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In Heavy Cream Style  
A Delicious Flavor of its own  
2 Tins 25c

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large size, doz. 29c extra large, doz. 39c

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Biscuits, Weston's Apple Blossom, 1 lb. tin 19c

Golden Bantam Corn, Red & White, 16 oz. tin, 3 for 25c

Marmalade, Merry England, Pure Orange, 2 lb. jar 22c

Huskies' one cent offer, 3 boxes 13c

Walker's Soda, 2 pkgs 12c

Matchless, Red & White, 3 boxes 23c

Matches, Swan, 3 boxes 17c

Mustard, Gold Medal, 1 lb. tin 19c

Pickles, Supreme, Sweet Mixed, 28 oz. jar 21c

Mushroom Stems and Pieces, Love's, 10 oz. tin 20c

Peanut Butter, Aunt Mary's, Krunches, 17 oz. tin 21c

Fry's Cocoa, 1 lb. tin 19c

Junket Powder, 1 pkg 11c

Wonderful Laundry Soap, 7 bars 25c

Grapefruit, Texas, large size, each 5c

New Cabbage, per lb. 4c

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Six hundred veterans of the Great War have offered their services to Finland.

People who fail to mind their own business are rarely equipped to take care of other people's problems.

Avoid highway accidents by playing the game fairly and sensibly. You can drive reasonably, you can keep your car under control if you think.

SLUGGISH KIDNEYS impair your health. Rumacaps Two-Way Action quickly cleanses and invigorates the kidneys. Use Rumacaps. At Kerr's Drug Store.

The man who never worries has nothing in his pockets and patches on his pants.

Well even if the German drive does not start this month, with Easter, Good Friday, a provincial election in Alberta and the big general vote on the 26th, March is going to prove a pretty hectic month after all.

Sparks from the furnace chimney ignited the roof of the Cooktown Continuation school shortly after 10 p.m. on Monday evening, March 25th, and damages of \$1,000 were caused before the flames were brought under control.

## PRINCESS THEATRE

FRIDAY — SATURDAY  
Fred MacMurray, Alice Faye and Richard Greene in  
"Little Old New York"  
Col. Cart.—"Peace on Earth"  
Floyd Gibbons—"3 Minute Fuses"

TUESDAY — WEDNESDAY  
Akin Tamboff, Dorothy Lamour and John Howard in  
"Disputed Passage"

Variety—"Busy Little Bears"  
Cartoon—"When a Triangle Had Its Points"

COMING!  
Friday & Saturday, Mar. 29 & 30  
The Marx Bros., Florence Rice, and Kenny Baker in  
"At The Circus"

Tue. Wed. and Fri. commencing at 7:45 last complete show at 9:00 p.m. Saturday at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m.

## Mailing List Corrected.

This week THE CHAMPION'S mailing list was corrected up to MAR. 20th. We now request that ALL who have recently paid their subscription will please examine the LABEL on their paper and satisfy themselves that it is CORRECT. If an error should appear, notify us AT ONCE, when we will adjust the same. THANK YOU!

## LOCAL NEWS

To-morrow will be Good Friday. The seed and plant catalogues are now being distributed.

The first sign of spring is here—the boys are playing marbles.

Next Tuesday will be Federal Election Day. Have you a vote?

March came in like a lamb and remains more or less like a polar bear.

Look at the label on your Champion and make sure your subscription is paid in advance.

The successful man judges men by what they do; the unsuccessful man by what they promise.

A woman doesn't realize her age until the candles on her birthday cake look like a forest fire.

There has been a heavy increase in the number of marriages since the declaration of war and the divorce toll has also been quite big.

Lunch will be served in the basement of Omagh Presbyterian Church on Saturday, March 23rd, at 1 p.m., under the auspices of the W.M.S.

Congratulations to Scotch Block Institute for winning The Canadian Countryman prize of \$25.00 for Red Cross work for last January.

Daylight Saving Time will commence in Hamilton and Burlington on Saturday night, April 27th, and terminate on Saturday night, Sept. 14th.

Mrs. Morse, of Campbellville, has returned home after spending three months with her daughter, Mrs. Ellis, at Woodstock.

The dance announced for Wed., March 25th in Ligny school has been postponed to Wed., March 27th.

