

Personal

Joyce Bennie of Elora is visiting in Acton.

Mrs. Wanetta Smith of Toronto is holidaying at her home here.

Mr. Harris Cook of Grand Rapids, Mich., visited Acton friends last week.

Master Elwin Kentner is spending his holidays with friends in Aurora.

Miss Margaret Brown is having a holiday trip down the Saguenay River.

Misses Inez McLellan and Margaret Somerville are holidaying at Wasaga Beach this week.

Bill Clayton Jr., Ray Arbie and George Karley holidayed at Wasaga Beach last week.

Mrs. J. R. MacArthur, Mrs. H. Norton and Miss Ruth Nelson visited in Toronto this week.

Mrs. E. A. Wansbrough is holidaying at her son's cottage, Big Cedar Point, Lake Simcoe.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Locke of Toronto visited with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Perryman a day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Prior spent a week with the latter's father and brother, Mr. Allan and Bert.

Mrs. Charles Lincoln of Toronto visited on Tuesday at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. Cripps.

Mr. and Mrs. James MacIntyre of Toronto are spending the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Cripps.

Mrs. Gladys Huffman has returned to Toronto after spending two weeks' holiday in Hamilton and Acton.

L. Cpl. Hugh Graham has returned to Camp Borden after spending two weeks' furlough at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wood and Kathleen of Ingliston visited Mr. and Mrs. John Wood over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Mason and Master Howard Mason of Kitchener visited Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Currie on Tuesday.

Lois Perrymann, Joanne Shortill and Betty Riddell are attending summer school at Ryerson Beach, Simcoe, Ont.

Mrs. Allan Smith has returned home from Guelph General Hospital after taking special treatments for two weeks.

Miss Joyce and Betty May Lambert are holidaying with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hamilton, Centre-Inn.

Mrs. Selwyn Turner of Toronto, who has been holidaying in Kincardine, is visiting Acton friends for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Overholt and Merle of Tordoff and Verona Johnson of Acton are spending two weeks at Manitoulin Island.

Mr. Thomas Savage of Winnipeg arrived this week at the home of his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Savage, where he joined Mrs. Savage and Master Tom.

Mrs. J. G. Welsh, Clara, Eddie and Ronald and Donald of Duncan are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Cripps on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

HOT AIR FURNACES

The temporary "freeze" of hot air furnaces is now lifted, the Wartime Prices and Trade Board have announced.

Homeowners and builders who obtain certificates of essentiality will be able to secure new furnaces as soon as delivery can be arranged. The supply of hot air furnaces is very limited, and close control of all sales must be continued.

Each person requiring a new hot air furnace must submit an application for a purchase certificate. In the case of a homeowner planning to replace an old furnace the application must show that the present furnace cannot be repaired. Applications can be made at any regional or local office of the Board.

Retailers may not sell a hot air furnace unless a Board certificate is presented with the order.

RATION BOOKS WHEN VISITING FRIENDS

Everyone visits friends more often during the summer vacation days than at any other time. Guests take along their own ration books as their hostess may be short of rationed supplies.

The Prices Board warns not to take loose coupons from your book. It is illegal to present loose coupons for the purchase of rationed commodities, and also illegal for the storekeeper to accept them.

QUIET TWELFTH

WINNIPEG (CP)—For the first time in the history of the Orange Lodge in Winnipeg there was no parade in the city to commemorate the Battle of the Boyne. Most of the Orangemen who would have participated were either in the forces or working late shifts.

Church News

United Church of Canada
Acton, Ontario
"The Friendly Church"

REV. A. WALTER SWINNEY,
B.A., B.D., Minister
Parsonage—Bower Avenue

SUNDAY, JULY 30TH, 1944.

10.00 a.m.—Church School.
11.00 a.m.—Worship Service. Rev. C. L. Poole will be in charge.
No Evening Service.

Aug. 20th, 8.30 p.m.—John Stirling.
Come and Worship. Everybody Welcome.

Presbyterian Church in Canada

KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
REV. FORREST THOMPSON, B.A., B.D.
Minister
Manse—Willow Street

SUNDAY, JULY 30TH, 1944.

RE-OPENING SERVICES
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Rev. A. C. Stewart of Midland. Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Guest soloists Miss Orpha Farr and Mr. Thomas Savage.

7.00 p.m.—Evening Worship. Rev. A. C. Stewart, M. A., Guest soloist, Mr. Neil McPhail.

"ALWAYS WELCOME"

Baptist Church
ACTON
REV. W. H. WALLACE
Pastor

SUNDAY, JULY 30TH, 1944

11.00 a.m.—The Minister.
12.15 p.m.—Sunday School.
7.00 p.m.—The Minister.

Everyone Welcome.

Men, 30, 40, 50!

