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Wounded Soldiers Celebrate Christmas

Happy Time During Festivities Is Provided For Patients in Canadian Hospitals in England.

London, Dec. 25.—Interviewed this morning, Lieut.-Col. Sponagle, commanding the Canadian Convalescent Hospital, Hillingdon House, Uxbridge, said there had been a soft fall of snow during the night, and from the hospital windows the white-clad trees looked almost like Canada. The staff and patients are entering heartily into the Christmas festivities. As only 10 per cent. of the men had leave, that meant that the majority of the patients who were spending their Christmas in their wards, which were gaily decorated with holly and mistletoe. These large Christmas trees in the main building from the estate of Lord Hillingdon were laden with gifts for Canadian convalescents, including a bag of candy and a personal greeting card for each from the Duchess of Connaught. Mrs. Astor also sent a gift for each patient, and Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Astor's sister, is going over tonight to sing and oversee the distribution of presents from the trees. The air is tense with expectancy, as a rumor has gone the round that a real, live Santa Claus is arriving at the witching hour.

Nor have those responsible for the arrangements forgotten the solemn side of Christmas. Last evening a sacred concert was given in the hospital and today services, appropriate to the occasion, are being conducted by Very Rev. Dean of Ontario Major Starr, at the Daughters of the Empire Hospital for Canadian officers, overlooking Hyde Park. The day is having its full share of merriment. Matron Miss Tremaine, of Toronto, whom the officers always speak of with a personal pride as the King's nurse, has made every plan for the happiness and comfort of those who remain within doors, though all well enough are allowed to visit friends, if they so desire.

There is a beautiful Christmas tree in the ward and there, this afternoon, will assemble medical officers, visiting physicians and their wives and a distinguished guest will be Lady Byng.

Col. and Mrs. A. E. Gooderham, of Toronto, the good fairies who out-

ted this hospital, have been asked to distribute gifts from the tree, which include a present for each of the patients and staff from the Daughters of the Empire.

Last night after sandmen had been around and all good soldiers were snoring somebody placed a bulging stocking beside each patient's bed. The socks were obtained through the Canadian Red Cross and were all made and sent over here by kind women and girls of Canada. The soldiers' joy was great when on exploring the depths of the stockings this morning, they were found to contain friendly and sometimes sentimental little billets doux inserted by their makers. These doubtless will be repeated to in good time, but in the meantime said the colonel, all hands of the officers staff and patients send Christmas greetings and thanks to the friends in Canada. Four hundred pounds of Turkey is now roasting in big ovens. These turkeys were paid for, said the M.C., out of Canadian Red Cross funds.

Colonel Sponagle added that plum puddings galore had been donated by the Daily Telegraph. Mr. A. N. Gilbey had contributed as his bit and that of others, bottles of ginger ale.

Mrs. Blacker and other Canadians from Ealing are going to Exbridge this afternoon to assist in the entertainment of the convalescents. From the programme outlined by the Colonel it looks like a day fairly full of jollification.

At Perkins Bull Hospital, Putney, 100 Canadian officers, 25 Canadian nurses and 30 private friends had a royal time with a Christmas tree, provided and a dance arranged.

COST OF TEA INCREASING.
The recent advance of five cents a pound by no means represents the increased cost of the fine teas used in "SALADA." The markets have advanced from six to ten cents a pound and the freight rates jumped two and one half cents a pound in the past two months. Whatever prices these uncontrollable conditions may warrant, however, you may rely on the quality of "SALADA" remaining exactly the same as ever.

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Wilson Scored by the Dean of Westminster

Aims of Allies Righteously Different, He Points Out; As Far From Teuton Ideals as East From West

London, Dec. 25.—The Dean of Westminster, the Right Rev. Herbert Edward Ryle, preaching in the Abbey today, said: "It is our resolve, God helping us, to overthrow military brigandage in Europe, to rescue the liberties and homes of the desolated countries, to obtain for these people reparation for their wrongs, and for humanity lasting securities against a recurrence of aggressive violence and crime."

