

NEWS of the DISTRICT

Various Items Concerning Activities in Communities Nearby Where Many of Our Readers are Interested

PALERMO

The opening social evening of the Ratepayers Club was held on Friday night at the school. An election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. C. Feeters; Vice-President, Allan Dickenson; Secretary-Treasurer, George Wetlauffer. It was decided to purchase card tables and dishes for the club. The evening was spent playing euchre, Mrs. Ada Hill won the ladies first prize and second, Mrs. G. Booth. Gents first prize, Ken Giles, second, Ross Cowan. Norman Wood played for dancing.

Sgt. Don Wood, RCAF, is home for Christmas and New Year's and is posted to Dartmouth, N.S.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Institute to be held at the home of Mrs. E. Henderson was postponed from Thursday to Wednesday of this week owing to the condition of the roads.

BURLINGTON

Work is in progress at the local arena in making ice, and already a good start has been made towards a sheet of ice that will soon make skating available.

Wm. Taylor, Pearl Street, reports that several Cardinals have been seen in the district during the past few days, which is rather unusual for this time of year.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simmons quietly celebrated the fifty-seventh anniversary of their wedding at their home, Pearl Street, on Thursday last. Mr. Simmons, who is 85 and his wife, 86, are enjoying fair health for their years.

One of the biggest business and real estate deals ever to be transacted in Burlington has been announced by the owner of the Hume Theatre Block. This property comprising the modern air-conditioned theatre and all equipment together with restaurant building and two apartments, have been sold to outside interests.

Tragically cast gloom over the home of Airman and Mrs. David Harrison, Dunsmore road, Hamilton, forty-eight hours before Christmas, when David Phillip, 4 years old and his two year old sister, Madeline Nancy died within half an hour of each other in the Hamilton General Hospital early Sunday morning, as the result of severe burns to the face, arms and legs and shock. The fire occurred in a small wartime dwelling, and is alleged to have originated from a Christmas tree.—Gazette.

MOFFAT

We, the people of the Moffat Community are thoroughly convinced that we have had "A White Christmas" and that Santa Claus did remarkably well to get through on his annual expedition. He is always a welcome visitor and may his genial and happy spirit linger with us, through the New Year.

There were a number of visitors to our community during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Penrose from Brockville and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Spears of Hamilton were the guests of Mrs. W. A. Fraser.

Mr. and Mrs. Y. Simpson spent part of the holiday week in Guelph, with their daughter, Mrs. Clark. Rev. C. L. and Mrs. Poole were in Toronto, the guests of Mrs. Adams, and sister, and with Mr. and Mrs. George Poole.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Donaven and Isobel, are spending New Year's in Milton.

Murray Donaven, who has been serving his king and country in Holland has been wounded and is expected home in the near future. We all hope that his wounds will not be serious.

The service in the Community Church last Sunday evening was well attended. The Candle Service around the Cross was very interesting. The Old Year was represented by the Candle, burnt very low and sending out its last flickerings. This was carried by Mrs. Poole, who gave the message from the Old Year. A tall candle before a cross painted a light mauve color, created a spirit of sanctity and reverence throughout the service, and represented "The Christ" for the New Year.

The minister touched his candle, to the tall candle before the Cross, signifying the Light the Power upon which the Church must depend in the New Year. He was followed by the following representatives of our social life: The Busy Housewife, Mrs. Thos. Whaley; the Business Man, Dalbert Henderson; the Farmer, Sandy Buchanan; the Laborer, Harold Allison; the Weary Traveller, Mr. Y. Simpson; the Student, Miss Vera Cox; the Little Child, Barbara Brown. After all had lighted their candles at the Cross, the congregation rose and sang "Blest be the Tie that Binds" and all enjoyed a fireside lunch and social time, after which each wished the other, a Happy New Year, which was only a couple of hours away.

The friends of Moffat extend to the Canadian Champion and its readers their best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

OAKVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Leaver, Birch Ave., have received word that their son, Craftsman Harold Leaver, 24, was seriously wounded on November 26th.

Flight Lieutenant Nelson Perdue, 25, RCAF, is reported missing during offensive operations, according to official word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon E. Perdue, on Wednesday.

Highlighted by Santa's arrival, the Community Christmas Party for the children of servicemen and veterans, held in the Gregory Theatre, Friday afternoon, kept the capacity audience of kiddies enthralled.—Record-Star.

