

### From the Women's Angle

By Nellie Hurley Minifie  
For those of us who reside on this side of the ocean it is hard to realize that less than 30 miles away there is a country at war. We who are reared in a peaceful democracy find our thoughts that a neighboring country is in the throes of training their young manhood for a fight from which thousands and thousands of strong and healthy young men will never return.

How do the officers react to this setup? What are their impressions? Armed with an insatiable curiosity and the usual reporter's unmitigated gall, this department made the rounds of the barracks in one of Canada's field companies.

The setup taken all in all, proved an ideal one—from one officer's point of view. A high school graduate with one year of college training, this young man found himself in the army early this fall in the "leftenant" ranks. Pay—\$6.00 a day. Rations—beef three times a day six days a week.

The housing situation for the officers seems an ideal one. The particular cottage that struck my fancy housed two officers and what they referred to as their "man." The "man" was a private who shined the officers' boots, polished their buttons and brought their tea to them in bed in the morning. Also open house for the duties was the preparing of the food for the company which the two officers held in their cottage on a Sunday afternoon.

One officer that I met—a handsome dark haired young man just past 21—expressed his sentiments not too unapprecially when he said, "The army to date is ideal." He settled back in his chair comfortably, the buttons on his uniform glistening in the sun. Of course he was satisfied, he said. Home never was like this.

The only fly in the ointment was that his company appears destined to make up Canada's first regiment—soldiers who will leave the Dominion for abroad sometime in December. But that is in the future. In the meantime he has found a girl who thinks uniforms are divine and who wonders what she could ever have done to deserve anything as wonderful as what is happening to her.

It is hard for Americans to realize that war is so near to us. We know that Europe is battling, to make the world safe for democracy, but that it is so near to us is sometimes hard to visualize.

One wonders what sort of people the radio programs handed out daily over the various networks and local stations are planned for. Granted that there are some programs which more rarely offer fine music, news, an interesting sports talk, more rarely a really sparkling bit of humor or good comedy, but the general run of the minor features are neither enlightening nor enlightening.

As a rule, the funny programs are not funny, the musical ones provide no music and, what is worse, the so-called dramatic ones, particularly the day-time serials, which monopolize the air through till night, are frequent advertising plugs of the full-throated and unmitigated salesmanship of the religious harangues that are thrown in gratis, and you have an awful, if you will excuse the phrase.

Maybe I'm hard to please, but I don't think so. As I am always hearing complaints from others along similar lines, the bulk of the radio programs seems to be aimed at a low mental age—I should say about 10 years.

Surely, the radio bigwig is miscalculating the average intelligence of the listening public and missing a good bet in cluttering up the ether waves with tripe. Some of the day-to-day fillers in my opinion positively harmful when taken in large doses by children. Most of them are the eternal tripe of the same kind with the virtuous wife remaining ever virtuous, the same line being ever poised on Governor Dickinson's Hellish brink, or the villainous straggling constantly from the home fireside into the arms of the Other Woman.

As advertising mediums, poor radio programs, I think, are a total loss. Instead of winning friends and customers, they are more apt to turn one definitely against the products of the sponsoring companies.

**Christ Church Men To Hear War Expert**  
We Heard It Said By:  
Miss Jarmie Hicks, director of "Womanless Wedding," "I always got really nervous before the show opens. I have directed about 50 of these productions in the past two years and it's always the same before each curtain. I felt the same way before each opening night during the four years I was on the New York stage.

"You know, you'd be surprised how much good one of those productions does in a town. I have directed them informally and have a boisterous time, and when they get through there's a new feeling among them. A woman in Clawson told me the other day how much good she owed them."

(Miss Hicks is employed by a firm in Jackson which sends her everywhere directing "Womanless Wedding.")

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### CHORAL ARTIST

**ALEXANDER KIPNIS, Russian bass, who will make his American debut in the Choral Union Series in Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor, Monday night, Nov. 13, at 8:30.**

**Bits of Birmingham**  
Several local people have informed The Eccentric that out-of-town salespeople are using the telephone to sell merchandise, claiming they represent the blind, disabled veterans, etc. They solicit orders by telephone, and then deliver later in person, thus seeking to get around the Birmingham peddlers' ordinance. It is suggested that when you get such a telephone call you immediately inform the local fire marshal by telephone (1230, or Walter R. Laych, secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association, telephone 95-1000).

**Lack of a traffic light at Oakland**  
and the new Water Woodward highway is causing much comment among local people who must either walk or drive over that important intersection. The Eccentric already has registered its belief for the need of such a light with State highway engineers. Murray D. Van Wagener, Chief of Police Hackett and City Manager Hinton are being asked to let letters from people who are equally desirous of such a protective light will be forwarded to Lansing.

**John A. Bird, of Bloomfield**  
Hinton has been elected to the position of treasurer of Wesley House, which is one of the new dormitories forming the men's west quadrangle at the University of Michigan.

**John I. Church, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Church, 927 Bu**  
street, is the author of two poems featured in the first 1939-40 issue of The Boulder, campus literary magazine at DePaw University, Greensboro, Ind.

**Why do youngsters delight in breaking windows?** Mrs. G. C. Waggoner, 559 Henley Drive, reported to police Saturday that children had broken 25 windows in a new home at Safford and Raynolds. Officers are on the lookout.

**Trella Parash, 9 years old,**  
of 2345 Carle, Hazel Park, was lost last Friday when Officer George Stephenson found her and saw that she got home.

**Last Friday night, at the Birmingham**  
Telephone Club, Commissioner Ray A. Palmer said to this reporter: "Do you know Elton R. Eaton? It seems to me I used to know a man by that name years ago when I was attending Western State Teachers College at Kalamazoo." So we spied out the form of the Plymouth publisher and guided Ray to him, and yes, indeed, Elton Eaton was the reporter who wrote sports for a Kalamazoo newspaper when Ray played half-back on an all-league football team some 25 years ago. They had quite a talk, chinning about old times. Eaton, who weighed in at a mere 150 pounds when he gridded for Dear Old Kalamazoo.

**Fred Colvin, 19330 Santa Bar**  
bara drive, Detroit, a loyal alumnus of Colgate University Hamilton, N. Y., sends us a picture of six boys from the Detroit area who are students at Colgate. In the photo are William Robinson and William Hartman, of Birmingham.

**Walter B. Fauser, local manager**  
for the telephone company, has been named a member of the Wolverine Chapter, Telephone Pioneers of America, as notified in the last issue of the company's magazine, The Michigan Bell. Service depends on at least 21 years of service. The period is an interesting one, and contains many novel facts about telephone service. For example, instead of strizzling a cable on poles to the yardstick area, the company simply dropped its cable in the Detroit river and saved itself a lot of expense.

**Bedtime Announcement**  
Three-year-old Nancy's father had installed a new radio. Nancy listened with rapt attention to everything—music, speeches, and news announcements. "That night she knelt to say her 'Now I lay me.' At the end of the program she said: 'To-morrow night at this time there will be another prayer.'"

**"A bachelor has nobody to**  
share his troubles." "Why should a bachelor have any troubles?" asked the married unit.

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