Book Warming Party, Men, Women,

Mr. George T. Reid, Chairman, organizer, and Mrs. Wm. W. Miller, Vice-Chairman, in charge. All money raised will go to the Canadian Red Cross Fund.

At all drugstores. Start taking orders. Tableaux needed.

A. Floyd Smith

Jeweler

**WATCHES — CLOCKS
JEWELRY**

75 Quebec Street, West
GUELPH ONT.

**Action Branch Can. Legion
PICNIC**

The Action Branch Canadian Legion wishes to invite all Ex-Servicemen and their families to a picnic to be held in the Action Park on Saturday afternoon, August 5th. Also the families of all men now serving whether at home or abroad are heartily invited to come and enjoy the afternoon with the Legion.

Bring your own lunch baskets and we will supply tea, soft drinks etc. There will be races and prizes for everyone. We are very anxious that no one shall be missed and are trying to invite everyone by mail. If someone is overlooked, they will please accept this as an invitation. The Boys' Band under the leadership of Mr. C. Musson will be in attendance. The proceedings will commence at 2.30 p.m. sharp. Please be on time.

GREGORY THEATRE

FRIDAY, JULY 28

THE FIGHTING SEA BEES

Romance of the seven seas with John Wayne, Susan Hayward.

Sport—"Field Trial Championships." Cartoon—"Yokel Duck." Chapter 8—"Daredevils of the West."

**SATURDAY, JULY 29
"HONEYMOON LODGE"**

David Bruce, Harriet Hilliard.

"ROMANCE ON THE RANGE"
Roy Rogers.
"Fox News."

**MONDAY, JULY 31
"HEAVENLY BODY"**

It's sky-hilarious with Hedy Lamarr, William Powell.
Canada Carries On — "Air Cadets."
Novelty — "Greatest Man in Islam."

Weekly War Commentary

REV. H. L. SPONES
Chairman, Free Staff Writers

From behind walls of censorship have burst stories of politico-military crises at either end of the embattled Axis which may conceivably aid in shortening the war.

The reported bombing assault on Hitler—latest attempt on the life of the German dictator—clearly was not the work of an isolated anti-Nazi fanatic, or even of a small group of embittered Prussian generals, as German leaders have tried to suggest.

It is symptomatic of an unrest with the Reich that has been characterized in recent weeks by constant shuffling of high military command and strange disappearance of important officers who have been relieved of their posts.

The bombing incident has been followed by an old-fashioned Nazi purge reminiscent of the bloody days of 1934. Indications at the wry-kneed Hitler and his immediate aides gaining on even tighter control of the German armed forces than they had before—but a lessening grip on the sympathy and support of army and public.

This present revolt—magnitude of which cannot be properly gauged by distorted propaganda reports and wild, roundabout rumors—will likely be put down as it has flared into the open. But it will not be the last.

China in Japan.

As startling as the revelation of the break-down in discipline within goose-stepping Germany was the sudden resignation and apparent replacement of Emperor Tojo, war-lord of Japan.

As the Allies fight closer to the enemy's homeland in the Pacific, with amphibious forces completing the mop-up of Saipan in the Marianas and landing in force on stolen Guam, with southwestern Pacific jungle-fighters methodically cutting trapped Japanese divisions to pieces and preparing for a jump back into the Philippines, with a resurgent and unquenchable China driving back hard at her invaders and with British, American and Chinese troops consistently successful in the later stages of the Burma campaign, Tokyo feels—it quotes its own radio—"great trepidation."

And so Tojo quit and his place has been taken by Gen. Kanjiro Koiso. The change is from one-man rule to government by a military group. But it is the same clique from which Tojo emerged, and the new cabinet is unlikely to invoke new policies.

Cause of the Japanese shuffle seems to have been friction between the Imperial army and navy; with decentralization of power the enemy war-machine may run more smoothly for a time.

But, as in Germany, the news that there was growing realization that the war was not being won—perhaps even that it now cannot be won. And from there it may be only a short step to admitting the war is lost—and surrendering.

Held Up By Rain

After heavy fighting earlier in the week, operations of Allied forces in the Normandy invasion area were held up temporarily by bad weather at the week-end. British tanks and infantry had smashed into the strong-hold of Trouen, eight miles east of Caen, while other British and Canadian formations had funnelled out south-east of south of the ancient Norman town along the highways running to Vimont and Falaise.

Further to the west, American forces operating between St. Lo and Falaise, the fighting there following capture of some 60 localities in the previous eight days. In this area Sir Bernard Montgomery is making a cautious advance before undertaking wide extension of American gains which would entail heavy fighting over open tank country.

Meanwhile in Italy Allied armies were reported advancing all along the front as the British 8th Army closed in for an attack on Nazi Gothic Line strongholds in central and eastern areas. Fifth Army patrols probed enemy outposts on the north bank of the Arno River.

