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Capt. Lattimer Tells of Hard Life in the Hun Camps.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB

Officers for Year Elected at Well-Attended Annual Meeting.

1918-19 Executive.

President—Miss Grace Blackburn.
First Vice-President—Mrs. F. E. Leonard.
Second Vice-President—Miss F. McColl.
Third Vice-President—Mrs. F. W. Hughes.
Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. T. Baker.
Secretary—Mrs. A. B. Greer.
Treasurer—Mrs. A. T. Edwards.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Cleghorn.
Committee—Mrs. Ray Lawson, Mrs. Donald McLean, Mrs. Bapty, Mrs. H. L. Bingham, Miss Yeates, Mrs. H. White, Mrs. Vining, Mrs. Stevely, Mrs. Coleman, Miss McCann, and the president of the Women Teachers' Guild.

Miss Grace Blackburn was the popular choice for president of the Women's Canadian Club for the season of 1918-19, to succeed Mrs. Donald McLean, following the firm refusal of the latter to accept a fourth term of office at the annual meeting held yesterday afternoon in the parlors of Talbot Street Baptist Church.

Mrs. McLean's name led by a large majority all others suggested on the nomination cards sent out to the 500 members of the club. Sixty only of these were returned, by the way, according to Miss E. Yeates, who took the chair for the election of officers. Mrs. McLean's name, as a result, was the only one placed on the board, but, on her insisting that she would not stand for re-election, while deeply touched and heartily appreciating the evidences of confidence in her which were thereby manifested, nominations were called for.

The other officers and committee members as named above were elected by acclamation, the name of Mrs. McLean, the retiring president, being added to the committee. It was felt that it would be a great mistake to lose to the executive the value of her experience and initiative.

In a short presidential address, Mrs. McLean referred to the fine organization, large membership and enviable reputation of the Women's Canadian Club in the city. While she had thoroughly enjoyed her work as president she felt it would be in the best interests of the club to make a change. "I could pick out a dozen women here today who would make good presidents," she said, "women picked from among the finest and best in London."

In connection with the ward in the Byron Sanatorium furnished by the Women's Canadian Club, Mrs. McLean bespoke the interest of the members in the patients who occupy this ward, and suggested such interest might be expressed in the sending from time to time for the ward flowers, literature and delicacies.

A beautiful basket of roses was presented to the retiring president.

Eminent Speakers.

The recognition accorded the London Women's Canadian Club, not only in the city, but in high places elsewhere, is in a measure evidenced by the class of speakers it has been able to secure. A generous share of the credit for this has been due to the wide-awakeness and tactfulness of Mrs McLean. Few opportunities to secure a big prize in the way of a speaker have been allowed to slip by in the three years of her presidency.

Among the speakers of the past season to whom Mrs. A. E. Greer, the secretary, referred in her report were Major C. W. Gordon (Ralph Connor), the king of the aviators of the Allied forces, Major William Bishop, V. C., D. S. O., M. C.; charming Miss Helen Losanitch, daughter of a former Serbian ambassador to the court of St. James; Mrs. St. Clair Stobart, founder of hospitals in Belgium, France and the Balkans, and commander of a Flying Hospital Corps in Serbia; Alexander Watson, a gifted English entertainer; Major Hugh Niven, hero of the Princess Pats; Miss Grace Blackburn, the new president, in interpretations of Ibsen plays; Miss Lillian Dillingham, English speaker, humorous story teller, and singer of high merit in description of entertaining Tommy in France; Stewart Lyon, Canadian war correspondent; Major Hunt, on his return from service with the A. M. C. in Russia; Hon. Everett Colby of the American Food Administration; the new provincial minister of education, Archdeacon Cody, and finally Dr. D. J. L. Bates of Ottawa, who told of Japan's part in this war.

As in former years the club has presented prizes for patriotic essays to pupils of the public and separate schools.

Mrs. A. T. Edwards reported total receipts towards the general fund of the club, amounting to $1,059.65, and total expenses $835.11, leaving a balance of $224.54.

As in former years also, the club has contributed generously to relief work. The sum of $500 has been paid to the Byron Sanatorium; $20 for the welfare work of the navy; $135 to Halifax relief; $100 to the patriotic and Red Cross fund, and $100 to Serbian relief.

Votes of thanks were extended to Mrs. Greer and Mrs. Edwards for their continuing valuable services to the club in the offices of secretary and treasurer. Mention was also made of the services of Mrs. Greenslade and Mrs. Robson as accompanists.

Tells of Prisons.

The program feature yesterday which aroused exceptional interest was an address by the first exchanged prisoner of war to reach London, Capt. Lattimer, who went overseas with the 4th C.M.R., and was taken prisoner after eight months of service in France.

