

Joy Day for Soldiers An Immense Success

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ROWING REVIVAL A BIG SUCCESS

Commercial Travelers Gave Visiting Soldiers a Great Time Last Evening — Fireworks on the Barrack Green

"Joy Day" will long be remembered as one of the most successful celebrations ever held in St. John. If people did not take full measure of pleasure from yesterday's programme it was not through any fault of the bill of fare provided. Even the weather man was with the celebrants, for the greater part of the day and even though he had to exert a little unkindly influence last evening it was not sufficient to interfere with the fireworks, band concerts, or entertainment by the travelers. Everywhere the soldiers felt the sincerity of the welcome tendered them, and those from outside the city were perfectly at ease and made to feel by all that they were appreciated for themselves and for what they had done "over there."

The regatta in the afternoon on Court-en-Bay, referred to in another column, attracted great numbers of people. The playing of the bands was enjoyed at the races. The ball games took their quota of pleasure-seekers, the theatres drew

Lilies Bloom which was a particularly excellent selection, as was also another selection delivered later in the evening. When a Maid Comes Knocking at Your Heart, from "Fire Fly." The quartette was composed of Mrs. LeLachur, Miss Louise Anderson, A. C. Smith and Thomas Guy. Miss Anderson was also heard in Tosti's Good Bye and a soprano solo, rendered by Mrs. Kathleen Furlong-Schmidt was one of the favorites of the evening. Mrs. Schmidt was accompanied by Mrs. Marie-Furlong Coleman with violin obligato by Miss Helen Furlong. A male quartette, consisting of C. A. Munro, W. S. Charlton, Thomas Guy and J. Stout rendered several excellent selections during the entertainment.

Artists from the Opera House also presented some well chosen numbers which took well with the audience and motion pictures also proved a feature in the entertainment. During the later stages of the big show, the Imperial theatre orchestra joined the festivities and played up to their usual standard, which is saying sufficient for them. The pictures were under the direction of H. G. March. Steve Matthews gave two monologues of the variety which always entertain and Mr. Matthews was in good form.

On With the Dance.

All the time the entertainment was in progress a "running supper" was being served in the western end of the hut and to say that the guests did justice to the excellent variety of good things provided would be putting it mildly. And then there was the dancing part of the entertainment, which although the hall was rather too crowded for comfortable tripping on the light fantastic with more

V. A. band and those of the St. John G. W. V. A., the 115th Battalion, St. Mary's Church band, the Temple of Honor, the City Cornet, the Juvenile City Cornet, the Dominion Pipe and Drum band and the Scotch Pipes band. In the morning parade the bands contributed in a marked degree to its impressiveness but that strenuous effort did not by any means end their day's work. While the aquatic sports were in progress the bands along the water front kept the crowds delighted with the fine selections of their programmes.

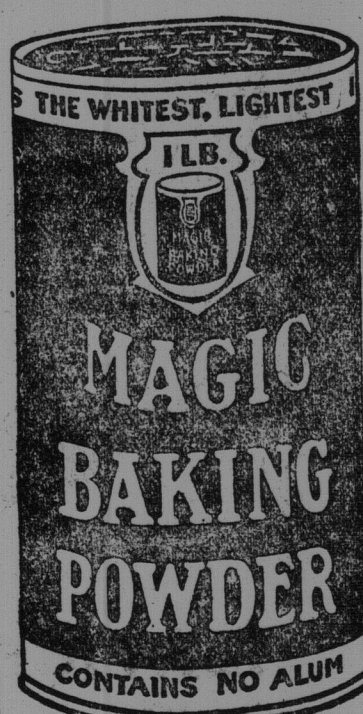
St. Mary's Church band was stationed near the starting point for the races on the railway track at the foot of Union street; the 115th Battalion band took its place at the stand for the invited guests on the Terrace and the Temple of Honor band had a large audience clustered round it where it had taken up its stand between Broad and-Britain streets.

Again in the evening there was an abundant supply of sweet music for all to hear. The Moncton Citizens' band was on the Barrack Square from 7.30 until 9 o'clock when the City Cornet band took over and carried on the good work until the last of the fireworks had blazed itself into nothingness. The bandstand in King Square was not deserted while the Barrack Square was having such a good time. The band of St. Mary's Church provided an exceptionally good programme and the Square was thronged with an appreciative audience. The entertainment given by the commercial travellers in the mess room of the Armories was enjoyed by the services of the Junior City Cornet band that is making quite a reputation for itself.

