

### Social and Personal

**MISS VIOLET BROWN STOTHART, Miss Mary McLeod of North Bay are spending Christmas with the former's mother, Mrs. Annie Cameron, near Durham.**

Miss Marion Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moore left last week to begin training at Haverhill College in the C.W.A.A.F. Canadian Women's Auxiliary Air Force, and from there will be sent to Moncton, N. B.

Mrs. E. Lawson has gone to Toronto to spend the holiday season with her son and daughters.

Pte. Norman L. Thompson of Niagara Falls was a Christmas guest at the home of his brother, Albert Thompson and family, Upper Town.

Mr. and Mrs. Roman Brawn, Toronto, were Christmas visitors with the latter's father, Mr. Wesley Storrey.

Mr. Morrison Smith was home for Christmas with his father, Dr. J. L. Smith.

Christmas visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Allan Bell were Mr. and Mrs. John Ready and son, Allan, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Endall of London and Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Queen and son, Jackie of Ridgetown. Mr. and Mrs. Queen also visited with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Queen in Egremont and Mr. and Mrs. Ready visited Owen Sound friends Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. H. Langley spent Christmas with her son, Wallace and Mrs. Langley in Toronto.

F. O. C. D. McLean of the R. C. A. F. at Summerside, Prince Edward Island, spent the Christmas vacation with Mrs. McLean and children.

Mrs. Lynn Grant and daughter, Jean of Stratford and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Catton, Don and Marguerite of Grimby were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bayley of Blenheim, and Miss Pansy and Master Charles Port of Norwich, England, spent Christmas with the Lamb family at Aberdeen.

Robert Milne of the R.C.A.F., Ottawa, and Miss Ina Milne of Toronto, were holiday guests with their mother, Mrs. R. Milne.

Mr. J. Legate of St. Catharines visited over the holiday with his sister, Gordon Osborne accompanied him back.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Blacklock visited with the latter's sister, Mrs. D. A. McCallum, while enroute from Hamilton to Shallow Lake. They were accompanied by Lance-Corporal Thomas Blacklock.

Nursing Sister Adeline Morrison of Camp Borden, visited her mother, Mrs. J. A. Graham.

Marjorie and Dorothy Caldwell and James Wilton of Toronto spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Sharp.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Noble returned to their home at Barrie after a visit with relatives here. They were accompanied home by Mrs. George Noble, who will spend some time there.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Ritchie, Owen Sound, and John Vessie of St. Marys, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ritchie.

Miss Georgina White of Hespeler, was a holiday visitor with her sister, Mrs. J. Birt.

Mr. Clarence Atkinson of Toronto spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Atkinson of McWilliams. Mrs. John W. McKechnie also spent the Christmas season with her daughter, Mrs. Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Roys of Hamilton were Christmas visitors with the latter's mother, Mrs. E. Kress.

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### HYMENEAL

IRVIN-AITKEN

The home of Mr. and Mrs. William Aitken of Holstein was the setting for a quiet wedding at 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, December 27, 1941, when their only daughter, Anna Marie, became the bride of Richard Brown Irvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Irvin of Holstein. Rev. Dr. George Aitken of Harriston, officiated, with Rev. Wallace Johnston assisting. The wedding music was played by Miss B. F. McLellan of Mount Forest.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown with white chenille taffeta basque outlined in lace, and the yoke and sweeping skirt of chiffon. Her finger-tip veil was held by tulle ruching and she carried a bouquet of pink roses and white baby mums.

The attendants were the groom's brother and sister, Jack Irvin of Hamilton, and Mrs. Oren King of Clifton Springs, N. Y., the latter wearing sapphire blue velvet.

Following the ceremony, the bride's mother received in black French velvet with corsage of roses. The groom's mother wore black chiffon velvet with corsage of roses.

For travelling the bride wore a heaven blue wings crepe dress with fox trimmed black boucle coat and black accessories. The couple will reside in Kirksville, Missouri.

