Timmins Man in R.C.A.F. in India Writes Pleasingly of People and Places There

Sergt. G. F. Lacy Describes Trip Through Mountains. Varbat which is 26,692 feet high. All Hitch, Miss Multisse Hit "Ski-ing. All Down Hill." Effects of High Altitudes. ered a holy mountain. You can go Mrs Claire Chenier, Mrs. A. Malouin No Hot Tea. Fireplaces Not Ideal for Warmth. To there with paralysis, cancer, falling and Miss Helen Kealey. Those who See Taj Mahal Later.

TRANSFER

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"When I left here on leave I went the snow with gangs of coolies with but they have a bad habit of building as far as Lahore, and spent a day there. shovels and they don't do any more bridges on tight "U" turns or putting It is one of the main railway termini than they have to and just clear the a sharp turn just as you come out of a and is quite a nice city although they road enough for a car with no room tunnel. There are steep banks on your say it is terribly dusty in the summer for passing. We were doing all right right and the river gorge on the left. time. It is al o a big college town but but the car in front of us was pretty. The banks of the mountains are ter- fiancee. Then one day he received a as their colleges are only about equiva- heavily laden and we all had to get out raced up about 2 or 3 thousand feet and lent to our high schools, that doesn't and push him when the road tilted, as they try to farm it. There are herds going to marry a 4-F, and would he mean much. Next morning I took the he would slide into the bank and get of goats all along the way and you have please return her picture. train for Rawlpindi which is farther stuck. They were two army lieuten- to be very careful as they come charg- He was so upset by this treacher north. About a hundred miles this side ants who were in charge of an army ing down the hillside and across the that his buddies rallied to avenge their of it you start to get into the hills. travelling orchestra and were going into road before you know they are coming. pal. A collection of photographs, snap-They are of soft, red, sandy rock and the hills to write a book on what their Just before we got to Srinagar we start- shots and pin-up girls was made from water, and time has cut them up so band had done in the last year. They ed to come across some old ruined tem- every fellow on the base. They were that they look like the pictures of the had enough Ki; with them to keep an ples, some I was told, built by the packed into a huge crate and shipped mesas in the southern states that you army going. Anyway, we finally got to Greeks. They were definitely not of to the fickle wench vegetation is very sparse within 5 miles of Murree when we Oriental design. Srinagar and Dal Upon opening the crate, she found and there is almost no farming. The caught up to the mail van which was Lake are on a very flat plateau 5,200 a note reading, "Please pick out your railroad twists all over and if you are up to its axles in snow and could go no feet up. It is 30 or 40 miles 'ong and picture and return the rest to me. This going down grade at all you get tossed farther. We then had to get our kit surrounded by mountains. The town is is a little embarrassing but I don't rearound something like you do when off the car and walk to Murree and wait at the far end of the plateau and there member which one is yours." - Contrigoing through the reserve. You get a there till the road was clear. We hired is a long avenue of poplars for 30 miles buted by Shirley Localis. fairly good view of the main range be- some coolies to carry our bags and by leading up to it. hind this about 100 miles away, and I saving the road and climbing more "In Srinagar there are private homes was able to pick up Nun Kun which steeply up the mountains we cut the for troops on leave, and I was in a very is over 20,000 feet high. I have a fairly distance down to about a mile. The nice one, a Mrs. Gatmell's, a lady of good atlas which I cart around with me hotel we got to was not what you would 70 whose husband was a colonel killed by which I can identify these places. call the most palatial in town but it was in the last war. She has lived in In-The whole of the main range is snow the only one in town that was open, dia most of her life and her views were covered with very few passes, so that They only had one room empty so I definitely along the pre-war army line. it looks like a solid wall of ice and and the two officers had to put up there. The last war was all right as it was snow. On the way back I saw them at A room in India is a living room, bed fought between two gentlemen, the King sunset so that it looked like mountains room and bath room so we were not and the Kaiser, but as Hitler is just a of pink ice cream. Nun Kun's peak just too crowded. You have to take your commoner, this isn't a fit war. She speed limit. Do you plead guilty or not cleared the clouds and as it is sort of own bedding too and I had only two can't figure how he can expect to win. triangular in shape it looked like the blankets with me. I was then glad All the natives know her well and never pyramids with the sun turning the that the officers had brought so much try to put anything over on her. Her clouds red to represent the Sahara. kit as they were able to lend me a home was a lovely big house built along Rawlpindr seemed to have the atmo- couple. We had a fireplace in the room English lines. A Yankee and myself phere of a Canadian town. Maybe be- and soon had a good coal fire going but had a nice big room. The food she cause it was cold and everyone was if you know fire places you have to be served was the best I've had in India. wearing overcoats. It was raining when nearly in them to keep warm. The R. Five or six course meals at every sit-I got there so I decided to wait a cou- A. F. chaps always argue that they ting. Speaking of food here's a dish ple of days until it cleared up. There look so cosy, but I personally would we often have out here. Make some wasn't much to do except the shows and sooner be warm than look warm. The doughnut batter and mix sliced apple see the town. It is what they call a food they served at the hotel certainly in it. Then cook it in hot fat like you hill station where the white people go made up for the dinginess of the room. do doughnuts and serve hot with hot when it is too warm in the south. In There was only one fault. Water boils syrup to pour over it. Very nice and the summertime I imagine there is a lot at a lower temperature at high altitudes called apple fritters. The town itself doing there but at this time of year it so that we never had warm tea. You was much like any other town with litis rather quiet. I spent a few days there mins the oxygen in the air too and you tle Indian shops selling souvenirs. The and then hired a car to take me to soon tire if you exert yourself too much, state itself is separate from the rest Srinagar in Kashmir, which is 169 miles The next morning I skied down the hill of India and has a separate governaway. You start to climb about 15 for three or four miles and then hired ment. As far as I could see though it miles from town and you do nothing a couple of chicos to carry the skiis didn't have much power and whatever but ascend or descend till you are up again for me. It was all down hill the Maharajah said went. He has 300 thirty miles from Srinagar. You climb skinng, something like I've always wives to get along with too. Europeans to about 7,000 feet just past Murree dreamed of. and then you descend into the Jehlum "We started off again at about two river valley. If you have a fair sized o'clock in the afternoon and got over

