

Purely Personal

Mr. Douglas Kendrick was a week-end visitor in Forfar.

Miss Mary Hutcheson, of Forfar, was a guest of Miss Rhena Kendrick.

Mrs. A. Kendrick, Mrs. Homer Graham, and Mr. C. T. Hales, of Forfar, were in Athens on Friday.

Miss Florence Willson returns to Queen's University to-day.

Mr. Clarence Rowsome left this week for Toronto to attend the Royal College of Dental Surgeons.

Miss Gertrude Cross and a party of friends spent Sunday with her sister Mrs. Murray Day at Gananoque.

Mr. W. C. Smith accompanied Mr. Harold Brown home to Watertown on his motor cycle.

Mrs. James Bullis, of Iroquois, is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Towriss.

Mrs. Norman Brown, Brockville, was a guest of friends here last week.

Miss Cannon has returned from Almonte to resume her duties in Mr. Thompson's store.

Miss Florence Williams goes this week to Victoria College, and Miss Vera Calvert, Delta, to Faculty, at Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Davison, of Kemptonville, are in Athens; and have been at their new property, "Mont Eagle" at Charleston Lake.

Mrs. Arthur Lee and daughters left yesterday for Toronto to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith. They will remain until December.

While in Athens attending the ordination service, Dr. Preston, of Newboro, and Miss Hall, of the same village, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scovil.

Doctor Bernard McGhie, C.A.M.C., and sister, Miss Mercy McGhie, of Kingston, and Miss Avery, of Juncetown, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Kendrick.

Mr. A. W. Parish and children, Miss Hazel Greenham, and Mrs. A. Robeson, motored to Syracuse where they joined Mrs. Parish, who had been visiting relatives there for two weeks.

In Athens yesterday on a pleasure trip was a party consisting of Miss Nellie Perkins, Philadelphia; Mrs. Mrs. Clara Rickett, Greenbush; Mrs. T. W. Horton, Mrs. Hudson, Mr. W. C. Hawkins, New Dublin.

Mrs. J. F. Purvis is receiving for the first time since her marriage at her residence, 62 King East, Brockville, on Thursday of this week. Afterwards, the fourth Thursday of each month.

Interesting Items

To the Flying Corps.

Mr. John Ross, Jr., has enlisted in the Royal Flying Corps, and leaves in a few days for Toronto. Mr. Ross is an experienced mechanic on internal combustion engines.

Recovering.

Archie Crawford is convalescing after being gassed while with the artillery in France. He has written from England to friends here telling them of his recovery.

—Buy your flannels and flannellets at H. H. Arnold's at old prices 20 per cent less than to-day's values.

W. I. Meeting on Friday.

On account of the Plum Hollow School Fair, the Athens Women's Institute will hold their meeting on Friday, September 28. Mrs. H. E. Cornell will give a paper on medical supervision of schools. All ladies are cordially invited to attend.

—A choice lot of Ladies' Winter Coats just received at H. H. Arnold's.

Rally Day.

Everyone is welcome to attend the rally day service in the Methodist church Sunday afternoon. Mr. Cairns, Ottawa, will speak, and good music will be provided.

—See the Men's and Boys' ready-to-wear suits and overcoats, the largest and best range ever shown, at H. H. Arnold's.

W.M.S. District Convention.

The annual district convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church is to be held at Spencerville on October 10.

If you are thinking of taking a course at the Brockville Business College, call at the Reporter office. We can save you money on tuition.

ENGLISH GIRLS' SMOKING.

Some "Flappers" Consume Enormous Number of Cigarettes.

The habit of cigarette smoking among women and girls is growing at an alarming rate. Before the outbreak of war these women who found consolation in the weed smoked in sensible moderation, usually smoking from 15 to 20 cigarettes a week. But not so now, for the smoking craze has made such headway that there are thousands of women at the present time who think nothing of smoking 100 or 150 cigarettes a week.

Three years ago a woman suffering from a "smoker's heart" was an anomaly. To-day it is quite a common complaint, and recently a well-known doctor estimated that nearly ten per cent. of his women patients were suffering from illnesses brought on by excessive smoking. Some women are never happy unless they are courting "My Lady Nicotine." They are prepared to take all risks in order to satisfy their craving.

An acquaintance of the writer's, a young girl of 17, boasts that she can "get through" a box of 50 cigarettes a day. When asked by the writer how she possibly manages to consume this enormous amount and keep her health, she replied: "I cannot get to sleep without smoking nine or ten cigarettes, and it is simply ripping to wake up early, light a cigarette, and read in bed until breakfast!"