North and west of Ancona in the Adriatic sector the Germans are putting up strong resistance, but further inland Allied forces are closing in on the ancient city of Florence. Advance Infantry elements were only 14 miles from the city at the week-end. On the west coast American units have thrust to within four miles of Pisa.

On Eastern Front

Along virtually the entire length of the eastern front German forces seem powerless to halt the advancing Russian armies. The threat to Warsaw was intensified at the week-end and some Moscow dispatches said that advance Soviet troops were only 90 miles from the Polish capital.

These troops had smashed across the Bug River on a front more than 37 miles wide. The Bug is the last big water barrier before the Wisla (Vistula) River which flows through Warsaw. The advance in this area is another threat to German armies in the Baltic countries already impeded by the capture of Ostrow, 475 miles north of the Bug crossings.

American forces have invaded the Pacific island of Guam where the United States maintained a naval station before the war. The beachhead was established after the island had been hammered for days from air and sea. Admiral C. W. Nimitz, U.S. Pacific fleet commander, reported that the landing was made against light resistance but American troops advancing inland have subsequently met stronger opposition in some quarters.

This is the second time within five weeks American marines and infantry have carried the attack into Japan's inner island, defenses—the Marianas. The invasion came less than two weeks after organized resistance ended in Saipan, or only a week after Nimitz said his forces would capitalize on Saipan "with all the means available."

Military observers believe that the forces operating in the western Pacific will soon strike at the Philippines but a huge flow of supplies will be necessary. From the Philippines, the Allies will be able to strike at Japan's supply route to the Netherlands East Indies. The islands would also provide a springboard for an attack on Formosa as preliminary to landing on the China coast or for an actual invasion of Japan.

Attack Renewed

After a two-day halt Allied forces in Normandy resumed their offensive Tuesday and early reports said good progress was being made. In the Caen sector British and Canadian troops drove forward at dawn along the road leading from the anvil town toward Falaise.

American troops launched an attack on the right flank of the Normandy front. An off-duty announcement said the new American drive was moving forward against heavy resistance.

Medium and light bombers pounded the German lines in Normandy as a preliminary to the attacks and their operations were augmented by a terrific artillery barrage in the early hours of the morning.

Canadian infantrymen fought their way into the enemy-held towns of May-sur-Greve, Virevres and Tilloy le Campagne, five and six miles south of Caen. While some Canadian troops entered the villages, others continue to advance against strong enemy opposition.

Fifty Miles From Warsaw

Early this week Russian troops, advancing in giant strides across Poland, were reported less than 50 miles from Warsaw. They had split German armies in the heart of Poland with the capture of Lublin and Lukow.

The Russians have bombarded German-held territory with copies of an appeal over the names of 16 captured Nazi generals. The statement asks German officers and soldiers to renounce Hitler and refuse to fight further.

King in Italy

The King's big plane with Beaufighter and Spitfire escort landed on a bomb-battered airport. His Majesty was greeted by Gen. Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, Mediterranean theatre commander. Admiral Sir John Cunningham, Allied naval commander in the Mediterranean, and other nobles.

Meanwhile informed circles in London said early this week that Great Britain and the United States are generally expected to continue to support the Polish government in London diplomatically while standing ready to give military help to the new Soviet-recognized Polish Liberation Committee.

This position was said to be viewed as consistent with the Allied policy of lending support to anyone fighting the Germans. However, there was no attempt to minimize the deep concern felt over the split among the Poles and its possible repercussions.

The London News Chronicle said editorially that "we cannot afford to have our relations with Russia prejudiced by failure of the Poles to agree among themselves."

From Washington came a report that a British suggestion that the Allies write a provisional peace with Italy was before American authorities. The plan was understood to await discussion with Russia and other countries in Italian settlement.

Notice to Water Consumers

The Action Public Utilities Commission wish to draw your attention some of the clauses included in the water contract signed by consumers.

"The Consumer further agrees to take all ordinary precautions in using the Commission's meters and appliances and to insure same against loss by fire, or other damage."

"Consumers are responsible for damage to meters, either by frost, fire or other causes."

The Commission will enforce the provisions of this contract and any meter which is damaged will be charged to the householder.

"PROTECT YOUR METER NOW FROM A FREEZE-UP IN THE WINTERTIME!"

ACTION PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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R. R. No. 7

This community was well represented at the Rally Day of the Federation of Agriculture at Brookville Hall last Tuesday evening. Races and games were enjoyed until dark when all gathered in the hall to hear the guest speaker, Mr. W. S. Milburn, secretary of Ontario Federation of Agriculture and a musical programme, both of which were enjoyed. Dancing with the Bloomfield Orchestra supplied the music gave a few more hours of fun to finish the day's entertainment. Those in charge have reason to call it a success.

Arthur, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mc