

MASONIC GRAND LODGE IS NOW IN SESSION

Grand Master in His Address Supports Compulsory Military Service—Indictment of the Teutonic Ideals—Substantial Increases in Membership and Finances Recorded

The Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of Canada. Later the river was named Canada in the Province of Ontario...

After Grand Lodge was opened by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. J. A. Luker, addresses of welcome were delivered by a civic delegation...

CIVIC WELCOME

A civic address of welcome was presented by Mayor H.F. Ketcheson, Ald. Woodley, Ald. Deacon and Ald. Nicholls.

To the Grand Master, Officers and Representatives of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. in the Province of Ontario.

On behalf of our citizens I welcome you on this your third visit to the City of Belleville.

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But what of Nemesis! Pity it is that the German people have not a "Cromwell" to tear out the canker before it is too late.

The gallantry of the Canadians, some of them Masonic brethren at Courcellette, Givency, Ypres, and Vimy Ridge called forth the Grand Master's praise.

"It is unfortunate for our men at the front, some of whom need a well earned rest from war, and also for the reputation of young and fit men that have slacked under the excuse that there is no necessity, and for others hiding behind the subterfuge when Confederation was agreed upon, a pledge was given that certain inhabitants were to be absolved from having to take part in any war conducted outside of the Dominion.

In reply to the first class, one can only say that the situation is still serious, demanding that vast armies be kept on the field and that England and her Ally, France, have been denuded of men fit to keep the ranks up to full strength, and consequently Canada must supply the requirement in this regard.

The report of the committee on audit and finance shows total receipts of \$78,334.44 with a credit balance of \$11,735.91, which deducting a debit balance for 1916 of \$7,400.37, leaves a balance in the bank of \$4,335.54.

The report of the committee on the fraternal dead was ready by W. M. Logan, chairman.

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"I do not claim either experience or foresight but I feel sure that there has been too much coaxing, giving in to whims, with one-sided favoring and in the present issue it taxes one's faith in men to hear or read, the maudlin argument put up against compulsory service. Surely there is embodied in our federal law, and the power extended to our federal law-makers, the right to call every man to bear his part in a crisis like the present.

It was decided to have a garden party on Dr. D. W. Faulkner's lawn, Wed., Aug. 8th. This will be given by the whole of Thurlow and should be the event of the summer.

Goods were received from the following places: Halston Institute—2 quilts, 5 robes, 23 suits pyjamas, 327 handkerchiefs, 40 pr. socks, \$26.00 cash, and \$22.00 from school.

During the year a past grand master, M.W. Bro. J. P. Kerr, of Toronto died after a lengthy illness. In view of the vacancies in the representative list, those were filled, one nomination being that of R. W. Bro. W. N. Ponton of Belleville for the Grand Lodge of Texas.

For benevolence in 1917, \$36,485 was expended which is an increase of \$415 over 1916. For the year ending May 31, 1917, the revenue was \$26,799.73, a gain of \$19,239.36 over 1916.

The membership now stands approximately at 63,500 of Ontario. There are 449 warrant lodges, two under dispensation from 1916. Dispensations have been granted by the grand master for four new lodges.

Substantial Increases. "As the reports will show" declared the Grand Master in his concluding remarks, "we have made substantial increase in membership and gained financially. Our progress however is not completely covered by these, for in addition Masonry in this province is more and more winning its way to the hearts of men who are not prejudiced by false reasoning and sectarian bigotry.

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THE MARKETS

TORONTO MARKETS. TORONTO, July 17.—The Board of Trade official market quotations for yesterday:

Manitoba Wheat, Track, Bay Ports. No. 1 northern, \$2.54; nominal. No. 2 northern, \$2.53; nominal. Manitoba Oats, Track, Bay Ports. No. 1, \$1.15; nominal. No. 2, \$1.14; nominal. American Corn, Track, Toronto. No. 2 yellow, \$2.05; nominal. Ontario Oats, According to Freight Outside.

Winnipeg Grain Market. Winnipeg, July 18.—Not since the middle of last week has there been a trade in October wheat, the only posted price on the Winnipeg exchange. There are offers coming out of the hands of holders and growers illustrating a lack of confidence in a fixed price, or a crop. With cash prices now 40c over the October bids, there is no disposition to trade in cash.

Liverpool Market. Liverpool, July 18.—Hansa, short cut, 14 to 16 lb., 138s. Bacon, Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lb., 12s; Whitefish cut, 12s. Hops, 15 to 24 lb., 12s. Clear bellies, 14 to 16 lb., 12s. Long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lb., 12s. Short clear backs, 18 to 20 lb., 12s. Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lb., 11s. Lard, prime western, 12 to 14 lb., 11s. American refined, 11s; in boxes, 11s. Cheese, Canadian and American, nominal. Tallow, Australian in London, 6s 9d. Turpentine spirits, 5s 5d. Rosin, common, 2s 3d. Petroleum, refined, 5s 4d; war here, 5s 2d. 2 1/2 lb., 1s 4d. Lubricated oil, 1s 4d. Cotton seed, 1s 1/4d.

