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LOCAL NEWS

—Poppy Day is November 6th. Wreaths may be purchased by phoning Mrs. Thomas Grievie and those desiring these are asked to contact her at once.

—Come to the dance in Limehouse Memorial Hall, newly decorated and new floor, Friday, October 20th. Berden's Orchestra. Admission 50c. Refreshment booth.

—Keep November 27th open for the Knox Church Y.L.A. bazaar and hot supper.

—Dr. H. T. Paul's office will be closed from November 1st to November 28th, inclusive.

—Sale of home-made baking sponsored by the Park Circle of Knox Presbyterian Church in the McGibbon Store, Friday, October 29th, at 1:30 p.m.

—The P.N.G. Club of Verdun Rebekah Lodge will hold a rummage sale October 30th at 10 a.m. in the McGibbon Store.

—Bannockburn W.I. euchre and dance will be held in Bannockburn School Friday, October 22nd, at 8 p.m. Admission 35c. Lunch provided. Everybody welcome.

—The Recreational Council is planning a Halloween party for the kids on Saturday, October 30th at the Old Town Hall from 7 to 9 p.m. Further details next week.

—The Local Council of Women will meet on Friday, October 22nd at 3 p.m. at the home of Miss H. A. Staunton. Mr. Allan Norton will speak on "The Arrangement of Flowers."

—All lovers of music are invited to join the Georgetown Choral Society. Practices are held each Monday at 8 p.m. in the Public School Auditorium under the direction of Mrs. H. J. Newman.

—The Daughters of St. George's Church are holding their annual bazaar in the McGibbon Store on Saturday, October 23. Home-made baking, aprons and knitted goods. Open at 10 a.m. No orders will be taken for baking before the sale.

China Trade Possibilities Discussed by Lions Speaker

A speech by Mr. James Endicott of Toronto on "Possibilities of developing trade with revolutionary China" featured the dinner meeting of the Georgetown Lions Club at the McGibbon House on Tuesday, October 19th. Mr. Endicott, who was introduced by Alex MacLaren, is a former United Church missionary in China and during the war served on Chiang Kai Shek's advisory staff and later was in intelligence work. Born in China, he is the son of a noted missionary who later became the second Moderator of the United Church in Canada.

Mr. Endicott explained that because of the views he holds he has been barred from speaking on the radio. He claimed that the American and Canadian press has misrepresented the facts and that the present struggle in China is not one between Communism and something that we can approve of, but is rather a struggle which has begun 100 years ago between the people and a corrupt system of government which has exploited them to the point of starvation. The present government is so corrupt and has taken such a toll of blood that it can never be popular, he stated further. The revolutionary forces are going to win eventually and we are making a sad mistake to keep supplying Chiang with arms to fight those who could be our friends and a profitable source of trade.

Mr. Endicott traced Chinese history for the last century and said that every time China has tried to overthrow a corrupt feudal system, the west has intervened with arms and finances to crush the rebellion. At the present time, he said the ablest of the revolutionists are Communists but he said there was no proof that Russia was giving them any backing whatsoever and that, in fact, Russia was in no position to help them. Canada, therefore has a wonderful chance to trade with the northern sections which have been taken over by the revolutionists, and instead of supplying arms to the old government we should be supplying peace-time equipment and building up friendship and trade links with the new China.

The club decided to provide coal for two needy blind brothers in the district and donated \$15 to the G.R.C. for a community Halloween party. Joseph Gibbons spoke of the fine standing of the High School at the recent tri-school meet, pointing out that of 50 participants an enrolment of 115, thirty-five had scored points and helped the school win the championship.

The club made plans for a Halloween dance in the Rose Room next week, with Jack Gunning and Jack Armstrong in charge of arrangements.

Heaven Knows

By EULALIE WEEKS

According to reports, Jack Marshall was a very fascinating person. Well, as far as Virginia was concerned, she didn't care a snap about this Jack person in particular. It was the principle of the thing. Virginia thought it unfair, just because she had been transferred from her home town to the Trust company here and consequently knew very few people, that she should be deprived of the opportunity of meeting eligible men like other girls her age.

"Oh, well," Virginia sighed to herself. "What's the difference?" As she hurried away from the window and started to cross the street, lost in thought, she didn't even see the car that rounded the corner. The driver slammed on the brakes but not before Virginia had stepped off the curb and been splashed from head to foot with dirty, slushy water. It was all she needed at the moment!

"I say, I am sorry! I . . ." Virginia interrupted the pleasant voice with her bitter recriminations. "Well, why don't you look where you're going. Now look at me!"

"I am looking!"

"Had the man the nerve to joke? I'm just a sight and it's your fault!"

"You are—but it's not all my fault." He was laughing at her—Virginia saw red!

"Oh, you—YOU imbecile! You—you . . ."

"Hey, stop. Now don't get any madder. I'll give you a lift home and then . . ."



"I'm just a sight and it's your fault."

Virginia knew he was right. Assuming as much dignity as possible she accepted his invitation. In about two minutes she was at her rooming house. "I'm sorry I lost my temper—it was my own fault, really."

His laugh was exciting and Virginia didn't know when she had ever heard such a pleasing voice. "That's better—perhaps another time you'll drive under more pleasant circumstances?"

"Heaven knows; who can say?" For many days following, Virginia watched for the man who had splashed her but there was no sign of him.

One day Mrs. Baker called and invited Virginia to a cocktail party on the following Friday and the same day she was asked to again fill in at the bridge club. As she expected, the conversation kept reverting to Jack Marshall every time one of the girls was dummy.

"It's too bad you haven't even met him, Virginia. He's really keen."

"She'll probably meet him at Mrs. Baker's Friday," Bessie said this with such an inflection in her voice that she might as well have added, "but what good will that do?"

Virginia was about the last to arrive at the cocktail party. Mrs. Baker was charming as she led her from group to group, introducing her with many flattering remarks. Suddenly she laughed.

"I want you to meet Jack Marshall but I'm afraid we'll have to use dynamite to break through that defense." However, as soon as Mrs. Baker approached, Virginia's bridge partners moved to one side with deference.

Jack Marshall! Mrs. Baker was only half through the introduction when Jack interrupted. "Mrs. Baker, we've met! Believe it or not, I've been looking for Miss Small for two weeks. The girls all gaped."

"Well, you'll take care of Virginia? You know where the punch-bowl is!" Mrs. Baker said. A thrill shot through Virginia as Jack placed his hand on her arm. She knew the girls could hear every word and she was glad that Bessie, especially, was taking it all in.

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