

SUNDAY'S RECRUITING MEETINGS

Whether or not the recruiting methods employed in Toronto are good has been the enquiry of a number of critics recently, and the answer was given yesterday at the five recruiting meetings held throughout the city, 115 men responding. At each of the meetings, which were held in Loew's Theatre (two), the Star Theatre, the Park Theatre and the Templars' Khaki Club, enthusiasm ran high, and after listening to the addresses of a number of prominent speakers, recruits came forward eagerly.

for 22; the Star, 21, and, at the evening meeting in the Khaki Club, 42 were recruited. At Loew's Theatre, Dr. Norman Allen occupied the chair, and addresses were made by Miss Helen Losanitch, Mayor Church, J. Benjamin Gould, Colonel Vaux Chadwick, Captain Mayor, Lieut. Price and R. R. Gamey, M.L.A. D'Arcy Hinds presided at the Star, where the speakers were the same. Major Boehm, Sergt.-Major Donovan and A. E. Donovan, M.L.A., were responsible for the large number enlisting at the Park, while at the Khaki Club speeches were made by Hon. Thomas Crawford, M.L.A.; Thomas Hook, M.L.A.; Oliver Hezlewood and Major Boehm.

MAKES STIRRING CALLS TO JOIN THE COLORS

Rousing Recruiting Meetings Held at Loew's During Afternoon and Evening.

WOULD DISMISS FIT

Lieut.-Col. Vaux Chadwick Suggests That Employers Assist in the Work of Recruiting.

Capacity audiences attended the meetings held yesterday afternoon and evening at Loew's Yonge Street Theatre, under the auspices of the Citizens' Recruiting League. Immense crowds formed along Yonge street on either side of the entrance long before the time for the doors to open and a bystander was heard to remark that if all the eligible men in the line were to enlist there would be little work left for the recruiting sergeants. Within five minutes of the opening of the doors the big auditorium was packed. An exceptionally good program of speakers and artists was provided under the direction of D'Arcy Hinds.

Lieut. Price of the American Legion took the chair in the afternoon. Lieut. Price appealed to the men present as a citizen of a neutral country, to rally to the flag which every nation the world over respected as an emblem of liberty, freedom and honor.

At a call for recruits in the afternoon meeting several men stood up in various parts of the house, and were invited to the front by the speakers. Other speakers were Private Shanahan and Miss Helen Losanitch, the plucky little Scotch girl who gave an account of some of her experiences during the second Austrian invasion of Serbia.

The military arrangements were under the direction of Lieut. W. B. Livett, of the 10th Regiment. Miss Florence Good and Miss Munro gave recitations and the following artists contributed songs: Miss Hurst, Miss Rosalia, Jack Oldfield, Miss Rosch and Norris Manley, William E. Davis, accompanist, also gave assistance.

The number of recruits at the afternoon meeting was 10. Another capacity audience attended the night meeting, and in addition to a number of addresses by prominent speakers an excellent musical program was rendered.

Miss Helen Losanitch, who is in this country on behalf of the Serbian people, related her experiences when the Austrians invaded her country for the second time. She drew a vivid picture of the hardship and privations suffered by the Serbians and referred to the atrocities which were perpetrated. After thanking Canadians for the help they were giving her, she contributed to the Red Cross. Miss Losanitch concluded, "Believe me, every officer, soldier, man, woman and child are confident that victory will ultimately rest with the allies."

R. R. Gamey, M.L.A., made a forceful appeal for recruits. He had spoken on the same subject in Germany had been preparing for many years for this war, which was one for freedom and liberty against autocracy. In appealing to the young men he spoke of the atrocities committed in Belgium, and he said these self-same atrocities could happen if the Germans ever came here.

Dismissal of the Fit. Lieut.-Col. Vaux Chadwick of the 15th Battalion in a brief address said that only 150 recruits were now required for the "Pals" Battalion. He pointed out that the unit had made a record in Ontario for recruiting, and with the exception of a regiment in Winnipeg it had been completed most rapidly in Canada. He urged employers to dismiss employees physically fit for service, and asked the women to refrain from entertaining young men fit for service.

Capt. Mayor of 15th Battalion, who was wounded at Festubert, related a number of experiences at the front, and in asking for recruits said: "I don't think it is any more dangerous in the trenches when an attack is not being made than it is to walk down Yonge street."

