

NORFOLK NEWS

FARMERETTES IN DIFFICULTY

Agricultural Representative at Simcoe Not to be Found

OTHER SIMCOE NEWS

Simcoe, Aug. 21.—(From Our Own Correspondent)—Does anyone know where the agricultural representative of the office staff has gone? Farmerettes from Toronto and other distant points have been patrolling the streets and watching about the office door in quest of certificates for transportation home. And these outside farmerettes as well as our local force, have given a good account of themselves. It is generally agreed that they have done their best. The Dominion Canners' whistle was calling again yesterday for help to string beans. Drop in there ladies till that office door opens. They say it's a pleasant place to work.

The Fuel Problem.
Where are we at with this gas, wood and coal question? Town folk are looking for wood. Many farmers have hauled their winter supply of coal back among the tall timbers whence Hamilton, Brantford and Stratford will get wood, hauled over the same sidelines and transported over the railways. The special committee of the Council met last night to discuss the matter and made some progress.

The Parking of Cars.
Monday evening the police committee deliberated on the question of designating portions of streets for the parking of cars and will be ready to report at the next meeting of Council.

Captain J. Jacques Dangerously Ill.
Mrs. J. Jacques received last night a third cable concerning the critical condition of her husband, Capt. J. Jacques, of the Army Veterinary Corps, who is in No. 18 Hospital at Alexandria, Egypt.

The first received on July 21st, read, "ill of malaria." The next, on August 6th, "dangerously ill, enteric fever."

That received yesterday was dated Aug. 17th, and was a repetition of the second. Captain Jacques had therefore been down over four weeks before the last message was sent.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

By Courier Leased Wire
Ottawa, Aug. 21.—A total of 656 names appears in the morning and noon casualty lists issued by the Canadian Record Office to-day.

In the morning list three Canadian soldiers are reported dead of wounds, one gassed, 373 wounded and one ill. In the noon list 43 Canadians are reported killed in action, 35 died of wounds, 3 missing and 142 wounded.

The names follow:
Infantry—Wounded: J. Dryden, Tansley; M. Rodgers, Nelles; Corners; A. H. Smith, Hamilton; L. R. Sinclair, Sarnia; B. Giddings, Millton Heights; T. E. Bell, Goderich; J. M. Conkie, Beamsville; H. P. Danard, Kemble; H. A. Dalmer, N. Sagara Falls; H. A. Davidson, Hamilton; F. W. Scott, Stratford; S. B. Robertson, Milton; West; G. L. Johnson, Oxford; F. J. Simmons, Hensall; L. W. Longhurst, Galt; J. C. Thomson, Toronto; J. Taylor, Goderich; E. A. V. Rice, Kitchener; W. J. Merithew, St. Catharines; A. Moses, London; E. P. McArthur, Hensall; J. A. Lynch, Hagersville; F. Warren, Mount Brydges; H. R. Wickham, Windsor; F. W. Barr, Ford.

Killed in action—127,223 J.G. Benbow, Brussels; Lieut. R. M. Knowles, Dundas; Lieut. E. A. Langford, London; 18,288 P. Arthur, Campbellford; 802,547 P. R. Utting, Woodstock; 403,322 H. T. Warner, Ingersoll; 850,312 J. Tiffney, Thero; 838,620 H. M. Phillips, Rock Mills; 675,620 R. M. Matague, Drumbo.

QUEBEC BRIDGE TO BE TESTED TODAY

Final Trial Before Structure is Taken Over by the Government

Quebec, Aug. 21.—The final test of the Quebec Bridge before it is accepted by the Government will take place this afternoon.

This immense structure over which trains have been running since early last winter is now complete in every detail and the trial to which it will be put to-day will fully try out the stability of the structure.

Two trains composed of fifty five cars, each loaded to capacity and each hauled by two of the heaviest locomotives in the service of the Canadian Government Railway will weigh out on the bridge. The combined weight of both will be allowed to rest simultaneously on the central span which is 1,600 feet in length.

If the bridge withstands this great test it will probably be accepted immediately by the government.

More than 500 members of the Depot Battalion at Winnipeg have made application to aid in the harvest.

Twenty-eight sections of good hay land was burned over near Gt. Clenden, Alta., last week by prairie fires.

Mrs. Eliza Schless, 47, of Poular Bluff, Me., died suddenly after crossing from heart failure, after crossing the river to visit friends.

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Odd Ends of News
Some farmers in the county are contemplating going West for the harvest.

