

AROUND THE CITY

FAIR, TURNING COLDER

FOUR CASES REPORTED. Four new cases of influenza were reported to the Board of Health authorities yesterday.

A BELGIAN APPEAL. Yesterday Mayor Hayes received an appeal from A. Noel of Quebec for funds to assist Belgian women and children.

REBUILD IN SPRING. F. H. Trifts, owner of the Gem Theatre, which was gutted by fire Sunday night, says the intention is to reconstruct but it will be spring before the work is under way.

A GRAVE CHARGE. A woman appeared in the police court yesterday afternoon to answer a grave charge. Evidence given was relative to the actions of the prisoner with several members of the 3rd C. G. A., who are now undergoing treatment in military hospitals. After the evidence of two members of the 3rd C. G. A. was given, the prisoner was committed to await physical examination, and evidence of the examiner.

THRIFT STAMP CAMPAIGN. The thrift stamp campaign is being carried on here and in other parts of New Brunswick vigorously and the merchants are responding excellently. Corporal A. Grant, a returned soldier, for the purpose of organizing for the sale of thrift stamps, has visited Moncton, Shediac, Sackville and Port Elgin. He has reported wonderful progress and it is assured that the thrift stamp campaign will be a great success.

NURSES' REGISTRY. A meeting of the Board of Examiners for the Registry of Nurses was held yesterday morning, with the President, Dr. W. W. White, in the chair. Those present were Dr. Van Wart of Fredericton, Miss Shannon of Fredericton, Miss Branscombe of St. Stephen, and Miss Retalick, of St. John. Miss Retalick was appointed secretary of the Board of Examiners. A schedule was drawn up for the examinations to be held in March.

ARRIVED IN ENGLAND. J. F. McDonald, maritime representative of Tocke Brothers, Ltd., received a cable yesterday announcing that his brother, Thomas, who was with the 6th Mounted Rifles and was wounded and taken prisoner on June 2, 1916, has arrived in London and expects to arrive home soon. Private Fred P. Lawson of St. John, who over seas with the 6th Battalion and was a prisoner for two years in Germany, has arrived safely in England.

A GERMAN FOLDER. Mrs. Elizabeth Case, 207 Duke Street, has received from her son, Ernest, now attached to the army of occupation in Germany, a beautiful colored folder showing the principal towns along the Rhine, which is among the first bit of tourist literature that has been able to come to this country for several years. Mrs. Case's son, Helms, is also attached to the army that is marching through Germany, both having served through the war without a casualty.

SOLDIERS HONORED. The bar to the Distinguished Service Order has been awarded to a number of Canadian officers, including Lieut.-Col. Archibald Mackenzie, 26th Battalion, for his coolness and fine example which inspired all ranks, in capturing and consolidating objectives.

Lieut.-Col. Cyrus Peck, 16th Battalion (Albert County) man, now resident in British Columbia, who led his command through a mist under heavy fire, for three valleys. This officer holds the Victoria Cross.

EXECUTIVE OF NURSES' ASSOCIATION. A meeting of the Executive of the Council of the N. B. Graduate Nurses' Association was held at the General Public Hospital yesterday afternoon. In the absence of Miss Charlotte Brown the Vice President, Miss Melick, presided.

Several names were presented for membership. Six names for the positions of Port Nurses were received and approved. These are in addition to the ten nurses already appointed, one of whom has resigned. Port nurses' members of the N. B. Graduate Nurses' Association.

ADDRESSED EMPLOYEES. Yesterday afternoon, just before the closing hour the employees of a number of the larger stores were addressed by speakers on the thrift stamp campaign and all seemed quite enthusiastic in the work. The advantages of these stamps were fully explained and the selling arguments fully gone into by the various speakers. The stores visited and the speakers were: Manchester, Robertson, Allison, Ltd.; Mayor Hayes; T. McAvity and Sons; B. W. Wigmore, M. P.; Macaulay Bros.; Rev. Mr. Grant; P. W. Daniel Co.; M. E. Agar; Hunt's clothing store; F. A. Dykeman. Today other stores will be visited and the employees addressed by prominent speakers.

