

Wholesale Desertions Are Taking Place in The German Army

Eleven Thousand Have Deserted From Bruges Alone-Canadians to Remain in England Until Epidemic of Spinal Meningitis is Suppressed-Turkish Forces Rally in the Religion of the Caucasus -Earthquakes Cause Panic at Rome

WHOLESALE DESERTIONS FROM GERMAN ARMY.

HAVRE, Jan. 13.—The real reason for the strict guard by the Germans of the Belgian-Dutch frontier, is an epidemic of desertions which began in the German ranks after the battle of the Yser. During December there were 11,000 deserters from the garrison of Bruges alone.

REASON OF THE DUNKIRK AERIAL RAID.

DUNKIRK, Jan. 13.—The importance of the great German air raid on Dunkirk, Sunday, is increased by reason of the fact that the raid was intended to harm the French President, who was expected at Dunkirk to present a standard to the famous French Marine Fusiliers. The President did not arrive until Monday morning, but that the German aviators were misled by their spies is evident from the fact that at the end of their day's bombardment, they threw down weighted streamers on the town which bore the words "Bon Jour, Poincare, a demain."

CANADIANS TO REMAIN AT SALISBURY FOR THE PRESENT.

SALISBURY, Jan. 13.—It is stated that the Canadians will remain in England until all the meningitis is cured. Of twenty-nine cases there were only two recoveries. Twenty men died and the two other cases are in the hospital, incurable. Prof. Ashworth, of the Lister Institute has been engaged by the War Office to help check the disease. There are five cases among children at Salisbury.

A commission has been appointed to investigate the Post Office system which is inefficient. Changes are planned.

TURK'S STUBBORN RESISTANCE IN THE CAUCASUS.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 13.—The Russians in the Caucasus find their difficulties by no means removed since the crushing blow inflicted on the two Turkish Army Corps, which had ventured too far into Russian territory. The Turks assembled a force of 100,000 men at Kara Urgan where they succeeded in checking the victorious Russians on the threshold of Ottoman territory. Turkish resistance in the region of Kara Urgan already has lasted several days and does not show any signs of breaking down.

FURTHER REPORTS OF EARTHQUAKE AT ROME.

ROME, Jan. 13.—Further reports regarding the earthquake which threw Rome into a panic early to-day and destroyed a number of buildings in the outskirts, say, caused a loss of life in the suburbs. The shock was very severe outside of the city and has interrupted telegraphic communication with many of the outlying cities and towns. The quake was the strongest ever felt in Rome.

CARDINAL MERCIER ALLOWED HIS LIBERTY.

COLOGNE, Jan. 13.—Cardinal von Hartmann, Archbishop of Cologne, has persuaded General von Bissing, military governor-general of Belgium, to allow Cardinal Mercier, the Archbishop of Malines, to leave the palace and communicate freely with his episcopate. Cardinal von Hartmann has also obtained

the release of Belgian priests who were interned in Germany. Some of these are already home, and others are on their way to Belgium.

WEATHER PREDICTIONS TO DEFEAT ZEPPELINS.

PARIS, Jan. 13.—Abbe Moreaux, director of the observatory at Bourges, answers the question of whether Paris or London need fear a Zeppelin attack with a positive negative. He says that it is impossible as long as science is unable to predict with certainty for several days for a squadron of Zeppelins, starting from different points, all at a considerable distance away, to reach their goal at the same time, and that any attempt to do in the present state of meteorological science is bound to result in failure.

BRITISH CRUISER LIES OFF MORRO CASTLE.

HAVANA, Jan. 13.—The unknown cruiser which appeared off this port yesterday is tonight lying about four miles off Morro Castle. She has not communicated directly with the port and displays no colors, but has been identified by her appearance as a British armored cruiser of the Suffolk class.

It is conjectured that she is watching for the German steamer President which left here this port.

BLOW TO GERMANS.

ROTTERDAM, Jan. 13.—A severe blow to German hopes has been caused by a great fire last night at Antwerp. The important oil works of Van Gorpen & Company and Martens & Company were entirely destroyed, together with food stores and twelve houses. The blaze was visible at Putten, on the Dutch frontier. The origin of the fire is a mystery. Travellers from Bergen and Opzoom say it was due to a bomb dropped by an aeroplane, but I cannot confirm this statement.

