

15,000 Must Register Yet

A total of 448 men registered at the local registration office in Prince William street yesterday. Out of the total registrations twenty-three signed the card for service and 425 claimed exemption.

The total figures to date are 604 reports for service and 4,373 claims for exemption, making a total of 4,777 who have registered so far under the Military Service Act. With only eleven days left there are something over 15,000 in New Brunswick yet to register under the first call.

Fifty were examined at the local medical board yesterday. Eighteen were placed in category A, and fourteen in class E. There were nine voluntary recruits examined yesterday.

Dr. C. M. Pratt Tells of Work At The Front

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When seen last evening at his home in Main street, Captain Pratt said that he went overseas almost two years ago and has served through many of the prominent engagements on the western front.

He said that he was with the 9th Field Ambulance and was later transferred to the 60th Battalion. The 60th Battalion, he said, and the 87th were merged and were known as the Montreal Grenadier Guards. He was medical officer of the 60th Battalion, which name it assumed after the two regiments were united. Captain Pratt served with the 3rd Divisional Train and as an O. of the 60th went right up to the lines with his battalion. He said that when one was acting in the capacity as M. O. of a unit he went right up to action with his regiment and consequently he was within a few hundred yards of the front line trenches.

Speaking of No. 1 Canadian General Hospital, of which Colonel Murray MacLaren was formerly commander, and at which Captain Pratt served for many months among the Canadian wounded, he stated that New Brunswick's latest addition was a credit to this province. Since Colonel MacLaren went to England there have been three huts added, which were solely equipped and erected through the hearty donations from the people of this province. He added that the money had been most advantageously expended, was serving a most wonderful purpose and fulfilling a great need in hospital work. There were various huts at No. 1, from different parts of Canada, but New Brunswick's share was something out of the ordinary, and the only outfit of its kind at No. 1 General Hospital.

In France, there was the Queen's University's unit of Kingston. Speaking of the general hospital work in France he said that it was noticeably effective and was a wonderful organization. The patients were dealt with promptly and systematically. Those pronounced to reach recovery within three weeks were returned to hospitals in France, and sent back to the front. If their wounds necessitated longer treatment, they were sent to England.

Speaking of the war he expressed the opinion that there was no question but that the outcome would be highly satisfactory, but added that it would have been over sooner than expected if it had not been for the recent setback suffered by the Italians.

Captain Pratt came home on transport duty and is in the city for a short stay. He expects to return to France, and continue his excellent work among the wounded. He was very reticent in speaking of his accomplishments at the front.

He intimated that there were about seven hundred Canadian hospitals in France along with seven stationary Canadian hospitals, all of which were equipped on a par with any in France.

A Puzzled Veteran

Among the other returned men to reach the city was Private W. Preston, of Fredericton. When approached by a reporter he said that in the point of service there was probably no older soldier to leave Canada for the present war activities than himself. "I was in the game forty odd years ago and marched with Lord Roberts in the year 1880 in his famous march from Kabul to Kandahar which is between East India and Russia." With this remark Private Preston produced the star emblematic of that famous march under Lord Roberts. The distance covered was 587 miles and the time it took was twenty-three days. "In that part of the country several months previous to the memorable march."

Speaking of warfare then and now Private Preston said that there was no comparison. In the old days there were more long marches than there are today. In those days it was all "marches," today it is all "trenches."

"In the time of the '80's we could dig shelters of about eighteen inches deep; now the trenches are dug to a depth of over seven feet. We did not stay as long in them as they do now. It was merely drop into one for a few minutes then you were up and away again."

Private Preston enlisted first in the 104th, then was sent to the 140th and from there special service. He enlisted lastly in St. John with the company that

was raised here for the 287th under Major Hannington. He went to France with that unit which was a railway construction battalion. He said that his unit built railways right up to Ypres in France. Private Preston said that men were killed in the old days of warfare as quickly as today.

"At the battle of Mawwan in India I personally witnessed one colonel being killed, ten commissioned officers and 270 N. C. O.'s and men within a period of six minutes."

Private Preston is today well over sixty years of age and would "be at it yet," if he had not been sent home for rheumatism. He expects to get his discharge soon and will leave for Fredericton to join his wife.

