

Letters From the Boys Overseas

"Thumbs Up and Keep Smiling" Says Corp. Peter Walker Now in England

Somewhere in England,
December 18, 1940.

Dear Editor:

Just a note to thank you from the bottom of my heart for sending me The Liberal as I get all the home news every week. It's just like receiving a letter from some near or dear friend. Now as I have a few minutes to myself I am going to tell you how I like England. It is a most wonderful country, beautiful in every respect, and it will be a long time before it is bombed off the map believe me. Since I came here last August I have travelled considerably over 6000 miles up and down country lanes, highways and byways and I have seen some lovely and interesting spots. The other week I was driving an Officer along a country lane (one who had never been in the Old Country before) when he said to me, "My God Walker, isn't that a beautiful sight, who in Hell would not fight for a country like this?" I've heard a lot about it but I had no idea it was so lovely. Not only the country but the people are also very nice. Everywhere I go they throw their arms wide open for us. Now about ourselves. We are well quartered for the winter months, all inside and comfortable; we have a reading and waiting room, a recreation room where we can play ping-pong, checkers &c., have a piano, gramophone, radio and a canteen. These are all supplied by the Salvation Army. The boys can go in the canteen and have a free cup of tea in the forenoon and then in the evening again. Thanks a lot to the Salvation Army for what they are doing. Now for what Jerry is doing. He is not doing Salvation work, oh no. It's the other way around, but don't get down-hearted folks, there'll always be an England, and a London too, don't forget. In your paper dated October 24th I find these words, "If you can't sing shut up." Well that's just what the people of Britain are doing. They are singing and merry all the time and that's the spirit that's going to win the war.

Now about London being bombed. It certainly has been hard hit, but on the other hand when you stop to think no matter where a bomb is dropped in London it's bound to hit something. I have been all through London from east to west and north to south, and I could not honestly say I have seen one military objective of any kind badly hurt, mostly the working class houses that have been bombed, a few hospitals and churches, but bear in mind there are around 16 bridges crossing the Thames in London; only one was slightly damaged. I think it was repaired in 2 days.

Going around Trafalgar I particularly noticed that 4 bombs had been dropped, one almost in each corner, but they did not hit Nelson's statue. Oh no, he is still looking down and telling the people of England the same words he told them before the battle of Trafalgar over 100 years ago (the battle that saved our freedom then) "England expects every man and woman to do his or her duty". Let Canada and the Empire do the same and we shall never be slaves. My time is up but some other time I will give some of my own personal experiences, but in the meantime, thumbs up and keep smiling.

Cheerio for now, thanking you Mr. Editor again for your paper.

Sincerely yours,

B83107 Corporal P. T. Walker,
No. 1 Tunnelling Coy, R.C.E.,
C.A.S.F.,

C/o Base Post Office, Eng.
P.S.—Kindest regards and best wishes to all my friends in and around Richmond Hill.

At Collins Bay, near Kingston, picked naval ratings from Great Britain and from many colonial outposts, are now in training for service with the Fleet Air Arm.

Euchre

Under the auspices of
Richvale Red Cross
RICHVALE SCHOOL
Stop 22A Yonge Street

Mon., Feb. 3rd
8 p.m.

Lucky Number Admission ticket
for 500 lbs. coal 25c.

EARL COOPER WRITES FROM BRITISH ISLES

Dear Friend:

A few words of thanks to a friend or friends from home who so generously thought of me at Christmas. The parcel was most appreciated and I am going to enjoy wearing the socks and sweater as much as someone enjoyed knitting them for some one on Active Service. The articles for comforts that people at home are making for us are most appreciated by the men on Active Service. The food was wonderful and myself and the rest of the boys are enjoying it too. We all share alike on parcels of food and we all enjoy it. Again I'll thank you for the lovely parcel.

Some of the other boys are telling me to give their words of thanks. Everyone in the squadron have their chins up and still doing a fine job of work.

Yours sincerely,

Earl Cooper,
Maple, Ont.

