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### ANNUAL MEETINGS OF TWO LODGES HELD

Excelsior Camp, Woodmen, and McCormack Lodge, L.O.B.A., Elect Officers for Year.

Excelsior Camp, No. 173, Woodmen of the World, held the annual meeting and election of officers in St. James' Hall last night. The newly elected officers are: P. C. C. F. Dalton; C. C. J. Mowatt; A. L. J. Clouston; clerk, H. Durrant; assistant clerk, C. Bennett; Bunker, W. C. Thompson; escort, R. Mowbray; watchman, J. W. Morton; sentry, F. Humphrey; managers, S. Clouston, W. Lowndes and D. Hart; delegates, F. Dalton and H. Durrant. Chairman D. W. S. Harrison, head consul commander, conducted the election. A splendid musical program of a patriotic nature was provided. Ward Seven Conservative Association enjoyed a musical evening and smoker in St. James' Hall, Dundas street, last evening. A. J. Hazzard, Ald. St. Ryding, Ald. W. H. Weir and others gave short speeches. Floyd Hunter of Inlington was arrested in No. 9 police station yesterday on a charge of theft from Frank Carlisle, County Constable Jos. Burritt made the arrest. McCormack Lodge, No. 191, L. O. B. A., officers who were elected at the annual meeting in Colvin Hall last night to conduct the affairs of the society during 1916 are: W. M. Mrs. T. Hopkins; D. M. Mrs. McDonald; chaplain, Mrs. W. H. Moon; recording secretary, Mrs. F. Nichol-

### MAYOR CHURCH'S STAND WINS OVER EARLS COURT

Much satisfaction is expressed among the members of the Earls Court Business Men's Association and the merchants of the St. Clair avenue district generally on account of the action taken by Mayor Church regarding express and freight deliveries for the northwestern portion of the city, first advocated by Donald C. Macgregor.

"The mayor will have the hearty support of every merchant in this large section of the city," said Secretary C. H. Rolph of the Earls Court Business Men's Association. "We have seen from this inconvenience far too long and the railroads and large carrying companies should be brought to time and forced to remedy this longstanding injustice to a large section of the city."

### ARRESTED IN DETROIT.

At the instigation of the detective department, Harry Miner, 235 Sherbourne street, was arrested yesterday in Detroit on a charge of stealing \$50 from the St. Lawrence Laundry Co., Simcoe street. Miner was a driver for the laundry company and it is alleged that he received the money from customers and failed to turn it in to the office. He will be brought back by Detective Young, who left for Detroit last night.

### EMPLOYED BY RAILWAY TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

R. H. Crew, who died at Grace Hospital, Tuesday, as a result of a stroke of apoplexy, was the superintendent of the Grand Trunk shops, Mimico, and had been employed there for about 25 years.

Mr. Crew was a son of the late R. H. Crew of Kingston road, and was born in Rouge 48 years ago. His brother, Charles Crew, is the proprietor of the Halfway House at Scarborough Bluffs. A widow and 11 children survive.

Last Monday evening Mr. Crew and wife were visiting their daughter, Mrs. F. Beatty, East Toronto, when he suffered a stroke. He was removed to Grace Hospital and died four hours after.

### MOTOR CAR HITS CYCLIST.

Twelve-year-old David Zelin, 130 Grange avenue, was struck by motor car 2123, driven by Imothy Barker, 905 Bathurst street, while riding his bicycle on Spadina avenue at 6:30 yesterday evening, and sustained injuries to his back. He was attended by Dr. Fraser Bowie, 191 Spadina avenue and was able to proceed to his home.

