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SOIREE FRANCAIS
HELD LAST EVENING

Ladies' Association Arrange a Delightful Evening—French Songs—French Refreshments Served—French Customs Illustrated.

Beginning a very finely equipped and well thought out paper with the words of Rudyard Kipling's poem on France, and ending with the lines of those splendid verses by Henry Van Dyke, Miss Madeline deSoyres read a paper at the Soiree Francaise last evening, held in the rooms of the Natural History Society under the auspices of the Ladies' Branch of the N. H. S.

The entertainment was both novel and charming, consisting, as it did, of the interesting and clever paper, a delightful musical programme, a dainty little French play, and the serving of French delicacies in cafe style by maidens in French peasant costume.

Mrs. John A. McAvity presided, and in a few words explained the character of the evening's entertainment to the large audience present.

Miss deSoyres spoke of the love with which France has inspired her friends, and also of the superficial way in which she is judged by foreigners.

"Since 1914," the lecturer said, "Canadians have begun to dimly realize what France as a nation really is. We are little by little perceiving the subtle difference existing between the Gallic temperament and our own. We have wondered as we watched her struggle of the last three years, how to reconcile our former ideas regarding her picturesque chivalry with her present unshakable strength and grim resistance. We know that France has ever been a gallant fighter, her history gives ample proof of this, but of late years we believed that she had become the home of fine arts, literature, architecture, painting and music, and even the minor arts of cookery and needlework, and had laid aside the sword for gentler weapons.

"There is not a shadow of doubt that France has changed, and yet she has lost none of her old charm by so doing. She has rather displayed just one more side of her versatile character to our gaze, and called up to action those latent qualities dormant throughout the years of peace.

"We loved France for her beauty, her gaiety, and her exquisite sense of the artistic, but we love her now a hundred times more for her star-like serenity of purpose, her incalculable heroism and self-abnegation. We love her for her brave women, her orphaned children, and her patient long-suffering soldiers. We love her for the shining qualities she unconsciously displays to her sister nations and we dimly understand that what France possesses is soul, and that this soul shall endure. Every French man and woman will undergo and endure poignant sufferings and self-denial."

Miss deSoyres told of the history, art, literature and science of the French, and dwelt upon the national characteristics, reading some pathetic extracts from letters written at the battle front. In closing the speaker told of the bravery of the French women and spoke of changed condition after the war.

The following excellent programme was then carried out: Piano solo (a)—Selection from De Bussey; (b) value. John Bayard Curry (Solo with violin obligato—"Elegy," Jules Massenet). Miss Louise Anderson, Mrs. Harold Stetson. Accompanist Mrs. Kent Scott.

Song—(a) "Si J'étais Jardinier" (Chamade); (b) "Quand Madelon." Miss Valde Fenton. Violin solo—Berceuse from Jocelyn Mrs. H. Stetson. Song—"J'ai pleuré en rêve" (Georges Hue) Miss Anderson. "Oh Monsieur" (Savette) Mrs. Foster, Miss Angela Magee, Miss Doreen McAvity. Marcellaine. Miss Frances Travers. Mr. Curry's second selection was an original composition and was much enjoyed.

The little French play was very pretty, and the characters well taken.

ANNUAL MEETING OF
LADIES' ASSOCIATION
OF C. OF E. INSTITUTE

Reports Received and Officers Chosen — Mrs. James A. McAvity Was Re-elected the President.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Association of the Church of England Institute was held yesterday afternoon in the institute on German street. Mrs. James H. McAvity presided. The treasurer, Miss Helen Sydney Smith, reported as follows:

Receipts \$365.31
Expenditure 177.40
Balance on hand \$187.91

Reports were read by the following: The Charitable and Missionary Aid Committee, Mrs. Thos. Walker; The Flower Mission, Miss Portia McKen-

zies; the Zenana Mission, Miss Alice K. Walker; Hospital Committee, Mrs. Knight; Refection Committee, Mrs. T. E. G. Armstrong; Book Committee, Mrs. James F. Robertson; Home cooking table, Mrs. J. H. Prink; Membership Committee, Mrs. L. F. D. Tilly; Local Council of Women representative, Mrs. John Gordon.

