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(called "dynamic" because it produces energy) does contain the necessary phosphorus in the form of food phosphates, it supplies the weakened starving nerves, nerve centres and brain tissues with the very element of strength they require.

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LONDON DOCTOR STILL "CARRIED ON" WHEN STRETCHER BEARERS KILLED

Capt. George Renton's Work at Tigris Crossing in Mesopotamia Wins Author's Special Commendation.

Work of Capt. George Renton of this city, now employed on the medical boards of the district, but for more than a year with the Royal Army Medical Corps of the Imperial service in the Mesopotamia campaign, brings special reference in an article on "The Canadians in Mesopotamia," appearing in the March issue of MacLean's Magazine.

Of Capt. Renton, who was one of the first officers into Kut-el-Amara, William Byron, the author of the article, says:

"A Canadian medical officer, Lieut. Renton, of London, Ontario, distinguished himself in the crossing of the Tigris. He was in charge of the Red Cross work and was under fire during the whole engagement. So heavy was the fire that all his stretcher-bearers were killed, and the work was so well carried out, however, that Lieut. Renton was again placed in charge of a similar crossing was successfully made above Baghdad."

This reference to Capt. Renton is only one in the whole article in which any of the Canadian officers who were engaged in the big drive were singled out for special reference. The author explained that while no Canadian battalions participated in the campaign there were some 40 Canadian medical officers and an equal number of Canadian engineers. In addition there were many Canadian nurses, so the land of the Maple Leaf was well represented.

REFUSING TO FORCE CHILDREN, HUNTING FUEL, TO GO TO SCHOOL

Truant Officer Finds a Dozen Picking Coke, But Declines To Order Them Away.

Truant Officer Dr. George S. Weir is refusing to force children to school when he finds them endeavoring to get their fuel. He has been told that the children are picking coke, but he declines to order them away. "The children were picking the coke from the refuse piles, being unable to secure fuel in any other way," declares the truant officer. "Two of them were found for their fuel. I don't think I could learn just recently returned from overseas. They had no fire in the house at all, and the refuse coke was the only fuel they could get. Under such circumstances, I did not order them back to school."

LONDON FIREFIGHTERS KNITTERS EXTRAORDINARY; LEAD FIRE LEAGUE

Montreal Firemen Just Learning, But Those at No. 3 Hall Have Turned Out 600 Pairs in Five Months.

While the firemen of Montreal have only within the past few days been initiated into the intricacies of the art of knitting socks for sailors and soldiers, London firemen at No. 3 Fire Hall, Bruce street, have mastered the problem to such an extent that they have turned out 600 pairs of socks in the past five months.

The firemen were approached some months ago by members of the Princess Patricia and Hamilton-Gault Chapters and the South London Auxiliary of the Red Cross, L. O. D. E., who

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Chief John Atken leaves it to the men to do as they like during their spare hours.

TEST OF SEED CORN URGED UPON FARMERS OF LONDON DISTRICT

Advice Sent Out To Help in Greater Production.

A letter addressed to all farmers' clubs in this district has been sent out by R. A. Finn, district representative of the agricultural department, outlining plans for greater production for the coming season.

The letter urges every farmer who has corn for seedling purposes to have it tested. If it tests out less than 60 per cent it is useless.

Regarding seed wheat, Mr. Finn says the Government has purchased 50,000 bushels of Marquis spring wheat, to be sold to the farmers at \$2.15 a bushel. If the farmers will communicate with the district representative he will look after the orders.

The Government will arrange a central point for the wool to be shipped this coming year. The letter says: "Last year a considerable amount of wool in Ontario and the Western provinces was marketed co-operatively. This year a considerable amount of wool is to be shipped to a central point. The price realized last year was considerable higher than the price paid by the buyers. It is impossible to supply sacks to farmers having less than fifteen fleeces. It would be well to save just bags for the purpose of shipping wool if you have a small number of fleeces. One string should be enough for each fleece. Fleeces should be banded with twine and not with string. Pruning demonstrations will be given to country clubs if desired.

The Government intends to supply seed potatoes, free from disease, to farmers this spring.

The letter recommends the following treatment for smut: "One ounce of formalin to 30 water. If suitable, Sprinkle with a sprinkling can, and the grain milled till every grain is moistened."

The letter also adds that they will be able to arrange for farmers' tours to other parts of the country, and will also be able to arrange speakers for the farmers' club meetings.

FORESTRY RECRUITS NO LONGER REQUIRED

Camp Orders Announces Ban On Further Enlistments.

"No more axe-men wanted." Is the burden of the song sung in camp orders today, where it is stated in official language that all recruiting for forestry units will cease at once.

Men who have been enlisted for forestry work may be accepted for railway work, if suitable. This order is not to mean that there are sufficient men in the forestry units at the present time to handle all the work that is necessary, and until further reinforcements are needed, the ban will not be lifted.

CAN KEEP OVERSEAS OFFICERS IN CANADA

Special Authority Granted If Urgency of Case Demands It.