### CANADIAN CASUALTIES

First Battalion. Killed in action—Sgt. David Stringer, England; Joseph Byng, England. Wounded—John Macdonald, Scotland. Third Battalion. Wounded—Eugene Laurance, Montreal. Previously reported missing, now killed in action—Emerson Green, 46 Trafalgar avenue, Toronto. Eighth Battalion. Slightly wounded—Herbert Thomas, Ireland. Tenth Battalion. Killed in action—John Lee, England. Fifteenth Battalion. Wounded and prisoner of war—Lance Corp. Horace W. Temple, England. Sixteenth Battalion. Wounded—Corp. Wm. D. Bux, Nelson, B.C. Died of wounds—Corp. George Blake, England; George Keiman, Scotland. Nineteenth Battalion. Wounded—George S. Dornwistle, 122 South Head street, Hamilton. Wounded—First Sgt. Allison, Colborne, Ont. Twenty-Sixth Battalion. Wounded—John Doherty, South Africa. Twenty-seventh Battalion. Wounded—Sidney E. Skinner, England. Twenty-ninth Battalion. Killed in action—Lance Corp. Owen Byrne, Sherbrooke, Que. Forty-sixth Battalion. Seriously ill—James Logan, Medicine Hat, Alta. Forty-ninth Battalion. Wounded—David Martin, Scotland. Lord Strathcona's Horse. Wounded—Charles Ferris, England. Second Canadian Mounted Rifles. Dangerously wounded—Kenneth Malin, Eskiland. Third Canadian Mounted Rifles. Died of wounds—Andrew H. Dobbie, Scotland. Divisional Train Fourth Co. Drowned—Maj. Harvey G. McLeod, England. Reserve Cyclists. Accidentally killed—Delphis Elrard, St. Maurice, Quebec. Depot Company, Army Medical Corps. Died—Alfred E. Pearce, England. Divisional Train Fourth Co. Reported drowned—Lieut. George E. Franklyn, Jr., London, England.

### INNOCENCE ALEP

In the descriptive name of one of the finest life-size art paintings of beauty unadorned in the City of Toronto, it hangs in the buffet of the Hotel Teak. In his lifetime Judge Halliburton, the author of "Sam Slick," was the owner of it.

### EYE-STRAIN

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### DAY'S ENLISTMENTS ARE OVER A HUNDRED

Almost Four Hundred and Fifty Recruits Secured During Three Days.

### HOLIDAYS FOR TROOPS

Half Overseas Forces Off Four Days Christmas and Balance on New Year's.

A total of 108 enlistments were made in Toronto yesterday. It was the third day in succession that the total has topped the 100 mark and makes 444 the number who have joined the colors during the first half of this week. An analysis of the figures shows that quite a large inflation of the attestations has been due to the number of men for the Army Service Corps, who have been given but were already on the rolls of the local militia.

The Grenadiers are keeping up their hot recruiting campaign. They report that in one day their own men secured 52 recruits, who were accepted by the armories recruiting detachment.

Holidays For Troops. Christmas leave of four days to half of the overseas troops in Toronto, and New Year's leave of three days to half was officially announced yesterday as follows:

"Authority is granted that 50 per cent of each unit will be given Christmas leave from the night of the 29th inst. to the night of the 27th inst., and 50 per cent from the night of the 30th inst. to the night of the 3rd January, 1916. This will give four clear days to each officer and man at his own home."

Wireless operators are not to be enlisted without the consent of military headquarters, it was announced yesterday. The names of operators who have enlisted or who may offer for enlistment are to be forwarded at once to headquarters.

Lieut.-Col. Marlow, A.D.M.S., after conferring with the Hamilton City Council in regard to the erection of military hospital buildings in that city, stated that the government will be asked to sanction the putting up of three buildings, each 33 by 133 feet in area. It is proposed to erect them on the Scott property.

Hospital Accommodation. At Exhibition Park Camp extra hospital accommodation has been found necessary and it will likely be effected by using a part of the manufacturers' building, which adjoins the women's building.

Twenty-eight returned invalided soldiers of the Toronto military division will reach the city on Friday on the regular C.P.R. train, which arrives at 7.35. The soldiers will be taken to the convalescent home immediately on their arrival.

Lieut.-Col. Duncan Donald, O.C. of the 48th Highlanders, who will command the next overseas Highland regiment to be raised in Toronto, the 134th, announced last night that Major A. A. Miller will be second in command of the new battalion.

