

Dropped Between Stitches

Never was 'ble so little,
Never was 'sea so lone,
But over the scud and the palm trees
An English flag was flown.
—Rudyard Kipling.

Badminton enthusiasts will be delighted to hear that plans are being formulated to open a club at the McIntyre Arena. The gymnasium will be marked into three courts and prospective members may register. Opening night will be December 1st when a committee will be formed to plan matches. The names of the committee members who are elected will be posted on the bulletin board. Even with the dearth of young eligibles this is a chance for the young ladies of the district to pass away many very pleasant winter evenings. Badminton is such a grand recreation even if you cannot play mixed doubles.

It was a very successful afternoon tea and bazaar which was held by the ladies of the Gold Nugget Rebekah Lodge on Thursday afternoon of last week. The owner of the lucky number door ticket was Mrs. Harry Redden, 3 Laurier Ave. A very large gathering of ladies of the district anxious to take advantage of the attractive items on display soon left many of the booths completely sold out. Mrs. Terry O'Connor convened the refreshments which were enjoyed by so many of the visitors. Mrs. Henry Dean and Mrs. L. Sauder received the guests. Tea was poured during the afternoon by Mrs. C. Lacy, Mrs. J. Keene, Mrs. S. Crews, and Mrs. S. Lawley. In charge of the table of home cooking were Mrs. D. Ellis, Mrs. A. Kelly, Mrs. A. Borland Jr. and Mrs. N. Lutz. Mrs. J. Seers and Mrs. R. McLaren presided at the needlework table. The "Penny Sale" was in charge of Mrs. W. Johns and Mrs. J. Webb. A grand display of miscellaneous novelties was handled by Mrs. W. J. Willis and Mrs. G. S. McDonald.

Even war has its happy associations. From London, England, comes the news of a wedding which took place there and is of local interest as the bride was Cpl. Sadie E. Booker (W.D.) R.C.A.F., formerly on the staff of the Bank of Commerce, Schumacher, and daughter of Flight Lieutenant and Mrs. E. J. Booker who resided at the Coniarum property prior to the outbreak of war. The bridegroom was Squadron Leader Hugh Dyer of Minnedosa, Manitoba, who is a nephew of Dr. Harrison who achieved much success as a surgeon here, before enlisting. The happy couple met on board ship while they were en route overseas.

Don't forget to keep in mind Wednesday, Dec. 6th, which is the day that the Ladies of the Anglican Guild will hold their Christmas bazaar and afternoon tea. We hear a certain lady has made enough calico animals to fill a Noah's Ark and there will be other gift suggestions galore. The bake table promises to exceed all records for variety but as this booth nearly always experiences a very early "sell out" the ladies who are planning to attend will be advised to go early if they don't want to be disappointed.

The next Blood Donor Clinic is to be held in Timmins, at the Masonic Hall, on Sunday and Monday, December 10th and 11th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The ladies of the district are doing a noble share in the donation of their blood for life-saving plasma which is being

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Red Cross Schedule for Bardessono Workrooms for Dec.

The following is the Red Cross schedule for the Bardessono workrooms for December:—

- Friday, December 1—United Church Group & Finnish Organization
 - Monday, December 4—Mrs. Patrick's Group and Eastern Star
 - Tuesday, December 5—Finnish women of Harmony Hall & Hadassah Group
 - Wednesday, December 6—Ladies of St. Anne & Mrs. Allen's Group & J. C. W. L.
 - Thursday, December 7—Mrs. Hardy's Group & St. Matthew's Group & Princess Alice Club
 - Friday, December 8—French Federation & Dime Club & Finnish Organization
 - Monday, December 11—Mrs. Patrick's Group & Eastern Star
 - Tuesday, December 12—Finnish Women of Harmony Hall & Hadassah Group
 - Wednesday, December 13—Mrs. Ralph's Group & La Ligue Feminine Catholique
 - Thursday, December 14—Sr. C.W.L. Mrs. Moran's Group and Princess Alice Club
 - Friday, December 15—United Church Group & I. O. D. E. & Finnish Organization
- These rooms will be closed for the remainder of the month. The re-opening date will be January 2, 1945. The wool room—located in the Municipal Building, Room 12, is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday of each week from 2 to 5 p.m. The Red Cross needs knitters to carry on its work. Room closes Dec. 15 at 5 p.m. and re-opens Jan. 2 at 2 p.m.
- The Surgical Dressing Room is located in the basement of the Post Office and is open Tuesday and Friday from 2 to 4 p.m. Room closes Dec. 15 and re-opens Jan. 2.