J. E. Gault of Boston referred to the war from an American standpoint, and was of the opinion that all Americans with a love of justice should take up arms. "This is not a war of nations, it is a war of decency and truth," he said.

Major Church, after declaring that recruiting in Toronto was good, had a number of interesting things to say about the meeting of women held in the parliament buildings recently. Among other things he said that as long as the recruiting sergeants were called upon to sweep the streets of Toronto.

HELPS IN RECRUITING

KHAKI CLUB'S RALLY SECURES TWELVE MEN

That Number Comes Forward in Answer to Appeal of Major Boehm.

BIG RUSH TO COLORS

Speaker Propheesies That Ten Thousand Will Join in Toronto in Few Weeks.

In answer to a recruiting appeal by Major M. S. Boehm twelve men joined the colors at the Sunday night rally, held in the Templars' Khaki Club building, West Queen street and Doucourt road.

He had the audience stand in classes, those in khaki, men over 45, men rejected and those "who had red blood in their veins." Most of the latter class who stood up remained standing and joined the recruiting sergeants, who came down the aisles.

Major Boehm prophesied that 10,000 men would enlist in Toronto during the next few weeks. He concluded his speech by getting a portion of the women in the audience to rise and promise they would endeavor to get their relatives to enlist.

Lieut.-Col. Vaux Chadwick, commander of the 15th Pals Battalion, stated that his regiment was now up to a strength of 1048. He predicted enough recruits would come forward to bring it up to 1125, its full establishment.

Hon. Thomas Crawford, who was introduced as one of the most active members of the Toronto Citizens' Recruiting League, said he thought some citizens "were disposed to treat rather severely those who had not yet volunteered and put on khaki," and pointed out that it was not always possible to tell by outward circumstances why a man had not enlisted. He believed that it was necessary to let men know they were needed and they would respond readily enough.

Thomas Hook, M.L.A., was chairman. Oliver Hezlewood said that recent investigations had shown that there was no danger of starving Germany, and that the war would last a good while yet. This meant that many more men would be needed than Canada could supply.

Women were urged to get down to manual labor in order to keep the financial status of Canada unimpaired.

The Quilts That Do Not Affect the Head. Because of its tonic and laxative effect LAXATIVE PILLS are the best remedy for constipation without causing nervousness or ringing in the ears. There is only one "Bromo" brand. E. W. GROVES'S signature on box.

Over sixty recruits were secured at last night's meeting in the Park Theatre, ten 1200 people heard Major Boehm of the 14th Battalion make an appeal for the young men to rally to the colors. Eight recruiting sergeants had a busy time at the conclusion of Major Boehm's speech, and several more men were secured before the end of the meeting. All Canadians had good red blood, the speaker asserted, and they only needed to have the matter presented to them in the right light, in order to make them willing to do the khaki.

The address by Col. Vaux Chadwick of the 14th Battalion was one of pride for Toronto, as one of the best battalions that has been raised in Canada since the outbreak of the war was secured for this unit, in the record time of two weeks. In seeking for men to jump into the fray Col. Chadwick made an appeal for chums to enlist together to form a platoon. Proof of how this idea has caught on was evidenced when the record made by the 14th was shown.

A. E. Donovan, M.L.A., of Brockville, who acted as chairman of the meeting also made a vigorous appeal for recruits to seek the recruiting sergeants. Speaking of the effects which Canada has already experienced, he said that suffering makes character, and that this character would make Canada the greatest country under the sun. "The Monroe doctrine is not worth a snap of the finger if the Kaiser wins the war," said Mr. Donovan. Confidence in the ultimate issue was expressed by the speaker, but he said the Canadians had to secure their finest sons to secure the desired end. "We have only one life to live. Live it nobly, live it for the welfare of your country," he exclaimed.

THREE DROWNED WHILE SKATING ON SATURDAY

Two Bodies Recovered From Bay and Police Are Dragging for a Third.

WENT THRU THIN ICE

Earl Robins, John Smiley and Edgar Rosenberg Ventured Out Too Far.

HAMILTON, Monday, Jan. 10.—Three lives were claimed by the icy waters of Hamilton Bay on Saturday afternoon when three young men were drowned while skating.

