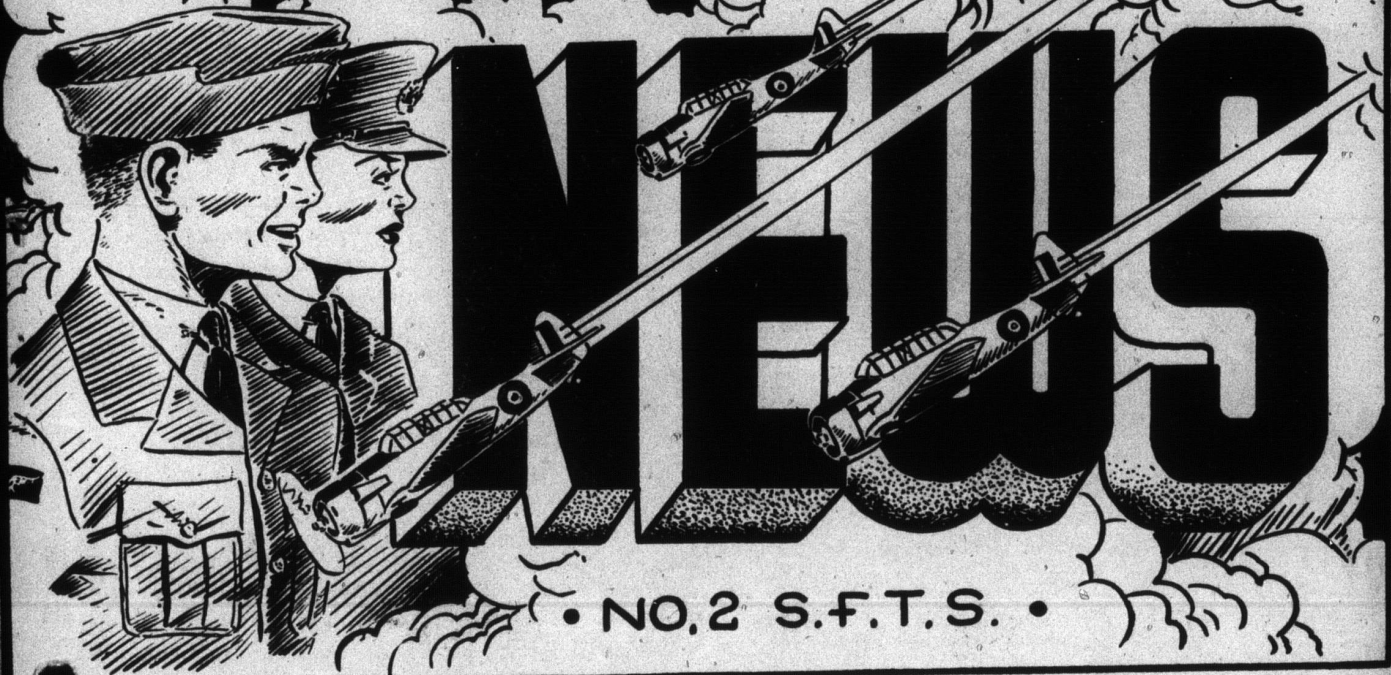


THE UPLANDS



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CLOSING CEREMONIES AT UPLANDS
PROMISE TO BE MEMORABLE EVENTS

No. 2 Service Flying Training School at Uplands has had, since its opening in 1940, a memorable history in the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan. The closing ceremonies promise to be equally memorable.

At this station on March 29th, the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan will be officially closed. To mark the event, there will be a ceremonial parade, which will probably be attended by His Excellency, the Governor-General, Prime Minister Mackenzie King, the Minister of National Defence for Air, High Commissioners for Great Britain, Australia and New Zealand, representatives of most of the foreign embassies and legations in Ottawa, as well as many other special guests.

This parade is open to service personnel and the general public, and refreshments will be served afterwards in No. 4 Hangar. In this hangar will be a display consisting of photographs showing the general history of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan and its various activities, a Link Trainer, our sectionalized Harvard, and many other items of general interest.

