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TRIBUTE OF CHURCH TO DEAD MEMBERS

Chalmers Presbyterians Hear Strong Sermon by Minister.
Stirring memorial services were held last evening at Chalmers Presbyterian Church, Dundas street and Dovercourt road in commemoration of members of the church who have paid the supreme sacrifice this year on behalf of the empire, and the band of the 109th Regiment assisted at the service, which concluded with the strains of the national anthem, and the Dead March in Saul, which were rendered with impressive solemnity. Those whose names were solemnly honored were Captain A. F. Chalmers, 3 Vermont avenue; Pte. George A. Craig, Pte. Wm. Fee, Pte. Robert Howard, Pte. A. L. Maynard, Lieut. R. V. Maguire, Pte. Jas. Robble, Pte. Chas. E. Robertson, Driver Wm. Shearer, Pte. Orr Wilcox and Lieut. E. J. Scott.

Rev. John W. Woodside, in the course of a strong address, expressed his feeling that those who had fallen had finished a task allotted to them by God. Their own work in life had ended, perhaps to be continued or expanded elsewhere, but in this particular service to their country, this special task allotted to them by God himself, was well and nobly finished, and with a feeling of relief they might pass on to even greater calls for service elsewhere. "God has His system of divine economy," said the minister, and in His great plan death is but an incident, not another and more beautiful world. God believes in the selective draft. He takes the infant. He takes the man in the

WAR SUMMARY THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

The British attack in Palestine has received another advance, this time north of Jerusalem. A front of thirteen miles and a depth of two miles. General Allenby, the British leader, reports that the Turks are falling back, but the generally rough ground and the mountainous country make their pursuit slow and difficult. The latest gains north of Jerusalem comprise Ras Arkub, Es Sufa, Amataar, Kulundia and Belunia, points two to six miles out of the Holy City. Irish troops carried out the operations. The British are pushing the fighting northward. The operations of General Allenby have now developed from a turning movement of the Turkish front. The combined turning movement of this flank and a poring operation against the Turkish centre. Although reinforcements have been joined hands with the original Turkish army of Palestine the Turkish line is extending and they cannot undertake a promising counter-offensive.

The Germans in France attacked the British on the Welsh spur, south of Cambrai, yesterday, and they succeeded in gaining a number of small salients on the right and the left. The British centre, however, held firm and repulsed all attacks. The fighting continued without intermission. The British counter-attack and regained a portion of the ground lost. The fighting continued during the day. The German effort, thus far, in achieving important results. The salients penetrated have the purpose of attracting and deflecting attacks while a force is standing off the defensive, and permitting the launching of an attack in three directions, if a force desires to take the offensive. The Welsh spur gives the British important observation over the German lines and its retention by the British causes the enemy considerable embarrassing losses.

After a rather intense artillery preparation, the Germans in Belgium launched a strong local attack against the British position astride the Ypres-Staden Railway, but they could make no advance against the British defence. The enemy's action is defensive, and not offensive, for his aim is to push the British back sufficiently to lighten their defensive barrier to the Houthulst Forest. By retaining hold of Baeschehen Ridge, to the south, the British bring pressure against the forest from two sides, and for a turning movement against the ridge the Germans would have to make a considerable advance towards Ypres along the railway from Thourout and Staden. If they fail to do this, and every expectation is that they will, they will have to evacuate the Houthulst Forest, and then the British will turn their positions along the Belgian coast.

The air fighting on the British front has grown quite lively. In addition to dropping over 100 bombs on three German airships north of Lille, British flying machines destroyed seven machines and forced two others to land. Four of the lost German aircraft, landed in the British lines, and three out of four shot down by British anti-aircraft guns also fell in the British lines. The fact that seven German machines falling in British territory implies that the Germans have evidently become more aggressive and are attempting flights over the British rear. This enemy is thus putting up a bluff about his offensive designs, or is searching for information about new British concentrations.