Graphically he described his experiences in a number of prison camps and hospitals in Germany, and conditions in Germany as he had been able to observe them. From first-hand knowledge, he was able to tell his audience about the things that will best serve the interest of the London and other Canadian boys who are prisoners of war.

"The thing of first importance to send to the boys who are prisoners," he said, "is food. In some camps they practically live on the boxes which they receive. Such was the case at the Prussian camp at Schwarmstead. If that camp isn't famous in Canada now, it is going to be when some of the officers I met there come home. Built on a moor, with water six feet below the surface that smelt putrid, it was infested by fleas in the summer time. The food was impossible to eat. We were told in going there we would be treated as Prussian recruits. All the arrangements were most annoying and the buildings uncomfortable. The time was spent there lining up in queues in front of the canteen to get the few things possible to obtain, or lining up for roll call.

An Improvement.

"Holzminden, where several officers from this district have been, or are at the present time, was found an improvement so far as location was concerned, but by no means one of the best, owing to the fact that it was under the same command as the Schwarmstead camp, the 10th Army Corps."

Telling of the marked difference in comfort of the different prison camps and the treatment accorded the prisoners, the speaker referred to good luck in being initiated to prison life in Germany in the Wurtemberg camp in Saxony, where Becher Ward was in the hospital with him, and has the good luck to be still a prisoner.

Notwithstanding this, however, Capt. Lattimer knew what it was to be hungry every day there. In some of the camps it was possible to obtain cucumbers, lettuce, etc., and when in hospital in Hanover he was able to purchase strawberries. Credit was also given to the Germans for the application of medical skill which brought about his recovery.

Work Long Hours.

The unenviable lot of the German nurse in the German hospital was discovered when Capt. Lattimer was in a German hospital for several months in Stuttgart. As far as he could discover, the nurses worked from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., and he didn't know of them having any time for rest. The handkerchiefs given the patients had apparently served many other purposes. "If I ever go into the rag business," said the speaker, "it won't be in Germany. There is no waste there."

In the matter of camps, he added, the German troops fare much better than the civilians behind the lines, hence the preference of prisoners for being kept in camps near the lines. Officers fare much better than privates, particularly the privates who are given hard work in the mines. The fortunate privates are those who are put at work on farms, where they get better food and are unguarded. In one camp rations had been for breakfast, black bread and substitute coffee, and for dinner, a soup of potatoes and other vegetables. Five days a week two ounces of meat were given. The prisoners of war get no butter. The statement that an eighth of a pound of butter a month is the ration for the civilian population indicated the extent to which Germany has reduced the science of eating.

Look for Letters.

Letters from home, Capt. Lattimer declared to be second only in importance to boxes for the boys in prison camps.

Three nights while a hospital patient in Germany, Capt. Lattimer was removed to the cellar during air raids. He considered these nights the most enjoyable he spent in Germany.

"Two things to be avoided by democracy," said Capt. Lattimer in conclusion, "two things that belong to German kultur, are the class distinctions on which autocracy is based, and the German idea of woman in the scheme of life." To maintain the ideals of democracy for which the Allies are contending, and the place accorded women here, Capt. Lattimer declared it is well worth the supreme sacrifice. "From my experience in Germany, Switzerland and in England," he said, amidst laughter, "I have come to the conclusion that Canada is the best place to be in at this time. In England they don't know what scarcity of food is as compared with Germany, but Canada doesn't know anything about war conditions as compared with England. When we reached Switzerland we found there a scarcity of both coal and food. In Switzerland they haven't had butter since March 1, and the bread is hard, black, and almost as scarce as in Germany, and not of much better quality."

Tea was served at the close of the meeting, Mrs. H. H. Bingham and Mrs. J. W. Jones presiding over the flower-adorned table. A number of club members who have relatives or friends who are prisoners of war crowded round Capt. Lattimer to ask him questions, the others present giving them right of way.

GRAND JURORS PICKED

Men Selected for Duty at Next Week's Court.

The following residents of Middlesex County have been selected as grand jurors for duty at the general sessions of the peace to be held commencing on Tuesday next. The sittings will be held at the court house before Judge Macbeth:

Eldon Carrothers—Westminster Township.
Thomas P. Elgie—Nissouri.
Amos Pennell Jun.—Newbury.
George Innis—Mosa.
Wm. G. Gee—Nissouri.
George Ireland—Adelaide.
William Leary—Parkhill.
Donald A. Leitch—Metcalfe.
John McMaster—Ekfrid.
Cyrus J. McPaggart—Ekfrid.
James Neil Jun.—McGillivray
Joseph A. Shepley—London Township.
Peter Steele—West Williams.

