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FIVE SIGNED UP.

Five men signed up yesterday with the 125th. They are:

WALTER BIDDLE, English; packer; 21; single; Greenwich St., city.

JOHN THOMAS HAGYARD, grinder; 44; married; 17 Park Avenue, city; 3 years 38th D.R.C.

CARROLL HESS, American; farmer; 20; single; Paris.

GEORGE LITTLEBOY, English; farmer; 19; single; Paris.

WILLIAM HOLDER, English; married; bench hand; 9 Salisbury Ave., city.

Full particulars of the plan recently announced for the qualification of officers, whether for overseas or home battalions, are issued for general information in divisional orders of yesterday. The points of greatest interest in the regulations are: That any private or soldier of superior rank may attend the course, subject only to the recommendation of the commanding officer of the overseas unit to which he is attached; that all candidates without regard to former rank will attend bearing no rank badges, and will be known as "probationers," drawing only the pay and allowances of a private while at the school; and that subject to the approval of the general officer commanding, officers of militia regiments may attend the school entirely at their own expense and only after having certified their willingness to go overseas.

The substance of the instructions is as follows:

At the close of the present school in Toronto (about March 25th next), the Infantry School of Instruction, which will succeed it, will be primarily for providing qualified officers and non-commissioned officers for the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force. Members of the C.E.F. of whatever rank or service will be permitted to attend provided they are recommended by their commanding officers, and that there is room for them. Probationers will join fortnightly, and the duration of their courses will depend on the progress made and the rank for which it is sought to qualify. Periodical examinations will be held, but a probationer will only be allowed to present himself for examination if recommended thereto by the School commandant, and for cause a probationer may be removed from the school at any time.

PAY OF A PRIVATE

Only the pay and allowances of a private soldier in the C.E.F. will be given the probationer whatever his rank, separation allowance at existing rate being drawn where the family is in receipt of it or entitled to it. A special uniform, to be furnished free of cost will be worn, except that schools at present constituted will be continued as at present until the expiration of the period for which militia officers (provisional or for higher certificates), have already been authorized to attend, and officers of militia regiments may attend, should it be considered advisable by the general officer commanding the 2nd division, but with the conditions that their attendance shall be at no expense to the public, and that they shall certify on the back of the form of application to attend, their willingness to go overseas. Under these conditions the militia officer may attend, wearing his own uniform, but without any rank badges. Officers of overseas units may be permitted to attend for senior courses of instruction, and though wearing their own uniforms, must also remove all rank badges, receiving only the pay and allowance of a private. In future all appointments to commissions in overseas units will be made either from already qualified officers or those at present authorized to attend the school, or failing these, men who qualify under the new regulations hereafter. Applications from C.O.'s of units must be approved by the G.S.O.

Senate raifies Nicaraguan treaty providing for option on canal route and naval base in Gulf of Fouseca.

The shipyard boom is without parallel, declares H. L. Aldrich, editor of International Marine Engineering.

AUCTION SALE

at King's Hotel on Saturday, Feb. 26th, at 2.30 o'clock. The following goods and chattels will be sold to satisfy chattel mortgage Bixel vs. Spittal, tax warrant vs. Spittal, and Halberstadt vs. Spittal: Barber Shop—2 wall cases, 2 barber chairs, 1 6-ft. silent salesman, 1 stand, 1 hat and coat rack, 9 wooden chairs, 1 wash basin (marble top on back), 1 water heater, 1 window blind, 1 clock. Office—1 counter, 2 combined gas and electric fixtures. Barroom—1 long counter, pumps and taps; 1 electric pump, 1 water heater, 1 mirror 3 x 6 ft., 2 back cases, 1 clock, a number of gas and electric fixtures, 1 bicycle, gramophone. Pool-room—4 pool tables, racks, balls and cues. House heating plant. W. Almas, Auctioneer. J. M. Dyckman, Bailiff.