Business interests having occasion to haul freight to or from the L. E. & N. threaten to ship by the other road if the eastern approach to the new bridge, which has for some days been in a dangerous condition, is not repaired.

Spring wheat grown from government supplied wheat is reported to be yielding a good average return. The crop has for some years been practically abandoned as a cereal crop, for many years. The entire fall wheat yield will amount to little more than enough for the coming seeding, for which already considerable plowing and cultivation is under way.

Notwithstanding all complaints about shortage of farm help, a good acreage was sown, hay has been well taken care of and the oats and wheat all garnered, and there is no pronounced cry for help on the farm for the fall work.

Thrashing proceeds as usual. The men who have complained most about shortage of farm help are those who have been most away from their farms.

Reports come to hand that an attempt is to be made at Cayuga to stir up the farming community against the government, although a speaker at last week's meeting here admitted that the farmers had got pretty well all that they asked for.

Set. Bentley, who was before the Military Medal, and previously wounded, has been again reported wounded in the left leg and abdomen. F. L. Billington of Vitoia, and Ber. Simons, are also among those listed.

SAVE THESE BEANS.
Thousands of pounds of green beans will spoil unless Simcoons turn out this evening and to-morrow to assist in stringing. This is a war time emergency. Let Simcoons spring to the occasion. Hold to-morrow afternoon's picnic at the factory. Be proud enough to help in this emergency.

GLADIATORS IN WARTIME

A Contrast That Must Interest People of Canada

Wellington's dictum that the Battle of Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton is an epigrammatic way of expressing the general knowledge that a training in athletic sports is calculated to fit a man for the dangers and hardships of war. British casualty lists are gilded and studded with the names of fallen officers who in time of peace distinguished themselves in the football field, the cricket crease, on the river and at polo, and in a dozen other outdoor sports. It may be that the deep-chested athlete has shown no greater bravery than the puny clerk, but he has at any rate lived up to the best traditions of British sportsmanship and manhood and has played the great game as gallantly and as modestly as he played his boyish games before the war. What is true of British sportsmen and athletes has been equally true of Canadian and Australian athletes. Here in Canada, the great national game, lacrosse, has almost ceased to exist on account of the war. The casualty lists have contained the names of many well known lacrosse players, both amateurs and professionals, and the figures presented at lacrosse conventions indicate that the majority of the active players have long since been in khaki. A great many American athletes from all branches of amateur sport have already gone to France, and it is because of the striking contrast to what English-speaking athletes in general have done that attention is directed to the part played by professional baseball players in the United States.

Those of them who have been conscripted have no option but to go, but those who fear they may yet have to enlist are taking precautions that do more credit to their agency than to their patriotism. Many of them have found a haven in shipbuilding. If engaged as shipbuilders they will be exempt from the next draft, or so, at any rate, they believe, and they are as busy as so many Nochs in seeking employment as shipbuilders. The job does not pay as well as baseball, but better than soldiering, and is much safer. When the war is over these heroes of the diamond expect to return to the ball parks with whole hides and once more prance and pose before the American public. In this they probably miscalculate. They will find that there is no longer a desire on the part of the American people to contribute to the support of athletes who in time of peace were considered the very gladiators of the country, but who, when war broke out, showed nothing but a determination not to expose themselves to danger.

BLAZE IN ALBERTA

By Courier Leased Wire.
Edmonton, Alta. Aug. 21.—A telegram from Wetnam, thirty miles west of this city, says the King George Hotel and the drug store and ice cream parlour were totally destroyed by fire yesterday. R. C. Kirkpatrick, station agent, was badly cut on one eye through smashing the windows of a train in which he thought his son was sleeping. The fire started in the chimney of the drug store.

To Deal Severely With Delinquents

Standing Court - Martial With Full Powers is Established

WILL SPEED UP WORK Considered Necessary Owing to Increasing Number of Offenders

Toronto, Aug. 21.—To facilitate the work of dealing with conscientious objectors and offenders against military law, Ottawa has decided to form a permanent court-martial for this military district. The president of the court will have the right to hold court-martial at any convenient place in the district, and will name the date for all assemblies. The establishment of this body has been considered advisable owing to the increasing number of offenders, and in order that a great deal of unnecessary work may be eliminated. Formerly, when a soldier was to be tried by court-martial, a special assembly had to be formed, which action caused a certain amount of delay before proceedings were undertaken. This has been omitted by the appointment of the permanent tribunal and a number of waiting members, so that court can be assembled with the least possible delay and the necessity of making fresh appointments will be avoided.