HARGRAVE-McGUIRE

A quiet, but pretty wedding was solemnized on Christmas Eve at 6 o'clock at the United Church parsonage, Holstein, by the Rev. Lorne Knox, when Aura Pearl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson McGuire, became the bride of Aircraftman Clarence Brown Hargrave, R.C.A.F., St. Thomas, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Hargrave of Durham.

The bride looked charming in a midnight blue French chiffon velvet street length dress with wine accessories and a corsage of talisman roses and baby's breath. She was attended by her sister, Miss Olive McGuire, who wore a turquoise blue crepe dress with black accessories and corsage of pink roses. The groom's brother, Roy Hargrave, of Durham, was best man.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents with Mrs. McGuire receiving in a Winston blue crepe dress. The rooms were decorated in red, white and blue. About twenty-four sat down to the wedding dinner. The bride's cake centred the bridal table, artistically decorated with R.C.A.F. emblems and red, white and blue candles, which were lighted as the bride and groom cut the cake.

The happy couple left later in the evening on a short honeymoon, the bride wearing a black alpaca weave crepe dress, black English boucle coat with red fox trimming and black accessories.

The Sunnyview Women's Institute held their December meeting at the home of Mrs. W. Derby with 14 members and visitors present.

Mrs. J. Petty presided and the meeting opened by singing the Ode and repeating the Lord's Prayer. Mrs. Norman McDonald gave the scripture reading. The ladies decided to donate \$15 to the I.O.D.E.; \$8 to the Red Cross for blankets and \$5 to be added to the special collection to be sent to the Christmas Cheer for British Children Fund. Mrs. W. Derby gave a reading, "All is Well". Christmas Carols were enjoyed with Mr. J. Petty as pianist. Mrs. J. Petty gave a splendid paper on keeping Christmas in war time. The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem. Mrs. Derby and assistants served a dainty lunch.

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### WITH THE CHURCHES

BURNS CHURCH LADIES' AID AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Ladies Aid Society was held at the home of Miss Ada Banks with an attendance of 11 ladies. Mrs. Neil McLean ably presided in the absence of the president and opened the meeting with the National Anthem. Mrs. Allan Boyd offered prayer. The scripture reading was taken by Edna Bell from psalm 103. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The roll call, based on the word "Peace" was responded to. Business was discussed. The officers were returned for another year on motion of Mrs. Neil McLean and Mrs. L. McLean. Hymn 606 was sung and the Lord's Prayer in unison closed the meeting.

Mrs. Krauter presided for the W.M.S. and opened the meeting with hymn 270. The scripture reading was read by Bernice Reay from psalm 27. Mrs. McKechnie offered prayer. The roll call was responded to by naming a miracle performed by Christ. It was moved by Mrs. L. McLean and seconded by Miss Banks that same officers remain for the W. M. S. for the coming year. Hymn 571 was sung and the Mizpah benediction in unison closed the meeting.

BRIDE AND GROOM HONOURED

A reception, with about 200 friends and relatives present, was tendered to A. C. Clarence Hargrave and his bride, Aura McGuire, in the Holstein Hall on Friday night last. Earlier in the evening the young couple were called to the platform, which was appropriately decorated, and an address was read by Wallace Adams and they were presented with a china cabinet, chest of drawers, an occasional chair, and boudoir lamps from the community. They also received many other beautiful and useful gifts from friends and relatives. Both bride and groom fittingly replied. The address follows:

Dear Aura and Clarence: The friends of the community have gathered here to wish you much happiness as you start on the road together. Aura, we are glad that you are to remain in the community for a time, and Clarence, we will be glad to see you when leaves make it possible for you to be with us. We hope these gifts will be useful and will remind you of four many friends.

Signed on behalf of the community: Ed. Reid, Earl D. Hunt, John Queen, Bev. Gibson, Murray Ross, Victor Adams, John Brown.

After lunch was served the evening was spent in dancing and cards.

