

Laurier Refused Recruiting Help

Lieut.-Col. Williams Says He Was Approached Time and Again.

A rousing meeting held last evening at Parliament Street Methodist Church on behalf of the candidature of Sir Edward Kemp for the riding of East Toronto was featured by stirring addresses from Edmund Brisk...

Lieut.-Col. Williams stated that as chief recruiting officer for the Dominion he had again and again, in conjunction with Sir Robert Borden, urged Sir Wilfrid Laurier to use his great influence in Quebec in the interests of recruiting.

Peace is Impossible. Hon. Dr. Pyne pointed out that peace terms were impossible to consider with a country whose position might well be likened to that of a card shamer expelled from the halls of decency and propriety.

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W. K. Trower of Montreal who has been sent by the Victory Loan committee to investigate conditions in this city, arrived here this afternoon. Mr. Trower made a hasty tour of the devastated area, and stated that he found conditions much worse than he had anticipated. He contended that the great problem now is the housing of the homeless, and that prompt measures will have to be taken in care of those people. He has wired Montreal to keep intact the Victory Loan committee so that a canvass of the city can be made for subscriptions. Substantial sums of money will be needed to rebuild that part of the city which has been wiped out to provide homes for those now being cared for in temporary quarters and in the hospitals, he says.

Supplies Arrive. Ten cartloads of food and clothing have arrived from Montreal, and it is now being distributed by the various relief committees throughout the city. Five more cartloads are on the way and are expected to reach the city tomorrow, Mr. Trower said.

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Crew Deserts Blazing Vessel

Woman was arrested by the police on a charge of looting. One woman reports to the police that while unconscious she was robbed of \$100, while the Lavelle engine house has been broken into. Joseph Johnson, a fire department driver, who was thrown to the street from his engine by the explosion, had cash taken from his pockets.

Warning was issued about picking up explosives after an accident to Clifford Condon, a young boy, this morning. He picked up a tube and struck it with a hammer. It exploded and blew out the boy's abdomen. He is not expected to recover.

An interesting contribution to the list of freak happenings in connection with the explosion was made today when it was determined that only one person was killed in the negro section of this city, called Africville, tho it was less than 300 yards from the Mount Blanc when its cargo of T.N.T. was fired. The casualty was a man named Allison, who was on his way to town and had stopped to watch the fire.

Hope was abandoned today for the ship, and when the fire occurred on the steamer Plecton at the Acadia Sugar Refinery at the time of the disaster. There were several shells on the ship, and when the fire occurred on the Mount Blanc they decided to put the covers on the holds, the most of them from the Mount Blanc carried high explosives. As the shock came, collapsed, a mass of wreckage, and it is believed the 60 men were buried in the ruins.

Almost Isolated. A feature in connection with the catastrophe is that since Thursday, Halifax has practically been cut off from the outside world, as with the few officials who have been able to work at the postoffice and with the condition of the building they have been unable to sort the mails.

The postoffice is also short-handed because a number of its staff went to England to count the soldiers' votes. At a meeting of the board of control today Controller R. Hines reported that the freight car with the new motor engine for the city, after reaching Truro, was mysteriously ordered back to Toronto and was on its way there.

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Halifax Disaster

Subscriptions will be received by T. Bradshaw, Commissioner of Finance, at his Office in the City Hall, for the relief of the citizens of Halifax.

Enquiry is being made of the exact extent of the need and loss, and as soon as the information is available a complete announcement will be made.

T. L. CHURCH, Mayor's Office, Toronto, Dec. 12th, 1917.

Attitude of Germans Disappoints Russia

Bolsheviks Depressed Over Harsh Terms Demanded by Enemy During Truce Talk.

London, Dec. 11.—The Petrograd correspondent of The Times attributes to a responsible source the statement that during the informal conversations between the Russian and German representatives at Brest-Litovsk regarding the armistice on the eastern front, the Germans indicate that the following points were likely to be included in any of their peace negotiations:

Germany to have control of the Russian wheat market for 15 years. All German goods to be admitted to Russia free.

No territory now occupied by the Germans to be surrendered. The correspondent says the Bolsheviks were disappointed by the reserved attitude of the German negotiators and their lack of sympathy with political idealism. Other causes contributed to their depression, but it is stated they are determined to conclude an armistice at any cost if the latest appeal by the Russian commissioners to the allies fails.

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effect nothing that might be chosen for him from a "Score's" collection could offend his sense of what would be coming to him. In this special line to the beautiful display of high poplin neckwear, imported English neckwear, and special lines of American novelties at 50c to \$1.00. A host of other things besides neckties that suggest practical gifts for a man. Suits, Ties, Tailors and haberdashers, 77 King street west.

Candidate Strong for Conscription

Major McCormack Pledges Himself to Union, Recognized or Not.

Over six hundred people, one of the largest crowds that has attended a political gathering in Toronto since the campaign began, were present in the Royal Ontario Hall last night to hear Major McCormack, candidate for the independent candidature in the Parkdale, fully one-half the number were soldiers, and a large proportion of the men present were returned soldiers.

Addresses were delivered by the candidate, John R. Robinson, Serjt.-Major Fraser, D.C.M., Serjt.-Major A. E. Levey of the G. W. V. A., and Thomas McClelland.

A kind, novel to gatherings of this kind, was introduced when the West Toronto Choir, under Donald MacGregor, occupied the platform and rendered a number of selections.