No doubt you'll have noticed by this time, a group of 100 airmen drilling around the station. These men will form the Governor

General's Guard of Honor in the closing ceremonies.

And before the official closing time of the station arrives, there will be—and already have been—a number of special events, sufficient to suit the varied tastes of almost everyone.

So far there have been the Sergeants' Mess Dance, the Officer's Mess Dance, the W.D. Dance, the Airmen's Smoker and the big Maintenance Wing Farewell Party. At the Officer's Dance we had the honor of entertaining some former members, notably including G/C W.R. Kingsland and G/C W.R. (Iron Bill) MacBrien, two former commanding officers at Uplands.

The Station Dance takes place on Friday. And next Sunday there will be special Church Parades for all R.C., Protestant and Hebrew personnel.

The Wings Dinner and Dance of Classes 121 and 122 will be held on March 26th, and these two classes will hold their Wings Parade on March 28th. Since it is unusual for two courses to graduate together, the dinner will be held in the sergeants' side of the mess, while the Dance will take place in the Drill Hall. It should be a real bang-up affair.

SYMPHONY SYNCOPATIONS

Probably the title of this little treatise will be sufficient to cause certain of our readers to turn the page hastily, in search of more streamlined literary fare. To these exponents of "Bobby Sockin'" and that new-fangled faint called the "Sinatra Swoon", may we tremulously offer an explanation in lieu of the apology you probably expect of us;

In October, 1944, following the camp's social activities, the "Y" office decided to organize the season's musical programs, and the Good Music Program was got under way.

Sqdn. Ldr. Puxley, so recently posted, undertook to arrange the programs and preside at the meetings of the club. He rendered admirable service in this capacity, with his interesting discussions and explanations regarding the symphonic works that were performed, and although many a loud comment was heard from the ranks of the Jive enthusiasts, the Club membership was adequately maintained; the W.D. Rec. Centre barely escaped the expedient of a "Standing Room Only" sign each Wednesday night.

To those of you who have often wondered just what occurs at a session of this Musical Inner Sanctum, may we describe a typical evening?

Picture, if you will, the interior of the W.D. Rec. Centre, softly and harmoniously lit. The music lovers are all arrived and seated expectantly. Coffee and cigarettes lend a casual air to an evening that will prove to be casual in all its aspects.

In a far corner of the room, the recording apparatus has been set up, and Sgt. Nason of the Photography Section waits for the signal to commence the program. To say that S/L Puxley or his capable substitute, Miss Bowen of the "Y", mounted the podium, would be carrying the symphonic theme a little too far; but the effect is similar. The slight murmur of voices subsides, and an explanation of the musical theme, the composer's life and his idiosyncrasies, follows; after which the music is played and the audience sits back to listen.

To the onlooker, the audience will appear a heterogeneous collection. There will be those who react classically with an ecstatic expression on their faces. These are in the minority. A popular reaction seems to be the urge to write letters (the facilities for this are good). One faithful follower brings her crochet work to each meeting, and has succeeded in weaving the inspiration of Beethoven, Chopin, Wagner and sundry others into an admirable table

cloth, while certain of the airmen have discovered that coffee, doughnuts, a cigarette and the wild strains of the "Danse Macabre" are in perfect harmony.

All in all, this club has been highly successful. It has been a medium of entertainment and pleasure to veteran lovers of classical music and, more important still, it has served to instruct novice members in the appreciation of good music.

An invitation is most cordially extended to any person wishing to attend the Music Appreciation Club. Come prepared to relax and enjoy yourself. The sessions are held every Wednesday night at 8 p.m. Look for the programs posted at various points on the station.

-- IAC Perrault, E.G.

THE EDITOR'S CORNER

This issue of the Uplands News has gone to press rather later than was planned, as a result of the inevitable upsets attendant on the extensive plans for closing the station. So if you find references in the future tense in the section news to events which are now part of the station's history --excuse it please.

