

LARGE AUDIENCE AT MUSIC CLUB RECITAL

The fortnightly recital of the Woman's Music Club, held Thursday evening, as usual attracted a large audience. On this occasion, the pleasing program was arranged by Mrs. W. G. H. Barrington and Mrs. L. H. Barrington, who secured a special treat, Bandman Sidney Johns, tenor, who contributed a group of numbers; Miss Nettie Jones, mezzo-soprano, who has a voice of much promise, sang for the first time at the club, her offerings including an old English song, "So Sweet is She," and "The Wind That Shakes the Valley" (Herbert Browning).

Both the interpretive ability and rich, full mezzo-contralto voice of Mrs. Cummings were revealed to advantage in three numbers, "In Heaven," "The Blackbirds" (Cyril Scott) and "Mon Coeur s'ouvre a ta voix" (Saint Saens).

Miss Lenore Coughlin, pianist, played with brilliancy and style, "Fantasia Impromptu," Op. 66 (Chopin), Victor Herbert's "Pavane," and a contrasting final number, "Serenade" (Jensen). Another pianist who made a most favorable impression was Miss Helen McDougall, contributing "Sous Bois" (Victor Stravinsky) and "Melodie Italienne" (Mozzart).

Miss Geraldine Regan's violin group added interesting variety. She played a couple of Elgar numbers, "Chanson de Nuit" and "Chanson de Matin." Announcement was made of the presentation by the Woman's Music Club, on the evening of Jan. 28, in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, of the celebrated baritone, late of the Metropolitan Opera, Club members will be admitted on their membership tickets.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON CHANGING CANADIAN SOLDIERS TO CIVILIANS

Q.—Who is in charge of the demobilization of the Canadian army?
A.—The actual demobilization is in charge of the militia department.

Q.—Why say "the actual demobilization?"
A.—Because a new department of the Government has been formed to give the after-care that Canada owes to her invalided and disabled soldiers.

Q.—What is this new department?
A.—It is the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment, with headquarters at Ottawa. Sir James Loughheed is the minister in charge.

Q.—What does this department do?
A.—It is hard to say in a paragraph all that this department does. It first comes into contact with the soldier in England. There it finds out the soldier's previous experience, the employment he now prefers to take up, the locality in which he intends to settle.

Q.—How is this information obtained?
A.—Through questionnaires, which will be signed by every Canadian soldier now overseas.

Q.—What is this not done on the transport?
A.—Because the information must be secured and sent to Ottawa before the men sail on the transports. But there is a representative of the department on every transport to inform the men exactly what the country is prepared to do for them, to advise them and to give them the necessary officers of the employment office, who will see that the returned man gets the preferential treatment to which he is entitled.

Q.—Does the department do anything else?
A.—Lots of things the most important is this—special representatives have been appointed whose duty it will be to travel about the country interviewing returned men, hearing complaints, making suggestions and reporting generally to how the Government machinery is working.

Q.—This is all for men in good physical condition. What about disabled and invalided men?
A.—Special provision has been made for disabled and invalided men. If their cases require continuous treatment, they are taken on the strength of the department and receive the same pay and separation allowance as they receive in the army. In addition, they are granted an allowance for their families in place of patriotic fund allowance.

Q.—What about men who need temporary treatment, or artificial limbs, or vocational training?
A.—These are all taken care of. They will be subjects for another series of questions and answers.

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LIEUT. "BUD" McNAB HOME

Thousands Took "French Leave" on Armistice Day in England, Say Men.

About thirty returned soldiers ticketed for points in Western Ontario came in on the C. P. R. at 7:30 last evening. Most of those in the party whose homes are in the city, were met by relatives and friends and whisked away in automobiles. The remainder were taken in automobiles to Princess Avenue School, where they were provided with "cots" and were given a welcome by the representatives of the various organizations, which are particularly interested in returned men.