BRIDE-TO-BE HONOURED

Mrs. R. A. Treleven, Holstein, was hostess at an afternoon tea and shower on Monday afternoon, Dec. 22, in honour of Miss Marie Aitken, whose marriage to Mr. Brown Irvin, took place on Saturday, Mrs. Wallace Adams and Mrs. K. Alles conducted a novel hour programme in which all the ladies present took part, each being requested to sing, tell a story, or give some advice to the guest of honour. After more musical numbers the bride-to-be was presented with a handsome Foreville mantel clock and other beautiful gifts, to which she made an appreciative reply. The rooms were gay with Christmas decorations, and the tea table was centred with a bouquet of baby mums flanked by blue candles. Mrs. William Aitken and Mrs. R. Irvin poured tea, and a dainty lunch was served by the hostess and her assistants.

Miss Marie Aitken was guest of honour at a linen shower given in November by her friends in the 1941 graduating class of Toronto Western Hospital at the Spadina Avenue studio of Miss Doris E. Gibbs, R. N.

HOLSTEIN CONTINUATION

SCHOOL REPORT

The names of students are listed below in order of merit for their work for the Fall Term.

Grade IX—Ada Brown (Honours), Valerie Brown, Billie Marie Ellis, Raymond Drimmie, Edna Pringlemeir, Robert Matthews, Lorne Barfoot, John Brown, Elroy Williams, June Morrison, Hugh Dodds, James Pollock, Dorothy Long.

Grade X—Arlene Brown (Honours), Phyllis Long (Honours), Eileen Aitken (Honours), Ruby Matthews, Betty McMillan, Fern Long, A. J. Morrison, Lyle Rawn, Earl Nelson, Irwin Nelson, Harry Aitken, Helen Dickson.

Grade XI—Hugh Cockburn (Hon.), Daisy Dyer (Honours), Jim Stevenson, Fred Rawn, Mary Matthews, Russell Ellis, Alex. Aitken.

Grade XII—Clayton Snively (Hon.), Gerald Pinder.

G. A. TILDEN, Principal.

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IN SUPREME COMMAND

Appointed to command the U. S. fleet, Admiral Ernest J. King will have supreme direction of the U. S. forces in the Atlantic, Pacific and Asiatic waters. Frank Knox, secretary of the Navy, announced the appointment on December 20. Admiral King was formerly in command of the U. S. Atlantic fleet.

### OBITUARY

JOHN McKECHNIE

Mr. John McKechnie, well-known and respected Glenelg township farmer where his whole life was spent, passed away at his home on the second concession Tuesday night after only a few days' serious illness. He had not been in robust health for some time, but his passing was comparatively sudden and a shock to his family and friends.

The late Mr. McKechnie was born on the farm on which he died, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Neil McKechnie. He would have been 76 years of age on New Year's Day.

In 1907 he was married to Miss Jean Vessie of Glenelg, who survives, with two daughters, Irene at home, and Mrs. Kenneth Dunsmoor (Blanche), in Oshawa. He is also survived by two brothers, Hector and Charles McKechnie in the West, and Dugald McKechnie, Hanover. Two grandchildren also survive.

The late Mr. McKechnie was a man who took an interest in his township and in his community, and served two years on the Glenelg Township Council.

The funeral will be held tomorrow, Friday afternoon, from his late residence will be in Durham cemetery.

THE LATE CHARLES MCKINNON

The funeral of the late Charles McKinnon, whose sudden passing we reported last week, was held Friday afternoon from the residence of his father-in-law, Mr. J. P. Hunter, and being private, was attended only by relatives and close friends of the family. The service was conducted by the Rev. G. M. Young. The pall-bearers were nephews, Donald and Neil and Walter Aldcorn, Hunter MacDonald, William Webb and Stuart Bolton. The flower bearers were T. Aldcorn, L. McKinnon and J. Shortreed. Interment was in Durham cemetery.