UNIONVILLE

Red Cross Committees Appointed

The Unionville Unit of the Markham Township Red Cross have been meeting at the home of Mrs. W. J. Russell during January and report very successful sessions. A re-organization of the committees tend to greater efficiency and it is desired that all the ladies in the vicinity will avail themselves of the opportunity to assist in this great work.

A resolution to approach the township council asking for better equipment for taking care of the work was passed and council will be approached at the next meeting. Committees were appointed as follows: Committee in charge of work, Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. Milner, Mrs. C. H. Stiver; in charge of work, Mrs. W. Summerfeldt, Mrs. H. J. Stiver; sewing and cutting com., Mrs. G. Murphy, Mrs. Burnett, Mrs. Mellway, Mrs. Little; quilt com., Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Pollard, Mrs. S. Weatherall, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Piere; regarding hall, Mrs. W. J. Russell, Mrs. E. J. Stiver, Miss M. Sommerville; transportation of supplies, F. J. Pollard, E. J. Stiver; Junior Red Cross activities, Mrs. Howard Atkinson.

The donation of a beautiful hand made rug by Mrs. F. Boadway and Mrs. D. Coulson was gratefully received and will be sold, proceeds for Red Cross work. Also several lovely hand made quilts will be offered for sale shortly.

WEDDING

BLAKE-TOWSE

Laura Willeen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Towse of Toronto, became the bride of Gordon Roy Blake, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Blake of Woodbridge in a ceremony performed recently by the Rev. J. Fortner of Creemore. Jeanne Pengelly sang "Because", accompanied by Mrs. Frank Wilson. The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attended by her sisters, Mrs. A. MacPherson, matron of honour, and Miss Doris Towse, bridesmaid. The groom was attended by his brother, Sherman Blake, and John McCallum.

Following a reception at the bride and groom's new home, the couple left by plane for North Bay and "Tally-Ho Lodge". They are residing in Woodbridge.

LIONS MAKE HEADLINES

(Fergus News-Record)

"Lions Supplying Children Milk" says a heading in The Barrie Examiner. Probably this is only a temporary measure, due to a wartime shortage of cows in Simcoe County, or possibly, with Camp Borden so close at hand, Barrie children find cow's milk too tame.

Talking PICTURES

He's a Singing Cowboy!

BING CROSBY in

Rhythm on the Range

With BOB BURNS and

MARTHA RAYE

Added Shorts

Masonic Hall

Richmond Hill

Monday, FEB. 3rd

8 p.m. D.S.T.

Adults 25c. Children 15c.

Social and Personal

Canada Calling — support the cause of Empire by buying war savings stamps and certificates.

Mr. Melvin Sheppard of Rimby, Alberta, has been visiting his mother, Mrs. H. J. Winch, the past few weeks.

Scotchmer's Drug Store, (successor to Glenn's), Ynoge St., Richmond Hill, offer in this issue a long list of specials for the week-end.

Mr. Stanley Baker, Wright Street, Richmond Hill, has accepted a position with The Evening Telegram and commenced his new duties this week.

Mr. Malcolm Slaght, professor of finance and commerce of Western University, London, who has been visiting his mother Mrs. W. E. Slaght, returned home on Monday.

Mrs. A. Warrington and John spent a few days last week in Kingston visiting Sgmn. A. E. Warrington who is a patient in Barriefield Military Hospital.

Bing Crosby in "Rhythm on the Range" is the feature of Monday night's movie program at the Masonic Hall, Richmond Hill. Monday night is "movie night" in Richmond Hill.

A most enjoyable evening was spent by a large gathering at the Euchre, Bingo and Social evening under the auspices of the local L.O. L. and L.O.B.A. in the Masonic Hall on Wednesday.

A euchre under the auspices of Richvale Red Cross is to be held in Richvale School Monday evening, February 3rd. This evening is being relinquished by the kindness of East Vaughan Ratepayers Association.

At the Congregational meeting of the Richmond Hill United Church held on Tuesday evening last, the pastor, Rev. C. W. Follett, B.D., tendered his resignation to become effective at the close of the present conference year, June 30th, 1941.