In Russia, Moscow has lost rail connection with the south and food supplies are arriving. The Cosackes have confirmed the policy of Gen. Kaledine in breaking with the Bolsheviks by rejecting his terms, on a vote of 62 to 76. He had resigned his postman's office on account of some opposition to

JOLLY CHRISTMAS TREE FOR VETERANS' FAMILIES

Many Mothers and Children Gather And Enjoy Happy Festivities in Honor of Christmas.
On Saturday afternoon, St. Julien Hall, corner Bloor street and Lansdowne avenue, was the scene of a Christmas gathering, when Company "C" of the Great War Veterans' Association, gave a party for the widows, wives and little ones of the men who have been overseas and are discharged in West Toronto district. The children were about 350 in number, and the mothers 150. Entertainment in the shape of a concert, games and plays was provided. Santa Claus, personated by A. Wines, distributed toys from the very attractive tree.

strength of his prime; He takes the old man, and each of these has a place in his mobilization of the forces. When he calls them they do not demur—they go.
"Those men whose memory we honor tonight, laid down their lives along lines of God's holy will. I believe every one of them felt the Divine urge, which was in them the revelation of God's will. Even as they fell down and lay dying they won their victory, the achievement of sacrifice. Their paths separated from ours here tonight will reunite there. Do not think of their lives as wasted, but as a service rendered; they have been drafted to higher service. To us comes the loss, the emptiness, the pain, but to them, eternal gain."

CANDIDATES SPEAK IN EAST END OF CITY

A. Stubbings Deals at Length With Question of Public Ownership.
Advocating municipally owned and conducted dwellings for the working classes A. Stubbings outlined his platform if elected as alderman for Ward One, at a well-attended meeting in the East End Y.M.C.A., Saturday evening. In standing out strongly for public ownership he stated that he had power under the by-laws of municipally owned public utilities in Birmingham, England, for many years and so could speak with full authority. "Having lived in Ward One for so many years," he stated, "I have seen numerous cases of families having to double up on account of high rents, and even then they have, in many instances, had to pay from \$15 to \$20 for a two-roomed flat. These kind of conditions do not make a man a good citizen. It is bad for the wives and the children, and also bad for the City of Toronto."
He also criticized the action of the city council in locating the Morley avenue sewage disposal plant so near dwelling houses, and maintained that it should be at least one and a half miles from any city dwelling. If elected, he promised them that he would do all in his power to urge the city council to take such measures to relieve the "detestable smells which exist." Any measure that would be of benefit to the returned soldiers he also promised them would receive his hearty support.

F. M. Johnston, another candidate for aldermanship in Ward One, also outlined his platform and stated that he was in favor of the refusal of any licenses to foreigners in the city. Ald. W. H. Hiltz, who is seeking re-election, gave a report of his past year's stewardship and promised the same faithful service should he be re-elected. Ex-Ald. Sam McBrine also gave an interesting account of his past civic life and gave his word that he would look after the interests of the ratepayers in a business-like manner should he be elected on the board of control. Controller R. H. Cameron and R. Honeyford also addressed the meeting. The chair was taken by Dr. Waters.

CHANGE IN STANDARD FOR FORESTRY UNITS

New Military Orders Widen Doors as Far as Medical Fitness Goes.

Men will be accepted of lower category than "A" for service with forestry units, states a new military headquarters order, provided they are specially qualified and able to do a full day's work of ten hours. Providing the man has no other defects, defective vision and hearing will not disqualify, and hernia, capable of being held by a truss, will not disqualify if a man is otherwise fit and specially qualified.
It will be necessary in some cases that the man have bush and mill experience, as: (1) general hand, (2) log makers, (3) ax men, (4) teamsters.

If men are subject to rheumatism or accustomed to indoor work only they are unsuitable for forestry operations. Category "B" men will be accepted for forestry work providing their physical defects, including short-sightedness, loss of fingers or toes, flat feet and deafness does not prevent them from doing a ten-hour day's work.

