Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths are inserted in this column without charge. In Memoriam Notices, per line (six words to line) additional for poetry.

BORN

NELLIS—In Acton on Wednesday, November 17th, 1943, to Mr. and Mrs. Mansel Nellis, a son.

DIED

HARDIE—Suddenly at Acton, Ont., on Monday, November 8th, 1943, Charles Hardie, son of the late John and Janet Hardie, in his 69th year.

Le PAGE—Suddenly on Tuesday, November 16th, 1943, at his home, 2245 Dundas Street west, Henry T. Le Page, in his 90th year, husband of the late Margaret Moore, father of A. E., Mrs. Norman Collett (Bessie), Mrs. Douglas Twigg (Lillian), and Morley Le Page.

IN MEMORIAM

McTAVISH—In loving memory of my dear wife, Mary L. McTavish, who passed away November 13th, 1938.
Lovingly remembered by
HUSBAND.

LOCKER—This poem was written by Oscar Locker in memory of his little son, Wayne, who died a year ago.

'Twas the hour after midnight
That our darling passed away.
He now lives in a better land
Where there is no night, for its all day.
You could hear the angels whisper
As his time was drawing nigh
God knows when to call his loved ones
Up to his home on high.
That dreary night when we came home
All we had was his empty cot.
He's long to be remembered
For we'll forget him not.
Now he's flying with the angels,
Flying like a little dove.
He'll always remain in our minds
And our eternal love.
He left us broken hearted.
He left us all so sad.
Until we meet with him again,
And then we'll all be glad.
He used to toddle down the pathway
And I'd always meet him there.
I hope to meet him just the same,
Upon the golden stair.
Sadly missed by
MOTHER, DADDY,
SISTERS and BROTHERS

This and that

—A real taste of winter this week.

—Time to put on the winter flannels any day now.

—Please check the date on your mailing label. We'll be glad to adjust it with your co-operation.

—Please remember to send in your copy as early as possible. Don't wait until the day before publication.

—The Warden's Dinner is announced for Saturday, November 27, at the Estaminet in Burlington. Acton's Reeve, Warden J. M. McDonald, will be host.

—The latest time for copy to be sure of insertion is Wednesday at five o'clock. Items received later will of necessity be delayed until the following week.

—The Acton Boys' Band will take part in the Christmas parade to be held in Brampton on November 26th and all the children of the district are invited to be in the parade.

—Perhaps it was just a co-incidence but Acton Council was certainly on the job to time the arrival of the new snow plow exactly with the first fall of this winter's snow.

—Acton Branch of the Navy League received donations this week of $1 from R. R. Parker; S. Snow $2; J. C. Matthews $1; Mason Knitting Co. employees $12; Beardmore Co. Foremen's Association, $16.

—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Soper will observe their 59th wedding anniversary on Friday, November 19th. We join with many other friends in extending hearty congratulations and the wish that they will enjoy many more such anniversaries together.

SISTER SUBS FOR EDITOR-BROTHER

HERBERT, Sask. (CP)—If you wish to write an irate letter to the editor, to insert an advertisement or to buy a subscription to the Herbert Herald—address it to Miss Erna Firus. Miss Firus is the Herbert Herald since her editor-brother, Arthur, joined the R.C.A.F.

With the help of her two teen-age brothers, pretty Miss Firus, a former school teacher, is turning out the 450 circulation weekly, which has been publishing for the past 30 years. Eric, 14, runs the flat-bed press and Robert 12, folds the papers and does odd jobs on mailing day. Miss Firus does all the rest.

SCOUTMASTER GETS THREE NAZIS

A Scoutmaster whose home is at Coventry, England, and who is serving in the R.A.F. was shot down behind the German lines in Tunisia. Taking refuge with a French farmer, the Scoutmaster saw three Nazis arrive for a wash. Arming himself with one of their revolvers, he captured the three and marched them off to the British lines as prisoners of war.

Rationing Problems? Get the Answer Here

Mrs. J. R.: Is evaporated milk rationed?

Answer: No, but because of a possible shortage, grocers must keep a certain quantity of stock available for infant feeding. Surplus milk, however, is sold generally. In districts where no surplus occurs it is necessary for adults, who require it to obtain special coupons from the Local Ration Board. A doctor's certificate must accompany the request.

