

Dropped Between Stitches

By Phyllis

The date of the wedding of Miss Betsy Dodge and Dr. John S. Whalen has now been definitely set. It is to take place in North Parkdale United Church, Toronto, on November 27th. Betsy is very well-known in Timmins, being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dodge, 55 Tamarack Street. For several years now she has been attending Toronto University and has always received much praise for her great musical talents. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Whalen of Toronto.

On Friday afternoon at two o'clock, the First United Church was the scene of the pretty fall wedding between Miss Grace MacQuarrie and Mr. Harvey Webb. The bride, dressed in traditional white looked very lovely. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. MacQuarrie, 62 Elm South, and the groom is the son of Mrs. J. Webb, 68 Mountjoy St. Congratulations and very best wishes are extended to the couple from their many friends in the district.


Comes a great bit of news of a dance just two weeks hence, the annual Nurses' Ball. This year it is scheduled to take place at the Riverside Pavilion. The date is Friday, November 26th. The music will be supplied by Gene Crocco and his orchestra. Dress is optional and a good time is promised to all.

We mentioned not long ago the newly announced engagement of Miss Margery Laidlaw and Mr. Jack Gauthier. The wedding date is set to be November 19th, and the ceremony will take place in Toronto. Margery has been employed in the bank of Montreal and is very well-known and popular throughout the town. Jack is the son of Mrs. G. Gauthier, Hemlock street.

Four showers have honoured Miss Laidlaw recently, and at each, she received many very lovely gifts. Last Wednesday night she was entertained at the home of Mrs. J. W. Thomson, 1 Sixth Ave., and the occasion was a personal shower. On Friday night she was the guest of honour at a miscellaneous shower given by the joint hostesses, Mrs. J. A. Hepburn and Miss Marjorie Nelson, at the latter's home 103 Toke street. On Monday evening Mrs. J. E. Sullivan, Tamarack street, honoured Margery at a cup and saucer shower at which the honouree received some very beautiful pieces of china. On Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. E. Beck, 9 John Ave., was hostess at a combined tea and pantry-shelf shower for the popular bride-to-be. Margery has also been entertained at the homes of Mrs. J. B. McClinton and Mrs. John Knox.

Friday evening found sixteen enthusiastic members of the Ladies Guild of St. Matthew's Church gathered at the home of Mrs. C. Preston, to continue their work and planning for their annual supper and bazaar. This event will take place on December 1st, after several hours of working on articles for the fancy work table, the members enjoyed a delicious lunch served by the hostess, Mrs. Preston assisted by Mrs. Culver. Plans were made to meet next on Nov. 19th, at the home of Mrs. Peterson, Apt. 12, 33 Lakeshore Rd., at 8 p.m. The members are asked to keep in mind the regular monthly business meeting to be held in the Church Hall, on Friday afternoon, Nov. 12th, at 3 p.m.

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Monday evening from five to six-thirty promises to be an important and very delightful occasion for the friends of the Trinity United Church in Schumacher. The Ladies' Association of the church are going to serve an anniversary dinner at that time, and are taking this opportunity to extend a cordial invitation to their many friends to attend. Don't forget the date Monday, November 15th.

Another evening that promises to be a happy occasion is this Friday, November 12th. For this is the time chosen by the British Isle Victory Club for their "social". There'll be a variety programme which will please all. All members and friends are welcome. The event will take place at the Hollinger Hall, this Friday at 8.30 p.m.

To Toronto congratulations and best wishes wing their way to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Koppel, whose marriage was a lovely event at Rosedale United Church, on Saturday. The bride, "Babs", is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Lowe of Timmins and has numerous friends here who will join in good wishes to her and to her husband, Mr. Leo Koppel, of Toronto. Details of the wedding appear elsewhere in the paper.

The Women's Auxiliary of St. Mary's Hospital will hold a work meeting on Tuesday afternoon, November 16th, at 2 o'clock in the Nurses' Auditorium. Will all members please remember the date and accept this notification. Any other ladies who wish to assist in this necessary work are cordially invited to be present.

We must make mention of the Fair which promises to be a delightful event for this Saturday afternoon. It's put on by the Women's Association of the Mountjoy United Church and takes place at the church from 3 to 6. A novelty programme has been planned for the fair and includes such things as fish pond and white elephant. Aprons, kitchen notions, parcel post sale, Christmas cards, are many of the other novel displays. There will be a display of Red Cross knitted articles. Hot beverages will be served and a special feature will be the sale of bread and rolls.