L. J. Maude, mason, of Milton, has returned home from Orangeville, where he has been repairing the Grand Central hotel since last Aug.

Remember the Dance in the Town Hall, Milton, on Friday, April 5th, under the auspices of the Earl of Gismich Chapter, I. O. O. E.

A. S. Willmott, we regret to report, is confined to his bed with an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Willmott's many friends hope he will soon recover.

DANCE—A dance will be held at Dufferin School on March 29th, at 8:30 p.m. Good orchestra. Admission 25c.

APPOINTED MANAGER—J. L. Maude, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Maude, Milton, has been appointed manager of the Toronto branch of the Continental Life Insurance Company.

ATTENTION, PLEASE—A Bridge and Euchre, under auspices of John Milton Chapter, I. O. O. E., Legion rooms, on Friday, April 12th, at 8:15 p.m. Tall es 25c. Proceeds for war work.

A joint session of the Peel and Halton county councils will be held at the court house, Brampton, Monday, March 25th. The subject under discussion will be the Old Folks' Home.

A PLAY entitled, "Clubbing a Husband," which was to have been presented in St. Paul's United Church this evening has been postponed until Monday evening, March 25th, on account of bad roads.

Many here thought the new four payment plan of tax paying was quite a change, but in Amherstburg taxes are payable in twelve monthly instalments. Not much difference between owing and renting—the municipality is the big landlord.

We have warned voters to make sure their names are on the lists. Now we urge every voter to go and use his or her franchise. It is your duty to vote. Go and do it, voters, next Tuesday—MARCH 29th. Rain, shine or snow storm—CAST YOUR VOTE!

RECEPTION FOR MAJOR BARBER—Major J. R. Barber, of Georgetown, was entertained at a Company dinner at the Milton Inn on Tuesday evening, with some fifty officers and men present. Major Barber takes over command of "C" Company, Lorne Scotts P. & H. Regiment, with Major Chapman Peacock and Capt. D. Chisholm. The Company presented Major Barber and his wife with a Parker desk set. Following the dinner, all retired to Company headquarters for the Company meeting.

Miss Ethel Chapman, the author of "The Homesteader" and the more recent novel "The Flame of Fire," will speak in St. David's Church, Campbellville, on Monday evening, March 25th, at 8 o'clock. Miss Chapman was born in Campbellville and her rise to fame in the literary world is followed with interest and pride by her own folk. All who know Miss Chapman personally will want to meet her again, as well as the many who have made her acquaintance through the Home Section of The Farmer's Magazine. The public is cordially invited.

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IN MEMORIAM  
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We are loved yearly and miss you as it dawns another year.  
In our lonely hours of thinking Thoughts of you are ever near.  
Ever remembered by his daughter Evelyn and sons Gordon and Douglas.

Miss Muriel Norris, nurse in training at the General Hospital, Hamilton, returned to duty on Sunday, after spending a few days at her home here.

Hate off to the ban. She has been doing her war effort so thoroughly and well that the price of eggs which was 32 cents in August, is now down to 24 cents a dozen.

Whatever intelligence, ability, knowledge and hard work may be your personal happiness, will depend mainly on just one thing—your ability to get along with people.

SUITS and Top Coats made to order. Latest styles and new imported fabrics. Selection with reference to Ladies' and Gents' (Clothes by an experienced tailor—E. Wilkinson, Court Street, Milton.

THREE FINGERS SKINNED.—Drawn against a large saw he was operating at the Georgetown Lumber plant on Wednesday last week, Walter Gumm, of Georgetown, formerly of Milton, had three fingers of his left hand severed. He was taken to Guelph General Hospital.

On Thursday, Mar. 28th, at 8 p.m., in Knox Church S. S., Milton, Moving Pictures depicting China, with musical accompaniment and commentary, will be presented by Rev. Fred Goforth, who has travelled to the far East. China and travelled ten thousand miles through the country to get these pictures. Admission 25c and 15c.

Many of the roads in the rural districts are in treacherous condition for travelling, owing to the ruts, ice and snow. However, the sun is growing stronger each day, and with sunshine and rising temperature they should improve before next Tuesday, election day, March 26th.

