

Notice of Birth, Marriage and Death... Additional for poetry. Cards of Thanks etc.

BORN

TURNER - Mr. and Mrs. Fred Turner Jr., wish to announce the birth of their son on April 30th at the Nursing Home, 650 Galt Street, Acton, (Philip J. F.). Both doing well, no visitors please.

MARRIED

HARGRAVES-CRUMP - On April 2nd, 1945, at the Methodist Church, High-road, Leysdale, by the Rev. F. Gregory, of Gravesend, George Hargrave, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hargrave, of Acton, Ontario, to Madeline, only daughter of the late Mr. W. Crump and Mrs. L. Crump, of 104 Cobbold-road, Leysdale, England.

DEED

KENTON - Suddenly on Monday, April 30th, 1945, William Joseph Kenton, late of Caprington, Ont. in his 80th year.

McLEOD - At his residence, 19 Northview Ave., Toronto, on Thursday, April 26th, 1945, Rev. John William McLeod, beloved husband of Ethel M. Kerr, dear father of Wm H. McLeod, Elizabeth (Mrs. W. T. Sankey) Milton, Marjory (Mrs. W. H. Jacques) Toronto. Service was conducted from the William Sheron Home, 873 Kingston Rd., Toronto, on Sunday. Interment in Fairview Cemetery, Acton, Ont.

IN MEMORIAM

BURT - In loving memory of a dear husband, Ross Burt, who passed away May 4th, 1944.

He had a cheery smile, if pleasant way a helping hand to all he encountered. He was so kind, so generous and true. On earth he nobly did his best. Grant him, Jesus, heavenly rest.

Ever remembered by Wife

BURT - In loving memory of Ross Burt, who died May 4th, 1944. He suffered on earth, he will suffer no more.

In the loved land of the blest, Pain fled as he trod heaven's bright shore. It left him at peace and rest. Ever remembered by Lloyd and Elva

CARDS OF THANKS

Mrs. F. L. Tournour wishes to thank her many friends who so kindly remembered her while she was patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph.

Mrs. Ada Near and family wish to express their sincere appreciation of the kind messages of sympathy sent them by their many friends. They will long be remembered.

Mrs. Margaret McMillan wishes to thank her many friends and neighbors for the flowers, letters and cards received while in St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto.

Corp. Chick Purdy wishes to thank his many friends and the Acton War Service League for the cigarettes and boxes sent to him while overseas. These gifts were very much appreciated.

Mrs. F. Blow wishes to express her very deep appreciation for the kindness shown her by so many friends, also for the beautiful flowers, cards, fruit and many other lovely gifts while ill in the hospital and at home, also to Nurse Gordon. Thank you.

Mr. James Taylor and family wish to extend their heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the acts of kindness, also the messages of sympathy from neighbors and friends at the time of the death of the son and brother George, who was killed recently on active service.

This and that

-Have you bought all the bonds you can afford?

-This is May. Some warmer weather might be reasonably expected any time now.

-The road maintainer went over the gravel roadways about town this week and made quite an improvement.

Copies of the Auditors' Report for Acton may be obtained by ratepayers at the Clerk's office, the office of the Public Utilities Commission or the Fair Price Office.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hassard have received word from their youngest son Leading Seaman Kenneth Hassard, who is now with the Canadian Navy at an overseas base.

Tuesday's sales of Eighth Victory Loan bonds totalled \$77,039.00 against \$74,343.750 for same day in Seventh Loan. Accumulated total for eight days of campaign stands at \$577,041.150 compared to \$575,812,500 at the same point in the other loan. Sales to individuals Tuesday were \$40,170.700 against \$31,404,700 for the corresponding day in the Seventh Loan.

MONTHLY MEETING OF WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION OF UNITED CHURCH

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Association of the United Church was held at the home of Mrs. D. Lindsay on Tuesday. Mrs. L. Agar presided and Mrs. F. Cleave had charge of the devotional part of the meeting. The ladies ate still quilting several quilts. Mrs. Lindsay assisted by Mrs. W. J. Beatty and Mrs. N. McNabb served a very dainty lunch.

Obituary

REV. JOHN WILLIAM McLEOD Following a lengthy illness Rev. John William McLeod passed away at his home in Toronto on Thursday, April 26th. He is survived by his wife, Ethel M. Kerr McLeod, a son W. H. McLeod, of Toronto, and two daughters, Mrs. Wilfred Sankey, of Milton and Mrs. (Dr.) Harry Jacques of Toronto.