Eight Cases of Diphtheria in the Rouyn-Noranda Area

There were rumours last week that there was an epidemic of diphtheria at Rouyn and Noranda, Northwestern Quebec's twin towns. The Rouyn-Noranda Press, however, says that there were only eight cases of diphtheria in actual fact and that, while this was more than desired, it did not by any means constitute an epidemic. Doctors in Rouyn and Noranda discount any idea of alarm at the situation, but they do urge the great importance of the immunization of children and others against this disease. Years ago the late Dr. H. H. Moore, then medical health officer here, instituted a campaign for immunization against diphtheria and with the support of the doctors, the nurses, the teachers and other groups and individuals, was successful in protecting the community against this dread disease. Dr. Moore said that continued immunization against diphtheria would in a few years result in practical freedom from the disease in this town. The years have proved the truth of this claim.

Girl Guide News



"At this time each of us is questioning in which way lies her duty—whether she can best serve through the medium of Guiding or through some specific avenue of war work—it is well for us to remember that the Home Front must be kept strong and as cheerfully normal as possible. "Guiding is a National Service in a special sense of the word; and our Guide Law leads the way to high ideals of loyalty and service. "As Guides we are pledged to practise an active spirit of friendship and understanding for ourselves and for others. By the practise of this spirit at home, at work, and at play, we can make a valuable contribution not only to the life of our own country, but towards a world in which peace and goodwill shall prevail against the forces of cruelty and injustice. "On January 11th, 1910, the very first Canadian Guide Company was registered. During these thirty years the constant and deepening growth of our movement has seemed to prove the need for it. The one Company has expanded to over 2,000 Companies and Packs with a membership of over 60,000 girls and women, all working and playing together for the one end, namely toward a better Canada. "Co-operation and unity of purpose can accomplish much. Guides! let us carry on so that the next thirty years may see even greater progress in goodwill, mutual understanding and helpfulness."—(Canadian Guide)

The Guides and Brownies will be wearing their uniforms this week in commemoration of Guide and Brownie week. The following programme will be broadcast:—
Wednesday, November 29th at 7:30—St. Matthew's and 56 I. O. D. E. Brownies.
Thursday, November 30th at 7:30—Porcupine and S. Porcupine Guides.
Saturday, December 2nd, at 8:15—St. Matthew's 1st Timmins, and 51st I. O. D. E. Guide Companies.
Tuesday, December 5th at 8:30—2nd Timmins, (French) Guides.
There will be a special Guide and Brownie service at the St. Matthew's church, December 3rd, at 9:45 a.m.

Canadian Prisoners-of-War Study Various Subjects

Ottawa, Nov. 29th. (Special)—Canadian prisoner-of-war in Germany are not wasting their time but, on the contrary are in thousands taking some kind of educational course, letters received by Canadian Legion educational services here indicate.

These Canadians, many of whom have been prisoners for three or four years, have studied everything from how to cook the food they received in Red Cross parcels, to Plato's "Republic". A recent letter from a sergeant thanked Legion officials for sending at his request a copy of Fuller's History of Philosophy. A letter from F-O Alex J. Souchowski says he is doing three hours a day on subjects that include trigonometry, algebra, geometry, business arithmetic and book-keeping. All his books have been supplied through the Legion's educational division, the letter adds.

Many Visit the Telephone Exchange at South Porcupine

The Northern Telephone Company was host last week to the general public. Our local exchange was visited by a number of interested people, who were anxious to know how the switchboard was operated and just what happens when the "line is busy". Miss Lillian Brown, chief operator, proved untiring in her efforts to show everything and made a most capable exponent, answering all questions cheerfully. Three classes from our High School went down on three different occasions and expressed themselves as being pleased that they went and many public school pupils looked in on their own, to satisfy curiosity on certain points. All met the same courtesy from all employees. Mr. Wilder, the local manager, is very pleased with the response to the Company's invitation to come in and look them over. Our local exchange is up-to-date and serving the public with efficiency. In order of length of service the employees are:—Miss Audrey Miller, Miss Ethel Smith, Miss Mary Rotondo, Miss Connie Shortt, Miss Evelyn Jay, Miss Norma Hamilton, Mrs. Marie Pecore (part-time), Miss Hazel Barr, Miss Ann Gecan is cashier and Don Brown "maintenance man".

