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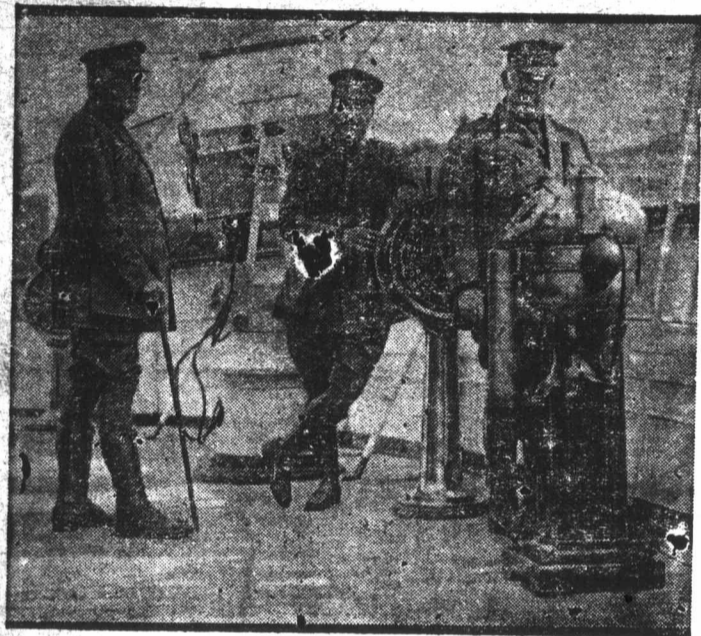
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American Red Cross Mission on the "Empress of Asia" en route to Russia. Dr. Frank Billings on left.

A DISTINGUISHED party of physicians, surgeons, bacteriologists, professors of food chemistry, sanitation experts and dentists, making up the first unit of the United States Red Cross mission to Russia, numbering twenty-nine in all, left Vancouver the other day on the "Empress of Asia," en route to the eastern front.

Lieut.-Col. Frank Billings, professor of medicine in the University of Chicago, is in charge of the party and is taking to Russia over \$100,000 worth of medical supplies, surgical instruments, dressings, water sterilizers and other necessary articles, including vaccine for the prevention of typhoid, smallpox, cholera, diphtheria, bubonic plague, meningitis and other diseases. A heavy task lies before them in Russia, and they are going abundantly prepared to go immediately to work.

The mission is being sent out by the United States Government, and the United States Red Cross Society will see that they are kept fully supplied in order to meet all demands for alleviating the suffering among the Russian soldiers and people. The move has been gratefully welcomed by the present Russian Government as an expression of the friendship of the people of the United States for Russia.

During the past month the United States Red Cross has raised over \$125,000, and while the work has been already begun in France, Italy, Serbia and Belgium, the present is but the first of similar units to be sent to Russia. The present party will investigate and report on Russia's needs and upon this report the United States Red Cross headquarters will decide the equipment and numbers of subsequent units. Steps are now being taken to get together complete equipment even to motor ambulances.

Col. Billings and the other members of the mission are a sturdy and affable lot of men and are fitted out in uniforms very similar to those worn by the British. The colonel is exceedingly proud of his organization and the promptitude with which it is effected.

"Every man who was approached to go on this mission, Winslow of Yale and Whipple of Harvard, and all the others, at once offered their services," said Col. Billings. "They dropped their work right there and got ready in four days, leaving their families behind them, to undertake this work, which is going to be of such tremendous importance to the Russian nation and to the military in particular."

"These men are leaders in their professions and are the heads of the

## F. J. Squire Committed To Trial.

Faces Two Charges Of Perjury.

F. J. Squire, of town, was committed for trial on two charges of perjury by County Magistrate Tangley at Peterboro on Thursday morning last week. The preliminary hearing was held in the Police Court Room, Mr. F. D. Kerr appearing for the defence and Mr. Joseph Wearing representing Crown Attorney Hutton, who was engaged on a military tribunal.

One charge was that at the Fire Marshall's inquiry in Havelock on Tuesday, 4th December, Mr. Squire swore falsely to the quantity of coal consumed in the fire on Saturday, 10th November, and secondly that he swore that he had received a threatening letter previous to the fire, knowing this statement to be false.

In his evidence for the prosecution Detective Newhall told of a conversation he had with Mr. Squire in Armstrong's Hotel, Havelock, subsequent to Fire Marshall Rogers' inquiry. Mr. Squire admitted having made foolish statements on that occasion, and finally came to Peterboro and wrote a long confession which was presented in Court. It was an admission reversing in effect, the statements upon which the perjury charges are based.

Chief Thompson and Mr. F. Clitheroe, of Toronto, official stenographer at Fire Marshall Rogers' inquiry, were also called as witnesses. The evidence at that investigation recalled Mr. Squire's testimony that about a week before the fire on 10th November, he, as officer of the military tribunal in Havelock, had received a threatening letter, which he said he destroyed.