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62 VOLUNTEERS IN WEDNESDAY'S LIST AT LOCAL CENTRE

Homebrews Lead Again in Enlistments.

51 WERE ACCEPTED HERE

Six of Remainder Came From Detroit, Others From District Towns.

Sixty-two volunteers, six men apprehended under the military service act, two defaulters, and one man who surrendered himself, appeared before the medical board at the local mobilization centre on Wednesday, in addition to the daily quota of 250 drafted men.

Fifty-one of the volunteers were placed in Category A-2 by the medical board; four in Category B; three in C; two in D, and two were found unfit for service and placed in Category E.

Fifty-one volunteers were accepted in this city, while the British-Canadian Recruiting Mission sent six men over the border from Detroit. One volunteer came from Essex; one from Parkhill; one from Thamesville; one from Harriston, and one from Ridgetown.

The nine draftees, who failed to report when ordered, were handed over to the W. O. R.

The following is a list of Wednesday's volunteers:

J. H. Browning, Canada, C. E., London; S. L. Young, Canada, C. E., London; A. H. Ellis, Canada, C. E., Harriston; R. M. Atmore, Canada, C. E., London; J. A. McKenzie, Canada, W. O. R., London; W. R. Long, England, R. F. C., London; F. J. Sherry, Canada, C. E., London; R. L. J. Annett, Canada, C. E., London; G. J. O'Brien, Canada, A. M. C., London; C. G. Burr, Canada, Construction, London; R. A. Lovley, Canada, W. O. R., London; J. A. Griffin, Canada, C. E., London; G. E. Ross, Canada, W. O. R., London; C. J. Giddis, Canada, C. E., London; P. L. Connor, Canada, W. O. R., London; C. Steinhoff, Canada, A. M. C., London; T. Weaver, Canada, C. E., London; C. W. Guyitt, Canada, C. E., Ridgetown; F. Emeny, Canada, C. E., London; J. Godfrey, England, A. M. C., London; L. R. Green, Canada, W. O. R., London; F. W. Martin, Canada, C. E., London; W. F. Steel, Canada, R. F. C., London; C. M. Westlake, Canada, A. M. C., Essex; E. Taylor, Canada, C. E., Detroit; E. F. Hules, England, Detroit; W. C. Mills, England, Detroit; D. D. Turvis, Canada, Detroit; Joe White, England, C. E., Detroit; N. E. Armstrong, Canada, C. E., Detroit; R. C. Morrison, Canada, C. E., London; T. Irvine, Canada, A. M. C., London; H. W. Tidball, Canada, W. O. R., London; H. G. Ackland, England, C. E., London; W. R. Reid, Canada, C. E., London; W. N. J. West, Canada, A. M. C., London; A. J. Smaltie, Canada, A. M. C., London; E. Thompson, Canada, C. E., London; J. Wooding, England, C. G. R., London; T. E. Wilkins, Canada, C. G. R., London; R. R. Belleperche, Canada, C. E., London; O. L. Loomis, Canada, W. O. R., Parkhill; B. S. Hosick, Canada, C. E., London; D. S. Porter, Canada, A. M. C., London; G. A. White, Canada, Construction, London; W. A. Plato, Canada, C. E., London; A. M. Cook, Canada, A. M. C., London; C. W. Hebblethwaite, Canada, C. E., London; E. J. Campbell, Canada, C. E., London; C. B. Hatch, Canada, C. E., London; G. M. Rooks, Canada, C. E., London; C. A. McDougal, Canada, A. M. C., London; W. O. Thompson, Canada, A. M. C., London; C. M. Wilson, Canada, C. G. R., London; L. R. Taylor, Canada, A. M. C., London; F. Nichols, Canada, C. E., London; C. E. Spearin, Canada, A. M. C., London; C. J. Williams, Canada, C. E., Thamesville; L. E. Jacques, Canada, C. E., London; F. L. Pratt, Canada, C. E., London; A. G. Morris, Canada, C. E., London.

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FIRE DEPT. WILL BE INVESTIGATED BY COUNTY JUDGE

Finance Committee Wants All Charges To Be Cleared Up.

EVIDENCE UNDER OATH

Trades and Labor Council Will Have Chance Asked For.

The senior county judge, Judge Talbot Macbeth, will be asked to conduct a thorough investigation into the London fire department. This was decided last night at the meeting of the finance committee of the city council, when the charges in connection with the department were read.

President J. Dean, R. Hessell and other members of No. 1 committee of the Trades Council were present in support of their request for an investigation. Chief Aitken was also present.