Miss E.S.: Has molasses been removed from the list of rationed goods?

Answer: Imported molasses is not rationed but practically all our local supply is of domestic manufacture which is still rationed.

Mrs. M. M. E.: Where may I obtain prices on different cuts of lamb?

Answer: Your butcher is required by law to display a poster showing prices of all cuts of lamb. The prices are effective until December 31st.

ANOTHER USE FOR A SCOUT HAT

Quick thinking by a Scoutmaster in Oklahoma saved him the loss of his car. When two thieves stopped him in his car he happened to be in Scout uniform. He immediately switched on his dashboard lights and radio and shouted "Calling all cars, Calling all cars." Believing him to be a highway patrolman, who wear similiar hats, the thieves promptly beat a hasty retreat.

AUCTION SALE

REGISTERED and GRADE JERSEY COWS, FROM FULLY-AC-CREDITED HERD

The undersigned has received instructions from
HOWARD MAY
to sell by Public Auction at lot 2, concession 11, Esquesing, 3 miles south of Norval, on
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19th
at 1.30 p.m., the following:
Registered Cow, 3 years old, fresh; Registered Cow, 3 years old, fresh; Registered Cow, 3 years old, fresh; Registered Cow, 3 years old, fresh; Registered Cow, 5 years old, fresh; Registered Cow, 4 years old, fresh; Registered Cow, 5 years old, calf at foot; Registered Cow, 7 years old, calf at foot; Registered Cow, 3 years old, bred in November; Registered Cow, 10 years old, bred in November; Registered Cow, 5 years old, bred in October; Registered Cow, 4 years old, bred in October; Registered Cow, 5 years old, bred in March; Registered Cow, 5 years old, bred in April; Registered Cow, 6 years old, bred in June; Registered Cow, 6 years old, due in December; Registered Cow, 12 years old, due in December.
GRADE JERSEY COWS—Cow, 3 years, fresh; Cow, 3 years, fresh; Cow 3 years, fresh; Cow, 3 years, fresh; Cow, 3 years, fresh; Cow, 4 years, fresh; Cow, 5 years, fresh; Cow, 5 years, fresh; Cow, 6 years, fresh; Cow, 4 years, bred in October; Cow, 5 years bred in October; Cow, 6 years, bred in June; Cow, 6 years, due time of sale; Cow, 6 years, due in December; Cow, 5 years, due in January.
This comprises the entire milking herd. All animals have been raised on the farm.
TERMS—CASH
FRANK PETCH, Auctioneer
W. A. Wilson, Clerk.

MORTGAGE SALE

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE of the Powers of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be offered for sale by
FRANK PETCH, Auctioneer
at
PUBLIC AUCTION
on
MONDAY, DECEMBER 6th, 1943
at the hour of one o'clock, E. D. S. T. in the afternoon at the farm of Isabella C. Mason, of Campbellville, Ontario, the following property, namely:
ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Nassagaweya, County of Halton, being composed of the west or southwesterly half Lot 14, Con. 3, of said Township, containing by admeasurement 100 acres more or less as described in Mortage No. 8239 to the Agricultural Development Board.
At the same time and place, under the authority of a Distress Warrant there will be offered for sale the following chattels:
1 Bay Mare, 13 years; 1 Black Mare, 13 years; 1 Black Horse, 4 years; 1 Iron Gray Mare, 2 years; 3 Jersey Cows; 2 Grade Durham Cows; 4 Grade Durham Heifers, 1 year; 2 Calves, 5 months; 2 Yorkshire Brood Sows; 6 Yorkshire Pigs, 2 months.
1 Binder, 6 ft. Massey Harris; 1 Mower, 5 ft. Deering; 1 Steel Rake 10 ft.; 1 Drill, 11 spout; 1 Cultivator; 1 set Drag Harrows, 4 sections; 1 Steel Roller; 1 Walking Plow No. 4, Massey-Harris; 1 Wagon and Rack; 1 Cream Separator, Melotte; 1 set of Sleighs; 5 tons Hay; 3 loads of wheat and 10 loads oats in barn not threshed.
On the said farm there is said to be erected a dwelling house with suitable farm buildings.
The lands will be sold subject to a reserve bid.
Terms of Sale of Chattles—Cash
Terms of Sale of Land—Twenty-five per cent. of the purchase price to be paid down at the time of the sale, the balance to be secured by a mortgage with interest at four per cent. per annum.
For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to
Commissioner of Agricultural Loans
East Block, Parliament Buildings,
TORONTO, Ontario.
Dated at Toronto this Twelfth day of November, 1943. 21-3

CLEARING AUCTION SALE

IN TRAFALGAR TOWNSHIP

FARM STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, HAY GRAIN, ETC.

