

Good on the Farms

One of Them Writes of Their Experiences in the Winona District.

Last spring there were fifty or sixty young women called upon to venture into the unknown and untried. They were called rather deprecatingly. The Senate of the University of Toronto long ago decided that that institution should stand for highest empire service in this great time of stress, consequently the sons of the college were encouraged to take their stand on the front lines and the daughters of the University were encouraged to support their brothers by carrying by the staff right here in old Ontario. But encouragement was not the only measure—effort to make possible the best and most profitable activity became imperative in the plans and purposes of the college. The University of Toronto issued national service cards, with obligations to every student. That shall never be asked: "Are you willing to do national service? If so in what branch of munitions or agriculture? These cards must be signed and returned to the registrar before such a date."

The students having acted according to demands, patiently waited for results. Soon the women students were invited to meet—the Victoria college girls at Annesley hall, where as the guests of Miss Addison, the dean, they were addressed by Lady Falconer and representatives of the Dominion Council of the Y.W.C.A. on a subject which for a week or two occasioned much knitting of brows, much uncertainty and much doubting.

At ordinary times a dubious mental attitude might have been effectively cured by a complete banishment from the thoughts of any unlikely proposal. But these were no ordinary suggestions of Lady Falconer's and Miss Saunders'. They had to be faced! That voice within which incessantly says, "Duty, duty," who "speak the tongue which Milton spoke," conquered at last and scores of girls dared and said: "I must! I can! I will!"

ABANDONED PLEASURE
In plain words the young women of Toronto University were asked to throw pleasure behind their backs for a season and serve the empire by assisting to conserve the fruit crop and in this way help to feed while others fight.

Then started anticipation! Some expected boredom, others hardships and aches! "We can but try it," they said. "Certainly none expected a picnic. Dull and non-enthusiastic we all started out. The first large company arrived at Winona during the last week of May on a very cool day, with nothing in their memories but the disconcerting home-truths and sentiments expressed but lately to them: "You'll be back in two weeks!" "You'll never stand it!" "Don't wait until you are a perfect wreck. Come home as soon as you feel yourself giving out."

The writer in a bland enthusiastic moment imparted joyfully to a clergyman friend her great practical, patriotic move. She was greeted with a bright undisguised twinkle in the eye (he was an Irishman). Have you had experience in that kind of work? Have you picked berries?" she was calmly asked.

"No, I have never lived on a farm."

There was a snicker and a laugh which seemed to spring from an unfathomable well somewhere inside his chest. Then came the next question: "For how long?" "Five months." "Humph! Have you signed up unservedly?" "Thoroughly so."

"Excuse me! But that is some contract!"

And again she was laughed at. Could mortal be anything else but timorous under such circumstances? Despair would have been her portion were it not for the timely words of one optimistic Torontonian flung at her as the train for Hamilton steamed out of the Union station: "It will be the greatest event in the educational history of your girls. You will return to your studies with added zest and renewed energy and stacks of practical knowledge."

"Dress your girls," was the marvellous thought of the recipient, so like honeydew tasted the sweet wine of encouragement.

Add so Victoria College and Queen's University girls came to Winona, with each a small trunk bearing necessities and a khaki uniform. We anticipated first of all opposition to the uniform; we got it. But girls

who are trained to exercise the prerogative of independent judgment never lose their night's rest over bickering and tattling of feeble-minded and narrow-minded and such like minded folk. Clothes do not make the lady, but clothes make ladies work more efficiently and effectively, when made in keeping with the best laws of utility and expediency. We wear our khaki and scarlet with as much pride and glory as any barrister, clergyman, doctor or other man wear theirs in times like these.

We anticipated physical collapse! That has yet to be! We expected monotony! That shall never be! We expected loneliness. That could never be! Every moment of our busy lives has been crammed full of activity—even if slipping from a ladder in a cherry tree has to be reckoned as incident. We have enjoyed every minute of activity from the return home to the club house—for that is our abiding place under the guardianship of the Y.W.C.A.

We have been secretly thrilled by the process of growth around us. We have watched with delight the unfolding of the flower, the beginnings of the fruit, the development into material, the coming of the blush upon the cheek of the peach, the purpling of the plum. The realization we know will far exceed the anticipation, for are not Winona peaches best on the American continent, and are not the Niagara peninsula fruits, Canada's pride?