map you should find most of these the hump and a couple of miles down places marked. You zig-zag quite the road when we met sixteen buses steeply up to Murree and get to the coming the other way which were havsnow line at 4,000 feet. Slopes are well ing the same trouble we had the day wooded with white pines and I imagine before. They were skidding going up that it must be a lot like the Rockies. hill, and another bus going down had At one time I saw the road at three tried to pass on the narrow road and Six Births Registered different levels beneath me. I had a the two cars were wedged. Out of about good car though (a 1940 Plymouth) and twenty buses and four cars no one had the drivers have to have a special li- a shovel. The Indians were in their usual flap and were jabbering wildly and every now and then looked under the buses to see, I imagine, if Spring had come and the snow had melted. Every man was interested only in his own bus and did not attempt to help each other. The officers got them organized to push the ones over the icy dra Lee Elvira) spets and by a lot of pushing and pulling, we got the two buses apart and and Mrs. A. Tremblay, Waterloo Rd., a picture which when raffled brought Blahey's, \$.50; and Graham's Shoe and on to Kohala, near the bend of the Jehlum between Kashmir and North West Frontier Province, we coasted for and Mrs. E. St. Onge, Balsam N. at St. nearly an hour and a half When we came out on the river valley we were

feet so we had nearly 3,500 feet of no- esses for the occasion. thing below us. However, "Hairbreadth | A very enjoyable evening was spent Harry", my driver didn't consider that the gue is joining in sing-songs, an any reason to slow up so we had more enjoying the pleasant social evening. yards long. Looking along the valley at evening Kohala you could see Mount Nanga Among those present were: Mrs. Kay arches or what have you and be com- were unable to attend but sent gifts plately cured. Next morning we crossed were: Mrs. Wilkinson, Mrs. M. Hum-Mrs. C. F. Lacy, 34 Toke St., recently cense before they are allowed on the Jehlum into Kalhmir. It is a separate phrey, Mill Annette Rogers, Miss Jean received a very interesting letter from run. It was snowing on the hill and state and the government of India has Sweeney. Miss Blanche Morin and her son Sgt. G. F. Lacy, R.A.F. in India about 10 miles this side of Murree the no power at all there. The road all Mrs. D. Belec. The letter reads in part as follows: snow was about 2 feet deep. They clear along Kashmir has a pretty solid base,

are not allowed to own property in jary of the Canadian Legion are doing Kashihir. I only stayed two days in fine work for the boys in the armed Srinagar and got back to Rawlpindi in services overseas. Each Wednesday 17,265. one day. I didn't go to Agra to see afternoon they hold a "Comfort Tea" the Taj Mahal as I had planned, but the proceeds of which are used to buy some one has organized a party to go "comforts" to put in the parcels which

were able to go on. After we left them at St. Mary's Hospital-a son (Joseph \$5.30; Mr. M. Sacks, of Beaver Fur. Store, \$.25.