No doubt many have noticed the smartly uniformed young lady who has been visiting our town this week. She is Sub. Lt. Marjorie Jordan of the W.R.C.N.S. Sub. Lt. Jordan is here making plans and preparations for Wren recruiting week which will be a special event in Timmins this month beginning on November 22nd. Many young ladies in the district have been interested in the navy section of the services and here will be their chance to enlist on the dot.

Sadie Hawkins. There is a romantic magic in the name for all ranks of males. A review of some of the doings on Saturday night (November 6th and Sadie's day) leads us to believe that the gals went all out in this annual war effort or head-hunt for the Timmins male. Saturday eve at our local cinemas, Sadies and their dashing Lil Abners made their local debut, much to the delight of onlookers. Too, many a mizzable man who was not able to escape the sad plight of being nabbed by a leering female was succumbed and dragged off to house parties and dances by the score. Yep, Sadie done it agin, and that night will be long remembered and applauded in the annals of our Timmins high school.

A very successful event was the "Armistice at Home" tea yesterday afternoon, under the auspices of the I.O.D.E. The scene was the charming home of Mrs. A. F. Carriere, Toke street. Two of the features of the afternoon that made everything so very pleasant was the fine musical programme and the genial atmosphere presided by the hostesses. The sale of baking was also an extra fine feature of the very successful afternoon.

Our congratulations and best wishes to Dr. and Mrs. A. Moss whose mar-

riage was a very pretty but quiet event last Saturday morning at St. Matthew's church. The bride is the former Miss Alma Hobbs who is well-known throughout the district, having been a registered nurse at St. Mary's Hospital for the last couple of years. To the couple are extended all good wishes for future happiness.

Koppel - Lowe Nuptials in Toronto Saturday

Barbara Elizabeth Lowe Becomes Bride of Leopold Koppel in Lovely Ceremony.

Yellow and bronze 'mums decorated Rosedale United Church, Toronto, for the marriage on Saturday, November 6th, at 3 o'clock, of Barbara Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Stanley Lowe, of Timmins, to Mr. Leopold Koppel R.C.A.F., son of Mr. Albert L. Koppel of Toronto, and the late Mrs. Koppel. Rev. Dr. David A. McLennan was the officiating clergyman, and Mr. Albert Punter played the wedding music. During the signing of the register Mr. Punter played "Oh Perfect Love" and Schubert's "Ave Maria".

The bride entered the church on the arm of her father, and was gowned in ivory chiffon velvet, fashioned with long torso and full skirt. Her long veil was of ivory tulle illusion arranged from a Mary Stuart headdress of lace, and she carried a cascade bouquet of cream roses, bouvardia, swainsonia and forget-me-nots. She wore a string of pearls, the gift of the groom.

Miss Lois Hetherington, of St. Catharines, was maid of honor, and wore a gown of blue chiffon velvet, made on similar lines to that of the bride's, with matching blue velvet Mary Stuart headdress. Her flowers were bronze roses, pale yellow baby 'mums, and bronze chrysanthemum petals.

Mr. Robert Ferguson was best man and the ushers were Lieut. Vincent Blockley and Lieut. Alan Cameron.

A reception followed at the Park Plaza Hotel, where the bride's mother received in a pale blue crepe daytime length dress, with sequin trimming, fuschia hat, and purse corsage of deep pink chrysanthemum petals and roses, and baby orchid in fuschia tones.

For travelling the bride chose a brown crepe dress, moss green coat with beaver collar and brown accessories. Her corsage was of yellow and bronze roses and chrysanthemum petals. After a short honeymoon trip to Montreal, the young couple will reside in Guelph where the groom is stationed.

Wedding Event of Grace MacQuarrie and Harvey Webb

Lovely Ceremony Takes Place at First United Church Friday.

Grace Eileen MacQuarrie became the bride of Harvey Cecil Webb, on Friday November 6th, at 2 p.m. in the First United Church, Rev. W. M. Mustard officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hector MacQuarrie, Elm St. South. The groom is the son of Mrs. Jessie Webb, and the late Mr. E. Webb. Standards of chrysanthemums and fern decorated the altar. Presiding at the organ was Mr. H. Treneer and soloist was Mrs. P. Carson.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her gown of white sheer and lace was fashioned on classic lines with full skirt falling into soft folds. Silk tulle formed her bridal veil, caught to her head with a spray of tiny white lilies. She carried a bouquet of white roses and stephanotis. At her throat was a gold initialled locket a gift from the groom.

