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The FINNEGAN CARRIAGE & WAGON CO.
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Cadets Yearn for Civilian Life

Only 60 Out of 1,200 Signify Desire To Complete Course.

Very few of the cadets in the Royal Air Force are anxious to continue flying with a view to completing their training. When training ceased the R.A.F. had 1,200 cadets, but only 60 have accommodation on board the ships.

BOW SECTION OF "NORTHWEST" FOUNDERED OFF CONSECON

Crew Escaped to Shore on Raft But Engineer and Cook Later Succumbed to Exposure — Vessel was in Two Sections and was Being Towed to Montreal from Upper Lakes — Bow Broke Away and Drifted to Prince Edward Shore.

When the bow section of the steamer Northwest sank in Lake Ontario some miles from Consecon near the point on Thursday night in a storm, the crew escaped on a raft to the shore but two died of exposure following their landing. It appears that the bow section parted company with the stern section and the barge Schoocraft, which was towing both sections from the Upper Lakes to Montreal.

Yesterday the crew of the Rochester Life Saving Station aboard the Schoocraft and several tugs returned to Rochester harbor, report that an all day search had been fruitless. The tugs and schooner searched the lake in a sixty-mile circle about the spot where the missing section was hailed by the Rochester lifesavers on Wednesday. The crew on the section is said to have died of exposure at that time, thinking assistance at that time, thinking unnecessary.

On Fri. at 2.30 a.m. the village of Consecon was the scene of excitement when it was learned that a life-boat had come ashore with nine men aboard from a section of the Northwest which had foundered off the shore. It will be remembered that at that time there was a heavy gale accompanied by a heavy down-pour of rain.

Coroner Dr. Morley Currie of

BURR'S

Some day Burr's school is going to have a flag pole. The contract was let over six years ago and last week the foundation was fixed. Perhaps before the last of the boys get home from the war it will be up waving the flag aloft so they will see they are not the only ones who are loyal to the flag.

Mr. Ed. Blakely and Carl Banookburn visited at F. Burkett's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Noxon visited Mr. D. S. Doellittle on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Doellittle at F. Burkett's on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Leavens, Wellington was at Mr. H. Thomas' Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fox, Norman and Howard visited J. R. Marvin's Sunday.

Mrs. Tutts, Detroit, is the guest of her brother, Murney Parks, a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Mitchell visited Picton last Friday.

PICTON

Mrs. Rogers Sarnia, is in town. Mr. I. Frith Fraser is in Toronto this week in the interest of the Fraser store.

Miss Frankie Tait, Toronto, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Kelly, Centre street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hamly will leave next week to spend the winter in Toronto.

Mr. C. M. Tripp left on Tuesday for Moose Jaw, Sask., where he expects to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Cortland Dahard, have returned from Shaunavon, Sask., and are at their home at Millford.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Blakely and family left Monday afternoon for Lakeland, Florida, where they expect to reside for a time.

Mr. Hiram Moran and Mr. Hubert Goodmurphy, Big Island, left on Saturday on a trip to Detroit.

Mrs. James Worrell has been in Toronto owing to the illness of her daughter, Gertrude, nurse-in-training at Welsley Hospital.

Mr. J. Wesley McKibbin has been appointed agent for the well-known nurseries of E. D. Smith & Son, Winona.

Messrs. Peir and Albert Collier shipped a carload of cattle to Toronto on Monday and received tickets while there to attend the complimentary dinner to be given in honor of Hon. Robert Rogers at the King Edward Hotel.

The body of Cadet Willet Bedell who died aboard ship en route to England, October 20, arrived in Picton on the afternoon train on Wednesday and was taken to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bedell, Centre street. The funeral took place on Saturday afternoon.—Times.

COUNTY AND DISTRICT

SAD RETURN FOR HERO

Influenza at Whitby Soldiers' Hospital

Two Men Injured by Fall

Rev. J. M. Whyte, Methodist minister at Bobcaygeon, and Mr. Isaac Lewis were shingling the parsonage stable when the plank of the scaffold broke and both men fell a distance of fifteen or sixteen feet. Mr. Lewis is injured in his shoulder and Mr. Whyte fell with his back across a stone, breaking the top of his left hip bone and straining the muscles of his body badly.

Major Birchard Arrives Home

Word has been received in town that Major E. R. Birchard, of Canadian Headquarters, London, Eng., had arrived in Halifax on Nov. 28th from overseas. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Birchard, of Linden Valley. A pathetic incident in connection with his home-coming is that the remains of his beloved wife (the late Edna J. Lee) were interred at Gilbert Plains, Man., on the date of his arrival at Halifax.—Lindsay Post.

