

REPORT OF THE RED CROSS PENNY BAGS

From May, 1916 to May, 1917.

In February, 1916, Miss Greene, superintendent of the Belleville hospital and her faithful band of "Red Cross Supplies Workers," distributed among themselves and a few friends, little white bags with a red cross sewn upon them, with the object of collecting small amounts to assist in buying the material they were making up into hospital supplies to be sent through the Belleville Women's Red Cross and Patriotic Association, to the hospitals overseas that were caring for the wounded heroes who are fighting and dying for our freedom, safety and peace. Recognizing the possibilities of this system, in a wider field, the scheme was handed over to the association and a committee of four, comprising Mrs. George Bonisteel, Mrs. Seymour, Mrs. Chapman and Miss Mary Yeomans, met together to organize the city into districts with ward conveners and collectors. Miss M. Yeomans was appointed convener with Mrs. Seymour as co-convener. It was arranged that the collections should be made on the last Wednesday of every month, each collector counting and entering the amount collected at each house in the presence of the giver. The money gathered was then taken to the ward conveners who counted it and signed the collectors' books. The ward conveners changed the money into bills and took it on the last Friday afternoon of the month to the most convenient general convener, who in turn counted the money and signed their books. This system of receipts was introduced to prevent the possibility of all mistakes. The bags were made by members of the different knitting circles and other interested ladies, and in the year about 4,000 have been distributed in the various homes of Belleville, the desire being that ALL of the occupants of each home, rich or poor, should put in their pennies, or just as many as they could spare through willing sacrifice, saving or earning, to help buy necessities for our soldiers.

The first general collection was made on May 29, 1916, the result being \$211.67. Last summer a resident of Sarala wrote asking for details of our penny bag scheme and permission to use it. In their first collection they totalled over \$329.00. The largest amount we have yet gathered was in January, 1917, the collection amounting to \$274.48. The lowest collection was in August 1916 and was \$170.14. Only in three months during the year has the amount fallen below \$200. The total amount collected from May 1st, 1916, to May 1st, 1917 was \$2733.21. A SPLENDID AMOUNT, the giving of which has been in nearly every case unfeigned and even unnoticed.

Yet it has been sufficient to buy ALL of the materials required for dozens of boxes of hospital supplies sent overseas and also to help in buying the wool for the thousands of socks knitted and many other comforts and luxuries sent to our soldiers.

We want to thank the people of Belleville generally, and particularly the little children who have been so interested in "doing their bit" possible to them, in this work. One little boy has twice given over a dollar, from his own money saved; another gives part of the money he earns carrying newspapers, and two clubs of little girls have been formed with the purpose of getting money for the Red Cross Penny Bags.

We want to thank the newspapers which have perhaps done more than anything else, to keep up the public interest and intelligence, for their generosity in the publication of all notices and reports of our work.

We wish also to thank the faithful band of conveners, their assistants and collectors for their splendid work and untiring efforts and bespeak their continued interest and help as long as the war lasts, and even afterwards, if it is deemed necessary to collect by means of the Red Cross Penny Bags. And we still want to press on to our aim of \$300 per month. This will be more difficult than in the past year, as a separate association has been formed in West Belleville, which is raising funds by means of monthly collections in blue bags.

Those at present associated as workers in our particular movement are:

Convener, Miss Mary Yeomans, 45 Bridge St. West; Miss Helen Wallbridge, Bridge St. East.

Ward conveners and assistants:

Poster Ward, Mrs. Springer, Mrs. A. Gillen, Mrs. L. P. Hughes, Mrs. Sarison—Mrs. Curtis Bogart, Mrs. Wadell, Mrs. Mark Sprague, Mrs. Lafferty, Mrs. Roberts, Miss Carrie Wallbridge.

Ketcheson—Miss Amy Wallbridge Mrs. J. H. P. Young, Mrs. T. Harley Baldwin—Miss Piteachly, Mrs. J. Borbridge, Mrs. Will Dolan. Blecker—Mrs. Ives, Mrs. Boyes, Coleman—Mrs. St. Charles, Miss Blecker, Mrs. C. B. Scantlebury Murney—Miss Florence White, Mrs. Harry Thompson, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Adams, Miss Graham, Miss O'Hearn.