SULTAN'S INVESTIGATOR TAKEN PRISONER.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 13.—Noury Bey, chief of the general staff of the third Ottoman army corps, who was sent by the Sultan to the Caucasus to investigate the cause of the defeat of the Sari Kamysh, has been captured by Cossacks at Kara Urgan, according to the Tiflis correspondent of The Bourse Gazette.

SWISS GOVERNMENT CONTROLS ALL CEREALS.

LAUSANNE, Jan. 13.—The Swiss Government's monopoly on the exportation of all cereals from the country, as well as the sale of all cereals within the country, went into operation to-day. It is intended to prevent any contraband trade in foodstuffs in favor of Germany or Austria.

PEACE MOVEMENT SAID TO HAVE BEEN LAUNCHED.

LONDON, Jan. 13.—The Neue Freie Presse publishes a statement that Queen Wilhelmina, the Grand Duchess of Luxemburg and the Swiss President, under the guidance of President Wilson, are working for peace. All monarchs of neutral countries have been invited to join the peace movement.

GERMANS DESTROY DUNKIRK LIGHTS.

BERLIN, Jan. 13.—The Official Press makes public a report from Rotterdam stating that "the expedition of a German airship flotilla for the purpose of destroying the military lighting establishment of Dunkirk and its surroundings had accomplished its purpose completely."

MARKS OF TRUE CITIZEN

Dr. Gordon Addressed Large Gathering at Canadian Club Last Evening

One of the members of the Canadian Club present at the banquet last night at the Y.M.C.A. characterized Dr. Gordon's address on "True Citizenship" as the finest after dinner speech ever delivered in the City of Belleville. There was a large attendance and the remarks were followed with great interest.

Dr. Gordon was at his best, engaging in pleasantries and anecdotes, which showed his sense of humor of the finest type.

A fine spread of viands was enjoyed by the club, after which the president, Mr. J. L. Hoes, introduced the guest of the evening.

Dr. Gordon expressed his opinions on the need for enthusiasm in national life. Canadian clubs are one of the strongest forces at stilling the national emotions. A true citizen will stand for a nation's glory. Foreigners find the highest ideal here, and soon learn to live up to the standard.

There is coming to Canada the finest stream of immigration. "We are all here," said Dr. Gordon on quoting Tennyson's lines on the coming federation of the world, "when the war drums throb no longer." Canada is fusing the races is working towards that great end of a united world. All Canadians are the children of immigrants.

A true citizen should wear a crown of prophecy. Nothing is more manlike a little man. God save us from littleness and meanness.

ENGLISH UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE

"I predicted a universal language; in the world, the language of John Milton and William Shakespeare. One hundred and twenty million speak it and it is growing faster than any other language of the world. A man that speaks English will be understood all over the world."

"I predict the removal of all tariff walls and dividing lines between the nations (cheers), political equality for men and women, equal distribution of wealth according to ability and skill, and the abolition of the liquor traffic to guarantee universal sobriety."

"I believe in the motion picture houses, properly censored. I believe in the book of Job in dramatic form. Many of the great teachers of history have been actors and dramatists. A man may be a great actor after receiving benefits from the world is not ready to do something for humanity. Napoleon lived for himself and ended at St. Helena with No. 1."

"Have pride in your city. What we need is dynamite in our activities. The legislation and the world is in the hands of the professional and business men. The business man is the dark horse of politics. What kind of business men are we developing?"

The address closed with interesting anecdotes about milliners. "God grant that our principal men shall be men of principle."

On motion of Rev. Dr. Baker seconded by Mr. D. V. Sinclair a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speaker.

FUNERAL OF LATE MRS. BAXTER

The funeral of the late Mrs. Arabella Baxter, wife of Hugh Baxter, took place on Monday from her home at Consecration to Consecration Methodist church where the Rev. Mr. Williams conducted a solemn service. Many friends were present and countless flowers marked the public esteem. The bearers were Messrs. R. J. Bedford, W. W. Ward, Frank Zuffel, Herman Alyea, W. Booth and J. Thompson.

