

FIRST RECRUITING RALLY OF SEASON HELD FOR 215TH

Ten Recruits Respond at Close of Stirring Meeting in Brant Theatre - Pte. S. F. Landers of Hamilton a Speaker

Amid scenes of boundless enthusiasm, and following upon stirring addresses delivered by a number of most eloquent speakers at the first recruiting meeting of the year for the 215th battalion, no less a number than ten men came forward to the platform to offer themselves for enlistment. The meeting throughout was signalled by marked enthusiasm and patriotism, and there can be no doubt that the good seed sown there will yet take effect even more markedly than was the case during the evening.

The showing of patriotic motion pictures, together with musical selections by the band of the 215th battalion, and a vocal solo by Sgt. Harold Oldham, served to open the meeting, following which the speakers of the evening took their seats upon the platform, together with Lieut.-Col. W. F. Cocksbutt, Lieut.-Col. Spinder, Major Sweet, Major Jackson, Capt. Joyce, Capt. Ferguson, Mayor Bowley, J. H. Spence and J. J. Hurley.

Mr. W. N. Andrews, in his address as chairman of the evening, touched upon the necessity for re-commencing recruiting meetings for the 215th battalion, when last spring it had been hoped that the end of 1916 might see a conclusion to the war. Yet to-day the danger to Canada and the British Empire was greater than ever before, with the enemy mustering her forces for one last desperate effort. The desire of all was that the 215th should go overseas as a unit, and that this should be accomplished some four hundred more men were required, and should be obtained. The speaker paid high tribute to the morale of the men of the 215th battalion, with whom he had marched and lived.

Rev. J. B. Fotheringham, the newly inducted rector of Grace Church, in that course a stirring and inspiring address, illuminated by the forceful personality of the speaker, proceeded to enumerate the causes which should inspire the manhood of Canada to respond to the call of the hour.

For the cause of righteousness, all who could should be in the fight. Our men were fighting, our women were fighting, but there were some sitting by who would cheer after the war for a victory which they had done nothing to encompass. All should be prepared to fight as well as to cheer. The strength of Germany to-day was due to the unity, the system of organization which prevailed throughout her domains. There was no division between sections there, and if she fought as one while the British Empire fought divided, then the British Empire must go down inevitably to defeat. We must stand as one in defence of all which we hold dear, to fight for the common cause of honor, liberty and truth, united against the foe which menaced our existence.

Adventure and Chivalry The spirit of adventure should lead Canadians overseas, even as it had led our forefathers across the ocean to Canada. The great cities of the old world were calling to us to go out into the world and view its glories. The call of chivalry should be heeded by us, but we had grown accustomed and inured to the ruthlessness and honors practiced by the foe. Belgium, the Lusitania, these were old chapters to us to-day, and the atrocities we read of no longer aroused the thrills of horror they had once done.

The spirit of liberty, the spirit which made Canada the land of the free, was calling to us, but some were content to enjoy their liberty by sitting at home and watching others fight. Though it was not for us to criticize, the speaker voiced the firm opinion that every man upon this continent, whether of Canada or the United States, should stand for the nations fighting the fight of democracy to-day.

If we loved Canada and what she represented to us to-day, we should be willing to ring ourselves around in her defence. The spirit of religion, too, should not be omitted from any such recruiting appeal, in this hour when the doctrines and practices of the enemy menaced our souls, our principles, our ideals. There was no respite for Sunday in the fighting at the front.

The speaker urged upon all the necessity of seeing that the wives and families of all soldiers enlisting were properly cared for, and passed a scathing comment upon the Canadians crossing the border into the United States at such a time as this. Such men as they did not count in the nation; they were not wanted here, they were not worthy of the heritage of Canada.

Col. Harry Cocksbutt, organizer and Honorary Colonel of the 215th battalion, recalled briefly the circumstances under which the battalion had been organized, now nearly a year ago, stating that had it been possible to accept all those who applied its ranks would have been filled before the present. "All honor to those who have tried and are now in the speaker, "they have tried and done their duty. Have you, you men out there in civvies?" Some of them, the speaker admitted had done so, but he deliv-

NEWS OF NORFOLK

County Council Considers Question of Good Roads; Other News Items

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Good Roads—Norfolk Co. May Get in a Class by Itself. Simcoe, Jan. 27.—The county council concluded business on Friday last before 6 o'clock and adjourned to meet on June 5th.

