

Notice of Birth, Marriage and Death are inserted in this column at the rate of \$1.00 per line for the first week and 50c per line thereafter for each week.

Obituary

Weekly War Commentary

BORN
KELLY—On Sunday, February 28th, 1943, in Ottawa General Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Kelly, a baby sister for Martha.

BALCONI—Sergeant and Mrs. Charles Balconi (nee Audrey McCann) are happy to announce the birth of their son, at St. Joseph's Hospital, on March 2nd, 1943. Mother and baby doing nicely.

MARRIED
SMITH-PARISEN—In Toronto, on Saturday, February 27th, 1943, by Rev. V. J. Duggan, Marie Cecile Louise Parisen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Parisen of Hawthorn, Ontario, to R.C.A.F. pilot, James Douglas Smith, R.C.A.F. grandson of Mrs. Margaret Cole, of Ballinacree, Ontario.

DEED
MCCUTCHEON—At St. Joseph's Hospital, on Monday, March 1st, 1943, Jesse Raymond, beloved wife of Austin McCutcheon, in her 68th year.

MILLER—At her home, 15 Roy St., Kitchener, Ontario, on Monday, March 1st, 1943, Elizabeth Gertrude Thompson, beloved wife of Alfred Miller, aged 61 years.

LANE—At his late residence, R. R. No. 4, Acton, Ontario, on Tuesday, March 2nd, 1943, Jonathan Lane, beloved husband of Annie Poole.

The late Mr. Lane is resting at the Johnstone & Humley Funeral Home, Acton, where service will be held on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment at Limehouse Cemetery.

IN MEMORIAM
MASON—In loving memory of my dear sister Hazel who passed away March 3rd, 1932. Loved by your friends and all whom you knew. A wonderful sister, that sister was you.
Ever remembered by
LOTTIE

GIBBONS—In loving memory of the late John L. Gibbons who passed away March 1st, 1939. Sweet memories will linger forever. Time cannot change them. It's true. Our loving remembrance of you.
Ever remembered by
MR. and MRS. J. WATERS and **FAMILY**, Milton, Ont.

GIBBONS—In loving memory of a dear father, John L. Gibbons, who passed away March 1st, 1939. His dear bright eyes and cheerful face. Are so pleasant to recall. He had a loving word for each. And died beloved by all.
Ever remembered by his
SON and DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, WALTER and MARJORIE

MRS. ALFRED MILLER
Kitchener
Many friends here will learn with regret of the death on Monday of Mrs. Alfred Miller of Kitchener and formerly of Acton. Mr. and Mrs. Miller resided at 15 Roy Street in that city and death followed a rather lengthy illness. Mrs. Miller was before marriage Elizabeth Gertrude Thompson a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George C. Thompson and was born in Erin Township. For many years she was a resident of Acton and it was in Toronto that in 1908 she was joined in holy wedlock to Alfred Miller. Mrs. Miller was 61 years old.
Besides her husband she leaves one son, Alfred T. Miller also of Kitchener and four sisters, Miss Maude Thompson, Mrs. Blanche Brooks, Mrs. Ray Cook and Mrs. William Kilty, all of Toronto. One grandchild also remains. To all of these sympathy of many friends here goes in their bereavement.
The funeral was held on Thursday afternoon with service at the Ratz-Bebel Funeral Home in Kitchener, conducted by Rev. Frank Lawson, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Interment was made in Woodland Cemetery.

A VALUABLE DOG
A young lad was standing in a corner with his dog. He had posted a sign which read, "Dog for Sale, \$200." One morning a man going to work, noticed the boy and his dog and his sign, and he stopped and said, "Young man, I see you have a dog for sale." "Yes, sir, I sure have." "I see you've asking \$200 for him." "That's right," the lad replied. "You would take less, wouldn't you?" "No, not one penny less." The man went on, chuckling to himself. A few days later he passed the same corner and saw the same boy, but the dog and sign were gone. The man said, "Well, did you sell your dog?" "Sure did," he replied. "Did you get your price for him?" "Sure did." "How did you find anyone who would give you \$200 cash for your dog?" "I didn't," he replied. "I traded him for two \$100 cats."