Successful Victory Tea and Bazaar by the Ladies' Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion held their weekly whist drive in the Legion Hall, The prize winners for the evening were as follows: Ladies; Mrs. A. Roberts, Mrs. Benzanson, Mrs. J. Oowan, Gentlemen; Mrs. A. Gauthier, Miss N. Culen, Mr. S. Hornell. Yesterday afternoon the ladies held their Victory tea and bazaar in the Legion Hall. The afternoon proved to be a financial and social success and many visitors took the opportunity to do some of their Christmas shopping from the many attractive articles offered for sale and to spend a social half hour with their friends and partake of the very delicious refreshments that were served. Mrs. R. Hardy and Mrs. E. Tilley were in charge of the work table; Mrs. L. Mason and Mrs. McClure had charge of the bake table; convening in the kitchen were Mrs. C. Boyd, Mrs. E. Hinds, and Mrs. W. Wilkinson. Mrs. Jean Smith, social convener, was in charge of the tea tables and was very ably assisted by Mrs. S. Wheeler, Mrs. Davison, Mrs. W. Mear, Mrs. Kwekbeison and Mrs. J. Wilson. Mrs. H. J. McGary and Mrs. L. Nicholson were in charge of tickets and cash receipts at the door. The lucky number of the prize winning ticket was No. 194 which was drawn by Mrs. T. H. Miller and won by Mrs. Kingston, 57, Rea Street south. Mrs. T. Gay was pianist for the afternoon. The Executive meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion will be held at the home of the President, Mrs. J. Shaw, 41 Laurier Ave. on Friday, Dec. 1st.

District Men in Lists of Casualties in Past Week

The following Timmins and other Northern men were included in the official lists of casualties published during the past week:—
Marchildon, Charles Matthew, Pte.; Central Ontario Regt.; 128 Main St., Timmins; wounded; Mrs. Leonie Marchildon (mother).
Lambert, Philip Joseph, Sapper; Corps of Royal Canadian Engineers; 264 Tamarack St., North, Timmins; slightly wounded; Mrs. Esther Lambert (wife).
Kriszka, George, Spr.; Royal Canadian Engineers; 6 Riverside Drive, Kapuskasing; died of wounds; Mrs. Mary Kriszka (wife).
Beauchamp, Mondeau Benjamin, Pte.; Central Ontario Regt.; Porcupine; wounded Mrs. Violet M. Beauchamp (wife).
Gram, Harry, Pte.; Box 529, South Porcupine; wounded; Mrs. Minerwa Gram (wife).
Porter, Garth Alfred, Pte.; Central Ontario Regt.; 77 Maple street, South, Timmins; injured; Mrs. Mary C. Porter (mother).
Daigle, Edward, Lance Corporal; Western Ontario Regt.; 50 Middleton

Many Former Airmen Fail to Apply for Service Gratuities

Delay in Application May Mean Delay in Receiving War Service Gratuities

Ottawa, Nov. 30—Thousands of former members of the R.C.A.F. or dependents of deceased members—whether they know it or not—have substantial War Service Gratuities due them from the Dominion Government. All they have to do is ask for it, and although it is nearly two months since this was first announced, less than 5,000 of an eligible total of upwards of 40,000 have made application. There are probably several reasons for this apparent lack of interest in sums ranging from something less than \$100 to more than \$1,500. The most likely reason is that the great majority of them do not realize that these amounts, payable in monthly instalments, are owing them. Others probably have delayed applying, believing that as the War Service Grants Act, 1944, does not come into force until January 1, 1945, there is no point in applying before then. By making application at once, however, they are assured that the first cheques will be in their hands early in the new year. Former members of the R.C.A.F. eligible for the gratuity can get application forms at any navy, army or air force establishment in Canada as well as at any branch of the Department of Veterans' Affairs in the larger cities. In the case of dependents, it is not even necessary to fill out an application form. They need only write a letter giving the name and number of the deceased. It should be addressed to Records Office, R.C.A.F. Headquarters, Ottawa. This is only the R.C.A.F. picture. The gratuity also applies to discharged members of the navy and army and dependents. When the original announcement was made it was expected that there would be a flood of applications, and in anticipation large staffs were set by each of the three services. Instead there has been just a dribble which in the case of the R.C.A.F. has averaged approximately 60 a day. It is hoped that those eligible will make application at once so that there will not be a flood which will clog the machinery and delay payments.