ST. PETER'S TEA. The tea and bazaar at St. Peter's is a genuine success, as in former years, and a large crowd typified this fact last evening by their attendance. Over five hundred suppers were served. The door prize last evening, a Vacuum sweeper, was won by ticket 842; the ladies' bean toss prize, a silver berry spoon was captured by Mrs. Joseph Higgins, 51 Murray street; the gentleman's prize in the same game went to Thomas Coughlin, Clarendon street; the prize being a pipe. Tonight the tea continues and will be finished tomorrow evening by a grand finale, an auction of all the household necessities remaining on the site after the completion of the bazaar tomorrow. All are admitted free Friday evening and a large crowd is expected. The City Cornet Band is in attendance and proving as popular as ever. Ticket 1151, the lucky door prize number for Tuesday evening, has not been called for. The winner can procure the prize by presenting the lucky ticket to any of the committee.

DECORATED MEN HERE FROM WAR

Pte. Speight, a Boy, Wears Medal — Enlisted Four Times Before He Reached Front Line — Others Who Have Been Honored.

Among the decorated fighters who arrived on the steamship Scotian yesterday was Private Bert Speight, of Smith's Falls, Ont.

Private Speight is only a boy, 21 years old, but he wears the ribbon of the military medal for taking out wounded men under heavy shell fire at the third battle of Ypres. He has the unique record of enlisting four times in the present war; he was turned down twice in 1915 as too young to take in the service.

Eventually he got away under the colors with the first Canadian pioneers and went through the Ypres scrap, where he won his decoration. Later he was attached to the Imperial navy supply, with French West Africa as his hunting ground, where he was engaged for some time in submarine supply base work. Later returning to England he went back on the western front again and got his final Blighty at Passchendaele last spring.

One of the few wearers of the Mons Star on board yesterday was Pte. Lawrence Brooks of Montreal. He went overseas with the 23rd Battalion, and saw action at the second battle of Ypres, Vimy, Somme and Passchendaele.

Another wearer of the Mons Star is Pte. M. E. Belanger, of Montreal. Pte. Belanger went over with the 22nd Battalion, and fought in the battles of St. Eloi, the Somme and Vimy Ridge. He got his Blighty at the latter scrap, and is taking home a fine lot of souvenirs of his four years in France.

Pte. Alfred Quintal is another man who is sporting the red shoulder straps and the Mons Star. Private Quintal is a native of Montreal and on the outbreak of war entered the Ypresier camp, where he was attached to the 14th Royal Montreal Regiment, the husky unit that was known all over the western front as the Rocky Mountain Rangers; the Run, Run Boys, and the Run, More Run Battalion. Pte. Quintal was badly wounded by rifle fire in the legs and chest at the second battle of Ypres in 1915 and later in November 1917 was burned and poisoned with Hun gas. He still feels the effects of the poison, but is gradually overcoming it.

Private A. L. Stallman is a Pennsylvania Dutchman from Mount Vernon, Pa., who went over with the original first Highlanders, and in the striking Highland costume was an outstanding figure on board the transport. He was in the battle of Lens, where he secured his first Blighty, later returning, and was wounded again at Amiens in August, 1916. Recapturing again he was found incapable of front line service, and was attached to depot service until a few months ago.

Private Jack Logan, of the 73rd Argyl and Sutherland Highlanders, was the only other killed soldier on board.

"Jock" got his first and final Blighty at Passchendaele in 1917 after a year of service on the western front. He was put out with a badly wounded hand and machine gun wounds in the side, and on leaving hospital was classed B2 and attached to orderly room service in England.

DISTRICT SUPT. HERE YESTERDAY

Miss Hall of Victorian Order of Nurses Arrives from Ottawa—Describes Work of Repatriation Committee.

Miss Hall, of Ottawa, the District Superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses, arrived in St. John today. Miss Hall is a member of the Repatriation Committee of Ottawa, which is formed of the heads of National organizations, or representatives of those organizations appointed to this committee. Mrs. Robson, who visited St. John recently, is chairman of this Repatriation Committee.

ENGINEERS ASK FOR AN INCREASE

Local Union, Number 682, Steam and Operating Engineers, held a special meeting last evening in market building. The meeting was called to discuss arrangements for an increase in wages for members of the union and action was mapped out. Mr. Banks presided in the absence of the president who was attending the luncheon in Bond's for the ward and other workers in the recall election. The meeting was attended by eighty-four men. It is expected that action for an increase in wages for members of this union will take place in the near future.