Military appointments are announced as follows: Hon. Capt. Henry J. Elton, paymaster of the 1st Battalion, and Central Ontario Regiment, transferred to 2nd Battalion, C.O.R., as paymaster.

Lieut. Arthur E. Thompson, 19th Battalion, appointed to 2nd Battalion, 1st C.O.R.
Lieut. Samuel M. Harman (3rd Regiment), 1st 24th Battalion, to 2nd Battalion, 1st C.O.R.
One hundred and sixty-five recruits were enrolled for service by the Toronto mobilization centre during the week just closed. Over 100 of the recruits came to Toronto from the military missions in United States cities.
On Saturday 63 applicants were examined, of whom 21 were accepted for service.

CELEBRATE MARRIAGE OF TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

The silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Quaife was celebrated at their home, 20 Seaton street, when among those present were several returned veterans from overseas. The groom, twenty-five years is himself a veteran, having been 12 years in the imperial service, and in addition has seen service in South Africa, and in the present war. A brother of Mr. Quaife is also a veteran of the Chinese Rebellion, in which he lost his leg. He was in the royal navy for 15 years, and is wearer of the Egyptian Medal and Star, the medal for the relief of Peking and the good conduct medal. Mr. and Mrs. Quaife were the recipients of a number of very handsome gifts.

ELECTION CARDS

WARD 7

Is the last name on the Ballot for the Board of Control. Mark it first as above indicated, and place him at the head of the list tomorrow.
WARD 4
RE-ELECT JOHN A. COWAN
PUBLIC OWNERSHIP with me is a PRINCIPLE not a SHIBBOLETH.
WARD 5
W. H. SHAW X

WARD 7
VOTE FOR P. M. GRANT AS ALDERMAN

SAM RYDING
Stands by Ward 7, and Ward 7 Will Stand by Him on Jan. 1.

Election Cards. CONTROLLER R. H. CAMERON FOR MAYOR 1918
In urging the electorate to support—and vote for—Controller R. H. Cameron, many prominent citizens believe that he will be unseating no person who has more right to the Mayoralty than he has. Toronto wants to let Mayoral honors go round as an incentive to and reward for faithful service in the City Council.

ELECT Alderman G. A. Archibald Controller For ECONOMY EFFICIENCY EXPERIENCE

WARD 4 RE-ELECT ALDERMAN McMULKIN A STRONG ADVOCATE OF PUBLIC OWNERSHIP FAVORING:
1. The purchase of Toronto Railway.
2. Hydro extension.
3. Retrenchment consistent with efficiency.
4. A strong business administration of city affairs.

WARD 7 RENEWAL of your confidence will be greatly appreciated by EX-ALDERMAN W. H. WEIR

Ward 4 RE-ELECT JOHN A. COWAN
PUBLIC OWNERSHIP with me is a PRINCIPLE not a SHIBBOLETH.
WARD 5 W. H. SHAW X

WARD 7 VOTE FOR P. M. GRANT AS ALDERMAN
WARD 4 THOMAS E. VALLENTYNE AS ALDERMAN RE-ELECT ALD. SINGER IN WARD 4
OPENS COMMITTEE ROOMS. Miss Constance Boulton, one of the candidates for school trustee in Ward 4, has her central committee rooms at 407 Spadina avenue. Voters wishing to be taken to the polls should ring College 2296.

Election Cards. Just a Final Word
MR. ELECTOR:— I have endeavored during the short time at our disposal to present briefly some of the salient facts regarding the municipal situation and the problems with which your representatives have to deal. I have referred to the necessity of awaiting a favorable opportunity to market our bonds, of maintaining economy with a due regard to efficiency in civic departments; of delivering a strong verdict in favor of acquiring the Street Railway; and of taking measures to derive revenue from our garbage and other resources to lighten the burden of taxation. You are interested in the problems of Civic Government, and you will do your part by turning out tomorrow to make your influence felt at the polls.