Cobourg Hath Charms

F. C. Dale, a thirteen-year-old boy travelling from Smiths Falls to Toronto on a C.P.R. train on Tuesday, was so taken with the charming and sanitary appearance of Cobourg that he alighted at the depot and neglected to remount the iron stud on his departure. F. C. spent a day taking in the sights when Chief Russ asked him whose little boy he was, and not being able to give a satisfactory explanation for his sojourn, the chief had him sent back to Smiths Falls.—Cobourg Sentinel-Star.

Wilson Henry Lloyd and Thomas McGhie, of Kingston, have passed the fall examinations of the Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons.

She Stole For Story Material

Widow Wished to Write about an Offender's Emotions.

New York Times.—Mrs. Inez Termatt, who said she was a Western school teacher and a widow, living temporarily at New Brunswick, N.J., pleaded guilty in Special Sessions to the theft of \$11.50 worth of goods from Wanamaker's and then she told the court that she had turned shoplifter on this occasion only for the purpose of getting "human interest" material for "short stories." Ellen Cohn, a companion of Mrs. Termatt, who was arraigned on a similar charge, also pleaded guilty, and asserted that she was not a shoplifter but had simply entered into the "scheme of Mrs. Termatt for the furthering of her literary ambition."

"I've been writing fiction short stories for a year or more, but the publishers said my work lacked vital interests, so I came to New York to study characters and to get the right material and touch to my stories," Mrs. Termatt told Justices McInerney, Herrman and Voorhees. "I did not seem to accomplish this by visits to the police courts, so I decided to have myself arrested to enable me to portray the emotions of an offender and to picture the effects of the law of wrong doing."

The women admitted that she had used an assumed name to protect her relatives. She gave information privately to the court which she said would prove by investigation the truth of her statement. Pending this inquiry by probation officers both women were remanded for sentence.

Winter Sets In

Rice Lake was frozen over a considerable distance yesterday morning. It was impossible to leave the shores at Bewdley by boat. But ice at Bewdley is preferable to mosquitoes.—Port Hope Guide.

Others Suggest Same Remedy

The influenza is increasing again in Indianapolis, and excepting at home or out of doors everybody has to wear a mask. Warning is given that any business house or theatre admitting a person without a mask will be ordered closed. Our corner friend suggests that Manager Smart of the Royal Theatre provide muzzles for the patrons who insist upon reading the titles of the pictures aloud.—Port Hope Guide.

Six Cars Lays Stock Shipped

Mr. W. H. Giddy shipped a car of hogs to Peterboro and two cars of cattle and lambs to Toronto yesterday.

Mr. Wm. Johnson, of Belleville, is visiting at Rev. F. H. Howard's, Stirling News-Argus.

Belleville Boy's Two Decorations

Belgian Cross of War and Military Medal Won by Sergt. Harry Dawkins, Received By Parents

Mr. and Mrs. George Dawkins, 95 George street, received the Military Medal and Croix de Guerre (Belgian) won by 410260, Corporal H. Dawkins, 38th Canadian Battalion, Eastern Ontario Regiment, Lt. Col. H. A. Genet, A.A.G., M.D., No. 2, Kingston, in forwarding the decorations stated:

"The General Officer commanding the district desires me to express the greatest appreciation for the services of this gallant soldier and I am also directed by the Honourable Minister to express his most sincere personal appreciation for the services of so brave a man.

"On my behalf, please accept my sincerest compliments that you are a relative of so brave a man."

"Details of action for which award was granted, enclosed herewith."

His Gallant Deed.

"Military Medal awarded to 410260 Cpl. Dawkins H. 38th Battalion, Authority London Gazette No. 30573.

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"Deed—For conspicuous gallantry in action during the battle of Passchendaele Ridge on the 30th October, 1917. While in charge of his Lewis gun, his company left its support position to reinforce the 85th Battalion. Corporal Dawkins was not aware of this move, but learning of it afterwards he immediately provided a gun crew, his own having become a casualty. He pushed up to the 85th front line, got his gun into position where assistance was desired and materially assisted in maintaining the position. This gun on the night of the 30th and 31st of October, did excellent work against a body of about 35 of the enemy. This N.C.O. displayed gallantry and initiative."

Corporal Harry Dawkins was wounded during the latter part of the year 1917, a shell grazing his chest. For months he was in a precarious state but ultimately he recovered. He was promoted sergeant and returned to France and was acting as machine gun instructor up to the date of the signing of the armistice. Prior to enlistment he was fireman in the service of the G.T.R.

Barred Kisses From Old Men

Lachine Officer Got Warm Reception in Evacuated Village.

