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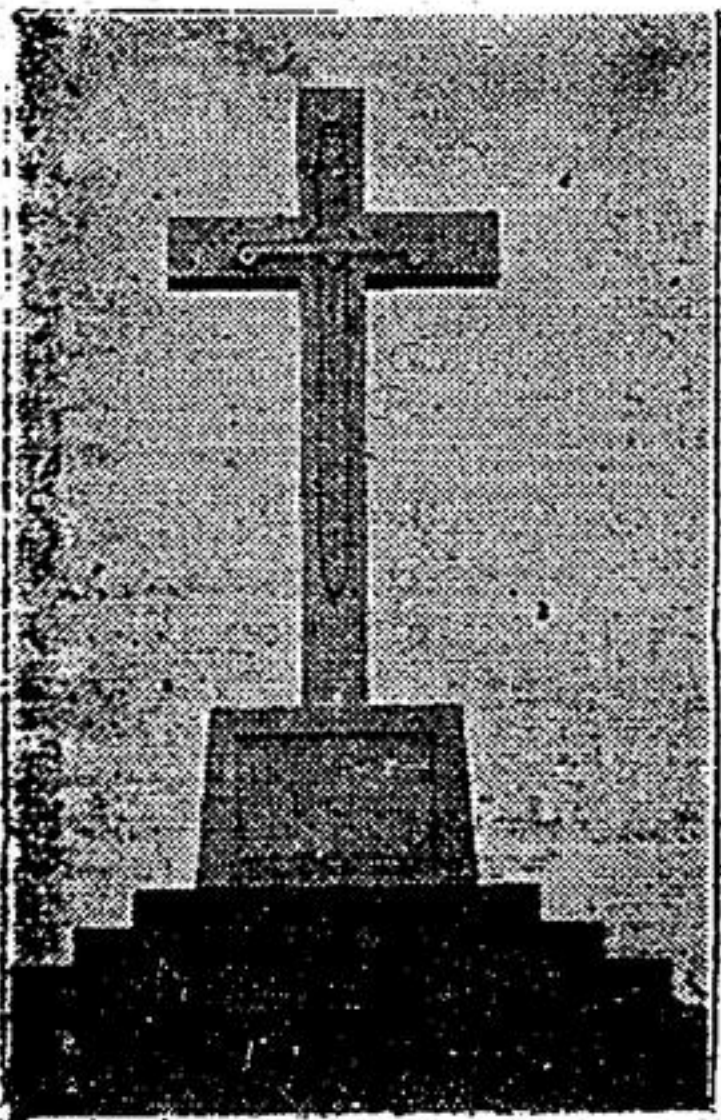
What Shall It Bring Forth?
Will It Be "Victory Year?"
We Cannot Tell, But This We Know
The Lord Reigneth
and so
We Say Again To All
a Happy New Year

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CANADIAN MEMORIAL AT AGIRA



At the top of a broad gravelled path on a hill near Agira in Sicily stands this cross commemorating Canadian troops who died in action during the Sicilian campaign. The memorial was fashioned by Italian craftsmen out of Syracuse limestone, with a superimposed crusader's sword, and will be the central feature of the Canadian cemetery in Sicily.

JOHN WEATHERAL DIES IN 87th YEAR

One of Brock township's finest citizens as well as one of its oldest, John Weatheral died last week in his 87th year. A man of sterling qualities, he will be greatly mourned in the Derryville district where he spent so many years. He served the township of Brock as a councillor, deputy reeve, and reeve, for several terms, and was an active worker in the United Church at Derryville.

Surviving are two sons, Donald and Ross. His wife whose maiden name was Annie Ross predeceased him some years, and one son J. Gordon also predeceased the father. Mrs. Weatheral and Bobbie from Stouffville, attended the funeral at Derryville last Friday.



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LEMONVILLE

Mr. Ed. Barkey and Florence, spent Christmas at Leaside.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin journeyed to Barrie to spend Christmas with Mr. Irwin's brother.

Mr. Herm. Burkholder and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harwood and family, spent Saturday in Toronto with relatives.

