

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Browning of Toronto, spent the week-end visiting here.

Mrs. Allan Smith and Harold Smith visited friends in Toronto over the week-end.

Mr. Herbert Hamilton of Toronto, visited his Mother, Mrs. Edith Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Currie over the week-end.

Miss Pat Scott of Galt visited during the week-end at the home of Rev. A. W. and Mrs. Foshury.

Misses Margaret and Ethel Watts of Burlington, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Perryman and family.

CARD OF THANKS

Kindness and sympathy that found expression in so many helpful ways at the time of the passing of our beloved mother, is indeed, deeply appreciated and will remain cherished memories with Mrs. G. A. Dills and Mrs. A. B. Lyon. Our grateful thanks to all.

Engagements

ENGAGEMENTS

Mrs. Beatrice Taylor wishes to announce the engagement of her youngest daughter, Beatrice Laura, to Arthur Roy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy of Toronto. The wedding is to take place the early part of November.

The Letter Box

Dear Citizens: This year, as in other years, the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League, through its 1694 branches and auxiliaries in Canada, is calling to the people of the Dominion that they should observe more than ever in solemn remembrance the symbolism which has become an integral part of remembrance Day observances, and asks that every man, woman and child wear a Poppy from Saturday, November 7th, to Wednesday, November 11th, in memory of those who laid down their lives in the Great War and of those men and women who have made the supreme sacrifice in the present conflict.

This appeal is not made on behalf of the Legion or of its members, but on behalf of all ex-service men who are in need. The collection and administration of the Poppy Fund has been entrusted to the Canadian Legion. This, however, does not mean that the Poppy Fund is part of the funds of the Legion. It is kept entirely separate and is not even treated as a part of the relief fund. It is rather considered as a trust fund which the Legion administers for the benefit of all ex-service men. In granting relief, members of the Legion receive no preference but all ex-service men stand on an equal footing. Any man who has served and who is in need, has a claim on this fund. The poppies and wreaths which you will be asked to buy are made by an organization of disabled ex-service men. These men are absolutely incapable of earning a living in any other way, and but for this industry, would be a charge on the public funds. If Poppy Day did nothing but keep these men self-supporting and self-respecting citizens, it would still be worthwhile.

The organization of Poppy Day, the sales of poppies, and the handling of monies collected, the investigation and relief of all applicants are done by voluntary workers. No man or woman connected in any way with this receives one cent as wages, salary, bonus, commission or allowance for expenses. All monies collected are placed in a special account which is controlled by a Board of Trustees of this branch. Every expenditure made is approved and every account checked by the Board. Every applicant for relief is investigated carefully but sympathetically. Relief may take the form of food, clothing, fuel, rent or medical assistance. It is practically never issued in cash. 1,162,023 citizens of Ontario wore a Poppy in Remembrance of last November, 1918, wreaths were placed in Churches and at Memorials, in honor of the dead.

Should any of our friends desire further information on any point in connection with Poppy Day activities, our Branch Secretary will be glad to supply it. The Canadian Legion is grateful for the hearty support they have always received from the general public to make the distressed ex-service man suffer, and it is our hope that there will be no partial or permanent black-out for them.

Give and give freely! GEO. MUSSELLE, Branch President.

GRANNY TAKES HER SHIFTS LONDON, (CP) — Mrs. Marion Howard, 52-year-old grandmother of 11 children and mother of eight, works an eight-hour shift, day or night, in a Ministry of Supply factory.

George Wallace

CLOTHES SHOP 112 Yonge St. (2nd Floor) Toronto Take the Elevator and Save Money

Are You Neglecting Your Eyesight?

IT DOES NOT PAY! If you need glasses why not call in and see E. P. HEAD R.O. 22 St. George's Square PHONE 1322 - GUELPH

Buses Leave

Table with bus routes: EASTBOUND TO TORONTO, WESTBOUND TO LONDON. Includes times for routes a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z.

Insurance

Fire, Farm, Auto, Liability, Bicycle, Plate Glass, Government War Damage and all general lines of insurance.

Real Estate

DWELLINGS Some choice dwellings for sale in town, with all conveniences, good state of repair from \$1,300 up. Also several large buildings that would make ideal apartment houses. Can be bought at reasonable prices. New Bungalow, all conveniences with clothes closets etc. Must be sold immediately as owner has emigrated. F. L. WRIGHT Insurance and Real Estate Broker (Registered) COOPER BLDG. - ACTON.