As the permanent court-martial will have full powers, and can impose any punishment it deems advisable, its establishment is an indication that the Government intends to deal severely in the future with soldiers who refuse to obey the orders of their superior officer, or those of the military authorities in general, and that strict discipline will be instilled into the ranks. The order authorizing the formation of the new tribunal arrived at military headquarters yesterday from Major-Gen. E. C. Ashton, adjutant-general. The members are: President, Lt.-Col. J. J. McCauland, who went overseas with the 74th Battalion, and is now with the 2nd Depot Battalion, 2nd C.O.R.; Major C. E. B. Begy, 1st Depot Battalion, 2nd C.O.R.; Major A. A. Mackenzie, 1st Depot Battalion, 1st C.O.R.; and Major C. S.

Roman Catholics Busy.
The Roman Catholics of Canada are accomplishing much in welfare work for the soldiers of the Dominion serving in Europe, according to a report received by the Knights of Columbus Committee on War Activities. Eight hut chapels or recreation rooms are now being conducted in England, while two huts and a number of tents are maintained in France. Others are to be erected without delay. A large amount of church supplies have been issued to chaplains to aid soldiers. Comforts and recreation are being provided for the men.

Seventh Son Goes to Front.
Mrs. John Jowsey, of Aylmer, has just sent her seventh son to the front. Six of her boys enlisted early in the war. One has been killed in action and two others are wounded.

Survives Shock of 2,400 Volts.
William J. Hiltner, a Peterborough electrician, recently survived a shock of 2,400 volts and is to-day none the worse for an adventure which would commonly be regarded as necessarily fatal.

U-Boat Officer Attended New York Theatre

Sub Raiders Believed to Have Landed Men in U.S.

Probably the last case to be tried under the old system will be that of Pte. John E. Plant, who will shortly be arraigned at Camp Niagara before the following tribunal: President, Lieut.-Col. B. H. Belsion, 1st Depot Battalion, 2nd C.O.R.; Major G. E. B. Begy, Major C. S. Pote, Capt. M. W. Wallace, Capt. W. H. S. Richardson and Capt. A. B. Lindsay, waiting member, Lieut.-Col. J. A. MacDonald is Judge-Advocate and Lieut.-R. H. Sloane, prosecutor.

The sentence of penal servitude for life, commuted to 10 years penal servitude, passed upon Pte. George Ed. Gray, who was convicted on July 4, on charges of disobeying the orders of a superior officer, was promulgated at military headquarters yesterday. It will be remembered that a test case was made of Gray's application for habeas corpus before the Supreme Court of Canada recently.

MEM LANDED
In telling of the incident to-day the women explained that in the excitement of the moment the story had slipped her mind until it was disclosed by public dispatches from Washington that the raiders were believed to have landed men on these shores. Her story was corroborated by another prominent resident of the island who also interviewed the fishermen.

JERSEY CITY HERE.
Arrangements have been made for a game between Jersey City and the local semi-pros on Friday night. The Jersey City team is one of the fastest in the league and the game promises to be a good one.

Remember the re-opening of the butcher shop at 143 William street. Fresh and cured meats

RELIEF SHIP MINED

By Courier Leased Wire.
Christiania, Norway, Aug. 21.—The Dutch steamer Gazconier, operated by the Belgian relief commission and en route from New York to Rotterdam with flour, struck a mine in the North Sea, caught fire, and sank. Six lives were lost. A guard ship took the survivors to Haugesund, on the west coast of Norway. The Gazconier is listed as a Belgian steamer, but was formerly under the Dutch flag and at that time bore the name of Fruithandel. She was built at West Hartlepool, England, in 1906 and was 320 feet long with a beam of 47 feet and a depth of 22 feet. She was owned by the Lloyd Royal Belge of Antwerp.

Sixteen thousand troops from all parts of Canada have arrived in Britain.

What have you got to sell?

Useful things—which you no longer use—have a greater money-value nowadays than ever before.

Furniture and furnishings of the home, side-tracked for newer things; office furniture and fixtures, replaced and no more in actual use; wearables; books, pictures, musical instruments, art objects; used automobiles, still serviceable—these and many other things have a cash value which you may readily realize through advertising them—For Sale—through the classified.

If it is not defensible to hoard food or fuel in these war times, neither is it patriotic to store away or to relegate to the junk heap used-but-useful articles which may be urgently needed by many people who would find it hard to purchase them at first hand. Don't permit any useful article you own to be a Slacker. If you cannot use it, sell it to somebody who can—and invest the money you realize from its sale in war bonds.

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