

# Local and Personal Happenings

One week from tomorrow is Good Friday, and a public holiday.

Anger is just plain losing your temper; wrath is anger with the lid off; malice is wrath cooled down into cold hatred—Gipsy Smith.

The theme song for the army on the west may well be, "Just one more River to Cross."

Mrs. Wm. Waddell is enroute home from California after a delightful (no doubt) holiday.

The Women's Association of the United Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Blake Sanders on Tuesday evening, March 27th, at 8 p.m.

Oscar Shank and O. Stalter of Markham, both serving with the R.C.A.F. overseas, arrived back in their home town last week. Mr. Stalter is a former principal of Markham High School, and Oscar Shank is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Shank.

The I.O.D.E. at Uxbridge held a travelling bridge in that town on Friday of last week, and a number of Stouffville ladies travelled north to participate in the affair, including Mrs. Robt. Johnston, Mrs. George Storey, Mrs. T. B. Rae, Mrs. M. E. Watts, Mrs. Will Birkett, Miss Jane Burkett, Mrs. A. V. Nolan and her guest from Toronto Mrs. C. C. Reid.

Mr. A. S. Collins has been spending a week in Toronto and while there consulted a specialist about his eyes. He was greatly relieved to be advised that an operation or his eyes would not be necessary, an ordeal it was feared might be recommended. During his absence from town Mrs. Collins visited her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. McCowan at Malvern.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur James with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold James, all of Toronto, were guests of Mrs. A. C. Burkholder on Saturday. The James family are old residents of this town, while Mrs. Arthur is an Uxbridge girl, the former Maud Weir, consequently when they come to town there are plenty of old friends to look up and who are always glad to greet them.

## THEATRE ANNOUNCES NEW PROGRAM AND TIME SCHEDULE

The Stanley Theatre under new ownership will open every evening at 6:30, with two showings each night. Every Saturday afternoon doors will open at 2 p.m. for a children's 5c matinee. There will be three complete changes of program each week. See display adv. on page 2 of this issue.

Two farmers met on the country road, and pulled up their teams. "Si," said Josh, "I've got a mule with distemper. What did you give that one of yours when he had it?" "Turpentine. Giddap."

A week later they met again. "Say, Si, I gave my mule turpentine, and it killed him."

"Killed mine, too. Giddap!"

## LTCOL. E. D. NIGHSWANDER RECEIVES THE O.B.E.

Lt.-Col. Eric D. Nighswander, son of Mr. Fred Nighswander, former resident of Stouffville, who is seriously considering a return to the old town again, has been honored by having conferred on him the Order of the British Empire, in the list of thirteen coming to Ontario recipients. Stouffville friends and the town in general will receive this information with a great deal of pride and satisfaction.

## Sought Information on Public Ownership

Mr. H. D. Rothwell of the Ontario Hydro and Mr. C. Brackenridge, resident of Vancouver called on the Tribune last week. Mr. Brackenridge was seeking a report from the reeve of the town on the subject of public ownership of hydroelectric. He said that he was promoting the scheme in a B.C. community where the people were fearful that the overhead in a small place would spell disaster to the undertaking. However, when he was apprised of the success of public ownership in Stouffville, and obtained a picture of how it is operated, he went away happy and said he would be able to point to the success of the Stouffville Hydro System as justification of public ownership in his western community.

## BACK IN CIVIES



Squadron Leader Harold A. Sanders after serving almost four years in R.C.A.F. has returned to his former work as Assistant Crown Attorney, County of York. He is in the Officers Reserve Corps R.C.A.F.

It's funny that more people don't keep a family album, and funnier when they do.

Good progress is being made cleaning the Main street pavement this spring, and the work is being completed earlier than any year since the pavement was laid. This is due largely to the early spring, and the ability of the authorities to get plenty of men to press the work through.

Thirty-one public auction sales were advertised in last week's Tribune, which is quite a record for any weekly newspaper. The demand for space in this paper was sold out early Wednesday morning, despite the fact that we had a ten page paper. The public is becoming more and more conscious of the tremendous circulation of The Tribune, since results bring more and more advertising. The way our subscription list is mounting each month, we will soon reach the 2,500 paid in advance circulation, a figure not equalled by any week in Ontario, published in similar sized towns to Stouffville.