Miss Marion VanNostrand had tea on Friday night with Miss Florence Barkey and then called on other friends on Christmas eve.

All who knew Mrs. Brooks are indeed sorry she is leaving our midst. Even tho' she was here but a few months, the superior quality of her personality, as well as her unceasing work, will have a definite influence in promoting the more intelligent things of life, in all with whom she came in contact.

Our school trustees have been fortunate in securing Mrs. S. W. Hastings to return to the teaching profession and assume the roll of teacher at Lemonville until the summer holiday season at least. The resignation of the present teacher left the position vacant at this Christmas period, and Mrs. Hastings will assume the duties when school opens next Tuesday. Her teaching days were spent at Ringwood.

Mrs. J. Brooks and the public school pupils are to be congratulated on the high calibre concert they produced on Dec. 17. The opening number was as scene in Old King Cole's Court; calling for the carollers, songs of the Empire, and other entertainers. Then four children presented a short play from Alice in Wonderland. The highlight of the program was an operetta, "Santa's Vacation," in which all the children participated. Solo parts were taken by Joan Gilroy, Phyllis Wells, Lenore Spence and Shirley Spence. The leading parts were splendidly acted by George Timbers as Santa, and Lenore Spence as Mrs. Santa. While costumes were being donned for the operetta, Mrs. Roy Irwin delighted the audience by playing carols on the Cathedral chimes and Mrs. Bruce Winterstein and Miss Florence Barkey played piano duets.

ALTONA

Mr. and Mrs. John Pallister were in Toronto during the Christmas holiday visiting their daughter, Mrs. Alex. Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pointon and little son David of Toronto, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Madill.

Mr. A. Davis and Esther were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. McDonald, Kinsale on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Hodgson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Stafford on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Hodgson and family were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lotton, Stouffville.

Miss Barbara Barkey, R.C.A.F., was a guest at the home of her parents for the holiday weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. H. McIntosh were guests of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Scott near Cedar Grove on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Thompson and family were Christmas guests with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McNair.

Mrs. Hoover, Mabel and Louie, were guests of D. Nighswander's on Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Lackey and Earl of Fraserville, spent the holiday with her mother, Mrs. B. Reesor.

The Tindall families celebrated with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Symes and family on the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bunker and family and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bunker were guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. N. Bunker for Christmas.

We were sorry to hear that Miss Leta Bunker is in the hospital suffering from the effects of Flu. We too still have quite a few confined to their homes with Flu.

Guests at Bert Lewis' for the holiday were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Seebeck and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Joan Lewis and family of Kinsale.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Reesor entertained their family on Christmas Day. Sorry to say Mr. Reesor is confined to his bed at present with the Flu and couldn't attend nomination.

Mr. and Mrs. McMillan and daughters, Greenbank, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kerry and three sons of Epsom were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Howsam and family on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Adams and little daughter of Mountain View, and Mr. and Mrs. Pellat and family, Fine Grove, were guests over the holiday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eckardt.

Guests for the holiday at William Slack's were Mrs. Eckardt, Mr. and Mrs. J. Slack, Stouffville, Miss Merle Slack, Port Perry. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lewis and family, Mrs. Stanley Slack and Marilyn, Uxbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Slack, Stouffville, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Slack.

Holiday guests with Mr. and Mrs. D. Croser were Wm. D. Malloy, R.C.



LORNE P. EVANS
Lorne P. Evans is not as serious as he looks. He enjoys his work as Deputy Reeve of Whitechurch and is a capable councillor. On Monday he received an acclamation to remain in office.

UXBRIDGE MAN KILLED IN ACTION

Member of the Ontario Regiment (Tank) since the day war was declared, Trooper Morley Russell Spencely, 21, formerly of Uxbridge, was killed in action in Italy on Dec. 16th, according to official word received Monday by his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Spencely, 54 William St., Oshawa. The message gave no details of where he received his fatal wounds, but letters to his wife indicated that he was with his unit in the thick of the fighting leading to Rome.