GROCERY NEWS

East End House

Remember, this is the only notice appearing of this big sale. Friday and Saturday bargains:

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Cane Syrup, blend, excellent flavor ½ gallon tins 39c
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Maple Syrup, pure, cans, all sizes.
Pancake and Buckwheat Flour, loose and package.
Rolled Oats, finest, just look, 7 lbs. for 25c
Golden Corn Meal, listen, 8 lbs. for 25c
Pure Lard, worth 18c, for .. 16c
Household Shortening Lard, 16c lb., for 2 lbs. 28c
2 large bars high grade Soap for 25c
Cocoa, sweetened, regular 35c, for 25c
Coffee, delicious, regular 45c, for 38c
Coffee, compound, regular 35c, for 25c
24-lb. bag Family Flour, 85c, for 73c
Matches, look, 3 boxes for .. 10c
Olives, large bottle, Special 17c
Jelly Powder, the best, 3 large packages for 22c
Extracts, 3 bottles 21c
24-lb. bag Flour, for bread, regular 90c. 78c
Prunes, good and meaty, 3 lbs. for 25c
Prunes, large size, extra fine, 2 lbs. for 25c
Peaches, fine yellow, 3 lbs. .. 25c
Peaches, small yellow, 3½ lbs. for 25c
Soap, 6 tablets, any kind, and 1 lb. of Laundry or Corn Starch for 35c
Tea, fine mixed or black, 35c, for 29c
Wrigley's finest Gum, 3 packages for 10c
Also free sample.
Candy, special assortment, at per lb. 12c
Oranges, 2 doz. for 35c and special at ..... 32c doz.
72 Brooms, regular 30c and 35c, for 25c
72 Brooms, regular 45c, for 35c
Glass Tumblers, special, ½ doz. for 18c
Salmon, canned, pink 10c, red 18c, seal 22c
Beans, White, No. 1 8c lb. No. 2 ..... 6c lb.
5 lb. pails assorted Jam ... 45c
10 lbs. Granulated Sugar ... 73c
3 cans Corn, Peas and Tomatoes 25c
Roast Beef, 15c and 16c for fine ribs.
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Social and Personal

The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Phone 236.

Miss Willis, of the Victorian Order of Nurses, left on Saturday for Cairo, Egypt, with the corps of the Royal Military College, Montreal.

Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Young are visitors in Hamilton to-day.

Nuptial Notes

CHEEVERS—DOHERTY

A pretty wedding took place at St. Basil's Church, Wednesday morning, when Mary Ellen Doherty, second daughter of Mrs. Margaret Doherty, 46 Spring St., became the bride of Philip Henry Cheevers, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Cheevers, 161 Oxford St.

Rev. Dean Brady performed the ceremony, while Miss Dake presided at the organ. The bride wore a navy blue suit with hat to match, and was attended by Miss Lillian Crocock, while Mr. Timothy Fitzpatrick acted as groomsman. After the ceremony, they returned to the home of the bride's mother, where a dainty wedding breakfast was served.

The groom's gift to the bride was a sunburst of pearls, to the bridesmaid, a sapphire ring, and to the groomsman, gold cuff links. The happy couple left on the 2.45 train for points East, and on their return will reside in the city.

Be early in rush for Big One Cent Sale Bargains at Brander's Drug Store, corner Market and Dalhousie Sts. See windows and Friday's ad.

The King has sent a letter to Mrs. Douglas Hamilton, widow of Lieutenant-Colonel A. F. Douglas-Hamilton, commanding 6th Battalion Cameron Highlanders, conveying the Victoria Cross which was awarded to her husband for his heroic conduct in the struggle for Hill 70 in September last. His Majesty writes: "It is a matter of sincere regret to me that the death of Major and Temporary Lieutenant-Colonel Angus Falconer Douglas-Hamilton deprived me of the pride of personally conferring upon him the Victoria Cross—the greatest of all military decorations."

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Glasgow Shipbuilders will shortly put forward a claim for State aid to enable them to execute mercantile orders on hand. At present workmen are generally demanding war rates for mercantile as well as naval tonnage, with the result that shipbuilders cannot carry out mercantile orders except at ruinous losses. Apart from the construction of hulls and engines, outfitting costs have risen enormously. Satisfaction is expressed that all naval orders are being delivered well ahead of the stipulated time.