The family of the late Mrs. James H. Dwyer, wish to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for the kind expressions of sympathy and condolence, and for floral tributes, in the loss of a dear mother.

School teachers who are anxious about their voting status in the coming election will be pleased to know they may vote where their parents live or in the district where they teach, provided, of course, their names are on the voters' list. It must be pointed out, however, that the names of teachers not far away from home, that they are expected to cast only ONE vote!

MODERN HOME ONLY "PARKING LOT." "The home-to-day is merely a parking lot and a filling station during the week-day." Rev. Russell W. O'Brien of Trinity United Church so told 175 delegates at the annual spring rally of Halton Presbytery Young People's Association in Burlington, Wednesday.

He urged them "to take up farm life and seek the great adventure of living."

GIRL INJURED BACK WHEN CARS COLLIDE.—A collision on the base line last Friday resulted in painful back injuries for Miss Christine Anderson, of Milton Heights. Mrs. Anderson was a passenger in a car driven by Fred Gallagher, of Milton Heights. The car was in collision with that of H. Auckland, of Milton. Miss Anderson was treated by Dr. C. E. Cleverley, of Milton. Provincial Constable A. J. Oliver investigated.

CANADIAN CLUB—The next banquet of the Canadian Club of Milton will be held in the town hall on Friday evening, March 28th, at 7 p.m. This is Young Canada Night and all members are expected to bring their sons or some young Canadian. The speaker of the evening will be Lt.-Col. Fraser MacLennan, of the Canadian Forces going to Finland if the Russo-Finnish peace had not intervened. His subject will be "The Story of the Canadian in the Great War, illustrated by pictures. This will be very interesting and a large attendance is anticipated. The Colonel has been decorated by many European countries.

A number of accounts for subscriptions will be mailed next week. Your prompt attention will be requested, as ALL subscriptions to THE CHAMPION MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

Knox Church W.M.S.  
The Easter meeting of Knox W.M.S. was held at the maese on Tuesday, March 12th, with the president, Miss Moffat, in the chair. After the singing of an Easter hymn, Mrs. Ingham led in prayer. The roll call was answered by an Easter thought. Mrs. March gave an interesting and inspiring Easter message from the Gospels, with the last days in the life of Jesus and showed how important these days were judging by the space given to them in the gospels. Mrs. Nixon brought messages from the Toronto Presbytery and suggested that the members send in their donations to the bales so that they might be exhibited at the Provincial Presbytery on April 1. Mr. Dick gave a report on literature sent out.

St. Paul's Church W. M. S.  
The Easter meeting of St. Paul's Church W.M.S. was held at the home of Mrs. Gilroy on March 14th. Meeting opened by singing the Easter hymn, "Christ is Risen," and prayer by the president, Mrs. Walbraith. The roll call was answered by the members emphasizing the word "Risen." Business and secretarial reports followed. Mesdames Galloway and R. W. Clements gave a beautiful duet. The devotional part was under the leadership of Mrs. T. C. Dales. Mrs. M. T. Harris and Mrs. Earl Wilson assisted, and members took responsive parts in a very lovely Easter programme. Mrs. King pianist. The study book session was taken by Miss Hadley. Mrs. Dolby, who was unable to be present but sent a nicely prepared part on the educational work of our missionaries in India, which was read by Mrs. Porter. Mrs. Frank Hagley and Miss Badley also contributed interesting parts, referring particularly to Christian education and the elevation of the women of India. Miss Brown and Mrs. Porter were appointed delegates to the Presbytery meeting to be held in Waterdown on April 9th. Meeting closed with prayer by the president.

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## ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

"Enter into His gates with thanksgiving."  
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning worship. Subject, "The Risen Lord."  
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship. Subject, "Putting a Purpose Into Life." Come and hear the Easter Message. A warm welcome awaits you.  
Good Friday Service at 11 a.m. in the Sunday School room.

## KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship the Lord in the spirit of Holiness.  
10:00 a.m.—Senior Sunday School.  
11:00 a.m.—Morning worship. Subject, "The Resurrection."  
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship. Subject, "Immortality."

## RED CROSS SOCIETY

The Red Cross is having an Opportunity Sale on Saturday afternoon, Mar. 30th, commencing at 2 p.m., in the Legion Rooms.  
The War Room report will be published in the next issue of this paper. It will be worth reading.