They were Earl Robins, aged 16, who resided at 244 Rosslyn avenue; John Smiley, aged 18 years, who lived with his uncle on the Plains road at Aldershot, and Edgar Rosenberg, aged 17, who resided at 100 South James street. The bodies of Robins and Smiley have been recovered, but so far no trace of Rosenberg's remains could be found.

The first victim of the thin ice was Rosenberg, who attempted to skate across the bay about 8 o'clock Saturday evening. He had almost accomplished his task when about 200 yards from the Holy Family Cemetery he was unable to get across the thin ice and attempted to reach it by the thickness of the ice. There is a strong current in this vicinity, and it is feared in recovering the body, also, the police officials are still carrying on the grappling operations in a boat.

Second Fatality. Shortly following the report of Rosenberg's drowning, the police were notified that Earl Robins, 244 Rosslyn avenue, had been drowned at the foot of Wellington street. Robins, along with another young man, broke thru the ice. Their cries were heard by others, who rushed to their assistance. The young man, before he could be taken out, his body was recovered about 8 o'clock Saturday evening. The young man, who was identified as John Smiley, who resides on the Plains road at Aldershot, reported to the police that he had been skating with Robins and Rosenberg. He had almost accomplished his task when about 200 yards from the Holy Family Cemetery he was unable to get across the thin ice and attempted to reach it by the thickness of the ice. There is a strong current in this vicinity, and it is feared in recovering the body, also, the police officials are still carrying on the grappling operations in a boat.

LAND IS BLOCKED. Caledonia Ratepayers Complain of Fence South of Hughes School. Residents of McRoberts avenue are complaining of the action of the board of education in blocking up the lane by erecting a fence on the south side of the Hughes School playground.

The matter will be brought to the attention of the civic authorities by the Caledonia Ratepayers' Association.

ENJOYING THE SKATING. Owing to the ideal weather conditions for skating prevalent during the last few days crowds of people in the lake district took advantage of the occasion and patronized the two rinks prepared by the civic authorities. A noticeable feature was the large number of men in military uniforms skating and carrying rifles not in military dress, but in civilian dress.

Returned Soldier Makes Stirring Address at Star Theatre Recruiting Meeting. Twenty-one men were recruited at the Star Theatre last night at a big recruiting rally. Lieut. J. B. Price of the American Legion, Major Boehm of the 15th Pals Battalion and Lieut. J. H. Wallace of the 12th "Pals" Regiment, were instrumental in getting the men to enlist.

A stirring address was delivered by Pte. Andrews, who is a returned soldier from the front. He said: "There is only one way to check the great onslaught of the Kaiser, and that is to fill up the gaps that are being made. And don't get the idea in your head that Germany is starving, for she has been preparing for this struggle for over twenty years. It is true that our navy has got the German navy bottled up, and it will keep it so until it is covered with dust and cobwebs, but all fronts need soldiers and that is the only way the war will be won. My mother has given three sons and that is the only kind of contribution that will win for Great Britain."

D'Arcy Hinds acted as chairman of the meeting. Fight for Justice. Lieut. Price said: "During the civil war there were 25,000 Canadians crossed the border and fought in that struggle, and they were sent back and back. The American Legion is going for a number of reasons; some are going for adventure, but the greater number are going because they think that Great Britain is fighting for everlasting justice and freedom."

Major Boehm made his appeal for the struggle, and they captured the villages of Godosha and Goduere to the left bank of the Touriak, but they were repulsed everywhere else. The struggle is being continued with desperation.

York County and Suburbs of Toronto

RECRUITING PROGRESSES FOR COUNTY REGIMENT

Depots for Acceptance of Recruits Have Been Established at Many Points.

So arduous have the duties of medical inspector for the 12th York County Battalion become that Lieut.-Col. Hillary of Aurora, who, up to the present has examined the recruits presenting themselves, will in future be relieved in a measure of some of the work, a number of other medical men being appointed. Dr. Conn of Agincourt, will be one of these, and Dr. Forbes, Godfrey of Mississauga, and Dr. Lockhart, of Kleinburg, will take a share of the work. The headquarters will, as heretofore, be at St. Paul's Hall, which has now been remodelled. Depots have been established at a number of places out in the county. They are: Agincourt, with Lieut. J. H. Wallace; Richmond Hill, with Lieut. A. J. Hood; Mimico, with Lieut. J. H. Wallace; Aurora, with Lieut. J. H. Wallace; and Newmarket, with Lieut. J. Murray Muir.