KILBRIDE

Mrs. Wm. Mitchell was hostess last week of the annual meeting of the W.A. of the United Church. The results of the election of officers are as follows: President, Mrs. W. Ford; Vice-President, Mrs. A. Welderault; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Wm. Mitchell; Secretary, Mrs. E. McArthur; Treasurer, Mrs. H. R. McDonald; Pianist, Mrs. James Lillycrop; Decorating Committee convener, Mrs. Wm. Bullard; Card Committee convener, Mrs. Orlo Coulson; Parsonage Rep., Mrs. H. R. McDonald; Convenors of the Sick and Visiting Committee are, the president and vice-president; Auditors, Mrs. B. Cartwright, Mrs. A. Wetherall.

Mrs. Orlo Coulson reported 20 New Year's greeting cards had been sent out to the sick, aged, and others throughout the district.

Assisting the hostess serving lunch were, Mrs. H. R. McDonald, Mrs. J. Lillycrop and Mrs. W. Hutchinson.

On Thursday evening last week the Y.P.U. held a social in the form of a sleigh-riding party. Eric McArthur was the driver for the moonlight ride. Later games were enjoyed in the hall of the church and lunch was served.

The annual congregational meeting of the Y.P.U. will be held Friday evening of next week.

The Kilbride Correspondent wishes the Champion staff and its readers, best wishes for the New Year.

HORNBY

To you Mr. Editor and to all your many interested readers a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year, and may victory come to the United Nations, and peace to our war weary-world in 1945.

January first will be long remembered by many local residents, many of whom spent the day away from home among friends and relatives in various directions. When the blizzard struck, some were wise enough to start for home early enough to reach their destinations before the roads got too heavy; while others less fortunate got caught in the fury of the gale, became stuck in huge snow drifts, or remained in a safe place till the storm subsided and the snow plows made the roads again passable for cars. Surely King Winter is reigning in all his fury in our province just now. Everyone is hoping now for a real worth-while January thaw.

At the annual meeting of the ratepayers of Hornby Union School Section held in the school house on Wednesday afternoon last December 27th, Mr. Alvin Anderson was elected trustee for the next three years in place of Mr. Norman Cantelon whose term has expired.

School opened for the second half of the year on Wednesday morning with Miss Jardine in charge, assisted by Miss Lois Merry, Normal School Student of Toronto.

The farmers are having considerable difficulty these days connecting with the milk trucks, but the cows are continuing to fill the milk pails twice daily in spite of roads and weather.

GEORGETOWN

A quiet wedding took place on Saturday, December 23rd, when Miss Jean McCracken of Viginatown, became the bride of Mr. Gordon Alcott, of Copper Cliff, and son of Mr. and Mrs. George Alcott, of Georgetown.

On Friday morning the fish and chip fryer in Penon's Fish and Chip Store caught fire as one of the burners was being lit. It had been leaking a bit and immediately went up in flames. The Fire Brigade was called but until they arrived, Mr. and Mrs. Penon prevented it from spreading further by slapping at the flames with wet towels.

A perfect winter afternoon, with an abundance of fresh white snow, made Santa's annual Christmas visit to the Lion's Community Christmas Tree a memorable one, last Saturday afternoon. Over 800 kiddies received bags of apples and oranges, and after the Georgetown children had all been treated, Santa and his helpers visited the girls at Cedarvale School, who in turn treated them to sandwiches and cake.—Herald.

New Wheat Type Likely To Stop Sawfly Menace

Victory in Battle Against Pest May be Realized in Three or Four Years as Result of Experiments

REGINA (CP)—Victory in battle against the wheat stem sawfly may be realized in three or four years by introduction of a sawfly stem resistant wheat, now being developed on Dominion experimental farms.

Dr. E. S. Archibald, Ottawa, director of experimental farm work for the federal department of agriculture, reports 500 bushels of the new wheat, developed at the Swift Current, Sask., station, will be multiplied in California and Canada in 1945.

The campaign to produce a solid stem of wheat tends to stop sawflies from boring from within, allowing grain to fall to the ground before it is ripe, to counteract severe damage to wheat fields in southern Alberta and southwestern Saskatchewan. Damage from the sawfly this year is estimated at between \$71,000,000 and \$25,000,000 said Dr. Archibald.