Mrs. Delbert Baker was her sister's matron of honour, wearing a gown of Anne headdress. She carried pink cameo blue net with matching Queen roses and swainsona. She received a pair of gold earrings as a gift from the bride.

A.C.I. Jack Webb attended his brother as best man. W. J. Wallace and R. Webb were ushers. They each received a wallet from the groom.

The reception was held at the home of the bride, Mrs. MacQuarrie receiving in a dress of navy blue and white crepe, blue accessories and a corsage of pink roses. Mrs. Webb assisted, wearing a dress of striped sheer with winter green accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

For the wedding trip the bride chose a suit of blue wool jersey and brown accessories. On their return the couple will reside on Hemlock St.

400 Children at Hallowe'en Party Held at Haileybury

Four hundred children were entertained at a Hallowe'en party given them by the Haileybury Rotary Club and the I.O.D.E. The event had to be held in relays to accommodate the crowd, but all had a happy time, with soft drinks, doughnuts, cookies and apples served to all, as well as an interesting programme, part of which was supplied by the youngsters themselves. A feature of the entertainment was an exhibition of magic by Rev. Fred Jackson, of Uno Park. Residents of Haileybury are said to have contributed over \$95.00 towards the expenses of the event, and were inclined to believe that the money was well invested, there being no Hallowe'en damage or trickery.

The New Yorker: The height of ha, ha is when a laundress ruins one of the housewife's hotel towels.

Explanation of Delays in Mail Service to Italy

Postmaster - General Issues Statement.

Ottawa, 8th, November, 1943
To the Editor of The Advance, Timmins

Dear Sir: In the last four months the press and public have indicated some concern over the mail service to Canadians taking part in the campaign in Sicily and Italy.

The Postmaster General, Honourable W. P. Mulock, thinks that a frank statement of what has been and is being done, will best serve to allay misunderstanding.

The Canadian Forces proceeding to the Mediterranean theatre assembled at a British port and mail was delivered by the co-operation of the Royal Navy, up to the time the last boat in the convoy left the port. After the departure of the convoy all mails for the troops in the Mediterranean theatre had to be "frozen" for security reasons until the official announcement was made of the invasion of Sicily on the 10th of July.

The first despatch for Sicily was made by air on July 10th, and the first despatch of surface mail, consisting of approximately 1,200 bags, was made on 18th July. Surface mails must be despatched in convoys and the elapsed time between the United Kingdom and the Mediterranean theatre is approximately 21 days. The parcel mails posted in Canada in June, which had to be held in the United Kingdom for security reasons, were, therefore, not delivered in the Mediterranean area until approximately August 10th.

Operational difficulties have to be contended with. For example, the steamer carrying mails for the Canadian Forces in the Mediterranean in the next maintenance convoy was damaged by enemy action and had to put in to the nearest port for repairs, resulting in a delay of at least three weeks in the delivery of 800 bags of mail for Canadian Forces.

Here is another example of mail for Canada from Sicily. A number of bags of parcels and letters which would include letters mailed by soldiers in the first weeks of August, were loaded on a boat which started in convoy about the end of August. Operating trouble forced it out of convoy to the nearest port. When ready to sail, it was sent on an operational trip and finally docked at Algiers the beginning of October with the despatches still on board. This mail could not possibly have been delivered in Canada before the end of October.

Partial explanations of surface delays have been:

1. Security reasons in England.
2. Waiting for convoy.
3. Length of journey.

The average elapsed time, surface mails, posted in Canada for delivery in the United Kingdom is 28 days, and between the United Kingdom and the Mediterranean theatre 21 days.

From a standpoint of comparison with British and United States mails, it might be noted that the Canadian Forces proceed to the Mediterranean from the United Kingdom. The U.S. Forces proceed directly from the United States. For security reasons Canadian mails must be routed to the United Kingdom until such time as an official announcement is made of the Canadian Forces having arrived in the theatre of operations. As mentioned, the bulk of the U.S. Forces proceed directly from the United States and mail can be despatched by direct sailings as soon as it is announced that the troops have left the United States. As soon as Canada is informed of the arrival of Canadian troops in the Mediterranean, mails are diverted for conveyance to direct sailings from the United States, bypassing the United Kingdom. British troops, on the other hand, have not the long trans-Atlantic voyage to contend with and the United States send much of their ordinary letter mail by air.

The above general remarks refer to the early stages of mail handling. The present situation is more important. All surface letters are despatched direct from New York to North Africa by United States ships whose mail carrying facilities are open to us through the courtesy of the United States Post Office Department. It is expected that after the United States Christmas rush has subsided, parcels for the Armed Forces will also go that way and thus avoid the extra time of being transferred from England by convoy.