Trooper Spencely enlisted at Uxbridge, Sept. 3, 1939, and was with the Ontario Regiment (Tank) ever since. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Dorothy Spencely, secretary with the Oshawa Fire Department, by his father, Russell Spencely, of Uxbridge, and four sisters, Mrs. M. Sanders of Toronto; Mrs. B. Cook, of Whitby; Miss Madill Spencely of Oshawa, and Miss Jean Spencely of Sunderland.

VICTORIA SQUARE

A Happy and Prosperous New Year to everyone. We trust that 1944 will bring Victory and Peace to this troubled world.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Nichols and family, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gee and family, Mr. Wilf. Anderson, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nichols and Vera.

The annual Sunday School meeting will be held Thursday evening, Dec. 30th, at 8 p.m. at the parsonage. All the teachers and officers are urged to be present.

Sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. A. Buchanan and family in the death of Mrs. Buchanan's father, Mr. Richard Whittaker.

Owing to the death of Mr. Lewis Scott of Laskay, Mrs. Ash's brother, the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ash was postponed.

Choir practice will be held at the close of the Sunday School meeting Thursday evening.

The Y.P.U. are holding a party, New Year's eve on Friday, Dec. 31, in the Sunday School room. There will be Crokinole and Chinese checkers which will be followed by a Watch Night Service. Girls are asked to provide lunch. Everybody welcome.

The Sunday School entertainment last Thursday evening was a great success. The members of the Beginners, Primary and Junior girls' class gave recitations and songs, accompanied at the piano by Miss Doreen Gooding. Mr. Glebe of Head-

HEADS ORDER



W. J. Bennett, formerly with the Bell Telephone Co., Montreal, is now executive head of the Order of St. John in Canada.

A.F. and Mrs. Malloy of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Howard St. John, Garry and Dianne, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Slack, Stouffville, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grove, Ringwood.

COMMUNITY WATCH NIGHT SERVICE GORMLEY MENNONITE CHURCH

DECEMBER 31st at 10 o'clock
SPECIAL SINGING

Come and Enjoy the Christian Fellowship

ford, showed moving pictures, "Marlton, Winter sports, Hiking on Top of the World, and Christmas Carthons," which were much enjoyed. Mrs. Alvin Caseley sang to several numbers. Misses Margaret and Joy Mortson and Coral Perkins a piano trio. Santa Claus arrived and helped to distribute the gifts.

The Cashel Red Cross Unit will resume its activities on Wednesday next, Jan. 5, at the Manse at 10 a.m.

LAC Arthur N. Orr of Jarvis, and his wife and little daughter, Ann; Pte. Kenneth, R.C.A.M.C. of Camp Borden; Ewart of Toronto University and Beatrice of Kettleby, all spent the Christmas holiday at their home here.

We are glad to say that Mr. A. D. Bruce is making good progress towards recovery after his recent illness, but he will require to take some rest before assuming his duties again. His work has been particularly hard during the past months owing to the shortage of help.

MELVILLE

Dan Thornhill of Kitchener, spent the Christmas holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Houck.

To all our friends we extend our best wishes for the coming New Year. May it see the end of war and the day of victory and peace.

New Year's Services

CHRIST CHURCH, ANGLICAN
Rev. F. Herman, Rector
Miss Elizabeth Foote, Organist
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
Sunday School at 2 p.m.
Regular Service at 2.30 p.m.
Everybody Welcome.

BLOOMINGTON, RINGWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCHES
Rev. G. W. Brown, Pastor
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
11 a.m.—Bloomington.
2.30 p.m.—Ringwood.
7.30 p.m.—Altona.

ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, STOUFFVILLE
Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, Minister
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
New Year Services
1.30 p.m.—Sabbath School and Bible Class.
2.30 p.m.—Divine Worship.
"A Morning Without Clouds."
An Inspiring Message Embodying the Minister's New Year Wish for One and All.
All should aim to hear this message.
To Ensure a Happy New Year Begin This Year with God.

The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the close of all services.
Bloomington C.E. Thursday, Dec. 30 at 8 p.m. Ringwood C.E. Watch-night Service, Friday, at the home of Mr. A. Reesor.
Plan to attend Church the first Sunday of the New Year.
We shall welcome you at our services
A New Year's Thought:
"If thou but suffer God to guide thee, And hope in Him in all thy ways; He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee,
And bear thee through the evil days, God never yet forsook at need, The soul that trusted Him indeed."