The undersigned has received instructions from the Executors of the Estate of the
LATE FRED MAY
to sell by Public Auction at lot 15, concession 10, Township of Trafalgar, 2 miles east of Hornby, on:
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24th
commencing at One o'clock sharp, the following:
HORSES—1 Gray Percheron Mare, 9 years; 1 Brown Percheron Gelding, 8 yrs.; 1 Brown Clyde Mare, 12 yrs.
CATTLE—1 Reg. Shorthorn Cow, due in December; 1 Reg. Shorthorn Heifer, fresh; calf at side; 2 Reg. Shorthorn Heifers, calves at side; 1 Grade Shorthorn Cow, fresh; 1 Grade Shorthorn Cow, due time of sale; 1 Grade Shorthorn Heifer, calf at side; 1 Grade Shorthorn Cow, fat.
YOUNG CATTLE—3 Durham Steers fat; 3 Durham Steers, 1 year old; 3 Durham Calves, 10 months old; 1 Baby Beef, 10 months old; 3 Veal Calves; 1 Reg. Shorthorn dual purpose Bull, 2 years old.
HOGS—9 Fat Pigs; 1 Fat Sow; 10 Chunks, 3 months old.
HAY and GRAIN—100 bus. New Wheat; 50 bus. Old Wheat; 200 bus. Mixed Grain; quantity of Timothy Seed; quantity of Alsike Seed; 50 ton Timothy and Mixed Hay; quantity of Potatoes.
POULTRY and POULTRY EQUIPMENT—140 Hybrid Pullets; 50 Hybrid Hens, 1 year old; 1 Coal Brooder, 1,000 chick capacity; Hoppers and Fountains.
IMPLEMENTS—7 ft. McD. Binder; 5 ft. Frost & Wood Mower, oil-bath; Cockshutt Culti-packer; Disc Harrow; 12 plate; Spring Tooth Drag Cultivator, 3 sections, new; Spring Tooth Cultivator, wheel; 2-furrow Plow; Single Walking Plow; 2 set Harrows, 3 section; Hay Rake; Wagon and Rack; M. H. Drill, 11 hoe; Windrower; Set of Bobsleighs; Market Wagon; Stoneboat; Straw Rack; Oil Drums; Sacks; Horse Blankets; Horse Clippers; Grindstone; Wheelbarrow; Pig Crate and Scale; Platform Scales; Fanning Mill; Crosscut Saw; Pump Jack; Gas Engine, 1½ h.p.; 2 Delco Motors; Root Pulper; Cream Separator; set of Heavy Backband Harness; Odd Collars, Forks, Hoes, Chains, Shovels, Bars and other articles too numerous to mention.
TERMS—CASH
Positively No Reserve.
J. A. ELLIOTT, Auctioneer
R. R. No. 3, Milton
J. F. Robinson, Clerk B

EXECUTOR'S SALE

IN PAISLEY BLOCK GUELPH TWP.

FARM STOCK, IMPLEMENTS FURNITURE, ETC.