This is the second last issue of the Uplands News. The final issue will make its appearance, we hope, around March 31, so all contributions will be gratefully received. The deadline for news, if we are to bring out the final issue while most of us still are here, will be March 26th. So keep this date in mind, contributors, and let's make the Section News for the final issue the best ever.

BOUQUETS, ETC.

This seems about as good a time as any to place on record our appreciation to all those at Uplands who, since the News first appeared, have assisted in getting these issues together. We have our regular contributors--these indefatigable persons who can always be depended upon to come across with some news. And we have the little-mentioned personnel who type the stencils. Besides, there's Scotty, who runs off the pages on the Duplicator. And there's our own "Y" supervisor--without whose enthusiasm these issues probably never would have appeared at all.

So, to all our contributors--who shall be nameless, and to our helpers--also cloaked in anonymity, our sincere thanks. And good luck, wherever you go.

Don't be bored. There's a list of the Station Activities on the back page of this issue. Look it over!!

R.C.A.F. BENEVOLENT FUND
SPEEDS AID IN EMERGENCY

By Kenneth C. Cragg
ONTARIO--The child was dying. The father, an LAC in the RCAF, was overseas.

Application was made to the RCAF Benevolent Fund. The child and his mother were speeded to a city where the former received the best care medical science could provide. He recovered.

An officer's wife, on the way to a West Coast station, slipped and fell beneath a moving train. Both legs had to be amputated. Medical expenses plus the care of their two children were far beyond the officer's means. The burden was eased by a substantial grant from the fund.

These are but two of scores of case histories in the records of the fund. There was the recent case of Mrs. Archie MacDonald, mother of triplets. Through some error, the Dependents' Allowance Board had slipped up on payments in spite of repeated appeals.

Quick to Act

The story of the Fort Erie woman's plight appeared in the papers. Benevolent Fund officers were immediately on the telephone. The basic facts and a cheque was on the way to Mrs. MacDonald immediately.

Their only quarrel is with Mrs. MacDonald, her husband and her husband's O.C. They ask why all three did not apply to the fund when Mrs. MacDonald did not receive her allowance payments? Dependents of air personnel as well as pensioners, have been advised that the fund is standing by to help them in event of distress.

The fund and what it will do to alleviate distress, has been bulletined on every station board in the country. MacDonald's own station, through its canteen funds, contributes to the Benevolent Fund.

Its active executive officers admit, and sadly, "We have had trouble in getting across to the Air Force what the fund is prepared to do."

Can Do Plenty

That it can do plenty, is clear. It has some \$800,000 on hand and it expects to add approximately \$750,000 to the backlog. It believes that its program is wise and that it is administered on a sound basis and in a spirit of common sense.

Most of the money comes from air personnel through voluntary contributions of one per cent of the gross sales of RCAF canteens and messes; donations by service personnel and civilian sources, and proceeds from

sources such as sports events, air displays and divine services.

The fund was established originally to supplement the assistance normally available from Government agencies. In its present form, it was set up as a company, as of April 1, last year, and is administered by a directorate, mostly civilians who are interested in RCAF welfare.

Available To All

It is acknowledged there has been coolness to the fund among personnel on the assumption that it was being built up for the permanent force and that, declare the men who administer it, is distinctly untrue. Their slogan is: "The fund is yours--use and support it."

The story behind it is simple. It is recognized that government agencies act slowly and when that results in distress, the fund can step in and make advances. It is recognized also there are instances of distress--and sickness to dependents is a major cause--from which relief cannot be obtained through Government agencies.

Each station has a sub-committee that is headed by the O.C. and that sub-committee is empowered to grant up to \$250 by way of a loan. In principal cities and towns there are civilian committees, which are authorized to grant up to \$150 as an initial loan.

The main thing is, once distress is established, the loan is made, and the distress is relieved. Terms of repayment are settled afterwards.

In the event that a Government agency is responsible, the fund takes action to see that the job is done by the agency.

