

Dropped Between Stitches

By Ann

"If a man has good corn, or wood, or boards, or pigs to sell, or can make better chairs, or knives, crucibles, or church organs, than anybody else, you will find a hard-bitten road to his house, tho it be in the woods. And if a man knows the law, people will find it out, tho he live in a pine shanty, and resort to him. And if a man can pipe or sing, so as to wrap the prisoned soul in an elysium; or can paint landscape, and convey into oils and others all the enchantments of spring or autumn; or can liberate or intoxicate all people who hear him with delicious songs and verses, 'tis certain that the secret can not be kept; the first witness tells it to second, and men go by fives and tens and fifties to his door." (Emerson).

In place of the many achievements that Emerson mentions, replace the word "art of figure-skating" . . . then remember that there were about three hundred people at the McIntyre Community Building on Saturday evening . . . that these people were "treated" to an advance showing of a few of the numbers that will comprise the annual Porcupine Skating Carnival early this spring . . . and, best of all, remember that over three hundred people will tell their friends about the great show that they will be privileged to see . . . that these friends will tell other friends and that it will go on like that until . . . this makes it certain to give the warning—you'll be wise to buy your tickets as soon as they come on sale.

Truly, although the members of the skating club are planning on rigorous rehearsals before they present the "finished product", probably in April, the forty-minute programme of skating on Saturday was breath-taking . . . especially remarkable was the talent of the younger members of the club, whose skill fairly startled the audience . . . of course, top honours went to Wally Diestelmeyer and Floraine Ducharme, visitors from Kitchener to the Northland . . . Wally and Floraine, whose pair skating is a thrilling sight, have followed their instructor, Miss Madge Austin, to Schumacher, and will train under her until they enter the Canadian championships in Winnipeg this year . . . here's hoping they win the championship for which they are working so diligently.

The committee in charge of the party, which was for members of the skating club, members of the McIntyre band, and for McIntyre officials, is to be congratulated on the excellent arrangements, and the thoroughness with which they were carried out . . . from the opening in the auditorium, with soft music by a group of musicians directed by Barmanmaster J. W. S. Lomas, throughout the serving of a delicious dinner, throughout the skating performance, and into the dance, success and perfection of arrangement showed in every moment . . . no wonder that members hope this will become an annual event!

To the Eastern Star, and especially to Mrs. Betty MacMillan, goes a sincere apology for the omission of Mrs. MacMillan's installation as conductress at the annual meeting last week . . . an account was given in The Advance of the installation ceremony, and the officers installed, but unfortunately and inadvertently the name of the conductress was omitted . . . therefore, add to the list published last week that of "Conductress—Mrs. Betty MacMillan."

To show their appreciation of the fine work she did during her three-year term as president, the members of La Federation des Femmes Canadiennes-Françaises gathered in the basement of the St. Anthony's Cathedral on Friday evening to honour Mrs. P. Theriault, who has given up the post due to ill health . . . during the evening, Mrs. Theriault was presented with a beautiful gold locket and chain, bearing the initials of the Federation, and the date of presentation . . . it will be a suitable souvenir of her years of faithful work.

Another event on Friday evening was that at the home of Mrs. Robt. Hardy, where friends feted Miss Pearl Booth, whose marriage to Roy Nicholson takes place on Saturday at St. Matthew's Church . . . it was a miscellaneous shower, and what an assortment of lovely gifts was presented to this lucky young lady . . . especially merry was the party, and one of its merriest moments came when Mrs. E. George, Mrs. Jean Smith, Mrs. J. Shaw, and Mrs. G. Ruest performed a mock marriage ceremony . . . the ladies who were present are still laughing when they think of that "mad-cap performance" . . . Mrs. George was dressed in a sergeant's uniform as she portrayed the stalker; given . . . Mrs. Jean Smith took the part of the blushing bride . . . Mrs. J. Shaw was kept busy

with two duties, that of ring-bearer and that of train-bearer . . . and Mrs. G. Ruest was imposing as the person—with a tin hat for protection.

Seems that many of the town's prettiest girls are leaving to take up residence in other cities . . . just count them . . . out of practically every five weddings, one or two of the brides have left the Northland . . . latest of the town's most charming brides was "Fay" Romanchuk, who on Saturday changed her name to Mrs. Ken Brown and her husband will take up residence in North Bay, but they've promised to come back to Timmins often . . . that, as her friends put it, is some consolation, for there'll be many who'll miss Fay, and who'll join in wishing the new Mr. and Mrs. Brown all happiness.

At Saturday's other wedding, Yvette Bouchard became the bride of Leslie Morland, and the new Mr. and Mrs. Morland are now honeymooning in Toronto . . . the ceremony took place in the rectory of St. Anthony's cathedral, present at the quiet event were the bride's two brothers from Kapuskasing . . . wedding dinner was served in the Fern Cottage dining room . . . best wishes.

