

THE GUNNERS' COLUMN

Just a word or two to acquaint some of our residents of the necessity of a Reserve Unit Anti-Aircraft Battery. It is estimated, that in the event of War, we would require a force of between 36,000 and 48,000 to set up an adequate defence. Needless to say, we are a long, long way from that figure right now and even if we were close to it, we would be a long way from having everyone trained to do their job properly and in order to be an effective unit, it would have to be properly trained and ready on the first day of war. On the outbreak of past wars, Canada has always been able to train armies as required but this cannot apply to an Ack Ack outfit where readiness is essential. We must organize and train now so that we shall be ready should the need arise. The excuse that "if we had had sufficient men and guns to withstand the attack, this wouldn't have happened", is not good enough after ruin and devastation has been wrought upon us. At the present time the crying need is for preparedness.

Each time we take a trip around this great country of ours, we are amazed at its vastness and beauty, let's do something about keeping it that way.

While we were represented out on the West Coast recently, it was quite evident that our unit was easily the best disciplined and smartest detachment from the East. It is hoped that there will also be a summer camp and that more of the men will be able to participate. Basic Training should be completed shortly and so we can start on gun deployment late in the spring. The co-operation of all ranks is requested to keep up the good attendance in order that we may keep to this schedule.

New recruits are cordially invited at all times. **Serve your country and serve yourself.**

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A CARD OF THANKS

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of our very good friends who have been so very kind and thoughtful during our sickness and recent bereavement. A special thanks to all those concerned in the much appreciated donation. It certainly is nice to know that we have so many friends at a time of need. A very sincere thanks to you all.

Del & Emily Peppard and Family.

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BANTAMS COP TITLE

Displaying a real fighting spirit and a will to bring home the first hockey Championship and Cup, our Bantams dished up a fine exhibition of hockey for a goodly number of supporters who journeyed to the Schreiber Arena Saturday morning.

Coach Joe Adamos' much improved boys had to fight to the last over-time minute to satisfy their Schreiber oponents. After winning the first play off game 3 to 1 and tying the second at 2 all they needed only a tie game to take the cup. The game ended in a 2 all tie and the Schreiber team put up such a protest that an overtime period was agreed upon. Our boys showed a real fighting spirit to hold the fort. Schreiber scored the first goal but Kowalik evened it up in the second period by pushing the puck under the Schreiber goalie. Terry Cavanaugh slipped the puck through the defence and hopped around to shoot a pretty goal to put Terrace Bay one up. Schreiber got a lucky break when Boudreau deflected the puck into his own net while trying to clear. After the game Mr. Nick Linkwich, donor of the Mayfair Cup, congratulated the team and presented the cup to coach Adamo amid much rejoicing. Jimmy Cumming and Neil Ross handled the game. Line Up: Goal McInnes; Defence Boudreau, Miller; Centre Cavanaugh; Wings Marsh, Smith; Subs S. Savoy, G. Savoy, J. Galvin, S. Kowalik, B. Adamo, P. Marcella, R. McKay, R. Leblanc.

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CUBS AND SCOUTS

The regular Cub meeting will be held on Friday at 6:30 p.m. Congratulations to Larry Wilson who earned his Artist's Badge and to Tommy Stevens who passed for his Toymaker's Badge. All fathers of the Cubs and Scouts are asked to please note that the Father and Son Banquet will be held on April 21st. Be sure to keep this date open. Watch the "News" for further details.

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SHUTDOWN BUS SCHEDULE

The bus will make its regular 8:00 a.m. trip on Sunday morning but will not operate for the balance of the day. Fisher's Taxis will handle the crew changes at 4:00 p.m. and midnight on Sunday. The bus will resume its regular operating schedule on Monday, March 26th.

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