The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon with service in charge of Rev. M. Mitchell of Kingston Road United Church. Interment was in Fairview Cemetery, Acton.

MRS. DAVID O. ROOT

Seized with a stroke last Friday, April 27th, Mrs. David O. Root, of Orton, mother of Mr. John Root, the Progressive Conservative candidate for Wellington North, died a short time afterwards, in her 64th year. She was the former Gertrude E. Watson, of Snelgrove. Her husband predeceased her eight years ago. She was a member of the Baptist church and was a leading member at Snelgrove and Hillsburgh. Surviving are four sons, as follows: John and Haines, on the homestead, Erin Township; David N., Director of Vocational Guidance City of Stratford Schools and Ernest of Woodbridge. One daughter died in infancy.

The funeral was held from the residence on Monday, with Rev. Mr. Sinclair of Harrow, formerly of Hillsburgh, officiating. Interment took place in the family plot, Coningsby Cemetery. The sincere sympathy of North Wellington friends is extended to Mr. John Root and family in this untimely bereavement.

DUBLIN INSTITUTE ELECTS OFFICERS AT ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Dublin Woman's Institute was held on April 19th at the home of Mrs. G. Somerville with the president, Mrs. W. D. Barber in the chair. The roll call was answered by discussion on Public Events. It was decided to send four cases of jam to Britain and also eleven dollars more was donated to the Red Cross. Mrs. Somerville reported the progress that had been made in the War Bride's Committee. Each bride is to receive linen to the value of fifteen dollars.

The District Director, Mrs. van Goozen, reported on the directors meeting held in Milton. Our District annual is to be held in Campbellville on May 10th.

Mrs. Barber was appointed representative on the Federation of Agriculture for Halton County. It was decided that the choice of the co-operative program be food and nutrition.

Mrs. Near gave a quiz on the hand book and it proved very instructive. Misses Verna Webster and Annie Black were appointed scrutineers for the election of officers, which Mrs. Near conducted and resulted as follows:

Honorary President Mrs. C. J. vanGoozen. President Mrs. D. Barber. 1st Vice-President Mrs. D. Moffat. 2nd Vice-President Mrs. Geo. Robertson.

Secretary Treasurer Mrs. Wm Bracken. Assistant Secretary Treasurer Mrs. G. Somerville. District Director Mrs. vanGoozen. Branch Directors - Mesdames Steele Ross, Roberts and Britton.

Delegates to District Annual - Mesdames C. vanGoozen, Barber, Ferguson, and M. Wilson. Auditors Miss Edith Nelles and Mrs. McIntyre.

Scrap Book Miss Somerville. Pianist Mrs. Robertson. Assistant Pianist Mrs. Anderson. Program Committee - Mesdames McIntyre, Robertson, Barber, Moffat, M. Nelles, Miss Somerville.

Social Committee Mesdames Ferguson and Near. Visiting Committee Mesdames Ferguson, Robertson, Wm. McLaughlin, Britton, Steele and Moffat.

War Convener Mrs. Somerville. Sales Convener Mrs. Ferguson. Sales Committee Mesdames McIntyre, Barber and Steele. Helen Somerville won the draw. Lunch was served and a social time spent.

FRIENDS HONOR MISS M. McNABB PRIOR TO MARRIAGE

On Saturday evening Mrs. J. E. Pearson and Miss Elva Pearson entertained in honor of Miss Margaret McNabb, a bride of the near future in the form of a party shower.

The evening was spent in the enjoyment of games and contests. The special prize was won by Miss McNabb when a decorated miniature truck laden to capacity with groceries was drawn into the living-room by little Miss Nancy Aitken and Master John Allan, dressed as bride and groom.

The guests were invited to the dining-room where Mrs. E. D. McPhedran presided at the table which was attractively arranged with a lace cloth, a centre of pink and white snapdragons and lighted tall pink candles. The hostesses were assisted by Mrs. Ross Allan, Mrs. Calvin Aitken, Mrs. George Wallace and Misses Annie Aitken and Maria Allan.

Weekly War Commentary

By FRANK HINDS (Canadian Press Staff Writer)

Hilfer dead! The Nazi radio station at Jamburg said Tuesday night that the German fustler had died "a hero's death" in the Reichschancellery at Berlin "fighting to the last breath against Bolshevism."