Miss F. M. Brown had the misfortune to fall on the slippery pavement on Friday evening of last week causing serious injury to her left shoulder and fracturing a bone in the left arm close to the shoulder. Her many friends in the district wish her a speedy recovery.

All Officers of St. Mary's Anglican Church, elected at the last Vestry meeting held a week ago are asked to meet at the regular morning service on Sunday next, when the Rector will conduct a special service of Dedication. Officers will occupy the front pews for the short dedication service.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lee and Ronald of Toronto, Mrs. John Carley and Mr. George Carley of Preston, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Clement, Miss Anne Clement, of Richmond Hill, met as guests of Mrs. Edith E. Luesby in Thornhill on Sunday and to celebrate the 82nd birthday of William Clement, who was present and in good health. Mr. Clement attended Hope Sunday School and church service in the morning when members sang "A Happy Birthday to You" in his honour.

LOCAL MAN ATTEND

FORD TRAINING SCHOOL

Mr. Gordon Hook, of the service staff of local Ford dealer is attending a mechanic's training school in Toronto sponsored by Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited.

IN MEMORIAM

WRIGHT—In loving memory of Thomas Alva Wright who died at Thornhill February 1st, 1940. "Resting where no shadows fall."

—Wife and daughter Irene.

DIED

STONG, Jacob—On Wednesday, January 29th, at his home, 193 Snowden Avenue, Jacob Stong, beloved husband of Katherine Schaefer, and father of Mrs. Leo Broadhurst (Mildred); Mrs. Frank Hillock (Clare), Mrs. T. S. Kerr (Gertrude), of Toronto; C. Ross, of Vancouver, and Joseph P., of Seattle, Washington, in his 91st year.

Resting at the Trull Funeral Home, 2704 Yonge Street. Service in the chapel 3 p.m. Friday, Interment Maple Cemetery, Maple, Ont.

All employees in industries engaged on vital munitions will be asked to give all particulars about themselves, including their country of origin, for R.C.M.P. investigation.

You can help win the war by buying war savings stamps.

RED CROSS NOTES

The regular monthly business meeting of the Richmond Hill Red Cross Society will be held on Wednesday afternoon, February 5th at 3 p.m.

The quota of garments to be made by the Richmond Hill branch within a month, if possible, consists of 15 dressing gowns, 25 boys' shirts and 100 pairs of pyjamas. Would those who would be interested in helping, with this quota in their homes kindly contact Mrs. N. J. Glass or Mrs. Yerex.

GIRLS' RED CROSS

The Chain Tea that was held at the home of Miss Marion Scrivener on Tuesday, January 28th was a delightful affair and was much enjoyed by all who attended. Court Whist was played after which a dainty lunch was served. Many thanks to Marion for her kind hospitality.

We would like to have as many girls as possible come to our regular meeting next Tuesday evening to discuss plans for some new work.

RICHVALE RED CROSS

The monthly meeting of Richvale Red Cross Branch will be held at the home of Mrs. Bailey, Spruce Avenue, on Monday afternoon, February 3rd at 2 o'clock.

Plan to attend the euchre to be held by the branch in Richvale School on Monday evening next. Lucky number admission tickets for 500 lbs. coal.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. W. A. Lunau and family wish to thank their many friends and neighbors for acts of kindness and sympathy, also for the numerous floral tributes received during their recent bereavement.

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Mrs. W. H. Hood and daughter Marion wish to thank their friends and neighbours for expressions of sympathy and condolence and beautiful floral tributes extended to them in the loss of a dear husband and father.

RAIL BARGAIN FARES

Feb. 6th to Maritime Provinces. Feb. 7th, 8th, 9th to Niagara district, also to Brantford, Chatham, London, St. Thomas, Sarnia, Woodstock and other points in districts named. Particulars from C.N.R. ticket offices.

RICHMOND HILL

UNITED CHURCH

Rev. C. W. Follett, B.D. Pastor
Sunday, Feb. 2nd
9.45 a.m.—Sunday School. All departments.