Tobaccoists state that there are hundreds like this young "flapper." And these girls are to be regarded as mothers of the future. Never was there such a time when babies were of such vital importance as to-day, yet, at this critical period, when we need strong, healthy children to fill the ranks, depleted by those who have "gone before," there are likely to come into the world a race of weaklings who have paid the price of their mothers' devotion to tobacco.

It is the duty of every British girl who has her country's interest at heart to realize that excessive smoking might easily imperil the Empire, and those who find "the dainty cigarette" soothing to their nerves should smoke in moderation. An occasional cigarette is all right, but 350 cigarettes a week is bound to be harmful.

—London Tit-Bits.

Air Raids Frighten London Birds.

A correspondent writes: "I had an opportunity on Saturday of seeing for myself how an air raid affects our little furred and feathered friends. My North London garden is frequented by several sorts of small birds. When the German eagles came sailing along and the guns began to thunder, the birds seemed panic-stricken, and flew frantically and aimlessly about, twittering in a pitiful and agitated manner. A six weeks' old kitten was badly scared. It squealed pitifully, and ran and crouched in a corner, exhibiting all the signs of a severe fright. Presently it bolted into a cupboard, where it hid till all was quiet. I suppose wise people would say "instinct," but instinct is, I think, explained as unconscious transmitted memory, and it is scarcely likely that the ancestors of these small creatures had all been in air raids."

This account of the effects of an air raid on the smaller animals differs widely from those which reach us from the front. Probably it is only a question of time before the birds become accustomed to the noise and destruction of war, because they have so far not deserted the battlefield. Stray hogs, too, are frequently found in the trenches. They live the lives of refugees, and spend their days looking for their long-lost masters. When a big shell comes over they drop their ears, and crouch down until all is quiet again. It is interesting to relate, too, that a dove made its home in a hole made by a shell in the tower of Ladysmith town hall at the time of the Boer war, and remained there during the whole of the siege.—Dundee Advertiser.

Bound to Sing Anyway.

When I saw Monastir for the last time, in January, writes Herbert Covey in the Geographic Magazine, fully one-half of its population were still hiding in the cellars and hoping that the Bulgarians might be driven on. The streets were empty. The one cafe that remained open was tenanted only by French soldiers singing a rousing Gallic chorus; and in the single restaurant the only guests besides myself were the Italian officers. At night there is never a light in the city.

I have never felt so absolutely alone as in wandering through these broad, white moonlighted streets. When a regiment of tired men shuffled by, their — scraping on the cobbles, I sat down on the curb to watch them. They took the curse of emptiness off the town.

Then an English officer came up and asked the sort of a question one learns to expect from an Englishman and from no other man on earth: "Where," said he, "can I find a piano? We want to have a sort of sing-song to-night."

An Old Story.

A correspondent of an English paper tells the following story, old but worth repeating. It concerns two rival sausage makers. Again, they lived on opposite sides of a certain street, and one day one of them placed over his shop the legend, "We sell sausages to the gentry and nobility of the country." The next day, over the way, appeared the sign, "We sell sausages to the gentry and nobility of the whole country." Not to be outdone, the rival put up what he evidently regarded as a final statement, namely, "We sell sausages to the King." Next day, there appeared over the door of the first sausage maker the simple expression of loyalty, "God save the King."

Most army cooks prefer the kerosene stoves to those burning wood.

AFTERNOON GOWN.

Material, Color, Line, Are All Observed Here.

This beautiful frock is fashioned of navy blue and gold meteor satin cut on unusual lines. Bolero in effect, this



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gold section is adorned with navy silk soutache in intricate pattern. Ripe wheat heads make a fetching turban to match.

YOUNG GIRL STYLES.

Points About How to Dress Your Twelve-year-old.

This season the designers have created some very charming dresses for children. One of the most novel and picturesque was a party dress for a girl of twelve.

The dress was of apricot pink crepe de chine, made with a simple little bodice, open in the front with a wide box plait, which concealed the buttons beneath. The small flat collar was of the same material, and the cuffs were the same width as the collar. The skirt was a plain gathered one, with a wide hem.

Around the bottom of the dress and down the front on either side of the box plait white wool was threaded through the material in plain running stitch.

The most novel feature was the wool edging used as a trimming. Around the edge of the collar and cuffs, also at the top of the hem, an edging was crocheted with white wool and then with a row of china blue.

The box plait was ornamented by three large tight balls of china blue wool, suspended by wool chains two inches long.

At the belt line a cordlike affair was used. It was composed of eight or ten strands of the blue yarn, couched at intervals of three-quarters of an inch. The color effect was charming, and the dress was really beautiful.

Around the House.