### Women's Institutes

ABERDEEN INSTITUTE

The Aberdeen Women's Institute held their December meeting in the school with an attendance of 13. The president, Mrs. J. S. Davey, opened the meeting with the Ode. The Christmas message was read by Miss A. C. Smith. The Sunshine and Treasurer's reports were given, flowers were given to the sick and shut-ins. The roll call was answered with an exchange of Christmas gifts. Mrs. Fred Cuff donated a rose wool blanket. Tickets will be sold and the proceeds used for Red Cross work. Christmas carols were sung. Mrs. Cuff had an animal contest Miss Smith being the winner. Mrs. Donald Stewart had a well-prepared paper on Christmas which was very interesting. Silent Night was sung, and the National Anthem. The lunch committee served a dainty lunch.

Bank Clerk—"You forgot to dot an 'i' in your signature."

Patron—"Would you mind dotting it for me?"

Clerk—"I'm sorry, but it has to be in the same handwriting."

Boss—"Did you put that note where it would be sure to attract Mr. Smith's attention when he came in?"

Office Boy—"Yes, sir; I stuck a pin through it and put it on his chair."

Read the Classified Ads. on page 7.

### Hopeville

Mr. Norman Kelley, student pastor of the United Church, called on several families near Hopeville last Monday.

Misses Janet and Ethel Scott, Toronto, spent over Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Scott, Durham, were visitors with their son, Jimmie, at the home farm.

Misses Merle Sinclair and Georgina Hanna, Toronto, were holiday visitors with the home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Wilson's baby has been sick and under the doctor's care.

Mr. Alex Russell is going to Toronto for medical treatments.

Mr. Lloyd Christie is home after spending some time driving a truck near Meaford.

Miss Eleanor Benham, Toronto, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Benham.

Roads and weather excellent, Christmas and the holidays were celebrated in the traditional manner with family gatherings and dinners.

Messrs. George Wale and Ed Gilkes, Toronto, were holiday guests with their folk in the village.

Miss Laverne McEachnie, Guelph, is expected to spend New Year's at Mr. Neil McKechnie's.

Rev. M. G. Butler, Dundalk, had charge of communion service at Hopeville United Church on Sunday.

After a series of Christmas concerts at schools and Sunday schools, which were all successful and very much enjoyed, the residents are getting back to their usual routine.

A Happy New Year to all and brighter days ahead.

### Orchard

We wish the editor and staff a Happy New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Cornish enjoyed Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. N. Horsburg.

Miss Iroton of Mount Forest spent Christmas with Miss Clara Hoeflin.

Glad to learn that Mrs. William Pinder, Sr., is making favourable progress towards recovery, after her recent operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kirby entertained their family on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Vollett and Leonard spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. William Nelson.

Mr. Gordon Dickson of Oshawa spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dickson.

Mr. Jackie Stewart of Toronto visited a few days with his sister, Miss Annie Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Pinder and family enjoyed Christmas goose with Mr. and Mrs. J. Whyte.

Mr. Myrel Westervelt, Mrs. Buckler and Mrs. Gray, all of Toronto, spent over the holiday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Westervelt.

Mr. and Mrs. Longo of Kitchener and Mr. Bert Barber enjoyed the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dickson.

Congratulations to Miss Ethel Webber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Webber, on her recent marriage. A dance was held at her home on Friday night, when she received many useful gifts.

Mr. Robert Carmount entertained his family on Christmas day.

### Varney

Christmas visitors in the neighbourhood were: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davies at Mr. and Mrs. H. Atkins; Mr. Julius Keller and Miss Joyce with friends in town; Mr. John and Miss Eva McKelvey and their aunt, Miss Kirkland of Ebenezer at Mr. A. Wolfe's; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Eden and William Eden's; Mr. Kenneth Kerr of Toronto at Walter Kerr's; Caldwell and Cameron Kerr of Toronto, Marion Kerr of Ferguson and Marjory Kerr of Owen Sound.

Misses Marjory and Dorothy Caldwell and James Wilton of Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Caldwell at Norman Kerr's; Mr. and Mrs. John McEachern and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Catton at William Bogle's; Mr. and Mrs. John Kerr and Thomas Bell's.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard McCabe and family of Hamilton called at the McCabe home on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Leeson and Mr. and Mrs. James Leeson and daughters spent Christmas with friends in Mount Forest.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Snively of Holstein visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Bogle.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hutton of Durham; Orval Hopkins of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Walker and Miss Verna Walker of Walkerton and Mr. James Souris of Wingham were recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. James Leeson.