Interment was in Consecration cemetery. Mrs. Baxter died in Belleville on Saturday after an illness of some duration.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS L. O. L. NO 300 WEST HUNTINGDON

At the last annual meeting for election of officers for L.O.L. No. 300, for the year 1915, the following were elected as follows—

W.M.—Wilmot Kingston D.M.—E. T. Saries Chap.—Morley Haggerty Rec. Sec.—Percy and Ashley Fin. Sec.—Philip Carr Treas.—J. W. Haggerty D. of C.—S. J. Dunnan Lecturers—Foster Wilson and Wm Gray

Com.—Thos. Donnan, E. G. Reid, A. Kingston, Clayton Hagerman, Frank Ashley

Mr. and Mrs. George Hollinger, of Moira, returned home on Monday last, after spending New Year's week, visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. J. G. Kitz, of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

GREAT GATHERING LAST NIGHT AT A. O. U. W. BANQUET

Grand Master W. C. Mikel Installed Officers of Belleville Lodge No. 251—Splendid Addresses by Men Prominent in the Order

The most important event in the history of the A.O.U.W. in this district, took place last night when the Grand Master Workman, Bro. W. C. Mikel, K.C., made his official visit to Belleville Lodge and installed the officers elect for the year 1915. The Grand Master was accompanied by the following Grand Lodge officers: Col. Craig, P.G.M., J. Lockie Wilson, Grand Supt. of Fall Fairs of the Province, Grand Foreman; F. G. Inwood, Grand Recorder; J. B. Nixon, Chairman of Laws, Bert Armstrong, Supt. of Organisation and Alex. Moore, D.D.G.M.W. Over 200 members were present, including visiting members from Trenton, Ameliasburg, Shannonville, Stirling, Plainfield, Cannington, Northport and Deseronto.

Regrets were received from the following prominent brethren, among others, who were unable to be present—Hon. Geo. P. Graham, M.P., of

of his members. The lodge meetings have kept members from the school and questionable resorts. Counsel and advice have been given by members to members by which the average hand of passion has been stayed and tragedies averted. Brothers laid low by illness have been relieved, the fevered brow cooled and parched lips quenched. When gaunt want forced in the door of the home, it was driven out by the charity and beneficence of brothers. When a bereaved widow was carried off by the grim reaper "Death" brothers were there to extend relief and consolation in the hour of affliction, also protection and guidance to the bereaved family from the selfish and overreaching. Many a child of a departed member has been helped by brethren into a career of usefulness and honor that otherwise might have been a life of crime, degradation and expense to the community. It should be a matter of great pride to belong to an organization that has done this good work.

Past Grand Master Col. J. J. Craig, of Guelph, was next called upon, and first performed the pleasing duty of presenting a wise work to Bro. A. E. Lloyd, who has volunteered for overseas service with the third contingent. Bro. Lloyd briefly responded, and then Col. Craig said that he also had sent from his home a volunteer for active service, and the day before he had, as recruiting officer for Wellington county brought in 21 volunteers. Col. Craig made an admirable speech, well illustrated with witty stories.

Bro. J. Lockie Wilson, who is perhaps better known as superintendent of fairs for Ontario, followed. He complimented Belleville upon its fair women and brave men and was proud to know that Belleville was doing her share in the defence of the empire.

Bro. G. Inwood, the Grand Recorder, for many years Liberal organizer for Ontario, delivered a most eloquent and humorous address, during which he referred to one of the banquet periods in his life spent at the Ontario Business College in this city, which he described as one of the finest institutions of its kind on the continent of America. He gave some interesting facts in regard to Belleville Lodge. This lodge had been established 29 years ago. During that time the members had paid into Grand Lodge by way of dues \$118,000. In that same period there had been paid back by the Grand Lodge to families of 55 deceased members a total of \$128,000. Less dues the Grand Lodge of Ontario paid out in mortuary and other benefits the enormous total of \$948,000.

Bro. J. B. Nixon, of Toronto, chairman of laws of the Grand Lodge and Bro. Bert Armstrong, superintendent of organizers, also spoke briefly.

The toast to "The Parliament of Canada," was proposed by Bro. Alex. Moore, D.D.G.M.W., Plainfield, and owing to the lateness of the hour briefly responded to by Bro. F. E. O'Flynn.

The toast to "The Visitors" was happily proposed by Ald. St. Charles and responded to in short speeches by Bro. M. Roy Anderson, Master of Ameliasburg lodge, and by the Master of Trenton Lodge.

"The Ladies" found an earnest champion in Bro. T. G. Smith and met with a bright response from Sister H. H. Lazier.

"The Press" was proposed by the chairman and responded to by J. O. Herity, editor of The Ontario.

The guests then joined in the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the floors were cleared for those who wished to enjoy a dance briefly.

The success of the program was very greatly contributed to by the inimitably amusing selections of the Excelsior male quartet composed of Messrs. Duhaime, St. Lawrence, H. Wrightmeyer and J. Monok.