We have received instructions from THE GUELPH TRUST CO, Executors to sell by public auction the farm equipment of the
LATE GEORGE FYFE
at lot 4, con. 3, Div. B., Guelph, situated ¾ mile N. W. of the Hespeler-Guelph Highway, 4 miles S. W. of the city of Guelph on
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 24th, 1943
Commencing at 11.30 a. m.:
HORSES—Chestnut General Purpose Mare, 5 years old; Bay Gelding general purpose, 7 years old; Black Gelding, general purpose, 9 years old; Grey Percheron Mare, 9 years old; Black Percheron Gelding, 10 years old; White Percheron Gelding, aged.
COWS—Roan Cow, milking well, bred Sept. 28; Red Cow, milking well, bred Sept. 1; Red Cow, milking well, bred Aug. 26; Red Cow, milking well; Red Cow, milking well, bred in June; The above cows are well bred Shorthorn cows.
JERSEYS—Jersey Heifer, milking well, bred Aug. 27; Jersey Cow, milking well, bred July 30; Jersey Cow, due at sale date.
YOUNG CATTLE — 4 Shorthorn Grades, rising 2 years; 1 Angus Heifer, rising 2 years; 5 Choice Spring and Summer calves.
Pure bred Shorthorn Bull, Underwood Standard (261392) bred by H. A. McCullough, Georgetown, born April 12, 1942. This bull is a Marr Missie and out of a heavy milking dam.
This is a herd without a reactor.
HOGS—York Sow; 12 Choice Weaners; Pure bred Yorkshire Boar, bred by G. Crow, Hespeler.
SHEEP—18 Grade Suffolks; 16 Lambs.
POULTRY and EQUIPMENT—Jamesway coal oil Brooder Stove; Buckeye Incubator; Troughs, Hoppers, Crates, etc.; 50 Barred Rock Pullets; 50 White Leghorn Pullets.
IMPLEMENTS—M. H. Binder, 6 ft. cut; Deering Mower; Frost & Wood Drum Hay Loader; M. H. side delivery Dump Rake; M. H. 13 spout Seed Drill; Spring Tooth Cultivator; 2 sets of Harrows; M. H. Corn Cultivator; Scuffler; Steel Land Roller; Manure Spreader; Two-row Corn Planter; Two-furrow Riding Plow; 2 Walking Plows; Potato Plow; Turnip Sower; Cutting Box; Horse Clippers; Fanning Mill; 2,000 lbs. Scales; Forge; Anvil; set of Jardine Taps and Dies; Blacksmith's Tools; Carpenter's Tools; Barrels, Boxes, Fence Stretcher, Bag Truck, Bags, Forks, Hoes, Shovels, Bars, Whiffletrees, Neckyokes, etc; 2 Lumber Wagons; Wagon Box; Hay Rack; Gravel Box; Bench Sleighs; Cutter; 2 Buggies.
POWER MACHINERY—Sawyer & Massey Peerless Grain Separator, equipped with chaff blower and grain elevator (hand feed straw carrier) in good running condition; Sawyer & Massey Tractor, old style, would make a good power unit; I. H. C. 3-horsepower Engine, in good repair; Circular Saw; Maple Leaf Chopper; Grain Roller with elevators and bagger; Speed Jack; Pulleys, Belting etc.
HARNESS — Set Team Harness with breechings; Set Team Backband Harness; Set Single Harness; Collars; Blankets; Set of fancy Spread Rings.
GRAIN—250 bus. Mixed Grain.
HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS—2 Bedroom Suites, complete; 2 Sofas; 6 Dining room Chairs; Rocking Chairs; Bookcase; Cupboard; Enamel Sink; Egg Grading Scales; Baby Buggy; Tables; M. H. No. 7 Cream Separator good as new; Milk Pails, etc.; Daisy Churn; Butter Bowl and other small household articles.
TERMS—CASH
No Chattles to be removed till settled for. S. S. No. 6 Community Club will have a lunch counter on the grounds.
For further particulars apply to
ROY HINDLEY, Auctioneer,
Phone 15r6 Erin—R.R. No. 3, Acton
or
The Guelph Trust Company
Corner Wyndham and Cork St.
Guelph, Ont.

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

The undersigned auctioneer has received instructions from
FRED ARMSTRONG
to sell by public auction at lot 2, concession 6, Township of Nassagaweya, two miles west of Milton, on
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26
at 1.00 p.m. the following:
PERCHERON, BELGIAN, CLYDE COLTS—2 Chestnut Belgians, rising 4 years; 5 Percherons, rising 5 years; 28 Percherons and Belgians, rising 2 years; 3 Percherons, rising 1 year; 5 Suckling Colts, just weaned.
CATTLE—10 Close Springers, Holstein, Durham and Ayrshire Cows; 15 one-year old Durham stockers.
Everything goes to the highest bidder as the proprietor has neither accommodation or help to winter this stock.
TERMS—CASH
J. A. ELLIOTT, Auctioneer