The party traveled from England on board the Scotian, and the men stated that conditions on that ship were satisfactory. The food was good and plentiful, and the space was not crowded. The fact that hammocks were slung over that part of the troop-deck where meals were served, was the subject of somewhat adverse comment from one or two men, but even these declared that the inconvenience was a slight one, and that everything considered they had fared well. Several of them also declared that both the food and the accommodation were considerably superior to what was provided when they went overseas from Canada.

"Bud" McNab Back.
Lieut. Bert (Bud) McNab, who relinquished his position as assistant civil engineer here to take an appointment in the Canadian Engineers, in which corps he went overseas about a year ago, was in charge of the London party, which included quite a number of men for Windsor since the armistice here, as well as a few whose homes are in the United States and who propose to go on there as soon as they can.

Adrien Breen, who hails from Detroit, and who was in Nelson, B. C., at the time war broke out, came from there to London to enlist. He went overseas with the C. A. M. C. He is on his way now to Detroit, where he expects to return to London and to make his home here for a time at least. He was wounded at the Somme, and has a medal, ribbons, and that of the West African campaign. He was wounded at Arras in April last, after having been at the front nearly two years.

Trooper William Young, a London man, who went overseas with the divisional cavalry under Lieut.-Col. Leonard in June, 1915, was also through the greater part of the war, and wears the King's and Queen's ribbons for that campaign. He was gassed at Dettie Vim.

Another South African veteran, wearing both the ribbons, was Pte. J. J. Stewart of Oshawa. He went overseas with the 16th Battalion, and served for two years in France with the 13th.

Chatham Man Home.
Pte. Harry Parker, who went overseas with the 24th Battalion, and who was wounded twice, once at the third battle of Ypres in June, 1916, and again in July of last year, spent altogether nineteen months at the front. His home is in Chatham.

Strained wounds in both hands and both legs sent Pte. Richard Emmet back to "Blighty" from the front last September. He went overseas with the 1st Hussars, coming here from Detroit to enlist. He says he intends to stay in London.

Fred Douglas, a colored boy, whose birthplace was Jamaica, came to London from South America some years ago, and went from here to Detroit but he returned to Canada to enlist with No. 2 Construction Company, and went overseas with that unit. He also expects to stay here at least for some time.

Some of the men were discussing "Peace Day" in England. A few of them were fortunate enough to be in London on leave at the time the armistice was signed, and one of them apparently voiced the thought of the others when he said:

"Oh, boy, that was some night! I'll never forget it, but I could not describe it for a fortune. Everyone just went crazy."

He stated that thousands of the men in camps in different parts of England took French leave, and journeyed to London to "get in on" the celebration, and they did their best to make the British capital upside down. Nothing was done in the way of punishing these men.

NORMAL SCHOOL STUDENTS TO HEAR MISS C. BOULTON

Miss Constance Boulton's educational mission under the auspices of the Navy League and I.O.O.F. has been meeting with great success in the city during the past week; such success, indeed, that a special opportunity of hearing her has been arranged for the Normal School students on Monday evening at 8:15 o'clock.

The public will be made most cordially welcome on this occasion. After leaving London, Miss Boulton will continue her mission in Windsor, Chatham, Walkerville, Goderich and Lenington, addressing school children and gatherings of adults in these places.

"TROOPER" MULLOY TO SPEAK BEFORE COMMERCE CHAMBER

The program committee of the London Chamber of Commerce has been fortunate in securing Lieut.-Col. (Trooper) Mulloy, the blind hero of the South African war, to address the next forum meeting. His subject will be "The Mental Attitude of Returned Men, Caused by Their Training."

An invitation to attend is being extended to the G. W. V. U. the executive of the Soldiers' Aid Commission and the Red Cross, the Ministerial Alliance and other organizations working in the interests of returned soldiers.


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Frederick William Godschall Johnston of Montreal, who died on January 15 in that city, was the son of the late Chief Justice Sir Francis G. Johnston and nephew of Mrs. H. A. Bommer of this city. His death was the result of pneumonia after but a few days' illness. He leaves one brother, Charles R. C. Johnston of Montreal, and two sons, but lately returned from overseas.