Active officers in charge of administration at headquarters: Treasurer, Sqdn. Ldr. F. Lorenzen, secretary, Plt. Lt. A.L. Bell (the secretary, incidentally, lost a leg in an engagement over the Mediterranean off French Morocco and spent many months in a prison camp); and claims committee secretary, Plt. Lt. J.J. Carson, all stress that the fund has had "the utmost co-operation from responsible Government agencies."

His Majesty The King is the fund's patron, and it has the backing of men like Air Marshals J. A. Bishop and Robert Leckie, Deputy Minister H. F. Gordon, H. G. Norman of Montreal, Mr. Justice Savard of Quebec, and C. L. Burton of Toronto, the latter the representative of Ontario.

MAINTENANCE WING

Mtce. Wing Orderly Room

Well again, folks, I guess we can take time off for a little chat (not over our cups of coffee either). Everyone in this little office is pretty busy these days, what with so many changes in everything for our closing day. And don't forget our big Maintenance Wing party on the 21st, all you fellow workers of Mtce. Wing. We want you all to be there with colors flying and make it a gala event and one that won't soon be forgotten. It will be our last get-together of the whole wing, so let's do our part to make it a huge success.

We had a visit from our Diana Woods over the weekend, and she is looking hale and hearty after her trip home and her shopping spree in Montreal in preparation for her trip overseas. Good luck, Di, and we hope to have another visit from you before you leave Rockcliffe and our vicinity for good.

Also, we had a visit from P/O Johnnie Lebreque, who used to be with us a short while ago. Johnnie is going overseas for another tour of Ops soon and dropped in to say farewell to us. Good luck, Johnnie!

Who's heard any good rumors lately??? We haven't heard a single one here in the Orderly Room for ages, so if anyone knows any good ones, just let us know about it, won't you? We always appreciate a good rumor, just like some other folks appreciate a good joke--not that we haven't a sense of humor too.

Well, so long for this time, folks, and you'll be hearing from this little office again sometime.

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Log Book Control Room

Just a few brief bits of news, this time from the corner room in No. 5 Hangar. One

rumor is that we will not be in this hangar much longer, but will move to another. This is due to the closing of Uplands as a training school.

Cpl. Helen "Red" Noel sure is in a whirl these days. What with ships leaving for storage at other stations, hangars closing up, and ships changing from one hangar to another, from Uplands to Carp and from here to there. Helen is continually on the go and generally in a for or whirlwind. I guess Helen will have to take a trip to Montreal again. Maybe she'll feel better. We wonder??

There was a phone call from a certain girl in Ottawa, we don't know who, for "Peter and the Wolf." It was in connection with a couple of tickets for a Friday night dance. We have an idea who Peter is, but who is the Wolf?? I give you three guesses!

F/S Sabourin is still doing mathematical problems and puzzles in his spare time, but is usually quiet and never worried.

LAC Vaughan, our Repat, is on two-weeks' furlough at the present time. Len is quite happy, having received the long-awaited cable from England. Len is a proud Poppa now, and it's a boy. Congratulations, Len. We are waiting for the cigars when you come back. The long wait was a strain on Len, so he had to take two weeks' furlough to recuperate.

Our two Romeos, "Bertrand and Hickman," have been leading a quiet life the last couple of weeks. But, it's about time for them to let loose again. (We wait patiently).

And what about our quiet blonde friend, Gord McCombs, who seems to get such a kick out of the antics of his co-workers in the little Log Book Control Room. Still waters run deep, they say, so they say.

Gheerio for now.
Cheerio for now.



News and Views from the Instrument Section

Once again we are mustering blood donors for the Red Cross Blood Bank. Everyone steps forward except two. And they, in my opinion, could use a good transfusion themselves, so we'll let them off this time. Our biggest surprise, though, was Sgt. Vic Kennedy, who was first to step forward. Gosh, he flatters himself, thinks yours truly, as his total amount of blood doesn't exceed 300 c.c.'s--and everyone knows good donors give 450. So we had better keep our eyes on him.