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

OF MILK COWS AND YOUNG CATTLE

The undersigned has received instructions from
ALEX. ROSS
to sell by public auction at his farm, lot 23, concession 1, Township of Esquesing, on
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25th
at Two o'clock, his entire herd of Milk Cows and Young Cattle, including:
1 Durham and Holstein Cow, due time of sale; 1 Durham and Jersey Heifer, fresh, calf at side; 1 roan Durham Heifer, fresh; 1 Holstein Heifer, due Jan. 1; 1 Durham Cow, due Feb. 1, milking well; 1 Holstein Cow, due Feb. 20, milking well; 1 black Cow, due Mar. 8, milking well; 1 Durham Cow, bred in July, milking well; 1 Jersey Cow, bred July 1, in full flow; 1 Jersey Cow, bred Sept. 22, in full flow; 1 part Ayrshire and Hereford Cow, calf at side; 1 part Ayrshire and Hereford Cow, calf at side; 1 part Jersey and Durham Cow, calf at side.
YOUNG CATTLE—7 Steers, Durham, yearlings; 4 Heifers, Durham, yearlings; 1 Heifer, Jersey, yearling; 1 Veal Calf; 1 Baby Beef; 1 pail-fed Calf; 1 Dual-pdrpose Bull, 2 years old, eligible for registration.
About 400 bus. Turnips.
TERMS—CASH
J. A. ELLIOTT, Auctioneer
L. McMillan, Clerk. B

CLEARING AUCTION SALE

IN GUELPH TOWNSHIP

HIGH CLASS TRACTOR MACHINERY, IMPLEMENTS, HORSES, YORK HOGS, 16 REGISTERED JERSEY AND GRADE SHORTHORN COWS

The undersigned has received instructions from
L. BROWN
to sell by Public Auction at his farm, lots 11 and 12 on the Fifth Concession of Guelph Township, better known as the McIntosh Farm, located 3 miles west of Guelph, on
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd
commencing at 10 o'clock sharp, as follows:
HORSES—Team of well-matched Gray Percherons, weighing about 2,500 lbs.; team of Black Percherons, weighing about 3,200 lbs.; Chestnut Percheron Mare, with silver mane and tail, 4 yrs. old, weight about 1,400 lbs.; Bay Percheron Gelding, 6 yrs. old, weight about 1,250 lbs.; Bay Saddle Mare, 6 yrs. old.
16 COWS—10 Registered Jersey Cows, blood tested; Angus Cow, with calf at foot; Holstein Cow; 4 Shorthorn Grades; Jersey Herd Bull (Lynda Lea Triangle Stubby) (105-716); 3 Pure Bred Jersey Calves, under one year; Registered Holstein Bull, 7 months old. This is a good herd of cows. Milkers and Springers. Breeding dates will be given on day of sale.
STOCKERS—4 Cattle, rising 2 yrs.; 5 Cattle, rising 1 year; 1 Angus Baby. This is a T. B. free herd
YORKSHIRE HOGS—3 Registered Sows, with pigs at foot; 2 Registered Sows, bred in August; 2 Grade Sows, bred in August; 1 Young Boar; York Boar, 2 years old.
POULTRY—40 Yearling Rock hens; 85 White Leghorn Pullets; 6 Range Shelters; Dog Kennel.
IMPLEMENTS—M. H. Binder, 7 foot cut; M. H. Seed Drill; M. H. Mower; Drum Loader; Dump Rake; Steel Roller; M. H. Manure Spreader; 2 Walking Plows; Two-furrow Plow; Spring Tooth Cultivator; Two-section Drag Cultivator; 2 sets of Harrows; Turnip Sower; 2 Wagons; Wagon Box; Hay Rack; Gravel Box; Sloop Sleighs; Portland Cutter; Rubber-tired Buggy; Set of Light Sleighs; Pulper; 2 Extension Ladders; Forks, Hoes, Shovels, Neckyokes, Crowbars, and other articles too numerous to mention.
TIMBERS, ROOFING, Etc. — 6 sticks of Timber 12"x12" 40 feet long; 200 sheets used Corrugated Roofing; 700 ft. of 1" Pipe and Fittings; 200 ft. feet of 1" Pipe and Fittings; 300 feet of 2" Pipe and Fittings; 20 pieces of 2"x6" Plank, 12 feet long; quantity of 1" Lumber; 20 Steel Cattle Stanchions; Oil Drums, Window Sash, Woven fence, Barb wire, etc.; Cook Stove.
HARNESS—Set of Brass Mounted Team Harness, new; Set of Farm Harness; 2 sets Single Harness, new.
POTATOES—300 bags Sabago.
TRACTOR and POWER EQUIPMENT—New I. H. C. Farmo H. Tractor on rubber with electric light and starter; I. H. C. two-furrow Tractor Plow, new, just plowed about 50 acres; M. H. Spring Tooth Cultivator with tractor hitch; I. H. C. Double Disc, good as new; M. H. Chopper with 2 horsepower motor, new; De Laval Electric Power Cream Seperator.
TERMS—CASH
No article to be removed until settled for. Be sure to attend this sale. The farm is 3 miles west of Guelph, just north of the Kitchener-Guelph Highway. The farm is sold and it must be vacated by December 1st. This sale must start on time as the days are short. The implements will be sold first. Jersey sale will start at 2.30. Stock can be sold under cover in case of bad weather. Lunch counter in aid of war effort.
ROY HINDLEY, Auctioneer.
R. R. 3, Acton—Phone 15r6, Erin
T. Gilchrist, Clerk B

