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## Dropped Between Stitches

By Ann

Be still, sad heart, and cease repining;  
Behind the clouds the sun is shining;  
Thy fate is the common fate of all,  
Into each life some rain must fall,  
Some days must be dark and dreary.

Wednesday morning brought those lines from Longfellow's "An April Day" into the minds of many Timmins and district people... despite the fact that this is June and not April... and many of them remembered that behind the clouds the sun is shining, too, for this glorious Empire of ours... and it will keep on shining as long as there are strong hearts and willing hands to help toward Victory.

A gracious lady with a smile that said "I want to be your friend—be mine"... she is Mrs. Blanche Geddes, Worthy Grand Matron of Grand Chapter of Ontario Order of the Eastern Star, who was honoured on Tuesday evening at a banquet in the McIntyre auditorium... she won all hearts, and gave double reason for the banquet celebration of her official visit to northern chapters.

Mrs. Geddes was lovely in her gown of cream lace over rose silk... with a beautiful corsage of the deep red roses, gift of the Worthy Matron of Arbutus Chapter, Miss Mildred Tackaberry... seated near the guest of honour at the head table were Mrs. E. A. F. Day, who wore a becoming gown of romance blue with corsage of pink roses... Mrs. Boyd, who accompanied Mrs. Geddes on her official visit... and was attractively attired in a pastel print gown with corsage of roses... and the Worthy Matron who wore white sheer with corsage of roses.

Present at the banquet and meeting which followed it, where members of chapters from Kirkland Lake, Iroquois Falls, South Porcupine, and, of course, Timmins... and to further honour their charming guest, the local chapter had arranged the table-settings in her colours of green and yellow... the banquet tables formed a massive "E" for Eastern Star, and along the head table, green fern was laid daintily over a yellow crepe paper on the white linen... while all the glory of summer was brought into the auditorium by the beautiful summer flowers from Mrs. Malcolm MacMillan's garden at the McIntyre.

And, "Ann" wants to say "thank-you" for the bouquet... those lovely sweet williams completely delighted her and now perhaps will bring a bit of happiness to Miss M. E. Blyth, who is seriously ill at St. Mary's Hospital... Miss Blyth is one of the beloved teachers on the Birch Street Public School staff, and her admiring pupils and friends are hoping that she will soon recover from the sudden operation she underwent on Monday evening.

Back to the Eastern Star... following the meeting on Tuesday evening, the members and their guests enjoyed a social hour, during which a beautiful heirloom

## L.A.C. Charbonneau Married Last Week at Yarmouth, N.S.

Adorned with ferns, snap dragons and stalks, the Cheggogin Baptist Church at Yarmouth, N.S., was the setting for a charming wedding on Wednesday afternoon, June 18th, 1941 when Miss Barbara Joan Churchill, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Churchill of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia became the bride of LAC Harry A. Charbonneau, of the R.C.A.F., Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Charbonneau, of Timmins. The Rev. H. G. Westrup, of the Yarmouth North Baptist Church officiated.

Mr. Percy Wyman presided at the organ and during the signing of the register Miss Geraldine Sweeney sang "When Song is Sweet."

The bride was charming in a gown of net over taffeta, lace bodice and elbow length veil. Her bouquet featured bouvardia, and she was given in marriage by her father.

Miss Ellen Churchill, sister of the bride, was maid-of-honour, wearing a gown of pink net over taffeta, and carrying a nosegay of sweet peas and rosebuds. Little Leona Curtis was flower girl, dressed in blue and carrying a small nosegay of sweet peas.

Mr. Marcel Everard, of Timmins, who is stationed at Yarmouth with the R.C.A.F. acted as groomsman, and ushers were Messrs Don Bain, R.C.A.F., Dartmouth, N.S., and Mr. Vic Cameron, R.C.A.F., Yarmouth.