Collectors—Misses Stork, Ethel Lingham, Hughes, Ham, Ketcheson, Sprague, Wallbridge, Tomblin, Sulman, Anderson, Caldwell, Milburn, Gorman, Morden, Alford, Hawley, Archibald, McCurdy, Lynch, Johnson, C. Wallbridge, Knight, Adams, Fenn, Holmes, Wallace, Modeland, Mayo, Margaret and Mary Collins, Sierlich, Greenleaf, Scantlebury, Miles, Tripp, Hunt, Diamond, Bonisteel, Nurse, Mesdames W. C. Reid, McCauley, Moffatt, Roberts, Wilson, Fenwick, Smith, Mayo, A. L. Lott, Carr, Foltz, McGuire, Shorey, Earl, O'Neil.

Baldwin Ward comes first for the month of May

Ward	Amount	Rank
Baldwin ward	53.77	1st
Ketcheson ward	52.57	2nd
Samson ward	49.08	3rd
Murney Ward	53.91	4th
Coleman ward	38.60	5th
Blecker ward	28.66	6th
Poster Ward	20.37	7th
Avondale	5.60	8th

Total \$256.84
Mary Yeomans, Convener.

POEM REPUBLISHED IN LONDON, ENGLAND.

That remarkable poem by Miss Lillian Leveridge, "Over the Hills of Home," which was first published in the Daily Ontario a year ago this month, has been republished in "Public Opinion," a weekly magazine, of high character and very wide circulation, of London, England. The poem is given a position of prominence in the issue of May 18th.

This beautiful tribute to a gallant brother has been most favorably commented upon by distinguished authors and critics in London and other parts of the world.

MILITARY NEWS

Lieut. H. H. Richardson has resigned his appointment as quartermaster of the 15th battalion, C.D.F.

Lieut. M. C. Leavens, late 254th battalion, has been struck off the strength of the C.E.F. to receive an appointment in the R.N.C.V.R.

Among the officers at the camp to attend the refresher course at the Infantry School are Major Weller and Major Jarvis, late 254th, and Capt. Poits and Watson, late 252nd.

War badges for men who have served in the Canadian Expeditionary forces at home or abroad, and for those men who have been discharged as medically unfit for service, have been authorized.

WORLD'S CHAMPIONS ARE NOW IN KHAKI

"Ruby" Millan and "Jimmy" Stewart have signed up in Dental Unit.

"Ruby" Millan and "Jimmy" Stewart, two popular Kingston boys prominent in all lines of local sport, have been appointed sergeants in the dental unit at Belleville, and will soon be leaving for this place to take up their duties. While attending the Royal College of Dental Surgeons at Toronto by their splendid playing they secured places on the Dentals' hockey aggregation in the Senior O.H.A., and played in the games which won for them the title of the amateur hockey champions of the world.

On the conclusion of their year's work in Toronto both of the young men offered their services and have now been accepted and appointed to the dental unit with the rank of sergeant in view of their acquaintance with dentistry. Besides taking a prominent place in the hockey teams of Kingston, these men have from their early teens taken part in every kind of clean sport, and are now going into what is sometimes called the greatest sport of all—the game of war.

Miss Nora Hurst and Mr. Roy Westover both of this city were quietly married in Toronto on Monday.

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JUNIOR LEAGUE SEASON OPENS

The Game of Baseball Between Ontarios and Ponies—A Fine Exhibition.

With a score of two all, the Ontarios and Ponies of the Junior Baseball League opened the season yesterday afternoon, the first half holiday, at Agricultural Park. The match was a fine exhibition of the American game. This was the first occasion on which a Belleville crowd had of seeing youths under twenty years of age play. The players all showed the true sportsmanlike spirit; if this is carried out through the season, the league cannot fail to be a success.