GREGORY THEATRE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30 "RIO RITA" Spectacular entertainment with Abbot & Costello, March of Time "Far East Command" Cartoon "Billion \$ Limited" Chapter 13 "Dick Tracy vs Crime" SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31 Matinee at 3:00 "STARDUST ON THE SAGE" Gene Autry, "Dardon My Stripes" William Henry, Tom Kennedy, Fox News. MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2 "SABOTEUR" Directed by Alfred Hitchcock with Robert Cummings, Priscilla Lane, Novelties "Woman in the House," "40 Boys and a Song"

Few Assessment Changes -- By-Law New Store Hours

(Continued from Page One)

fully assume responsibility thereafter for this structure. Mr. Beatty, said the Beardmore Co. desired an amicable settlement of this question which had been a disturbing one for years. He pointed out that the Company paid a big share of municipal services and the expenditure went to services in which they did not share. It was also drawn to the attention of Council that the Beardmore Co. had several voluntary arrangements which they maintained for the Corporation, such as the chlorination plant which had been a means of securing a better insurance rate for citizens.

The Beardmore Co. felt that they should not be called upon to maintain a public thoroughfare. The question was not one of the amount of money involved but rather one of a wrong principle in a private company maintaining a public road. Councillor Mason assured Mr. Beatty that Council was glad to cooperate with Beardmore & Co. in any reasonable way, but they also had a duty to all ratepayers. Advice secured already was to the effect that the bridge was solely a responsibility of the railway. The town had no negotiations regarding its construction. The records showed that the town had co-operated fully at the time in closing the streets requested. In view of this information it was not possible for council to enter into negotiations on a structure on which they had no concern, either in the building or maintenance. The matter was now before the Board of Transport Commissioners awaiting a hearing.

Mr. Beatty assured council that in this instance the railway's responsibility for maintenance was an obligation of maintenance by Beardmore & Co. as all costs were met by them in connection with the siding.

Mr. Mason explained the municipality's responsibility and the duty of council and also the desire for harmonious settlement of all problems. The procedure taken by the Council and the information already secured were fully explained. The final summing up of the discussion was that the problem was too complicated for any hasty decision and that Council should discuss it further at the special meeting the week following. Mr. Beatty urged a decision that would clear the issue for all time and Council also desired a clean-cut decision but felt only such a decision could be handed down by the Board of Transport Commissioners who would act on the matter.

The Clerk reported that the Honor Roll had arrived and asked Council to make a decision regarding what names were to be placed on it. The matter was left over for another meeting.

A letter from the Panther Oil Co. was read regarding the purchase of roofing material for the arena roof. It was expected this would arrive in a few days.

The Council acknowledged responsibility for payment of a hospital account for Hollis Dancy. Accounts were passed for payment as follows:

Table with financial items and amounts: Township of Esquimaux, taxes for 1942 \$ 11.31; Highway Garage, supplies 5.55; Elliott Bros., supplies 2.25; T. B. Weadon, cutting grass 25.20; T. Samela, frames for catch basin 8.00; Bell Telephone Co., services 8.55; E. E. Harrop, postage 1.72; A. McCutcheon, labor 45.50; Thos. Rumley, labor 3.50; G. Hutt, labor 7.50; John Locker, labor 1.40; N. Cutting, labor 2.45; Wm. Thompson, labor 1.40; Thos. O'Rourke, labor 7.00; J. B. MacKenzie & Son, supplies 328.68; Joseph Sand & Gravel, Ltd., gravel 68.20; Geo. Musselle, hire for mixer 30.00; A. McInnis, trucking re side-walks 29.00; Fred Cooper, rent of dump 50.00; E. McDowell, transportation 8.00. Total \$613.11

A letter from Night Constable John Locker requested that his salary be increased to \$80 per month plus a cost of living bonus. This was based on inquiry made on the amounts paid for similar duties in other municipalities. The Clerk was instructed to secure information from the Labor Board before any action was taken or decision was made. Chief Harrop was instructed to secure the necessary extra police for duty on "Hallowe'en".

