

News From South Porcupine, Dome and the District

Hopes Parcel is for Other Guy So He'll Get More Out of It

More Happy Extracts from Letters from Pte. Harry Robinson in Italy.

South Porcupine, March 8th Special to The Advance.

We know how much the letters of Pte. Harry Robinson have been enjoyed by his friends in South Porcupine, so are now giving extracts from some of his latest ones.

He is in the thick of the fighting in Italy but finds time to write interesting letters to his mother and the incidents are given with a characteristic non-chalance as if fighting were all in a day's work.

Harry's descriptions of things in a soldier's life, are written with philosophical humour, as this item, Jan. 20th: "None of your parcels came in today or yesterday, and if you could see the mess of stuff that came in yesterday, you could understand why I am glad they did not come. Nowhere do you see generosity like you do in the Army, where a fellow hopes the parcel is for the other guy, so you'll get more out of it!! They showered in on us yesterday, and we ate candy and sweets. I guess my stomach is petrified, the way I ate and was not sick."

(Just the same, my fancy Harry would have liked to get a parcel!)

"The weather—thank the Lord—is dry, and very sunny, with our Kitty-hawks out blasting tar out of the Jerries. Every break in the weather sees the planes bombing the Boches while we lie out in the sun, counting the planes and watching them streak back home through Jerry fire after giving him the works. The darn things just come in in a straight line, and leisurely pull off, and shake him off. They are never challenged by German planes because they come in such numbers. . . . When you move up a mile or two and see a Hun car that is lying burned out in the road, you know just what has happened."

"We all hope to get an attack of jaundice, because we go back behind the lines for six or seven weeks, and no after effects!!"

In saying he has not received any parcels from organizations in Canada, his philosophy is: "Perhaps they sent them late, though, or perhaps to some soldier or chap in the forces who is more in need than I am."

"We had quite a time an hour ago, trying to kill a dog that came snooping around our positions. As the Jerries often use white dogs trained for this work, and as this one is white we quickly got after him."

"I was nonchalantly standing in my slit trench minding my own business yesterday, when suddenly there was a sound like an engine letting off steam. I began seeing how fast I could get all the way into my wet hole before the oncoming mortar could hit the position. . . . Aside from temporarily deafening me the thing did no damage and I quickly hiked to my kitchen before Jerry could slap in another. There is always something to keep up the excitement, and stop your blood from coagulating."

"I have scrounged a little checker set from one of the batmen, and I am trying to show the "sarge" I am a better man than he is."—(Here is an idea for a parcel?)

"We had an epidemic of fleas a couple of weeks ago, but thank goodness the cold weather discouraged them. . . . Snow fell yesterday. . . . I once figured that Italy was a country of perpetual sunshine!!"

Jan. 7th—"Well, they have taken names for these eighteen months' service ribbons, and I guess in two months I'll be putting one up! All the "Limeys" around here are sporting a ribbon for desert service or some such thing, and when we first saw them we thought they all had D.C.M.'s or something!"

Parties, Meetings and Other Events at Schumacher

Other Items of Interest from Schumacher and District.

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At a council meeting held on Monday evening of last week the Township adopted the resolution which was outlined by Timmins of the: "Principle of Vacation with pay for all workers, and that the Governments of Canada and Ontario be strongly urged to incorporate this measure in suitable legislation at as early a date as possible."

Dr. Harper gave a verbal report of the Mining Commissions meeting at Kirkland Lake.

The following servicemen sent thanks for Township Christmas parcels: Spr. E. Stack, Bob Sullivan, Spr. Robson, F.O. P. B. Evans, L.A.C. Hall, D. C. Smyth, J. W. Huxley, L.-Cpl. Farrell, Pte. Dunbabin, Bus Fowler, M. Moffatt, Howard Davey, F. D. Mangotich, Cpl. J. E. Cameron, L.-Cpl. A. Mawhinie, Cpl. D. McCann, Don Pecore, W. Hocking, Trevor Johnson, J. D. Jamieson.

Schumacher Man Recovering from Injuries Sustained

In Accident When Jeep Overturned. South Porcupine Man Loses Life in Same Tragedy.

