

VETERANS TOLD TO HOUSE-CLEAN

President Purney Says They
Are Losing Confidence
of the Public

BECAUSE OF FEW MEN

Toronto, July 30.—A strong appeal to the veterans of the great war, to so conduct themselves that veterans as a whole would regain some of the public sympathy which has been lost by individuals delivered by Col. W. P. Purney, of Halifax, president of the Dominion Great War Veterans' Association, featured the opening of that organization's second annual convention at the Central Technical School yesterday. Col. Purney made a strong and stirring address, pointing out that the "unreasonable attitude of some of the members has been responsible for losing public sympathy," and he went to the length of declaring that if some of the veterans did not see fit to mend their ways, he would be ready to give up the prominent position which he now holds in them. The only way in which the veterans can hope to attain their objects is to retain the confidence of the public, for no government, he maintained, would dare to legislate against the interests and the wishes of the majority of the people. All good things, he added, must come through legislation, but legislation cannot come without the sympathy of the bulk of the people.

A Few Are to Blame.
"But let me tell you," he added, "we are in danger now of losing the sympathy of the public, upon which so much depends. Even now the Government is not giving all the consideration we would wish to matters of interest to us, but that is not entirely the fault of the Government. We are ourselves somewhat to blame."

"It is because we are harboring in our membership men who are unreasonable, men who make ridiculous and impossible demands, men who in some quarters have earned the name of anarchists and agitators, and who have managed to bring discredit upon the name of the Great War Veterans' Association. Sometimes these men may act thoughtlessly, but there are all too many cases where they seem possessed of the idea that they can take constituted authority by the throat and run the country themselves. I firmly believe the time is coming when the returned men will be able to run the country, but that can only happen after they

have reached a sufficiently high plane of civilization to be entrusted with that responsibility. I want to warn you that the time has come for us to cure this evil in our midst, for cured it must be. I, for one, will not bear it any longer, and I have come to this convention to do all in my power to bring about a complete change in affairs. If necessary, I will sacrifice my position to regain public confidence. Our members must be controlled, and we must talk with a united voice, rather than through the mouths of individuals. We must conduct ourselves so that never again will any of us be called anarchists or agitators."

Judging from the enthusiasm with which Col. Purney's disciplinary speech was received the majority of the delegates were heartily in sympathy with his attitude.

Many Problems to Face.
The conference, which opened yesterday, represents the veterans from all points of the Dominion, some 200 delegates being gathered, with the object of bettering the conditions of returned soldiers as a whole, with improving their constitution, and, as the president put it, "straightening out some of the crooked points in their organization." As this is but the second annual convention and the organization is such a youthful one, many details of organization have necessarily to be improved upon, one of the most important questions coming up for consideration being the obtaining of a proper Government charter under which to operate.

SERG'T. J. JENKINS DEAD IN OLD LAND

Beeton Man, Well Known in
Waterford, Makes the
Supreme Sacrifice

Closely following a letter from Serg't. James Jenkins, comes the news of his death at the Canadian General Hospital, Taplow, Bucks, England, on July 10th. It is presumed that, as the Serg't's heart had developed a weakness, his death was very sudden. James Jenkins was born in Hartland, England, about 47 years ago and came to Canada and almost immediately to Beeton, some 20 years ago. He was employed for a number of years with the late S. Hayes as a shoemaker. In the fall of 1916 he enlisted in the 157th Battalion and after training at Camp Borden proceeded to England. Serg't. Jenkins could not come up to the physical test and was not drafted for France. He remained in England and was employed at his trade in the army until some few months ago, when, owing to an attack of bronchitis, he was confined to the hospital. This disease left a certain heart weakness and, he expected to

A Few Good Fish Recipes

Baked Halibut.

Arrange 6 thin slices of fat salt pork 2 1-2 inches square, in a small dripping pan. Cover with a thinly sliced white onion and a little chopped parsley. Wash and wipe dry a two-pound piece of halibut and place on the pork and onions. Sprinkle lightly with salt, celery salt and pepper and cover with crushed cracker crumbs that have been mixed with melted butter. Cook in a hot oven basting frequently with the pork fat that forms in the pan, and 1-2 cup boiling water. Be careful not to disarrange the crumbs when basting. If it browns too quickly, cover with a piece of buttered paper. Dish on a heated platter, garnish with lemon joints that have been rolled in chopped parsley and serve with a thick, highly seasoned cream sauce.

Fish Timbales.

Two cups raw codfish, one cup bread crumbs, one-half cup cream, two eggs, seasoning of salt, pepper, lemon juice and Worcestershire sauce. Chop the fish fine, and bread crumbs, cream and seasoning. Beat the whites and yolks of two eggs separately. Add the yolks first and mix well, then just before cooking, fold in the whites. Turn into well greased molds and steam one-half hour. Serve on individual dishes with a sauce poured over them.

Fisherman's Delight.

Dress clean and split a four-pound haddock, wipe with a piece of cheesecloth wrung out of cold water, sprinkle inside generously with salt, cover and let steam over night. In the morning remove salt, rinse fish thoroughly, tie in a piece of cheesecloth and cook in boiling water. Drain, remove to hot platter, surround with steamed potatoes and hot boiled beets, cut in fancy shapes. Cut fat salt pork in slices and cubes, then try out. Serve fish with pork scraps, pork fat and white sauce made as follows: Melt 3 1-2 tablespoons butter, add 3 tablespoons flour or cornstarch and stir until well blended. Then pour on gradually while stirring constantly 1 1-2 pints scalded milk. Bring to the boiling point and season with salt and pepper.

be boarded for Canada and discharged. The only relative in this country is a Mrs. McKinnon, of Waterford. The late Serg't. Jenkins was of a quiet and inoffensive nature, and he had many friends in Beeton. Although never in actual contact with the Hun, he nevertheless did his "bit" as well and paid the supreme sacrifice as nobly as if he had fallen in the van of his battalion and was laid at rest "in Flanders fields where the poppies grow."—Beeton World.

JAP LOAN TO SIBERIA

By Courier Leased Wire.
Stockholm, July 3.—The official organ of the Siberian government, published at Omsk, stated on July 12 that Japan had granted to the Siberian government a loan of 50,000,000 for formation of a strong army. In return, Siberia undertakes to supply Japanese troops which arrive there with provisions. It also announced that the Siberian government is carrying on negotiations with America.

EX-LORD MAYOR IS FINED \$10,000 He and Former Munitions Employee Gave Away Official Secrets

London, July 30.—Sir Joseph Jonas, former Lord Mayor of Sheffield, was fined £2,000, and Charles

Alfred Vernon, former employee in the Ministry of Munitions, was fined £1,000 with costs, in the Old Bailey Court yesterday in connection with charges that they had conspired to violate the Official Secrets Act by obtaining and communicating information that might be useful to the enemy. The jury which heard the evidence in the case found that they were not guilty of a felony, but had committed a misdemeanor. Carl Hahn, another defendant in

the case, was acquitted. The charges against the three men were based on information given to Germany in 1913 relative to the intention of a British firm to manufacture rifles.

JUDGES WANT RAISE

By Courier Leased Wire.
Toronto, July 30.—The latest body of workers to be affected by the unrest regarding the wage scale are the county court judges of Ontario.

A number of them met to-day and discussed the situation. Their salaries, they claim, have not been raised in forty years, and some of them say that if it were not for commissions derived they would not be able to live.

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