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ONE CAR OF SALT JUST ARRIVED

On account of labor shortage, car shortage in Western Ontario and navigation opening in a few weeks.

In the spring when Salt is needed, there is going to be a small supply for Eastern Ontario. Farmers would be well advised to get their supply while it is available.

STIVER BROS.

Dwight Forsyth, another old Stouffville boy, has turned up in Italy with the Canadians, according to a letter received by Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Turner. The Forsyth family lived on Tenth street, and before that were residents south of Musselman's Lake on the 9th concession.

The Stouffville Machine and Tool Works has secured the agency for the Electric Janitor, an automatic damper control for your furnace which will regulate your fire without your attendance every few hours. You fill your furnace with coal and the automatic control regulates the burning, by opening and closing the dampers by a thermostat control. You are invited to enquire at the plant for more information and details and to read the special announcement of the company in this issue of The Tribune. Since the number of furnace automatics available are limited an order should be placed so that you can have the benefits after this winter is over.

Vandorf hockey squad playing in the Aurora town league and sporting such names as "Jake" Baker and "Herb" Simpson are now heading the league, one full point ahead of Zephyr.

Photographer "Shoots the Bull"

Photographer Bill Sanders might be correctly charged with "shooting the bull" last week, when he went to the Lloyd Turner farm to photograph the big stock animal, sire of many of Mr. Turner's choice cows and heifers. Mr. Turner was placing a couple of animals in a big combination sale at Kitchener and wanted a picture of their daddy to show to prospective buyers. It wasn't an easy job to get a good likeness of the big fellow, since after tedious efforts to induce him to stand just so, a huge pile of snow would come tumbling to earth from off the metal roof of the barn, and this disturbed the bull. Since it happened three times before a successful picture could be secured it looked as though the elements were against "shooting the bull" by the professional photographer.

Attend the dance in the Community Hall, Claremont, on Friday night of this week, sponsored by the local Park Board. Good music and lunch.

P.O. Reg. Button arrived in town from his R.C.A.F. post at MacLeod, last weekend, and will spend a two weeks' furlough at his home here before proceeding to his new location at Trenton.

A refreshment booth will be operated at the farm of Mr. E. Nigh for the big auction sale today (Thursday). The sale will open at 11.30 sharp since there is a very large list of goods to be disposed of.

The illness of Mr. Frank Stiver and his absence from his accustomed place of business here, has been giving some concern. Mr. Stiver has not been in good health for some time, and probably has reached a climax, so everybody is hoping that he may soon show a marked improvement.

Rev. S. Goudle arrived home from the General Hospital on Sunday in the Brierbush ambulance in very fine condition despite the ordeal he encountered with a broken hip. Mr. Goudle is able to move himself on the bed somewhat, so that he is making rapid recovery even to the amazement of the surgeons in the hospital.

A number of subscribers whose subscription to this paper has fallen in arrears several months will receive due notice next week, and if not promptly acted on the subscription will be cancelled. If your subscription should have been paid three months ago attend to the matter at once and avoid any interruption over being removed from the mailing list. The expiry date of your paper is printed on the label.

Congratulations are being extended this week to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Meyer, Church street, on the occasion of their 48th wedding anniversary on February 28. They are still regular church attendants and members of the Mennonite faith, and while they have been a long time married they are not by any means classed among our old people. May they both long enjoy life together.

The War Branch gratefully acknowledges gifts of goods from Mrs. A. Farthing, Mrs. R. Harper, Mrs. H. Wilson, Excelstor Class of Ringwood, and the Ballantrae group, also a cash donation from Miss A. Robb. Mrs. E. J. Davey, secretary.

Grocereria Moves Next Week

The Stouffville Grocereria owned by Mr. Henry Helse and operated in the building next the Library, will open next Thursday in new and enlarged premises in the Silvester block and adjoining the Agnew hardware. The place has been modernized and made attractive which with the extra floor space will be an added boost to the business. Mr. Helse announces that his store will be closed Wednesday, March 8th and the grand opening on the new premises will be on Thursday, March 9th.

