

Deaths of Mrs. Barbara and Death of Mrs. M. J. ...

CHARTERS - At Stratford, on Saturday, May 22nd, 1943, Jane Ellen Charters, widow of the late Samuel Charters.

LAMBERT - Suddenly at Geest General Hospital, on Saturday, May 22nd, 1943, Raymond (Ray) Lambert, beloved son of Nelson and Alice Lambert, in his 34th year.

HILTZ - At Western Hospital, Toronto, on Friday, May 22nd, 1943, Mary Ann Seabill, widow of the late John Hiltz, in her 80th year.

BEARDMORE - On Monday, May 24th, 1943, at Toronto, as result of pneumonia, aged 21 years, beloved son of Katharine Mackenzie Beardmore, 6 Beaumont Road, Toronto, and the late Walter Beardmore.

IN MEMORIAM ANDERSON - In loving memory of our niece, Connie, who passed away May 25th, 1941.

Not just to-day, but every day, In silence we remember.

AUNT BERTHA and UNCLE ADAM ANDERSON - In loving memory of our dear friend, Bertie, who died May 25th, 1941.

She was only a little white rosebud, A sweet little flower from birth.

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I cannot say, and I will not say, That she is dead, she is just away.

With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand, She has wandered into an unknown land.

Always missed by MUMMIE, DADDIE, RONNIE and DONNIE.

NELLIS - In loving memory of Geo. Nellis, who died on May 26th, 1942.

One by one they go before us, They are fading like the dew.

But we know they're watching o'er us, They, the good, the fair, the true.

They are waiting for us only, Where no pain can ever mar.

Dear one who left us lonely, Watch us through the gates ajar;

There's a father, Gone within those gates ajar.

Sadly missed by WIFE and FAMILY.

Among the floral tributes which also bore testimony of sympathy and esteem, were those from the family, the brothers and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. H. Levens and family; Guthrie Brothers; Miss Heta Ritchie; Employees of The Canadian Wool Company; Staff of The Canadian Wool Company; Miss Pearl Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Simmons and family; Nancy, Claire and Roger Lambert; Joyce, Betty and Marie Lambert; Dolores and Darlene Lambert; Mr. and Mrs. N. McEachern; Mr. Geo. Hiltz; Mr. and Mrs. J. Campbell Currie; Mr. and Mrs. John Lambert and family; Misses E. Steward, I. McCrae, E. Marriott, J. King, M. Norriah, L. Ferguson, L. Sprowl and M. Simpson, Nurses of Guelph; Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Rumley; Ladies' Aid of Acton United Church; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Talbot; Bible Class and the Young People's Association of the United Church; Friendly Circle and the United Church; Rev. E. A. Brooks and friends of St. Alban's Church.

Mr. Wm. McLeod has purchased the McDowell property on Main St. The sale was arranged by F. L. Wright during the week.

Meat rationing is effective to-day. For details see announcement on Page Six of this issue of The Free Press.

Mr. Leo Roach purchased the house and lot on Church Street belonging to the estate of the late Mrs. H. Awrey at the sale on Saturday.

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Missionary, 72 Stayed at Post

British Nurse in Solomon Islands Braved Jap Invaders

WIGAN, England, (CP) - For 11 months Mrs. Emily Sprott of this Lancashire town lived in the bush of a Solomon Island partly held by the Japanese. She stayed there, despite the privation it meant for a woman of 72 years, because she wanted to help the natives.

A missionary, she was found on the island by American troops who were mopping up the Japanese detachments. She was taken by plane to New Zealand and wrote to friends in Wigan of her adventures.

During Japanese bombing raids on the settlement of Yasol Mrs. Sprott crouched in the bush comforting frightened native children. They were forced to evacuate the settlement and with native workers the woman missionary took what medical supplies were available and fled into the bush where she established a hospital of sorts.

The first white patients were Allied fighter pilots rescued by the natives and brought to Mrs. Sprott, a fully trained nurse, after their plane had crashed in the area. In a letter written after her rescue to friends here Mrs. Sprott said, "The natives assisted me in nursing wounded pilots who dropped from the sky and looking after the prisoners."

Obituary

RAYMOND (Ray) LAMBERT

The community was indeed shocked to learn of the death on Saturday of Ray Lambert. On Friday he had undergone a thyroid operation and seemed to be making satisfactory progress, and until Saturday afternoon when he suddenly passed away. He was in his thirty-fourth year.

Ray Lambert was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Lambert, Main Street and was born in Erie Township, although he has spent most of his life in Acton. He was a favorite among the young people and a lover of all sports. He was active in the Y.M.C.A. and in church organizations and at the Hamilton hospital a few weeks ago, returned home last Friday.

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Weekly War Commentary

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Allied bombers based in North Africa and Egypt at the week-end continued the series of devastating raids on the Italian Mainland and Axis-held islands in the western and eastern Mediterranean. Sicily, Sardinia and Pantelleria and islands in the Aegean Sea were the principal objectives.

It was estimated that approximately 300 Axis aircraft had been shot down or were destroyed on the ground in sweeping aerial combats and raids on airfields. Heavy attacks were also made on Reggio Calabria and San Giovanni in southern Italy. Allied losses in all these operations were light enough to be considered negligible.

Victory at Attu United States forces at the week-end had herded the remnants of the Japanese force occupying Attu in the Aleutians to a rocky headland and it appeared that the Japanese would be mopped up in a short time. It is believed that when the Americans landed on Attu in the middle of May the enemy had from 2,000 to 3,500 men on the island.

Prime Minister Churchill before the joint session of the United States Congress made it clear that nothing short of the complete conquest of Japan would satisfy the United Nations and the battle in the Aleutians is regarded as the first step of a great offensive in the great western ocean. Plans to the war in the Pacific was given later by President Roosevelt who said that far and away the greater part of American armed forces now overseas were in this theatre of war.

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