RAIL INFORMATION STAFF FURNISHES MANY ANSWERS
Many travellers, many questions; that is the daily situation at Bonaventure Station of the Canadian National Railways in Montreal. Two information booths well staffed by men who have all the answers, are sometimes insufficient to cope with the spate of enquiries voiced during a busy day. These targets of interrogation frequently receive help from the booth operated by the Travellers Aid which absorbs quite a lot of question shock. One of the uniformed helpers related that during a recent rush an Australian airman came to the booth and asked: "How long will it be before I get to Montreal." The worker recovered and answered and the airman explained that he had passed through so many cities in his journey across Canada, that he really did not know his present location.

JOHN JOSEPH DUNN
John Dunn, a life-long and highly respected resident of Acton passed away at his home, Main St., Acton, on Sunday, February 21st, after a period of gradual ill-health. Mr. Dunn was born in the Acton district and had spent all his life here. He was a son of the late James Dunn and Catherine Foley. For many years he was a valued employee of the Boardman Co. here but about seven years ago retired from work.
Besides his wife, who was before marriage Mary Jane Gibbons, he leaves one son and three daughters, James at Kirkland Lake, Jennie of Orton, Sask.; Miss Anne at home and Irene (Mrs. N. Harrop) of Belleville. To all of these the sympathy of many friends here goes out in the loss they have sustained, of a kind and loving husband and father.
John Dunn was a quiet man but a man whose kindly manner and fair-mindedness won for him the respect of the whole community. He will be missed by many, but all who knew him will recall that this community owes much to his kind for his loyalty and good citizenship. He never aspired to public office but he was keenly interested in his home community. John Dunn was also loyal and true in his church affiliations at St. Joseph's Church of which he was one of the oldest members in years of continuous attendance. The funeral was held on Wednesday morning with requiem high mass by Rev. Father Morgan.
Burial was at Dublin Cemetery with prayers at the grave by Rev. Father Morgan. The pallbearers were Messrs. Joseph Flynn, Duncan McTavish, Lawrence Gibbons, Henry Arbie, Wm. Duval, Joseph Gibbons, Georgetown. Spiritual tributes were many and floral tributes were received from the following: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Arnold, Lakeside Chapter I.O.O.F., Directors of Boardman & Co., W. K. Graham, James and Vera, Mrs. H. A. Cox and family, Machine Shop, Boardman & Co., the family.

Nazis Fight Back
The German High Command is throwing many air squadrons and reserves into the fighting on the southern end of the Russian front. To avoid a disaster greater than that suffered at Stalingrad the Nazis have to extricate thousands of troops from the Donets Basin.
The weight of their counter-attacks has slowed up the crushing Russian advance and they have been aided by warmer weather which has churned up the ground, hampering quick movement of Red troops. But the Russian pincers movement is making steady, if slow, progress and it appears unlikely that the enemy will be able to keep the escape corridor west of Rostov and north of the Sea of Azov open much longer.
At the week-end, German opposition was strongest in the Kravtorsk area, some 120 miles northwest of Rostov, but the Russians declared that the Nazi counter-attacks had been repulsed and severe losses inflicted on the enemy. Further to the northwest Red armies are battling relentlessly to reach the Dnieper River, with Dnepropetrovsk their particular objective. The drive is being made on a 10-mile front west of the recently-captured cities of Kharkov and Kursk.

Rommel Backtracks
Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's offensive in central Tunisia has backfired and at the week-end the Germans had been forced to give up a large part of their gains. Their losses in men, tanks and equipment were believed to be heavy.
It would appear that the German general, in endeavoring to widen the corridor being kept open on the east for his retreating Africa Corps, over-extended his lines. The Allies rushed up strong tank formations and air squadrons, forcing the enemy to make a rapid retreat.
Kasserine, one of the three strongholds captured by Rommel in his push to the Algerian border, is again in Allied hands and reports indicated the Germans were preparing to evacuate Feriana and Sheblia.
In the meantime the British 8th Army operating in the southeast under command of Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery, is continuing to press the enemy and had penetrated the rugged gorge of Zizgau at the northern end of the March Line.
Capture of Sheblia by Allied forces was announced Tuesday. It was reported that British and American troops had pushed three miles beyond the town which is 18 miles northeast of Kasserine. Allied planes are active over the entire area.
In the north, attacks by the Axis General von Arnim have been repulsed and an Associated Press correspondent estimates that the enemy has lost 5,000 prisoners in northern Tunisia and in the recent fighting. Von Arnim's army advanced three miles at one point in attempting to flank the Allied base at Medjes el Bab on the line that menaces the Axis bases of Bizerte and Tunis, but latest reports indicate that the attack is stalled.