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Pte. Eddie Smith, of the Canadian Forestry Corps, is in hospital at North Bay recovering from injuries received when a jeep, in which he and two of his companions were riding, overturned. Corporal Dave Farrell, of South Porcupine and Pte. Sylvester Gravelle, of Campbell's Bay, died shortly after being admitted to hospital. The men stationed at Balsam Creek and were returning from North Bay when the accident happened. Mrs. Eddie Smith, who lives at Kippewa, was notified of her husband's accident and left at once for North Bay. Mrs. Smith called her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Second Avenue, long distance from North Bay Sunday night. She said her husband was badly shaken up but was very fortunate he had received only a few minor injuries. Prior to leaving for Kippewa Pte. and Mrs. Smith (Myrtle Ritchie) were well known in local circles. Pte. Smith was employed at the McIntyre Mill for many years. Mr. and Mrs. John Smith also received word at the week-end telling them of the safe arrival overseas of their youngest son, Pte. Jimmy Smith, of the Irish Regiment.

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F.O. Adams, R.C.A.F. Speaks at Kiwanis at South Porcupine

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The Kiwanis Dinner meeting at the Airport Hotel on Monday, had Flying Officer Adams of Toronto as special guest and speaker.

He spoke on the Air Cadet movement and the influence it had upon the youth of Canada.

The government through the R.C.A.F. directs this movement and the Kiwanis Clubs provide the civilian instructors. F.O. Adams has seen service overseas and his position now is of liaison officer between the sponsors of the Squadrons and the R.C.A.F. This training of Air Cadets is of immense importance and help to the Air Force. The initial Air Force training will be kept up after the war as a youth training programme.

"The boys of to-day are all air-minded and they are eager and anxious to take the cadet training" said F.O. Adams.

"This training builds good citizens, is a builder of discipline and is believed

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Mrs. Russell Fairbrother, Gold Centre, entertained Thursday evening at a card party, the proceeds of which will be donated to the Bombed Victims' Fund. This is the second in a series of card parties to be held at Gold Centre. Whist was played and the prize winners were: ladies, 1st, Mrs. Byron; 2nd, Mrs. Bassett; consolation, Mrs. Allcroft; men's 1st, Mr. Bassett; 2nd, Mrs. Moorish; playing as gent; consolation, Mr. Joe Moorish. After the cards the hostess assisted by the ladies served a delicious lunch. After lunch a social period was enjoyed.

The Schumacher "Victory" club met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. T. Johnston, Second Avenue. Five hundred was played and the prize winners were: 1st, Mrs. Fred Webber; 2nd, Mrs. Bill Soucie; consolation, Mrs. Nora Dillon; door prize, Mrs. Jack Matthew. After the cards a nice social time was enjoyed.

Mrs. Ernie Dunbabin, Gold Centre was guest Friday evening at a surprise party held in her honour at the home of Mrs. Lambert Taylor, Gold Centre. A nice social time was enjoyed. Bridge was played and the prize winners were: 1st, Mrs. John DiMiracle; 2nd, Mrs. Grist, consolation, Mrs. Taylor. After the cards a delicious lunch was served. The centre piece on the table was a lovely birthday cake nicely decorated with "Happy Birthday, Mary" across the top. During the evening the guest of honor was present with many lovely gifts. Community singing and dancing were enjoyed during the evening.

The McIntyre Football Club Ladies' Auxiliary held their card party Wednesday evening in the Workers' Co-op store, corner Pine and First Avenue. Whist was played and the winners of the lovely prizes were: 1st, Mrs. W. Rowe; 2nd, Mrs. P. Hunter; 3rd, Mrs. J. Matthew; door prize, Mrs. J. DiMiracle. After the cards a social period was enjoyed. The prizes were donated by Mrs. James Izatt. Prior to the card game a short business session was held. Easter parcels have been sent to all McIntyre footballers overseas. The ladies also made a donation of \$25.00 to the Schumacher Red Cross.

L.A.W. Muriel Harris, R.C.A.F. (Women's Division) North Bay, spent the week-end visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Harris, Third Avenue.

Pte. Bert Waite, of the Headquarters Company, Monteith, is spending a few days at his home on Birch Street.

Mrs. James Gardiner, of Cochrane, spent a few days visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Hamilton, Second Avenue.

Pte. Frank Hicks, Headquarters Company, Montreal, spent a few days at his home on Birch Street.