After the ceremony, about fifty guests were received at a reception held at Green Tree Inn which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. The bride's mother chose for the occasion a blue dress with navy redingote and accessories, and corsage of rose buds.

The couple left on a wedding trip through the province later, the bride travelling in a dressmaker style suit of air force blue with matching accessories. They will take up residence in Yarmouth.

Mrs. A. John Van Rassel, sister of

ruby ring was won by Mr. I. Dunn... the ring was donated by a Iroquois Falls member of the Order.

Another of the popular public school teachers will leave her position this summer to change her title to "Mrs."... she is Miss Erma Oppenhausser, a well-known member of the Timmins United Church Young People's Union for many years, and a popular member of the public school staff... Miss Oppenhausser will be married in August, and her teacher-friends here gathered at the home of Mrs. James Lough, 19 James Street on Tuesday to present their best wishes with linen shower gifts.

Seems the week-ends are the most popular wedding times... to begin this week-end, one couple will become "Mr. and Mrs." tomorrow... four more will join the ranks of the happy newlyweds on Saturday, and at least one wedding is scheduled for Sunday... which makes six weddings in all, the same number as took place last weekend.

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Armand Legault whose marriage was a charming event at the Notre Dame des Anges Church on Wednesday morning at 8.30 o'clock... Mrs. Legault is the former Cecile Perilland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Perilland... Mr. Legault is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Legault.

## GIRL GUIDES IN TIMMINS



The Guides of the 106th L.O.D.E. Company held their meeting on Monday in St. Matthew's Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Captain Bailey. After roll-call and inspection, the Guides formed Horse-shoe. Instead of the regular meeting the Guides were given their camp papers. The Guides formed teams for a game of ball.

Next Monday will be the last meeting of the season. All Guides are asked to come in full uniform for an enrollment after which the Guides will have a "surprise."

## First Timmins-Born Priest Was Ordained Here

Rev. Fr. Yves Rolland Gauthier Ordained on Sunday.

The Reverend Father Yves Rolland Gauthier celebrated his first mass at St. Anthony's Cathedral on Monday morning, after the ordination ceremonies at the Cathedral on Sunday morning. The reverend father is the first Timmins born man to be ordained to priesthood at the Cathedral, the ordination ceremony being performed by the Rev. Bishop Rheume, assisted by the Rev. Fr. Theriault, Rev. Fr. Whissel and Rev. Fr. Pelletier.

Rev. Fr. Gauthier is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Gauthier of 34 First Avenue, and has five brothers and five sisters in Timmins. He is twenty-five years old, and has spent the past eight years preparing for priesthood.

A student at St. Anthony's Separate School, he received further education at the Seraphique College, Ottawa, and became a member of the Capucian Order of Franciscan monks by study at the Limolou College, Quebec City and Montreal seminary.

Dinners in honour of the new priest were held at the cathedral rectory on Sunday and Monday, and at the home of his parents on Sunday afternoon. The service on Monday morning was attended by separate school pupils and large numbers of the congregation, while on Sunday morning, among the many present were his family and out-of-town relatives.

## Party and Shower in Honour of S. Porcupine Bride-to-be

South Porcupine, June 25th—(Special to The Advance)—A very charming party and shower was held at the home of Miss Gladys Stitt on Moore street last evening in honour of Miss Mary Anderson, a bride-to-be of the near future.

Many lovely personal gifts were presented to Miss Anderson, a delicious lunch following a social evening.

Those present were Mrs. DeLong, Mrs. Pete Smith, Mrs. Emerson Anderson, Mrs. Reg Clark, Mrs. John Bawtenheimer, Miss W. Appleby, Mrs. G. Trueblood, Mrs. Lorne Quantrelle, Miss Mary York was unable to be present but sent a gift.

## Italian Captain Given Five Years for Sabotage

San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 24 (AP)—Ettore Guigni, captain of the sabotaged Italian tanker Colorado, was sentenced to five years in prison in United States District Court here late today. His crew of twenty-five were sentenced to three years each for damaging their vessel in harbour here.

the groom, of Timmins, was among the many out-of-town guests.