Largely what the girl workers on National Service expected was merely not granted them; that is, much weariness of the flesh and homesickness. We have had "all the comforts of home," thanks to the Y. W. C. A., and we have had increased health and vigor from day to day. We have had also the moral support and friendship of the best people in the neighborhood of Winona. Unfiring have been the efforts of the employers and many others in the vicinity to entertain and encourage and befriend the girls on National Service.

Duty, like virtue, is its own reward always, but in this case the reward of duty has been also increased friendship, increased gratitude, increased regard, increased confidence and goodwill toward those who left their homes in response to the great bugle blast sent out over a world in a death struggle for liberty and righteousness and freedom: "Go thou and serve."

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM
Office of General Superintendent
Western Lines
Chicago, Ill., Sept. 1st, 1917

PETERBORO GOT \$1,000 COAL ORDERS
Within a few hours yesterday morning City Treasurer Adams of Peterboro, received over forty-four orders for a total of 130 tons of coal worth \$1,200, and the coal is on its way to Peterboro with the stage set for its premiere, and the machinery ready for its delivery to the citizens.

From this first flash of business the city's venture seems to have aroused the confidence of the people and their orders may be interpreted as a desire to give the municipal fuel depot the support that should assure its success. Certainly the city has not held out any explicit inducement of profit, or of prices below the regular dealers. Hence, there is an element of appreciation, perhaps, in the large number of orders received.

CASUALTIES
Died of Wounds—
W. R. Johnston, Lindsay.
Wounded—
D. N. Tripp, Cobourg.
E. R. Brant, Deseronto.
G. W. Jarvis, Oshawa.
O. S. King, Oshawa.
L. Hopper, Cobourg.

OF INDIVIDUALS

Belleville to be Centre for Hearing Applications for Exemptions Under Military Service Act

There will be one exemption tribunal in Belleville under the Military Service Act. Following is a list of places in this vicinity where tribunals will be held to hear applications for exemptions. Two members constitute a tribunal, the senior county judge names one and the government council the other.

East Hastings—One each in Madoc, Deseronto and Tweed.
West Hastings—One each in Striding, Belleville, Trenton, Marmor, and Bancroft.
Durham—One each in Port Hope, Bowmanville, Millbrook, and Blackstock.

Peterboro—One each in Apeley, Norwood, Warsaw, Lakesfield, Belknap, Kilmont, Hallsbridge, Bridenorth and Centerville, and two in Peterboro.

Lanark—One each in Lanark, Carleton Place, Pakanham, Lavant, Almonte, McDonald's Corners, Smiths Falls, Perth and Maberley.

Leeds—One each in Gananoque, Newboro, Delta and Toledo.
Lennox & Addington, Napanee, Flinton, Bath and Tamworth, Kingston—Three

Frontenac—One each in Sharbot Lake, Ardoch and Harrowsmith.
Prince Edward—One each in Picton, Wellington and Consequa
Renfrew—One each in Cobden, Pembroke, Chalkriver, Beachburg, Arnprior, Palmers Rapids, and Calabogie.

Northumberland—One each in Campbellford, Brighton, Castleton, Warkworth, Cobourg, Cold Springs, and Rosemeath.

BOWLING
Belleville Ladies Win From Cobourg—Entertainment for Visitors.

Belleville lady bowlers on Wednesday afternoon turned the tables on the Cobourg rink, who were their guests. The western ladies two weeks ago defeated Belleville by 12 points but yesterday saw Belleville win by 44 to 25 or a majority of 19 points.

The Cobourg visitors were met at the depot by Mrs. (Col.) Lazier, the president of the local club and were conveyed to Hotel Quinte by automobiles which were put at the disposal of the club by Mrs. (Col.) Lazier, Mrs. H. W. Ackerman, Mrs. F. S. Anderson and Mrs. (Dr.) Dolan. At the Quinte the visitors were entertained at luncheon by the Belleville ladies.

The tourney on the bowling green was very interesting to the many spectators, both ladies and gentlemen. The players and results were as follows:

Belleville
Mrs. F. S. Deacon
Miss McRae
Mrs. S. Robertson
Mrs. (Dr.) Dolan
Skip 20

Cobourg
Mrs. Skitch
Mrs. Alexander
Miss Poe
Mrs. De Lany
Skip 14

Belleville
Mrs. H. W. Ackerman
Mrs. Mator
Mrs. Duff
Miss McLean
Skip 24

Cobourg
Mrs. Roberts
Mrs. Ewart
Mrs. Skill
Miss Brown
Skip 11

Total 44
Maj. for Belleville 19
Refreshments were served at the club house on the grounds at the conclusion of the games and the visitors were taken by motor to the G.T.R. depot, and returned home with the happiest impressions of Belleville lady bowlers' hospitality.

