MILITIA OFFICERS LAYING PLANS FOR THEIR RECRUITING

Commanders Confer On Defence Force Formation.

WILL SUBMIT LISTS

Officers To Be Appointed Must Be Passed On by Headquarters.

At a meeting of the commanding officers of the 7th, 21st, 22nd, and 25th Militia Regiments held at military district headquarters, Wolseley Barracks, on Friday afternoon, plans were discussed for the organization of the four regiments as units in the Canadian defence force.

Efforts will be made to organize strong civilian committees to co-operate and assist in recruiting the units up to the required strength, and to get the work under way as soon as possible.

The commanding officers were asked to submit names of the officers whom they will require to assist them in the formation of the regiments to the headquarters staff here. These will be recommended after consultation with the officers concerned.

No effort will be made to qualify lieutenants for appointments to the C. D. F. units until the qualified officers, of whom there are quite a number in this district at present, are absorbed.

In connection with the recruiting campaign efforts will be made to recruit the 63rd and 64th Batteries and No. 3 section of the Division Ammunition Column up to full strength. It is expected that these three artillery units will go overseas at full strength by the middle of April, and in addition will leave sufficient officers and men behind to form the nucleus for the further recruiting and training of men for the three units.

Those present at the conference were Lieut.-Cols. William Spittal, 7th Regiment; S. C. Robinson, 21st Regiment; W. T. McMullen, 22nd Regiment; Capt. Corry, 25th Regiment; Lieut.-Col. Brown, A. A. G., Lieut.-Col. Smith, G. S. O., and Col. Shannon, officer administering the district.

MAYOR SAYS LOCAL MILITARY HOSPITAL IS OVERCROWDED

Will Endeavor to Have Parliamentary Commission Investigate.

Mayor Stevenson will make an effort to have the parliamentary commission investigating military hospital conditions come to London, and look the situation over here.

He states that there are 100 more soldiers in London than accommodation has been provided for, and the situation is considered serious. "We will have to get the commission here," said the mayor. "There is plenty of accommodation in London if it is properly handled."

"KINSMAN" MAKES INITIAL APPEARANCE

New Publication of Associated Kin on Streets Today.

"The Kinsman" made its appearance on the streets of London today, the official organ of the Associated Kin of Canadian Expeditionary Forces.

Since the idea of the Associated Kin was organized and launched in this city it is fitting that The Kinsman should also have its headquarters here. Moreover, Vol. I., No. 1, has a special interest for Londoners from the fact it is a London Kindred Campaign Edition, making its bow to the public on the day before the firing of the first guns in the big membership campaign in this city, inaugurated by the Women's Emergency Corps, a federated society.

"A Call to Action" is sounded early in the pages of The Kinsman by Mrs. J. B. McKillop, general convener of the campaign, who states that the slogan is "Two thousand additional members."

In the course of the little journal the objects and obligations of the Associated Kin are fully explained, and in addition there are heartening messages for the boys at the front, written by Rev. Dr. N. L. Tucker, Dominion chaplain; Rev. H. D. Moyer, the local chaplain; from Adjutant Layman of the Salvation Army, and from Chatham, Kitchener and Stratford to the boys from their own constituencies. After reading it at home it is proposed to forward the Kinsman to the boys in the trenches.

Interest is added by pictures of London boys serving with the army and navy, who are in prison camps and who are numbered among the missing.

Just like its cover, The Kinsman, which is finding a ready sale, is "true blue" throughout.

BYRON FARMERS FORM CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY

Organize for Mutual Benefit and Reduction of Costs.

An organization similar to the Milk Producers' and Fruit Growers' Associations was organized by the farmers in the vicinity of Byron at a meeting in the Byron town hall last night. Representative Hart, from the co-operation and markets branch of the department of agriculture at Toronto, was present and outlined the objects of farmers' club which have proved successful in Essex and other counties. Messrs. A. Keines, W. Pack H. Shore, H. Wickerson and R. H. McEwen were chosen as directors. They will select officers and call another meeting at buying committee will be chosen.

The objects of the club, contrary to the belief of many city people, will be to reduce the prices of foodstuffs and not to increase them. By purchasing seed and similar necessities in bulk they will get them much cheaper and will therefore be able to produce crops at a lower price. Seed merchants will not be the losers as purchases will be made through local dealers.

REMANDED BY JUDGE

Shoplifters Appear Next Thursday for Sentence.