Timoshenko Again
Announcement of a new Russian offensive — this time in the Lake Ilmen sector south of Leningrad — was made at Moscow early this week. The drive is being led by Marshal Semeon Timoshenko, last heard from months ago on the Kharkov-Kursk front.
The new thrust is another in the series of hammer blows being made against German defences on the long Eastern Front. Warmer weather and consequent muddy terrain has slowed up the Soviet offensive in the south, but the Russians have a month or more in which to attack over frozen lands in the north.
Moscow reported Monday that Russian troops had swept over 900 square miles of territory in the Lake Ilmen area, between Moscow and Leningrad. The important town of Demyanak and 300 other populated places had been taken in an eight-day offensive against the German 16th Army. Timoshenko has a dual purpose in

starting the new drive. He aims to cut through to the Baltic states and to draw German troops from the south.
Berlin Attacked
R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. bombers made their 58th raid of the war on Berlin Monday night. It was the heaviest attack the German capital has experienced and 19 planes failed to return. The night's operations also included bombing of other targets in western Germany, mine-laying in enemy waters and fighter intruder patrols over France.
It was revealed that approximately 1,000 tons of bombs were loosed on the German capital in 30 minutes. Fires were started which crews of returning planes could see from as far away as Bremen and Hanover.

The Letter Box
Mr. A. Dills, Editor and Publisher, Across Faux Pass, Well there has been a couple of months' water run under the bridge since I last wrote you, but I have been very busy since my return to Halifax from Quebec City last January 18th. Just arrived here in time to take an advanced course in gunnery. A. Q. R. 3 course, or as it is known by its proper name, a Quarter's Rating, Third Class. We had five weeks and a half on it, all of us old timers, and all of the old suicide squad, (former A.A.L.G.'s, which is wiped now) and most of us had served at sea for from 6 months to a year and a half as gunlayers, a Q.R. 2 Rating. But that is over for now, and it meant a lot of hard study, but the end is worth it. We also had to get back in the rut of "Naval Routine," again as they are very "Fussce" in the gunnery school, which is something new for us of the D.E.M.S. Rating.
And now I am going back to work in the same office that I was stationed in before I requested my last draft and was sent to Quebec for a month, and that means more shore life. Well I think I'll stick around for awhile on the chance of a couple of more courses, if possible, and then me for a little more sea activity. I really am not very well pleased with the idea, and prospects of too long a stay ashore, but I might just as well "drop my hooks" for awhile and try and pick up my Q.R. 2 rating and Leading Seaman rating while, and if I have the opportunity. Then just watch my "wake" to sea.
I was sure surprised and pleased about a week ago to hear from an old friend, Corporal O'Hara.
I receive my "Faux Pass" regularly now since I quit roaming around the world, and it sure is grand to hear all the home news every week.
While I think of it I shall just pass along an old traditional custom of the Navy and the Army, a fact of which very few people know, even those in the army. I'll simplify it by putting it in question form first.
Why does a soldier salute, with palm of his hand facing his front, or palm outward?
Why does a sailor salute with palms of hand inward, or away from his front?
I'll give you time to try and figure that one out by adding a few more lines, or better still I give the answer in my next letter to you. A good chance for you and your readers to test your naval and army knowledge. There is a reason, in the olden days of course, why those salutes are carried out as they are. Can any of you people think of a reason why?
Well Mr. Dills I cannot think of anything else of interest to write about so I guess I shall close.
Yours sincerely,
H. V. DRON,
O.B., Q.R.N., R.C.N.R.

Watch Your Hat!
Every right-thinking wife will immediately recognize the menace of the latest Rickenbacker legend. The legend runs that despite the urgings of his wife Eddie Rickenbacker refused to throw away an old hat that was a favorite of his; and that the hat went along on the Pacific trip and there served him as a shield for his eyes and a collector of rain water. If this story gets widespread circulation, what wife will ever be able to get what husband to throw away what hat? The old story that the hat was being saved for a rainy day, for a fishing trip, for the country—that will be retired and the stubborn husband will merely say, "What good enough for Rickenbacker is good enough for me." Or he'll say indignantly, "You don't want me to throw away my emergency hat, do you?" In every man's life and clothes closet—there are one or two old hats that he seldom wears and never willingly discards. With the moral backing of Eddie Rickenbacker the owner of a few old hats now feels as secure as he had padlocked the closet.—New York Sun.