On April 30, the Fuehrer appointed Grand Admiral Doenitz his successor, the announcement said. A speaker identified as Doenitz then pledged continuance of the war. Neither Doenitz nor the Hamburg announcer mentioned Heinrich Himmler (Gestapo chief) who within the last few days had tried to surrender Germany to Britain and the United States, but not to Russia.

Questions immediately arose throughout the Allied world whether Hitler had really died in battle against the Russians who were in almost complete control of Berlin, or whether he was dead at all. Gen. Eisenhower, meanwhile, authorized a statement that Himmler had told Swedish Count Folke Bernadotte neutral emissary on April 24th that Germany was finished and Hitler so ill that he might already be dead.

By far the biggest news last week was the joint announcement from London, Washington and Moscow that the Anglo-American armies of the west and the Russian armies of the east had joined forces, irrevocably splitting once-vaunted "Fortress Germany" and bringing victory in Europe appreciably closer.

The first link-up came Friday at Torgau on the Elbe River, 75 miles south of crumbling Berlin, between men of the U.S. 1st Army and the 1st Ukrainian Army Group.

With the junction came reshaping of the war-map of Germany. Hitherto it took the broad form of an hour-glass with ever-diminishing waist, as Gen. Eisenhower and Marshal Stalin's men pressed forward from west and east along approximately north-south fronts. Now, with the severing of the German corridor, the picture resolves to show enemy forces in two major traps, defending lines facing toward the centre of Europe along fronts which run roughly east and west.

Hard Fighting Ahead

The junction was a mighty step forward toward V-E Day - but only a step. It would be well to bear in mind the way in which Prime Minister Churchill made his announcement of the Torgau meeting.

"The armies of the great Allies have joined hands together," he said. "Now their task will be the destruction of all the remnants of German military resistance, the routing out of Nazi power and the subjugation of the Hitler Reich."

The Canadians in the Oldenburg sector of northwest Germany were taking a terrible toll of counter-attack German forces striving to keep open an escape route for their forces in the North Sea area.

The Allied-Russian corridor through central Germany was approximately 50 miles wide Saturday and Moscow told of new meetings with the Americans along the Elbe River. The British 2nd Army in their north had seized 3,000 prisoners in the mop-up of Bremen. Two generals and an admiral were in the catch. One new submarine and nine others in various stages of construction also fell into Allied hands at Bremen along with a damaged destroyer.

Anti-Nazi Active

The Italian partisan radio at Milan said American troops had reached the Swiss border and cut off all north-western Italy from Germany after a lightning strike across the Po Valley into the Alps.

Meanwhile, a Reuters dispatch from San Francisco said Germany had offered to surrender to Britain and the United States - but not to Russia. In London, Prime Minister Churchill replied promptly that only unconditional surrender to all three powers would be accepted by the Allies.

The San Francisco report had it that a message from Heinrich Himmler, Gestapo chief, had been received by Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and State Secretary Stettinus in San Francisco. The report was neither confirmed nor denied by Mr. Churchill in his statement reiterating the Allied stand.

Tokyo radio reported at the beginning of the week that Allied seaborne units had landed on Borneo in the Malay Archipelago near Tarakan, rich oil port.

Week-End in Europe

The enemy's position in Europe deteriorated at a dizzy speed during a week-end fraught with peace rumors and significantly started by the execution of Hitler's Italian ally, Mussolini.

An offer of unconditional surrender made by Heinrich Himmler, Gestapo head, to Britain and the United States was turned down flatly by the Western Allies. Germany was informed such an offer could not be considered until it had also been made to Russia.

In San Francisco, Sen. Tom Connally authorized the Associated Press to say he expected announcement of a German surrender "momentarily." President Truman denied the peace rumor.

Count Folke Bernadotte, Swedish Red Cross negotiator who was the intermediary for Himmler's surrend-

er offer to Britain and the U.S. was reported Tuesday by the Stockholm radio, to have returned to Sweden from Copenhagen with a new capitulation offer from the Gestapo chief. Bernadotte and Himmler were said to have met in the German town of Luebeck.

Prime Minister Churchill told the House of Commons Tuesday that he had no special statement to make about the war position in Europe except that "it is definitely more satisfactory than it was at this time five years ago."

Early in the week the western third of Germany's Alpine defence belt was crumbling under the blows of Allied armies. The American 7th Army turned south from captured Munich, birthplace of Nazism, toward Innsbruck and the Brenner Pass. Third Army tanks were racing for Hitler's Berchtesgaden hideout and the Austrian city of Linz to the southeast. The Russians meanwhile were celebrating a victorious May Day in the virtually conquered German capital of Berlin.