Parade Prize Winners

The prize winners in the morning parade were as follows:
Firemen's prize to Yarmouth \$50.
Most Original Design.

\$50, first—Sons of England.
\$30, second—Beacon Light.
\$20, third—McAvity's Aeroplane.
\$10, fourth—Lizetteville.
\$5, fifth—Woodstock Boy Scouts.
\$5, sixth—My Own New Brunswick Home.
\$5, seventh—St. Peter's Y. M. A.



COMMITTEES REPORT ON BRITISH CELLULOSE CO. AND THE GOVERNMENT

London, Aug. 15.—(Canadian Associated Press Cable)—The report into the British Cellulose Company and its relations with various government departments was issued last night by the committee of enquiry appointed by A. Bonar Law.

The committee find that "we have been unable to discover any evidence that capitalization was used to procure undue influence for this company or that the company enjoyed any undue influence thereby."

The aircraft department is also expressly mentioned and acquitted of having shown any undue favoritism to the company.

Criticism is directed by the committee to the fact that the company's shares were issued at six pence and later were quoted at 114 sterling. In other respects the report concludes, "we think that less than justice has been done to the company."

The principal Canadians interested in the company were Colonel Grant Morden, General Sir Sam Hughes, F. W. Ashe, London manager of the Union

FORMING UP IN KING SQUARE



Trades and Labor Council float, which won fifth prize as one of most spectacular. Immediately following are members of the Trades and Labor Council. To the left is the N. B. Telephone Company float, which with pretty "hello" girls on board and an actual switch-board in operation was greatly admired.

Bank of Canada and the name of Colonel Bryan, formerly Canadian assistant Red Cross commissioner is also introduced through his connection with the Prudential Trust.

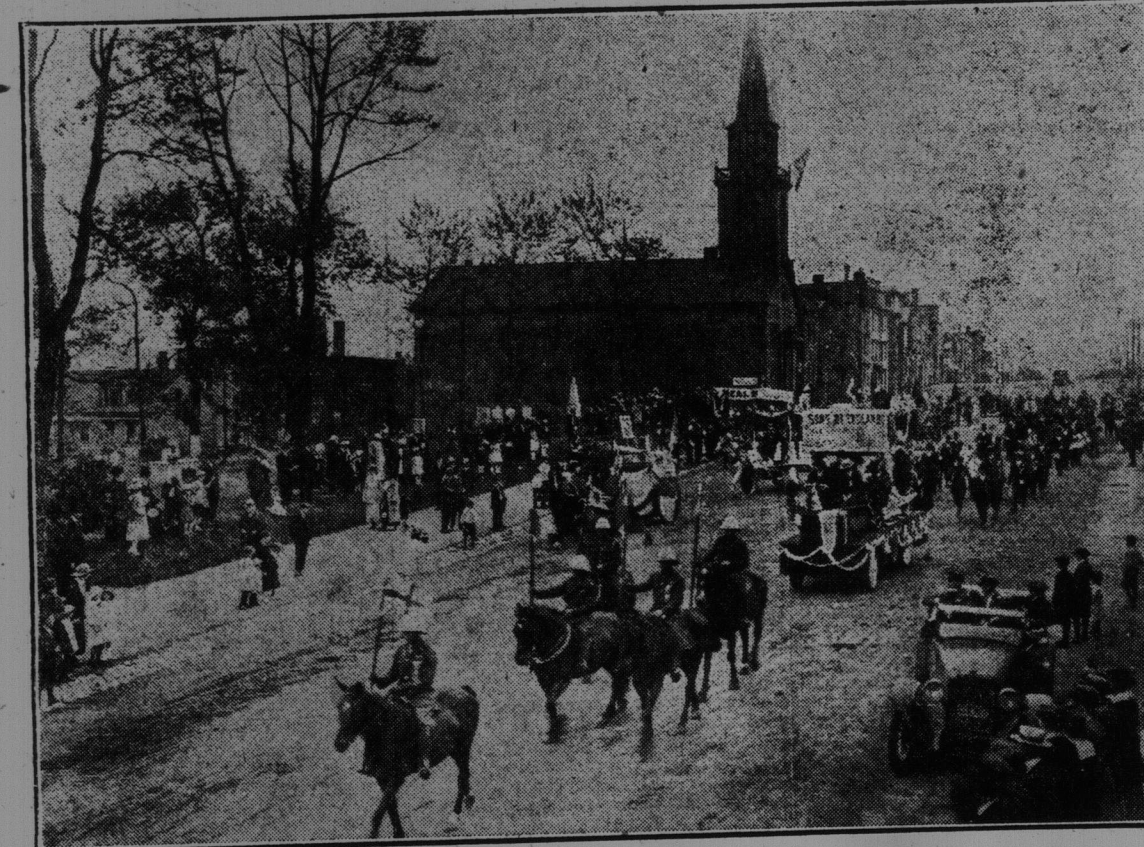
Montana and Northern Idaho forest fire damage is estimated at \$750,000. Cost of fighting fires was \$185,000.