Honor Nursing Superintendent

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Good entertained last Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Elda Mae Hutchinson, Reg. N., on her retirement as nursing superintendent at the Brierbush hospital in view of her coming marriage. Among the guests were Dr. and Mrs. Houghton, Dr. and Mrs. S. S. Ball, Dr. and Mrs. Tomlinson, and Dr. and Mrs. Freel, also the nursing staff and other friends. The professional men expressed their regrets over Miss Hutchinson's resignation. They stated that her quiet, dependable qualities had saved them many a "headache and loss of sleep." The fact was stressed that no doubt Miss Hutchinson's faithful service of the past five years together with the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Good had been responsible for the splendid expansion and success of the hospital. Following refreshments Dr. Freel, on behalf of the medical men and their wives, made a presentation of a lovely memento of her work at the hospital. Again on another evening some fifty friends assembled at the hospital when Mr. and Mrs. Good opened their home for a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Hutchinson. Many lovely gifts were seen and her friends all extended good wishes for the future.

The Stouffville Creamery Co. has donated a liberal space on behalf of the Red Cross appearing in this issue.

Lieut. Rita Nicely from London Military Hospital, is spending a few days at the old home west of town and will go to No. 4 Canadian General Hospital, Sherbrook, Quebec, at the completion of her furlough.

Misses Sheila Beresford and Ruth Reaman of Richmond Hill, were weekend visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Nolan.

William D. Malloy, R.C.A.F. who has successfully completed a technical training course in Toronto, was transferred last week to a new post at St. Thomas.

Old residents of this town and district Mr. and Mrs. Abe Harland of Treherne, Man., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Stouffer and with other friends in the locality. It is 12 years since they last paid a visit to friends here. Years ago Mr. Harland worked for Mrs. Stouffer's father on the Forsyth farm here, while Mrs. Harland was a daughter of the late John Storry who lived in the residence now owned by Mr. L. C. Murphy in the west end. Successful Manitoba farmers, our guests intend to enjoy a long holiday before they commence active operations again.

Hope Horticulturists May Soon Reorganize

The Stouffville Horticultural Society may have folded up and become inactive for a few years, but it had representation, nevertheless, at the annual meeting of Ontario Horticultural Societies held in Toronto last week. Miss Margery Mertens and Mrs. Winn Timbers attended the sessions and declared them highly interesting. It was a noteworthy fact that many societies increased their membership over the last year or two since so many became interested in victory gardens which were promoted by the local societies. Stouffville Horticulturists were a valued organization and did much to increase the general beauty of the village. We hope the time is not far distant when they will organize and become an active society again.

No One to Handle Banquets

While Stouffville continues to forge ahead as a leading business centre the town has lost ground in the matter of offering accommodation in some lines. The big Holstein banquet that would rightfully have been held in Stouffville this spring had to be taken elsewhere because of lack of accommodation here. Then this week the Stouffville Lions Club actually had to go to a neighboring town to hold a "Ladies Night" because they could not get a local caterer. This is unfortunate and tends to do the place harm, especially when big affairs like the Holstein banquet are lost to us. Such an event would have brought big crowds here and given us other publicity besides. One of the things that must be embodied in a new hall if one is ever built is a community planned kitchen that would encourage women's organizations to make use of it, when such opportunities come along of catering to one of the big affairs of the year in the rural communities. The Brown Betty Tea Room is the only restaurant in town and they are doing good work in meeting the daily demand for meals. Two years ago we had two restaurants and the Village Inn catering to this trade, so that Mr. and Mrs. Simpson are rendering a great service in filling a gap that if closed would be quite serious.

Former Bank Clerk Assists With Wounded on Italian Front

Ken May, former teller for some years in the Bank of Nova Scotia, here is now in Italy and at the outset of the most recent campaign lent his talents for a time as an aid in a front line hospital rather than as a clerk, his accustomed post. He writes in part: "The past two days have been rainy and windy and I expect any minute to be sitting in the centre of the field without a tent over my head. The wind is strong and cold and the tents blow around like a piece of paper. I am on fire and storm detail, that means no leaving the hospital area from six tonight until six in the morning. We really have a lovely camping site, everything under canvas. This summer we will not have to put up with the terrible heat of southern Sicily. It was almost unbearable at times last July and August. And with a job on our hands and nothing to work with, as all our equipment was delayed, some lost. We had the task of administering to the sick and that was the only time I was an orderly, for three weeks after landing. From then I went into the operating room for five months, where I witnessed most every kind and place a wound could be had. Some were ghastly, some not so bad. As a rule I am clerking for Lieut. Colonel Walton, head of the Medical Division of this unit. We moved up from Catania and are only admitting medical patients at present. Sometimes, see the odd casualty from your district in the magazines that are provided us."