The next morning we were all lined up, waiting our turn and kidding each other as to how bad the whole thing was, when Vic Kennedy is called up for his donation. In he walks, carefree and full of life, then five minutes later we see a nurse holding his hand and helping him onto a bed. Honest, fellows, I think they pumped him dry!! He had to fight with "rigor mortis" to keep himself from stiffening. The look on his face would have put dead men to shame.

Cpl. Stan Walker is still beating his gums; he's adopted a new policy and only goes Jim and Ed for every other check-in of every one that comes along. As you can see, this paper has a little effect on some fellows even if they are a "little" off the bias. Oh well, we live and learn, and as everyone knows, we can't all be perfect.

Our gigolo, LAC Bertrand, seems a little quieter this weekend. Could it be that he has finally met the right girl, or is it because he lost all his money playing cards? I wonder.

LAC Nelson has taken to weight lifting. I wonder why. Could it be that he wants to get even with me for flooring him, or is it just that he wants to develop his body? In either case, it won't do him any good.

LAC "Collis" Collins, the nightingale of our section, has finally decided to have a haircut. It was either that or a violin. It's not that he hasn't the money, fellows, but he's so busy watching his girl friend shift gears that he has become completely decrepit.

Our congratulations go to LAC Dubois on his winning of the badminton championship for the singles, doubles and mixed doubles. Good show, Dubois. We knew you could do it.

Congratulations should also be extended to myself for finally winning a gin rummy game off Sgt. Rogul. It only cost me \$35 to learn. Cheap at the price, isn't it, fellows?

I have been sweeping the Instrument shop and can't find any more dirt at the moment but with the staff we have there, anything's liable to happen.

Late flash! It is rumored that LAC Pobie Robinson intends to start a milk run after the war. And to think that I was a bottle baby.

H. Arnold, Cpl.

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#5 Hangar Gang

We hear that the girls in Ottawa are moaning this week. Could it be that Moncreiff is on Duty Watch?

Flash! Johnnie Ross has gone and done it! Yes, he's gone overboard. That little wife of his must be dynamite, 'cause ever since he came back, he's only back in body. Congratulations, Johnnie, we all wish you the best of luck.

Cpl. Sutherland hasn't been looking too well lately. I wonder why. Could it be that he's having blonde trouble? Or is it that N.D.?

Latest interest of Lachance, the Charles Boyer of No. 5 Hangar, is "red" -- especially corporals with red hair. I wonder who she can be. How's your French coming, Christmas?

Willie the Worn has had all the fenders repaired on his tank, and will now take on all comers--street cars, busses and milk trucks.

Sgt. Goodfellow, D.P.C. and Chocolate Bar, still walks around the hangar as though he were still sanitary engineer on Digby's.

Our new C.O. of Repair Squadron will be able to hitch-hike in grand style after his recent successful operation down at Rockcliffe. The old thumb is back in working order.

Cas Marlowe is now going on a liquid diet (milk, but strictly). Fifteen-draft Marlowe, he's knowed as these days. I always like a man who can hold his liquor.

Ringler, our famous Barrack Joe, seems to think that hockey nets should be at least six feet wider. That also applies to Turcott and the Chi Kid--never mind, fellows, just keep punchin' and we'll come out on top yet.

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JOKE

LAC: "I only take experienced girls home."
Gal: "I'm not experienced."
LAC: "You're not home yet, either."

CARP A.F.U.

"Where are you going?"

"Carp."

"Aren't you lucky!"

"No kidding, of course. I've been there before."

"Don't you like Carp?"

"I don't actually dislike it. I just don't like it as well as Uplands...Come to think of it, I don't think so much of Uplands either."

"The way that fool truck driver goes, I'd feel much safer flying to Carp. How does the Air Force pick its LT drivers?"

"Oh, they just make them out of student pilots who washed out and are mad about it. He's not really driving too fast. He's just flying too low."

"Did we pass through Carp village on the way here? I didn't see it."

"Yes, it was right at the corner where we turned off to come up the road to the station."

"Oh, I see. That must have been when I sneezed."