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Fire in Milan's Industrial Area During R.A.F. Daylight Attack



In synchronization with the 8th Army's attack on the Axis in Egypt, the R.A.F. carried out a great offensive on the heart of Italy's war industries and communications lying in the Milan, Genoa, Turin Triangle. Two devastating day and night blows at Milan followed. Within 4 hours of one another, fires started in the daylight raid lighting up the target for the night attackers. The Italians admitted that great damage was caused.
Picture shows a well established fire burning in Milan industrial area at the beginning of the daylight attack. View from an R.A.F. attacking bomber at about 4,000 feet.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL HOLDERS OF SLAUGHTER PERMITS and of LICENCES TO SLAUGHTER HOGS

Because of the urgent need of securing the quantities of BACON and other PORK PRODUCTS necessary to meet the wartime requirements of the United Kingdom, and the consequent necessity of curtailing slaughter for domestic use in Canada,

the following action has been taken under a new Order of THE BACON BOARD, concurred in by THE WARTIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD.

ON AND AFTER MARCH 1st 1943

Persons not already licensed to slaughter hogs under previous orders of THE BACON BOARD, but holding slaughter permits from THE WARTIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD, shall not exceed 75% of their 1941 average weekly number of hogs, slaughtered by or for them for sale or further processing in Canada. (See following paragraphs for further explanation regarding areas concerned).

THIS ORDER APPLIES . . .

. . . to all who hold slaughter permits from THE WARTIME PRICES AND TRADE BOARD and who are located in what is generally known as Old Ontario; to all those holding such permits and located in or slaughtering for sale in any town or city with a population of over 5,000 in the Maritimes, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, and that part of British Columbia known as greater Vancouver.

THIS ORDER DOES NOT APPLY . . .

. . . to holders of slaughter permits in any part of what is generally known as New or Northern Ontario, or British Columbia excepting the greater Vancouver area;

. . . it does not apply to farmers slaughtering hogs for consumption on their own farms only. (These do not require slaughter permits and are not subject to this new Order.)

Persons already licensed to slaughter hogs under previous orders of THE BACON BOARD will continue operations under their present status. That is, they are still restricted to 50% of their 1940 weekly average for distribution or sale in Canada.

Approved and Concurred:
D. Gordon, Chairman,
The Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

Approved:
J. G. Taggart, Chairman
The Bacon Board.

This and that
—And this is March.
—The Lenten season commences next Wednesday.
—Two weeks from Sunday is spring—according to the calendar.
—Failure to have radio licenses when the inspector called cost several residents fines of \$4.00 in addition to securing a license in police court here.
—A detailed freight car on Saturday morning on the C.N.R. near Limehouse caused a tie-up in traffic on the morning trains for several hours.
—On February 22nd Mrs. Wm. Cooper picked seven fine panicles in her garden on Main Street. The indications of spring continue to multiply even if we do get some setbacks.
—In spite of the fact that the usual number of copies of The Faux Pass were printed last week there was a shortage in meeting the demand. We are sorry but newspaper is now rationed and we must keep within certain defined limits. Subscriptions not paid in advance must be deleted from our lists to keep within these limits.

Red Cross Needs \$3,200 From Acton and District

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800 food parcels each week. As a result of this volunteer work, careful purchasing and free transportation by rail, cost of each parcel has been kept down to approximately \$2.50 laid down in Geneva.
Another service for prisoners, inaugurated by the Canadian Red Cross immediately after Dieppe, provides "capture" parcels for every member of the Canadian armed forces in enemy hands. Unlike food parcels, each "capture" parcel is individually addressed to the prisoner as soon as notification of his capture has been cleared through the International Red Cross. Included are such necessary items as warm clothing, underwear and toilet articles, sufficient to last the prisoner until his first next-of-kin parcel arrives.
Prisoner of war service has become one of the most important and appreciated undertakings of the Canadian Red Cross and, at the same time, the most costly. More than half of the proceeds of the present Canadian Red Cross Campaign to raise ten million dollars will be required to finance this service during the coming year.

Acton District Needs \$3,200 March is the Red Cross Month