CULT AIMS WAR'S END BY SIMPLY THINKING ON IT
Los Angeles, Cal.—In an effort to end the war by sending positive waves of thought charged with courage, New Thought teachers of Los Angeles met here to launch a movement that is expected to sweep around the world.

Although meeting for the purpose of concentrating their thoughts on peace, addresses on the object of the meetings, which will be held every Tuesday in the month of August were given by Mrs. Adeline Becker, Ida Mansfield Wilson, and Mrs. E. Huntigton.

"These meetings," explained Mrs. Becker, "are for the purpose of inspiring our troops with courage and to give the United States a sense of its duty to end the carnage. We do not wish to be misunderstood. It is our desire that, as thoughts are things, we should start the world thinking along positive lines."

DOWN PEAR WAVES
The entrance of our troops into the city today on his way home from the war struggle gives a new aspect from Toronto.

FROM SOLDIERS

Miss Addie Bristol, Belleville, Ont.
Dear Sister:—
I suppose you began to think I was never going to acknowledge the parcel you so kindly sent, but the truth is we went into action the next day after I got it, and haven't had much chance till now, and not much now, even. We have had more casualties in the last two weeks than for some time.

Your parcel was just all right and I thank you very much. I had several good feeds on those hot cakes; they just hit the spot for a change. I suppose you got the ring all right. I sent it with Louise's because it is quite a bother to have the censor see them and get them registered. I hope it fitted all right. O, by the way, the name was too much for me so I just made a plain one. Louise said she couldn't wear a ring with a top and I thought your finger would be much the same.

We are sleeping in cellars now, partly on account of Fritz's shells, and partly on account of the noise of the guns. You could hardly imagine the havoc one of those nine or twelve inch shells makes when they land in a building. They simply tear it to pieces. A dud landed behind our billet the other day. A dud is a shell that doesn't explode through some defect in the making. Well it just made a round hole about twelve inches in diameter. It looked just like a fox or badger hole. Of course the most of them do explode and they throw mud, brick and shrapnel a long way.

I was out to the 2nd Division burying ground a short time ago. This is only one of thousands through France and Belgium. They are buried about fourteen inches apart. There is a wooden cross at their heads fixed up very nicely with their name and number. The battalion they belonged to and where they are from in Canada. Always at the top are the letters, "R.I.P." (rest in peace). These crosses are only about two feet apart. In long rows, several hundred yards sometimes; so you can imagine what it looks like. They keep the graves well looked after in most cases and a record is kept of the occupants. It does look a shame to see the thousands of young men who have been slaughtered in this way.

We are still having it pretty hot and it is liable to be worse before it is better. We are in a very nice part of France at the present time and it looks like a shame to see it tore up the way it is.

It has been raining for the past three or four days and is still pouring down. I think the heavy gunners bring it on.

This is about all I can think of to tell you this time so good-bye, and be sure and write soon. When you write again please put No. 3 Section instead of No. 4, as we have changed numbers.

Your loving brother,
Frank.

THE POOR PACKERS
Boston, Sept. 6.—President E. A. Cudahy of the Cudahy Packing Co., replying to a question from Joseph E. Davies, a member of the Federal Trade Commission, which is looking into the question of packing house food products, says:—

"By the consuming public and by the press, the packing industry is almost always considered from the standpoint of the price of a porter-house steak."

"Unfortunately for the packer, he comes in contact with the public to a large extent as the producer of a daily food. The copper mine owner or steel producer has an enormous advantage in that respect; the public does not realize that the profits of one copper mining company last year, on a volume of sales not one-twentieth that of the volume of the five largest packers made almost as much as the aggregate made by those firms."

"The weight of the carcass of beef is far less than that of the animal on the hoof—in round numbers there being a shrinkage of 40 per cent. However, the loss in value due to this shrinkage is all so nearly absorbed from the utilization of hides and other offal that the wholesale price of a beef carcass can usually be calculated at somewhere approximating 25 per cent. to 40 per cent. over the cost of the animal on the hoof. In other words, the beef from an 8 cent steer will usually be found selling around 10 to 11 1/4 cents."