Shrapnel Wound in Leg

Private Charles A. Riley, of Moncton, was among the New Brunswick boys to reach the city yesterday and spend the night at the local discharge depot. He went overseas with the 140th Westmorland and Kent battalion. He was transferred into the 8th C. M. B. He is suffering from a shrapnel wound which was passed right through his left leg. He said that he had been in the trenches for about two months and at the time he was hit he was just coming out of the trenches following a six days' steady grind for a rest. He was packing up his kit when the enemy threw over a shrapnel bomb which burst near him. Private Riley was standing. He was hit, but fortunately escaped death.

Private Riley said that he was only in the trenches for two months but he was out on several bombing parties. Asked what the duties of the bombing parties were, he explained that raids were carried out so that the artillery could figure out the number of the enemy's men and at the same time get them in motion so that they would be noticed and could be fired upon.

Private J. Burton, of Bathurst, was among the party. He went to England with the 182nd and was drafted into the 87th Battalion, the Montreal Grenadier Guards. He is suffering a shrapnel wound of the abdomen. He said that Fritz always made sure that he had twice the number of the British or Canadians before he decided to charge. They would never take a chance if they thought the numbers were even.

Speaking of the work of the Canadians

he stated that the greatest tribute to their ability was that they were always sent into the hardest situations and always came out on top.

MONEY TROUBLES IN THE PHILIPPINES

Manila, Sept. 30.—(Correspondence)—Philippine paper money is quoted below by the vast army of Chinese merchants who control 90 per cent. of the retail business of the islands. Silver coins, including the peso, the bullion in which is now worth \$1.15, are being quoted by Chinese merchants at a ten per cent. advance. Meanwhile the government is considering measures to cope with the situation which is regarded as a serious menace to the commercial prosperity of retail business here. The Chinese retailer today refuses to make sales unless the purchaser has with him the exact change necessary. If he presents a two peso bill for payment, the two peso bill being the smallest paper currency in use—he is told that he must accept a ten per cent. discount on it or go without the goods. At the same time, the Chinese are paying a peso for ninety centavos in silver coin.

The chief factor in causing the present situation is declared to be increasing business. Philippine trade has gone ahead so rapidly in recent months that the circulation of money in the islands has not kept pace with it. Then came the recent advances in the price of silver, increasing the value of the peso to fifteen centavos above par. Prohibited by law from exporting silver pesos, the Chinese are said to be hoarding them. There is a suspicion also that they are exporting the bullion obtained from melting them down, although there is a law on the local statute books forbidding a melting of coins.

This hoarding has withdrawn many silver pesos from circulation. The work has been done by the smaller coins, fifty, twenty, ten and five centavo pieces, and the burden of trade has been too great for them to carry. The refusal of the Chinese storekeepers to give change is regarded as indication that they are hoarding the smaller coins also.

Several months ago the insular government saw the danger to the peso in the increasing price of silver and authorized the Philippine National Bank, the government institution to contract for the printing of 4,000,000 peso bills. It is the

\$500.00 REWARD

THE Government of the Province of New Brunswick offers a reward of \$500.00 for information that will result in the apprehension and conviction of the party or parties who caused the death, on or about the 7th of August last, of Harry L. Williams, late of the City of Saint John.

Fredericton
October 5th, 1917

JAMES P. BYRNE
Attorney-General

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Chairman N. B. A. A. Good Roads Committee,
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GIANT ENGINES ARE LYING IDLE

Athens, Sept. 30.—(Correspondence)—There are ten monster American locomotives standing in line on a side-track at the Piræus, the port of Athens, gradually going to pieces for lack of use. They are evidence of the progressive modern methods which a recent government administration sought to put into practice, without, however, making due calculations in advance.