The reports showed a good year's work and several successful undertakings.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Mrs. James A. McAvity, president. Mrs. F. B. Cowgill, secretary. Miss Helen Sydney Smith, treasurer. Board of Management—Mrs. Thos. Walker, Mrs. Alfred Morrissey, Mrs. T. E. G. Armstrong, Mrs. Charles Coor, Mrs. W. D. Forster, Miss Annie Hipwell.

The committee in charge of the Mary Boyle O'Reilly lecture at the Imperial tomorrow (Thursday) night, wish to announce that this celebrated lecturer will relate experiences altogether new from those told in her lecture at the Imperial a short time ago.

It will be remembered by those attending at that time that the lecturer said that she would be unable to relate one-half of the incidents with which she was connected during her one thousand days behind the firing line, and hoped that she would be able to again address a St. John audience at some future date.

Tomorrow (Thursday) night at nine o'clock, after the first show of the Imperial, Mary Boyle O'Reilly will again honor the citizens of St. John with her remarkable experiences with our brave heroes at the front. Seat plan on view daily at the Imperial from 12.30 to 4.30. Down stairs 50c, reserved. Upstairs 25 cents not reserved.

WAR MENUS
How to save wheat, beef and bacon for the men at the front. Issued from the office of the Food Controller for Canada.

Menu For Thursday.
Breakfast—Oatmeal Porridge, toast, marmalade, tea or coffee.
Dinner—Lima bean roast, baked potatoes, Dutch apple cake.
Supper—Cream of celery soup, bran bread, cottage cheese, cookies, tea.

The recipes for Dutch Apple Cake and Lima bean roast, mentioned above are as follows:
Lima bean roast—2 cups dried Lima beans; 1 cup peanuts; 1 cup stale bread crumbs; 1 teaspoon onion juice; 1 teaspoon salt; pepper.
Soak the beans twelve hours. Cover with water and boil until tender. Press through a colander. Put peanuts through a meat grinder. Mix with bean pulp. Add onion juice, salt, pepper and bread crumbs.

Dutch apple cake—3 cups flour; 3 teaspoons baking powder; 1 egg; 3 tablespoons shortening; 2 1/2 cup milk; 1 teaspoon salt; 5 apples; 3 tablespoons sugar.
Sift dry ingredients together; cut in the shortening with a knife, and add gradually the egg well beaten with the milk, mixing with a knife. Put on a floured board, roll out as thick as for biscuits, and put in a greased flour shallow pan. Pare, core, and quarter the apples; cut the quarters into 3 or 4 slices, lengthwise, and press the sharp edges of the apples into the dough, arranging them in parallel rows. Sprinkle the apples with sugar, and bake till the cake is done and apples soft. Serve with lemon sauce.

(Wheat and meat saving recipes by Domestic Science Experts on the staff of the Food Controller's office.)

ALLIES' AID SOCIETY.
The Allies' Aid Society held their regular meeting yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Calkins, 108 Wentworth street. Percy Gibson presided. Among those present were: Miss Gene Calkins, secretary; Mildred Bent, Ruth De la Roche, Golda Fisher, Dorothy McCavour, Ernestine Friars, Greta and Edwina Wetmore and Marjorie Shannon.

Plans were discussed for an entertainment which the society purpose giving soon as well as arrangements to provide for sending boxes and comforts to the soldiers overseas. The members are working diligently to provide comforts for the men in khaki, and were much encouraged by the arrival of the soldiers' over-sea parcels from a fancy work sale held in November. The members regretted the absence yesterday of Mrs. Marjorie Pearce, who is instructing the girls in a tableau to be presented at the entertainment.

ONE HUNDRED FINED.
One afternoon last week about 100 people were brought into court in Toronto on a charge of neglecting to clean away the snow in front of their homes. Over a hundred were fined one dollar each.

