

TALK OF THE TOWN AND OF THE COUNTRY

Mr. Frank Fitzpatrick is taking over the tobacco and news business of Mr. W. G. Bell, Front street. Mr. Fitzpatrick has been clerk at Hotel Quinte for many years and his uniform courtesy and geniality will assure him success in his new undertaking. The city council has granted a transfer of license.

The Belleville Canadian very properly observes that one of the most successful ways of getting young people interested in the home and the farm is to provide good reading in the home. The minds of children naturally require reading for vigorous, intelligent development and there is no satisfactory substitute. The most interesting games, the most attractive recreation cannot fully compensate for reading in mental training.

Yesterday one of the students of the Belleville High School came to that institution with a loaded revolver, which he discharged out of the window. The performance was the talk of the school for the rest of the day. The offending youth's case has not yet been finally dealt with.

"Little beds of flowers, Little coats of paint, Make a pretty cottage Out of one that ain't."

Here we are again, and want to be taken care of—bon-voyage, street corners, vacant lots, flower beds, urns and parks.

Who should do this work? The City Council, Chamber of Commerce, Board of Education, Ministerial Association, Industrial and business firms, railways, and every citizen.

Those of Belleville's citizens who travel must hear that Belleville is a very clean and pretty city. People would like to come and live here mainly because of the work done by the Horticultural Society, and the citizens who help them and back them up.

Let us all work together this year to make our city brighter, cleaner, and healthier than ever.

One of the finest banquets held in Lindsay for some time was that under the auspices of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, Lodge No. 308, at the Elmsure Friday night. It was a choice affair in every respect, and the Elmsure is to be congratulated on the excellent spread and the manner in which it was served.

A feature of the evening was the presentation of service medals to members of the lodge who had served in the cause of freedom and democracy overseas. The number comprised some sixteen fine young men, and the medals are beautiful tokens of esteem and appreciation.

At the opening Mr. Geo. Jobbitt, of Peterboro, took occasion to introduce Mr. J. D. McMillan, the popular Divisional Superintendent from Belleville, who thereupon acted as chairman and did so to the King's taste. Excellent addresses were delivered by His Worship Mayor McLean, while toasts were responded to in able manner by Mr. R. E. Orr, who spoke to the toast to the ladies, and Mr. S. Scott, who responded to the toast of "The Soldier Boys and Our Brotherhood."

The presentation of medals was made by Mrs. J. D. McMillan. Some 16 men entitled to receive medals, although a few were unable to be present. Among those decorated were: Leo Houllhan, Harvey Staunton, Earl Johnston, R. Willis, F. Broom, H. Clarke, D. J. Morrison, R. Sandcock and Sam Scott.

Fine weather on Sunday tempted a large number of Belleville young people to the rural roads and the wooded sections in this vicinity in search of May flowers. A great many of these hardy spring blossoms were worn on Sunday and yesterday.

Molra Chapter Royal Arch Masons have sent out invitations for a "ladies' night" banquet to be held in Johnstone's Academy on Tuesday, April 27th. This is an annual event with the companions of No. 7.

That Belleville acted wisely in securing the services of Miss Sinclair, a competent trained nurse, for inspection of the health condition of the children attending the public schools is becoming more evident every day. Such work means the saving of valuable lives to the community as well as greater comfort and efficiency for the children themselves.

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and are delighted to know that at last they are there. Another consignment will reach Kingston within a few days when all the boys numbering 106, will be equipped. With the uniforms came naval signalling flags, the brigade ensign and the new cap ribbons.

A complete band equipment was purchased in Toronto on Wednesday last by Commandant Evans, and the brigade will have a definite band of twenty-one members. In view of the fact that Kingston had brass bands, and was organizing a pipe band, it was felt that a fine and bugle band would be a new and novel addition to the city's musical organization. A bandmaster was appointed last evening, and practice will commence at once.

The gymnasium equipment for the boys was also purchased on Wednesday, together with four life-boats of the ten-oared variety for the use of the brigade in local waters.

Many of the students at the O. A. C. at Guelph left for their homes Friday, having finished writing their examinations. They will not return until next September. The fourth year students will remain until some time next month.

Statistics just issued show that Great Britain's war losses in her population are being made good by nature. Births registered during last quarter of 1919 were 228,569, against 114,760 deaths. Births gained 48,202 over the previous quarter and 61,794 over the corresponding quarter in 1916. Birth rate was the highest since 1906, and deaths were the lowest.

A novel method of constructing a coffer dam was employed by a British engineer in India when putting in the foundations for the abutment of a bridge. Piles were formed by joining old 20 foot double-headed rails head to head by iron bands. The lower ends were pointed and the piles driven at six feet distance. Mango plants were pushed behind the piles, and when bedrock was reached, bags filled with clay were used to keep sand and water out of the dam. All the material used in construction was recovered after the work was completed and the total cost was remarkably low.

"Nick Bawf, coach for Queen's hockey teams and all-round athlete, is certainly making good as a lacrosse coach for Cornell University. Bawf's team has won two games, and the thence students say he is the real thing. "Nick" was among the chief speakers at the Cornell lacrosse croquet, held this week. The Cornell Daily Sun gives him a great boost for his work with the Cornell lacrosse candidates.

The supplementary estimates for the province of Ontario for the year 1919-20 total \$4,118,571.66. Kingston is interested to the extent of \$111,200, which is to be spent at the Rockwood hospital, Portsmouth. Of this sum \$7,000 will be spent in purchasing additional property, and \$25,000 will be expended upon the erection of an addition to the nurses' home and \$5,000 for furnishings for the same. The balance of the total amount will be used to purchase furnishings, equipment and supplies for the institution.

Belleville will receive \$79,633.23 which will be spent at the Ontario School for the Deaf. Of this amount \$50,000 will be for the construction of the main building, \$4,500 for rebuilding cottages on the Lewis farm, \$7,000 for completion of houses and workmen \$3,900 for shoe shop machinery and balance for miscellaneous alterations, repairs and supplies.

Mr. Lucius E. Allen is refunded \$16,100 to reimburse him for loss on contract on government highways. A gratuity of \$550 is given to Mrs. W. S. Minns, widow of W. S. Minns, late supervisor of Boys, at the O. S. D.

The strike at the plant of the Ogdensburg Gas Company was broken yesterday when the company placed new men at work to replace the men who walked out. Several of the men were formerly employed by the company and are instructing the other employees. No unusual incident occurred at the plant during the night. Deputy Sheriff Edward McElligott, Patrolmen Robert Rouleau and Leo Blood and Sergeant Charles Harper were on guard. It was stated last night that there is now no danger of a "gas" famine in the city.

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April 20—Ban... last night on... and her bro... Carlsbrooke... Madrid to Se... ade an unusu... y of the royal... was taking

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20—Farmers... continue to... their products... ras, according... J. R. Roberte... Parliament... iculture and... would take at... catch up to... supplies of... to attain the... products and... beef products... ed his statu... entirely de... conditions. An... that the Fed... to send res... to watch

Asks od Grant

—Jas. C. H... veran of To... witness heard... special com... ealed for wi... and totally... that \$1,200... dollars per... Of the diff... ers he said... like that of

Gets us Blow

—Strike fe... employees suf... when thirty... ks and eight... lers in their... decision of... their wage... labor board... freight movem... ict continued... elsewhere in... Far West tra... urning to nor...

NO BE PRE-AY 10.

20—The Turk... to the Ot... in May 10th... that Germany

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