## J. P. Bickell Thinks Red Tape Something to be Thrown Away

Notes About the British Air Plane Industry.

Somewhere in England, June 24—Commander Gerald D'Erlanger has revealed some news he thinks might be of interest to the Germans.

Speaking to several hundred pilots and groundmen of the Air Transport Auxiliary, the commanding officer of this civilian air force said: "Every day we are delivering thousands of tons of aircraft. To make these deliveries we have flown as many as 100,000 a day."

Crop dusters from the Southern United States, barnstorms from the Middle West, a former Canadian dairyman, the son of a Chinese general, a Spanish youth, Poles, Czechs and scores of British boys serve under the commanding officer.

Primarily, the A.T.A. delivers aircraft from the factories of Great Britain to fighter and bomber stations.

Started in Shack  
When it came into being, the service was operated from a shack at the edge of a wide field. Now this field, one of several from which A.T.A. men and women operate, is a bustling airport, with hangars, messes, billets.

Credit for the rapid expansion is given to Cmdr. D'Erlanger and J. P. Bickell, Canadian mining man, president of the McIntyre Mines, who came to Britain to help Lord Beaverbrook at the ministry of aircraft production.

Bickell is controller of the A.T.A. and according to officers in the service does his job with the same enthusiasm and drive that won Lord Beaverbrook such praise as minister of aircraft production.

"Jack Bickell thinks red tape is something that should be thrown into the waste-paper basket," one of his colleagues said. "He gets things done and he gets them done quickly."

Here are some of the men whose dark blue uniforms are known as every aircraft factory and flying field in the country.

Fought at Dunkerque  
James P. Howitt, of Guelph, Ont., was a fighter pilot before he joined the A.T.A. A former dairyman, he joined the R.A.F. in June, 1939, and fought with the all-Canadian squadron at Dunkerque, shooting down one German plane.

Last September, Howitt, a pilot officer, cracked up and was sent to hospital. Doctors told him he couldn't fly a fighter plane again. He heard he was going to be sent back to Canada.

"I didn't want that," Howitt said. "Any kind of flying is better than none at all, so I volunteered for the A.T.A. and was accepted."

One of the few Canadians in the service, Howitt is completing his course at the training pool. Soon he will be on operational duty, possibly delivering Hurricanes to some of the men with whom he was flying last year.

Parachutist Files  
Gwynne Johns is a former professional parachute jumper who made 52 jumps, broke both legs and his collar bone. He paid \$9 a hour for flying lessons at Bournemouth Aero Club. "Now," he laughs, "they're paying me."

The Chinese, Second Officer Chang, was in England when war broke out. He joined the A.T.A. because "it seemed like a good idea." He would like permission to wear a gold "China" tag on his shoulder. "Last time I was in London," he explained, "I was mistaken for a Japanese."

Most pilots are in the ferry service, from factory to maintenance unit to flying fields. Still others are in the Atlantic service taking back pilots who fly United States-built bombers to Britain.

Pay for an experienced pilot is between \$2,700 and \$3,150 a year. The Americans, however, receive about \$900 a month, because, as a British pilot said, "we are at war but they are not, and we can't expect them to come over here without inducement."

## Do Not Expect Any Strike at Kirkland Lake Says Official

Conciliation Officer Makes Statement After Talk With Operators and Miners.

There has been in Kirkland Lake recently the belief that things were being worked up there for a strike. This belief has travelled to Timmins and district where the signs were recognized. It will accordingly be good news to most people here to learn that it is not believed that there will be a strike at Kirkland Lake.