Born-On February, 26th, 1944, to Mr. Mary's Hospital-a daughter (Yvonne

Born-On February 26th, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Brown, Cherry Street, at St. Mary's Hospital—a son (Russell William).

Born-On February 20th, 1944 to Mr. and Mrs. P. S. McGee, Cedar street N., at St. Mary's Hospital—a daughter (Mary Helen).

Lovely Shower Held Last Week for Mrs. W. Mann

Miscellaneous Shower Held at the Home of Mrs. P. J. O'Neill.

On Wednesday evening last a miscellaneous shower was held at the home of Mrs. P. J. O'Neill, 2 Pearl avenue, in honour of her daughter "Judy," Mrs. W.S.O. Mann, who left this week to join her husband P.O. Mann stationed



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CANADA

5.000 feet and the river is at 1,500 and Miss Betty O'Neill were joint hos-

stretch of road more than a hundred was served by the hostesses later in the Interesting Meeting With

A sailor stationed on a far-flung U.S. outpost was noted for his loyalty to his callous letter telling him that she was

GOCD BUSINESS

Two magistrates were summoned for exceeding the speed limit. When the arrived at court there were no other magistrates present, so they decided to try each other. Number one went on the bench and the case proceeded.

"You are charged with exceeding the

"Guilty!" "You will be fined \$1.25."

They then changed places and again the plea was "guilty."

"H'm", was the response. "These cases are becoming far too common This is the second one this morning You will be fined \$7.50."-Sudbury Star | Cross "News Bulletin":

Donations Received for Comfort Fund by Ladies' Auxiliary

Good Work of Auxiliary Members.

there next week so I am just as glad I they are continually packing. Mrs. T. Gay, Comfort convener, has received numerous replies from service men thanking her and her committee, and those who make the parcels possible, at Timmins This Week for the useful and necssary articles sent to them. The members pack and

Meeting Held on

Many Members Present.

the previous meeting, and Mrs. S Wheeler gave the treasurer's repoprt. A donation was given to the V. O. N organization and the I.O.D.E. members also pledged to buy War Savings Stamps during the month, to boost the present

Mrs. A. Booker, War Convener, presented her monthly report and noted that the usual boxes of knitted goods were sent to headquarters and that replies from soldiers had been received thanking them for the boxes which had been sent them by Chapter at Christmas time. Mrs. Booker also noted that another large box of books had been sent to camp libraries, and asked that the public be told of the urgent need for reading material. Books and magazines which have been read by the owners would be gratefully received for camp libraries, etc., and may be sent to Mrs. S. Wheeler, 9 Hemlock street Legion and Community Fag Fund had who is convener of this activity.

The Chapter made a presentation to cigarettes received overseas from the a former member, Mrs. G. Hale, earlier following men in the armed services: in the month, previous to her leaving to take up residence in North Bay.

The meeting closed with "The King" freniere, Spr. J. Fernie, Spr. C. A. Gil-

Knitting Needs

Appeal Made by Mrs. Fraser,

The Eastern Porcupine Red Cross this Stach, L.-Cpl. E. O. Thorpe, Spr. A week calls special attention to the fol- Salomone, Major McBrien, Spr. R. Valelowing excerpt from the Canadian Red nius, Major E. Hogarth, Lieut. R.

CALLING ALL WORKERS! "There is no glamor in sewing, it is hard and tedious work. So is knitting seamen's turtle-neck sweaters and seamen's stockings" says Mrs. John C. Fraser, chairman Ontario Women's War Work Committee. Mrs. Fraser warns of the serious falling off in supplies, adding that many Branches are taking half Increase in Funds Keeps Up and less than half their quotas of previous years. This is due, in a measure, to the periodic lack of materials and

> These figures tell the story and show decrease in woolen comforts alone: , Monthly reports show: Dec. 1941-

Monthly I.O.D.E. **Tuesday Evening**

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turtle neck sweaters."

More Letters and

Cigarettes Sent

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need now.