Mr. Ernie Hagerman, the well-known hockeyist and baseball player was umpire.

It was after four o'clock before the game opened. For the next hour and three quarters, the play went on always very close, the issue always being in doubt. Few of the players had been seen on the diamond before. Some fine work was exemplified by the youths. Hunter in right field was wonderful. Many flies went his way but the one armed boy copped every one and won cheers upon cheers. As a batter he was a wonder. Everytime he came to bat he struck the sphere.

Weir the Shortstop of the Ontarios is the making of a fine player. As short he was a star; he was the fastest base runner and he always hit the ball. The youthful pitchers of both teams held up well for the nine innings, never flagging. Smith and Wade, the Ontario youth secured nine. Five single hits were made off Smith by Weir, Cooper, Locke, Snell and Atkins. Wade gave only three single hits to Lynch, Casey and Smith. Not many errors made in the game.

The scoring were as follows:—
Ponies—010010000—2
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The scoring runs were made as follows:—Ponies: Arnot got first on error of second baseman and scored from third on a hit made by Casey, who overran second. Quincy made a run. He got first on second's error and ran home on a performance by Hunter, when right field erred. The Ontario's scoring was by Colling and Weir. The Ontarios had 35 men at bat and the Ponies 32.

The players were as follows:—

Ontarios	Ponies
Atkins	Catcher J. Casey
Wade	Pitcher Smith
McWilliams	2nd Base Arnot
Cooper	3rd Base Morgan
Weir	Short Stop Lynch
Millis	Third Base Ketcheson
Locke	Right Field Hunter
Colling	Centre Field Casey
Snell	Left Field Quincy

FAREWELL ESMERALDA DANCE A GREAT SUCCESS

Last night saw the last of the popular Esmeralda Club Dances for his season, the proceeds of which went to the great war veterans. About one hundred couples graced the floor and danced to the well-rendered strains of O'Rourke's Orchestra.

The Hall was gayly decorated in orange and purple with bunting, flags, etc., bringing out the military aspect of the affair. The programme was exceptionally well planned and no one could complain of lack of "moon" waltzes.

A light and dainty luncheon was served about midnight and dancing was again resumed until 3 o'clock.

Many out of town guests were present from Rathbun Camp Deseronto, Trenton and Brighton, and everyone spent a most enjoyable evening.

The young men of the Esmeralda Club have responded to the call for King and Country and leave shortly for Cobourg where they are enlisted with the Cobourg Heavy Artillery. They leave for overseas in the near future.

Although this was the last of the dances held by this popular young club this season, the dances for the coming fall will be looked forward to with much zeal.

Good luck to the boys of the Esmeralda Club and a safe return home.

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NATION-WIDE ADVERTISING FOR NATIONAL SERVICE.

A Practical "Win-the-War Campaign of Publicity With a Message for Every Canadian.

Ottawa, June 8.—Never has the power of national publicity been so convincingly demonstrated as in the great British advertising campaign for the first recruits, then for supplementary supplies and equipment, and later for thrift and the purchase of War Savings Certificates.

Along the latter lines, and the allied one of production, the National Service Board of Canada announced the beginning of a series of advertisements which should have the earnest consideration of every loyal citizen of the Dominion. To produce more; to waste less, particularly of food; to eliminate extravagance of every kind; to save intelligently and systematically; to lend the savings to the nation through the purchase of War Certificates;—these are the key-notes of these calls to service. There is nothing academic about them; nothing over-drawn or melodramatic. They are plain, straightforward, intensely practical, and in deadly earnest, explaining why, and particularly how,

everyone should help instead of helping unconsciously hindering.

The need for such a rousing campaign is only too evident, particularly to men who have recently been overseas and had an opportunity to compare the willing service and sacrifice so general in Great Britain and France, with the detached, almost apathetic, attitude of so many Canadians. Though the war has been going on almost three years, and though our gallant Overseas Contingents have won undying fame for Canada, most of us here at home have hardly yet waked up to the real nature of the struggle in which we are engaged, and the necessity that we too "do our bit" in whatever way lies open to us.