## POLICE COURT

Sentence of three months definite and three months indefinite in reformation was given Leroy Bowman, 29, of Oakville, when he pleaded guilty on March 18th to breaking and entering with intent to steal. Accused smashed three windows to enter the service station of Charles Roy, near Oakville.

Provincial Constable, A. Jackson, told Magistrate W. F. Woodliffe that nothing had been taken when he found Bowman inside the service station.

Magistrate W. F. Woodliffe assessed Lloyd Coulson, 18, of Kilmbridge, \$10 and recommended cancellation of his driver's license on Mar. 13 when the youth pleaded guilty to a charge of careless driving in Nelson township.

The court was told by Complainant Earl Martin, of Kilmbridge, that accused drove behind him when he was returning from a dance, and bumped his car three times. Martin then stated that accused then drove ahead and bumped his car in the middle of a side road, so that complainant was forced to drive three miles out of his way to get home.

"I just gave him a little bump," asserted Coulson, who declared that Martin had refused him room to pass, although he bonked his horn.

John H. Pichard, of Toronto, was assessed \$25 and costs of \$17 when he was convicted yesterday of a charge of driving recklessly in Trafalgar township. The case was adjourned last November when Ernest Gayford, of Trafalgar, that accused was charged with serious injuries, when he was in collision on the Dundas highway, near Postville, with a car driven by accused.

One thing worse than having others sorry for you is being sorry for yourself.

A man doesn't realize how much credit he has until his children grow up and start charging things to him.

Frances Stevenson, 18-year-old Weston girl, posed as a man for two years so as to get work, she told Hamilton police when they discovered her masquerade.

## FOR SALE

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## Tenders for Wood

Wanted, 12 cords of 2 ft. body wood to be delivered to Ligny School, S.S. No. 1, Esqueping. Tenders to be in by April 1st, 1940. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.  
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Secretary-Treasurer

## Easter Lilies

Cut Flowers also Pot Plants

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## THROUGH A BOMBER'S SIGHTS

(By An Old Sweat)

Another week and the most peculiar election in the history of Canada will have run its course. It has been a dull campaign, marked with trivial and futile charges and counter charges as to the nature of Canada's war effort. It has left the electors confused, so confused that it is common knowledge that many do not intend to take the trouble to vote. This is a sad situation, especially at a time when all Canada should be up and doing.

The confusion and result and indifference is entirely due to the politicians. Mackenzie King started it by his sudden dissolution of parliament. Dr. Manion added to it by his criticism of the National Government and Premier Hearnby completed it by his clowning and irresponsible interference in Federal affairs at a time when his own provincial job was a man-sized one, requiring all his attention.

While King's sudden dissolution of parliament was, in the minds of nearly all, unnecessary the fact remained that he was definitely challenged by Hearnby and Drew, and it may be in the end that his acceptance of that challenge was the best thing with which to clear the air. The Manionites claim dissolution of parliament should be criticized by government, but the campaign to date has only emphasized the fact that a session of parliament, followed by the election which had to come this year in any event, would have seen the people of Canada subjected to months of criticism of government and maneuvering for political advantage, with a slowing down of the war effort for the entire time. As it is now the politicians are having a grand short six weeks in which to air it all, after which everybody can concentrate on the job of assisting Britain and France to win the war. Certainly our war effort should move with greater ease and redoubled effort after March 26th for on that date the tempo of the people will have been expressed.

If, as claimed by some, Mackenzie King was in error in seeking a snap verdict, Dr. Manion was just as much in error in his campaign strategy by which the Conservative party overtook night became a so-called National Government Party. The worthy Doctor erred on two points:

1. He failed to realize that National Government and the confederation are synonymous in the minds of thousands of people. Manion's expressed opposition to conscription would have carried more weight as a declaration from the leader of the Conservative party than it has from the leader of a National Government party and the people of this country, whether we like it or not, are against conscription at the present time. They realize they are more likely to get conscription from a straight party regime.