The foregoing odds and ends, gleaned from bits of conversation en route to Carp, were your editor's first introduction to the Uplands advanced training station, where the student pilots have their final bombing and combat practice. And, as most of the personnel at Uplands have little knowledge of Carp, here is some idea of the camp, and life thereon.

The camp consists of one barrack block, housing the Airmen's and Officers' quarters, the mess and the Rec. Hall; one hangar; one small building rejoicing in the name of Works and Buildings; and a garage which is glorified by being called the LT section.

The roads are, during a thaw such as we've been experiencing, a sea of mud. There was practically nothing to do during the weekend evenings we spent there except drink beer in the canteen, read books, write letters, drink beer in the canteen, play ping pong, go to bed or drink beer in the canteen. What kind of a life is that for anyone who doesn't drink beer?

The net result of all this, you will naturally suppose, is that we didn't like Carp. Well, you're wrong. Carp is a very nice station--and most of the personnel have been there ever since it opened and wouldn't change to Uplands for any inducement (except three stripes or a commission)--and we don't blame them.

WORDS FROM WORKSHOPS

Believe it or not, this is Workshops making an appearance again. As the old saying goes, "Better late than never," and as this is one of the last issues of the Uplands News, we'd like to let you know we're still alive and kicking--"Accentuate the Kicking."

There are a lot of new faces in Workshops, but a few of the old-timers are still to be seen around. The section was sorry to see Sgt. Moodie go, but in his place we welcome Sgt. Bingham. Of the old boys still here, we mention Sgt. Booles, Cpl. Gauthier and Mr. McCarthy.

Now for a few words by "Tattle-tales R & R"

Things that baffle us: We were very much impressed by a certain corporal's antics at the last station dance. We wonder if this was the eastern or western style of tango. (It didn't look like the South American version of the step).

We would also like to know whether that "Man from God's Country" (Alaska) is allergic to blood donations.

There do all the Buckshee Artists get that imported lumber? Could it be that a certain A.C.O. fabric worker lugs it all the way from Ottawa in the bus? We have seen one slippery morning attempting to salute the flag and balance a cord of wood on his shoulders at the same time. Some stunt, eh?

Who is it that always says, "I'll be down early in the morning," but then, of course, "the car broke down," or "I was delayed at the mess," etc., etc.

Another thing we'd like to know is this. There's a certain sergeant in this section who gets complete suits of clothes thrown at him (gratis). My, my. How does he do it? Or maybe it is that a certain officer was just overloaded with clothes.

How many boy friends does Myrtle really have? We haven't been able to peg her with the same one two nights in a row.

As for Joy, we haven't the slightest inkling as to how she spends her evenings, but we do know that she takes the odd extended AS (4 days) in a little burg called Montreal. Could there be a special attraction there, or is it just the Navy?

Before closing, we wish to extend our deepest sympathy to LAC Harton on the recent bereavement in his family.

R & R

WORKS AND BUILDINGS

Works and Bricks section is glad to hear F/S French is convalescing in hospital after his recent serious illness.

Freddie Woroshelo lost some valuable tools after serving as official carpenter in the Airmen's Mess for the last year. This is poor repayment for his good services in that establishment.

Frank Quinn is back on the job. He had us worried for a while, and we hope he will continue in good health.

Works Section won't have a friend in the world after this month, so kindly drop us a post card when they let you out.

After losing Bennie Cobrin and Marie, it is good to have Sgt. Warren back again from A.F.M.Q. It helps out on the basketball too.

Congratulations to F/S LaBrash on the arrival of his new daughter. Also to Cpl. Clarke of the Fire Hall.

"Glossom" Rosenberg gave up his fight with the tractor to fight in the Ring for Uplands Station. We hope he does better with that.

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POSTAL NOTES

By this time, most of you people will probably have noticed that "isn't love grand" look on Maxie of the P to Z wicket. Maxie has gone and joined that institution called marriage. And all kidding aside, we wish her the luck of the Irish and hope that soon she'll be saying to her RAF husband: "My, but England is wonderful, and so are you." L'amour, toujours l'amour.