The two Glencoe sisters who pleaded guilty to the theft of wearing apparel from Smaliman & Ingram's store on Wednesday last appeared before Judge Macbeth today and were further remanded until Thursday next for sentence. The unmarried sister pleaded guilty to additional charges today and will be sentenced on all charges on Thursday next.

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CITY BREVITIES

PRESIDES AT HIGH COURT.—Chief Justice Sir Glenholme Falconbridge presided at today's sitting of the weekly high court.

GETS MONTH'S LEAVE.—Capt. F. H. Sutherland of A. M. C. Training Depot No. 1 has been granted a month's sick leave, beginning March 21.

ANOTHER PROSPECTIVE FLIER.—Pte. D. H. Henderson of A. M. C. Training Depot No. 1, has obtained his discharge for the purpose of enlisting in the Royal Flying Corps.

REPORTED IMPROVED.—The condition of General Manager Richards of the London and Port Stanley, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, is today reported as being greatly improved.

SECOND OF SERIES.—In First Congregational Church Dr. Silcox will give his second lecture on "Daniel in Babylon." Young men have been specially invited.

D. A. P. M. TRANSFERRED.—Lieut. G. E. Horsford, who has been acting as deputy assistant provost marshal at Chatham, will take over the duties of D. A. P. M. at Galt on March 26th, and will be attached to the 122nd Battalion for rations and quarters.

ENGINEERS' "AT HOME."—The annual "at home" of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, together with the branch ladies' societies, was held last evening at the Palace Dancing Academy. About 200 persons were present.

NEW 63RD RECRUITS.—The following men have joined the 63rd Depot Battery, Queen's Park, in the past two days: Horace B. Underwood and Wilson S. Mills, London; George Seabert, Detroit; Curtis E. Walker, Sarnia, and Russell G. Chick, Port Elgin.

GLENCOE PASTOR PREACHING.—Rev. G. S. Lloyd, B. A., who was inducted as the new minister of the Glencoe Presbyterian Church this week, will take the Sunday school anniversary services for Dr. McCrae at the Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church Sunday morning and evening.

"Y" DIRECTOR LEAVES.—H. M. Gilchrist, who for the past two years has had charge of the military work of the Y. M. C. A. in this city, left a few days ago to accept the general secretaryship of the "Y" at Oshawa. Pending the appointment of his successor, H. Kershaw is carrying on the work at Queen's Park camp.

EXPRESSES 149TH THANKS.—Appreciation of the gift boxes presented by the Overseas Chapter, I. O. D. E., to every member of the 149th Battalion on its departure from here to another training point was expressed in a telegram from the commanding officer, Lieut.-Col. W. N. McVicar, to Mrs. A. Galbraith, regent of the chapter, today.

RATION BOARD ORDERED. — A court of inquiry composed of Major G. W. Nelson, staff officer, and Lieuts. C. F. McGuire and H. B. McClelland, Army Service Corps, will be assembled at the call of the president for the purpose of inquiring into and recommending the disposal of a surplus of certain rations issued to the 149th Battalion, and which are said to be unfit for re-issue.

SPRING WEATHER SURELY.—The highest temperature for Friday was 52 degrees and the lowest 24. The highest reading this forenoon was again 52 degrees and the lowest several degrees higher than yesterday, 33. The barometer at the local observatory indicates clearer weather, though the prophets are predicting a slight snow flurry, which probably will not improve the temper of the public.

SPECIAL SERVICES.—Brig. Rawling and Ensign Martin of the Salvation Army staff are conducting special services at Owen Sound for the week-end, and Staff Capt. White is taking charge of the services at Seaforth. B. G. H. Wright will be the speaker at the afternoon service of the Salvation Army on Sunday at the Clarence Street Citadel, when he will deliver an address in connection with the membership campaign of the Associated Kin.

JOINS HOME SERVICE UNIT.—Today's camp orders announce the transfer of Sergt. A. C. Josephs of the 36th Battalion to No. 1 Special Service Company, becoming effective April 15. Sergt. Josephs has been a resident of London for a number of years and on the outbreak of the war went overseas with the 33rd Battalion. He was returned suffering from concussion due to shell shock and has now sufficiently recovered to resume duties with a home service unit. He has been a prominent worker of the Returned Soldiers' Association and was instrumental in putting on several patriotic sketches at local theatres.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICE.—Anniversary services will be conducted in King Street Presbyterian Church on Sunday, both morning and evening. Rev. J. B. Silcox, D.D., of the First Congregational Church will preach in the morning on the subject, "Our Earthly Immortality," and Rev. C. R. Flanders, D.D., of the First Methodist Church in the evening on "The Church the Light of the World." An unusually fine musical program has been prepared for both services. Monday evening, the anniversary supper and concert will take place, supper to be served from 6 to 8. Among the concert program attractions will be a "War Travelogue" by Rev. F. L. Barber, Ph.D.