STOUFFVILLE UNITED CHURCH

Rev. Douglas Davis, Minister.
Mrs. Chas. Nolan, Organist
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11.00 a.m.—Divine Worship.
Holy Communion.
7.30 p.m.—Evening Worship.
Thursday, 8.30 p.m. Choir practice.
A Prayer for the New Year
"O God of all beginnings, set our hearts in tune with Thine, and make Thy Love the keynote of our year.
Keep us happy in Thy service and even though the minor chords of sorrow and pain may accompany our song, let its master theme be bright and filled with goodness, beauty and truth. May our song awaken warm and living echoes in all hearts, and fill our world with one great harmony of love for Thee and Thine."
Amen.
Begin the New Year—How? Where?

STOUFFVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. D. Macgregor, Pastor
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
10.00 a.m.—Bible School.
Classes for all ages
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7.30 p.m.—Evening Worship.
NEW YEAR GREETINGS

STOUFFVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Charles Montgomery, Pastor
Miss Nora Stapleton, Organist
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
10.00 a.m.—Bible School
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7.30 p.m.—Gospel service
Monday, 7.30 p.m. teen age girls meeting.

STOUFFVILLE MENNONITE CHURCH

Rev. E. Moyer, Pastor
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School.
11.00 a.m.—New Year Message
2.30 p.m.—Mongolia S.S.
7.30 p.m.—Evangelistic
Thursday, 8 p.m., Stouffville prayer meeting.
Friday, 8 p.m., Mongolia meeting.
Next Week
Wednesday evening Altona prayer meeting.
Start the New Year right by coming to church.
You are Welcome.

CHURCH HILL

Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
2.00 p.m.—Bible School
3.00 p.m.—Divine Worship
"In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."
Everybody Welcome.

MENNONITE CHURCHES DICKSON HILL and MT. JOY

Rev. S. S. Shantz, Minister
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
MOUNT JOY
10.00 a.m.—Sunday School
11 a.m.—Morning Worship.
7.30 p.m.—Worship
DICKSON HILL
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
10 a.m.—Morning Worship
11 a.m.—Sunday School.
7.30 p.m.—Worship.

MENNONITE BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH GORMLEY and BETHESDA

Rev. F. Huson, Pastor
GORMLEY
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
2.00 p.m.—Sunday School
Preaching 3 p.m.—This is family day. Parents are urged to be present with their children.
Young People 7.30 p.m.
BETHESDA
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
Be Sure to Come to the Community Watch Night Service, Dec. 31.
10.00 p.m. Special Singing.

MELVILLE, BETHESDA AND PEACH'S CHURCHES

Minister Rev. A. J. Orr
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
Peach's—10 a.m.
Melville—11.15 a.m.
Bethesda, 3 p.m.
New Year's Services. Subject, "Jesus facing life's proving ground."
Friday, Jan. 7, Melville Y.P.U. New Year Social at the Church.

SECOND MARKHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Norman Rowan, Pastor
Sunday, January 2nd, 1944
Wishing you all a Happy New Year.
9:55 a.m.—Sunday School.
11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
Subject—A Year at a Time!
and thou shalt REMEMBER all the way which the Lord thy God led thee. Deut. 8.2.
Prayer meeting on Tuesday, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31st, 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Ratcliff an evening of enjoyment, climaxed by a time of remembrance of God's goodness to us in the passing year.

The Stanley Theatre

Extends to one and all its patrons, the sincerest wish that the coming year may be one of Joy and Gladness, and for everyone may it be the dawn of peace on earth.

Sid. Schmidt, mgr.

Township of Markham

To the Electors:

We wish to thank the ratepayers for returning the council by acclamation for the year 1944. We will do our utmost to merit your confidence.

Wishing one and all the season's compliments.

Chas. Hooper, reeve
W. L. Clark, deputy-reeve
Albert Reesor, councillor
Reuben Stiver, councillor
Dalton Rumney, councillor