Music and Drama

"THE WHITE FEATHER" HERE NEXT WEEK.

Seats for "The White Feather" return engagement at the Grand on Tuesday next, went on sale at Boles' Drug Store this morning and met with a steady demand all day. It is a pretty fair test of the merits of a dramatic composition, if, instead of proving a bore upon a second hearing, it gives greater pleasure than upon first acquaintance, and of "The White Feather" it can truly be said that its good points come out stronger and in a more entertaining way as one becomes familiar with the cleverly drawn characters which move about in it. These characters, are in fact, perfect cameras of men and women who are taking part in the life which Britons are leading these days. There can be no doubt of the lasting success of "The White Feather," it is proving to be one of the biggest hits ever given to the stage. The same company that made so prounounced a hit on the occasion of the play's first presentation here will again be seen in various parts; could anything be more satisfying than this? It means that Albert Brown, will repeat his inimitable portrayal of the role of Brent, the British secret service officer.

"WAKE UP."

"Wake Up," the multiple reel patriotic photo play which is coming to the Grand Opera House on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 25th and 26th with daily matinee, has been running in England for the past year, and until a few weeks ago had never been shown on this continent. In England the picture was used largely for recruiting purposes, as the lesson it carries is one that appeals strongly to the heart of every loyal and patriotic citizen. During the showing of this picture at the Palace Cinema Theatre, London, over 200 men answered the call to the colors as a direct result of the production.

When the picture was shown at Covent Garden, London, the famous band of the Coldstream Guards, which is well known to visitors to Toronto Exposition three years ago, furnished the music for the occasion. In fact at every English showing of "Wake Up" during the past year the military and civil authorities have lent the heartiest co-operation and assistance to the picture.

Briefly told the story of "Wake Up" is as follows: Lord Pax, Minister of the State for War and Sir Robert of Mars, Field Marshal of England, are at variance owing to their views on preparedness, Lord Pax being a staunch believer in arbitration treaties and Sir Robert an advocate of universal military service.

After a heated argument between the two, Lord Pax falls asleep in his office and the statue of Britannia comes to life and demands an account of his stewardship. In his dream following, Captain Stanley Rupert, secretary to Lord Pax is attacked by Count Hostis, military attache to the Vaevictian embassy, and the plans for the defence of the east coast stolen.

Hostis escapes, but is followed by Stanley, who traces him to the sea coast and there finds the sacred shores of England invaded by a hostile force in times of profound peace.

The story of the invasion follows, in which Lord Pax follows the fortunes of Elinor, his daughter, who has become a Red Cross nurse, Captain Rupert and Count Hostis. Scenes of murder, pillage and rapine follow, as the enemy make their way towards London opposed by a force which they greatly outnumber.

Hostis is captured by Captain Rupert, the stolen plans recovered, and the spy pays the usual penalty. Elinor starts to London with the plans. Arriving there she finds the home in ruins and her father struggling in the hands of the enemy. Going to his rescue she too is seized, her Red Cross garb in no way protecting her. Her father watching her unavailing fight for her honor breaks away from his assailants, rushes to her rescue, is shot and then wakes up to find it all a dream, and Sir Robert has gained a convert.

Throughout the picture the heart interest is sustained by the love which exists between Elinor and Captain Rupert, and the views showing the mobilization of England's army were taken at the actual time of mobilization and loaned to the producers by the war office.

Taken all in all, the picture is an exceptional one and deserves a reception no whit less than the one accorded it in England.

FREE WHEAT VOTED DOWN

Turriff's Resolution Defeated in Commons by 77 to 44.

MR. MEIGHEN'S FINE SPEECH

If Farmers Do Not Receive Enough Let Grain Growers' Asso. Pay More.

