

INSISTED UPON BEING "CAPTAIN," ALTHOUGH ONLY IN IMAGINATION

Hagerman Made To Take Off the Uniform.

HAD NO MILITARY STATUS

Was At One Time Permitted To Recruit, But This Was Cancelled.

One "Capt. Hagerman" left the city quite unceremoniously on Friday.

"Capt. Hagerman" was a captain only in his imagination, and insisted on remaining one in spite of the fact that he was told by Lieut.-Col. W. J. Brown that he was not a captain.

He came to London some weeks ago, recruiting for the 149th Battalion (Construction Battalion) of Montreal. He was a few recruits. After he had resided in the district for a time, several local tradesmen and others presented him to the headquarters for payment, stating that Capt. Hagerman had contracted them.

Lieut.-Col. Brown called the man to his office, and asked for his credentials. He showed a certificate from the 242nd Battalion, giving him power to recruit for that unit. By some mistake he was described in the certificate as "Commanding Officer of the 242nd," and the acting A. G. told him that his activities had better cease until some further confirmation could be obtained from Montreal.

A letter received from Montreal stated that a "Mr. Hagerman" had been given permission to obtain recruits for the battalion, but that his permission had been cancelled some time.

Hagerman was again called to headquarters and confronted with the new situation. He confessed that he had bought his own uniform and thought he might as well be a captain as anything else. Lieut.-Col. Brown differed with this rather untrue idea, and ordered him to take off the uniform and cease his activities. He promised to do so, and left.

In Theatre Next.

Last Wednesday night word was received at headquarters that an officer was making a fool of himself in a local theatre. Major Aaron Osborne went down and found Hagerman in his uniform, and gently urged him out of the place. He called up Lieut.-Col. Brown and informed him of the circumstances and asked what to do with him.

"The man is an imposter," replied the A. A. G. "He is a civilian masquerading in uniform. It is a case for the civil police."

Major Osborne escorted Hagerman to the police station, where he pointed out the impropriety of a civilian wearing military clothing. The man was discovered to be a trifle peculiar, and was sent to his boardinghouse in company with a detective, who had him change his clothes, then put him on a train and sent him east.

WEEKLY HIGH COURT

Several Cases Disposed of by Mr. Justice Clute.

Mr. Justice Clute presided at the weekly sessions of the high court today, and disposed of several cases.

In the case of Brown vs. Haycock, the motion made was to convey dower. Motion adjourned sine die for further evidence.

Hogan vs. Hodgins was a motion to dismiss a writ of prohibition. The motion was dismissed, with costs to defendant. Any event fixed at \$5. The statement of claim filed to be treated as a writ today.

Stodden vs. Stodden was for judgment on a writ of habeas corpus. An order was made that the defendant is entitled to the custody of the child, and the amount of money, \$25.

McCarthy vs. Daugherty, motion to discuss failure to produce evidence. An order was made to deposit with the court the documentary evidence.

Cheney vs. Elson, a motion for reference to local master, was allowed.

British Plantation Rubber Is Saving Canada Millions

Low Prices of Rubbers and Overshoes Due to Britain's Control of Situation

Here in Canada many of us have fallen into the truly Anglo-Saxon habit of considering the "Mother of Parliaments" slow and a bit behind the times. The present price of rubber, when its cause is revealed, affords one of the many proofs that such an opinion is away off the mark.

Thanks to great rubber plantations established, in the face of criticism and ridicule, many years before in her tropical dominions, Great Britain at the outbreak of the war held a firm and tightening grip on the world's supply of raw rubber—a grip enforced by her dominating navy. From 60% in 1914, the production of these plantations has grown this year to 75% of the whole world's output, leaving only about half the requirements of the United States alone to come from all other sources.