In planning meat for boiling remember that the thinner the piece of meat the greater will be the loss of taste and juices.

Articles to be dyed should first be washed so they will be free from dirt. Lettuce and cabbage can be quickly shredded with the scissors.

Brass bedsteads will keep in much better condition if they are occasionally rubbed with sweet oil and then wiped and polished.

The great secret of frying is to have plenty of fat and have it hot, so the food cooks on the inside without absorbing any of the fat.

Salt dissolved in alcohol will often remove grease spots from clothing.

To brighten carpets wipe them with warm water to which have been added a few drops of ammonia.

To wash scorched goods boil them in a mixture of one part soap and one teaspoonful of turpentine in a gallon of milk.

To clean hairbrushes take a cupful of cornmeal and fill the brush, rubbing gently with the hand. As it absorbs the grease and dirt, shake it out and use fresh meal till the brush is cleaned thoroughly. This is better than ammonia, as there is no water to injure or loosen the back of the brush.—Exchange.

To Lighten Housework.

Your pot lids will always have their proper place if you will take a yard or so of picture molding and two lengths of picture wire and make a lid holder. Nail the molding on the wall near the stove and run the wire four or five inches apart parallel with the molding.

Keep a roll of absorbent paper over the sink. It will be found useful for other purposes besides drying your hands, such as wiping the grease from pans, etc.

If your kitchen is large put casters on your table and move it about whenever it is most convenient.

Sherwood Spring

Sept. 24.—Mr. Frank Eligh, of Brockville, is spending a few days here, at the home of his aunt, Mrs. A. Eligh.

A number from here attended Lansdowne Fair on Friday last, and report a good time.

The corn-cutting outfit belonging to Mr. Fred Latham is this week in operation between Yonge Mills and Lyn.

Mr. Donald Morris, cheesemaker at Hallick's, spent Sunday last with his cousin, Mrs. E. P. Eligh.

Little Omer Clow has returned home from the Brockville General Hospital, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stewart were guests on Sunday last at the latter's old home at Riverside.

Mrs. Geo. Clow is spending a few days in Brockville with Miss Edith Avery.

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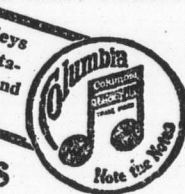
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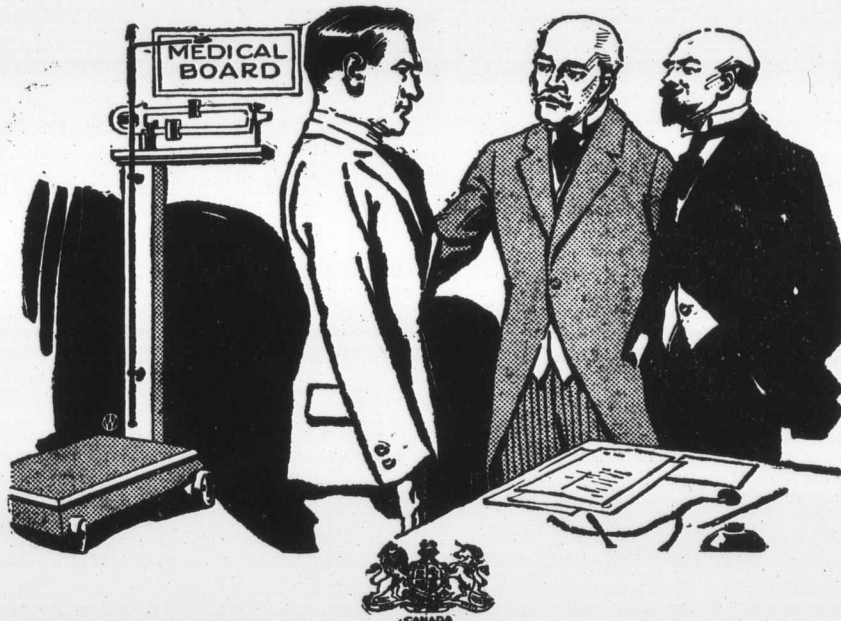
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Medical Boards are now being established throughout Canada. These Boards will examine, free of charge and obligation, all men who wish to be examined as to their physical fitness for military service. They will tell you in a very short time whether your

physical condition absolves you from the call or makes you liable for selection.

It is important that you obtain this information as soon as possible. A certificate of unfitness from a Medical Board will secure for you freedom from responsibility under the Military Service Act from any Exemption Tribunal. A certificate of fitness will not preclude an appeal for exemption on any ground.

In order that you may be able to plan your future with certainty, visit a Medical Board as soon as possible and find out if you are liable to be selected. Your family and your employer are interested as well as yourself.

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