Chem. C; Eng. 3; A. & M. Hist. 2; French C; Lat. C. GRADE XII *Rena Braida—Geom. 1; Chem. 1; Eng. 1; Mod. Hist. 2; French 1; Lat. 2. *Samuel Brunelle—Geom. F; Chem. F; Eng. C; Mod. Hist. C; French C; Lat. F. *Jean Frank—Geom. 3; Chem. C; Eng. 1; Mod. Hist. 2; French 1; Lat. 2. *Dora Hanson—Geom. C; Chem. 2; Eng. 2; Mod. Hist. F; French 2; Lat. 2. *Kenneth Hassard—Geom. 1; Chem. 1; Eng. 2; Mod. Hist. 3; French C; Lat. F. *Helen McEachern—Geom. 2; Chem. C; Eng. 2; Mod. Hist. 3; French 2; Lat. 2. *Inez McLellan—Geom. C; Chem. C; Eng. C; Mod. Hist. 2; French 1; Lat. 2. *Donald Ross—Geom. 1; Chem. 1; Eng. 2; Mod. Hist. 1; French C. *Margaret Somerville—Geom. 1; Chem. C; Eng. 1; Mod. Hist. 1; French 1; Lat. 1. *George Taylor—Geom. 1; Chem. 1; Eng. 2; Mod. Hist. 1; French C; Lat. C. *Dora Wood—Geom. 3; Chem. C; Eng. 1; Mod. Hist. 1; French 2; Lat. 3.

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