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WHAT ABOUT INTERNED ALIENS?

When the war is won and peace is declared what will be done with enemy aliens now confined in internment camps, not alone in this city but from east to west throughout Canada? Will they be released to become competitors of the brave lads who risked their lives to defeat the countrymen of these same interned aliens? Should they not rather be sent to the country of their allegiance as part of the process of exchanging prisoners? It is hardly conceivable that they will be turned loose into the free life of this country, to share in the abounding opportunities it presents. Men who were reckoned a public menace in time of war ought not to be trusted in time of peace and ought not to have open to them all the careers and advantages that should be reserved for our own loyal and brave defenders.

One lesson which this war has surely taught is the necessity for excluding every alien immigrant who does not give reasonable assurance of willingness to renounce his foreign allegiance and embrace the British citizenship to which he can be admitted after due probation. Men who proved themselves so ungrateful for the benefits of life under British rule and so disregardful of this country's welfare as did alien enemies now interned, ought to be returned to the land of their birth and their preference. They cannot be put on the same footing as our own people. They cannot be allowed to become candidates for the prize of industry before our own men have returned to Canada and discharged from military service. To our own is due our first thought.

Although regrettable, it is a fact that there are employers of labor in Canada who would at least as readily give employment to an alien enemy as to a loyal citizen. They too ought to be in the internment camps, but being British subjects and discreet enough to maintain silence their liberty is unrestricted. To them it means little that preference should be given to men returning from the front and to immigrants from the United Kingdom, they remember only self interest and forget the large part played by the returning heroes.

Loyalty to the men now enlisted requires that we do not allow released enemy aliens to gobble up the livelihoods that these brave men have relinquished for service against Ger-

many. While the war lasts the labor of interned enemy aliens may be utilized for productive purposes but once the war is over these foreigners should be sent to the country where their heart is.

CANADA STANDS RESOLUTE

The progress of this war is marked by such a culminating series of stupendous events that human imagination is finally baffled and can exert itself no more. The sinking of a 3,000-ton British cruiser soon after the war started fired the whole Empire; the advance of the Russian millions upon beaten Austria today merely provokes an approving nod.

It is worth while to discount this spirit, because it tends to vitiate the enthusiasm and energy which the war demands from the non-combatants. The struggle is approaching a crisis, and the next few weeks, or even the next few days, may see events that will determine the result of the whole conflict. At such a time it is of vital importance that the people at home should be with the men in the trenches in spirit if they cannot be with them in body. Many eminent scientists believe that wireless telegraphy has its counterpart in what is called mental telepathy. If this is true, and there is much to support the theory, the attitude of the stay-at-homes towards the war becomes a matter of paramount importance.

War cannot be carried on half-heartedly, either by combatants or non-combatants. The physical sacrifices of the one must be paralleled by the moral support as well as the financial sacrifices of the other. The people at home must not permit themselves to arrive at a stage when they merely accept the war passively. They are in it. Their whole future is bound up with the success of the Allies. Their friends and relations are enduring unprecedented hardships and discomforts, and enduring them willingly, but during the long vigils the thoughts of the men in the trenches must often turn wistfully to the people at home. They probably wonder whether the latter are doing their share, and doing it with the same enthusiasm and energy with which they started nearly two years ago. They wonder, to put in Brutal English, whether the people at home are worth fighting for.

What is the message that must go back from Canada to these brave men? Is it not that the unshakable determination of the soldiers is equalled by that of the civilians, that those for whom the sacrifices are being made are worthy of those who are making them, that the whole country from the Atlantic to the Pacific still stands resolute to win the war and is ready for any sacrifice to achieve that purpose.

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Brandon and District News

Miss Pearl Graham is visiting with friends in Moose Jaw.

Manager Smale, of the Summer Fair Board, is attending the Calgary Exhibition.

Mrs. Hale, of Moose Jaw, was in the city Sunday en route to visit her son at Camp Hughes.

Mrs. A. Hulme and family left for Winnipeg on Saturday to spend a holiday with her sister, Mrs. Shepherd.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Harris, of Fifth street, left Monday afternoon to visit the former's parents at London, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tippins, of Tara, Ont., are visiting relatives here and are the guests of Mr. James Graham, Tenth street.

Lieut.-Col. A. G. Fonseca, commander of the Scandinavian battalion being raised in the west, was a visitor to the city over the week-end.