City Clerk Baker informed the committee that the charges had been signed by Secretary Wakeling of the Trades Council. He also read a letter from Secretary J. Robinson of the Fire Underwriters' Association, stating that he had noticed in the press that there was to be an investigation into the department. He said the association would be glad to learn when the investigation was to be held and who would make it.

When the charges had been read over Chairman Harley stated that they were quite serious. He asked the committee their opinion as to an investigation.

Ald. Wilson wanted to know who would make it. He thought that the committee was an interested party.

Former Investigation.

Controller Little said that about a year ago there was an investigation into the department by a sub-committee. Little was brought out. Such charges as have been made are injurious to the department and the large policyholders of the city. He thought there was nothing for the committee to do but to recommend to the council that an investigation be held and have the matter settled once and for all.

Controller Little expressed the opinion that the chief, as head of the department, should have full control, and he personally thought that an investigation by an outside commission was the proper procedure. He suggested that the senior county judge should be asked to take charge and all the evidence would be taken under oath. Things cannot go on as they are, and he did not think that the committee could handle the matter properly. It is not fair to the chief and citizens, he said, to have charges made that they are not correct. He moved that the judge be asked to make the probe and that the trades and labor council be asked to back them up.

Ald. Wilson seconded the motion.

Those Other Charges.

A memo to the charges said that other charges would be made later. Chairman Harley asked how about them.

Mr. Hessell said that the trades council was of the opinion that they should be brought out in the evidence just the same as in an ordinary court case.

Controller Little suggested that the judge should be asked to investigate a blanket charge.

Mr. Dean said that all they wanted was a fair and impartial probe, and they would present the evidence. The witnesses were ready to give evidence under oath.

Controller Merryfield thought that the method suggested by Controller Little was the proper one. He did not think the committee should have anything to do with the investigation.

Ald. Wilson—I'm sure they shouldn't.

Might Take Sides.

Controller Merryfield added that the committee would be too apt to take sides, and there would never be the same satisfaction as from a disinterested person.

Mayor Somerville said that he thought an independent man would be best. The senior county judge was a man well known and had the confidence of all. It should meet with the wishes of the trades council and the chief.

The recommendation goes to the city council.

The market bylaw was up in a new form. Ald. Manness' notice of motion to the last council meeting that he would move to charge those who sell groceries higher rental than those who sell meats, was up.

The aldermen cited the rentals charged in other stores to show that the rents paid in the market as well as the business assessment were far lower than in other parts of the city. At the present time the charge made for stalls is $17, and this brings the city a revenue of $3,600 a year.

Controller Little suggested that facts concerning store rentals on King street and Talbot street close to the market should be gathered, and these facts presented to the committee. Ald. Wilson, Ald. Manness and Controller Little will gather the information, and in the meantime the matter goes over.

Request Acknowledged.

The city has at last got action at Ottawa in regard to the application to give Inspector J. W. McCallum authority to probe into cold storage houses. It is only an acknowledgment, but this is the result of months of effort, so it helps some.

The city wrote Hon. Thomas Crothers, minister of labor, sundry times in regard to the matter in question. The letters got as much attention from the minister as did Mr. O'Connor. However, since the latter's departure from his old desk, Hume Cronyn, M.P., has evidently looked long and hard for another live one in the cost-of-living branch. Seemingly he found one that was awake. His name is McFall. When Mr. Cronyn presented the city's kick, McFall looked for the city's dozen or so letters. He found an empty file. He spent many days looking for the letters, but failed to locate them, and gave up in disgust. However, he got a bright idea, and he wrote to City Clerk Baker, asking if he could give him a copy of the file.

The city clerk was somewhat overcome with surprise in getting even an acknowledgment at this late date of letters written months ago, and he sent the copies on. He has not heard as to whether or not they arrived safely.

In reply to and alderman he said he had neglected to register them.

ANOTHER LANDMARK OF EAST LONDON GOES

Fire Hall Barn, Long Objected To, Torn Down at Last.

East London has lost one of its old landmarks, and soon flowers will bloom on the grave. The old barn adjacent to No. 2 fire hall on Rectory street, which has been a bone of contention between residents of this district and the city council for some time has been torn down. Firemen are using the lumber to build a fence at the rear of the lawn. The site where the building stood will be filled in and leveled up for a lawn.

Some east end citizens suggested that the heaviest sills be offered to E. V. Buchanan, manager of the public utilities commission, as a contribution towards the stockade between the amusement park and Springbank. This suggestion was not carried out, however, as it was thought that the timbers would be too light.