BIG PREACHER HERE.—Rev. Joseph W. Kemp, Baptist divine, now of Calvary Baptist Church, New York, and late of Edinburgh, Scotland, arrives in the city today to conduct a week's special services in the Talbot Street Baptist Church. Tomorrow, the anniversary services of the church will be held, Mr. Kemp preaching at 11 o'clock and at 7 p.m., and addressing a men's mass meeting at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Ladies may occupy seats in the gallery at this service. The fact that Mr. Kemp is regarded as one of the foremost authorities on Bible study of the day and a leader in the "Back to the Bible" movement, adds special interest from an educational standpoint to his coming to the city.

FINED FOR TAMPERING WITH CROWN'S WITNESS

Kitchener Hotelman Mulcted—Another Man Committed for Perjury.

KITCHENER, March 23.—Charles Zuber, proprietor of the Grand Central Hotel, was fined $50 and costs by Magistrate Weir in police court today, being found guilty of tampering with crown witnesses in the case of Rex. vs. Zuber, in which Zuber was charged with selling liquor in contravention to the Ontario temperance act.

Charles Hummel, charged with perjury in the above case, appeared this afternoon and pleaded not guilty, and after preliminary hearing was committed for trial at the court of general sessions in June. Hummel was given his liberty on two sureties of $1,000.

FALL BRINGS DEATH

Workman On Ford Addition Dies In Hospital.

WINDSOR, March 23.—A fractured skull, sustained when he fell from the second story of a new addition to the factory of the Canadian Ford Company last evening caused the death of Adolphus Reaume of Ford, in the Hotel Dieu here today. Reaume, who was employed as a laborer, lost his balance and dropped 30 feet to the concrete floor below.

FIREMAN KILLED.

Kamloops, B. C., March 24.— G. Stewart, a C.P.R. fireman, was killed here when the drawbar connecting the engine and the tender broke, precipitating him between the wheels of the cars.

TYPHOID EPIDEMIC

Farnham, Que., March 24.—Typhoid fever is epidemic in the town of Farnham and district. In the town alone, 160 cases have been reported. The provincial board of health has been requested to send an inspector to make an investigation.

NEW TECHNICALITY HOLDS UP PAYMENT OF HOSPITAL BILLS

Specific Notice of Mayor's Refusal To Sign Missing.

SPECIAL MEETING CALLED

Another Council Session Is Necessary To Straighten Out Tangle.

The businessmen who are waiting for their money from Victoria Hospital are liable to wait for some time. The check for $13,000, signed by Controller E. S. Little, on the authority of the city council, has been refused payment by the Bank of Montreal, and as a result another meeting of the council must be called to straighten the tangle. This will probably be called for Monday evening, when the board of control and the finance committee will be in session.

It seems that when the check was presented at the Bank of Montreal, inquiries were made as to why there was a resolution accompanying it notifying the bank that Controller Little had been authorized to sign the check. City Solicitor Meredith was called up, and he instructed the bank not to pay until it was clear that all the formalities had been complied with. He stated that Mayor Stevenson must first refuse to sign it, and then the council could pass a resolution to the effect that Mayor Stevenson having refused to sign it, the council had authorized Controller Little to sign the check.

These formalities were gone through with, as Mayor Stevenson informed the council that he had refused to sign the check, giving as his reason that there was no money to pay it. That was his only excuse, he further pointed out, for not signing it.

However, the resolution did not state specifically that Mayor Stevenson had refused to sign the check, and in consequence, Controller Little had been instructed to sign it. The result was that City Solicitor Meredith's ruling that the formalities had not been complied with was quite correct. The resolution must be specific on that point. It is only a technicality at best, but it is effective.

The businessmen must now wait a few more days for their money. If Mayor Stevenson is not at the special meeting of the council on Monday evening, further complications may arise. If he does not present himself, they must do without their money until after the next regular meeting of the council on April 2nd.