For Union Government. Major McCormack pledged himself to support Sir Robert Borden, and the Union government whether they recognized him or not. He stated his policy as favoring conscription of alien enemies, enforcing the Military Service Act, and making Montreal slightly, but as they, enemies of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, stated Mr. Robinson, He provided against Sir Robert Borden's action in endorsing Mat. H. Mowat as the Unionist candidate in Parkdale. "There is a real danger in the G. W. V. A. will be embittered against the Police Rowell machine by the action of the Stars-Booney combination in Toronto," added Mr. Robinson.

In Image of Kaiser. "The German people are made in the image of the Kaiser, and Laurier is made in the image of Bourassa," said Mr. Robinson. "There are two kinds of a sausage, both made of the same dog."

Swing to Union is Overwhelming. Get-together Spirit Spreading. Says Foster at St. Catharines.

Special to The Toronto World. St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 11.—The Grand Opera House here tonight was turned away from an overflowed audience in the interests of J. D. Chaplin, Union candidate for noon, tonight. The chief speaker at the meeting was J. D. Chaplin, who announced an overwhelming swing parties through the Dominion and would be more successfully advanced by the

Lieut.-Col. R. W. Leonard presided at the main meeting. Other speakers were the candidates, D. Allen, and Mrs. Archibald Huestis of Toronto, and Rev. L. W. B. Broughall.

Quebec Must Not Rule All Canada Citizens' Union Committee

PARLEZ-VOUS FRANCAIS!! BOURASSA MINISTER OF JUSTICE, FINANCE, PUBLIC WORKS ETC. ET VICTORY LOAN



BOURASSA'S DREAM

UNIONIST WIN-THE-WAR MEETING IN THE INTERESTS OF W. F. MACLEAN WILL BE HELD IN THE BELMONT ASSEMBLY HALL ST. CLAIR AVE. EARLSCOURT ON FRIDAY, DEC. 14TH AT 8 O'CLOCK

SPEAKERS: MAYOR CHURCH REV. WM. PATTERSON, D.D. COOKE'S CHURCH J. R. MACNICOL ALD. H. H. BALL W. F. MACLEAN AND OTHERS ALEX. GORDON, Chairman

CANADIAN CASUALTIES INFANTRY. Killed in action—F. R. Davidson, New Daln. Man.; A. N. Light, England; E. Harrison, Campbellville, Ont.; G. A. Goring, Kingston, Ont. Died of wounds—A. Cavallero, England; 43194 C. E. Mackett, 49 London street, Toronto; R. Grey, Windsor, Ont.; F. Hackney, England; C. J. O'Connell, 163824 C. O'Shea, House of Providence, Toronto.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY. Killed in action—G. E. Cornwall, Oakville; E. H. Garrett, Haldimand, Que. ARTILLERY. Killed in action—H. L. Miller, Montreal; Wounded—L. Ballantine, Atwood; F. C. French, Orlia, Ont.; 340956 H. J. McDonald, 133 Emerson avenue, Toronto; J. Frye, Scotland; W. A. Doyle, Cumberland; F. E. I.; J. E. Evans, England; Gassed—W. Shell, Chintan, Ont.

MOUNTED RIFLES. Died of wounds—O. A. Stewart, Port Credit, Ont. RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION CORPS. Wounded—E. E. Butler, England. RAILWAY TROOPS. Wounded—A. Bogdanowicz, Russia.

ASQUITH STILL FIRM IN HIS WAR ATTITUDE. London, Dec. 11.—Former Premier Asquith, speaking at Birmingham today, declared that if he had to live over the time again he still would

take the same position he had arrived at with regard to Great Britain's entering the war. He added that he unhesitatingly believed it had been worth while, provided the war ended in a peace which secured the original purposes for entering upon it and contained the elements of permanency. He strongly endorsed President Wilson's message as clearly expressing the intentions and desires of the allies, to securing a peace guaranteed by a league of nations.

People's Mandate is Unmistakable

Sir Thomas White, at Brockville, Deals With Great Issue.

Special to The Toronto World. Brockville, Ont., Dec. 11.—Sir Thomas White, finance minister, came to Brockville today and was acclaimed at the New Theatre by an immense audience of supporters, whom he addressed at considerable length, dealing in the main with the great issue of the war and the policy of the coalition government to carry it on to a successful termination.

He had no doubt of the mandate of the people to be expressed at the polls. Liberals and Conservatives all over were joining hands to say that Canada must not falter in the great part she has played in wiping the Hun menace from the face of the globe. The finance minister took upon him in connection with certain payments to the C.N.E. These he fully discussed and explained.

Robert McKay, a Toronto Liberal, who followed Sir Thomas, who was the minister of marine and fisheries, Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, who was asked to follow in connection with the disaster.

In the afternoon Sir Thomas visited the headquarters of the women working for his election, and was most cordially received. He spoke briefly to them and paid a graceful tribute to the sacrifices and work accomplished by the women of Canada in the outbreak of the war.

NEARLY BROKE UP C. N. SMITH'S MEETING. Returned Soldiers Inspected at Utterances of Laurier Candidate.

Special to The Toronto World. Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 11.—Returned soldiers and others tonight nearly broke up the meeting of C. N. Smith, independent candidate, endorsed by Laurier, when Smith said that conscription was not necessary and that the soldiers were not strong for Union. The police were needed to quell the disturbance.

FOR HALIFAX RELIEF FUND. New York, Dec. 11.—All gate receipts collected tomorrow at Hero Land, the great relief bazaar in this city, will be turned over to the Canadian Government for the sole benefit of the victims of the Halifax disaster. It was announced here today, in addition, a majority of more than 100 committees having booths at the bazaar will give their net receipts for the day.

Every woman in Toronto owes it to herself and the men of the soldiers at the front to vote in Monday.

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