

# NORFOLK NEWS

## ANNUAL MEETING SIMCOE FIREMEN

Officers Elected for 1919;  
Smoker Held in Conjunction  
With Meeting

### OTHER SIMCOE NEWS

From our own Correspondent  
Simcoe, Dec. 19.—The fire brigade met in their new quarters last night and proceeded to organize for 1919. Chief Kendall was in the chair and the following were slated: Captain chemical truck—R. Cropp; Capt.—central hose wagon—Harry Little; Captain North End wagon—Frank Coates.

Secretary—John La Plant.  
Treasurer—Chief Kendall.  
The chief being appointed by council, and having made good during the year, no one is going to ask for his dismissal, so far as we know. And work of the evening completed, the boys had a smoke and an hour's discussion of the work of the brigade.

They all felt and looked comfortable and expressed their satisfaction at having even a temporary place to assemble as a corporate body.

Chief Kendall informs us that it was not on his initiative that furniture was taken over from the town hall, and he rather favors returning it, if the council is going to buy a new supply in its stead.

The fire brigade and council have been more in touch during 1918 than for many previous years, and this phase of our civic life is more advantageous to efficiency and economy.

Still Following the Boys  
The latest address of all Norfolk soldiers now in France or Germany is desired by the I. O. D. E. Send them to Mrs. A. T. Sailer, sec'y. The chapter is still carrying on, and will doubtless continue to do so till the boys all get home.

Odd Ends of News  
Mrs. R. E. Gunton has received advice that her nephew, Fred Austin Nettleton, aged 30, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nettleton, of Strathroy, has been a victim of the "flu." A few days ago a sister of deceased was reported in these columns as having died in Alberta of the same illness.

George Gunton is expected home from overseas this evening. The road way to the north end is not very good, but then they had no roads in

those of the public. But that happens in all colleges and all professions.

# COUNTY COUNCIL

Business for the year was completed at yesterday afternoon's session of the county council held in their chamber in the Court House. The various reports of the committees for the past three months were read by the committee chairman, showing the work that had been covered during the past three months. The roads and bridges report gave a detailed statement of the work that had been accomplished by that body, and also a list of the expenditures on the different work. The work that has been done on the Paris road was also reported upon.

TO LET—Three houses at \$5 a month, one at \$8 a month; immediate possession. Apply T. J. Agar. T134

FOR SALE—A 38-40 repeating Marlin rifle in good condition. J. R. Collins, Simcoe. A136

France, and these may help others along, so if you are not going in tow after the children to one of the S. S. Christmas concerts, clear your throat and come out and welcome the boys. Train time about 8.15. Town wood will cost more next winter than this, for all not sold must be piled and piled costs money. The corporation has enough to last two winters. Wood obtained by the removal of old trees from the parks or streets will doubtless be sold at the same price as the corporation wood.

The 1917 board of works initiated this practice early in the year when charity wood began to cost what was considered a very high figure. It is now advantageous to reduce all objectionable trees to fire wood, not necessarily for charity purposes. There are in the park at present at least two decadent oak trees that should be removed, and several dangerous limbs. In fact, it is a good place to keep away from when a strong wind is blowing.

Capt. A. C. Burt, in a letter recently received, gives a graphic description of the advance through Lille. He was out in the advance with the cavalry, and states that the appearance of the conquerors dumb founded the Belgians, who had been led to believe that the British were an undisciplined, ill-clad and ill-fed mob.

Capt. Harry McNally has evidently taken to English life and ways. He asserts that the English look upon Canadian dentistry as vastly superior to that of the old land, and have no reserve in saying so. This corroborates in a measure our claim made some six months since, that the Ontario Dental College has no equal anywhere this side of Mars. We believe that ere long the Toronto institution will have a considerable post-graduate class of foreigners—and there is the danger, for as with our own, some fellows may get away too soon for their own interests and

### Milner Explains

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military stores, the property of the Allies, which were still lying at Archangel and Vladivostok and which were in course of being appropriated by the Bolsheviks and transferred to the Germans until the Allied occupation put an end to the process.