WEDDING BELLS

TAYLOR—MANNING.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Manning was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Wednesday, when their youngest daughter, Irene, was united in marriage to William A. Taylor, only son of W. Taylor of Glanworth. The bride entered the parlor on the arm of her father to the strains of the Wedding March, played by Mrs. James Clinton, sister of the groom, where the ceremony was performed under an arch of evergreens and roses by Rev. G. W. Crawford of Wilton Grove, assisted by Rev. R. Wilson, Lambeth. The bride was attired in a gown of white silk crepe de chine over duchess satin, with bridal veil caught up with a coronet of orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. Little Stella Sutton, niece of the groom, made a charming little flower girl, gowned in pink silk and carrying a basket of pink carnations. Little Stewart Sutton acter as ring bearer. During the signing of the register, A. Sutton of Wilton Grove sang "One Fleeting Hour." After the ceremony refreshments were served by two girl friends of the bride. The groom's gift to the bride was a set of mink furs; to the pianist, a sardonix ring; to the flower girl, a gold bracelet; to the ring bearer, a watch fob, and to the soloist, gold cuff links. The happy couple left for Detroit, Windsor and other points, the bride travelling in a Russian green suit with white satin hat. On their return they will reside at "Spruceholm Farm," Glanworth.

CHARCOAL FAMINE LATEST IN FUEL LIST

Coal Shortage Over—This One Takes Its Place.

Now that London has safely past the coal shortage, the city at present is suffering from a charcoal famine.

The Charcoal Supply Company manager stated today that it had not received a pound of charcoal for over a week. The company attributes the famine to the failure of the railroads to furnish cars to transport the charcoal from its factories at Sudbury to the city.

The railroads in turn, so the Charcoal Supply Company says, claim a freight car shortage, and are compelled to use what cars are at their disposal for other purposes.

The usual amount of charcoal used in the city this time of year is a carload a day. Many grocery stores and shops which handle charcoal have sold out their stocks, and citizens who have been in the habit of using charcoal for cooking purposes or starting coal fires will be compelled to resort in kindling. Although it is not expected any great hardship will arise as a result of the famine, still it will be a great inconvenience to citizens who have been accustomed to its use.

Many of the poorer people, who used charcoal for cooking purposes, being able to buy it in small quantities at 10 cents a bag, will be affected perhaps worse than others.

Several carloads are en route to the city.

CHEERS FOR REVOLT.

Rome, March 24—Via Paris, March 24.—The Russian revolution was the subject of an enthusiastic demonstration in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday. An eulogistic speech by Premier Boselli was interrupted by frequent applause. The premier concluded:

"In the name of the Italian Government and the army of all Italy, I cordially wish for the Duma a glorious and prompt consolidation of the liberal institutions which are the basis of the new order of things. I wish new successes for the heroic Russian armies and to the Russian people we send today the kiss of brotherhood, which we shall soon exchange for the kiss of victory."

MULATTO ESCAPES FROM BRANTFORD TURNKEY

Breaks Jail and Is Believed To Be Making Tracks for Border.

BRANTFORD, March 23.—While serving an eighteen-month sentence in Brantford jail, Victor Johnson, a 17-year-old yellow mullato, made his escape about 4 o'clock this afternoon, and has since eluded the police. It was while the turnkey was returning the prisoners to their cells from the basement of the courthouse, where they had been kalsomining, that Johnson made his getaway. Johnson hails from Chicago, and it is believed that he will try to cross the border. He was sentenced for keeping a disorderly house here about a month ago. Johnson, who is of medium height, has one-half of his right ear missing.

CABLES THE DUMA.

Winnipeg, March 24.—The University of Manitoba has cabled congratulations to the Russian Duma.

CARD OF THANKS.

The family of Mrs. Isabel Prince wish to thank the many friends who showed their kindness during her illness and their bereavement.

"KINDRED SUNDAY" IN CHURCHES TOMORROW

Campaign for Membership in Associated Kin Starts.

Tomorrow will be "Kindred Sunday" in the city, and from a number of the pulpits, announcement will be made of the campaign for membership for the Associated Kin of Canadian Expeditionary Forces. It is understood that several of the ministers will speak at some length on the subject. A request for announcement was made to the clergymen present at the meeting of the Ministerial Alliance last Monday by Rev. Dr. Tucker, Dominion chaplain, and Rev. H. D. Moyer, city chaplain, who explained the objects of the organization. It is proposed to use the church honor rolls in order to get in touch with the citizens who have "blood in the war," and consequently are eligible for membership in the organization. Rev. Samuel Boal is to be a week-end visitor in the city, and will speak on the subject of "Kinship" in the Patricia Theatre at mass meetings at 4:15 o'clock and at 8:30 o'clock. He will speak in Knox Church at the evening service in the interests of the Associated Kin.

