

WALKERTON

Pte. Gordon Hogg has rejoined the 160th Battalion after many months illness with meningitis and pneumonia.

Herman Runstadtler of the Guelph Battery was home from Petawawa Camp on a few days leave. He has been given a stripe since his last visit home and now has the rank of Bombadier.

Major Nelson, who has been in charge of recruiting the past three months, was recalled to London on Monday. Major Nelson and his staff secured a large number of recruits, possibly the best showing of any recruiting staff in this military district. Lieut. Pinkerton and Sergt. Art Taggart are still here.

Harry Denny is making a good recovery from his recent accident and expects to start doing a little work soon.

Most of Lieut. Les. Young's old friends at the front have fallen one by one since Les. was killed in action, according to a letter received by his father, Mr. Henry Young of Cargill from a close friend, Capt. Brocklebank. Many of Leslie's pals who survived the earlier encounters were among the valiant Canadians who fell at Vimy Ridge.



In spite of the fact that recruiting for No. 2 Forestry draft was held up from June 12th to July 12th, Captain Graham's draft is now fully up to strength and will assemble in Ottawa this week, and when there will number upwards of 200 men of the very best type. He has gathered them together from Tara, Lucknow, Paisley, Port Elgin, Southampton, Kincardine and other places. Among those from Warton is Sergt. Hay, formerly a Lieutenant in the 160th Battalion.

KINCARDINE

On Friday last Mr. Robert Ross received the following telegram from Ottawa:

"Sincerely regret to inform you that 651715 Pte. Gordon Ross, infantry, officially admitted to 23rd casualty clearing station, August 9th, 1917. Gunshot wounds in arms. Will send further particulars when received."

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The many friends of this gallant young soldier will be sorry to hear of his being put out of action, and will hope that the nature of the wounds are not serious.

He went over with the 160th, in which he was a sergeant, but being anxious to get to the front he gave up his stripes and was drafted to France, finally landing with the 18th Battalion. He was under Major Kenneth McCrimmon, who states he was one of the bravest and most fearless soldiers he had ever met. Major McCrimmon was most sorry to hear of his being wounded.

Ed. note.—We are pleased to report that Pte. Ross is getting along nicely and has been able to visit the boys in camp.

The floods this year in Kincardine Township were exceptionally serious and it will cost the township about fourteen thousand dollars to repair the bridges and culverts that have been damaged. This will mean about twelve dollars extra taxes this year on every 100 acre farm. Every municipality in this section has been hard hit by unexpected and unavoidable expenditure on account of the floods this year.

Good Roads Superintendent William Hunter was at Bervie consulting with Reeve Rutledge and Councillor R. Ramshaw as to the best methods of taking care of the road through the village.