

GOVERNOR-GENERAL AWARDS MEDALS

Ceremony at Parliament
Buildings Was Historic
Spectacle.

CANADIAN VALOR

Did Much to Win Ultimate
Victory, Says
Duke.

His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire, who is in the city to attend the quarterly meeting of the Red Cross Society, will return to Ottawa tonight. The governor-general's party includes Lady Rachel and Lady Ann Cavendish, Viscount Molyneux and Mr. Forrescue.

The visit included but two fixtures, the Red Cross meeting at the King Edward Hotel and the conferring of decorations at Queen's Park.

The various decorations were conferred on the platform in front of the parliament buildings at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The scene was picturesque, with the bright sunshine and display of flags. About two hundred spectators were present.

The names and cause for decoration were read by Hon. Lieut.-Col. Alex. Fraser.

In addressing the recipients the Duke of Devonshire said that their valor had contributed not only to the allies gaining a victory, but in procuring the greatest victory in the history of the world.

Those Decorated.

The names of the recipients and the character of their decorations are as follows:

Pte. J. McDowell (deceased) to his next-of-kin, John McDowell, of 389 Roxton road, the Belgian Croix de Guerre.

Pte. N. J. Ryan, 8 Redwood avenue, Belgian Croix de Guerre.

Lance-Cpl. A. Capenburst, 18 Park road, D. C. M.

Corp. A. D'Amore, 99 Willow avenue, D. C. M.

Pte. A. B. Hearn, Dundas, Ont., D. C. M.

Sergt. J. W. Nutter, Brant Military Hospital, D. C. M.

Company Sergt.-Major H. H. Dunn, 439 Wellington street west, D. C. M.

Sergt. W. Danby, 247 Borden street, D. C. M.

Sergt. W. Mortimer, 3283 Dundas street, D. C. M.

Corp. T. W. Maddow, 105 Fern avenue, Military Medal.

Corp. S. G. Buckle, Simcoe, Ont., Military Medal.

Pte. M. Merryday, Glen Williams, Ont., Meritorious Service Medal.

Sergt. R. J. Clapton, 175 Sunnyside street, Meritorious Medal.

and Lieutenant Douglas Urquhart, Royal Flying Corps, S. R. Military Cross.

For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in leading patrols against hostile formations. He attacked and drove down enemy aircraft on several occasions, in spite of his being in superior numbers.

Boatswain's Widow.

Mrs. Matheson, of Todmorden, widow of the late acting boatswain H. C. Matheson, received the Albert Medal.

The decoration was awarded for her part in Halifax harbor at the time of the explosion on Dec. 6, 1917.

The following officers were present in uniform: Col. J. S. McLaren, Lt.-Col. C. Bent, C.M.G., P.S.O., Lt.-Col. 15th Bn., C.E.F., Lt.-Col. W. P. Butler, Lt.-Col. P. H. Cadville, M.C., Lt.-Col. M. Tenbrooke, M.C., Major B. J. Campbell, Major P. Blackley, Major J. Grubb and Capt. C. Osborne.

Lt.-Col. Bent of the 15th battalion and 48th Highlanders was introduced to the Duke of Devonshire by Sir John Hendrie and was heartily congratulated upon the record of his command.

The Duke of Devonshire and party are guests at Government House.

ALL BANKS GIVE AID TO RETURNED SOLDIERS

The bankers of Canada, not one, but all of them, are helping the returned Canadian soldier in every possible way to save his money for a rainy day.

They are giving him free of any charge, privileges and facilities for which the business man has to pay. For instance, if a soldier with a cheque (and they are all drawn on the Bank of Montreal), pays a visit to any bank in Toronto, with say a cheque for fifty dollars, and he wants half of it in cash and the remainder sent to some western or eastern city, the bank, will, providing they have an agency in that particular town, transfer the other half to his account in that locality, free of charge. This action on the part of the banks is much appreciated by the men discharged in Toronto, but who reside in some far distant town. It not only saves them carrying the money about with them, but it assures them of something in the bank on arrival home. This system, it may be mentioned, is not confined alone to Toronto, but is in existence at any bank throughout the whole country.

A report was in circulation that only one bank was offering such inducements to the returned men, but on enquiring yesterday by The World at the Bank of Montreal, the Bank of Toronto, the Canadian Bank of Commerce, the Dominion Bank, the Royal Bank, and other banks having head offices in other places than Toronto, it was found the system was in general use.

ALLEGED HORSE THIEF.

Robert Tremble was arrested at Streetsville yesterday afternoon for the Toronto police. Detective Croome brought the prisoner back to the city last night and he will be charged in the police court this morning with the theft of a horse from Joseph Martin, 4 Nassau street, on May 12. The horse was also located at Streetsville and will be brought back.

President Findley, Massey-Harris, Addresses Men in Brantford

Brantford, Ont., May 13.—President Findley, of the Massey-Harris Co. paid a visit to the Brantford plant here today and assembled the entire working force of over 1,000 men when he addressed them on the present situation. The address was conciliatory and pointed out the difficulties before the firm in meeting demands which placed the company at a disadvantage to competitors.

Will The Toronto Public Demand the Introduction of Sunday Labor?