Weekly War Commentary

(Continued from Page One)

was dwarfed by the gargantuan battle in western Russia with the Russians reporting the Germans on all fronts abandoning great stores of war gear.

The advancing Russians at the end of last week got to within 75 miles of the Polish frontier as Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's first Ukrainian Army captured a hundred towns as it spread swiftly in the snow and slush in all directions beyond Kiev.

The Russians captured Zhitimir western Ukraine rail centre, during the week-end, isolated Gomel, farther north, and by mid-week appear to be ousting Nazi forces from the last 150,000 miles of pre-war Russia still occupied by the enemy.

Reds Near Prussia

The Red army was battling to collapse the Nazi centre and open an avenue for the eventual invasion of Germany itself. After taking Demekl, 34 miles west of Gomel, the Russians were within 320 miles of East Prussia while in the Nevel region, just north of White Russia, the German border was 275 miles away.

Meanwhile the drive toward Poland from Kiev and Zhitomir, appeared to have severed German armies of the south from those of the centre and north. Advanced Soviet forces were 300 miles west of the Germans still fighting in the lower Dnieper marshland. Both Russians and Germans agreed that some of the most violent battles of history were in progress from the region west of Smolensk to the Dnieper bend. German accounts depreciated all Russian gains and pictured the battles as vast defensive successes for Hitler's forces.

Nazis Resisting

Nazi resistance remains strong in Italy where weather conditions also are interfering with the Allied advance. German counter-attacks this week gained hill positions north of Venafro from Americans of the 5th army but the British 8th army on the east coast gained some ground and sent more patrols across the Sangro river. However, mud and bad weather generally were interfering with land operations as the opposing forces girded for a showdown battle.

The battle for the Dodecanese Island of Leros was continuing at mid-week and Greek guerillas were reported to have joined the defending British soldiers who had been holding the Germans in fierce hand-to-hand fighting. Turkish reports said the Greeks — members of a military and political organization known as the Andarts — struck after successive waves of German reinforcements form both sea and air had pinched the British defenders down to narrow sectors of the island.

A late report from Middle East headquarters, however, said the German line across the narrow neck of the island had been broken and British troops had re-established north-south communications.

Leros finally fell to the Germans, however, despite the most determined resistance, the capitulation coming after the Nazis pounded the Aegean island with an overwhelming air attack and landed fresh reinforcements.

The loss of the island was a major setback for the British attempt to seize and hold the Dodecanese islands, Hitler's outer Balkan defence line. In September British troops landed on Leros, Kos and Castelrosso and on the Greek Island of Samos, less than 20 miles from Leros.

Castelrosse, Kos and Leros now are back in German possession.

