

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

IS CONVALESCING

The many friends of Pte. Cecil Shaver, son of Mrs. Nancy Shaver, Cainsville, will be glad to know that he is convalescing slowly in a hospital in England, after being returned from France with trench fever.

A RUMOR

A dispatch from Ottawa states that there is a rumor in the Capital that John H. Fisher, M.P., for North Brant, together with Richard Blain, M.P., of Peel, and one or two other members of the Commons from Ontario, will be appointed to the Senate after the Military Service Act passes the Commons.

OLD FATHER TIME

Old Father Time must be in a sadly antagonistic mood as he contemplates the baseball careers of Ruben Deneau and "Cy" Reidy, who in ages past sprightly cavorted around the various diamonds in the Canadian League. "Ruben" and "Cy" are now in charge of a strong aggregation in Windsor and on Saturday are playing the London Blue Labels, managed by Ernie Dismore, who played here on Wednesday afternoon with several of his stalwarts.

NARROW ESCAPE

A narrow escape from death was experienced by Blackwell Lawrence and James Sprout, of Toronto, and little Doris Benney, of Burford, when the automobile in which they were driving jumped the Burford Road and crashed over a ten-foot embankment. The car turned turtle and pinned the three occupants underneath. Inevitable as it may seem, no one was injured.

PROCEEDS OF GAME

The thanks of the Children's Aid Society are heartily tendered to Dominion Steel Products Company for the sum of \$55, being the proceeds of the ball game, arranged by the D. P. S. team. The manager of the company, Mr. W. P. Kellett, very kindly arranged that the Children's Aid should receive the above sum exclusive of expenses.

BROUGHT BACK

In the County Juvenile Court at Kitchener yesterday, two Brantford girls aged fifteen years each, were turned over to Secretary J. L. Axford, of the local Children's Aid Society, who brought them back to this city. The girls left their homes here a few weeks ago and since then have been living at a rooming house in Kitchener, and neglected to pay their board.

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CUT WEEDS

Sanitary Inspector Glover stated this morning that the weeds on vacant lots in the city must be cut down before they go to seed.

TEARING UP STREETS

Although the Bell Telephone Co. wrote the city some time ago requesting permission to tear up some of the streets to install underground conduits, no answer has been received. As the most favorable weather for doing this work is immediately at hand, the company have again written the city asking for a definite reply.

BELL MEMORIAL

Prospects are now bright for the immediate completion of the Bell Memorial monument. Mr. R. M. Gullett of Toronto, was in the city this morning and expects to send the workmen up in the early part of next week to place the panels and complete the granite work. It is thought that the work will be completed in about two weeks.

MOTORCYCLES SELLING

A record year for the sale of motorcycles is forecast by Mr. C. J. Mitchell, the well-known local dealer, who this week sold two fine Harley-Davidson machines to local purchasers.

ST BASIL'S PICNIC

The children of St. Basil's and St. Mary's schools yesterday enjoyed their annual outing to Mohawk Park, under the auspices of the separate school board and the various societies of St. Basil's and St. Mary's churches. A large number both of children and adults made the trip to the park, where a most enjoyable afternoon was passed in sports and races, including a baseball game and tug-of-war, followed by supper, heartily enjoyed by all present.

Ascendancy in Air Fighting is Held by British

By Courier Leased Wire.
British Headquarters in France, July 20.—(By the Associated Press).—Not since the war began has such severe air fighting been witnessed on the British front as has taken place recently. It was a little more than a week ago that the Germans strongly challenged the British claim to aerial supremacy and displayed unusual activity all along the line. The British accepted the challenge, and the result has been some of the most furious battles and destructive raids yet seen. Great squadrons of opposing aircraft have clashed in bitter and spectacular battles among the clouds and individual fights which were conducted to a finish, have been numerous.

From the outset the British airmen maintained the upper hand and today it may be said they still hold the ascendancy in this branch of the service, which as the eyes of the army, is so vital to the successful prosecution of the artillery and infantry work. Since July 12, the British have brought down at least forty one German machines. Have driven down thirty-seven others out of control and have carried out innumerable successful bombing raids on enemy airdromes, railway stations and other important points.

On the other hand, the British have only had twenty-eight machines listed as missing. The greatest day for the British was that on which fifteen German machines were shot to pieces and sixteen more driven to earth in a damaged condition as the outcome of terrific struggles at various points. As against this the British lost nine airplanes. The important successes have since continued and many thrilling stories are being related of the daring deeds performed by the allied

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aviators. One British machine, carrying the pilot and an observer, sighted five enemy machines flying along together. Despite these odds the British airmen dashed to the attack. Swooping in and about their opponents they sent one fokker crashing to earth and drove another out of control. The British pilot was killed at this stage of the fight, but the observer brought the machine home, carrying the body of his comrade with him.

Another British aviator tackled single-handed a squadron of fifteen Germans before being joined by brother pilots, but he alone accounted for two German machines, after facing what seemed sure destruction. These are but instances of the striking episodes in the air-fighting of the past few days. The official statements convey but vaguely an idea of the work now done by the airmen. Bombing raids over the enemy country are carried out in ever-increasing numbers and damage which in the aggregate is tremendous is being done to objectives which are never mentioned to the outside world. Only the official photos at aviation headquarters tell the story of the important phase of the war, carried out in addition to the patrol work, the direction of artillery fire, photographic flights and other tasks of the airmen.

THE QUEEN AS "HEAD WAITRESS"



It is announced that hereafter the British Royal Family is to be known as the House of Windsor. This picture shows Queen Mary serving behind the counter at a new communal kitchen at Stepney Central Hall. She remained for two hours.

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