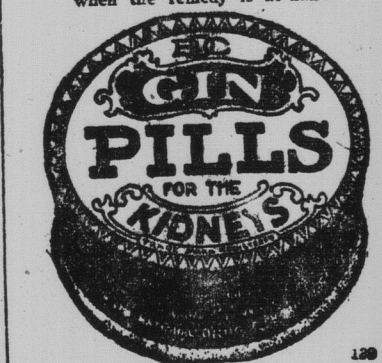
It was felt that the time had come to modernize Greek railways, and an extensive project was worked out to that end. One part of the plan was to have the latest type of large and powerful American locomotives. These were ordered, and ten of them were shipped across the Atlantic. They were greatly admired when they arrived, but when they were put on the tracks it was discovered that the light rails almost fattened out with the weight of the big engines, and the bridges along the main

routes were not strong enough to permit the engines to pass. It meant new bridges and new roadbed everywhere, and as the finances were not equal to this strain the locomotives were laid up for a time. This was many months ago, and the locomotives still are waiting for the bridges to be strengthened.

Castro as Sugar Planter
Mexico City, Oct. 12.—(Correspondence)—It is reported here that Cipriano Castro, former dictator of Venezuela, has bought a sugar plantation in the state of Vera Cruz and will come to Mexico to live.

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Urges Control Of Partizan Leaders

Deputation Tells Premier Borden That Conservative Machine is Jeopardizing the Union

(By the Montreal Herald's Parliamentary Correspondent)

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 29.—A deputation headed by J. M. Godfrey, K.C., and Arthur Hawkes of Toronto, is at Ottawa today to urge upon the premier, in the interests of union, the necessity of eliminating party conventions for the nomination of union candidates.

Some days ago the premier issued a mild warning against straight party nominations, intimating that only one union candidate could be endorsed for purposes of the Election Military Voters' Act, and advising union advocates of all parties to get together and select a candidate, who would be suitable to all.

The premier's advice was apparently disregarded in Ottawa, while it is apparent that in various other places the party spirit still lingers. Right at the attitude taken by the convention held on Friday last and of the tone of the speeches delivered by the nominating candidates, Messrs. Frapp and Chabot.

Attendance at the convention was confined entirely to members of the old Conservative Association of Ottawa and invitations were not extended to Liberals to be present. A motion calling for the bringing together of the two parties in an attempt to secure a union set of candidates was not only overwhelmingly defeated but was divided and laughed to scorn.

"Union" was adopted as the new name of the body and the candidates were nominated as union men, but there was not a member of the Liberal party present who was in a position to vote or express himself, and Mr. Frapp took the opportunity to say: "Call it union if you like; I call it the Conservative party."

"The Conservative Association of Ottawa," says the Citizen this morning, "by its action in nominating Conservative partisans has made a calculated move to maintain party politics in the capital of the dominion. It has in effect put independent Liberal opinion and Liberal workers for union without the pale. It has not only prompted United political action. An exclusive Conservative organization has undertaken to monopolize the union government sentiment in this city."

The question has arisen as to whether under the circumstances of the nominations Mr. Frapp and Dr. Chabot will be Sir Robert Borden's "endowed" union candidate for the purposes of the Military Voters' Act. Liberals are now preparing for their own convention and if something is not done that convention will be as much a party affair as was the other.

It is rumored today that Sir Robert Borden may solve the question by himself running as the English-speaking union candidate.

From present indications, H. B. McGovern and Alphonse Prevost will run as straight Liberal candidates in Ottawa. Another straight party convention being held today at Kers, in Russell county where the Hon. Charles Murphy will again stand for re-nomination. Among those who will be present are included Mr. Murphy, the Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, the Hon. Senator Edwards and others. Sir Wilfrid Laurier himself intended going but the inclement weather may prevent him.

It is considered that Sir Robert Borden may issue an appeal to various conventions asking them to do everything in their power to secure harmony, and to appoint union candidates.

DOWN COMES KAISER'S PICTURE

Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, Oct. 12.—(Correspondence)—A portrait of Emperor

3 Spoonfuls of Red Rose Tea go as far as 4 and often 5 spoonfuls of ordinary tea

Kept Good by the Sealed Package

RED ROSE TEA is good tea

William of Germany, which had been hanging for many months in the government palace, has been removed by order of the minister for foreign affairs. Its place has been taken by a painting showing the Portuguese recognition of Brazilian independence. The emperor's picture was put in a store room.

Norway's Shipping
Christiania, Norway, Oct. 2.—(Correspondence)—Norway's mercantile fleet increased during September 1917, 12,000 tons, but vessels lost represented 34,000 tons. The total Norwegian fleet now comprises 3,265 vessels aggregating 2,126,000 tons.

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