It Means Much to You
The municipal administration touches you more closely than the Provincial or Federal Government. You are taxed directly by the municipality to carry on services that administer to your comfort, your safety and your health. Twenty-two per cent of the City's revenue, or \$4,233,912 is spent on education, 22.4 per cent, or \$4,513,109 on general government, 14 per cent, or \$2,887,610 on public and fire protection and 9 per cent, or \$1,912,751 on sanitation and health. You, as a citizen, are under the obligation to see that your representatives worthily discharge the trust which you repose in them.

Your Responsibility is Great
It is purely a business question. You are selecting your managers and you look to them to discharge their duties as an employer to his employees and as their duties. The Council that allows itself to be swayed one way or another by small local situations and forgets that the best government is that which gives the greatest good to the greatest number would not meet with your intelligent approval. Let business principles govern in making your choice.
To all the citizens of Toronto I wish a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

John O'Neill, Jun. Candidate for Controller
Mr. Business Man Read the Business Methods Old and New
Vote to Elect Church as Mayor for 1918
I. Grand Total of Debt Charges incurred prior to 1st January, 1915, for important public works done all capital unfunded overdrafts \$12,385,814. This in itself is a sample of the business methods they had in the City Hall prior to 1915. This huge debt was left to the Church administration to permanently finance. These bonds were sold by public tender in 1916. The following is Mr. Bradshaw's printed report to the City Council on the public sale which the Church administration insisted on:
The debentures sold during the past year amounted to \$12,385,814, the price realized being such that the borrowed money cost the City the relatively low rate of 5.88 per cent. Two public offerings were made, and the prompt and businesslike manner in which your Board dealt with the tenders has been most favorably commented upon.
These were all old capital charges incurred prior to 1915. The work done and not financed.
II. Overdrafts abolished 1915. The Report of Bureau of Municipal Research February 25th, 1916, says:
"It is apparent that the year 1915 will go down into history as the Toronto no-deficit year. The records available to the Bureau go back only to 1904, but between that date and 1915 there was a yearly deficit, although in some cases the deficit was reduced. Between 1909 and 1914 (inclusive), however, the deficit had increased steadily from \$71,000 to over \$1,000,000."
The administration of 1915 is to be congratulated on this record set up in a war year.
III. Surplus in 1916. This amounted to \$310,885.88. Old debts, some of them as far back as 1884, were paid out of this. Mr. Bradshaw says:
"The surplus of revenue over expenditure for the year 1916 amounted to \$310,885.88. This ordinarily would have been brought forward and included in the revenue of 1917. If it had been available, it would have reduced the estimated tax rate to 25 mills, but it has been absorbed in the wiping out of sundry losses, which have been allowed to accumulate in the City's books for a number of years past."
It may be said that \$160,000 of this \$310,885.88 was used to pay off an old debt on the bonds of the Northern Division of the Grand Trunk Railway, 1884, which had not been permanently financed.
IV. Mayor Church has had the City Council approve of legislation to place the finances of all outside boards under Mr. Bradshaw's. Since 1895 expenditures for Schools and Libraries alone have increased over seven-fold.

VOTE CHURCH FOR MAYOR
Why You Should Vote For ALD. ALFRED MAGUIRE For Controller
Because he fought consistently and successfully for public ownership in the interests of the citizens during his nine years in Council.
Because the anti-public ownership forces are making every effort to defeat him.
Because his public ownership convictions are an assurance of good service in making arrangements to take over the street railway.
Because his policy has always been one of economy, coupled with sound business administration of the city's affairs.
His record is your security.
EXPERIENCE—SERVICE

Vote for EDWARD MEEK FOR Controller
Still another chronicle of that auxiliary of the aged, about one hundred blind men were entered into the institution, 80 being present.
TORONTO OFFICE
Lieut. C. E. O. Flying Corps, who is a prisoner of war in her lines at 585 A
SUBSCRIBE FOR
Saskatoon, Sask. thousands of dollars was space of an hour by Ukrainians and R purpose of erecting a bridge in connection of Saskatchewan.
BALLOT BO
All the paraphernalia of the elections, ball lists and other stuff to the deputy return city hall today.