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Mr. Elwood McDonald of the R.C. A.F. at Manning Pool, Toronto spent Sunday with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Penrose spent last week-end with relatives at Newmarket.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. Jones and wish for her a speedy recovery.

Pte. Harold Duggan of Kingston spent last week-end at his home here.

The Mission Band met last Saturday afternoon with a good attendance. Georgina Plain presided and Joan Walterhouse acted as secretary. Wilma Adair conducted the devotional service. Betty Moore sang a solo and recitations were given by Marion Hamilton and Kenneth Coburn. Mrs. Halbert conducted the study period. A knowledge test on the Bible was an interesting feature with Joan Walterhouse's group winning by one point. Plans were made for a St. Valentine Party on February 13th in the church school room.

The monthly meeting of the Canadian Red Cross will be held Friday, February 5th at 2.30 in St. George's Parish Hall, Willowdale.

Mrs. F. Langford, Mrs. A. H. Halbert, Mrs. A. E. Brown, Miss Doris VanLaven and Miss Lorene Brown attended the annual meeting of Toronto Centre Presbyterian W.M.S. which was held in Eglinton United Church, Toronto, last week.

SEND IN THE NEWS

The Liberal welcomes news items from every section of the district. Send them by mail or telephone 9 Richmond Hill.

Many people try to cross a bridge before they get to it, but you don't cross your bridge partner until you play the wrong card.

Some people wouldn't be satisfied with living in a land of milk and honey, as they would have to feed and milk the cows.

"The Ottawa Spotlight"

By M. McDougall

The new session of parliament has started on its way in a much more cheerful atmosphere than has been felt about parliament hill for some time. It is of course the same kind of subdued optimism that is discernible everywhere, and is based on the improved military outlook for the United Nations, which with our hope and courageous confidence in the future seemed to be symbolized in the epochal meeting of the two great democratic chieftains, Churchill and Roosevelt at Casablanca. It is, however, the stress and strain of the titanic struggle that still lies ahead that forms the background of the program that has been set by our government for this session. With growing wolfpacks of U boats menacing the sealanes, with a heavily fortified section of North Africa still in Axis hands, with Japan temporarily at least stopped but not anywhere in retreat and with not a soldier of the Western allies as yet on the continent of Europe, Canada as an important even if relatively small member of the brotherhood of the United Nations has to throw all she has into the conflict. Canada has to take her full share in the "utmost sustained effort" of all the United Nations which as the Speech from the Throne stated was the only road to victory.

(The Social Security Plan)

Canada looks to the future as well, when the huge war machine comes to a halt and the wearied peoples of the world after resting on their arms and looking around at the havoc war has made, set about reconstructing their world. No one can see through the veil but Canada is determined that in the new era fear of want will be banished from the confines of this country. A goal of the government is to set up a comprehensive social insurance scheme

which "will constitute a charter of social security for the whole of Canada". This is in line with the trend of people's thoughts everywhere among the democratic nations. The Beveridge report in Britain embodies suggestions, and these will undoubtedly be among the plans discussed by the select committee which will be set up immediately by parliament to study the whole question. Health insurance is one of the things to be studied and this is one scheme at least which may be put during the session into legislative form. The Canadian Medical Association have agreed in principle to the idea and while no definite plan has as yet been formed, it is said to be gathering shape. The general social insurance plan would encompass the various plans already brought into operation by the Dominion and provinces alone or in cooperation, in relation to annuities, unemployment insurance, pensions, widows' and mothers' allowances, etc. There will be discussions and adjustments between the Dominion and the provinces on other schemes involved in the general plan; but whatever constitutional questions may have to be settled, the main point is that the government has adopted a nationwide plan of social insurance as an integral part of its policy. As stated in the Speech from the Throne: "Freedom from fear and from want should be the assured possession of all. A nation-wide plan of social insurance which would provide insurance against the inevitable consequences of major economic and social hazards is essential if this object is to be attained".

(Freedom From Fear)

More deadly even than the fear of want is the fear of becoming enslaved. That applies still to this war and to the years following, if the power to start aggressive war is not nipped at the root. The speech pointed out that the immediate object of the United Nations is the defeat of the enemy and to this end joint world war planning has been backed by intensified preparations. The United Nations aim at preventing aggression in the future. This was said too in the statement issued after the meeting at Casablanca. It is admittedly not a thing that can be carried out by a single government. It will be a matter for all but on the success with which the plans to prevent aggression in the future are formed and carried out will obviously rest the future of this tortured and unhappy world.

(War Supplies Allocation Board)

The billion dollar gift to Britain has been covered by shipments already made of munitions and food. We have no lease lend arrangement in Canada but the gift to Britain was one of the most effective means of aiding the prosecution of the war. The government is going to establish a Canadian War Supplies Allocation Board which under powers to be granted by parliament will look after the financing and allocation of shipments to allied nations. The nature of the set up will soon be made known to parliament. It will be based on the need of sending supplies to the places where strategic necessity demands them, and of financing in accord with the consciousness of a mutual reliance in the face of a common peril.

It is evident that Canada, will this year round out its own particular "pay as you go" system of taxation on incomes. It is a "logical" development of the collection at source plan already in operation. The hurdle to leap is how to transfer the system from a tax accruing on the past year to a direct tax on the present year. It is being suggested that instead of cancelling the unpaid balance on last year that some formula of extended payment of arrears may be worked out. The whole plan has the virtue of simplicity but it involves adjustments, as many incomes come from different sources and total income in many cases cannot be known until a year's end.

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