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WEARERS OF LEGION RIBBON GROW FAST

Bearers of French Honor Decoration Ten Times Pre-War Recipients.

PARIS, March 16.—More than 80,000 Chevaliers and Officers of the Legion of Honor and wearers of the multi-colored ribbon of the Médaille Militaire have been created since the armistice, according to the Legion of Honor headquarters, where clerks are working sixteen hours a day in order to provide certificates to all recipients before June 1, when the Government's allowance for extra clerical work will cease.

It is now estimated that more than 200,000 are wearing the ribbon which before the war was given only under unusual circumstances.

The Legion of Honor headquarters reported that it was astounded by the large number of men decorated for bravery in the field who refuse to wear the ribbon of the honor conferred on them, their objections invariably being based on their not desiring to place their fighting for France in the same category as those who were decorated for other services.

Before the war the Legion of Honor ribbon was worn only by one in every 2,000 population. Now the number is ten times that, and the list is still growing at the rate of a hundred a week, and a special commission headed by Gen. Fayolle is confronted by 10,000 nominations filed since the armistice.

TELLS OF "V" WORK. KITCHENER, March 16.—O. Stanchfield of the rural Y. M. C. A. in India addressed the Canadian Club here tonight on "Agriculture and Banking in India." His address dealt chiefly with conditions of the lower classes, and the Y. M. C. A. has made toward bettering conditions there.

HON. F. B. CARVELL, K. C., chairman of the Canadian Board of Railway Commissioners, asserted that the McAdoo award to railwaymen was one of the most infamous pieces of legislation ever foisted on the United States, and that the Canadian railways are suffering are due to it.

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SALARIES RESPONSIBLE

13,000 Certified Teachers in Elementary Schools Is Claim.

According to a report from Toronto officials of the department of education, the number of teachers which has prevailed during the last few years has been to a large extent overbalanced by the larger salaries which are being offered throughout the province, a condition which is tending, it is claimed, to greater stability in the profession and a reduced tendency to move out of the schools.

The schools are very well supplied at the present time, one official is reported to have stated, and there is a very good outlook for the supply of teachers. This is a much better average than usual, and it is attributable to the higher salaries which have been offered.

There have been indications that an all-round increase of salary of over 30 per cent has been made in the elementary schools throughout the province. There are 13,000 teachers who will be available in June.

In regard to the 305 teachers who hold only temporary certificates, they are usually located in schools so remote that it is difficult to get fully certified teachers to go to them.

"We have not noticed much difference in the city," said Public School Inspector V. K. Greer today, when his attention was drawn to the above statement, "but this is easily accounted for by the fact that most teachers seek to secure positions in city schools and once having done so generally stay in one place unless induced by a very high salary elsewhere."

There is no doubt that higher salaries and the superannuation fund are having an effect in stabilizing the profession, and that fewer urban teachers are resigning their positions to enter other callings in life. With the advent of higher salaries and the superannuation fund, teachers appear to be more inclined to make the profession their life work, a condition which will become more and more effective in adding to the stable and efficient ranks of the profession.

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WATRESS AIDS 'STOKES' CASE

Describes Millionaire's Wife's Morning Meals in Engineer's Rooms.

New York, March 16.—Agricultural, 22 years old, Negro, witness in behalf of W. E. L. Stokes, elderly millionaire who is suing the wife of Edgar T. Wallace's apartment. The girl said she was employed in a tea room in the building containing the apartment of Wallace, a mining engineer, and that she frequently served meals to Mrs. Stokes in Wallace's apartment.

The first time she performed this service, the witness said, was some time before Christmas, 1917, but that in the spring of 1918, she frequently took meals to Wallace's bedroom—dozens times in all.

"What time of day was this?" asked the Stokes' lawyer.

"No particular time—anywhere from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m."

She said she saw Wallace in the bedroom "on one or two occasions" and stuck to her testimony upon severe cross-examination.

Martha Littleton, Mrs. Stokes' maid, sought to discredit testimony of Z. Mattiosian an architect, that he saw Mrs. Stokes in Wallace's apartment.

and succeeded in getting on the record that part of his testimony was based on hearsay evidence. Littleton endeavored to bring out financial arrangements between Stokes and Wallace, but Mrs. Stokes' counsel refused to let her.

A number of other Negro women were in court, ready to take the stand in support of Mrs. Stokes.

The diary of Mrs. Stokes, it was understood, probably would be introduced to disprove many of the allegations against her.

Paris, March 16.—A new cult which is said to be seriously reducing the attendance at both the Catholic and Protestant churches as well as attracting devotees from groups who were known as "The Cult of the Faithful," its ranks being filled by all classes from the highest to the lowest, is now being preached to the poorest working people, who devote Sunday mornings and afternoons to visiting the tomb of the unknown soldier beneath the Arch of Triumph in Paris.

Last Sunday it was estimated that 20,000 people visited the tomb between sunrise and twilight, each carrying a bouquet of flowers and a small flag, and the flower-heaped dais as a homage to the memory of the unknown soldier.

The foreign diplomatic staffs have taken up the cult since the Chinese minister, accompanied by naval and military attaches, dipped the flag of the eastern republic in the tomb.

Troop after troop of French Boy Scouts laid floral tributes on the tomb, but the most devout of all invaders is when the black-powdered mortar of the unknown soldier is fired, and the crowd succeeds in squeezing through the crowds and kneeling beside the simple granite slab.

Official reports from the city are reaching influence of the unknown soldier's tomb is being felt in the rougher districts of Paris, where, formerly was devoted to the wildest orgies, and now is giving up their old habits because it interferes with the duty of some of the comrades.

"The movement is to be spread through the city," it is said, "and the pupils of one Paris school should be selected to meet the unknown soldier of the unknown hero in behalf of a grateful younger generation. Advocates of the plan declare this will do more to inculcate real patriotism and eliminate the materialism of the modern than any other phase of social effort."

CHATHAM, March 16.—The council as a special session discussed the garbage collection situation. The present method of collection was humorously referred to as a two-platoon system. It appears that when the garbage collection contract was awarded to J. C. Browning about two years ago, the contractor was not prepared to start, as his equipment was not ready. Harvey Armstrong, the collector at that time, agreed to carry on the work until the new contractor was ready to start.

A special meeting of the council was held on Monday afternoon to consider some other matters, and the garbage question came in for some criticism. And on motion the old contractor was instructed to carry on until the new contractor was ready to start.

Unknown to the old contractor, the new one had commenced to collect garbage with the result that the "two-platoon" system was unwittingly brought about.

The old contractor, although ordered by the chairman of the property committee to cease operations, refused to do so, as he was working on special orders from the council. The matter was amicably settled today by the council, and the two-platoon system proposed for Chatham Place is being maintained.

Mr. Ald