Meanwhile, a climax in the campaign for Rabaul, once powerful Japanese base in the South Pacific, appears near. A spokesman for the United States Navy at Washington said the Japanese have suffered enough damage to important fleet units in the Rabaul area "to give them cause for serious consideration of abandoning the base as too hot to handle."

OPEN TO DOUBT

A teacher called for sentences using the word "beans."

"My father grows beans," said the bright boy of the class.

"My mother cooks beans," came from another pupil.

Then a third pupil piped up:

"We are all human beans."

BUSY RAILWAY ELECTRICIAN CARES FOR TRIO OF KITTENS

Sydney Jones, car department electrician at the historic Bonaventure Station, is busy every day of the week taking care of considerable equipment, and has been doing so for the past fourteen years. Recently, he found time to take on an extra assignment, that of taking care of a trio of orphaned kittens. "Minnie," was a character feline well established at Bonaventure as an official Canadian National Railways' cat and her last offering arrived in the electrician's shop. Eight days afterwards, "Minnie" wandered off the station property and was run down by a motor car. Mr. Jones admits that the care of the three kittens was rather a problem but he solved the problem by using a paper cup as a feeder and latest reports from the "nursery" indicate that the orphans are thriving under this makeshift method.

COULDN'T SEE TRAINS SMALL BOY CRITICAL

Modern railway stations, such as the new Canadian National Central in Montreal, offer much to the traveller and even the sightseer, but it took a small boy to question the efficiency of having trains downstairs, so to speak, instead of parading them through the concourse. His mother brought him up the smooth running escalator to the Dorchester Street level and they had made their way through the exit and Junior discovered himself in the outer world, he broke into voluble complaint voiced to all and sundry, "Ya took me to the station and I never saw the trains." Sad, yet true. The Canadian National Railways' ultra modern Central Station has everything the traveller needs, but the trains operate on a plane below the public concourse quite beyond the vision of small boys or their elders. It is all very efficient but it is hard on youth interested in trains and not travellers.

PAGE SHERLOCK HOLMES TO SOLVE BAG MYSTERY

There is a demand at the Canadian National Central Station for a Sherlock Holmes, or, at least, a keen nosed hound, to solve the mystery of the Gladstone bag, a piece of luggage which was lost in a strange manner and then recovered in an equally puzzling manner. T. P. Mooney, who has charge of "lost and found" at the big station will welcome a solution. A naval officer travelling to Montreal reported the loss of his handbag which, apparently, he overlooked when leaving his train. Three months went by without any trace of the luggage. Then a porter picked up an unattended bag left on the bench in the waiting room at the Central Station, and investigation proved it to be the naval officer's property. A check revealed the original contents remained intact including a small folding camera. The bag is now back with the owner but the mystery remains.

CRIME INCREASING IN ONTARIO

A crime wave of murder, robbery and shopbreaking is sweeping across Ontario according to statistics released last week by Provincial and Toronto police.

Within the last month no less than nine murders have been committed in the province, five in Toronto and district alone. Arrests have been made in seven of the slayings and accused have been committed for trial.

Throughout the rural areas creameries and post offices have been robbed and manhunts have been common. Posses of police and farmers have engaged in gun battles with the shopbreakers and a number of them are believed to have been wounded.

Juvenile crime is increasing in an alarming manner in the larger cities. In Toronto criminals between the ages of 9 years and 15 years have increased 50 per cent. while one seven-year-old boy has been charged with murder.

A dozen convicts have escaped from Ontario reformatories and German prisoners of war have broken out of four prison camps. All have been recaptured within a few hours. The latest prison break occured Saturday when two non-combatant Germans disappeared from a camp at Smith's Falls. They were caught hitch-hiking on the highway ten miles away.

Toronto is experiencing the heaviest traffic fatality toll of any city of its size in North America. No less than 75 persons have been killed and upward to 3,000 injured. City authorities have appointed special squads of officers to rigidly enforce traffic regulations and apprehend erring motorists and careless pedestrians.

START IN A SMALL WAY

Here is a land girl who wanted to start in a small way. The story was told of Lady Denman, head of the Women's Land Army. The land girl reported at a training centre and was asked if she would like to train as a milker "Oh yes," she replied. "But if you don't mind I'd rather start on a calf first."

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