ASHLEY STOCK FARM AT TORONTO EXHIBITION
Standard Breds—
Stallion, pacer, Geo Rayner, 2nd prize, \$30; 2-year old trotter, Jack Rayner, 1st prize, \$20; 3-year old filly, trotter, Ella Bloecker, 1st prize, \$30; 2-year old filly trotter, Winkle Girl, 1st prize, \$20; 2-year old filly trotter, Clara Gay, 2nd prize, \$15; 1-year old filly, trotter, Cynthia McMartin, 1st prize, \$15; 1-year old filly, trotter, Muriel Longwell, 2nd prize, \$10; brood mare with her foal, Tuesday in the month of August were of 1917, 1st prize, \$15; foal of 1917, made by Mrs. Adeline Becker, 2nd prize, \$10; best mare and foal, (special) Philly Winkle, 1st prize, \$100; best mare and foal, roadster, Bessie Longwell, 1st prize, \$30; best foal, roadster, 3rd prize, \$5. Total amount of prize awards, \$320.00.

Best string of five, Ashley Stock Farm Gold Medal. Two classes yet to be shown in on Wednesday, Standard Bred single roadster and match team of Standard Breds.

H. Ashley, Mgr.

NOT GARNISHABLE
An interesting point was raised at the last Division Court before His Honor Judge Willis in connection with the garnishee case of Stafford Hardware Company vs. McKenna and Ketcheson, garnishees. Mr. W. N. Ponton, K.C., acting for the judgment debtor argued that it was against public policy to have funds in the hands of a public official, such as the Governor of the jail, garnisheed or attached by creditors, the money taken from the prisoner being in custody of the front or not.

REAL ARTIFICIAL HANDS

Hand Which is Actuated by Muscles of Arm.

Newspapers from Holland have on articles telling of the wonderful trides made in Germany in medicine and surgery as a result of the exigencies of war. Thousands of German soldiers, who have lost their hands, their arms and legs are being fitted with artificial members in a hospital in Singen, which are said to be the most ingenious and simple substitutes yet devised.

An artificial hand, which is the work of Professor Stodola, technical engineer, and Professor Sauerbuech, one of Germany's most eminent surgeons, enables a man to do all the work that he was heretofore able to do before the member was amputated. In order that Professor Sauerbuech can carry on his work to the fullest possible extent the Prussian Minister of War has established the hospital for the purpose at Singen. He has as his assistants Professors Ruge and Felix, famous professors of anatomy, of Switzerland.

According to the German accounts after the amputation of a man's hand the muscles in the stump of his arm are grafted with the skin from the amputated member and this skin becomes a part of the stump. To this skin the artificial hand is applied, just as a pipe of smaller diameter is set into one of larger diameter. The artificial hand is then under perfect control of the muscles of the arm which heretofore operated the muscles of the hand and it is claimed that a man can almost feel with the artificial member.

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RED CROSS PENNY BAG COLLECTION FOR AUGUST

	July	August
Ketcheson Ward	\$48.70	\$40.48
Baldwin	43.32	36.29
Samson	45.77	36.24
Coleman	32.50	34.35
Murney	30.33	23.36
Becker	24.35	21.98
Foster	16.53	17.66
Avondale	4.07	5.30
Total	\$215.66	

This is the lowest amount collected in the Red Cross Penny Bags in any one month during the present year. But we consider the collection very good, in view of the number of people who were away from town or out, when the collectors called. We trust that this month everyone who has been enjoying a summer holiday will remember lovingly all of those soldiers who have sacrificed "holidays" and home comforts, and are suffering hardship and agony in order that our peace, happiness, freedom may be maintained, and make up any deficit in their penny bags.

All wards show a decrease this month except two, viz: Coleman and Foster Wards. Avondale has also increased its giving a little. Coleman Ward is to be congratulated in reporting the largest collection ever gathered in that ward since the inauguration of the Red Cross Penny Bags in May, 1915.

SAYS WAR WILL END SOON
That the war will not last another year is the prediction at Watertown, made by Capt. Norman Grace, of the Royal Artillery Medical Corps, recently returned from the front. He is optimistic about the outlook for the Allies and predicts a successful termination soon, despite frequent similarities, prophesies made earlier in the war by others. Captain Grace is a resident of Renfrew, Ontario and has been visiting friends in Watertown for the last few days. He returned to Kingston to day to undergo a physical examination which will determine whether he will return to the front or not.

MAJOR G. I. CAMPBELL, C.R.O., GAVE AN ADDRESS AT LONSDALE
He Gave An Explanation of the Military Service Act—All Eligibles Put into Classes

Major George I. Campbell, C.R.O., spoke to 250 people in the village of Lonsdale on Friday evening. The film "Canada in Khaki" was used and afterwards the major gave his explanation of the Military Service Act. He will deliver this address throughout the district.