The result has been that the needs of the Allies, enormous though they are, have been plentifully supplied, while Germany has been reduced to registered mails and the "Deutschland" in desperate attempts to mitigate her rubber famine. Neutrals have been allowed all the rubber they want, at prices actually lower than before the war, so long as they prevent any of it from reaching the enemy, while Canada and other parts of the Empire have an abundant supply at equally favorable Government-regulated prices.

In this foresight and generosity of the British Government lies the reason why rubber alone, of all the great staples, has not gone up in price—why rubbers and overshoes, in spite of increased cost of fabric, chemicals and labor, are as inexpensive as ever, while shoes are costing several dollars a pair. Wearing rubbers or overshoes through this winter to protect these expensive shoes is more than practical thrift—it is grateful patriotism for in thus saving leather we make it easier for the Government to secure the absolutely necessary supplies of the alarmingly scarce material for our soldiers.

Both Thrift and Patriotism Point to Rubbers!

What's Doing in London Churches

Congregational News of Interest to All Denominations in the City.

CHRIST'S SECOND COMING.

"Truth for the Times" is the general title of a short series of sermons to be preached in Adelaide Street Baptist Church by the pastor, Rev. James H. Boyd, beginning tomorrow morning. His evening subject will be "Is the Second Coming of Christ Imminent?"

PROMINENT CONGREGATIONALIST.

On Sunday evening, Rev. E. D. Silcox, chairman Congregational Union and editor of the Canadian Congregationalist, will occupy the pulpit at the First Congregational Church, on behalf of the Dominion Alliance.

TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

Sunday night, Evangelist P. Louis and Mrs. Belcher will celebrate the twentieth anniversary of their work for the Lord at the York Street Mission. Rev. W. G. MacGregor, wife of the minister of the Dominion Alliance, will be special singers.

A MUSICAL FEAST.

The autumn service of praise in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church is an event which always attracts wide attention from music lovers in the city and vicinity. This autumn's service is to take place on Monday evening at 8 o'clock, when the choir of the church, under the direction of Charles E. Wheeler, organist and choirmaster, will be assisted by the following soloists: Miss Gertrude Stares, soprano, of Hamilton; Courtney Brown, tenor, of St. Barholomew's Church, New York; Miss Anna Coochill, soprano; Miss Mary Shoebottom, contralto; C. J. Pink, tenor, and W. A. McClellan, basso.

One number to be given by the choir, a short song, "Sing for Our Precious Brave," has particular local interest from the fact the words have been written by a Marian Keith, otherwise Mrs. D. C. MacGregor, wife of the minister of St. Andrew's, while the musical setting is by Charles E. Wheeler.

The poem has been dedicated by the author and composer to the memory of our brave lads who received their final promotion on the field of battle.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

Special music will be a feature of the anniversary services to be held tomorrow in the "Colborne Street Methodist Church. The pastor, Rev. Louis Barber will preach. Mrs. Beccoff will be the soloist in the morning, and Mrs. Watt in the evening, a mixed quart singing at the latter service.

Rev. W. J. Ashton, B.D., will conduct anniversary services in the Central Methodist Church on Sunday. An especially fine musical program has been prepared under the direction of Bert Weir, organist and choirmaster.

Frank Duggan of Toronto will speak for the Dominion Alliance at the morning service Sunday in Knox Church, South London.

SPECIAL SERVICES.

Rev. J. P. Falconer, B. A., of the Presbyterian Church, Rodney, will conduct the special services at Hamilton Road Church Sunday, preaching special sermons morning and evening.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

The Young Women's Christian Association world-wide week of prayer will be observed during the coming week, beginning tomorrow.

In this city a program of special services has been arranged. At 5 o'clock each afternoon, starting on Monday, there will be a special service at the Central Y. W. C. rooms, 412 Park avenue, which the public is cordially invited to attend.

On Monday, the service will be conducted by Rev. James MacKay of New St. James' Presbyterian Church, Tuesday, by Rev. W. R. McIntosh, King Street Church, Wednesday, Mrs. D. L. McCreary, Thursday, Rev. Canon Tucker, Friday, Mrs. Thornley, Saturday, Mrs. Galt.