Rev. H. D. Moyer will preach and explain the Associated Kin movement in Wellington Street Methodist Church at 11 o'clock.

Rev. W. H. Harvey, chaplain of the St. Thomas Associated Kin, is conducting the evening service in Dundas Centre Methodist Church, and will there explain the objects.

EXTENDING "Y" WORK

Munitions Plants and Big Factories Being Organized.

E. R. Wilson, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in this city, returned last night from Hamilton where he attended a conference of the officials of the Y. M. C. A. of Ontario and Quebem. He reports that the conference was very successful, and that the Y. M. C. A. is about to extend its work among the employees of large industrial establishments, including munition plants.

This is being done at the request of the larger industrial corporations, who in a manner similar to the railroad companies will pay for the privileges extended to their men.

The work of the Y. M. C. A. among the soldiers overseas was also one of the topics discussed at the conference.

SPRING SURELY HERE

Policemen Don Spring Millinery Once Again for Day Duty.

The members of the police force sallied forth this morning arrayed in their new "spring bonnets," otherwise their spring and fall helmets. Their winter caps will not for some time be placed away in moth-balls as they will still be worn during the nights for at least three weeks yet.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Runians announce the engagement of their daughter, Maud B., to Basil F. Woolley. The marriage to take place quietly next month.

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Mrs. James Ballantyne has returned to Toronto after a few days' visit in town, the guest of Mrs. Charles E. Elliott, Craig street.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

DIED AT HENSALL.

Mrs. Ann Jane Moore, for nearly 40 years a highly-respected citizen of Hensall, died today at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Pierson. She was 75 years old and was the widow of William Moore, who predeceased her by several years. She is survived by three daughters—Mrs. Thomas Pierson, Miss Mary Jane and Mrs. Thomas Simpson, and two sons—William of this city and Charles of Detroit.

The funeral will be held on Monday to Hensall Cemetery.

DEATH OF MRS. LOTT.

The death occurred Thursday of Mrs. George Lott of 74 Empress avenue. She is survived by her husband, two sons and one daughter: Hy Lott of Empress avenue, and Wesley of the fourth concession of London Township, and Mrs. Lewis Bernard of Empress avenue. Three sisters and two brothers also survive: Mrs. Garlett, Arthur street; Mrs. Bickell, Bowmanville; Mrs. Gero, city; Hy and George Davis of London East. Funeral will be held on Sunday to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

FUNERAL OF ROBERT MOWATT.

The funeral of Robert Mowatt, who died on March 17 was held from his late residence, 103 Beaconsfield avenue, on Tuesday. Services were conducted by Rev. D. C. MacGregor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, assisted by Rev. J. G. Stuart of Knox Presbyterian Church. Mr. Mowatt was a member of St. John's Lodge, No. 20, A., F. and A. M., and Masonic rites marked the funeral.

Mr. Mowatt is survived by his wife and two daughters, Mary and Beatrice, both at home. His only son, Robert, a member of the 7th Mounted Rifles, was killed in action on October 1 or 2 last year.

FUNERAL THIS AFTERNOON.

The funeral of Hilda B. Howey, 1-year-old daughter of Orville Howey, was held from the funeral parlors of Smith, Son & Clarke this afternoon. The little girl died at her parents' home in Detroit on Thursday. After an illness of several months from whooping cough, pneumonia developed and caused her death.

NEW BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY

The following are the new books that have been added at the public library this week, and that are now in circulation:

Philosophy and Sociology—Pendered, Book of Common Joys; Haddock, Culture of Courage; Lipson, Economic History of England: Haw, Life Story of Will Crooks, M. P.; Kipling, Sea Warfare.

Natural Science and Useful Arts—Ward, Marvels of Fish Life; Kingsley, Comparative Anatomy of Vertebraes; Lovett, Treatment of Infantile Paredition; Booth, Audel's Automobile Guide; Dryden, Poultry Breeding and Management; Jasper, Flemish System of Poultry Rearing; Thomson, Milk and Cream Testing; Cardfield, Hygiene of the Sick Room; Penrose's Art Annual, 1916.