Best New Year wishes to the editor, staff and readers of the Chronicle.

Farmer—"If I were as lazy as you I'd go and hang myself in my barn."

Hobo—"No you wouldn't. If you were as lazy as me you wouldn't have any barn."

Stagestruck maiden (after trying her voice)—"Do you think I can do anything with my voice?"

Stage Manager—"Well, it may come in handy in case of fire."

### Welbeck

Mr. Lachlan McKechnie of Glenelg spent Christmas with his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle MacDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Corlett and Margaret attended a Christmas dinner for the MacDonald family at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Brown, and Mr. Brown, of Lamlash.

Miss Esther Riddell was home from Toronto for the holiday, also Miss Jessie Campbell from Owen Sound, Donald Campbell from London, Lorne Mountain from Haliburton and Miss Hazel MacDonald from Durham spent some time at their respective homes.

Miss Muriel Heft is expected home from Toronto for New Year's Day.

Miss Mary Moffat and Mrs. Gordon Riddell and children of Durham, were visitors last week with Mrs. H.R. Riddell, and attended the school Christmas tree.

Mrs. John Stewart spent a few days over Christmas with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Colin McIntyre, at Dornoch.

On Monday afternoon of last week Mrs. Ray and the school children entertained the section with their Christmas tree party. In a setting of reds and greens the programme of song and drill, dialogue and recitation, was carried through by teacher and pupils.

Reminiscent of many years ago when club swinging was taught in Welbeck school, a deft and entirely peaceable exhibition of twirling clubs was staged.

Mrs. Ray played accompaniments and was assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sharpe, Mr. Gordon Goldsmith, who was chairman, was also the winner of a dresser scarf set donated by the Junior Red Cross. Mr. Jack Corlett made an efficient and realistic Santa Claus, distributing many bright gifts.

Mrs. Ray had added to these with Irish generosity, parcels of bulbs of gladioli as gifts for the mothers of her pupils. Afternoon tea was served by willing helpers and brought the afternoon to a pleasant close.

A number of the juniors were present at the Christmas tree at Latona church.

The "green" Christmas has done no apparent harm to residents. The absence of deep snow has enabled trucks to continue their use of back concessions and sideroads.

A Happy New Year to the Chronicle and its readers.

### Darkies' Corners

AC Cecil Brown of Brantford and Miss Margaret Brown of Toronto were visitors over the holiday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Ledingham and family spent Christmas at a family gathering at Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lawrence's.

Miss Dorothy Arnett of Toronto and brother, Victor, of the Galt Aircraft School were Christmas guests with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Wes. Arnett.

Mr. and Mrs. John McGirr entertained, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Noble and sons and Mrs. George Noble, Sr. on Christmas Day.

Mrs. M. Traynor and daughters, Misses Blanche and Clara, also Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Cook and sons, Hugh and Murray, and Mr. Hugh Firth from Waterloo, spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hamilton.

Messrs. Allie McGirr, David Allen and David Aljoe are among those receiving notice to report for military training in January.

Pte. George Aljoe of the Grey and Simcoe Foresters, was a welcome guest with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Aljoe during the holidays.

Christmas dinner guests with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Patterson numbered twenty-two and included, Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Paterson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Keller and family; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mead, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Patterson and family of St. Catharines.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McNally and little son attended a family gathering at the home of Mrs. W. Allan of Durham, on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ledingham and daughter, Geraldine of Owen Sound, Mrs. Charles Lawrence; also Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sharpe and little son of Dornoch were visitors during the week with Mr. and Mrs. Percy Ledingham.

Mr. Gordon Falkingham with his sawing outfit, cut wood for Mr. Gordon McCracken on Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lindsay spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Lindsay.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jacques had all the members of their family home for Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. John Styles and family, Mrs. Clara Black and Miss Jean Jacques of Mount Forest.

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

We wish everybody  
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Happy New Year

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