The threat of certain city officials to put through legislation compelling all Bakers to wrap each loaf in a sealed paper covering and every driver to wear clean, white gloves, sounds like a fairy story or a beautiful dream, but if it becomes a real fact, it has a most important bearing upon the life and interests of every citizen of this city. Please understand I am in favor of any and all reforms, moral, political or sanitary, that are for the genuine benefit of the public. I am in favor of sanitary bread regulations. Some of the worst competition in the bread business comes from bakeries that save the cost of sanitary premises and equipment which other bakeries have spent thousands of dollars to secure. I have invested many thousands of dollars to enable my customers to have bread that was clean and wholesome and sanitary by surrounding the process of baking with every precaution against dust, dirt, foul air and contamination. The bread that comes from the Lawrence bakery, and any other first-class bakery, is as clean when it is left at the house as it will be a half hour afterward when the cook and other members of the family have handled it. Gloves are a safeguard of the most fanciful and impractical kind, for they would be more successful in retaining anything of an objectionable nature than bare hands would be. I am in favor of reform or improvement, yes, indeed, but let such improvements come only in accordance with possibilities as understood by those who know the baking business. What does this threatened legislation mean? It means Sunday labor, Saturday afternoon labor, short-hour jobs and extra-long-hour jobs, and anybody who knows the labor situation today would laugh to scorn such a proposition.

Journeymen Bakers don't want to work Sundays. Will the City Council legislate to make it compulsory? Journeymen Bakers don't want to work Saturday afternoon on hot summer days. Bet your life they won't, and our good, old kind-hearted city fathers who weep at the thought of bread brought to the poor man's door without a nice paper wrapper around each loaf can't compel these bakers to work when they don't want to, either.

—Is Wrapped Bread Asked for by the General Public or by a Few Agitators and Reformers?

Who wants this "wrapped bread" anyway? Ask your neighbor. Perhaps a few ladies or dwellers in the mansions "On the Hill" would like to have a "white-gloved" gentleman daintily lift a prettily wrapped and labelled loaf of bread into the hand of the becaped and aproned smiling maid, but what of the 475,000 inhabitants of this city who don't live in wealthier homes, but who are the real bread consumers of this city? Do they object to wrapped bread? Probably not, but will they want to pay 4 cents a loaf extra to have the paper covering? Guess any reader would know the answer and, if it were put to a vote, there would be no question about what the public wants—or doesn't want.

—Who Wants to Pay 4c a Large Loaf —EXTRA to Have Their Bread Delivered Wrapped in Paper?

The question of price is worth considering. With editorials as long as your arm abusing bakers for raising the price of bread to keep them from bankruptcy, where are the champions of low prices today, in the face of threatened legislation that will cost the public so dear, if it goes through? Come on, you editors, speak up for "the people" whose interests are so close to your heart. Don't let this unfair and despotic legislation go through. The people do NOT want their bread wrapped at a cost of 4c per large loaf extra and they have some rights to consider as well as people who work in laboratories and "see things," occasionally, that scare them.

—Where Will Bakeries Get Labor for Short Hour Jobs? —Where Will Bakeries Get Labor for 12-Hour and 14-Hour Jobs? —Will Journeymen Bakers Work Sundays or Saturday Afternoons? —Will Drivers Work on Extra Shifts?

This is a business proposition, too, and must be considered from that point of view. It is a labor proposition, and that is still another viewpoint. In the first place, it costs many thousands of dollars to put in bread-wrapping machinery and to import bread-wrapping paper. We do not want our money going to the "States" with exchange already against Canada, around the rate of 2½ per cent. on the dollar. This big expense must be paid for by the bread user. The wrapping of bread can only be done after it cools, and it takes four or five hours to cool. The better the bread, the longer the cooling takes. Shall the public be forced to eat the kind of bread that cools quickly? God forbid! Let us legislate to prevent the making of such bread instead of encouraging it.

To wrap bread would mean that one shift of men would have to go on at seven at night and work till nine the next day. Fourteen Hours!! Will men do it? The drivers could not get out to deliver before nine o'clock and would be delivering till eight o'clock in the evening to cover the same ground. Will

men do it? If it were necessary to double the number of wagons and drivers to cover the ground in shorter time, it would mean a still higher cost per loaf.

But men will not work 14 hours a day. That means another shift would have to come on four hours after the bread is out of the oven to start wrapping, and would probably take three or four hours to wrap the bread. Where are the men who will take a three or four-hour a day job, at a reasonable wage? There are none such. Drivers will not come at five in the morning to wrap bread so they can start delivery at seven or eight o'clock, and then drive the wagons; they wouldn't do it.

—Who Wants to Be Limited to Two or Three Kinds of Bread?

Another feature is, that wrapping machines will only wrap one shape of loaf. People get tired of one kind of bread and want a variety. Wrapping will confine the varieties to the very few kinds that are baked in square pans.

—All Over the World "Home Bread Ovens" Are Discarded in Favor of Professional Bakeries

If the price of bread becomes too high the public will bake their own bread and ruin the bakeries. It is flying in the face of history to bring about such a situation. All over the world it is recognized that the institutional bakeries are best and domestic baking is discarded. A much higher price for bread will make it an expensive luxury rather than a universal necessity.

—To Force the Wrapping of Bread Upon Bakers Will Tax the Bread Buyers of This City \$1,460,000.00 Annually—for What? To Please Whom?—Think it Over!!

If the City Council were to suggest taxing households \$1,460,000.00 per annum extra for a visionary reform like "white gloves and bread wrapped in paper," there would be some new faces in the City Council after the next election. That means nearly three dollars per family, per year, extra cost for having the bread wrapped. There are thousands and thousands of families who cannot afford it and should not have the expense forced upon them.

—Is the Gain Worth the Loss?

Is it worth while? You have been eating baker's bread during your whole life and never found anything very objectionable in the bakers' bread you used. Think of the extra cost of wrapping bread. Think of the labor problems it introduces. Think of the advantage you will gain, if any, compared with the loss and wasted expense all round. Is it worth it? In my opinion, the wrapping of bread has not yet reached a stage of perfection where its success or its cost warrants its introduction, and I emphatically object to any action being taken with a view to make wrapping of bread compulsory in this city.

George Lawrence, Baker
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The Largest Exclusively-Bread Bakery in Canada