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Chatting . . .

By M.H.B.

HASN'T IT BEEN an exciting week? Excitement involving the whole town . . . A terrific water crisis, and a terrific election campaign all at once, setting the whole town rocking on its heels . . . By the way, did you ever realize before just how very lucky we are to be able to turn a tap and get all the water we want? A week ago Monday, a good many women melted down snow for household uses. One housewife we know rummaged in the attic till she found her almost-forgotten-about snow-shoes, and after struggling into them, trekked down to the creek running through her backyard, for water. And the situation was pretty desperate for those with small babies . . . Do I hear some faint male voices saying isn't that like a woman—does she ever think how industry would be affected by an acute water shortage—and the answer is yes, most emphatically, and a great big orchid to all industries in town for their cooperation during the critical period of the shortage . . . And now that the new water supply is in operation, and the election campaign simmering nicely, our thoughts are turning to the activities of a busy pre-Christmas season. We know we are not alone in finding that Christmas shopping, and baking, the rich-Victorian goodies, worked in between attending concerts, bazaars and teas, make the next three weeks pretty full ones, albeit the happiest and most exhilarating of the year.

THE ARTS AND CRAFTS Exhibit and Sale coming up shortly, should be something on your "must" list. In addition to the usual display of beautiful handwork, which is in itself always worth seeing, there are going to be special demonstrations of how those pretty china flowers we've all admired in brooches, etc.

are made; leather tooling; weaving; spinning; and last but not least, pottery-making. Sounds most interesting, don't you think? There have been changes on the staff of both Carroll's and the Dominion Store within the last couple of weeks. Miss Edna Attkin has resigned from the staff at Carroll's, to work at Provincial Paper Ltd. Replacing her, is Miss Marjorie McEnery, formerly of the Dominion Stores. Then, completing the circle, Aubrey Kerr is the new man on the Dominion Stores staff . . . There has been a change at the Royal Bank, too, caused when the accountant, Art Reinhardt was transferred to the Leamington branch. Taking his place is D. A. V. "Vino" Jones, who comes here from New Liskeardi. Mr. Jones is living at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. M. Bruyns . . .

MET A CHARMING visitor from Holland the other day, in the person of Miss Julie E. Ledebor, who is staying with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. L. DeVries at their farm on R. R. 3, just outside Georgetown . . . Julie, who speaks English perfectly, is studying shorthand at the High School, and intends staying on in Canada, she likes it so much . . .

The ways of the movie industry are unfathomable at times. For instance, some time ago, we read an excellent book-of-the-month called "Vespers in Vienna", and now they have made a movie of it, but have changed the name of the story to "The Red Danube". Can't imagine why, because to our mind, the second title isn't even attractive . . . With our thoughts still on books-of-the-month, we're reading one now "The Egyptian" by the Finnish novelist, Mika Waltari . . . Haven't finished it yet, but have read enough to know that never will we be guilty of saying "What's this younger generation coming to!" Written about the B.C. era, and product of a great deal of research into those times and customs, it brings ancient history to life very vividly, and demonstrates the fact that human nature doesn't change much down through the centuries, but if anything, is improving . . . A fascinating book, but strictly adult fare.

ENJOYED THE HOCKEY Club Annual Formal last Friday night . . . Noticed a lot of beautiful evening gowns. The leaders of fashion—whoever they might be—are doing their best to persuade us gals to switch from floor-length to ankle-length, or ballerina length, evening dresses—out there were only a couple in evidence Friday night. Doubtless when, and if, everyone invests in a short evening gown, the dictators of fashion will decree that henceforth one must have it floor-length in their opinion, the hiking of the hemline is the hardest fashion whim to cope with . . .

It's good to hear that Mrs. A. Cowie, King Street, who underwent an operation recently in St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, is convalescing just now at the home of a relative in Toronto . . . Mrs. W. V. Grant is in the General Hospital in Toronto and ours is a very sincere "get-well-quick" wish . . . A recent visitor with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scott, Queen Street, was Mr. Max Freilich, and girlfriend from San Salvador, and now of Toronto. Many will remember Max, who worked at Smith & Stone Ltd. for some time after the war was over. He had, for most of you doubtless know, quite an exciting career, as a Jewish refugee to Canada—then back to Germany as an interpreter for the Canadian Army—and back to Canada again. Mrs. Scott says she enjoyed her visit with the young lady from South America, too. Seemed odd to have someone remark that they couldn't get used to the abundance of apples in Canada. Apparently in San Salvador they are a luxury fruit, as many of their tropical fruits are in our country.

STEWARTTOWN

The Little Helpers of St. John's Church held their annual meeting in the school a week ago Saturday afternoon. The meeting opened with prayers and the hymn "Jesus Loves Me." Seventeen members answered the roll call and from their mite boxes \$7.20 was realized. There are nine new members. Prayers followed and all joined in singing the hymn "When He Cometh." Lois Mileham read a short paper explaining how the money is used among the missionaries. Games were enjoyed for a short period and Rev. J. E. Maxwell told a story about Peter the Eskimo boy, with illustrations on the blackboard. Lunch was served and Mr. Maxwell thanked all those who had helped make the meeting a success, and closed the meeting with prayer. Visitors included parents of the Little Helpers, members of the Junior and Senior W.A.

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