It has been estimated that in about eighteen months with the present rate of casualties there would be none of the five Canadian divisions left in the field. The casualties, etc., would entirely break up the organization.

To handle this serious matter in a business like way, the Government was now using the Military Service Bill. When the various tribunals are appointed and the places at which they will sit have been decided on a proclamation will be issued which will start the machinery to bring the act into force.

It has not been definitely settled as to the details, but in all probability every single eligible man will appear before this exemption Board. The case of each will be examined and those men who can best be spared will be chosen. They will be signed up and following that a medical examination will take place. This will decide on the class in which the man examined is in. If in Class "A" he will be put into infantry. If in Class "B" he will go into forestry. If in Class "C" his papers will be filed, the man returned to his home and if in the future he is needed he will be called.

FOUR TO GO

Major Campbell said: "I believe that only one man in four between the ages of 20 and 34—those liable for service—will be called on the first draft. I estimate that there are 400,000 young men still in the Dominion and the act calls for only a quarter of that number."

CASUALTIES
Wounded—
Harry Kerby, Corwall.
J. A. Campbell, Parham.
J. M. Murphy, Napanee.
W. E. Kellow, Oshawa.
W. Walker, Lakesfield.
David Low, Newcastle.
P. R. Hay, Campbellford.
Sergeant A. E. McGlashan, Belleville.
F. G. Bongard, Picton.
H. S. D. Bugler, Campbellford.
D. O. Gunter, Frankford.
W. O. Donohue, Belleville.

FEW SERIOUS ACCIDENTS
Reports Regarding Deseronto and Mohawk Flying Corps Exaggerated

For some time past rumors have been in circulation in this city of many serious accidents at the Deseronto and Mohawk Aviation Camps, and by some people these rumors have been accepted as true.

These rumors are grossly exaggerated. There have been only two fatal accidents in recent weeks—one due to an almost unavoidable collision; the other, when the aviator faint-ed when flying. As for minor accidents to machines, a number of these have of course occurred—as they occur in all such camps—but the aviators themselves have escaped injury. Indeed both these camps are most carefully supervised and managed and the officers in charge are most competent and expert.

MUNITION WORKERS GO TO STATES
Since the completion of contracts for munitions by Canadian plants, hundreds of mechanics have gone to Northern New York in search of employment. At the New York Air Brake Company in Watertown dozens of men have applied daily and in one department alone an average of six a day have been given machine work. Most of these men have been placed for the present on night shifts. They have had experience in similar work and are able to obtain good wages.

ARRESTED DESERTER
At the request of Capt. Graham, of the headquarters staff, Kingston, a local man was arrested at a Belleville plant for desertion.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Warren and Miss June have returned from Toronto.

London Home

London home of Mrs. Mark Twain day for Wartown Mrs. Thon Scott and Mrs. Mrs. Cuthberts, and with Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Anderson to spend the week with her daughter.

A stunk got Hammond's store and was rather a Miss Margaret who was spending Miss Jessie Judd Saturday.

Mr. Charles B. Flying Corps, to a few days in acquaintance.

Mrs. Blake daughter, Agnes spent a couple of Mr. Paul Sharp's Miss Annie Hamour East, has staff of Campbell.

The appointment and she had to take care to see is a graduate of and of Queen's. Lieut. Donald turned home at Chesley, Toronto.

Mrs. Alf. Ch. Friday for their after spending with their great Mrs. Thon Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. children of Bra turned home a weeks with his Messrs. Henry White and Mr. Oshawa, spent Mr. and Mrs. Mollie Graine.

Misses Beatrix Moore were in day night. The cheese is again in open Mrs. Thompson guest at Mr. J. position at Port.

A very pleasant at the home of Wellman's Cor evening, Aug. 25, shower was given broaching many Rollins of St. The evening of the lawn and yod, order was dress was read.

Miss Mathew able reply. M a few words for the gifts extended to the gathering was singing the Na.

A severe fever this section Considerable of barn of Mr. J. con. of Rawd being struck by a cupert in the Mr. Robt. Cos killed by lightning a man a t. and killed.

Marmora's mulls this year. Mr. Jas. Par the holiday at Mr. P. J. G. move into the street, lately v in a few days. Mrs. W. Mc of her Milline Wm. Crawford went, has been for the season town.

Miss Edith visited her home She was accom Curran, who is Delora Separat Among those ere attending Lindsay, this time the Gillen, M. McFarlane.