The following is an extract from a letter sent by Lieut. R. M. Robertson, B.E.F., under date of October 27, son of R. Robertson of Riversdale Drive, Lachine:

"I must tell you about the very unique and interesting experience I had not long ago. It was after the Huns had evacuated one of the villages. I happened to be the first person to get there. Well, you ought to have seen the reception I got. King George never had a better service of this gallant soldier and I was on the motor cycle and just as I got to the edge of the village an old lady and little girl about 11, stopped me.

"The old lady said to the little girl, Embrassez Monsieur." So the little girl gave me a hug and a kiss. Soon a crowd of 50 were around me, all wanting to follow the example of the little girl, but I had to draw the line when it came to some of the old men. Everybody had something they wanted to give me; flowers, cigars, cigarettes, etc., not to speak of coffee and cognac.

"Well, I wish I could have got pictures of myself sitting on the cycle in the middle of the road with that crowd of excited people all round and all of them trying to talk at once. I had to go through the same performance every 100 yards through the village.

"These French people certainly are glad to be free again and some of them do look as if they had suffered a lot. Nevertheless they are all very cheerful and cannot do enough for us. Maybe they will get over it by and bye.

"How they ever managed to exist I don't know. The other day I was in a store buying some matches, which cost me 8c for a small box, and the lady was telling me that she had to pay 50 francs for a kilo of butter, which works out at \$5.00 a pound. Rather expensive, isn't it?"

Mailbag Robbery Turns Out A Hoax; "Postie" is Held

Story of Hold-up at Point of Belleville Now Seems Unfounded.

Quebec, Dec. 2.—All the sensational stories told about the robbery of \$5,000 worth of mails some weeks ago at Arthabaska were shattered today, and A. Houde, mail carrier, who reported being robbed at the point of revolvers by masked bandits, was arrested and held as a material witness.

The two mail pouches, containing the mail robbed, were found by the roadside Monday at a spot that has been gone over scores of times since the robbery. A hole was discovered in the bush not far from the road where the mail bags had been hidden and later dug out, and a trail was found, indicating that someone had unscrupulously placed them in a conspicuous spot on the highway. Houde was held without bail as a material witness.

Local Citizen Saw "Bloody" Circular

Would "Wade in Blood"—Flery Literature is Scattered over Province.

"Wade in blood up to the knees, if necessary," is exhortation contained in a Bolshevist manifesto which is being sent freely to returned soldiers in Toronto. About 20,000 of the circulars have been distributed to date. It is understood. The introductory word to veterans and citizens generally is to "arise and seize what is rightfully yours." A copy is being digested and its origin investigated by the Detective Department.

The legislation passed by the Dominion Government during the war receives particularly malignant attention. The example of Russia in establishing a "People's Government" is cited as having proved a success. Should the revolution prevail the people are exhorted to throw down the National Government and take the law into their own hands.

Asked what the police purpose doing, Inspector of Detectives Kennedy asked in reply: "What's the use of doing anything at all, when the courts refuse to exercise restraint upon these people?"

Just a little more than three weeks until we know whether our friends have bought us a red necktie or a box of cigars.

Presentation at Trenton

Mr. H. H. Romley-Williams Bidden Farewell by Trenton Friends.

A very pleasing event took place Thursday evening when Mrs. (Dr.) H. M. Caverley entertained a few of the friends of Mr. H. Romley-Williams prior to his departure from Trenton, where he has been attached to the British Chemical Co. Ltd. During the evening, bridge, whist and other social games were freely indulged in, whilst the hostess attended to the musical programme. After dainty refreshments were served Mr. Owen Fortune with a few appropriate remarks presented Mr. Williams with a handsome club bag as a mark of the esteem and appreciation felt for him by his many friends in Trenton. In replying, Mr. Williams after expressing his pleasure at the gift, said that he considered it more than a privilege to have been able to render any help however slight, in all patriotic and red cross work and so adhere to Lord Nelson's famous signal, "England expects that every man this day will do his duty." (cheers) The party broke up at midnight after singing "He's a Jolly Good Fellow" with heartfelt good wishes for his future good fortune.

Subscriptions For Memorial

To the Fallen Belleville Boys Campaign to be Launched Next Week

The fifteenth band will next week launch a campaign to raise by subscriptions funds for the erection of a soldiers' monument, their proposal having been sanctioned by the city council executive on Thursday evening. The committee in charge is as follows:

Chairman—W. J. Carter
Secretary—L. E. Walmley
Treasurer—Arthur Jones
Executive—Ald. Charles Hanna, Walter Asseltine and Albert Wannacott.

The committee have no plans yet as to what form the memorial will take, except that it will be a monument. Much will depend on the amount of the subscriptions.

The Chinese government will destroy \$14,000,000 worth of opium purchased from Shanghai merchants who were unable to dispose of it because of law against shipping it into the interior.