Fr. Brouillard Officiates at Funeral of Grandfather

The following from last week's issue of The Rouyn-Noranda Press will be of local interest:—
The funeral of the late Cyrille Brouillard, of Ville Marie, whose death occurred on Saturday afternoon last at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. D. Mallin, Rouyn, where he had been residing for the past several weeks, took place on Tuesday morning to St. Michael's church, attended by a large number of relatives and friends of the family. Rev. Father Alfred Brouillard of Timmins, a grandson of the deceased, received the body at the church and celebrated the solemn high mass of requiem, assisted by Rev. Fathers L. P. Juras, O.M.I., and J. O. Lemay as deacon and sub-deacon. The funeral mass was sung by the orphanage choir. The pall-bearers were Honorius Charlebois, Armand Brouillard, of Rouyn; Octave Brouillard, Ville Marie; Leo Brouillard and Paul Matte, Rouyn, and Cyrille Brouillard, Malartic. The late Mr. Brouillard, who was eighty-three years of age, was born at St. Hyacinthe. He lived at La Patrie for thirty-six years, and for the past thirty-seven years engaged in farming at Ville Marie. Apart from his wife, the former Ave., Timmins; wounded; Mrs. Rita Daigle (wife).
Hay, David, Pte.; Central Ontario Regt.; Elk Lake; slightly wounded; Mrs. Jeanette Hay (wife).
Toye, Lawrence John, Cpl.; Canadian Armoured Corps; Englehart; killed in action; Mrs. Eleanor Toye (mother).
Lefebvre, Joseph, Pte.; Central Ontario Regt.; Kapuskasing; slightly wounded; Mrs. Alice Lefebvre (mother).
Bowerman, Walter Anton, Pte.; Central Ontario Regt.; severely wounded; Mrs. Ada King (mother).
Linklater, Joseph, Pte.; Central Ontario Regt.; Moosonee; missing; Mrs. Mary Linklater, (mother).

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Leonie Roy, he is survived by ten children: Joseph, Rouyn; Mrs. Cleophas Desrosiers, Fitchburg, Mass.; Mrs. Ernest Hebert, Woonsocket, Mass.; Mrs. Alfred Hsioire, North Bridge, Mass.; Mrs. L. D. Mallin, Rouyn; Mrs. Hector Chaput, Woonsocket; Eloi, North Bridge; Mrs. Wilfrid Lepin, Montreal; Napoleon, Timmins, and Louis, on active service overseas. With the exception of the latter, and for the first time in thirty-seven years, the family were all reunited here last week at Mrs. Mallin's home. Among many surviving relatives are twenty-seven grand-children and thirty-seven great-grandchildren.

Interment was made at Ville Marie and the funeral was under the direction of Darby's funeral parlors.

Representative of Jewish Chronicle on Annual Visit

Mr. David Abramowitz, representative of the Canadian Jewish Chronicle, of Montreal, is on his annual visit to Timmins and the North, in connection with the yearly Passover issue of The Chronicle. Timmins and the North are always well represented in this issue of The Jewish Chronicle. Mr. Abramowitz has been coming to Timmins representing The Chronicle for many years and has made large numbers of friends here who welcome his visits here.

Powassan News—How seldom we weigh our neighbors in the same balance as ourselves.

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STAFF

I take this opportunity of expressing appreciation to the staff for their continued loyalty and support. All are working under great strain and are entitled to a share of the credit and to our thanks. Staff now number 1707 of whom 1152 are young ladies. Five Hundred and Ninety-three officers, being 50% of the male members of the staff at the outbreak of war, are serving with the Forces. Of these it is with much regret and some pride I have to report that 37 have paid the supreme sacrifice and that 11 are reported missing and 4 are prisoners of war. To the parents and relatives of those who have given their lives I extend our sincerest sympathy. We will welcome the return of our men now serving their country, when hostilities cease.

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