Recently the barn has been used for storage purposes by the fire department. John Murray, who has lately converted his residence, which stood on the next lot to the barn, into a two-family flat, objected to it and urged its removal. Residents of this section are unanimous in saying that the council took the correct action in ordering it to be taken down.

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Ladies' Suit of Satin, in Copenhagen blue and taupe; coat has all-around belt, pleated back, collar faced with white corded silk, sleeve with cuff, button trimmings; skirt two-piece, waist finished with belt. Price $40.00

Ladies' Suit of Taffeta Silk; coat shows shawl collar, outer sailor collar of white silk, all-around belted style, pleated from waistline, silk lined; skirt two-piece, made in navy. Price $30.00

Ladies' Suit of Black Taffeta; coat has shawl collar, outer collar of white silk, all-around belt, button trimmings finishing pockets, sleeve and belt, silk lined; skirt two-piece. Price $49.00

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READY TO OPEN UP SALVATION HOSTEL WITHIN FEW WEEKS

Local Institution Will Be One of Chain in Canada.

The hostel for soldiers which the Salvation Army is fitting up in the old Cecil Hotel at the corner of Clarence and York streets will be ready for opening in the course of three or four weeks, according to Lieut.-Col. Rawling, divisional head of the Salvation Army. This hostel for the entertainment and comfort of soldiers, either in the city or passing through will be one of a chain under Salvation Army auspices, stretching from coast to coast. One of these was formally opened Wednesday in Toronto, the second of the kind to be established there.

Lieut.-Col. Rawling states that estimates have not yet been made in regard to the prices which will be charged here, but it is believed they will be nearly the same as in Toronto. That will mean that the soldier can have a semi-private room for 40 or 50 cents, or that he can sleep in an airy, well-furnished dormitory, as neat and clean as a hospital, for 30 cents per night, including free bath and recreation room privileges. If he honestly cannot afford even this there is not the least chance that he will be refused bed and breakfast.

In Toronto a charge of 3 cents is made for a cup of tea and victuals are served at a proportionately low price, consequently the man who has taken up arms for his country will not be obliged to complain about exorbitant prices.

The building which is being remodelled, redecorated and equipped for a Salvation Army Soldiers' Hostel here has the advantage of being located in a central part of the city, within easy reach of the stations.

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SCIENTIFIC WORKS MUCH IN DEMAND BY PATRONS OF LIBRARY

Circulation Here Shows a Big Increase Lately.

Books on applied science have made the most marked gain in circulation at the main public library in the adult section during the first four months of the year, recording an advance of 26 per cent over the same period of 1917. One contribution to this, of course, has been the very great demand for all kinds of books on gardening consequent upon the "greater production" movement, but in other lines there has been a marked demand. During the last few months a number of valuable books in applied electricity, etc., have been added, including a set of the Hawkins' Electrical Guides, and these have been much in use. The new and revised edition of Bailey's Cyclopedia of Horticulture is another important addition in this department.

Natural science shows a gain of 21 per cent over the first four months of 1917, general works 25 per cent, philosophy 25 per cent, religion 12 per cent. The reading of literature and history show only slight changes over last year, but these have been at such a high figure during the last couple of years that very further marked advance would be remarkable.

The last few months have seen a number of most interesting and important biographies issued and which have all been added at the library. First and foremost of these, of course, are the Recollections of John Morley, one of the most important English biographies of recent years. In quite another field is the two-volume biography of Audubon, the naturalist, by F. H. Herrick, the story of America's great bird authority. Lord Redesdale's Further Memories will be of special interest to all who read his two volumes that appeared in 1917. Three American biographies of interest are those of Joseph H. Choate, Edward Everett Hale and John Fiske. Sir Sidney's Colvin's Life of John Keats is probably the most important biography dealing with an English writer, while Frank B. Sanborn's Life of Thoreau takes like prominence in American literature. Hamlin Garland's Son of the Middle Border, the story of his own life, is one of the very delightful books of the year, while all who have read the stories of Richard Harding Davis will be interested in knowing more of the personality of that gifted young author as revealed in his Adventures and Letters, written by his brother.

Some time ago the city council authorized the city clerk to transfer to the public library the collection of books on municipal government that had been formed in that office. Mr. Baker believed that these books, if added to those already in the library, would make a good working collection for students, and all interested in municipal betterment. The library has now issued a special list of its books on municipal administration and most people will be surprised to know what a large amount of material there is available on this important subject. The lists have been widely distributed and may be had at the library or will be mailed on application. Other lists that are also available for distribution and may be had at any time deal with gardening, music and business respectively.

War Service Badge Awards

The 25th list of War Service Badges sent out in this district by Major C. O. Fairbank, officer in charge of this branch of the service, is as follows:

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