Officers of the overseas military forces of Canada who have been sent leave to Canada, may, if they are willing and their services are urgently required for duty in Canada, be retained here.

Camp orders, in making this announcement today, state that officers commanding districts are to submit recommendations to headquarters for the retention of such officers as are needed, and are to do so only in the event of there being no returned officers, who are unit for general service, available for the appointment.

FOUR BECOME FLIERS

Members of W. O. R. Given Discharges to Join R. F. C. as Cadets.

Four members of the 1st Depot Battalion, W. O. R., have been released from service with that unit and have been attested as cadets in the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

The following are in training as cadets: Pres. Daniel Joseph Lee, Leo Patrick Flynn, Patrick Flynn, Windie, Archibald Howard Hutchinson.

EAT WISELY—WELL—WITHOUT WASTE

Grape-Nuts

being part barley is a wheat saver. Needs no sugar.

Not an Atom of Waste.

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LUCKY COUPONS FOR "DOLLAR DAY" DRAWN

Coupon No. 69758 of the London Merchants' Dollar Day Association is the lucky \$25 prizewinner. At the drawing in Utilities Commissioner Philip Pocock's office, the lucky prize was drawn.

In addition to winning one of the 210 prizes, Coupon No. 2719 gets an additional \$10 prize. The prizes were drawn by Keene Bros., as this coupon was the first drawn bearing the signature of A. H. Brown.

All prize coupons will be cashed at the market branch of the Bank of B. N. A. The lucky coupons are as follows:

2719	69712	26106
6910	25514	
59471	26106	
15239	24139	
23122	14350	
6739	4909	
66472	59470	
7152		

\$1 PRIZES.

69494	69301	14693
61792	21333	12484
1398	6536	53824
2124	25552	68122
26631	54038	
1850	29292	50996
907	4811	28375
14572	12239	26745
7816	2692	4825
26155	53458	51849
28739	26948	69341
93825	9741	60317
34390	27497	76994
3219	26487	57761
26485	54103	5180
50484	22546	55202
14562	54103	26745
12482	58012	14627
22548	54804	62245
1422	14333	1983
50432	62992	2037
4979	20492	54661
12929	26736	19123
20703	7590	28523
23533	60995	8866
26938	59136	59136
15099	67124	7709
25552	65221	12437
21759	26772	60895
9168	61945	14857
64797	14947	2387
24987	14914	69488
14561	21711	69700
63323	69881	18983
14645	26520	2842
24957	61619	15312
14567	14567	14567
16731	63334	15795
62345	28819	69671
5709	64845	16311
	62893	17073

LONDON AND WESTERN HAS EIGHT MILLIONS ASSETS

Has Never Lost a Dollar Through Investment in 21 Years.

At the annual meeting of the London and Western Trust Company held on Thursday, the president, Sir George Gibbons, pointed out that in its 21 years of operation the company had never lost a dollar through investment.

This tribute to the efficient management of the company was made in an address made by the president, Sir George Gibbons, at the annual meeting of the company held on Thursday.

In his remarks the president referred to the conservative and sound policy which is rigidly followed in the business affairs of the company, and urged the necessity for a change in the law governing the operations of such organizations so as to limit their powers. He recommended that if an amendment is not made to the general act, the London and Western should apply for a special act limiting its powers. The objectionable clause in the act, as he saw it, was that giving to the company the power to lend its own money and the money of its depositors and debenture holders, upon securities, bonds and paid-up stock of any incorporated company operating either under Dominion or provincial charter. This, he said, left the door wide open.

John McClary seconded the adoption of the report, and endorsed the remarks of the president.

The financial statement of the company showed assets of over \$5,000,000, a gain of a million and a quarter dollars in two years. The sum of \$3,000,000 was contributed during the year to patriotic funds and \$150,000 was invested in the Victory Loan.

ASK FOR RELEASE FROM WAR SERVICE OF DERANGED YOUTH

Mother and Sister Plead For Boy's Exemption.

After having asked for exemption in vain, a mother and sister are now pleading with the appeal judge to permit their son, a brother, to escape service on the ground that he is insane.

According to the evidence submitted the prospect of having to go to war had such an effect on the mind of the young man that he became deranged. He is of a deeply religious turn of mind, and has been suffering from his antipathy to war service.

No decision has yet been given, but the evidence is strong which is organized by the Government.

ORGANIZING BRANCH OF LECTURERS' BUREAU HERE

Frank Feigh of the Canadian Bureau of Lecturers came to the city last night and addressed a meeting of Londoners on the subject of the organization of a local branch of the bureau, which is organized by the Government.

The idea is to have a corps of local speakers to give a short address in public places on various phases of the war. The speakers are to be given the people. Lecturers have given fine service in the United States and the Canadian Government has borrowed the idea from Uncle Sam.

Speakers are called "four minute men." P. H. Bartlett presided at the meeting last night, and those present were constituted a committee to advance the organization.

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