"It is true that the president of the United States, after two years of study of the question, and innumerable notes, seems to believe the objective of the two groups of belligerents is the same. He knows Germany refused arbitration, declined a conference, and rejected every overture to prevent war. He knows that his own countrymen have poured money like water to assist the destitute and outraged remnants of the little Belgian people, whose treaty rights were violated, and whose frontiers were invaded before war was declared. He knows of the infractions of the Hague conventions, which the American people have studiously promoted. He knows the organized atrocities reported on in strict inquiries. He knows of the sinking of unarmed ships like the Lusitania and Arabia, without warning. He knows of the execution of Capt. Fryatt, of the nocturnal deportations of Belgians and French into slavery. He knows of German connivance at Armenian massacres; and yet he is of the opinion that the nations who are leagued to disarm this evil demoniac of national militarism have the same object in view as the perpetrators of these crimes."

"These things are black and vile. The very thought of them on Christmas Day makes one shudder. Does anyone suppose that peace would be honorable which regarded the assassins and the defenders of humanity as having in view the same ends? What kind of unity of aim do you expect between rapines and abominable deeds over the fleeces of torn lambs?"

"Peace on the basis of such a hypothesis would be only an armistice, giving an exhausted foe a needed interval for recuperation before renewing his insatiable passion for the hegemony of the world, and the destruction of his rivals with a savage war."

STEAMER SENDS CALL FOR HELP

Maryland Reported Sinking 36 Miles Southeast of New York Harbor

New York, Dec. 25.—The steamship Maryland was reported sinking late tonight about 360 miles east southeast of New York. A wireless message picked up here said that the engine room was rapidly being flooded, and asked that aid be sent to the vessel immediately.

Two steamships named Maryland are listed in the Maritime register. One of these is a British vessel of 2,962 tons, and the other is an American ship of 1,892 tons. The latter was last reported leaving Philadelphia on December 2 for Liverpool or London.

Laid at Rest
The funeral of Mrs. A. Apigian took place Sunday afternoon at 1.30 p.m., December 24th from Mr. Beckley's undertaking parlors to Grace Church, where the service was held by Rev. Patterson-Smyth, and from there to Greenwood cemetery where she was laid to rest. Many beloved friends were present. She left behind her a sorrowing husband and four small children.

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This great increase in the consumption of natural gas has been taken care of by the Henry L. Doherty interests which spent over \$200,000 this year in drilling new wells. Natural gas is plentiful. Why should Brantford be without it?



SEASONABLE GREETING
This etching is a reduced reproduction of a picture just received from staff officers in France. It bears a cheering message.

Grenadiers B Latest Fr

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London, Dec. 26.—Tested with success in the Somme offensive a in the two victorious drives at Verdun, the new infantry tactics of the French army, which make the Grenadiers the backbone of the regiment, are attracting attention among military leaders.

Since the beginning of the trench warfare on the western front, men who throw the deadly hand grenades have been taking an increasingly important place in both the defensive and offensive operations of the French forces. As a result French infantry tactics have been revolutionized. The rifle and the machine gun have become of secondary importance and the grenades recognized as the infantry's fighting weapon.

All Are Picked Men.
The Grenadiers now form an important feature of the French infantry regiment, says H. Warr Allen, The Morning Post's correspondent in France, who has made trip to the French Infantry School where the new tactics are being taught. The French Grenadiers are picked men, chosen for strength, agility, and, above all, intelligence and swiftness and certainty of decision. They are organized in small groups, commanded by non-commissioned officers and encouraged to know each man in their squads, that they will have confidence in each other in time of action. The new French idea of infantry operations is calculated to bring out the initiative which is characteristic of the individual French soldier. Starting with this as a basis, the infantry experts have worked out a system which provides first for hand grenade mass supported fire. The men operating the grenades, then those armed with fusil mitrailleur, or automatic rifle, and finally the voltigeur, or bayonet man.

Each unit of the regiment has these four "specialists." Each drilled and trained in the work of other groups, so that the bayonet man can jump into the place of Grenadier or a Fusilier and Grenadier in turn can make him a voltigeur and fight as well with the bayonet as with the hand grenade.

High Efficiency; Few Casualties.
French experts say that the new tactics develop the maximum of efficiency with the minimum of casualties, as has been demonstrated every battle in which the system has been used.

The French have proven that using the new tactics based on the work of the Grenadiers a position can be held with half the number of men needed under the now discarded methods. Attacked by the enemy the French infantry puts the F

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