

H.-Capt. J. L. Duncan Named Chaplain of Elgin Regiment

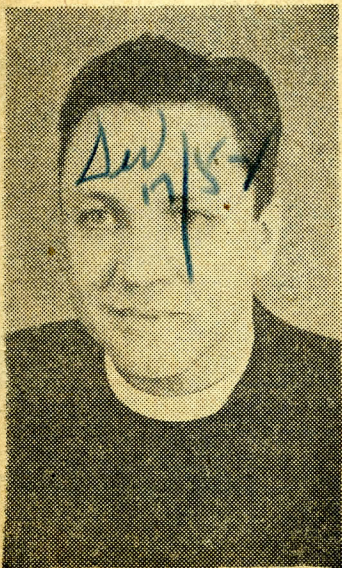


H. CAPT. F. C. McRITCHIE

The appointment of Capt. the Rev. John L. Duncan, M.A., L.Th., rector of Trinity Church, as chaplain of the Elgin Regiment, was announced this morning by Lt.-Col C. A. Low, officer commanding, on receipt of detailed information from Major H. A. Merklinger, area chaplain (Protestant) of Western Ontario Area, London, Ont.

At the same time it was announced that Capt. the Rev. Frank C. McRitchie, former rector of Trinity Church, Aylmer, who has been padre of the Elgins since the spring of 1947 but who has been in Windsor since the first of November where he is now rector of St. Mary's Church, has been appointed chaplain of Essex Scottish. The effective date of both appointments was Dec. 1.

Capt. Duncan's appointment brings him from the supplementary reserve of the Royal Canadian Army Chaplain Corps back to the Reserve Force and he has been posted from headquarters of the 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade (R. F.) and attached for all purposes to the Elgins.



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He is a native of Windsor and a graduate of the University of Western Ontario where he received his Master of Arts degree in 1936. A year later he received the degree of L. Th. from Huron College and went to England to serve two years as assistant at St. Pancras Church in London before returning to Canada to work in the Diocese of Huron. He was rector at Delhi and Leamington until 1942 when he entered the Army Chaplain Corps and overseas he served with 12th Manitoba Dragoons.

After the war, Capt. Duncan served as rector at Blenheim and then at Simcoe, from whence he came to St. Thomas in October, last year.

It is about a year since Capt. Duncan has been active with the Reserve Force, but he served as chaplain of the 25th Medium Regiment, R.C.A., during his two years in Simcoe, and of the Kent Regiment while he was in Blenheim. During his university years he was a member of the outstanding teams the Mustangs fielded in their early years in intercollegiate football.