Since the last issue we have had quite a number of changes and it seems that again DAPS has blessed M.P.O. 307 with some great girls. Let us hope they'll enjoy their stay with us. Maxie hails from Canada--I mean, Ontario--and Porgy and Stella come from some country called "Sask" or something like that.

Edna has put her arm back into place, and if she doesn't stop getting mad at Pat she will throw it out again, as lately she has been taking some mean swipes at his ear.

Our Montreal lover, "Lou" has let us in on a little secret. He is something like a sailor with a girl in every port, for Lou's ports are Montreal and Ottawa. We have a hard time knowing where he is on his 48's.

Tommy will always remember part of the Wings Dance of Course 113--we remember him saying it was to be the last for him, but that remains to be seen.

The West once more claimed two of our girls; Blondie and Millie have their discharges (lucky girls). Why they didn't stay in the east is hard to understand, but we firmly believe the beauty of the west draws them all back. So, to Blondie and Millie, the best of luck from the Post Office Staff.

Headlines and Bylines

Will the one (C.W.) who comes in late every night and wakens all the boys in B.B. 11 North, kindly refrain from his hobby.

Also, will the lad who has all the women in town plus a couple of the local gals falling over him, kindly think of his wife who is far away.

Will the boys stop annoying our own Cpl. Fox who has the very unfortunate habit of getting himself feeling awful good. The old familiar refrain of the Cpl., "Leave Foxie Alone," is getting a lot of support lately.

The Post Office Romeo, Pat O'Farrell, seems to be spending a lot of time around Ottawa and points in Quebec of late. May be the better half has caught on; or should we call her the better half?

Good luck to our little Johnny Carpmen (better known as the Palm Beach Kid) who is scrapping around places.

THE POSTAL CLERK'S LAMENT

Coming and going, it will never fail,
For that's the way of handling mail.
Running around, looking ev'rywhere
For a certain letter that isn't there.
I'm not complaining all the while,
If only I'd see someone smile!

-Anon.

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TOUGH!!

Having a steak dinner in the Mess one day, an airman walked back to the steam table with an angry look on his face.

Airman: "I want to see the Sergeant."

W.D.: "What for?"

Airman: "I've never in my life seen anything as tough as this steak."

W.D.: "You will when you see the Sarge!"

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DON'T FORGET MOTHERS' CORNER FOR MENDING.

SPORTS NEWS

Things have moved along quite smoothly in the Sports Section since our last issue went to press. We are still struggling along in an effort to keep things going amid the numerous dances, parties and what have you, that are taking place. However, here goes.

Basketball

Uplands Cagers have waded through everything so far this season with only one loss. They took the Fancy, two straight, last week; 46-42 and 33-27 to go into the finals against Rockcliffe. The first game will be at Uplands on Monday, March 19th, the second at Rockcliffe on Thursday, March 22nd. If a third game is necessary it will probably be played on neutral ground. We have a championship team in the offing so get out and back them up. Freddie Thomas, the "Windsor Flash", who has sparked the team all season, scored 101 points during the regular schedule and has added 25 or 30 in the two semi-final games. Nice going, Freddie!

Our W.D.'s start the semi-finals of their league on Tuesday, March 20th, against W.P.C.N.'s in a two-game total point series. The second game will be at F.M.C.S. Carleton on Friday night. The girls had a little tough luck last week, when they dropped a game to #40 Co. C.W.A.C. at Commerce. However, we feel pretty sure that they will come through in the long run. Let's give the gals plenty of support.

Badminton

The station Badminton tournament came to a very successful conclusion shortly after our last issue was printed. The winners were: Men's singles--LAC Dubois. Ladies singles--Sgt. Kennedy. Men's doubles--LAC Dubois, LAC Cravitt. Mixed doubles--LAC Dubois, Cpl. Green. Ladies doubles--Sgt. Kennedy, LAW Martin. The prizes have been purchased and will be presented this week at one of the functions. On Tuesday, March 20th, an Inter-Service badminton tournament will be played here at Uplands with representation from Army, Navy and Air Force. Uplands played host to some 20 badminton players from Lisgar Bldg. on Feb. 28th. Lisgar won out 11-9 on the night's play, but a very enjoyable evening was had by all. We still have a few birds left, so make use of them.