## Wedding Bells.

ROSE—JOHNSTONE.

A very quiet wedding was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Johnstone, Ladylands, Selkirk, last Wednesday afternoon, when their daughter Helen was married to James W. Rose, Havelock, Ont., Canada, a sapper in the Canadian Engineers, B. E. F. The Rev. Andrew Ross officiated. The bride was given away by her father, with Miss Annie Turnbull acting in the capacity of bridesmaid. Mr. George Scott supported the bridegroom. A number of relatives and friends of the bride set down to a daintily-served wedding breakfast, at which several congratulatory telegrams were read. One was received from the nurses at Westhouse Hospital, Edinburgh, where the bride has been in training for the past three years. Other messages came from the company of Engineers to which the bridegroom was attached. Mr. Rose has been invalided from France and is returning to Canada, whither his bride will accompany him, in the near future.—The Southern Reporter, Selkirk, Scotland.

Sapper J. W. Rose has a host of friends in Havelock who unite with us in extending hearty congratulations and in wishing the happy couple a safe journey home to Havelock.

## Obituary.

It is our duty this week to record the death of Fred M. Alley. One month ago he was married to Miss Blanche Blachburn and then appeared in the best of health. The death of his sister, Mrs. W. McLernon (Irene Alley) at Dauphin last week was such a shock to him that he died of heart trouble on Friday evening last. He was born in Havelock, Ont., thirty-two years ago and has resided here eleven years. Besides his sorrowing wife, he leaves a mother, father, three sisters and two brothers, to mourn his loss. To them our sympathy goes out in their affliction. The funeral was largely attended on Monday and Rev. Spence of Dauphin, assisted by Rev. Lobb, conducted the services.—Gilbert Plains Maple Leaf.

Havelock and Belmont friends also extend sympathy to the bereaved family.

## County Shorthorn Breeders' Association.

A number of the shorthorn breeders of the County met in the City Council Chamber, Peterboro, on Saturday afternoon last. These men were called together to discuss the question of co-operating, to further the interest of all who are engaged in the breeding of pure bred shorthorn cattle in the County of Peterboro. There are a considerable number of farmers who are interested in this particular branch of agriculture and it has been felt that the shorthorn breeders, individually, were not receiving the benefits they might if they had an organization of some kind. It was pointed out by some of those present that in the neighboring County of Victoria, where a shorthorn breeders' club was organized a few years ago, that great strides have been made, on account of united effort. For the past six years at Lindsay an annual sale has been held and the result has been that all the surplus stock in the County was disposed of good advantage, whereas in the County of Peterboro, it was difficult to attract buyers to the individual stable, because the average man did not have sufficient stock to offer for sale to warrant a purchaser coming in.

An organization to be known as the "Peterboro County Shorthorn Breeders' Association" was formed, with the following as officers:

President—Andrew A. Knox, Asphodel Township.  
Vice President—Allan B. Mann, Smith Township.

Sec. Treas.—F. C. McRae, Department of Agriculture, Norwood.

Directors—Archie Wilson, Jno. Smith, Lakehurst; M. Smithson, S. F. Redmond, S. Matchett, Otonabee Tp.; Wm. Knox, John Boland, Asphodel, Township; Harold Baptie, W. Boles, Monaghan Township; J. H. Garbutt, Allan R. Mann, Smith Township; Harry Patterson, Dummer Township; Frank Scollard, Ennismore Township; Vincent Moher, Geo. Garbutt, Douro Township.  
Executive Committee—J. H. Garbutt, Allan B. Mann, Andrew Knox, F. C. McRae.

The object of this association will be to further the interests of the breeders of shorthorn cattle in the County, and to hold an annual sale to dispose of surplus stock. It was decided that it would not be advisable to hold a sale this winter on account of the lateness of the season and the short time that the breeders would have to get their stock in shape. This matter will be left over until the winter of 1919 when it is hoped that there will be more young stock available which will be in better shape to offer for sale.

There were a number of breeders who were not present at this meeting and who will doubtless be very interested in the move which has been taken. The membership fee has been placed at \$1.00 a year, and the Secretary will be glad to receive the names of any persons desiring to join this Association. Another meeting will be called early in June for the purpose of drawing up rules and regulations and receiving entries for all stock to be listed for sale during the winter of 1919.

## Some Egg—and Some Bird Too.

The following report of a mysterious find is taken from the Madoc Review:

"Mr. J. A. Dwyer, who was in Madoc this week, relates that while he, with some other men, were digging a well at McGary Flats last June, they unearthed an immense egg which was buried in the sand at a depth of 33 feet and which measured 19 inches in length. They laid the egg on the sand and discovered when they returned from dinner that it had hatched a bird of an unknown species. The bird was tethered near the spot where it thrived and grew very rapidly, and at the present time Mr. Dwyer says it weighs 253 lbs., and that Government officials who have examined it have been unable to name the species. The bird is now on exhibition in Game Warden McCaw's shop, Bancroft."

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