More wedding news . . . a local gentleman will be going down to Toronto next month, and when he returns, he'll be accompanied by his bride . . . she is Miss Betty Crampton, of Toronto, and her marriage to Len Lumb of Timmins will take place in the Queen City on February 16th . . . it'll be a quiet ceremony, with a reception at the Old Mill, and the couple will take up residence on Patricia Boulevard here . . . Len, who also "hails" from Toronto, has been in Timmins for the past two years, and Betty has visited here on several occasions . . . she is a charming girl and has made many friends during her visits . . . the district will welcome the couple, and wish them many, many years of happiness.

Mr. Munroe, of the Bank of Commerce, this week received a cheque for \$100.00 from the Senior Catholic Women's League as their donation to the Red Cross for medical supplies for Russian relief . . . that amount was the total of the proceeds, less expenses, made on the doll for which the Sr. C.W.L. recently sold tickets . . . certainly proved to be a very valuable little doll, and one whose "war effort" will do a lot in helping the work of the Red Cross.

Belated best wishes to a well-known Canadian figure-skater and her husband, Lieut. Jonathan Britton Fisher of the United States Air Corps, whose marriage took place on January 17th at 6 p.m., at the chapel of Randolph Field, United States Army Air Corps training base . . . the bride is the former Eleanor Wilson of Toronto, who visited Timmins for the opening of the McIntyre Community Building, with the Granite Club skaters . . . Eleanor Wilson made many friends in this district at that time, her charming personality and her talented skating adding to her popularity . . . she is the daughter of Mrs. T. H. Wilson of Toronto, while her husband's parents reside in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hladysch will be two very happy people today, for Mr. Hladysch's good luck yesterday won him that beautiful bedspread from the Syrian-Canadian Women's Auxiliary afternoon tea . . . and if you had seen that bedspread, you'd know that they are doubly lucky . . . it was beautifully made of soft, rich chenille, with an ivory base and blue border, and centred with dainty flowers in soft pastel shades . . . the draw was made following the very successful afternoon event yesterday by Mrs. Jas. Keene, one of those who presided at the tea table . . . Mrs. M. Shaheen's home, where the afternoon tea took place, was especially attractively decorated with mixed flowers for the occasion, and brought a touch of spring and summer right into a northern winter.

The home of Mrs. Fred Jackson was the setting on Monday evening for the regular knitting meeting of the Arbutus Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, which is held every second week at the home of one of the members . . . this was the first knitting meeting for the new year, and several new pieces of knitting were begun, while others reached completion . . . the hostess served a dainty lunch, and plans were made to hold the next knitting meeting on Monday evening, February 2nd, at the home of Mrs. W. W. White, 4 Hemlock street.

At yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Women's Institute, several letters were read from men in the army, navy, or air force, to whom parcels had been sent as Christmas cheer . . . these men thanked the Institute for remembering them, and most of them added that they were especially pleased to receive the hand-knit socks "which were a treat for tired feet" . . . another letter came from the commanding officer of the Gaspé, the ship adopted by the Institute, this officer expressing the thanks of his men for the barrel of apples sent to them as part of the Christmas gift.

Mrs. Goodings Speaks to Nursing Division

The Nursing Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade heard a lecture on the bathing of a patient in bed, by Mrs. A. Goodings, in the town hall on Wednesday evening, and following the lecture, the members held their regular business meeting.

Arrangements were made to send cigarettes to some of the local men on service overseas, and it was decided that during the Red Cross lectures, all business meetings would take place in the town hall following the lectures.

Toronto Telegram:—A financial success is the man who doesn't have to borrow on his salary.

LOCALS

Mrs. J. Eskelin left this week to undergo an operation in Toronto.

Mrs. H. Horowitz has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Korman, of Rouyn.

Mr. Al Keineck is spending the week on business in Kapuskasing.

Mrs. Roy Foley spent last week at Iroquois Falls, where she formerly resided.

Miss Florence McLaughlin, is convalescing at her home, 155 Mountjoy street south, after a recent operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Morland are on a wedding trip to Toronto, after their marriage here on Saturday.

LAC Russell ("Bud") Glumz, stationed at St. Catharines, was on leave in town this week.

Mrs. Geo. N. Elles and son, Bobby, returned on Monday after a month spent with relatives in Montreal.

Mrs. E. H. Baslian, of Shillington, is the guest this week of her daughter, Mrs. Al Keineck.

Mr. C. L. Brethour and son, C. L. Jr., of Hamilton, were visitors to Timmins last week.

Mr. C. R. Breen, of St. Thomas, Ont., spent a few days this week the guest of friends in town.

Miss R. Babcock, of Toronto, was a guest at the Brown-Romanchuk wedding on Saturday.

Mr. Roy Brown, of Toronto, was a guest at the Brown-Romanchuk wedding on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Brown (nee Fay Romanchuk) are on a motoring wedding trip to points south before taking up residence in North Bay.