2. While to the majority the fear of conscription is uppermost on the other hand those who study their political charts realize that Dr. Manion's National Government is not what he and his associates would have us believe. True National Government is Union Government in all spheres of political opinions and faiths unite for the common good. There has been no such merger in this country, the only outstanding politician to break with the Liberal party, for instance, being unpredictable Mr. Hepburn and it is common knowledge that Mr. Hepburn's chief desire in life is to injure W. L. Mackenzie King. If the public knew just what was behind Mr. Hepburn's antagonism to the Canadian Prime Minister they would be inclined to give some attention to the sniping so consistently carried on by the voluble wise-cracking Laird of St. Thomas, who is more concerned with his mischievous mischief than he is with Canada's war effort. Hepburn has discredited himself by his own actions and his break with King is a help rather than a hindrance to the Liberal cause. The thinking public sees all this and at the same time realizes that National Government as pictured by Dr. Manion is not Union Government but simply an election maneuver. Incidentally many all-time Conservatives are resentful of these tactics and feel that the grand old party has been sacrificed in the name of political expediency when there was no real need for it.

Dr. Manion merely talks about inviting the "best brains" to join his cabinet but those who know something of practical politics realize quite well that the old party war-horses who would be in line for cabinet positions in a Conservative regime are not going to give up cabinet posts for outsiders who have never had to do with the welfare of the party at any time. Then again Cabinet Ministers must be members of parliament, so if Manion is called upon to form a cabinet he will have to call in "Best Brains" seats must be found for one or two Hon. Best Brains but for more—well a new era has dawned in Canada if seats for any considerable number are opened with any degree of ease or good-will.

These things are realized by the public just as it has finally struck home that Premier Hearnby in the large and expensive newspaper advertisement recently run in the Ontario newspapers, purporting to come from the Board of Film Censors, committed one of the most amazing breaches ever credited to a provincial prime minister. Mr. Hepburn is entitled to his own views, but when he airs them in large type in large advertisements over his own signature with the money of the people of Ontario he places himself beyond the pale, and all right-thinking Canadians know it.

This raises an interesting point. Hepburn fired Col. Geo. Drew from his post as Securities Commissioner. Drew then launched himself into the political field with elimination of the leader of the opposition in the Ontario Legislature. Then we find the pair of them joining hands in the attack on King Albert for different reasons. As leader of His Majesty's loyal opposition in the legislature, it is Col. Drew's bounden duty to scrutinize all expenditures. I wonder if Col. Drew will do his duty and question the expenditure of public funds on political advertisements. Col. Drew's duty is to protect the use of public funds in this way. But, will he?

These are the things that are contributing to the confusion of the voters, unsatisfactory election campaign. There is a war on—the public are sick of political maneuvering and indifference. They would like a little bit of consistency in the picture and failing to get it refuse to accept all they are told. Charges that are hurled against the King administration lose their force when hurled by men so gloriously inconsistent as

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Hepburn and Drew have proven themselves to be. With the cross-fire that is going on it is difficult for the non-partisan sitting on the side lines to really determine whether the government has been dilatory or not in Canada's war effort. Col. J. L. Ralston, Major G. C. Powers, Col. Ian Mackenzie and Private Norman Rogers are four members of the Liberal cabinet who served with great distinction in the last war. They made just as great a contribution in 1914-1918 as Capt. Dr. Manion or Col. Geo. Drew. Col. Ralston is in the highest respect by all Canadians. He enjoys the confidence of the entire country. His word on Canada's effort cannot be disregarded. He is just as competent to judge as any ex-soldier among the Manionites; hence the refusal of the public to accept all that is said to the lack of vigor in the war effort. All political leaders, however, admit that Canada was woefully unprepared on September 3rd last. Errors have been made to pin responsibility for this on the various political leaders and parties, but the fact remains that Canada was woefully unprepared for the state of military readiness in times of peace, and the Canadian militia the most neglected section of our national undertaking. In fairness to all politicians it must be said that they have, in this connection, simply reflected the attitude of the public. The lively protests in recent years against expenditures on the militia and all the rest of the shoutings of the loud-voiced pacifists from the recollections in the minds of those who deplored our lack of interest in some degree of military preparedness. So, the charges and counter charges on that score fail to settle anything, especially when uttered by individuals who never wore a uniform at any time in their lives, either in boys' brigades, cadets, school cadets, militia or home guards or active service units. 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