"I say nothing of the fact that a vast portion of the earth's surface and millions of people friendly to the Allies have been spared the unpalatable horrors of Bolshevik rule. But in course of this Allied intervention thousands of Russians have taken up arms and fought on the side of the Allies. How can we simply, because of our own immediate purposes having been served, come away and leave them to the tender mercies of their and our enemies before they had time to arm, train and organize so as to be strong enough to defend themselves. It would be an abominable betrayal, contrary to every British instinct of honor and humanity.

No Longer Than Necessary.  
"You may be quite sure that the last thing the government desires is to leave any British soldiers in Russia a day longer than is necessary to discharge the moral obligations we have incurred and that, Bolshevik is the guiding principle of all the Allies. Nor do I myself think that the time when we can withdraw without disastrous consequences is necessarily distant. But this is a case in which more haste may be the less speed. If the Allies were all to scramble out of Russia at once the result would almost certainly be that the barbarism which at present reigns in a part only of that country would spread over the whole of it, including the vast regions of northern and central Asia, which were included in the Dominions of the Czar. The ultimate consequences of such a disaster would be foreseen, but they would assuredly involve a far greater strain on the resources of the British Empire than our present commitments."

He also pointed out that the institution from Brant County, amounting to \$2,000. The last matter of importance noted upon was the appointment of the county representative to the hospital

## ELECTION CARDS —and— LETTERS

The advertising rates for election cards this year will be as follows:  
Regular 1 1/2" space to run from nomination to election day or for shorter time—  
**\$4.00**  
Spaces run for longer periods will be charged at the rate of 40c per inch per insertion.

Letters to the Editor advocating support of any candidate will be charged at the rate of 40c per inch.

board for the coming year. Warden Pitts was named for that position, and this suggestion was carried unanimously.

### CONTRACT SUSPENDED.

Operations on the 9.5 shells at the plant of the Motor Trucks Limited ceased last night. Work will be continued until the end of next week on the 4.7 shells, when all operations will cease. The effect of the closing of this large plant will be remarkable. The number of employees that will thus be thrown out of work will be between four and five hundred. The contract for the shells has not been cancelled, but has been suspended, according to Manager Roy Secord. Notice was received on Wednesday to the effect of suspending. The shells will be required by the United States Government because there are so few factories that are equipped to manufacture them, but when it was a toll road. The report of the finance committee followed this, giving a statement of the funds of the county, which are in fair condition. The amount of the county's present indebtedness is about thirty-five thousand dollars. The heavy expenditure was caused by the purchase of the toll roads, and other matters that had to be met, such as combating the flu epidemic, and other unprepared for happenings. This amount is great, however, by the fact that when the Provincial Government settles their share of the various roads purchased the indebtedness will be reduced to \$90,000.

This matter was followed by the making of a grant to Warden Pitts for his services during the war. The members of the council expressed their individual appreciation of his work. Mr. A. E. Watts, County Clerk, also expressed his approval of the work that the Warden had done through the war. He also pointed out the fact that the council had had to combat and the successful way in which they had been met. He also emphasized the need of union in order to be a power that would work for the good of the people. He completed his address by urging the members of the council to do their utmost to unite themselves together for a common cause, that of bettering their own county.

### POLICE COURT.

In the Police Court this morning Mike Raisan, an Armenian, charged Sam Latman with keeping a common gaming house. Sam was accordingly fined \$50 and costs, amounting to \$11.55. Perry De Loretto was charged by Rachael Stoller with theft. This case was laid over for two weeks. Mrs. R. Taylor charged her noble spouse, Robert, with assault. He will appear again on Monday. Melvin Martin claimed that Nellie Hill assaulted him. His case was laid over till to-morrow. Alex. Smith also charged Nellie Hill with theft. This case was also laid over.

Less Entertaining Than Some Wives  
"What are you going to give your wife for a Christmas present?"  
"I don't know. She hasn't told me yet."—Washington Star.

### TO TEACH SOLDIERS' WIVES.

By Courier Leased Wire  
Ottawa, Dec. 18.—In response to a request from the men taking the agricultural course, the Khaki University of Canada in London is organizing a division for the wives of soldiers. Before coming to Canada they will be made acquainted in a general way with the work which falls to the lot of a Canadian farmer's wife. Many of them are English girls. In addition to the household science course, the courses in horticulture and poultry will be extended to the wives of the soldiers who are fitting themselves to follow agricultural pursuits in Canada.