The 48th Highlanders will hold a regimental parade at the armories tomorrow night. The medical units of the garrison of Toronto have organized a recruiting depot, Nos. 10 and 11 Field Ambulance, No. 15 Cavalry Field Ambulance and No. 1 Clearing Hospital having amalgamated for the purpose of recruiting. Major Currie and Capt. Gordon Hyland are directing the work of the medical units.

The Queen's Own Rifles paraded at the armories last night, including cadet recruits, under command of Lt.-Col. R. C. Levesque. The regiment is to be raised in Toronto.

Special Recruiting Rally. The 75th Overseas Battalion, the 5th Mounted Horse and the Toronto Recruiting Battalion will hold a special recruiting rally, to be held at Massey Hall, on Sunday. A splendid program is promised. Major Reed, chief recruiting officer for Toronto, will be one of the speakers.

A number of soldiers service with the Army Service Corps. Recruits qualify apply at the east end of the armories.

Capt. A. W. Haddo, 83rd Battalion, is promoted to the rank of major. The transfer of Capt. G. H. Hall, 74th, to the 95th, and promotion to captain, approved provisionally. Lieuts. J. L. Ferguson, J. R. Henderson, E. D. Hudson and E. E. Gibson, all of the C.A.S.C. have been appointed to No. 2 Overseas A.S.C. Training Depot.

Col. Theodore Roosevelt has declined the invitation to speak in Toronto before the members of the Canadian Club. He was visited at his home at Oyster Bay by F. H. Deacon, president of the Canadian Club.

"Nothing," the former United States president stated to Mr. Deacon, "would please me more than a visit to Toronto, but I could not trust myself. I would certainly say what would be untrue to say."

"I cannot speak," said Col. Roosevelt, "except on what is in my heart. And the thing that is in my heart now is—war! I am criticizing our government in my own country, and I cannot do so elsewhere."

Recruiting Handbills. Three hundred soldier-distributors were employed all of yesterday handling out the special recruiting handbills, which are a big feature of the enlistment campaign being waged by the Grenadiers Overseas Battalion.

Two new handbills made an appearance yesterday. One asks, "Who Said Enough?" and states that Kitchener's plan is to make sure that while the enemy's forces become weaker the British armies will stand firm. The other asks, "What will be the result of 'enough'?" and states that the Kaiser admits he's had enough, the circular concludes. The other dodges contains the personal appeal of King George for "more men and yet more" to secure victory and lasting peace.

Many New Outfits. A huge consignment of 20,000 complete outfits for soldiers has just been delivered to Toronto to be used in outfitting the new battalions of this division. A new style cap for the soldiers is being made. It is to be of soft wool and has a protection for the ears.

Capt. L. Moore Cosgrave, who went to the front with the first contingent, has been appointed adjutant of the 6th howitzer brigade. He went through the battle of Langemarck.

### YORK COUNTY ...AND... SUBURBS

### ETOBICOKE APPROVES HYDRO RADIAL PLAN

Council at Special Meeting Unanimously Endorses Scheme of Sir Adam Beck.

### DETAILS ARE DISCUSSED

Assurances of Representative of Provincial Commission Set All Doubts at Rest.

Sir Adam Beck's hydro-radial plan for linking up all the western towns and municipalities with the city of Toronto has practically received its initial endorsement from every district between Toronto and London. One of the last municipalities to stamp the scheme with its approval being the Township of Etobicoke, which yesterday afternoon, by a unanimous vote, gave the scheme its first and second reading. Twenty-five other municipalities interested were reported last night by W. G. Hewston, the hydro-electric expert, as having conformed to the request for a first and second reading of the bylaw.

Etobicoke Approves. On Monday afternoon the Etobicoke Township held a meeting at Inlington to deal with the matter but the introduction of other matters and the fact that none of the members had had time to have an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the bylaw, necessitated the calling of yesterday's conference, at which Reeve Sivertorne presided with all the members present. Representatives from Toronto Township council were also present by invitation.