The Clerk was instructed to make the arrangements for the municipal nominations next month. The Clerk was also instructed to prepare the usual interim statement.

The treasurer was asked to prepare a statement for the special meeting to see if any surplus funds in savings account could be invested in Victory Loan. The manager of the Gray Coach Lines had, disguised with Reeve McDonald's ruling confining travel to a fifty mile limit and Council discussed the matter and the effect it would have on Acton.

Weekly War Commentary

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

The extent of allied air superiority on the Western European front is becoming increasingly evident as British, Canadian and American planes smash almost daily against Nazi war industries and transportation system, both in Germany and occupied or Axis countries.

The newest development in the pattern of breaking up Axis facilities developed recently when allied fighters, apparently mostly R. C. A. F. planes, started blasting at railway locomotives, rolling stock and defensive installations such as anti-aircraft emplacements.

Losses in these raids have been light which is surprising in view of the fact they are almost all carried out in daylight. The raiders on these parties usually encounter heavy flak but not much fighter plane opposition, an indication that the Germans have their aircraft on the Russian front or they are falling behind in their production.

The Nazis have suffered some pretty severe blows to their air plan in the allied bombing of plants in occupied France and Germany which were making either airframes or engines.

Britain's Production

Capt. Oliver Lyttleton, British Minister of State in charge of producing all the Axis countries in air craft, warned, however, that Britain cannot produce more than she is now except through reforms in technique. The manpower supply available to war industry, his speech indicated, has reached the bottom.

That, of course, does not prevent the supply of aircraft from increasing. The other allied countries, the United States, Canada, Australia, for instance, have been expanding their aircraft industries as fast as they can. The United States, particularly, can go a lot further in its expansion. Canada and Australia having smaller populations, may be near the critical point of balance between labor and the armed forces, just as is Britain.

However, if, as Capt. Lyttleton said, British aircraft production tops that of the Axis nations, there is good cause to believe that the pasting Axis hands will get from now on well increased in severity and become, in effect, the artillery preparation for the planned allied offensive.

Bombers Over Italy

Genoa, Turin and Savona suffered severely last week from large-scale attacks by R. A. F. and R. C. A. F. bombers. The northern Italian cities are all important industrial and military centres and there are indications that Genoa took its worst beating of the war.

Apart entirely from the damage caused to Italy's war output the attacks are expected to bring about a further weakening in the morale of the Italian people, already smarting under their severe losses in Africa and the increasing pressure being brought to bear by their German allies.

The attacks were carried out with great four-motored Stirlings, Halifaxes and Lancasters as well as the smaller Manchesteres. All the raiding planes returned safely. Genoa is a key port for shipping supplies to North Africa and Turin is the site of the Royal Italian Arsenal.

On Eastern Front

The Battle for Stalingrad is in its third month, but still the defenders of the great Volga city hold out in its blackened ruins. Reports at the week-end indicated that Nazi assaults in the area were not so strong and for the fifth straight day soldiers of the Red Army held their positions.

Hitler's field headquarters asserted that German troops had seized part of the big Red October factory on the north side of the city and advanced to the Volga, but Russian communiques declared that all attacks against the plant had been repulsed despite a shower of 1,500 bombs.

In the snow-blanketed mountains of the Caucasus the Russians are putting up a remarkable defence against the Nazi drive on the Grozny oil fields. Red Army Headquarters admitted October 21 that the Germans had gained some ground, in their thrust along the Black-Sea coast toward Tsimps, south of Novorossisk.

Navy on Guard

It became known at the week-end that a powerful British naval force, including the battleships Warspite, Resolution and Royal Sovereign, and the aircraft carrier Illustrious, is protecting trade routes in the Indian Ocean. Over in the Pacific strong units of the United States Navy are backing up the drive in the Solomon Islands where Japanese troops have occupied more islands close to Guadalcanal.

Allied bombers are doing their utmost to relieve pressure on the U. S. forces in the Solomons by bombing vital Japanese concentrations at various strategic points. It was announced Oct. 23 that Allied bombers

in an attack on Rabaul, New Britain, had destroyed or damaged 10 Japanese ships, including a cruiser and destroyer.