ARRESTED YESTERDAY. One drunk will answer when, where 1151, the lucky door prize number for Tuesday evening, has not been called for. The winner can procure the prize by presenting the lucky ticket to any of the committee.

SCOTIAN ARRIVES; NO DISSENTIONS

Ship Docked Yesterday Afternoon With 1,336 Passengers—Of This Number 1,065 Were Returning Fighters—Only One Hospital Case.

With colors flying, troops cheering, the depot band playing stirring airs, factory whistles blowing, steamers sirens going and a large crowd on the docks ready with a welcome, the Royal Mail steamer Scotian put in at this port yesterday at five o'clock, after being expected here for the past three days.

Ang of all the boats that have put into this port with returning troops, the Scotian deserved as good a reception as any. Out of her 1,336 passengers, 1,065 were returning fighters and none had a grievance other than the small dissensions that would naturally arise after thirteen days at sea in a ship not so large as some. The Scotian had only one hospital case, that of a woman and a child, both of whom were taken to the St. James street military hospital shortly after five o'clock. The boys enjoyed a fairly good voyage across with only one very stormy day. The absence of women and children may have had quite a bit to do with the comfort of the trip, the quarters were clean, the ship had a good bill of lading, and the features of the debarkation were the signed testimonial of appreciation for the service given by the ship's staff, which was handed to the captain, William H. Haines, carrying the signatures of most of the non-commissioned officers on board.

The complement of passengers numbered in all 1,336, composed of 39 officers, 11 warrant officers, 1,013 ranks and 283 children, of whom 3 were children under the age of fourteen years. Major Henry A. Wise was the officer commanding the troops, and had on his staff Capt. John Long, adjutant; Capt. L. D. Shaw, paymaster; Capt. Ernest Phillips, Y. M. C. A.; Capt. A. G. Emery, chaplain; Pte. F. L. Lozie, the military medical officer, was ill through most of the voyage, and his duties were undertaken by Capt. L. H. Ratner, with the hospital staff composed of Nursing Sisters M. A. Sainte Ange and M. A. Capps, Capt. Morrison, and today, on the boys for Number Seven District were under the command of Lieut. Robert B. Murray, 12nd Battalion, Chatham, and Lieut. William Edwin Macdonald of Fredericton.

The New Brunswick quota included 21 Pte. Joseph P. Lathams, acting Corporal Hugh Campbell, 55th Battalion, Harcourt; Pte. George Cousins, 253rd Battalion, St. John; Frank Daville, 55th Battalion, St. John; Sapper William Dell, railway troops, St. John; William Gibson, 104th Battalion, St. John; Alexander Dyer, 104th Battalion, St. John; Nelson Latereau, 55th Battalion, Campbellton; Harry Liffard, 104th Battalion, Fredericton; William Melin, 28th Battalion, Sackville; Lawrence Morgan, 104th Battalion, Fredericton; James A. Murray, St. John; Joseph McDonald, 104th Battalion, Harcourt; Charles MeCee, 104th Battalion, Harvey Station; Frederick McKinnon, 12th Battalion, St. John; Karl Nesbitt, Canadian Engineers, St. John; Joseph Parker, 132nd Battalion, Campbellton; Martha Patterson, draft base, James Street, St. John; Hillier, Hillier, Hillier, Rupert Rawworth, Canadian Field Artillery, Port Elgin; John W. Scott, Canadian Engineers, St. John; Charles Smith, 20th Battalion, St. John; Frank L. Smith, 55th Battalion, St. John; Gunner Albert C. Stokes, 55th Battalion, Moncton; Pte. A. S. Priddy, 12th Battalion, St. John; Ernest Thompson, 145th Battalion, Sackville, and John Wallace, 55th Battalion, Grand Falls.

The other maritime unit, District 6, had a complement of two officers and 68 men, Winnipeg taking second place with four officers and 127 men and among the boys returning home is Lance Corporal Arthur H. Cook, of the 25th Battalion, Yarmouth, who has been a prisoner of war for two years.