Each evening at 7 o'clock, a brief prayer service will be held for the girls of the association at the residence on Wellington street.

Owing to the week of prayer, the fortnightly musicale at the central rooms will be withdrawn on Wednesday.

TO RENDER "GALLIA."

On Sunday evening the choir of the First Methodist Church will render the beautiful motet "Gallia," by Charles Gounod, with Mrs. E. Wyatt as soloist.

LONDON OLD BOY LEAVING HIS FARM TO FIGHT GERMANS

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'Lambton's Own' Plays College Team Today

149th Battalion and Western University Meet at 3 o'Clock This Afternoon in Intermediate O. R. F. U. Fixture

—Both Teams Expect to Win.

The rugby fans of the city will have a chance today to see for themselves the difference between a team that depends on its back division to get the points and one that depends on the old style of two kicks and a buck to pile up the touchdowns.

The Western University and the 149th Battalion teams meet at Tecumseh Park at 3 o'clock sharp this afternoon, in an intermediate O. R. F. U. fixture, and the game promises to be fast and furious from start to finish.

The Western crowd depends on its back division, and has been practicing faithfully all week, and is in shape to put up a hard struggle against the heavy 149th Art Smith, who is looked upon as the classiest pignin artist in this district, will be covering around at centre half for the Colts, although he has not been out to practice all week owing to injuries received in last Saturday's game with the O. A. C. "Dad" Parry, Brickenhead and the rest of the boys state that they will be in the game every minute, and that the Soldiers are due for a big surprise.

Soldiers Out to Win.

The Lambton boys number many of the old Larnia and Petrosia "Hard Oiler" in their line-up, and this assures a hard-fought game. The Soldiers are determined not only to win, but to pile up the score on the college lads. They staged

a work-out at 7 o'clock this morning at the fair grounds for the benefit of their two outside wings, Gilcrest and Sanford, who have been away on leave all week.

"We are going to clean up on those students all right. It is only a question of how big the score will be," said one of the 149th team last night to The Advertiser. "We realize, though, that the Western boys have a tidy team, and will take a lot of beating. Nevertheless we have the class. Just wait and see."

The game is not patronized as it should be in London, and it is hoped that there will be numerous additions to the "faithful" who would as soon miss a game as their meals in attendance at today's game. Come out and give the boys a boost.

Following are the line-ups:

149th Battalion—Flying wing, Stokes; halves, Higgins, Hollingshead and Knowles; quarter, Wilson; scrum, Thomas, Thompson and Sinclair; inside wing, Fraithling; Smith, middle wing, Sisson and Pollard; outside wings, Gilcrest and Sanford.

Western University—Flying wing, Brickenhead; halves, Kingswood, Smith and Anderson; quarter, Reynolds; scrum, Colvin, Thompson, Ferguson; middle wings, Kaiser and Bill Elgie; outside wings, McFarly and Loughlin; inside wing, "Goldie" Elgie and Parry.

PRODUCERS OF MILK NOW DISCUSSING AN ADDITIONAL INCREASE

Want 5-12 Cents From Retailer in Future.

THEN FORM ASSOCIATION

This Procedure, It Is Claimed, Will Prevent Any Legal Trouble.

Wholesale milk dealers are meeting at the City Hotel this afternoon for the purpose of discussing a contemplated advance in the price of milk, and also for the purpose of considering the advisability of the formation of an association to be known as the Wholesale Milk Dealers' Association of London.

The dealers will decide upon the question of an advance before considering the question of the formation of an association. The present price of milk is 5 cents a quart, the price having been raised three weeks ago from 4½ cents. One or two dealers still keep to the lower price.

After the price has been decided upon, the question of forming an association will be discussed.

The formation of the association, the dealers claim, would be to set a scale of prices to be known as a summer and winter schedule.

The meeting opened for discussion at 2:15 o'clock this afternoon, with about twenty-five of the dealers in attendance.