"FLOOD" OF COMFORT FUND APPRECIATION

No Parcels Lost Although Some Cigarettes Fished from Ocean Before Reaching Local Boys.

Stouffville Veterans' Dear Sirs, Many thanks for the cigarettes which I received from your organization. They were in good shape apart from being in the ocean, which didn't seem to hurt them due to the fine way they were packed. Thanks again. Chas. Hoover.

Dear Bert,

It is hard to realize that another year is gone. The year passed has seen ourselves and the allies begin the long march forward to Berlin. It has been a long pull. But your gifts have helped us to remember you are with us. I must thank you for the parcel I received this week. I have seen a lot of the country lately and I can see a real paradise for all kinds of agriculture. I have seen hundreds of acres of fruit trees and miles of green houses which all grow tomatoes from March to November. I have also travelled through gardening counties that make the Holland marsh look like a village garden. I have just received a month's mail too, will have to get busy and answer the letters. So long. Alfred Thomas.

Dear Sir,

Please accept my most sincere apology for neglecting to acknowledge receiving the many smokes you have sent. All the parcels have reached me, even in India. Some that were sent from my family were lost. Murray Sinclair.

Dear Bert,

Received your 300 smokes again and thanks a million to both you and those who donate to the fund. Also received a few copies of the Tribune the first since I left Sicily. Cheerio, Mike Brown.

Dear Bert,

Many thanks for the smokes. They arrived yesterday. I have just come out of the hospital where I have been for some time, spent all the holiday season there. Weather has been very damp and a lot of the flu around. Thanks again. George Stuart.

Dear Bert,

Just a few lines to thank you for your welcome parcel which arrived today. We had a very good Christmas, and hope all you folks in Stouffville had the same. I read in the Tribune where Bob Abell went back home. He sure was lucky to be able to get back. However I guess we will all be back soon. We are having fair weather, but it gets pretty cold at nights. Cheerio. Wally Nicholson.

Dear Bert,

I was very glad to receive another parcel today from the Fund. Thanks a million. I haven't been lucky enough to run into any of the local boys over here yet, but I have had a letter from Geo. Williams and we expect to spend a weekend together real soon.

I had a lovely Christmas with Fred Crittle and wife. It seems funny that there's no snow this time of the year. I'm still not complaining as I almost got tired of snow when I lived on the 9th concession. I suppose the arena is in full swing again this year. I miss the skating a lot, but we do see some pretty good hockey games. Thanks again for the parcel. Chuck Lintner.

Dear Bert,

Hello Canada. I got your letter a few days ago. I have moved twice in the past week and haven't had much time to answer. I was home for Christmas (4 days). My second eldest brother is stationed in London. The boys had turkey for the holiday but I missed it. I have not received any cigarettes yet. Some of the boys have gotten as many as 3000. We are allowed 1000 a month. If they get any more than that they are kept for them, as some months none come at all. I got a parcel from Brillinger's this week. It is the first I've had since the one from the Red Cross came. The laws here are as green now as in the spring in Canada though I do feel the cold here very much. So long. Bernard Musgrave.

Dear Bert,

Just received another parcel of smokes here in Italy. I suppose there are quite a few of them coming here now, although I have only seen one chap from home. Still with the 8th Army, and will not likely see Rome, but getting lots of interesting points in just the same. Often wonder as we go through the different defence lines how these battles would compare with the ones you were in. Am not looking for much colder weather this winter. Best to all. Jack Sanders.

They were in good shape. Cards of acknowledgements were also received from Neil Smith, Scotty Hogg, Harold Lewis, T. Buckley, Price Pugh, George Abell, Bruce Lintner, Oliver Larkin, A. Maskell, Jack Schell, George Williams, Gordon Lehman, R. Cooper, Lorne Keester.

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