

DROPPED Between STITCHES

By Alice Gadsby

Just because the war is over the women of Canada should not feel that they have a right to relax. Now, more than ever, there is work to be done with respect to educating women to their peacetime responsibilities in their own communities, and for the world as a whole. The women of Canada contributed much to the war effort and helped speed the victory, but there is still much to be done.

When Adjutant Church of the Salvation Army spoke to the ladies of the Fireside Club last Monday evening in First United Church he stressed the need for continued effort on the part of the women to provide much needed clothing for the destitute people of Europe and Mrs. Lionel Milne also emphasized this point in her address to the members of the I.O.D.E.

An added responsibility has fallen upon individual groups of workers since the closing of the Red Cross workrooms and in addition to this the various clubs have to buy and provide their own materials with which to work. Consequently it has to be an all-out effort to raise the money and then make the comforts so much needed. So many people feel that now the war is over there is no further need for continued effort -- but to stop now would be just the same as our fighting men laying down their arms halfway to their objective.

The women of Canada have in the past shown a lack of interest in public affairs. Women represent fifty-two per cent of the voting strength of Canada, but according to statistics only a little over thirty-five per cent have cast their ballots in municipal elections during the past five years.

How about the women voters of Timmins setting a record and turning out in full force to cast their ballots at our next municipal election?

We arrived at the Eastern Star tea last Saturday, all set to buy some baked "treats" for the week-end because our "mixmistress" is like the old grey mare, "she ain't what she used to be" and it takes a maximum amount of elbow-grease to beat eggs with it until they stand "in peaks" - according to directions. However when we approached the genial Mrs. Sellar, who was in charge of the bake table, all that she could offer us was the choice of two geraniums in full bloom and a rubber plant. One of our public health nurses just beat us by a short head and pretty well cleaned up on the few remaining cookies that were for sale. Somehow the geraniums and rubber plant didn't appeal to us, even with meat rationing, we could never become strictly vegetarian and salads can never take the place of cookies.

Mrs. Coulson, who was in charge of the apron table, was telling us that her daughter, Nancy, who is attending convent school just outside Montreal, is very happy in her new environment and is enjoying her studies there. She is specializing in music.

And even the Terrible Terrence has his worries. He thinks that the entire household should move back to Winnipeg, bag and baggage. You see he has just remembered that he forgot to tell God that they were moving to Timmins, now supposing God wants to find them how will he know where they are? We don't think even Postmaster King could answer that one, Terry!

We are considering starting a column entitled "Porcupine Quills" in which we could discuss the many points of interest, disgust and controversy of most importance to the ladies but there is one subject we flatly refuse to discuss and that is soap. We have discovered from experience that some people are so thin skinned and sensitive that the mere mention of soap, even by way of a harmless newspaper comment, causes then a painful irritation, although it is a good brand of toilet soap. Lord give us the grace to laugh and the grit to grin!

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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Goodman (nee Gwen Webb) who became the proud parents of a healthy young son on Tuesday night. Mother and son are reported to be doing fine in St. Mary's Hospital and the father is coming along nicely too!

It is hoped that the women of Ontario will take advantage of the amendment to the Public Health Act, whereby "every expectant mother may obtain a free medical examination upon making application in the prescribed form to a duly qualified medical practitioner."

Pregnancy in itself is a normal and healthy state and should be regarded as such. It even, on occasion, can be the pathway to better health. Therefore, the wise woman, as soon as pregnancy is known to exist, will begin to make plans to conserve her health. An essential part of her planning will be an appointment with her physician for

Of Interest To Women A Best Bag For Best Dresses



BY PRUNELLA WOOD

This satin handbag is dedicated to late afternoons or evenings when one's prettiest gowns are serving their particular purpose... dressing up a social event with importance.

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examination and advice. This is commonly referred to as prenatal care.

Unfortunately, too often, due to an attitude of so-called modesty, the prenatal period has constituted the most neglected period of a baby's existence. Physicians know a great deal about making pregnancy and childbirth healthy and safe and no expectant mother, for her own sake or that of her child, should feel embarrassment when consulting a physician about any matter pertaining to pregnancy. The Government of Ontario, fully appreciative of the importance of this type of preventive service, has developed a plan whereby every expectant mother may be assured of one complete physical examination early in her pregnancy without cost to herself.

Further proof of the encouragement and assistance which is being given to the youth of our community by local service clubs can be found in the person of Miss Adella Pellizzari who was winner of the Princess Alice Club Scholarship in this year's Festival of Music. This ambitious and talented young vocalist has applied for an audition in connection with the radio programme "Singing Stars of Tomorrow". With such ability and courage and the backing of a worthy organization like the Princess Alice Club we may expect to see this young artist travel far in the field of music and we join her sponsors in extending best wishes for success.

If you are tired of planning and preparing meals at home, or if you are less fortunate and have to take all your meals in restaurants here is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a

HOLD SHOWER FOR CLARA LINDROSS

Miss Clara Lindross, bride elect of the month, was guest of honour at a delightful surprise shower held recently at the home of Mrs. V. Tasanko, South Porcupine. Mrs. N. Thander acted as co-hostess with Mrs. Tasanko.

The living room was tastefully decorated with assorted bouquets of fresh flowers and garlands of ribbon. During the evening a delicious lunch was served. The table was set in buffet style, with dishes arranged in rainbow hues around a centerpiece of a miniature bride and groom.

Miss Lindross was the recipient of group gifts, including a pair of beautiful Hudson Bay wool blankets, an Irish linen bridge set and several sets of matching towels.