It is remarked by some of the producers that the raising of the price before forming an association is perfectly legal, whereas there might be trouble if the order of procedure were reversed.

The wholesalers contemplate raising the figure to 5½ cents a quart to the retailers, maintaining the cost of production as so high that their profits are lower than they should be.

BROKE HER WRIST.—Anita Foster, 12-year-old daughter of N. J. Foster, 323 Grey street, had the misfortune to fall and break her right wrist while roller skating on Ottawa avenue. She was taken to Victoria Hospital by some playmates, where Dr. Moore reduced the fracture. She is now recovering at her home.

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CHILDREN HAVE TO SLEEP ON FLOOR: BEDS ARE LACKING

Congestion Acute at the Children's Shelter.

FUNDS URGENTLY NEEDED

The congestion at the Children's Shelter is becoming so acute that the foster home committee at its meeting at the sheriff's office today decided to take immediate action to procure remedial measures.

The lack of beds and bedding at the shelter has become so serious that it has been found necessary in many instances to find accommodation for the children on the floor. Not since the shelter has been opened have the beds and bedding been renewed, and the result is a shortage because of a certain amount of the material becoming worn out through use.

Because of this lack of actual necessities the committee has under consideration an appeal to the public for funds which are at present at a very low ebb.

The number at the shelter at present is the largest in the history of the institution.

This is accounted for by the large number of children who have been made orphans since the war or left fatherless, and with the mother not able to properly care for her children.

In addition this power applications for children have been made in the last two months than in usually the case.

Inspector Joseph Sanders has just completed a visit to wards in the vicinity of the city and pronounced conditions satisfactory in every respect.

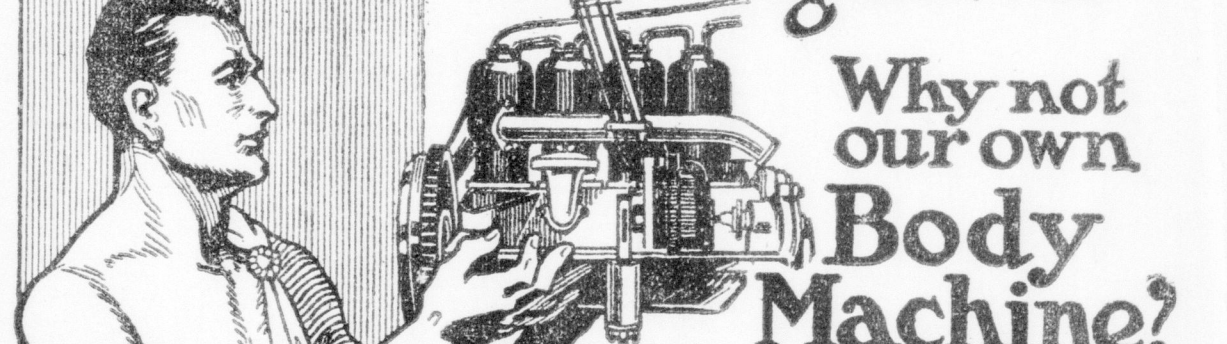
A report of conditions in detail will be made to the board at its meeting next Monday, when definite action will be decided upon for meeting the difficulties.

PRESENTATION MADE.—Before sending her connection with the office staff of Silverwood, Limited, Miss Margaret Hynd was on Friday presented with a beautiful birthday cake.

More for Engineers.—Fred Hopkins, an Englishman from Detroit, Albert Meunier, from Toronto, and DeNo, Bay City, Michigan, Stephen Cimbal, Russian of Detroit and T. B. Halbert all came up from Windsor and signed on with the firm.

SIX TO A S. C.—The Army Service Corps is making a strong bid for recruits. Six were signed on a few days ago and six more last night. All come from south of the line. They are: B. D. La Prairie, Ross La Prairie, L. Gough, J. Malina, R. Thorp and S. E. Hill.

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