Mrs. J. V. Angrignon, Second Avenue, returned Friday after a four months' holiday. The first two months she spent visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Angrignon, of Belle Terre. The next two months were spent visiting her daughter, May and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Williams, at the Malartic Mine. She was accompanied back by her daughter Agnes, (Mrs. Clarence Flendall) who spent the past month visiting with her mother at the Malartic Mine.

Mrs. Jimmy Smith, First Avenue, received word Monday telling her of the safe arrival overseas of her husband, Pte. J. Smith, Irish Regiment.

Sgt. Beverley Kitchen, R.C.A.F., stationed at Lachine, spent the week-end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Kitchen, First Avenue.

Spr. Blooze Webber, R.C.E., stationed at London, is visiting his wife and son, Jimmy, at the home of Mrs. Webber's

to be a great influence as a deterrent of juvenile delinquency."

After the meeting all the Kiwanis accompanied F.O. Adams to the Arena where the Squadron of Aid Cadets sponsored by the local Kiwanis Club gave an exhibition of drill.

L.A.C. Stephen Evans, R.C.A.F., was also a guest at the dinner

Three Months for Taking Register Away from Hotel

Young Man Dismissed on Charge of Rape.

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Lucien Quesnell, was fined \$50.00 and costs for permitting drunkenness on his premises on the Hollinger Dam Road. His premises were declared public for a year. Four "found-ins," one a young lady, were fined \$10 and costs each. One of these found-ins, Donat Huard also was fined \$100.00 and costs for illegally having liquor.

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A charge of being drunk in charge of a car resulted in a term of ten days for Peter Morandin, with his license suspended for six months, his car impounded for three months, and the costs of the court to be paid or an additional term imposed. Dean Kester, K.C., in defence quoted English judgments to show that the evidence of the doctor was not admissible as the consent of the accused had not been given. Magistrate Atkinson did not agree, but said that even were this the fact, there was sufficient evidence to uphold the charge without the evidence of the doctor.

A young man who had quarrelled with his wife and intended to separate was charged with wilfully destroying clothing of hers worth \$50.00. He admitted damaging the clothing in a fit of temper, but was willing to pay for it. On this understanding and with the advice to secure a proper separation agreement if they were determined not to live amicably together, the court dismissed the charge.

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WONDERFUL

The wonder of a radio outfit was explained to a Norwegian. He was told how by turning the knob to the right they could get San Francisco and by turning it to the left could get New York and at intermediate points Chicago, Denver, Davenport, etc. The Norwegian quietly listened to the talker and then reaching into his hip pocket pulled out his snuff box and said: "Is do saa? Vall by turning cover of snooze box I get Copenhagen myself." — Sudbury Star.

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S. Porcupine Students Did Well at Music Exams

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Congratulations are in order to the young music pupils of Mrs. Lilyan Tessler, who recently sat for examination in Timmins:

Miss Eleanor Burke who obtained honours (91) in History (Piano) Grade III.

Miss Claire Gervaise who obtained honours in History Grade III

Miss Joyce Allen whose honour mark in piano music was 78 in Grade 6

Miss Nancy Wilder who passed Grade 5 with mark of 64

Darwin Aitken—honours—73 Grade 5

Bobby Wilder—honours—71 Grade 5

Miss Jean Jordison's pupils are also to be congratulated:

Miss Mary Harper (Theory Grade 2) honour mark 98.

Mrs. C. D. Stevenson (Pamour) Grade 2 Theory Honour mark 94.

Miss Joan Somerville who passed in music (piano) in Grade 7.

Another Tournament by S. Porcupine Auxiliary

South Porcupine, March 1st. Special to The Advance.

The whist tournament sponsored by the ladies of the Legion ended on Monday of last week after a most successful four-week session. Ten tables were accommodated on Monday and winners for the evening were: 1. Mrs. Gil White; 2. Mrs. Mark Ford; 3. Mrs. O'Shaughnessy.

Tournament winners were: 1st, Mrs. Bentley Webb; 2nd, Mrs. A. Ewing; 3rd, Mrs. Stanley Jay.

The ladies wish to announce that another tournament commenced Monday evening (8 p.m.) of this week. This will run for seven weeks, and the ladies would welcome a large attendance.

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