Interest in county good roads is reflected in the fact that Warden Cridland and Reeve Cunningham of Windham were delegated to attend the annual meeting of the Association to be held in Toronto, after the latter councillor had given a brief outline of the work of the other counties, and had shown that Norfolk county was one of a small and ever decreasing number of those that had as yet done nothing. In fact, the county appears to be running on a fair way of getting in a class by itself.

Memorial to Patriarch Teacher

Chairman J. L. Buck, chairman of the finance committee, reported that with the facilities for education provided, there was such a low percentage attendance of enrolment, in some cases less than 40 per cent. The committee recommended that the services and fidelity to high ideals of Mr. W. H. Smith, Port Dover, who had taught school in the county for over half a century, should be acknowledged by the county council, and requested that an illuminated address be tendered him and a memorial placed in the county building. The report was adopted, and Mr. Buck and County Clerk Elias Boughner were appointed as a committee to draft the memorial.

Farm Lands Change Hands

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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

DAILY FASHION HINT.



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The waist pattern, No. 6,643, is cut in sizes 34 to 44 inches bust measure. Medium size requires 2 yards of 40 inch material. This pattern can be obtained by sending 10 cents to the office of this paper.

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Simcoe, Jan. 29.—Night-watchman Rice has tendered his resignation to the police committee. The situation has raised the question, "Does Simcoe require a day police since temperance legislation came in force?" Rev. P. Nicol, one of our many local retired preachers, conducted both morning and evening services at St. Paul's yesterday.

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Ladies' and Misses' Dresses in Serge, Silk and shepherd checks, many styles to choose from and an assortment of sizes worth up to \$12.00. Sale price, \$5.00

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French Seal Coats \$85.

1 Only French Seal Coat, best of Satin lining, nice length, good full sweep, regular \$125, sale price, \$85.00

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1 Only Persian Lamb Coat, good even curl, best of lining, shawl collar, regular \$225, sale price, \$185

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FRENCH REPULSE GERMAN ATTACK

Hun Airplane of Albatross Type Brought Down by Aviators

Paris, Jan. 29.—(noon) —French troops last night easily repulsed an attempted attack by the Germans on a trench at Hartmanns-Wellerkopf, Alsace, today's war office statement announces.

During the night numerous engagements took place in the Champagne and at various points along the Alsace front. The statement follows: "Numerous patrol encounters occurred last night, especially in the



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Champagne at Eparges and at various places on the front in Alsace. A German attack on one of our trenches at Hartmanns-Wellerkopf was repulsed easily. "Yesterday Lieut. Gastin brought down within our lines a German airplane of the albatross type. This is the fifth machine brought down by this pilot up to the present time. Last night our airplanes threw down projectiles on the railway stations at Athies, Savy and Bretilles."

NOTICE

Applications will be received by the undersigned for position of Road Supervisor of the County of Brant Roads System up to the 1st of February. Applicants will be a state salary expected experience, and refer to A. E. V. County Clerk, Brantford.



PARLIAMENTARY

Friday, the twenty-ninth of February next, will be set apart for presenting Petitions to the House of Commons.

Friday, the second day of next, will be the day for the introduction of Private Bills. Thursday, the fifth of next, will be the day for the receiving Reports of Committees of Privy Counsellors.

ARTHUR H. SYDNOR Clerk of the Legislature Toronto, Jan. 18th, 1917

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Take Note

The annual meeting of the County of Brant Mutual Fire Insurance will be held in the Court room, Court House, in Brantford, on Thursday, 1917, at two o'clock, p.m. and dispose of the resignation and Auditor's report, directors and Auditors as such other business as may be considered for the welfare of the company.

For Sale

Dodge Brothers Truck Car. Dodge Brothers Truck Car. The cars have had very little use, nearly as good as new.

16 Ford, shock absorbers, extra tire, tire odometer, only 2,000 miles.

We have other hand cars for sale.

BRANT MOTOR

Miss Pauline Klaumbus sells \$25,750 from the estate of Edwin C. Way, of the county of Brant. Reports from Washington that railroad legislation had precedence during the recess.