Ottawa, Feb 24—The House yesterday negatived Mr. J. G. Turriff's resolution calling for free wheat, wheat products and potatoes, the vote being 77 to 44, a Government majority of 33. This was the second division so far this session, but as the free wheat question has already been thresned out every year since the defeat of reciprocity, it did not elicit a large vote, as the figures indicate.

If the farmers in the West were not receiving fair prices for their wheat, as was urged by the Grain Growers' Guide and Liberal agitators in Parliament, the remedy was in the hands of that organization, which, besides owning the Grain Growers' Guide, controlled a large portion of the grain-buying business in the West and the export of not only Canadian wheat, but American wheat as well as the Grain Growers' Grain Company, was the statement of Hon. Arthur Meighen, Solicitor-General.

Mr. Meighen, as usual, went to the heart of the situation, and in trenchant language pointed out the remedy. If the farmers were not receiving fair prices, as was urged, owing to a combination of millers and buyers, why did not the Grain Growers' Company, instead of inspiring appeals to Parliament to mend the situation, pay these fair prices in their capacity as buyers of grain? The company had made a profit of 27 per cent. Mr. Meighen did not say that it was not legitimate profit, but if it were legitimate why was it urged that the farmers were not receiving enough he asked. He read from the Grain Growers' Guide an assertion in the annual statement of the Grain Growers' Company that its profits were being cut away down by the competition of the millers. If such were the case what foundation was there for the statement of a combine between these millers and the buyers?

Besides the Solicitor-General seven other speakers said their say on the resolution.

Hon. Robert Rogers finished the address on the subject which he began last week. The Minister of Public Works pointed out that the British Corn Associations had complained to the United States Department of Agriculture that the grades of American wheat they were receiving were so inferior that their purchases were being confined to Canadian wheat. This was Canada's opportunity, said Mr. Rogers; why throw it away by letting down of the tariff bars, which would mean that Canadian wheat, mixed with the American product, would lose its identity and its value in the British market.

Other speakers were Messrs. Cruise, of Dauphin; J. J Hughes, of Prince Edward Island; Levi Thompson of Qu'Appelle, from the Liberal side of the House, and one Government member, Mr. W. F. Maclean, of South York, who supported the resolution, and Mr. Alex. Morrison, of Macdonald, and Mr. Hermenegilde Boulay, of Rimouski, who opposed it. Mr. Boulay used a new argument when he said the Western farmers were receiving better treatment from the Government now than those in Eastern Canada, and that the time had come for them to cease their agitation and remember that they were not the only farmers in the country.

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Habutai Washing Silk, in white, extra heavy piece. Worth to-day $1.25. Sale price **$1**

White Raw Silk, 34 in. wide. This is a washable silk. Sale price **75c**

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NEWS NOTES

Carl Freeberg, New York, 6 feet 3 inches tall, and very thin, confined for intoxication at a police station, slipped through the cell bars, got a bracer in a nearby saloon and returned.

When a prominent Wall street man refused to give money to a street beggar, he was set upon and beaten. As a result New York police are conducting a campaign against mendicants.

Mrs. Jennie Schnockenberg of New York has obtained a Supreme Court order to serve her husband, Frederick, who resides in Chicago, with divorce papers by publication.

F. H. Gohn, 16, of Fremont, O., is perhaps the biggest school boy in the United States. He weighs 260 pounds.

Iowa Progressives will send an uninstructed delegation to the national convention of the party in Chicago.

AUCTION SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

W. Almas has been instructed to sell by Public Auction at 201 Darling Street, on

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

commencing at 1 o'clock sharp, the following:

Hall—One oak hall rack and seat combined, chair, tapestry stair carpet.

Living Room—New upright Bell piano, oval walnut centre table, two wicker chairs, chenille arch curtains, pictures, chairs, curtains and blinds, antique walnut sofa, extra large.

Dining Room—Chairs, dishes, silverware, glassware of all kinds, pictures, curtains and blinds, 2 gas stoves, oak dining-room table, 6 high back dining-room chairs, one Singer sewing machine.