WILL SPEED UP
AGRICULTURE
Ontario Government to Engage Men to Work on Farms.

Toronto, Jan. 29.—A big campaign will probably soon be inaugurated by the Ontario government for speeding up of farm production during the year. Recruiting stations are to be placed throughout the city where men who for some reason or other are unable to serve at the front may serve at home by increasing food production.

RECRUITED 18,000
New York, Jan. 29.—The British and Canadian recruiting mission has recruited 18,000 men in the United States since last June, Brig-Gen. W. A. Wood announced here tonight.

TO ORGANIZE
BOYS AND GIRLS
WEIR OWNERS
HOLD MEETING

Food Situation Threatens to Imperil Success of Our Arms and Young Folks to Be Asked to Assist on Farms.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—"A more complete organization of the boys and girls of Canada should be brought about, as part of the food production campaign," is suggested by the commissioner of agricultural instruction, W. J. Black. "Every farm boy and girl should be encouraged to rear a pig, a calf, a batch of chickens, or to grow a plot of potatoes, beans, corn or vegetables," he says. Seventy-one thousand boys and girls of school age last year increased the agricultural output of Ontario to the value of \$125,000.

Other provinces did equally well. From this it will be seen that the boys' and girls' clubs and competitions, the potential channel through which this work is carried on, made in 1917 an addition to our food resources that was not to be despised. The movement should be extended still further, and its practical aspects should be emphasized.

Those associated with it should make clear to the boys and girls who are our junior citizens, that they can, in this way, add their quota to the common cause. The food situation today threatens to imperil the success of our arms, and any means that will assist in meeting it must be employed."

SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE.
A meeting of the building committee of the School Board was held last evening at which necessary repairs to the heating apparatus in one of the city schools was under discussion. The committee's decision in the matter will be reported to the full board.

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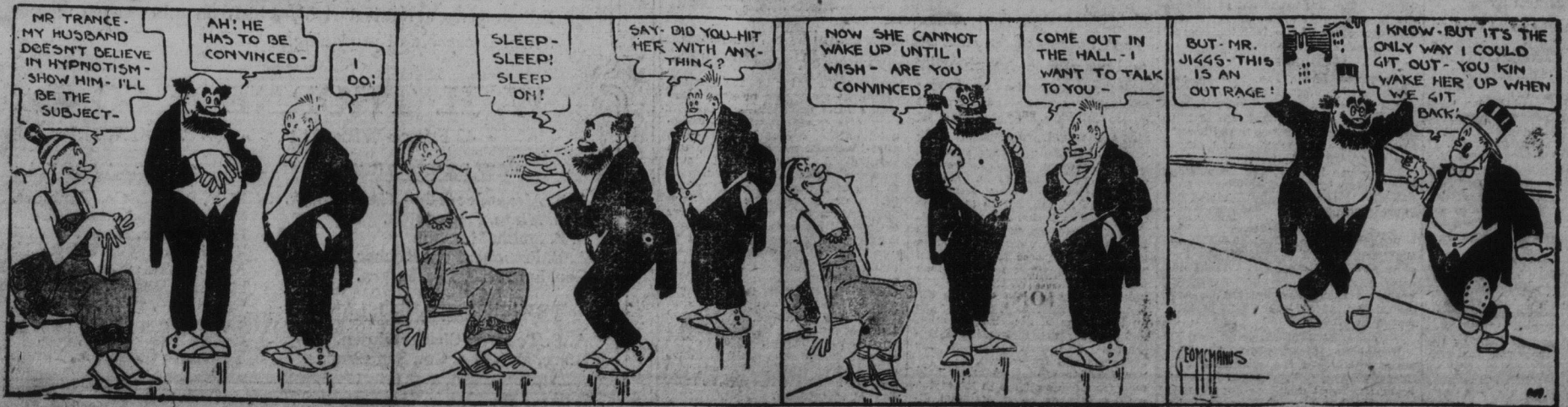
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