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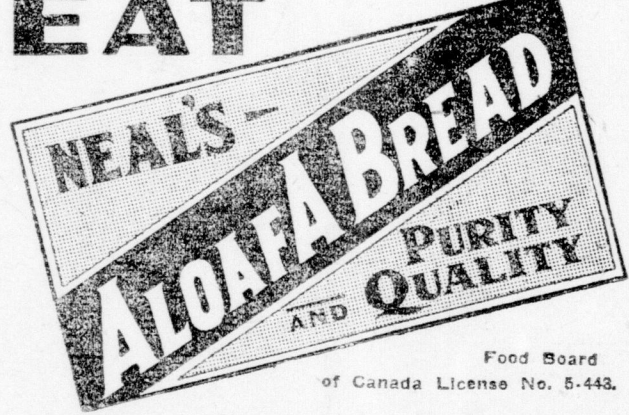
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EMPLOYMENT BUREAU

Soldiers' Wives' League and Knights of Columbus To Provide New Accommodation.

Meeting yesterday afternoon for the first time in several weeks, the demobilization committee of the London Chamber of Commerce, which has as its mission the co-ordinating of the various agencies working in the interests of returned men, heard reports showing considerable progress had been made.

At the last meeting, which was also the first of the committee, Lieut.-Col. W. J. Brown, Lieut.-Col. W. G. Child and Major Gordon Ingram were appointed a committee to prepare a report on the appointment of a district officer, who would be able to advise and give information desired by returned men in their district, the appointment working to the time when all agencies working exclusively for returned men will be housed under one roof. Yesterday the unit demobilization officer, Lieut. Fred Fisher, who has been appointed in the meantime, was present to confer with the committee and explain his duties.

Better Recaptions.
Reporting in regard to recaptions accorded returned soldiers, T. M. Moore stated that more people had turned out in the past few weeks and put more demonstrative enthusiasm into the welcome home.

Difficulties, however, are anticipated in the way of making recaptions possible when the men begin to arrive in large bodies. It is the intention, therefore, to detain at Quebec street, and expedite matters to the extent of arranging for the discharge of men in good condition in one day.

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It was also stated that this is what the returning men desire. Describing the duties assigned to him, particularly with relation to employment of returned men, Lieut. Fisher emphasized the point that the best kind of welcome the returned man can get is to get his old job back again.

While the trade union had done splendid work in organizing the various crafts, it did not meet or cover the present-day needs in the political class of the working class. He pointed out that the strength of the opponents of the working class was not in the moral righteousness of their position, but in their legal power to call on police and army to enforce their claims.

Hence the great thing to aim at was to organize and educate the working class, to work on constitutional lines through the ballot box in the political control legislation and secure the complete freedom of the democratic process from autocracy and bureaucracy in the hands of the few.

Sergeant T. A. Crosswell spoke on the relationship of the G. W. V. U. with the L. P. A. and explained that the G. W. V. U. would be willing to operate with the L. P. A. that the latter would meet a delegation half-way down the street with a brass band to show that there is no hard feelings between the parties.

On War Gratitude.
He referred to low wages paid by a large firm here.

A returned veteran, H. R. Davidson, who represented the G. W. V. U., spoke on the war gratitude. Mr. Davidson said that the men who had seen fighting in the trenches were sure of getting their gratitude, but it was "but" for the men who in good faith had had time to reach the firing line.

The greatest mistake the soldier ever made was when he voted for the Union Government, Mr. Davidson stated, adding that the soldier was going to get the gratitude if it took every dollar the workmen had in Canada.

The evening closed with dancing. In the early part of the evening, music was played, and a program of songs was much enjoyed. Those who took part in the program were Sergeant T. A. Crosswell, a song; Joe Hill, a song; Miss Queenie Hill, a solo; and Miss Mould, a recitation.

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