CATTLE MARKETS. UNION STOCK YARDS. TORONTO, July 17.—The enormous resources, and development of the Ontario cattle trade was again borne in upon the commission houses and the big packing companies at the Union Stock Yards yesterday when receipts aggregating in all 184 carloads, consisting of 3,545 head of cattle, and other live stock were offered for sale.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK. Chicago, July 16.—Cattle—Receipts, 21,000. Unkilled, heaves, \$2.25 to \$1; stockers and feeders, \$2.25 to \$2.10; cows and heifers, \$5.35 to \$11.50; calves, \$8.25 to \$14. Hogs—Receipts, 37,000. Weak. Light, \$14.50 to \$15.50; mixed, \$14.50 to \$15.75; heavy, \$14.50 to \$15.75; bulk of sales, \$14.50 to \$15.75. Sheep—Receipts, 15,000. Unkilled, lambs, native, \$4.50 to \$15.25.

EAST BUFFALO LIVE STOCK. Buffalo, July 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,200. Active and steady. Prime steers, \$12.25 to \$13.75; shipping steers, \$11 to \$12; butchers, \$8 to \$12.25; yearlings, \$11 to \$12.25; heifers, \$8 to \$12.25; cows, \$5 to \$7.75; bulls, \$5 to \$5.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.50 to \$2.50; fresh cows and springers, \$5 to \$12.50. Yearlings—Receipts, 1,400. Active and steady; \$6 to \$17.75.

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A MAN TO TAKE CHARGE OF farm, either married or single.—Apply to Box H, Ontario Office. Jly18-4td.2w

WANTED. Farm to rent beginning year 1918, 100 acres, plenty of stock and machinery. Good references. Apply Box K, Ontario Office. Jly19-4tw

FOR SALE. 300 acres, good stock and grain farm, stone house and good buildings near Mountain View, Price Edward County. For further particulars apply to S. W. Armistead, Rossmore. Jly19-2tw

NEW PRINCIPAL FOR UPPER CANADA COLLEGE. Professor Major W. L. Grant, who from 1910 has occupied with distinction the chair of colonial history at Queen's University, has been selected to fill the important post of principal of Upper Canada College, Toronto. Major Grant is at present on military duty in England. He is the son of a distinguished father, the late principal George Grant of Queen's.

SUMMER HEAT HARD ON BABY. No season of the year is so dangerous to the life of little ones as is the summer. The excessive heat throws the little stomach out of order so quickly that unless prompt aid is at hand the baby may be beyond all human help before the mother realizes he is ill. Summer is the season when diarrhoea, cholera infantum, dysentery and colic are most prevalent. Any one of these troubles may prove deadly if not promptly treated. During the summer the mother's best friend is Baby's Own Tablets. They regulate the bowels, sweeten the stomach and keep baby healthy. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ontario.

Capt. William Mathews of Cobourg, died suddenly on Tuesday morning.

C. Thornhill, Sign Painter and Letterer, will be here soon. Parties wishing work done, kindly leave work at Stafford's Hardware Store.

Poor tea that can be sold at a low price is most extravagant in use. A little good tea, like Salada, makes many more cups; hence it's real economy.

Mr. E. W. Bailey was in Peterboro, yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Wooten and baby are visiting the former's parents in Peterboro.

Mr. H. A. Thompson, for a number of years, manager of the Molson's Bank, Trenton, and for the past two years, manager of the branch at Owen Sound, has been promoted and is now removing to become manager at Port Arthur.

Determined to avenge the killing of her two cousins and her wounded brother, an eighteen-year-old Ottawa girl donned male attire and applied at the base recruiting office a few weeks ago to be enrolled as a stretcher-bearer in the "ammunition column". The masquerade was discovered. Being compelled to admit her sex, she explained that she had tried to go overseas as a nurse, but could not take the necessary three years' course, and believed she would be accepted as a stretcher-bearer.

B. Q. CONFERENCE TENT MEETING AT OAK LAKE GOING STRONG. Sunday July 22 at 2.30 and 7. Wednesday, July 25, 2.30 and 7. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 7.45. Every night each week except Saturday night. Finest Scenery. Best Music. Bring your family and come along. Services continue till and including Aug. 5. H. A. Yeomans, M.D., Chairman. Rev. A. J. Terrill, Business Manager.

The Oak Lake Camp Meetings have been proceeding this week under some difficulties which are gradually being cleared away. Lighting arrangements by electricity are now completed and other details are well in hand. Good crowds are assembling nightly. Among the clergymen speaking at or visiting the camp so far have been Revs. W. B. Tucker, president of the Bay of Quinte Conference, W. P. Rogers, Irwin Lavelle, Garret, Dr. Baker, Dr. Scott, Dixon, Frederick, Seymour, Reddick, Semmith, E. S. Howard, F. H. Howard, Clarry, Moore, Demille, Farnsworth, Richardson and Miss Kathleen Morton, evangelist, Toronto.

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