With scarcely a ripple of excitement the world received during the week-end the news that Benito Mussolini, one-time Duce of Italy, had been executed by partisan forces in his own land. The death of the sawdust caesar, coming so long after his downfall, seemed an anti-climax to the career which started with the birth of fascism in Milan. Appropriately enough, the body of the Duce, with those of 17 of his followers, was brought back to Milan Sunday where it was displayed in a public square.

Mrs. M. Pettit Liberal Candidate Provincial Election

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to make any. She asked for the prayers of all for our armed forces and for the mothers at home.

Mr. Dale, president of the Halton Liberal Association, addressed the audience. A motion was passed by the convention endorsing Hon. Mitchell Hepburn as leader and the Liberal platform for Ontario.

Mr. T. A. Blakelock, former member for Halton, promised full support to Mrs. Pettit. He criticised John Bracken's idea of a war effort, and urged that the Liberal government be sent back to complete the job. According to Hon. Geo. Drew everything was wrong except what he himself said. He agreed with Mr. Hepburn that Geo. Drew's requirements were best fitted by a mirror and an English title. He said Mr. Drew could not carry out his plans without levying a new tax. Hepburn had made his mistakes, but it was with the finances accumulated by the Liberal government that Mr. Drew had been able to carry on. The C.C.F. was all theory and would not know what to do if they did get into power.

Mr. Hughes Cleaver paid tribute to the contribution Tommy Blakelock had made to the Liberal organization in Halton. He would never forget the fine support he had always given him and he proposed that after the election a formal tribute and banquet be arranged in tribute to his public service.

Mr. Cleaver told of the war announcement made that evening, that the conclusion of the war was near. The concern now was will we win the peace. The only pledge he had to make was that his every effort would be to make Canada a better place in which to live and raise a family.

During the evening the crowd enjoyed a fine sing-song of well-known songs with Mrs. Emerson as accompanist.

BURLINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Binkley have received word that their son, Pte. Stuart Binkley, has been released from a German prisoner-of-war camp, and arrived in England on April 19th.

Last night was a gala night for the Burlington Lions Club when it celebrated its twentieth anniversary and honored the seven charter members of the twenty-four who pioneered Ligon in this community.

The annual Father and Son Night of the Boy Scouts and Cubs was held on Thursday night when the boys of the local Scout and Cub packs played host to "Dad." Gazette.

CPL. PATRICK MORGAN ONE OF FIVE SERVING KILLED IN ACTION

Word has been received by Rev. Father Morgan, Acton, that his nephew Cpl. Patrick B. Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morgan, Hasilton, was killed in action on April 6th while serving in Germany.

Five brothers of this family are serving in this war, three in the navy and one in the merchant marine. A short time ago the picture of these five brothers appeared in the Free Press. Cpl. Patrick Morgan was 33 years of age.

Many friends here of Father Morgan will share with him the sorrow in the loss of this young man.

Satisfied with your effort? This is no time to relax BUY MORE VICTORY BONDS!

ROYAL PALACE GUELPH'S LEADING THEATRES. STARTS FRIDAY FOR ONE WEEK 'A Song to Remember' In Technicolor Merle Oberon, Paul Muni. TO-DAY AND FRIDAY Dick Powell in 'MURDER MY SWEET' ADDED HIT 'PANAMERICANA' With Phil Terry. COMING SOON Lana Turner Lorraine Day in 'KEEP YOUR POWDER DRY' PROGRAMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

the SHOUT that became a whisper. We've looked forward a long time to celebrating the installation of our millionth telephone. Now the great day has come and gone, with only a brief press notice to mark its passing. There are more important things to do just now. Besides, we can't forget that 10,000 further applicants are today waiting for telephones. It may surprise you that 215,000 more Bell telephones are in service now than when war began. With telephone manufacturers practically 100% on war orders, it was done by (1) using up reserve stocks and (2) reconditioning used equipment. We have thus been able to meet - fully and on time - every essential war demand for telephone service. Only material left over after these needs are met can be used to look after our "waiting list." These unfilled orders are our constant concern, filling them calls for additional wire, and cable, and intricate exchange apparatus, and all the other elements of a complete telephone system. And this, in turn, is just one part of the whole construction program we will undertake once men and materials are available. It means lots of work ahead for every Bell employe, whether at home or in the services, plus additional workers, too. AFTER VICTORY, WE'LL STILL BE Easy as Bee. On Active Service. Every Whistle to Words.