But while surface letters and parcels had to yield to the exigencies of the military situation, "blue" air letters since the middle of July have been regularly and promptly delivered to the Italian base. Their progress beyond that to the front line has had its difficulties which in general have been well met.

In the weeks of preparation in June, as stated above, all mail including air mail was held, but as soon as transit began "blue" air letters were flown to Sicily. Typical examples follow showing correct dates.

Canadian—"Blue" air letters left England on July 18th, and were delivered in Sicily on the 22nd.

From the 18th July up to to-day the "blue" air letter service from Canada has made direct connection in England to North Africa.

The following averages will give the public a good idea of what has been accomplished.

Approximate time of transit from the Base Post Office, Canada, to the United Kingdom:

- Surface letters—20 days
- Parcels—30 days
- "Blue" air letters—6 days

From the United Kingdom to the

Mediterranean theatre (Sicily and Italy):
Surface letter—30 days
Parcels—30 days
"Blue" air letters—6 days

These approximations are compiled from the figures of August and September. Since then there has been improvement which will be made public only if maintained.

I have simply endeavoured to set forth actual facts without embellishing by describing the perils of Atlantic crossings at the time—the slower speed of "convoys" mail—or the difficulties of actually delivering mail to the Fighting Men, under modern mobile warfare.

No doubt the public realize that the present War differs greatly from the last Great War when there were more or less fixed lines of battle in the trench fighting as compared to the widespread areas presently under attack by land, sea and air.

Yours sincerely,
J. G. Coolican,
Assistant Deputy Postmaster General.

Bride-to-be of This Month is Guest-of-Honour

Miss Margery Laidlaw Feted at Shower on Wednesday Evening.

Miss Margery Laidlaw, bride-to-be of this month, was the guest of honour last Wednesday evening at a shower at the home of Mrs. J. W. Thomson, 1 Sixth Ave., when some of her friends gathered to extend their best wishes and to present the popular bride-to-be with some lovely personal gifts.

The guests enjoyed a delightful social evening, a delicious lunch being served by the co-hostesses Mrs. J. W. Thomson and Mrs. E. P. Thompson.

Mrs. E. J. M. Douglas, sister of the bride elected pour le toast. The room and gifts were charmingly decorated for the occasion.

Among those who attended were: Mrs. G. Gauthier, Mrs. E. Baderski, Mrs. A. Pugsley, Mrs. J. M. Douglas, Miss Marjorie Nelson, Mrs. E. Beck, Mrs. J. Hepburn, Mrs. J. B. McClinton, Mrs. Les Marshall, Mrs. Wm. Alexander, the guest of honour (Miss Margery Laidlaw), and the hostesses. Unable to attend but contributing was Mrs. Wm. Taylor.

Brigadier and Mrs. Raymer Pay Visit to Timmins

Divisional Commander and Head of Red Shield and League Speak Here.

During the week-end Timmins Salvation Army was favoured with a visit from Brigadier R. Raymer and Mrs. Raymer. Mrs. Raymer, who is head of the Red Shield and Home League in the Northern Ontario Division of the Salvation Army, came here first, speaking at the Sunday services at the Citadel in the morning and the evening, and also addressed a special meeting on Monday, telling them the remarkable

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story of the great work done and still being done by the Red Shield and Home League. Brigadier Raymer, who conducted services at the Kirkland Lake Salvation Army on Sunday came here on Monday and spoke at an evening service here that evening. Brigadier Raymer is Divisional Commander of the Northern Division of the Salvation Army and makes his headquarters at Orillia.

Miss Alma Hobbs Wed to Dr. A. Moss at Pretty Ceremony

Marriage Took Place Saturday at St. Matthew's Church.

In St. Matthew's Anglican Church on Saturday morning at 9.30, Miss Alma Isobel Hobbs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hobbs, of New Liskeard, became the bride of Dr. Albert Ernest Moss, son of Mrs. P. Moss and the late Charles Moss, of Saskatoon, Sask. Rev. Canon R. S. Cushing officiated at the pretty ceremony.

The bride wore a suit in dove-blue, with navy hat and accessories. Her corsage was of red Briarcliffe roses. Her attendant was Mrs. Ted Byck, who wore a suit in autumn brown, with a corsage of bronze chrysanthemums and Talsman roses.

Mr. Ted Byck attended the groom as best man.

After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was held at the Empire hotel, after which a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Byck, 69 Patricia Blvd., for intimate friends.