Fine Arts and Literature—Howes, Building by a Builder; Dawson, Mary Dawson Game Book; Dawson, Moneymaking Entertainments for Your Church; Hughes, Songs by Thirty Americans, 2 vols.; Bach, Piano Compositions; Chopin, Forty Piano Compositions; Liszt, Twenty Piano Compositions; Mendelssohn, Thirty Piano Compositions; Moszkowski, Anthology of German Piano Music; Schumann, Forty Piano Compositions; Graves, Reciter's Treasury of Irish Verse; Howells, Years of My Youth; O'Brien, Best Short Stories of 1916; Logan, Verses; Brooke, John Webster and the Elizabethan Drama; Butler, Erewhon; Livesay, Songs of Ukrainia; Stephens, Soul of Russia.

Travel, History and Biography—Ditchfield, Cathedrals of Great Britain; Cumberland, Century of Sail and Steam on the Niagara River; Muir, Thousand-Mile Walk to the Gulf; Beck, War and Humanity; Cheredame, Pan-German Somme; Lipson, Europe in the 19th Century; Massart, Belgians Under the German Eagle; Palmer, My Second Year at the War; Washburn, Russian Advance; Wauwweller, Belgium and the Great Powers; Wells, Italy, France and Britain at War; Traill, Lord Salisbury; Stryienski, Nineteenth Century in France; Waddington, My First Years as a Frenchwoman; Spender, Botha, the Career and the Man; Seward, Reminiscences; Franklin, Autobiography.

Fiction—Bell, About Miss Mattie Morningglory; Bindloss, Brandon of the Engineers; Canfield, Bent Twig; Chambers, Girl Philippa; Comfort, Last Ditch; Danby, Twilight; Glasgow, Life and Gabriella; Jenkins, Bindle; Lowndes, Good Old Anna; Mundy, King — of the Khyber Rifles; Rinehart, Tish; Tobenkin, Witte Arrives; White, Ends of Justice; Wodehouse Piccadilly Jim; Gibbs, Yellow Dove.

MAKE ALL GERMANS IN U. S. REGISTER IN EVENT OF WAR

Refuse To Expand Treaties To Suit Berlin.

Washington, March 24.—The United States has formally refused Germany's request to modernize and extend the old Prussian-American treaties of 1799 and 1828. The state department has replied, through Dr. Paul Ritter, Swiss minister here in charge of German interests, refusing to accept the protocol sent through him to the United States Government on February 10.

The reply states that the United States, considering the treaties in force in their original form, is entirely unwilling to accept Germany's interpretation of them as provided in the protocol, which expanded the exemption from seizure of "merchants and their effects" in case of war between the two countries into a general exemption, including enemy ships in port at the outbreak of war, which must either be left free or given safe conduct for their home ports, even through hostile blockade. Moreover, all enemy nationals, who would be free from internment and able to go about their business without the slightest hindrance, during the whole course of the war and not in the restricted way mentioned in the original treaties.

Make Germans Register.

The question left unanswered by the negotiations is the status of the million and a quarter German citizens in this country. The Government will undoubtedly, in case of war, cause Germans to register and possibly restrict their travel, without special permit, to certain limits. General internment is not being considered as yet, as officials maintain that America's only object in the war would be to curb the German Government, and not to injure its citizens here.

The war department has already secured full details of the various principles and practices put into effect in other countries, and is prepared to carry out any plan that may be ordered. So far the only one that has met with any favor is the Canadian plan which leaves all Germans free as before, subject to restrictions on travel and obligation to register, and intern only those known to be enemies of the state. So far only about 6,000 out of 80,000 have so been held.

BURGLARS WORKING AT GALT SUCCESSFULLY

Three Homes Suffer From Their Unwelcome Presence.

GALT, March 23.—House robbers are at work here, and have entered no less than three homes in the absence of the occupants, securing good hauls. At W. Bruce's, 7 Oxford street, $30 was taken; at J. Leed's, 47 Bond street, a gold watch and chain and $2.50 goldpiece, while the richer haul was made at W. Gerbracht's on Thursday night, when $115 in money a $50 check was secured. The thieves are believed to be local men, as they have evident knowledge of the homes victimized and the departure of the residents. The police are working on the case.

Mrs. Amelia F. Matthews, 63 Beverly street, formerly of Doon, received word from the militia department that information received by mail from England states that her son, Pte. Wilfrid Victor Matthews, had been admitted to No. 20 General Hospital, Camiers, France, on February 18, suffering from acute nephritis. He is 25 years of age, and enlisted at Doon.

GLENCOE OIL FIELDS RAPIDLY DEVELOPING

Leases Being Made in All Parts of Ekfrid and Mosa.

GLENCOE, March 23.—Activity in the oil fields in the vicinity of Glencoe is creating unusual interest in the town, and great hopes of the future are entertained.