The following among the rank and file are the prize winners of decorations: Private Charles Weaver, 12th Battalion, Military Medal and Mons Star; Edmond; Sergt. Rene M. Vigneault, 12th Battalion, Military Medal; Sergt. Clarence Anderson, 70th Battalion, Military Medal, Windsor; Lance Corporal Dyer Hastings, 34th Battalion, Military Medal, Stratford, Ont.; Corporal Fred Johnson, 34th Battalion, Military Medal; Corporal Joseph A. Fortier, 5th Battalion, Military Medal, Ottawa, and Corporal Bert Speight, Canadian Railway Troops, Military Medal, Kingston.

The men were cleared with great expedition, districts six and seven being marched out of the sheds shortly after five o'clock. The last unit was fully packed and entrained through to its destination at Vancouver shortly after midnight.

Throughout the voyage one real grievance was aired and that was the protest of the non-commissioned officers to the effect that they should have better than third class accommodations. The officer commanding troops, Major H. A. Wise, stated yesterday to the Standard that this protest is well founded and that he intends to take the matter up with Ottawa at the earliest opportunity. In this connection Major H. H. Smith, commanding officer at this clearing depot has also taken the matter up with the authorities at Ottawa and it is now receiving consideration.

BARREL OF BOOZE SEIZED. Sub-inspector McAlnish made a call on an express company yesterday, and seized a barrel of whiskey.

Mrs. A. C. Rowan, Fredericton, is a guest at the Dufferin. W. A. Carvell, Halifax, is in the city on a business trip. Mr. J. W. Cushing, Albany, New York, is a visitor in the city. J. M. B. Roy, Vancouver, reached the city yesterday on business.

EVERY CITIZEN ASKED TO GIVE

The Salvation Army Needs Help from All to Make Drive on Thursday, January 23rd, a Success.

The War is over. It is now a matter of history and the name of the Salvation Army is written large, none larger. They have sought by every means of human power to help the men who fought. But the work is not over and will not be for several years. The Salvation Army is in need of funds to continue it, and a grateful country is going to find opportunity to express itself in a practical manner during the week of January 19th, and in St. John Thursday, January 23rd. The Army cannot continue without money and \$25,000 is the minimum amount expected from St. John, although the Rotary Club, under the guidance of Mr. R. D. Patterson, who are back of the drive, are not going to be satisfied with this amount. Every man when he reads the paper sees the front is preaching vigorously the cause of the Army, more vigorously now when they learn that the friend of the soldier needs and asks their practical friendship. The Rotary Club is planning an energetic campaign and the executive is preparing a canvass whereby practically every citizen will be solicited, and the contribution of the rich and poor alike will be appreciated. Remember the date, THURSDAY, JANUARY 23RD.

SOLDIER'S WIFE SURPRISED HIM

Private Keirstead First Acquainted With Fact That English Wife Arrived When S. S. Scotian Reached Port.

A telephone message yesterday from the immigration sheds, West St. John, to the headquarters of the 7th Battalion, C. I. B., at St. John, was the first notification that Private Keirstead had of the arrival of his English wife in Canada.

The new kitchen and mess rooms which were engaged in one of the company orderly rooms when an orderly casually strolled in and asked if he was married. On Private Keirstead answering yes, he was informed that "His Missus was a cooling her heels in the immigration sheds."

Needless to state he immediately secured leave and amid the congratulations of all present raced for the ferry boat. Private Keirstead went overseas with the first contingent and served in France and Flanders for many months, being in all the larger engagements. He was eventually wounded and while recovering met, wooed and married. The new mess rooms which surprised him so thoroughly by falling to notify him of her voyage to Canada.

MILITARY GARAGE BEING ERRECTED

Is Only One of a Number of Much Needed Buildings Being Built on the Barrack Square.

The erection of a new military garage on the barrack square was commenced on Monday morning. The building will hold ten military trucks, or large military cars; and besides will contain rooms for the renovation of the course of ten days. These quarters, being in all the larger engagements, when completed, will accommodate any future housing of troops at the centre.