The house was charmingly decorated for the occasion, the dining room with red and white Killary roses and bouvardia and tall ivory tapers on the table, and the living room with 'mums and leaves in autumn tones. Pouring tea was Mrs. E. J. Banning and assisting in the serving was Mrs. C. Kavanagh.

Miss Alma Hobbs is a very well known and popular registered nurse who has

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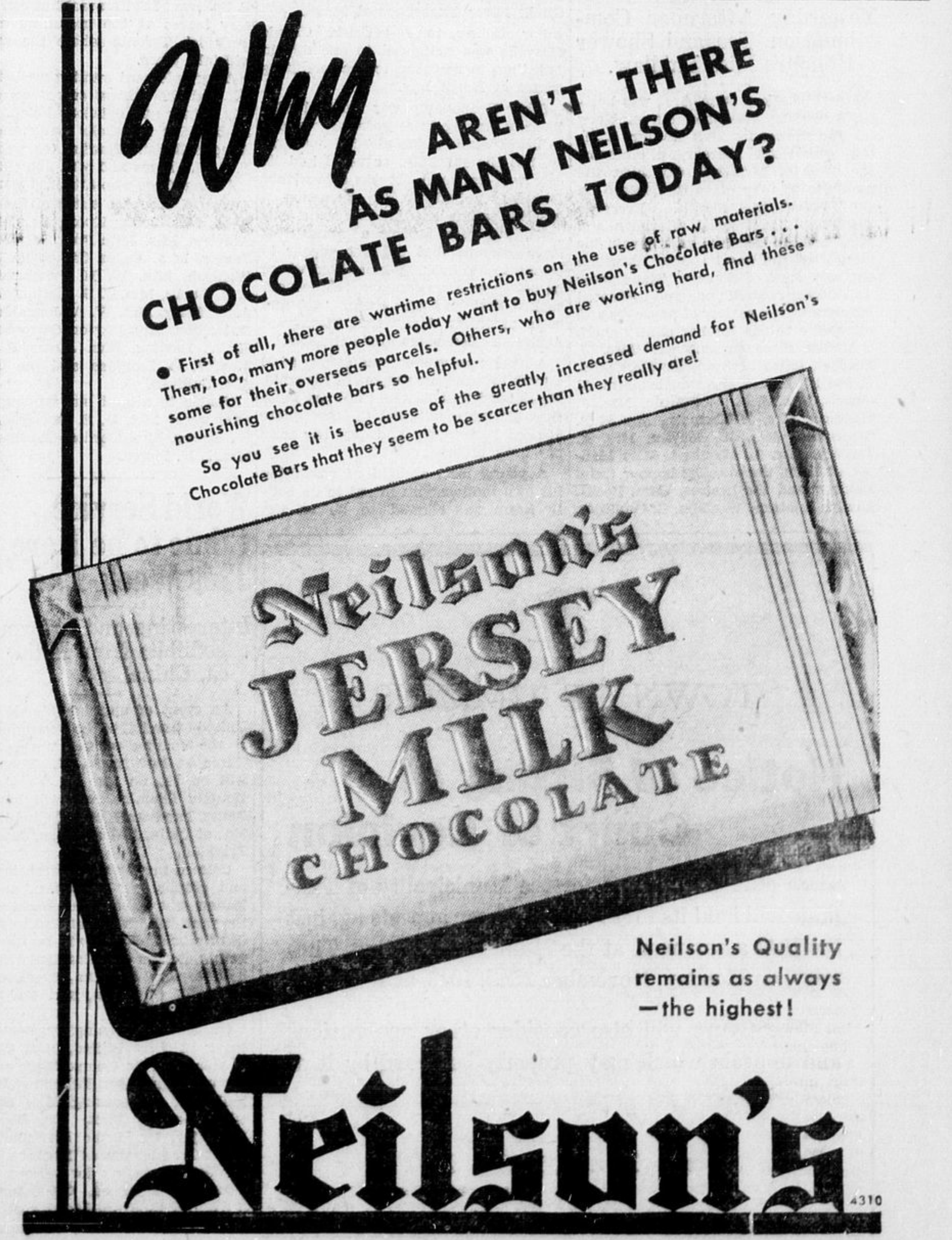
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J. R. BRADFIELD, Secretary.
Toronto, Ont., November 3, 1943.

been on the staff at St. Mary's Hospital for several years. The groom is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan and received his medical degree at McGill.
After a honeymoon trip to New Liskeard, Toronto and points south the couple will take up residence in Montreal.

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