DOCTORS ON STRIKE

The medical men of Chatham and Newcastle and in the Miramichi district have joined the list of strikers, it is reported. They absolutely refuse to write prescriptions for alcoholic liquors under the present New Brunswick Prohibition Act.

INVITATION HERE FOR PRINCE FROM GOVERNOR OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 15.—Governor or Bartlett telegraphed the Prince of Wales at St. John, N. B. last night an invitation to visit New Hampshire "on any date which you are able to fix."



The Sons of England float as it started off in yesterday's parade after winning first prize. The float represents "John Bull and His Cubs" and is preceded by five outriders, all returned men and representing Allies of Great Britain.

huge crowds while 4,500 people visited the Veterans' Fair in St. Andrew's rink during the afternoon and evening.

Little difficulty was experienced in looking after the visiting soldiers in the city yesterday. It is estimated that not more than 2,000 were in town from these side points and a great many of these were entertained by friends and relatives. Trouble in looking after the out of town civilians has been encountered and the hospitality committee has made arrangements that accommodation can be provided for these visitors by application at the Imperial Theatre, Real Triangle Club, Y. M. C. I. or Y. M. C. A. The provision made for 2,500 men at the armory it is thought will be more than sufficient for all the soldiers who come in today.

The ex-soldiers received excellent meals at the lunch stations of the committee, located at Trinity church, G. W. V. A. rooms, Y. M. C. A., Women's Institute, St. David's schoolroom, the Hazen avenue synagogue and at Centenary church. At the Y. M. C. A., Red Triangle, about 1,000 meals were served. In the K. of C. Hall an efficient committee served a great many men. Rest rooms were in operation at King Square, Germain street, Baptist Institute, Salvation Army barracks and Trinity school room. The baths at the Y. M. C. I. were much patronized.

The Commercial Travelers' Association lived up to reputation last night and gave the returned soldiers one of the brightest and most joyous evening which they have ever had. The motto on the outside of the printed programme—"It's always good weather when good fellows get together"—worked out admirably. In spite of the fact that rain was falling outside, it was particularly good weather inside the mess hut at the armory where the knights of the grip were holding forth with the assistance of their friends in honor of the men who have come back to us.

Stanley E. Eldin, made an efficient chairman and in his opening of the programme expressed regret that His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Bageley was unable to be present to address the soldiers and their friends. H. W. Cole, who had in his care the arrangement of the programme is deserving of great praise for the fine array of talent and the various attractions which he introduced into the evening's entertainment. The City Cornet Juvenile Band delivered several well rendered selections which were received with hearty applause. Under the direction of Bandmaster Frank Waddington these youngsters have made exceptional progress in attaining musical perfection and some of the compositions which were excellently played last evening would do justice to many of the senior musical organizations.

Following the overture by the juvenile band, little Miss Angeline Gregory presented a feature dance entitled "Poor Butterfly," which was indeed a graceful and clever piece of work. Mrs. Louis LeLachur's contralto voice was heard to good advantage in My Dear Soul and Thomas Guy's rendition of The Trumpeter was well received.

After another selection by the band, a mixed quartette sang Come Where the

than 1,000 on the floor, as the crowd thinned out the enthusiasts were in their element and the gay while went on until early morning.

The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion with evergreen flags and bunting and presented a very attractive appearance.

Altogether it was a great night's amusement and those who were present are loud in their praise of the energy and care exhibited by the travelers in providing this excellent feature to St. John's welcome to the soldier boys.