The Northern News has the following article in its issue of Tuesday of this week—  
**Strike Not Expected**

"There will be no miners' strike in the Kirkland Lake area. We have made such progress toward a direct settlement of matters at issue I think I can quite safely say there will be no labor troubles here," said Mr. S. Campbell, Chief Conciliation Officer of the Federal Department of Labor shortly before he returned to Ottawa Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Campbell reached Kirkland Lake Saturday afternoon to negotiate between miners and mine operators in order that, threatened labor difficulties, that might have proved of serious consequence to the camp, be averted.

Following a consultation between provincial and federal labor authori-

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ties at Ottawa, according to press stories from the capital, Mr. Campbell was instructed to proceed to Kirkland Lake in attempt to negotiate the difficulties apparently confronting both workers and mine operators.

Late Sunday afternoon Mr. Campbell was confident that the possibility of labor trouble in this camp was a remote one and that a settlement could readily be effected through a meeting of both men and operators. He did not state however that such a meeting had been arranged.

Upon his arrival here Mr. Campbell contacted the mine managers and a conference of the 12 concerned was arranged. The conference lasted three hours.

Later the federal labor trouble adjuster met representatives of the union headed by Organizer T. M. McGuire in a two hour talk when he learned something of the difficulties the men felt should be adjusted.

"Since coming here I have studied conditions closely," Mr. Campbell told The Northern News, "and I think I can say now that we have made very definite progress toward a definite settlement of the existing difficulties. I think I can safely say that, in the meantime, there will be no strike in this camp."

"Provided a direct settlement cannot be effected then a Conciliation and Investigation Board will be set up under the Industrial Disputes Investigation Act."

Mr. Campbell stated that, at the later mass meeting of union members, to be held in the Strand Theatre for the purpose of considering further union action, a strike vote would not be asked for.

Preparatory to setting up a Conciliation Board a strike vote is usually called for. Mr. Campbell stressed the fact that this would not be asked for here. If it was found that a direct settlement of difficulties could not be negotiated then a Conciliation and Investigation Board would be set up in any event.

It is understood that conferences involving both mine operators and union representatives was featured by some very plain speaking relative to what the government expected in the matter of keeping the camp free from labor disputes at a time when the government was facing many serious problems incident to the war.

Arising out of the meeting with the mine operators, and a question as to whether or not the union did represent a majority of the mine workers and so was authorized to speak for them, Mr. Campbell suggested that this could be met by a check of the unions' membership files. In this work, to be done within a space of 10 days a government representative, representative of the union, and of the operators could participate.

At the Sunday night's meeting of union members, held in the Strand Theatre and lasting from seven until 10.30 o'clock the entire situation was thoroughly gone into.

Much time was taken up in reports covering the entire situation and considerable time was devoted, it was learned, to the question of cross checking the union membership files as proposed by Mr. Campbell.

In a statement released to the press by Union Organizer T. M. McGuire it was learned that the union had accepted the proposal made by the Chief Conciliation Officer with regard to a cross check of the union membership files.

Following is the statement released by Mr. McGuire: "At a special membership meeting held in the Strand Theatre, Sunday night, the Kirkland Lake Mine and Mill Workers Union No. 20, continuing their constructive and co-operative program adopted the policy submitted to the committee earlier in the day by Federal Conciliator M. S. Campbell to the effect the union agrees to a cross check of the union membership records against the payroll sheets of mining companies to determine whether or not a majority of the employees are members of the union."

## Toronto Italian Given Release from Internment

James Francheshini, wealthy contractor of Italian birth who was interned after Italy entered the war, now is a patient in the Toronto General hospital following his release from detention. He had been in the Christie Street Military hospital here for some days.

Francheshini is understood to be seriously ill. He was brought to the military hospital from an Eastern Ontario prison camp and Dr. C. N. Mooney, one of his attendants, stated "Francheshini is a very sick man."

He had appealed against the internment some months ago but the appeal at that time was rejected. Ottawa authorities announced that he had been granted release "on compassionate grounds."

It is understood that Francheshini is suffering from serious throat trouble.