A strong campaign is being put on this week and recruiting meetings will be held at a dozen points throughout the county between the city and Lakeshore.

MAIL CARRIERS WALKING DELIVERIES ARE LATE

Business Men in St. Clair Avenue Section Send Complaint to Earlscoil Association.

Complaints have been received from several business men in the St. Clair Avenue district by the secretary of the Earlscoil Business Men's Association, that the lateness of the hour at which the morning delivery of mails has been made by the postal officials for some time past. The cause is attributed to the refusal of the civic authorities to allow the postal carriers to use the lanes on the St. Clair Avenue cars, and the matter is still in dispute between the postal authorities and the city.

In the meantime we receive our business letters around 10 o'clock when we should receive delivery at least two hours earlier," said the manager of one of the largest business establishments in the section. The matter is receiving the attention of the association.

FEW CHANGES ARE MADE IN COUNCILS OF COUNTY

Inaugural Meetings in Outlying Municipalities Will Be Held Today.

A majority of the township councils throughout the county will hold their inaugural meetings today, when the arrangements of committees and other initial business will take place. A feature of this year's councils will be the relatively small number of changes made in any of the municipalities. York Township remains the same, and in Humberbrook, over to the west of the county, Italian names will, in Scarborough, two new councillors, Messrs. Heron and Crawford, replace Robt. McCowan and Stouffville, and in Richmond Hill, Aurora and Newmarket sent back the same men.

WAR SUMMARY: Today's Events Reviewed

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and taking the retreating party under a rain of shells from their 75's. Not far from the place the French guns caused several fires in the German works near Stosswell, northwest of Muenster. It is here that an offensive would be pressed against Alsace. Artillery firing marked the operations at other points of the front.

The Germans and Austrians have been driven from the eastern bank of the middle Stripa and two attempts of the enemy to recapture Czartorysk were defeated with considerable losses to him, the Russian official communique on the war announced yesterday. It further adds that in the fighting northeast of Czernowitz on Friday the Russians captured 20 officers, 1175 men, and three machine guns. Other information is not given, the war office merely contenting itself with publishing the results of each encounter and operation.

After considerable fighting Czartorysk remained in Russian hands Saturday, Petrograd officials report. The entry of Russian detachments into this town drew to the spot considerable forces of the enemy which repulsed the Russian advanced troops, but the foe was afterwards dislodged, leaving three officers and fifty men in Russian hands. Further attempts of the enemy to drive the czar's men from this point failed. The advantage in holding this position is that it gives the Russians the control of a good system of metalled roadways.

Seventeen officers and over 1000 men were taken prisoners by the Russians in the middle Stripa, where Russian units captured an enemy position here and there, according to Saturday's official Russian communique. The Russians have fortified themselves in the centre of wire entanglements in immediate contact with the foe. Several machine guns are included among the Muscovite spoils of war.

Austrian military measures taken up to the end of the week failed to stop the Russian offensive northwest of Czernowitz, their desperate counter-attacks with large forces in the face of the advancing Russians being repulsed with enormous losses. Fourteen officers and over 300 men, with two machine guns, were taken prisoners by the Russians.

H.M.S. King Edward VII, a second-class battleship, and once the pride of the fleet, was sunk by a mine. The crew was saved. This warship was launched in 1903, has a speed of 18 1/2 knots, and was armed by four twelve-inch, four 9.2 inch, and twenty-four smaller guns. She was thirteen years of age and was still a useful vessel, also outclassed by the dreadnought.

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The following were then elected officers of the auxiliary: President, Andrew Grant, Tomordern; vice-presidents, W. P. Maclean, M.P.; Godfrey S. Henry, M.L.A.; secretary, D. W. Proctor, Burnhamstead; assistant secretary, William White; treasurer, Treasurer, Paul J. Douglas; assistant treasurer, W. Caswell. The presidents of the auxiliary organizations in the township school sections will act as an executive.

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GIVE FIXED ASSESSMENT TO GOODYEAR CO.

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