It is just this detached attitude which has prevented Canada's whole weight being felt behind our divisions in France. From it the National Service Board hopes to arouse the nation, using straight-from-the-shoulder advertising as a potent means to the desired end.

SIFTON GOVERNMENT WINS IN ALBERTA

Returned by About Same Majority as it Had in Last Legislature—All Cabinet Ministers Re-elected—Edmon Puts in Three Conservative Candidates.

EDMONTON, Alta, June 7.—The Liberal Government under the leadership of Hon. A. L. Sifton has been returned to power in Alberta as a result of the voting in today's election. Returns are slow in coming in, but the figures tabulated up to nine o'clock indicate that the Liberals would have about the same proportion of seats as formerly—38 out of a total in the House of 56. All the Cabinet Ministers are believed to have been returned, although the Attorney-General, Hon. C. W. Cross, is having a close run in Edson. Only a few polls have been heard from at Beaver River, where Hon. Wilfrid Gariepy is the candidate.

Women Voting for First Time.

The election marked the inauguration of women voting at a Provincial election, and the returns indicate that a great many went to the polls. The presence of an unusually large number of Independent candidates in the field, including one woman, Mrs. McKenney, in Claresholm, added to the complications that made a prophesying a bad job.

The Conservatives carried all three Edmonton seats. In addition to Liberal and Conservative candidates, there were Independent candidates in two of them—Premier Sifton has a safe majority in Vermilion.

Two deferred elections are to take place, Peace River and Athabasca, where the Government candidates are to be W. Rae and Hon. A. G. MacKay, respectively. The Conservatives have not yet selected candidates, and may let the seats go by acclamation. The date for nomination has not been set.

Two representatives-at-large are to be chosen by the soldiers overseas, and one month from June 1 is allowed for the nomination of candidates for these two seats and a month more for taking the vote.

Voting took place today in only 43 seats, as eleven constituencies had their representatives returned by acclamation.

ARTILLERY FIRE MARKS FRONT IN MACEDONIA

SOFIA, via London, June 7.—The official statement issued by the war office on Wednesday reads as follows: "There was weak artillery fire on the whole Macedonian front. On the right bank of the Vardar and south of Huma an enemy attack against Rossilkova was repulsed. There was aerial activity in the region of Sarichadan and an enemy airplane was brought down."

"On the Rumanian front there was rifle firing near Isakcha, Tulcha and Mahmudie."

FLANDERS DRIVE CONTINUES; COMPLETE BREAK OF HUN LINES

LONDON, June 8.—A despatch from British headquarters reports that the drive on the Flanders front continues today. British cavalry are in action indicating the decisive nature of the British success and the complete break of the tremendously strong German lines. The prisoners now total over 6,000 and more are coming in. The captured guns are not yet counted but several entire German batteries were taken yesterday. Scores of the enemy's guns were destroyed by the British bombardment. All the gains made are firmly held.

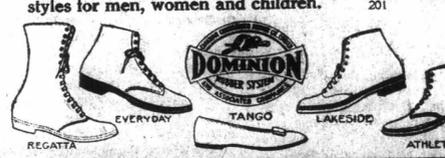
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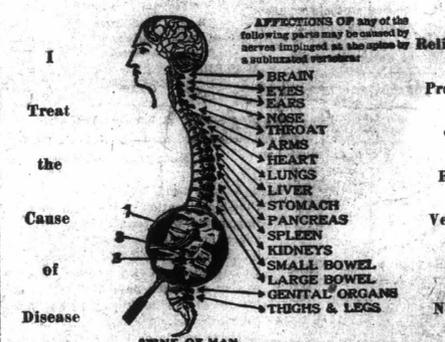
When you're out for a good time, wear WHITE "Fleet Foot" Shoes. In fact, you must wear White Shoes this summer, to be well dressed. Dealers everywhere have "Fleet Foot" Shoes, in all styles for men, women and children.

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