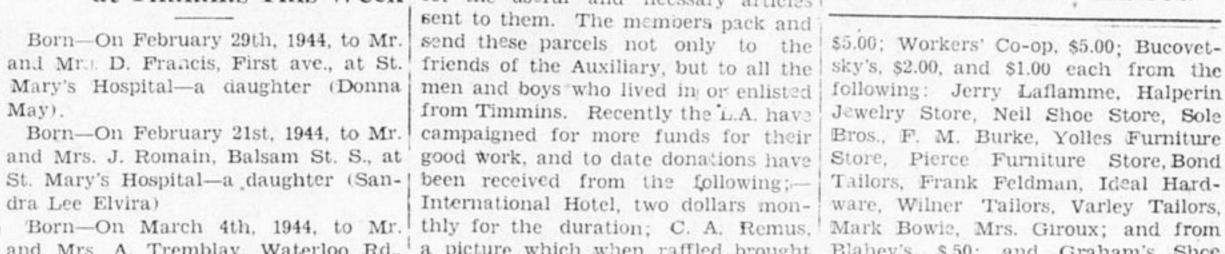
The regular monthly meeting of the I.O.D.E. took place Tuesday night in the council chambers, with Regent Mrs. A. F. Carriere, in the chair.

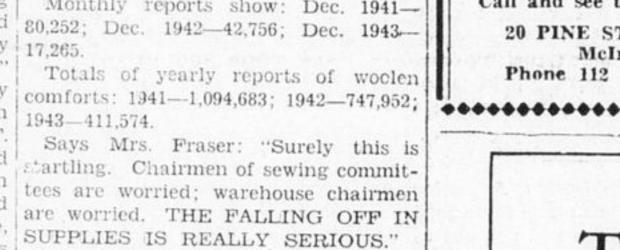
Mrs. T. Warnock read the minutes of

Calling All Workers to Meet Red Cross

Chairman Ontario Women's War Work Commit-McGarry, W.O. D Banning, L.A.C. D.

tartling. Chairmen of sewing committees are worried; warehouse chairmen are worried. THE FALLING OFF IN SUPPLIES IS REALLY SERIOUS."





to be brought to the attention of all Cyr. Spr. D . Harris, Bdr. E. Fishback, Red Cross women in Ontario, to result L.-Cpl. E. Carruther, Sgt. J. A. McNeill, in all taking up their needles to once Tpr. P. Morrow, L.-Cpl. Roberts, James again bring in the much needed woolen B. Waite, R. A. W. Weight, Sgt. Jack comforts (even if the wool is not just Dewar, Spr. A. Butterfield, Lieut. Vince as soft and easy to work with as here- Killeen, Sgt. P. Blackman, Spr. N. Landers, Pte. H. Baldwin, L.A.C. D. G. Following paragraph is from a letter Spence, L.-Cpl. A. H. Cannell, Spr. N. from National Chairman Mrs. Clara Zaitz, Gdann, W. A. J. Davies, Sgt. S. S. Sarson, Spr. R. K. Cannell, Spr. F. K. "Light weight wheeling wool has Migneault, Sgt. F. Saunders, Spr. A. moved very little and we wonder if you Robson, F.O. W. Shields, Cpl. E. N. Savrealize that all grey service socks must age., Tpr. F. Shannon, Flt.-Sgt. H. V. now be knit with this wool. The very Bateman, Cpl. N. L. Chalmers, L.-Cpl. little that we have of the Scotch Fin- McGibbons, Gnr. J. T. Lafreniere, Cpl. gering and Special Service must be used | A. P. Cloutier, Pte. G. E. MacDonald, for helmets, neck of turtle-neck swea- L.-Cpl. Jack Kwekkeboom, Sgt. Don ters, scarves, etc. Moreover, the light Labranche, Cpl. A. C. Orr, Lieut, G. M. wheeling makes a very serviceable Andrechuk R. J. Legendre, Gnr. Wessock. We know it varies in quality, but tine, Sig. R. J. Levesque, Lieut. John for the most part it softens greatly Bracken, Spr. N. McColeman, Sgt. J. when washed. It is necessary that wo- Byron, Sgt. C. W. Lowe, Pte. L. L. Bismen understand the necessity of using sonnette, Tpr. J. F. Brunette, Sgt. H. wheeling wool whether for socks or for Poole. Pte. A. Bernard, Lieut. R. G.

We are convinced that this only needs Bryson, Tpr. E. J. Tebby, Spr. C. St.

Remember sweaters are the crying cette, Tpr. P. E. Roy, Sgt. C. H. Howie,

Windsor Star: There must be no 'half-baked" peace, says Joseph C. Grew, former United States ambassador to Japan. In other words, the Japanese goose must be cooked, and anything less than that would be a distinctly raw Up to February 22nd, the Timmins

Saville, Sgt. R. W. Smith, Spr. J. Dou-

L.A.W. S. E. Brobker, Cpl. Alf Scott,

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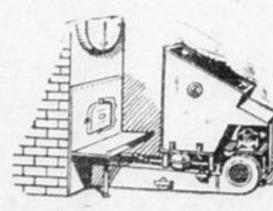
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