### THANKS FOR SERVICE.

By Courier Leased Wire.  
London, Dec. 17.—The Admiralty Board has issued an order to all dock yards, victualling yards, ordnance, torpedo and mining depots and other civil establishments of the navy expressing grateful appreciation of their value services throughout the war. The order says each establishment bore its full part in securing the victory of right over might.

### MITS AND GAUNTLETS

If he drives a car or works outside, he'll prefer these goods for Christmas. See the lines at Whitlock's, Dalhousie street, opposite the market.

## Bowlby For Mayor

I have consented to be a candidate for Mayor of Brantford, and respectfully solicit the votes of the electors for such office. If ever there was a time in the history of our fair city in which it is the bounden duty of the electors, both male and female, to cast their ballots, it is at the coming election.

In my view the office should seek the man, and not the man the office. The electors should have but one object and no other, that being to elect the man best qualified to discharge the onerous duties of such office.

J. W. BOWLBY.

### 'FLU IN MONTREAL.

By Courier Leased Wire  
Montreal, Dec. 18.—The completed returns of the Department of Public Health on the recent influenza epidemic shows that there were 746 children under five years of age who died from influenza or pneumonia during October and November, while there were 2,372 adults who succumbed during the same period.

### METTERNICH ELECTED.

By Courier Leased Wire  
Amsterdam, Dec. 18.—The Cologne Volks Zeitung announces that Comrade Metternich, otherwise Count German Metternich, a young member of a well known family, has been unanimously elected head of the People's Marine division in Berlin. The newspaper, a Socialist organ, comments sarcastically.

For Service and Saving Tom Lyle Stands Before You!

PLATFORM EXTRACT:  
"The one pledge I will make to the people of Brantford, if elected as Mayor for 1919, is that I will be honest and straightforward, as I have always tried to be in my private life. I will welcome and not stifle criticism of my acts in office. I do not believe in Kaiserism for a city any more than for a country."

VOTE FOR LYLE

# TOM LYLE FOR MAYOR

Turn on the Safety Valve. City Business Now a Big Problem

"If elected Mayor of Brantford for 1919, I shall welcome and expect criticism of any acts of mine in office. I strongly uphold the right of criticism whether during an election or at any other time. At the same time, it is only reasonable to expect that criticism will be of the helpful kind. That is the only way our municipal service can be built up to that degree of efficiency which the ratepayers have a right to demand from their servants in office."

The above is the declaration of Tom Lyle, candidate for Mayor for 1919. Lyle expects the work-together spirit in any regime over which he may preside. It is his one aim to establish a hearty co-operation among all the civic services, to the end that all may work together for one object, making both ends meet in regard to civic revenue and expenditure, and at the same time improving the conditions of every phase of life, for every class of resident in the city.

Stifle the right of criticism, either by fear of unpleasant consequences, or by arrogant threats of force, and no co-operation is possible in the conduct of municipal business. Lyle believes that big men can disagree and differ in judgment, but can still remain friends and fellow citizens, all striving for the betterment of the city.

Tom Lyle further believes in the recognition of the other fellow's point of view as being just as honest, just as sincere in the matter of service as his own. It is the old "get-together" idea to fresh out our problems which he espouses at this critical time in our civic history.

With no political ambitions, and actuated only by the desire to give plain, ordinary common sense business service, not looking at any time for scalps, but for harmony, Tom Lyle is the man to turn on the municipal safety valve at this critical juncture of municipal business.

Do you not believe, Mr. Ratepayer, that it is time to turn on the safety valve. If you owned the city, as a business proposition, what would you do? Brantford has always been a going concern, would you not try to keep her there? If your business showed an overhead charge of \$52,000 beyond receipts for the year, when the receipts were \$10,000 more than expected, would you not try some change of system?

You are paying 30 1-2 mills on the dollar, and your next year's council inherits a legacy of debt of \$52,000, if not more, to start with. Where is the finish of this business?

It is up to you, Mr. Ratepayer, you pay the shot every time. Elect the man for Mayor who is with you in your problem.

HERE IS LYLE'S PLEDGE.  
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**Tom Lyle,**  
Candidate for Mayor 1919

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