Hockey

The Uplands-A.F.E.C. team edged out #17 E.C. in the semi-finals of the Inter-Service Hockey League. They will play the winner of Rockcliffe-C.M.S.C. Engineers in the finals within the next two weeks, in the Championship of the League. These boys play a swell game of hockey, so get out and lend your vocal support.

General

In closing--we give you a word of warning. The P.T. & D. staff will be on the prowl for the next two weeks--so get haircuts, show shines, buttons polished and uniforms pressed. In other words, SMARTEN UP! Also, anyone who has corns--get them fixed up --because you will all have a wee shot of drill in the very near future.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE LADS FROM "DOWN UNDER"

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all personnel of Uplands, especially the staff of the Y.M.C.A. for the swell times shown us during our stay. Everywhere we have been in Canada from coast to coast, the people have shown a hospitality and friendliness second to none, and it is with real regret we say goodbye to all the fine friends and cobbors we have made. We will take home some of the pleasantest memories of our life. Kia Ora,

The Newzies.

UPLANDS ADOPTED SQUADRON

The Uplands adopted squadron, formerly No. 1 Fighter Squadron, have received several shipments from this station since they were adopted last November. And another shipment is now being made, consisting among other things, of woollen goods knitted by girls of this station. Arrangements have been made for a final shipment to be made to the squadron in April. Also, a plaque is being made up, to be presented to the squadron when they return from overseas.

CLOSING EVENTS

- Wednesday, March 21 1800 hours -- Mother's Corner. Ladies will be in the "Y" office to do mending and sewing. Bring articles for repair to the "Y" office as early as possible in the evening.
2000 hours -- Fine Music Program. All are invited to an informal program of classical music in the W.D. Rec. Centre.
2030 hours -- Maintenance Smoker in the Rec. Hall. By invitation only.
- Thursday, March 22 1800 and 2000 hours -- Revival Movie in the Rec. Hall -- "Saboteur."
2000 hours -- Basketball. Uplands men at Rockcliffe in the second game of Finals.
- Friday, March 23 2000 hours -- Station Closing Dance. This is an event to which all Station personnel and their guests are invited. No tickets are required, but guests must be escorted through the gate. R.C.A.F. 16-piece orchestra will be in attendance and there will be a floor show.
2000 hours -- Basketball. W.D.'s at H.M.C.S. Carleton in second game in Semi-Finals.
- Saturday, March 24 1800 and 2000 hours -- Movie in the Rec. Hall -- "Standing Room Only" starring Paulette Goddard and Fred MacMurray.
- Sunday, March 25 1950 hours -- Movie in the Rec. Hall -- "To Have and Have Not" starring Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall.
- Monday, March 16 1800 hours -- Wings Dinner for Courses 121 and 122.
2030 hours -- Wings Dance. By invitation only.
1830 hours -- Meeting of the Camera Club in the Rec. Hall.
- Tuesday, March 27 1900 hours -- Leathercraft group meets in W.D. Rec. Centre.
1800 and 2000 hours -- Movie in the Rec. Hall -- "Barbary Coast Gent" starring Wallace Beery, Binnie Barnes, John Carridine.
2000 hours -- Hockey. Uplands A.F.H.Q. team play first game in finals against CMSC-RCE team at the Auditorium.
- Wednesday, March 28 1430 hours -- Wings Parade for courses 121 and 122.
2000 hours -- Fine Music Program.
- Thursday, March 29 1600 hours -- CEREMONIAL PARADE MARKING THE CLOSING OF THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH AIR TRAINING PLAN.
1800 and 2000 hours -- Revival Movie in the Rec. Hall -- "Lost Horizon"
- Friday, March 30 Good Friday
- Saturday, March 31 1930 hours -- Movie in the Rec. Hall -- "Days of Glory" starring Tamara Toumanova, Gregory Peck.