11 a.m.—Public Worship. Sermon subject, "The Glory of Zion".

7 p.m.—"Songs in the Night". Services on the "Famous Hymns of Christendom". First in series, "Jesus Lover of My Soul", by Charles Wesley. The choir will illustrate during the service. The pastor in charge both morning and evening. A hearty welcome to old and young. Come and bring your family and friends.

N.B.—Community Prayer Service on Wednesday evening next in the Presbyterian Church. Everybody welcome.

RICHMOND HILL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, Feb. 2nd

11 a.m.—Morning Worship. Mr. Robert Manning of Knox College.

2.45 p.m.—Sunday School.
8 p.m.—Y.P.S. meeting.
Wednesday, evening, February 5th—Community Prayer Meeting.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

(Anglican)

RICHMOND HILL

Rector: Rev. W. F. Wrixon, L.Th.
4 Markham Road

Sunday, Feb. 2 Epiphany 4
11 a.m.—Dedication of Church Officers and Holy Communion.

2.30 p.m.—Sunday School.

7 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Choir will meet at home of Organist. Wednesday 8 p.m.—Community service of prayer and intercession in the Presbyterian Church. Public invited.

THORNHILL OLD BOYS

OLD TIME DANCE

LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HALL

Friday, January 31st
8.30 p.m.

Billy MacDonald's Orchestra

Proceeds for
British War Victims' Fund

ROYAL THEATRE AURORA

SHOWS START AT 7.30 P.M. AND 9.30 P.M. D.S.T.

TODAY, THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

KENNY BAKER, FRANCES LANGFORD, ANN MILLER BORRAH MINEVITCH AND HIS HARMONICA RASCALS in
"HIT PARADE OF 1941"

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JANUARY 31 - FEBRUARY 1

GENE AUTRY - SMILEY BURNETTE in

"RIDE TENDERFOOT RIDE"

JANE WITHERS - ROBERT CONWAY in

"YOUTH WILL BE SERVED"

MONDAY & TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3 - 4

JEAN ARTHUR, FRED MacMURRAY, MELVYN DOUGLAS in
"TOO MANY HUSBANDS"

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5 - 6

REX HARRISON - MARGARET LOCKWOOD in
"NIGHT TRAIN TO MUNICH"

SCOTCHMER'S DRUG STORE

This weekend we are offering special prices on many items. We can save you money—Come in and let us get acquainted. Here is a partial list of specials and we have many others in stock.

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40 oz. Russian Oil 79c.
32 oz. Milk of Magnesia .. 75c.
14 oz. Rikers Milk Magnesia 25c.
20 oz. Wampoles Milk Magnesia 50c.
A. B. S. & C. Tablets, bottles of 100, 2 for 23c.
Beef, Iron & Wine, 16 oz. 69c.
Rikers Emulsion, 14 oz. 69c.
A. B. D. & G. Vitamin Capsules 69c.
Haliver Liver Oil Capsules, 50s 90c.
Puretest Cod Liver Oil, 4, 8, 16 oz. bottles 40c., 75c., \$1.25
Puretest Extract of Malt Cod Liver Oil, 32 oz. 98c.
Peptone, big 20 oz. bottle .. \$1.00

SPECIAL COMBINATION OFFERS

Rexal's Nose and Throat Relief, Lady Dainty Tissue, reg. 62c., both 50c.
Cherry Bark Cough Syrup, reg. 35c. Metholene Balm, reg. 25c., both 50c.
Hind's Honey & Almond Cream, reg. 45c. 2 for 46c.
Noxema Cream, reg. 25c., for 15c.
Gillette Tek Razor with 5 Blades 59c.
Rexall Shaving Lotion, reg. 35c., for 29c.
Briton Tooth Powder and Tooth Paste, 29c., 2 for 53c.
Mi 31 Tooth Powder with Drinking glass, reg. 50c., for .. 37c.
Health Salt, English type, with drinking glass 39c.

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