Mr. F. Naton, an old Brandonite, is renewing acquaintances in the city during a trip from the Pacific coast, where he has resided for several years.

Mrs. Charles Leenhuis, of Minneapolis, accompanied by her little son Andrew, is the guest of her parents, Ex-Mayor and Mrs. J. H. Hughes, Twelfth street.

Mr. D. Sherriff, of the city treasurer's staff, began his holidays Monday. He will spend a few days with his brother at the latter's farm near Manor, Sask.

A record number of autos went from Brandon to Sewell Saturday, there being more than two hundred cars at the big military camp from this district. Many of them came from points further west and made Brandon their headquarters over the week-end.

While driving toward the city on Sunday morning Mrs. Sharp, wife of Pte. Sharp, of the 95th Regiment, was thrown from her rig after the horse had bolted, and sustained bad cuts about the head and face. A bolt fell from one of the shafts causing the horse to become frightened. Dr. Sharp attended the woman, who is reported today as resting nicely.

The Emmanuel Baptist Sunday school picnic will be held on Thursday, July 6th, at the Fair grounds. Friends are asked to assemble at the church in good time. Cars will leave at two p. m. sharp. Children transported free, adults will pay car fare each way. Bring lunches with you.

Crops in the district surrounding Brandon are looking their best. As evidence of the great growth of the last few days, Mr. W. Black, near Hayfield, submits a fine sample of wheat thirty-four inches high. This well-known farmer has 180 acres of this kind.

Special reference was made at St. Matthew's church Sunday night to the death of Pte. Cecil H. Bailey, of the First C.M.R. Rev. Quainton referred to the dead soldier as a good churchman and a thorough patriot. His favorite psalm "The Lord is My Shepherd" was sung for the occasion.

Mr. E. Knapp, who has been in Winnipeg for the past two weeks went to Hartney today for a few days rest. Mr. Knapp was one of the examiners of the school examination papers in Winnipeg.

Mr. G. Irwin, of the C.P.R. barber shop, has received word that his brother, Hamilton Irwin, who enlisted in Toronto, has been wounded. Hamilton worked in Brandon for a year as a bricklayer and is twenty-five years old. His parents live at Antler, Sask.

The permit was issued for the stores and theatre building being erected on Tenth street by ex-Mayor Hughes. Exclusive of the land the structure is to cost \$25,000. Hon. G. R. Coldwell is building four small cottages on Pacific avenue near Second street to cost approximately \$500 each.

Through an engine becoming stalled on a motor boat at Souris, Saturday, about a score of Sunday school picnickers were left behind when the train came away. Some of them were brought in by auto, others stayed over until Sunday, while two boys are said to have walked home along the railway track.

Miss Cowan, living on a farm twelve miles north-west of the city, called up the police station Saturday night to say that she and her mother had observed an aeroplane hovering around there for over an hour. They could distinctly hear the engine, she says, and the machine had a huge light at the rear end.

Mr. Wm. Fenwick left Monday to visit his parents at Brampton, Ont.

Mrs. D. F. MacLean has returned from a visit to her home in Oban, Scotland.

Mr. James W. McMillan, of Smith & Burtons, has returned after spending a pleasant holiday in the east visiting friends.

Mrs. Pascoe and daughter Vivian, accompanied by Miss Orlov Smith, left Wednesday for a visit to eastern points.

Mr. Charles Laidlaw, of Whitefish, Montana, is spending a couple of days in the city the guest of his brother-in-law, Mr. R. M. Elliott.

Dr. W. J. Sanders, who has been attending the Western Canada Dental Association convention in Regina, returned home Thursday.

Frank Rososki was assessed \$2 and costs Thursday for allowing his cattle to run at large on the flats. The animals had eaten off the tops of a neighbor's potato plants.

A horse which broke from a stable on Fourth street ran direct across the open stretch of prairie to the pound-keeper's garden and commenced damaging his potatoes.

Pte. E. A. McDorman, who enlisted with the Alberta company of the 19th Overseas Battalion at Edmonton spent a few hours with his brother, L. H. McDorman, before proceeding to Camp Hughes.

Mrs. Lupton wife of a returned soldier being medically treated here, arrived Thursday to spend a few days at her husband's side, she was met at the C.P.R. depot by members of the Returned Soldiers' Association executive and will be their guests during her stay in the city.