There was general approval of the scheme, but an apparent discrepancy between the guarantee suggested by the hydro-radial plan of Etobicoke, \$401,225 and against \$316,255 from Toronto Township, \$11,200 from Mimico and \$22,250 from New Toronto aroused some criticisms. The assurance, however, of the hydro representative that the schedule as shown was subject to adjustment by the commission on representations being made upon the completion of the system was regarded with satisfaction.

The assessment of Etobicoke is \$3,574,500. The amount set aside by the commission for maintenance, sinking fund charges and interest for the first ten years is \$26,337 and thereafter \$30,351.

Linking With Other Railways. Another clause threshed out was that relating to the refusal of the hydro radial to allow the provincial line to be linked up with any other railway line, doabarring the local municipalities from any rights in the matter except thru the consent of the commission. The interpretation placed upon this clause by the hydro representatives and the assurance that the commission was to give every local municipality the fullest transportation facilities was entirely satisfactory to the members of the Etobicoke Council.

Other matters of detail considered was the allocation of the area defining the district over which the vote will be taken, which comprises school sections Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, or in other words, the district half way between Queen street and the C.P.R. tracks through the township from east to west, approximately about one-third of the municipality. From the lake front the distance at the westerly end of the township is about one and three-quarters miles, narrowing down at the easterly side to less than a mile.

While the whole of the Township of Etobicoke will guarantee the bonds, only the district designated would in the event of a deficit be liable for the payment thereof.

It is proposed to inaugurate a vigorous campaign and hold a number of public meetings at different points along the front, one of which will probably be at Humber Bay and another in conjunction with Mimico. In all five public meetings will be held and offers of help from business men and others enthusiastically in favor of the plan have already been received.

### A. Y. P. A. CONCERT.

The annual concert of the St. Michael and All Angels' A. Y. P. A., Wychwood, was held on Tuesday evening. An excellent program was provided by the following artists: Master and Miss De Guevre, pianoforte duet; Miss D. Cornett, violin solo; Miss M. Ribchester, Mrs. H. Watson and R. Curry, songs. A reading by Mrs. N. Deane was well applauded. A laughable farce, entitled "The Dressing Gown," was given by the members. H. Watson was the accompanist.

### NOT AGAIN THIS YEAR.

At a meeting of the executive board of Ward Five Central Ratepayers' Association held last evening it was decided that no further meetings of the association are necessary until the regular meeting night after the New Year.

### TORPEDOING OF ANCONA MUST BE DISAVOWED

Washington Surprised by News of Sending of Strong Note.

### MUST BE REPARATION

Guarantees for Future and Punishment of Commander Also Demanded.

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That calls for grave consideration, the state of affairs having become more complicated since the note was despatched, by reports of attacks upon American oil carrying vessels in the Mediterranean, presumably by Austrian submarines.

Surprised Washington. News that the note had been sent came as a complete surprise to officials in Washington generally, the reports which emanated from the state department early in the week being that no positive and corroborated evidence as to what actually had occurred when the Ancona went down had been received. It was said that the reports received were fragmentary, conflicting or contradictory, and that until a reply to the inquiries submitted to Austria-Hungary was received it was probable that no communication would be sent to Vienna.

Tonight it was suggested in some quarters that information of a most conclusive nature had come to Secretary Lansing, probably late Monday night, and it had been decided then that the protest should go forward immediately. Whether Ambassador Engel had transmitted the reply of the Vienna foreign office to the list of queries submitted by the United States could not be ascertained.

The Ancona was sunk in the Mediterranean on Nov. 9, while bound from Naples for New York. The only testimony of a native American survivor of the liner before the department is a deposition by Dr. Cecile Grief of New York, who asserted specifically that the liner was torpedoed while the men, women and children in the cabin and steerage were scrambling to get into the small boats.

The department has not been inclined to issue this single statement as a positive proof, unless corroborated. Much weight was given, however, to what Dr. Grief had to say. Her testimony was considered of so much importance that she was taken to Rome, where she told her story to Ambassador Walter Hines Page.

A report of this conversation reached the state department recently.

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