Children's 5c matinee at the Stanley Theatre every Saturday afternoon. Doors open at 2 p.m.

Every \$2.75 pays for one prisoner-of-war parcel. Remember this fact when asked to subscribe to the Red Cross Campaign.

## REACHED CALCUTTA

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Starr, north Whitchurch, have received word that their son Francis Starr has arrived safely in Calcutta, India. He had a grand voyage, and was sick never for a day on the whole journey. Mr. Starr will be attached to a China ambulance service, and the human service he can render will be made possible through the Society of Friends.

## Lorne Smith Was Outstanding Player

Lorne Smith, the defense star of the Port Credit O.H.A. junior hockey team, gets the outstanding player nod for the past season. He is a two-way player, being as good on the offense as on the defense, and was a big factor in bringing Port the league championship. In the final series Smith collected eight goals, getting four in one game.

You probably haven't noticed, but peanuts are practically off the market much of the time, and the supply at its best is limited. This was the reason given us last week why there was no peanut vendor at the public auction sales this spring. Percy Duke, peanut king of the district, hasn't been seen with his bag over the back for a long time, but he hopes that when the nuts are available he will be able to supply those who like something to munch when watching the auctioneer chew his cud.

A lady living near the C.N.R. station was walking along the street a few days ago while a car passed on the roadway, from which bounced a bright aluminum hub cap as the car bounded over the railway crossing. The passengers and driver continued on their way all unmindful of what had happened. If the owner reads this bit of news and calls at the office of this paper the missing cap may be recovered.

"Do not insert our adv. for the remainder of the order," writes a Toronto man who had pasture to rent in Whitchurch township. The response by long distance telephone was so great that he contracted to take in all the cattle he could accommodate the first day the ad appeared. This is good results, and indicates that farmers are seeking good pasture for their grazing animals.

Rev. E. R. McLean, general secretary of the Ontario Religious Education Council, supported Christian education being taught in the public schools, speaking at a public meeting last week. He said that the desire of those who set up non-sectarian schools 100 years ago, was to secure a school which would not be dominated by any one sect. The Ontario Religious Education Council in its large membership has many members for and against teaching religion in the schools.

"I'll Be Home Soon" Grant Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Turner telephoned from the west coast this week the glad news to his parents east of town stating that he would be home in a few days for a short furlough at least. Since his last visit home Grant has participated in many of the big navy engagements, including the D Day landing on the shores of Normandy. His ship Prince David is going into dry dock for a clean-up, it is presumed.

Word has been received by his grandmother Mrs. A. C. Burkholder, Main street west, of the death of her nephew Grant James who had been overseas five years this May. Grant was a son of Mr. Fred James, old Stouffville boy now living in Western Canada. No particulars are to hand excepting the brief information from Ottawa that the boy was killed presumably in action, and possibly in Italy. All friends of this former townsmen deeply regret the sorrow brought to the James home in Western Canada as well as to Mrs. Burkholder here in town.

## Garrett Evening Auxiliary

Miss Lucy Waters presided at a well attended meeting of the Garrett Evening Auxiliary of the United Church held at the home of Mrs. M. M. Storey. The program opened by Miss Eva Hoover reading a poem. Miss Margaret Hostie gave the study book chapter "The Church in Indo-China and Thailand," assisted by several of the members. Mrs. E. Nigh and Mrs. J. Gayman gave an instrumental duet. The devotional service was in charge of Mrs. T. B. Rae taking as the theme "Chance." The scripture was read by Mrs. Roy Curtis, and a poem by Miss Margaret Hosie. Mrs. Chadwick rendered a vocal number accompanied by Mrs. Charles Nolan. A social half hour was enjoyed.

# Boys Write Comfort Fund from Distant War Fronts

## Comfort Fund,

Hello Everybody,

Many thanks for another order of cigarettes just received. You fellows have really been doing a mighty fine job for us, and have never let up. I know we haven't received all you have sent, but we know that has not been your fault. You took on quite a contract:

It's been a long time since I left the old home town, nearly four years now, and what a time those four years have been. But there was always a bright spot, at least once a month, and that was when we realized the boys who were through it before were still remembering us. I am hoping that the old bugle call, "Cease Fire," will soon come. That will be the day and I am hoping that on that day everyone will bend their knees, and offer a prayer to God. I sometimes think that our people in Canada don't realize how lucky they have been.