A lawn social was held last Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson Methven, eight miles north of Wawanesa, in aid of the Red Cross. Over one hundred were present and a very enjoyable time was spent, the crowd being composed entirely of farmers of the surrounding district. A collection amounting to \$30 was taken for the grand cause.

A large number of Masonic brethren motored from Brandon Sunday evening to Alexander to attend divine service there.

Vital statistics for June of this year are fifty-six births, marriages fifteen, and deaths nineteen. Last June the figures were births 44 marriages 24 and deaths nineteen. The semi-annual returns are, births 309, marriages, 136 and deaths 145 for the first half of this year as against 305 births, 107 marriages and 161 deaths for the first half of last year.

Motorman J. Roy, of the street railway department, reports having collided with an auto when he had to back down Sixth street Saturday noon. The auto was on the wrong side of the road, and P. C. Stanley, who was called to the scene, warned the driver. The car was not badly damaged.

Those people in Brandon who have sometimes questioned the efficiency of the water service of the city in case of fire will be relieved to know that at a demonstration Saturday night, water to the quantity of 500 gallons per minute was being thrown over the McKenzie building, one of the highest in the city. While taking one of the hose teams to this demonstration Lieut. Adams, in avoiding the crowd of people at the corner of Tenth and Rosser mounted the sidewalk and the hub of the wheel catching the light standard broke two or three of the big globes.

Business over, the assembly repaired to the grassy slopes and leafy bowers, and here the wants of the inner man were abundantly supplied from the most bountiful tables skilful hands could provide.

Gentle breezes tempered the heat of the first summer day and caused a refreshing ripple upon the lake. Lovers of the water found abundant enjoyment in bathing and paddling, while the gasoline launch and row boats were well patronized all day.

Lake Clementi is fast becoming the summer rendezvous of Brandon people.

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The girls' camp is situated on the high slopes of Rockaway Beach, commanding a fine view of the lake and surrounding country.

Rev. C. W. Morrow, new minister of Victoria Avenue Methodist church, formerly of McDougall Avenue church, Winnipeg.

A lady telephoned the police station Wednesday to complain that a boy with a catapult had stoned a cat. The police are inquiring.

The new offices on Ninth owned by the Hon. G. R. Coldwell are practically completed and the Coldwell and Coleman law office was moved Thursday.

Mike Sava and Steve Korniat were the principals in a fight on the flats Wednesday night, but at the police station this morning the men were very friendly again and did not want a prosecution. When allowed to go with a caution they shook hands and followed it up by kissing each other.

OBITUARY

The death took place at Bradwardine on Saturday, July 1st, of Andrew Thomson, at the age of twenty-seven years. The funeral was held from the family residence, Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, interment at the Bradwardine cemetery.

BRANDON FAMILY

ENJOY NEW "SPUDS"

Undisputed evidence that the Brandon district is all that it has often been claimed to be as a potato growing country, was furnished Monday from the garden of Mr. W. Reynolds, Eighteenth street north. Mr. Reynolds planted some tubers on the 26th of May and Monday was digging them up for dinner. Samples sent to The Sun office were almost as big as hen's eggs. This is regarded by many as a record. The abundance of rain and warm weather of the past three days is accountable for the quick growth, but potatoes of this size in five weeks is surely a record. Potato growers in the district say there will be a record crop both in quality and quantity.

LAKE CLEMENTI FAVORED

RESORT DOMINION DAY

Saturday was a gala day at Lake Clementi Park, when upwards of seven hundred people spent the holiday at this charming water resort. They came in autos of all makes and sizes, in rigs and democrats, on wagons and wheel. In addition to the crowds of "trippers" from the city, the park was the place chosen for the annual picnic of the Little Souris Grain Growers' Association, and here as elsewhere Old Sol shed his benign rays upon the many tillers of the soil, their good helpmeet, fair and happy sons and daughters. The Manitoban farmer is nothing if not practical, and on this occasion combined pleasure with profit. The good offices of three well-known speakers had been secured, whose short addresses gave much food for thought and were listened to with rapt attention. F. J. Dixon, M.P.P., spoke on Land Value Taxation; Miss Eadie, of the Agricultural College, delighted the women folk with a practical address on Domestic Science; while Mr. W. H. English, of the G.G.A. took for his subject, "Education, Cooperation and Organization."