Men who organized, arranged and carried out the various branches of the "show" are as follows: Executive, R. S. Sime, chairman, A. J. Fleetwood, treasurer, and T. E. Simpson, secretary; pur-

chasers, W. J. Wetmore, G. F. McLean, J. A. Tilton and John McLean; reception and publicity, G. D. Ellis; entertainment, H. W. Cole; decorations, J. Gunn; store keeper, J. H. Fritchard; waiters, W. A. Stewart; kitchen, I. M. Owens; automobiles, W. R. Stewart; flowers, F. W. Connell; floor, D. McKinnay; hospital, O. J. Killam; hospitality, E. H. Cairns; badges, H. McCullough; printing and doors, A. F. Stillwell; assistant, A. D. McDonald.

Fireworks Display.

While the festivities were going on inside the mess hut, an excellent display of fireworks was being carried out on the exhibition grounds. Although rain was falling during the greater part of the display, there was a large crowd present and piece after piece was greeted with applause, which was increased in volume by the blowing of horns on the many motor cars gathered around the exhibition enclosures. This feature of the day's programme was under the direction of A. O. Skinner. The display opened with a huge "Welcome" set-piece, its changing colors making a very pretty effect. Other set pieces included a beautifully tinted maple leaf, set in a large star; a maltese cross and a large portrait of a Canadian soldier in which the minutest details including the cap badge were cleverly worked out. Various colored fire-pots were burned at different parts of the grounds and the different parts of the display were set-piece. Between the set-pieces rockets of different varieties were sent up from a point near the agricultural hall. The large grand stand was filled to its capacity and there were thousands about the grounds. All during the display band selections were rendered from the grand stand. It was a fitting finale of a great day and St. John sleeps to wake again to a still greater day.

Music Plays Large Part.

There was music and plenty of it and most excellent music at that to be heard in all parts of the city yesterday. The part taken by the many bands in making the day so unprecedented a success was by no means a small one. The press was by no means a small one. The large large grand stand was filled to its capacity and there were thousands about the grounds. All during the display band selections were rendered from the grand stand. It was a fitting finale of a great day and St. John sleeps to wake again to a still greater day.

Music Citizens' band, the Fredericton G. W.

Most Spectacular Designs.

First—Murray & Gregory's Peace, \$50.
Second—Yarmouth float, \$20.
Third—Maritime Nail Works, \$10.
Fourth—Christie Woodworking, Co. \$5.
Fifth—Trades and Labor, \$5.
Sixth—No. 2 Salvage Corps, \$5.
Seventh—Players Cigarettes, \$5.
Polymorphian's Prize of \$100 divided between Beef-Eaters and Zulus; \$50 each.

THREE ALARMS.

The fire department was called out three times yesterday to extinguish slight fires. The first one was an automobile which caught fire in Princess street. Little damage was done. The second fire was on the roof of a barn at the foot of King street east. The origin of the fire is unknown. Very little damage was done. A false alarm was sounded from box 421 about 8.30 last evening.



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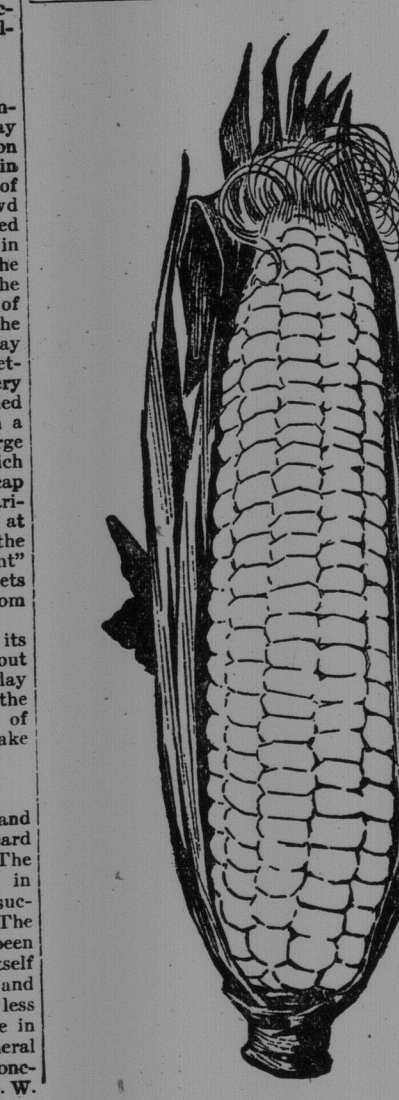
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