Attending the shower were Mrs. W. Maki, Mrs. G. Aaltonen, Mrs. T. Tuuri, Mrs. E. Gannon, Mrs. I. Mieto, Mrs. P. Maki, Mrs. C. Laamanen, Mrs. A. Kari, Mrs. L. Lepisto, Mrs. W. Jaakkola, Mrs. Lydia Hill, Mrs. T. Pihlajamaki, the co-hostesses, Mrs. V. Tasanko and Mrs. N. Thander and the guest of honour. Several others unable to attend contributed to the gifts.

and 6 lbs. 10 ozs. They are both fine and healthy and their mother is also reported to be doing well. This totals the family to three, another we boy was born while Walter was overseas. Nice going!

"England expects that every man this day will do his duty"... A message that made history and has been handed on, down through the years, since that memorable day when it was relayed to the rest of the fleet by their commander, Nelson, who had been mortally wounded at Trafalgar, is still a challenge to the men of the Motherland and her vast Empire to carry on in this tradition. We cannot help but associate the message with the celebration of Navy League Week which is being observed all across Canada. The path of duty has not always led the way to glory, but the amount of personal satisfaction to be derived from the training of youth in the traditions of the sea and help mould the characters of future citizens is the way the leaders of the various training groups who are in charge of the Sea Cadets are carrying out the message of Nelson. In Timmins the Lions Club sponsors the local Sea Cadet Corps and they urge your assistance in helping build this group in a strong and active organization of which the citizen's of Timmins may be proud.

A true story, which we considered carried an excellent moral, was told to us by an English lady who had sent a parcel of food overseas to a little girl who was celebrating her fifth birthday. Born during the war, this youngster knew nothing of the tempting little luxuries which we accept as an everyday necessity.

Her meals had been planned on rationed milk, a scant ration of butter (or butter substitute) rationed meat, rationed sugar and now rationed bread which is reputed to be very coarse, dark and unpalatable. Candy, sweet biscuits, cakes and most fruits are not of this world for English youngsters, so imagine her surprise when she found jelly powders, fancy cookies, chocolates, a tin of chicken, preserved peaches and several other items of good things to eat. A little party was planned in which several of the neighbours children took part and here is the moral, when the little hostess said "Grace" which has always been part of her meal-time ritual, spontaneously and without instruction, the little mite added an extra word of thanks for her parcel and "the country where all the good things come from". It's something worth thinking about next time we sit down to a full course meal with all the trimmings.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to little Isabel Rose who has been quite sick this past week and also to Marjorie Eastman who is confined to her home with Scarlet Fever. Get well soon!

A little more information is to hand regarding the play to be staged by the Ca-Bo-Gi Club on Nov. 3, 4, and 5 in the basement of the Church of the Nativity. The time is the present, the setting a Virginian mansion, the family of the bankrupt owners of the mansion decide to act as servants when the establishment is rented to people from the north. The many complications which ensue provide the humour in this hilarious comedy which promises to draw large audiences at each presentation.

Congratulations twice to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cowan, (nee Helen Francis) of 9 Poverline, who became the proud parents of twins on Sunday last, in St. Mary's Hospital. The twins, a boy (Raymond Bruce) and a girl (Heather Jean) weighed 6 lbs. 12 ozs.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mr. D. M. Henderson of 107 Algonquin Blvd., East, left Monday to spend his vacation in Toronto.

Mrs. David Doucette has returned to Toronto with her young son, Gerald, after spending an extended visit with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McLean, 153 1/2 Pine St. North.

Mr. G. E. Belanger of Englehart has returned home after spending some time visiting his brother, Thomas Belanger, 312 Pine St. South, who has been a resident of Timmins for 23 years.

Mr. S. R. Hooper, 214 Balsam St., South, left on Monday for Toronto, where he will spend his vacation.

Miss Dorothy Brown has returned to her home in Toronto after spending several weeks visiting at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Severt, 153 Mountjoy St. South.

Miss Kay Smuk has returned home after spending several days in Toronto consulting a prominent skin specialist. Miss Smuk's many friends will be pleased to hear that she is showing speedy recovery.

Born - to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Desbriens, 167 Pine St. South, in Porcupine General Hospital, on Oct. 20, a son.

W.A. ANNIVERSARY SUPPER ON MONDAY

The Womens Association and the Evening Auxiliary of the United Church South Porcupine are holding their anniversary supper on Monday, Oct. 28, from 5-7 p.m. Admission by ticket only and tickets are available from the members of the Womens Association and Evening Auxiliary, or may be obtained from Williams Drug Store.

The many chums of Billy Johnson will be pleased to know that he is recovering satisfactorily from his recent illness.

Mr. Dave McRae, McIntyre Staff House, Schumacher, left on Tuesday for Noranda, where he will attend to some business matters.

Miss Florence Dumais has returned to her home in Elmira, New York, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Emile Cousineau, 108 Maple St. North.

Mrs. R. E. Fletcher, 78 Cameron St. North, has left for Toronto where she will visit the Sick Children's Hospital and return home with her daughter Fay, who was undergoing treatment there.

Mr. J. W. G. Van Tent, 48 George St., has returned to New Toronto where he will resume employment at the Goodyear Rubber Company.

Mr. John Bozek has been visiting his parents at 267 Balsam St. North. He has returned to Montreal to resume his studies there.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Beauchamp, 5 Windsor Ave., have returned from an extended trip in the United States. They travelled through the upper States and spent considerable time in New York City. Mr. Beauchamp prior to his vacation, attended his Company's convention, that of the Mutual Life of Canada, at Tadoussac, Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Perrier returned to Cobalt on Monday. They were visiting their son, Mr. Albert Perrier and their daughter, Mrs. O. Biladeau, of Timmins.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Foster have returned to their home in Toronto after spending their vacation with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Foster, 58 Montgomery Ave., Timmins.

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