The guard room, under the process of construction, is nearing a finish, and it is stated will be completed in the course of ten days. These quarters, when completed, will accommodate military violators for minor crimes. It contains about thirteen cells—on large and twelve smaller ones—each of which are fitted up in modern style, to grant warmth and accommodation to those who may in the future occupy such quarters. All the new buildings on the grounds, or in the course of erection at the present time, fit in with the plan that accommodation to troops as was foremost in the minds of the military authorities.

READY FOR ANOTHER GREAT DAY'S SHOPPING.

This sale has proven its worth to the great number of people who desire sound, dependable goods at the lowest possible price. As a result this is the greatest January Clearance Sale in years. For today we have ready a great host of values, just a few from many which we can find room to tell here: Firstly, superb quality of our \$1.59, 26 in. wide Silk Satin, less than manufacturer's cost, obtainable in all shades. Mercerized Poplins in plain colors, 28 in. wide, shown in many splendid regular 90c. value for 69c. per yard. Sample clearance of soiled Linenette Blouses at 98c. and \$1.08. Our high class quality Fur in Sets and Coats, at extraordinarily reduced prices. There is still an opportunity to obtain White wear of a better sort at prices from 25 per cent. to 50 per cent. less than their actual worth. Our shopping tour is not complete without a visit to this wonderfully delightful department, situated on the 3rd floor at Dykeman's.

The Colwell Fuel Co., Ltd., are receiving at their docks American Hard Coal ex. Barge Langhorn and schooner Annie Chase.

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Special Bargains in White Washable Blouses SHOWING IN COSTUME SECTION TODAY. Crisp New Garments in attractive styles selling at these most unusual prices, \$1.10, \$1.39, \$1.59 and \$1.75. Below are described a number of the various models: BLOUSE in sheer organza, made with pointed collar of plain material. Front of blouse is heavily embroidered and finished with pretty side tabs. Sleeves have broad hemstitched cuffs. Price \$1.10. PLAIN TAILORED BLOUSE in striped gingham made in yoke style with button-neck collar and wide cuffs trimmed with hemstitching. Price \$1.39. WHITE VOILE BLOUSE with front embroidered in small floral pattern. This is made with wide pointed collar daintily edged with lace. Sleeves have narrow cuffs finished with tucks and hemstitching. Price \$1.59. WHITE VOILE BLOUSE with pretty front of sheer Swiss embroidery, finished on sides with groups of tucks and hemstitching. Collar is pointed and edged with fine lace. Wide hemstitched cuff on sleeves. Price \$1.75. WHITE VOILE BLOUSE with sailor collar and stole front edged with lace and prettily embroidered in dainty floral design. Sleeves are set in with fine beading and have smart turn over cuffs, hemstitched and edged with lace. Sale Today in Costume Section, 2nd Floor. FLOWERED RIBBONS for Hair Bows and Fancywork. Especially suitable for pretty Bondy Caps. These are in light shades, 3 1/2 and 6 inches wide. Price \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50. WAR MEDAL RIBBONS in various kinds including ribbons for V. C., D. S. O., D. C. M. G. C. M., M. M., M. C., I. L. S., and others. RIBBON SECTION ANNEX. NEW INDIAN SHOPPING BASKETS Have Just Arrived. They are in practical shapes, good size, and have Sweet Grass tops and handles. Price \$1.50 and \$1.75. Also, Sweet Grass Knitting Baskets in Barrel and Round shapes. Price \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50. PURE LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, unlaundered, with hand embroidered initials in all the different letters. Sold in half dozen only. Specially Priced \$1.40 half dozen. Big bargains are still obtainable in Men's Furnishings, including reasonable weights in Underwear, Sweaters, Half Hose, Gloves, etc. MEN'S FURNISHING DEPARTMENT, GROUND FLOOR. ODD MAKES AND VARIOUS SIZES IN WOMEN'S KID GLOVES. Special Prices \$1.50 pair. WOOL GLOVES in New Gantlet style, just the thing for out-door sports. The colors are White, Gray, Brown, Black and Heather. Price \$1.25 and \$1.35 pair. Free Hemming Sale of Household Cottons and Linens in Linen Section. Watch for Special Bargains announced from time to time. GROUND FLOOR. Manchester Robertson Allison Limited KING STREET • GERMAIN STREET • MARKET SQUARE •

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