Kitchen—Happy Thought range, gas connections, walnut fall leaf table, linoleum, kitchen chairs, cooking utensils of all kinds.

Bedrooms—The contents of three well furnished bedrooms, including dressers and commodes, toilet sets, carpets, pictures, curtains and blinds, bedroom screens, etc.

Cellar—Lawn mower, boiler, fruit jars, shovels, 50 feet garden hose.

Terms—Cash.

W. ALMAS,
Auctioneer

THE GERMAN SPIES AT WORK.

A powerful scene in "The White Feather," the famous British secret service drama, which plays a return engagement at the Grand on Tuesday evening Feb. 29th. Vira Rial, as Mrs. Sanderson; John Burkell as Fitz; Louise Muldeur as Pauline Schroeder.

Gossip of Notables

Yuan-Shi-Kai's step up from the position of President of the Republic to that of Emperor of China may have very far-reaching effects. Fifty-eight years of age, short, thick set, and with the neck of a bull, Yuan-Shi-Kai is, in many ways the exact opposite to the typical Chinese. China is a country of conservatives, of people who hate and mistrust change; Yuan is a revolutionary. He is practical, ambitious, and opposed to the traditions of China.

There is not a drop of royal blood in him; he is not even an aristocrat, or a polished, educated, travelled gentleman. He comes of peasant stock and looks it. His whole life, indeed, has been a remarkable mixture of good and bad, rough and smooth. To his credit may be placed:

The patronage of the great anti-opium crusade, the creation of a small but modernly efficient portion of the Chinese army, the abolition of torture, and the beginning of a campaign of political, municipal and social reform. On the other hand, there are things at his door, which savor more of the Middle Ages than of the 20th century. For example, he maintained an almost ferocious standard of discipline among his troops; in suppressing uprisings he had heads cut off wholesale, and he has always posed as a friend of those whose brains he wanted to sap—and then he has thrown t'em overboard.

When the Dowager Empress of China and the deposed Emperor died, the latter's brother determined to show fight against Yuan-Shi-Kai, then Foreign Minister. But he shrank from doing more than dismissing him and made a laughable excuse for even such a comparatively mild decision.

"He is to return to his native place because of the rheumatism in his leg," decreed the Regent. "Thus our clemency towards him is manifested." Needless to say Yuan had no rheumatic leg.

Big One Cent Sale Bargains, Saturday, at Brander's Drug Store, corner Market and Dalhousie Sts. Look for Friday's ad.

A resolution proposing a referendum of woman suffrage was rejected by the Virginia House of Delegates.

FOR SALE!

$1900—1½ storey new red brick house, with basement, kitchen, dining-room, parlor, 3 bedrooms and clothes closets, water, good fences, first-class cellar and half acre of land. D211

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$850—Frame house on Drummond St., containing 8 rooms, or will exchange on brick cottage valued at $1200 or $1300. Will pay the difference in cash. D111

$3750—Buff brick bungalow in fine residential section, containing kitchen, dining-room, parlor, 3 bedrooms, 2 clothes closets, 3-piece bath, pantry, furnace, large barn, good fences, electric lights, fixtures, gas, front verandah, attic, large cellar, slate roof on barn and house. D112

$1300—6-room brick cottage with summer kitchen, large lot, etc., in Eagle Place, handy to Cockshutt's, Adams' Verity's, Silk Mills, Reach & Co. Terms $50 or $100 down, balance $10 per month. Act quick. D121.

$1900—2 storey new red brick house on Terrace Hill, containing eight rooms, electric lights and gas, newly painted and papered throughout, full sized cellar. Terms $500 down, balance mortgage at 6 per cent. D87

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Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicinity. In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price $3.00 per acre.

Duties—Six months' residence in each of three years after earning homestead patent; also 50 acres extra cultivation. Pre-emption patent may be obtained as soon as homestead patent, on certain conditions. A settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price $3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 50 acres and erect a house worth $300.

The area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of rough, scrubby or stony land. Live stock may be substituted for cultivation under certain conditions.

W. W. CORY, C.M.G.,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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