We are a lot farther north here in Italy now, closer to Switzerland. I am hoping to drive right up through the top before we leave this country, up through the Alps, Germany and France, then home, sweet home. The Russians are sure doing their part to finish it off. Thanks a million, and cheerio!

Price Pugh

Dear Mr. Lickorish,

I wish to thank you and the Veterans for the smokes I have received this week. They are appreciated over here. Starting this week we can get 1200 a month from England for 18 shillings.

I am with Don now in Holland. We met here at Christmas after being separated since last July in France. Until now I have not had a chance to visit Paris but we go to Brussels and Antwerp in Belgium when we have a pass. There is nothing much to see or to buy in Paris.

Thanking you again, Ken Harper.

## Comfort Fund,

Dear Bert,

It's been quite a while since I dropped a line. We haven't any snow

William Sanderson has given up the mail contract for carrying the bags to and from the trains for the local post office, and the work has been taken over by Fred Chessman, who is now on the job and finding it much to his liking.

Lloyd Weldon, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Weldon of Stouffville, is now serving in Belgium with the Signal Corps, according to the latest advice received here by his parents. Lloyd completed a course in signal work with highest standing, and before proceeding across the channel enjoyed a nine-day trip through Scotland and various cities in England.

## FORMER RESIDENT KILLED IN ACTION

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Dyck, out in Sask., that their son Rfn. John Dyck has been killed in action in Holland. John made his home prior to enlisting with his brother Isaac who resided on Market street in Stouffville.

Besides his parents, he is survived by two brothers, Isaac of Kleinburg, and Jacob who is in training at Peterborough, also two sisters, Molly and Marina.

now and the weather is quite a lot milder than it was. Today is a real spring day, and should be good hunting for the airforce. There was about two months I didn't receive any parcels and then got a lot at once. It kind of looks as the war may be over soon, and that won't make me mad at all. I expect to be going to England or leave the end of the month.

Sincerely,  
Sam Anderson

## Comfort Fund,

Dear Bert,

Just received your parcel of smokes, and they're really appreciated. I have a platoon of men here and one of the boys came from Stouffville. His name is White and he used to work for Bruce Morton. All the men have been wounded and are on their way back to the front. I was talking to White last night. A sniper got him in the chest. The bullets went right through and out his back but he seems alright now.

Lorne Crowder is just across the road, and I see him often. George Morden is only a couple of miles from here. Yours truly,

Chuck Cadieux

## Dear Comrades and Friends,

Your gift of smokes arrive quite regularly. All is well with me here, and I am looking forward to Canada leave which is well overdue. If any of the "sweats" see Morley Pugh say, "Hello" for me. I have heard he is back home. George Gibner is here with this Company and incidentally is playing hockey with a team I have got together to represent this outfit in the first Can. Army League. This country in Holland really resembles Canada in respect to winter sports and we still find time between battles to have some fun. Thanks again, and good luck.

P. W. Pipher

Other acknowledgments were received from George Stuart, Ralph Forfar, Jim Lawson, and Lloyd Weldon.

## FOUND — Fountain Pen, Waterman. Apply Tribune office and pay this adv.

Bingo and Euchre this Friday night in Oddfellows Hall, in aid of Comfort Fund. Plan to attend.

Weekend visitors with Dorothy and Mildred Moyer, Church street, were Misses Althea Young, Coral Young of Stratford, and Aileen Burnum of Toronto.

Friends will be pleased to learn that Arthur Lehman of North Bay is progressing favourably following a recent surgical operation.

Mrs. Wm. Topham has returned to her home in the west end after nursing her cousin in Toronto all winter.

The North Markham W.M.S. of the M.B.C. church will hold their Thank-offering meeting on Tuesday at 8 o'clock. The Dickson's Hill W.M.S. will hold their Thank-offering meeting on Wednesday at 8 o'clock. Mr. C. Rempel of Kitchener will be guest speaker at both services. Mr. Rempel will also render solos.

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