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Time Limit Fixed.

Sir Wm. Mulock, president of Toronto and York County Patriotic Fund, presided, and after reading the program for the evening, limiting each speaker to a certain time, he said a few words on behalf of the dependents of Canada's soldiers overseas, to whom the Kaiser had paid the compliment of saying: "They were not wanted." "Canada saw where her duty lay, and that moment was in the winter of 1914, and determined to remain in it to its glorious termination."

Major Church, in welcoming Sir Frederick Smith, the speaker, said he would, on his return to England convey to his colleagues in the English parliament the message that Toronto was proud to have had Sir Frederick Smith as its guest, and that Toronto fully realized the debt Canada owed to the British expeditionary force and also to the British navy. "Toronto's heart is in this campaign," he said, "and where her heart is, there shall her treasure be also."

Clause 3 of our constitution: "To insure that proper provision is made for the dependent families of enlisted men."

Do it now.

Great War Veterans' Association.

The above, on a huge banner, high over the platform was unveiled as Col. Hardy rose to speak.

Col. Hardy, president of the G. W. V. A., said he represented 3500 returned soldiers, and that he had the people of their promise to support the wives and families of the men overseas. "There are 60,000 reasons why you should give to this campaign," he said, "and those 60,000 reasons are tonight in Flanders mud that you may sit here in peace."

Speaks of Americans.

Sir Frederick Smith was greeted with loud cheering as he rose to speak.

"In the beginning he referred to his trip through the United States which has taken up the last five weeks of his time."

"I have traveled thru the industrial west," he said, "and thru the agricultural west. I have addressed 30 or 40 meetings and I should count myself wanting in the first moment when I found myself face to face with a Canadian audience I could not bring back to them the spirit of that great resourceful war-hardened people who are the cause of the war."

then have used the French phrase, 'They shall be paid.'

He quoted Mr. Balfour as saying, "As a nation we take gloomy pleasure in self disparagement and soon the nations of the world will take us as our own valuation." He then quoted an American speaker as saying some time before they entered the war, "England will win and say she lost, but Germany will lose and claim she won."

He went on to explain the part England had taken in the war, by showing the position the other countries would have been in had she remained neutral. The power of the navy alone kept Germany from blockading the north coast of France, and it also had transported 12 million men overseas. "By our fleet we have strangled and destroyed their trade and laid our hands on the vital articles necessary to sustain their life," he said.

"This general nation had blinded us," he continued. "They had extended hospitality to our men and we forgot that they had waged a war in history and always pretended they were forced into it, altho always carried away a slice of territory."

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of the American people are as much made up in regard to this war as ours."

In referring to the Germans in the states at the present time, he outlined the American policy as "they shall either go on or get out."

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Boys' Membership.

The boys' membership was stated to be the highest, while about the same number of boys from the civic playgrounds had used the swimming bath during the summer months. In concluding the president paid a tribute to the quiet but effective leadership of the institution, and to the work of the men in training, and a six months' ticket had been presented to every returned soldier. Financially, the institution was in a position to carry on the work of the institution were generally answered during the speaker. Over \$2,000 was subscribed to the military work, \$36,000 to the current account and \$200,000 to the fund for the future.

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