"Milling and baking qualities of the sawfly resistant wheat are promising," he said. The popular strain of this wheat is No. 4188 and Dr. Archibald reports experts of the entomology branch in co-operation with field husbandry men and plant breeders are striving to produce wheat that will be more resistant and even better in quality. "No. 4188 has a tendency toward a high percentage of solid stem," he said.

1945 Program

The 1945 program also includes extensive work in the Dominion Rust Laboratory at Winnipeg with new strains of rust resistant barley, oats and flax. These grains, like the sawfly resistant wheat, will not be released for perhaps several years.

Further experiments also will be carried on with "prospect" barley, developed at Swift Current, which is a heavy yielding feed grain in areas plagued with dry conditions from time to time.

Flax more suitable for Western Canada areas—both linseed and fibre varieties—will receive extensive research attention in a long-range program. An experimental pilot fibre flax mill is under construction at Portage la Prairie, Man., 50 miles west of Winnipeg which will aim to devise ways and means of extracting every dollar from flax, making it a more attractive crop for the West.

Despite wartime demand acreage dropped about 50 per cent in the three prairie provinces in the 1943-44 crop year, yielding some 10,000,000 bushels.

Ten Navy Nurses Only Attu Women

Find Recreation on Remote Aleutian Island—Outnumbered by Men

ATTU ISLAND (CP)—The only women on this barren island at the western end of the Aleutian chain are 10 United States Navy nurses who recently celebrated their first anniversary of their arrival with the observation that on the whole they didn't mind it a bit.

"We've been busy with the job we came here to do," said Lieut. (jg) Judy N. Wilson, of Clarksford, Ind., the head nurse. "We have comfortable quarters and enough recreation, such as bowling, hiking and fishing to keep the days from being monotonous."

Men outnumber them thousands to one but a question concerning the social demands of the little group of nurses brought a frown from Miss Wilson. She said that even if they were the only women on the island, they were first there as navy officers and nurses.

The nurses, when they first arrived, adopted a rule of accepting only group social engagements. This united front policy was later relaxed to some extent and romance did edge in.

Lieut. (jg) Elaine Gallagher of Plainview, Minn., one of the original eight, and Lieut. (jg) Phil Brady of Shrewsbury and Red Bank, N.J., a Navy flier, announced their engagement last summer.

The 10 nurses have quarters in the navy hospital area on Massacre Bay, one of the points at which amphibious forces swarmed ashore in May, 1943 to wipe out Japanese invaders in 20 days of some of the grimmest fighting of the war.

Only one other white woman had lived on Attu before them. She was Mrs. Foster Jones, school teacher and wife of a weather station observer. She and her husband were on the island when it was invaded by the Japs and both are believed to be prisoners in Japan.

CREDIT UNIONS POPULAR

CHARLOTTETOWN (CP) — Membership in the credit union movement in Prince Edward Island now exceeds 7,500, it was announced by J. C. Dennis, inspector of the unions. He said in the eight years the assets of these unions have grown to more than \$300,000.

Save Sugar
bake a Delicious Cake



MAGIC Chocolate Gold Cake

3 tbs. butter
¾ cup sugar
1 tsp. flavoring extract
3 tsp. Magic Baking Powder

Yolks of 3 eggs
1½ cups flour
¾ cup of milk

Cream butter; add sugar slowly; add egg yolks which have been beaten until thick; add flavoring. Sift together flour and baking powder; add alternately with milk to first mixture. Bake in two greased layer-cake pans at 375° F. for 20-25 minutes.

SUGARLESS ICING
CHOCOLATE FROSTING: 1 egg white; ½ cup Maple Syrup; ¼ tsp. salt; ¼ cup Cocoa; ½ tsp. vanilla.

Put egg white, maple syrup and salt in top of double boiler over boiling water and beat with rotary beater for 9 minutes. Remove from heat and fold in cocoa gradually, blending well. Add vanilla and spread over cake.

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DICK & DICK
Milton Ontario
Solicitors for the Administrator.

Notice to Creditors

IN the Matter of the Estate of THOMAS HENRY COURT, late of the Town of Milton, in the County of Halton, Bell Telephone Combination Man, deceased.

All persons having claims against the estate of Thomas Henry Court, late of the Town of Milton, in the County of Halton, Bell Telephone Combination Man, deceased, who died on or about the 22nd day of October, 1944, are requested to send same to the undersigned solicitor on or before the 15th day of January, 1945; otherwise the estate will be distributed without regard to their claims.

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