The land is being leased and the drilling done by the Carmen interests. Mr. Carmen operated successfully near Bothwell Ont., and is at present operating in California. Mr. J. H. McLeod has charge of the work here, and several good wells have been brought in. One well on the McLean farm, about five miles from Glencoe, is pumping 30 barrels per day, and one on John Secord's farm, four miles, is pumping over 100 barrels per day. Mr. McLeod states that the oil from the Secord well has tested the highest of any oil in Canada. They are now drilling on the Livingston farm, and expect to bring in a well in a few days. Indications point to a big oil field, and land is being leased in all parts of the townships of Mosa and Ekfrid.

Glencoe the nearest point to the field, and the citizens and merchants are looking forward to a big boom in the near future.

PRO-GERMAN BOASTS MADE AT DRESDEN

Dain Township Man Guilty and County Constable Merely Exacts Promise to Refrain.

WABASH, March 23.—A Dawn Township man, who expressed himself as being in sympathy with Germany, narrowly escaped a good thrashing at the hands of two traveling salesmen in the Pere Marquette station at Dresden.

The men while waiting for the train got into some heated arguments and the Dawn man made the statement that he was with Germany all the way through and that he did not consider Germany in any way to blame for the war. His attitude was too much for the husky travelers, for when the train came in they were in the act of putting the offender through the third degree. They were intercepted by the arrival of County Constable Peters, who forced a promise from the pro-German to the effect that in future he would refrain from making any such expression in public.

OFFICERS OF FLEET OF C. P. R. SELECTED

OWEN SOUND, March 23.—The officers of the boats of the C. P. R. fleet sailing from Port McNichol for the coming year will be as follows:

Assiniboia—James McCannel, master; J. P. Pearson, first officer; M. C. Griffin, second officer; A. A. Cameron, chief engineer; Wm. S. Struthers, second engineer; C. Irvine, third engineer; W. H. Whittemore, chief steward; A. Spencer, second steward; Wm. Bethune, purser.

Alberta—F. J. Davis, master; J. W. McCannel, first officer; James McDowell, second officer; C. Butterworth, chief engineer; F. Irvine, second engineer; C. S. Miers, purser.

Manitoba—John McIntyre, master; F. S. Middleton, first officer; James Webb, second officer; Robert Sinclair, chief engineer; Robert Blair, second engineer; E. R. McCallum, chief steward; G. Fields, second steward; J. E. Laine, purser.

Keewatin—Malcolm McPhee, master; Joseph Bishop, first officer; H. Baxter, second officer; Wm. Lewis, chief engineer; David Ramsey, second engineer; George H. Fisk, chief steward; E. Gardhouse, second steward; George Bethune, purser.

Athabaska—Murdock McKay, master; Dugald McIntyre, first officer; George D. Adam, chief engineer; George Rae, second engineer; A. Gallagher, purser.

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM.

TILLSONBURG, March 23.—Pupils of the Tillsonburg High school are preparing for the patriotic concert to be given on April 3 in the Opera House. The entire proceeds are for patriotic purposes, and the program will consist mainly of military drills and folk dances. The high school pupils have won a wide reputation for their work in supplying smokes and dainties to the ex-pupils at the front.

"PATRIOTIC NIGHT" BRINGS 1,500 OUT TO LEAMINGTON REVIVAL

Organizations Attend Church in Body for Special Service.

PACIFISTS ARE SCORED

Evangelist Cheered When He Predicts Active American Entry Into War.

LEAMINGTON, March 23.—Patriotic night was observed here this evening in the Johnstone-Moon series of evangelistic meetings which are being held in the Methodist Church under the auspices of that church together with the Baptist and Presbyterian Churches.

All patriotic organizations of the town attended in a body. The Daughters of the Empire, one hundred strong, all waving Union Jacks and headed by Mrs. L. J. Wright, the regent, were first to enter, then came the Young Ladies' Khaki Club and the McGregor Kiltie Club, consisting of thirty young girls who constitute this active organization. While marching down the aisles they repeated their slogan "Patriotism, Patriotism, That's Our Work." "The Kiltie Club Will Never Shirk, McGore, McGregor, That Is Our Name and Forever Will Always Be the Same," while they were being loudly cheered the Citizens' Band entered amid much applause.

Rev. Fallis, Davies and Armstrong headed the Essex delegation, which consisted of about 100 prominent residents of Essex and vicinity.

The church was filled to capacity, probably 1,500 people being present, and the decorations were at once appropriate and beautiful.