Three members of Belleville lodge have already enlisted, and their contribution to the patriotic fund amounts to \$25.

Bros. C. Donovan, Bert Asselstine, and Vincent Asselstine were each presented with handsome gold watches for the activity they had shown in the bringing in of new members, while Bro. H. H. Lazier was rewarded with a gold ring for similar work.

DISEASED TURKEY

A party in this town purchased a turkey during the holidays. Upon dressing it she found that the liver was diseased and consulted with others about the matter. The liver was sent to the Guelph Agricultural College, where microscopic examination revealed the fact that the turkey had been infected with Entero-hepatitis, commonly known as "blackhead," which is a disease that affects turkeys in the United States and Canada, and which of course renders them unfit for consumption. The liver becomes affected early and later the head of the bird becomes black.

This incident will doubtless prove a warning to citizens to examine food carefully and also to exercise care as to whom they purchase from—Co-Boys World.

Mrs. J. B. Gauthier left for Montreal today, where she will attend the obsequies of her niece, Alice Gauthier, who died there on Monday.

ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION AT MOIRA

On the evening of January 7th., the friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Brown assembled in the Workman's Hall to bid adieu to their departing friends.

Mr. Harold Welsh read the following address to which Mr. and Mrs. Brown replied most appropriately.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harris Brown and Family. Dear Friends: We, your neighbors and associates, having learned that you are about to leave our midst, in the near future, and, thus sever the ties that have bound us together for so many years, have gathered here this evening to bid you adieu, and to spend a social evening ere you take your departure to your new home in Chatterton.

We know that words at best give but poor expression to our deepest feelings, but we assure you, that you will be greatly missed from our community.

As friends and neighbors, you have always proved yourselves to be cheerful, kind, and true, and ever ready to lend a helping hand.

We assure you, that your kindness has been appreciated by us all, and, as a community, feel that your well-comme services will be missed greatly both in social and religious life, where you have always exerted your far-reaching influence for the betterment of the community.

As members of the Moira Methodist Church, you were always present in the choir, and ever ready to do your part, for which we owe to you our heartfelt appreciation.

Now we feel that we cannot let you depart from us without some token of your appreciation.

We would ask you to accept this Set of Dishes and, in presenting it to you, we express in wish that it may convey our heartiest good wishes for your comfort through life and may it often remind you of the pleasant days spent at Moira. Be assured that our prayers and best wishes will follow you wherever duty calls you and may God grant you long life, health, happiness, and prosperity in your new home.

Signed on behalf of your many friends.

Sam. Herity, Albert Welsh. Several of the gentlemen spoke of the different ways in which Mr. Brown had benefited their neighborhood.

Miss Hazel Salisbury then rendered a most sweetly "It's a long way to Tipperary," the audience joining in the chorus. Other selections of music were given by the school children and others.

Tea was then served by the ladies, after which the National Anthem was sung. Everyone then departed all agreeing that they had spent a most enjoyable evening.

THE ROBE WAS CUT TO PIECES

The horse that made the sensational run on Saturday evening along the railway track belonged to Mr. Arthur Chase of Frankford. The horse got away from his brother above Bayside, At Bayside yesterday a robe which was thrown out of the gutter was found on the track cut to pieces. The horse escaped injury, which is remarkable owing to the flooring of the C.P.R. bridge. One of the men at the shanty who saw the horse cross the bridge said it ran so fast that he could not tell whether there was a cutter or buggy attached. Neither horse nor cutter were injured or damaged. Mr. LaRue who caught the animal was able to state its color because it had become so wet and lathered in its ten mile run.

INTERMEDIATE DEFUALT GAME

Belleville intermediates having lost five games without a win, have defaulted to Oshawa the game scheduled to be played here tonight.

JOHN STREET JOTTINGS

Mrs. Dr. Kimmel last night spoke to the Young Peoples' Guild of John Street church on the subject of "Social Service," in an address which was full of interest and profit to all present. Having defined what social service means, and the various lines of its operation, prison reform, amelioration of the conditions of the poor, etc. She dwelt to considerable length on the development of talent for service. "Behind all distress is wrong thinking," and some very practical suggestions were given in the direction of simple, inexpensive, plain living in the matter of food, dress, and residence and the obligation to this kind of service on the part of Christian people who follow in the lead of the greatest social servant and savior.

John Street Sunday School contributed \$121 to the Belgian Fund on Sunday last.

The Church Help Society, which has had an exceptionally good year, held its annual meeting and election of officers for 1915, this afternoon.