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COUNCIL APPOINTS W. H. BATES

ASSESSOR: M'KENZIE OBJECTS

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There were ten applicants for the position and all their letters were read. Some of them were amusing. One had had no special qualifications, "but if the position was not pre-arranged, he would take his chance on getting it."

Another, referring to his qualifications said "as to building values, well I am a son of a builder." The ten men were Messrs. J. C. Machesney, P. H. Clark, T. D. Watson, Thomas Dorsett, G. F. Hire, T. Harkness, J. T. Cressy, A. Pue, E. C. O'Neill, and W. H. Bates. After the letters had been read, Ald. Coleman and Coleman took the stand that Mr. Bates was the best of the ten because he had had the actual experience which was necessary to a man taking over the position. Mr. Bates had, moreover, been complimented even by those who had made appeals against his assessments and the majority of the appellants had failed. Both of these aldermen pointed out that it took at least a year for a man to become acquainted with the work and with all respect to the other nine, they did not think any one of them was so well qualified for the position as Mr. Bates.

Ald. Curran said the one thing which struck him was the businesslike way in which Mr. Bates carried out his duties. Ald. Bullock agreed with this and said it was the fearless way of Mr. Bates, caring not whether he offended friend or enemy in his assessments, that struck him. He, the speaker, voted for his appointment only on the condition that other help was given for the whole reassessment when the time came.

Ald. Bourke said he, as a large property owner, had not appealed this year, though most of his property was assessed away too high. He would appeal next year if a new assessment was not made, and he thought Mr. Bates was the best man among the ten to begin work on a new assessment. Mr. Bates had the year's experience which should prove of great value to him, whereas any of the other men would have to go all over the ground again.

Ald. Fisher and Ald. Trench wanted delay for the attendance of the other members to whom they thought it was not fair to deal with the matter at once. In reply to this the mayor said it was distinctly understood that the matter would be taken up as soon as the Court of Appeal had given its verdict. "If they waited for a full council they would never get started and the matter had been left long enough already."

On the vote being taken Ald. Coleman, Curran, Bullock and Bourke voted for Mr. Bates' appointment and Ald. Fisher, Trench and McKenzie against. Ald. McKenzie, speaking just before it was put, thought Mr. Clark, who is now Purchasing Agent, could do the Assessor's work, Purchasing Agent's work, and take the place being left

vacant by Mr. Skinner. Ald. Coleman asked "Why not give him the city foreman's work too?" It was intimated that Mr. Clark was going to be transferred from the purchasing agency to Mr. Skinner's place, under the City Treasurer, but that he would continue to do purchasing as an additional duty.

In his letter of application Mr. Bates formally offered himself for the post and mentioned that he thought the salary now as compared with years ago was very inadequate for an efficient man. No mention of salary was made when the appointment was made but it will come up when the estimates are considered.

Hotel Fears Rink

Superintendent Boomer, of the C.N.R. wrote the council stating that it was feared that if the Caledonian rink caught fire the hotel would be in great danger. He asked if the city could not take steps to compel the owner to have the place rebuilt or removed. Ald. McKenzie, owner of the rink, suggested telling Mr. Boomer it was for sale. Several aldermen thought the Council had no jurisdiction beyond the inspection by the fire and building inspectors, but it was decided to refer the matter to the City Solicitor for his opinion.

A sign owned by Messrs. Campbell & Campbell at the corner of Thirteenth street and Brandon avenue, which encroached on the avenue, is to be removed. The sidewalk outside Mr. C. S. Unicum's new apartment block will be repaved and the owner pay half the cost.

Ald. Trench raised the point of a red light or other danger signal being placed at the C.N.R. crossing of Lorne avenue where an iron fence has been broken down. The matter will be taken up with the company. Replying to Ald. Bullock as to why so many men were being kept "pottering around" sidewalks, Ald. McKenzie said the sidewalks had to be kept in a state of repair.

A bylaw was put through to regulate maternity boarding houses in the city, and another bylaw, which aims to compel owners of electric signs to keep them lighted at least part of the night was read.

At a garden party held by the Sir James Whitney Chapter I.O.O.F. last Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. Wm. Davidson, nine miles north-east of the city, Mr. H. S. Swailwell, honorary-secretary of the Brandon General Hospital was the winner of a small pet lamb. Mrs. Swailwell sold the lamb for \$4.50, which was donated to the fund. Altogether the little animal realized about \$25.00 for patriotic purposes.

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