Rev. Mr. Johnstone preached from the 20th Psalm and 5th verse: "We will rejoice in this salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners." As flags were so much in evidence he gave a short history of the many flags and told his hearers that the Union Jack first came into existence in 1606, when Scotland and England were united under James I. of Scotland, and VI. of England.

Raps American Pacifists.

The speaker paid a great tribute to the British flag, which he characterized as a clean flag, carried by clean men for the cleanest cause, for which human beings ever fought. He rapped the pacifists and said that if Theodore Roosevelt had been president when the Lusitania was sunk that he would have called out the United States army, instead of ordering another bundle of writing paper.

Mr. Johnstone is a Canadian, but has lived for the past twenty years in the United States, and has naturally enough become imbued with the idea "That being the richest country on earth," its participation would be of material benefit to the Allies. He told his hearers that he yet expected to see Wilson on the Donkey, followed by the Elephant and the Bull Moose and 100,000,000 Americans fighting with the allied powers for the cause of humanity. The mention of Roosevelt's name was cheered for several minutes, but when he announced that Henry Ford had placed his enormous plant at the disposal of the president in case of war, the building was so quiet that one could have heard a pin drop.

Do Not Forget Ford's Words.

The people here have not evidently forgotten the fact that Ford recently said: "If the Germans do not sink a ship I fear one will be sunk anyway by the powers that desire to push the United States into the war."

The grand chorus consisted of 200 well trained voices, and one of the special features was a duet sung by Mr. Moon and Mrs. Johnstone.

The Citizens' Band rendered some splendid patriotic selections, and patriotic night was, notwithstanding the inclement weather, a grand success.

The announcement was made from the pulpit that on Monday evening next Major Robins, who was previously Lloyd George's secretary, would deliver a lecture on Lloyd George, and the 215ist pipe band would be here for the occasion.

The Johnstone moon meetings are just now getting under headway, and before four weeks have passed a great religious awakening is earnestly being prayed for. Mr. Johnstone is a fluent speaker, has a pleasing personality, and his discourses evidence the fact of thorough preparation.

He paid a great tribute to the women of Canada, whom he said had made possible such heroic sacrifices as the Canadian soldier had made for King and country.

SUGGESTS ORPHANAGE FOR SOLDIERS' CHILDREN

Relatives of Returned Soldier Dying of Wounds Should Get Pension.

TORONTO, March 23.—At the afternoon session of the parliamentary committee on returned soldiers, Sergt.-Major Guilfoyle, representing the European Veterans' Association of Calgary, claimed that hopelessly insane returned soldiers should be cared for in federal institutions.

He also suggested that orphanages for soldiers' children should be established throughout the Dominion; they had proved a success in Great Britain. There had been complaints of delay in supplying artificial limbs, principally arms. Government factories should be established in the various provinces.

Another proposal was that relatives of men dying from wounds after return should be pensioned the same as the kin of a man killed at the front. He objected to any discrimination between the pensions of officers and men. Alien enemies, he declared, should be disfranchised for some years.

A government tailoring factory for uniforms was also suggested.

Pay System Is Bad.

W. A. MacDonald of the Edmonton Veterans' Association, stated that nine out of ten men had never had a satisfactory statement of their pay. The only certain case was where a man had taken the precaution of getting a duplicate of the Government pay book. Some men believed that their pay books had been incorrectly prepared. In a few cases they went so far as to suspect that it was deliberate. He could not cite any specific case, however, suspicion had been entertained that there was dishonesty in England and France. The chief trouble, however, was delay. H. W. Hart and W. Driscoll of the British Columbia Returned Soldiers' Association, said there were no complaints of pay in that province as everything was settled by direct reference to the paymaster. A good deal of trouble was caused by the overlapping of several volunteer associations for aiding soldiers.

The committee closed its sessions here.

HOW RONALD WAS SUNK.

Washington, D. C., March 24.—Sinking of the Norwegian steamer Ronald, with one American on board, was reported to the state department today by Ambassador Sharp at Paris in the following dispatch:

"Consular agent at Brest reports sinking Norwegian steamer Ronald from Cardiff to Civitta, Vecchia, with coal. George Goldroimer, sailor, born Portland, Ore., bearer American seaman's identification certificate, states Ronald not armed nor carrying troops. German submarine gave warning, time crew to take to boats. Ronald sacked and bombs placed on board and sunk. Sea smooth, weather fine, no casualty, and only one American on board."

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