Attack in Egypt

Gen. Sir Harold Alexander's 8th Army, backed up by Fighting French, Polish and Greek units, launched an attack on the El-Alamein front last Friday that may determine the fate of the Mediterranean this winter. The drive was concentrated in a comparatively small area near the Quattara depression, but if the preliminary movements are successful there is every probability it will develop into a full-scale offensive. The assault was made with strong air support and was preceded by heavy naval and air attacks on Tobruk and other supply bases and aerial bombing of the enemy's desert concentrations to the rear of the battlefield.

Early this week British troops had fought their way through miles of minefields protecting the main German positions and established lines which were held against Axis counter-attacks. It was reported Monday that 1,550 Axis prisoners, including 600 Germans, had been taken in the opening phase of the assault.

Optimistic Cairo dispatches reported that the Army of the Nile was successfully widening a road through the mine-field to permit the operation of Allied tanks in the vast desert area.

Allied fighters and bombers continued to dominate the skies over the battlefield and the Mediterranean and in all operations Monday shot down 18 Axis planes. Ten Allied planes were lost. At sea, heavy bombers blew up a merchantman and hit a tanker and barges in an attack on a convoy.

On the Russian front, Red Army reports this week stated: The Germans had been thrown back behind hills on the southern approaches to Stalingrad. The invaders were also ousted from a northside factory after a stubborn battle. A single Red Army division was credited with killing 4,000 Germans in six days on the southern sector.

Japa Press Attacks

Severe losses are being suffered by both sides in the fighting in the Solomons where Japanese invaders are making desperate efforts to break the American hold on Guadalcanal Island and its vital airport. Reports Tuesday indicated that marines and regular U. S. troops, under heavy assault by land, sea and air, were resisting firmly after beating off five tank and artillery attacks last Friday and Saturday.

The United States Navy announced the sinking of the aircraft carrier Wasp in the Solomons area, Sept. 15. In more recent fighting the destroyer Porter was lost and another aircraft carrier severely damaged. On the other hand the Japanese have suffered damage to two aircraft carriers, two heavy cruisers and a light cruiser and 22 of their planes have been shot down.

Demands New Front

Broadcasting Monday night on his trip to the Middle East, Russia and China, Wendell L. Willkie again called for a second front. The 1940 Republican candidate for the U. S. presidency called on the American people to vastly increase their production of war materials and appeal for clarification of American war aims.

Anniversary Services!

Acton United Church Sunday, Nov. 1st

Services at 11.00 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. GUEST PREACHER—REV. CLARENCE L. POOLE, B.D. GUEST SOLOIST—MRS. G. L. POOLE—JTE IVAN G. CHALMERS, R.C.A.S.C. EVERYBODY WELCOME

Fighting Dollars NOW Building Dollars THEN



THE DOLLARS you send to war NOW by buying Victory Bonds—will return to you when Victory is won, to help build a future for you and for Canada.

It's a small price to ask for Victory—this foregoing of pleasures and comforts for a time so that your dollars may be made available for war.

Self-denial is not to be compared to the sacrifices of those who are doing the fighting and dying.

And when victory is won, your dollars LOANED to Canada will be yours to use as you wish to build the kind of home, the kind of future, you now dream about.

Victory Bonds are the best INVESTMENT you can make. They are guaranteed by the full resources of the Dominion of Canada. They yield a fair rate of interest. They are readily saleable when you need the cash.

Nothing Matters Now But Victory

Buy the New

VICTORY BONDS FORCE ELECTRIC PRODUCTS ACTON, ONTARIO

COMMUNITY

Auction Sale!

Auspices of Acton and Vicinity War Service League

TOWN HALL, ACTON Wednesday, November 4th

SALE STARTS AT 8 P. M.

Fowl, Antiques, Clothing, Farm Produce, Fruit and Preserves, Novelties, Fancy Work and Quilts, Groceries, Home-made Baking, Livestock, Grain, Butter and Eggs, and Miscellaneous Articles too Numerous to Mention.

AUCTIONEERS

ROBERT AMOS, J. A. ELLIOTT, FRANK PETCH, ROY HINDLEY, WM. CHISHOLM, RUSSELL JOHNSON

Town Hall Open from 1 p.m. until Time of Sale to Receive Donations

GIVE ALL YOU CAN—BUY ALL YOU CAN

LUCKY DRAW ON CHRISTMAS CAKE AND 3 OTHER PRIZES