Among those sworn in last week under the general duties classification at the North Bay R.C.A.F. recruiting centre were:—W. C. Thomas, Timmins; H. Dobson, Schumacher; and T. J. Knox, Rouyn.

Mrs. Chester Purvis, of Kirkland Lake, visited her sisters, Mrs. W. H. Phelps and Miss F. McLaughlin during the week-end.

Mrs. W. Rice returned to her home in Timmins last week after a holiday spent with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gard, North Bay.

Mrs. W. J. Carmichael returned last week to her home in North Bay after visiting relatives and friends in Timmins and South Porcupine.

Sergeant Wm. Crowder, formerly of Timmins, but now stationed with the Tank Corps at Camp Borden, visited relatives and friends in town last week.

Mrs. Dave Dixon, of Toronto, will leave to-morrow after visiting her mother, Mrs. W. J. Smith, of the Dome Mines.

Her friends hope that Mrs. D. Dagenais, who suffered an injury to her leg last week and is confined to her home at 41 Columbus avenue, will soon be able to be out and around again.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Goldberg, and children, left this week to take up residence in Detroit. Their many friends here will wish them much happiness in their new home.

Miss Florence Beckett, who spent Christmas at her home here, and then returned to her position in Bracebridge, has been transferred to Timmins, and will once more take up residence here.

Among the Northern girls enlisted at the North Bay recruiting centre for cooking duties in the C.W.A.A.F., and posted to the Toronto training centre last week the name of Miss Violet Davidson, Timmins, was given.

His many friends here will be sorry to learn of the death at Alunette Island of Mr. Wm. McKinnon, who passed away on Saturday night, January 17th, after a long illness. The late Mr. McKinnon is well-known in this district, and is the brother-in-law of Mrs. Henry Cotnam, of Timmins.

John A. McKinnon, of Halleybury, has entered his twenty-first year as member of Halleybury town council. He first was elected to the Halleybury town council in 1910, and since that time has dropped for a year or two on different occasions from municipal service only to return later and be elected again.

Leutenant and Mrs. L. F. Labow, have left for Petawawa, after spending the New Year's holiday at the home of Mrs. Labow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Halperin, 7 Maple street south, Timmins.

His many friends will be sorry to learn that Mr. Eugene Leblanc formerly manager of the Carrier theatre, is very ill at his home here, and will wish him a speedy and complete recovery.

Mr. Wilfred Brown, of the Fire Hall staff, left on Monday morning for his home in Musquodoboit, Halifax County, Nova Scotia. Prior to his return, he was entertained at a farewell party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marriott.

Letters from Men in Services Read at Institute Meet

Roll Call Answered With Handkerchiefs for Red Cross Appeal.

The Women's Institute held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday afternoon, with Mrs. J. Dicker acting as programme convener, and Mrs. P. G. Howard, president, in the chair.

Roll call was answered with the presentation of a handkerchief by each member, these handkerchiefs to be handed over to the Red Cross in response to their appeal for handkerchiefs for bombed victims.

Mrs. J. McChesney and Mrs. J. McNulty gave interesting talks on vegetables, as part of the programme which

was based on agriculture, and also distributed literature on nutrition and the value of vitamins. Mrs. A. Jack gave an interesting reading on what the Women's Institute is doing in England.

Mrs. J. Dicker spoke on the war effort of the local branch of the Institute, and recited a humorous and touching poem entitled "Grandpa Volunteers." Mrs. C. Briggs, war services convener, read a letter from the Commanding officer of the ship "Gaspé" thanking the members for the barrels of apples which were sent to the sailors by the Institute. Other letters were read from men in the army, navy and air force, thanking the members for the Christmas parcels which were sent them, and mentioning especially their appreciation of the hand-knit socks.

Plans were made to hold a telephone five hundred card party on Tuesday evening, January 27th, and an old time dance on Friday evening, January 30th.

National Labour Board Suggested to Settle Strike

Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour, suggested this week that the Kirkland Lake strike dispute be handed to an arbitration board of the National War Labour Board. He also announced that copies of the proposal had been forwarded to both the Union officials and the mine operators.

The Union officials have already agreed to accept the suggestion of the Labour Minister but the mine operators have not yet had time to study the proposal and issue a statement.

U.S. BOMBERS SINK 40TH JAP SHIP

It was announced yesterday that the United States Flying Fortress, had sunk their fortieth Jap ship. The 39th and 40th ships were a large cruiser and an oil tanker. The attack occurred just off the Philippine Islands.

MILT SCHMIDT GETS ARMY CALL

Milt Schmidt, centre ice star for the Boston Bruins in the National Hockey League, received his call for the Canadian Army this week and will report to the Army shortly. He has already taken and passed his medical.

Defence Minister Ralston said yesterday that he would take the first opportunity he could get to review the sending of Canadian troops to fight in Hong Kong.

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