



One of the English Y. M. C. A. Huts as used in Actual Service in England and Behind the Firing-Line in France

NEW CAMPAIGN TO BE LAUNCHED

Gathering at Y.M.C.A. Last Night Heard Address by Lt. Trivett and Mr. Ratcliff of Toronto in Behalf of National Y.M.C.A. Military Work.

At a notable gathering of representative citizens at the Y.M.C.A. last night a campaign was launched to collect funds for the National Military branch of the Young Men's Christian Association. There were two splendid addresses, the first by Lieut. Trivett, an eloquent young Wycliffe university man of Toronto, who has spent twenty-one months overseas and who has been invalided home from serious wounds, the second address by Mr. F. L. Ratcliff, a member of the National Y.M.C.A. council and the president of a large wholesale paper house of Toronto.

Lieut. Trivett has a story to tell and he tells it in an exceedingly vivid and frank manner that at once commands respect and attention. His relation of experiences at the front is easily one of the most impressive that has yet been heard at Belleville. No one who heard Lieut. Trivett's account of the noble work done by the Y.M.C.A. for the soldiers from Canada now overseas could fail to realize how vastly important and essential that work has become.

Lieut. Trivett will speak tonight at the assembly room of the High school and will illustrate his remarks by many pictures from the front. The meeting is open to all. A rare treat is in store for those who will attend.

Mr. Ratcliff in the course of a brief address outlined the work done by the National Council.

In 1914 they had spent on military work \$10,000. In 1915 this amount was increased to \$40,000. In 1916 the expenditure arose to \$400,000 and in the present year the proposed budget was \$750,000. Of this amount Toronto would endeavor to raise \$200,000.

Following Mr. Ratcliff's able presentation the idea of granting assistance from Belleville was heartily endorsed by Mayor Ketcheson who occupied the chair, by Archdeacon Beamish, Mr. D. V. Sinclair, Mr. Jno. Elliott, Lt.-Col. W. N. Ponton, Mr. P. J. Wims and others.

The following executive was selected to take charge of the campaign:

- Hon. Pres.—Mayor Ketcheson
- President.—D. V. Sinclair
- Vice Pres.—H. W. Ackerman
- Secretary.—E. P. Frederick
- Treasurer.—John Elliott
- Chairman of Finance.—L. R. Terwilliger.

AEROPLANES LANDED IN SIDERNEY

Heavenly Visitors Terrified Horses, Cattle and Poultry

The three biplanes from Deseronto, which visited Belleville yesterday afternoon alighted in the fields belonging to Lt.-Col. W. N. Ponton, the landing was looked upon as quite an event. When the machines each carrying an officer and an observer came near, the cattle in the pastures and horses at work were greatly alarmed and ran about in wild confusion, but no accident occurred. Every poultry yard on the west side of Belleville was thrown into a state of alarm by the aerial visitors. After the machines landed, numbers of citizens arrived in automobiles, and

children from the Ontario School for Deaf, ran to the scene. Members of Col. Ponton's family welcomed the aeronauts and invited them to return, which they are likely to do in the course of a day or so. After a short stay the visitors took flight in their graceful machines.

EVIDENCE TAKEN BY COMMISSION.

The taking of evidence in the case of the O. U. G. Company vs The Graham Company which is in the British Columbia court and the examination for discovery of Mr. R. J. Graham and J. Bone before Mr. M. Wright as special commissioner were concluded yesterday after 23 hours of examination. W. N. Ponton, K.C., appeared for the O. U. G. Co. and Mr. W. D. M. Shorey for The Graham Co.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS AT KINGSTON

A large number of Royal Arch Masons of this city and visitors from east and west will be in Kingston tonight to take part in a presentation to the Grand Z. Most Excellent Companion W. S. R. Murch, who has been head of capital Masonry in Canada for two years.

GLAD TO HEAR OF COMRADE

Sergt. Albert E. Harris of the C.F.A. writes from France, telling of the pleasure his comrades and he had from a copy of The Daily Ontario which had been sent by his parents in a parcel to him. In the paper were a photograph of Corporal Ernie Carr and an account of his reception on his return to Belleville. Sergt. Harris says the boys were pleased to see Ernie's cheery smile.

LATE MRS. MARY L. GAY

The obsequies of the late Mrs. Mary Lushina Gay took place yesterday from her late residence South Bleecker Avenue, funeral service being conducted by the Rev. J. N. Clary and Rev. C. G. Smith. Interment was made in Belleville cemetery, the bearers being Messrs. Geo. and Royal Munro, brothers, George and Jacob Gay, brothers-in-law, and Samuel and Andrew Munro, cousins of the deceased lady.

SERGT. DELISLE HAS BEEN SLAIN

Mr. Camille DeLisle, 299 Foster Ave. received an official report yesterday that his brother, Sergt. Henry DeLisle was killed in action on May 8th. He left Belleville with the 39 Battalion two year ago.

THE LATE JAMES STEVENS

James Stevens, aged forty-nine years died in hospital in Kingston on Tuesday after a long illness. The deceased was forty-nine years of age and a resident of Foxboro. He was a farmer by occupation and a Methodist in religion. A wife survives. The remains were sent to Foxboro on Tuesday evening for interment.

FAREWELL CONCERT

The famous band of the 254th Battalion, under the direction of Lieut. Hinchey, assisted by local talent will give a Farewell Concert in Griffiths Opera House on Sunday Night May 27th. This will be the last appearance of the splendid band before going overseas and will be a high class musical treat which no one should miss. Come and hear the boys for the last time in Canada. Silver collection of not less than 25c requested.

FAREWELL TO 254TH BAND

Fifteenth A. L. L. Boys. Were Hosts to 254th Bandsmen Last Evening

The best of friends must part, particularly in time of war, and no closer friendship has existed than that among the members of the 254th Battalion band (formerly the 155th) and between that organization and the old Fifteenth. Bandsmen are bound by the closest ties and it was fitting that last evening there should be a farewell function at the armouries.

Mr. Charles Hanna, manager of the 15th Band, and others of the A. L. L. organization arranged on very short notice a parting smoker in the lecture room of the armouries. There the members of both bands met at eight-thirty and spent the next three hours as bandsmen know best how to do.

The event was a send off to the 254th. But it also marked the breaking up of the 254th Band, which has been together for nearly seventeen months, during which its Bandmaster, Lieut. Hinchey brought it to such standard of perfection that for over a year it has been known as the best overseas band in the entire Dominion. The inevitable has come. The bandmaster and twenty-two of his men will go to England shortly, while fifteen men who fall under the disability rules will be made members of the Special Service Company at Kingston. The men ruled out of going overseas feel the keenest and the parting was touching. One bandsman, a veteran of the South African War, who has again and again endeavored to go across the ocean to do his share, has not received consent and he feels the situation acutely. With others it is the same. The men chosen to go across were among the liveliest and gayest their only regret being in leaving their fifteen comrades behind.

The members of the Fifteenth Band which has seen so many of its members don the King's uniform manifested their feelings in no uncertain manner. Bandsmen while blowing their own horns in the musical sense are yet very modest men and do not attempt oratory, especially at a smoker, but the words the hosts last evening said to their parting comrades, came from their hearts.

Mr. Charles Hanna ran the smoker. He was chairman, and waiter and dispenser of soft drinks to the thirsty and hungry ones. A plentiful supply of refreshments had been laid in by the 15th Band Committee and on these the guests regaled themselves.

The program was opened by Mr. Hanna, who expressed the feelings of the hosts on this occasion, and wished all a safe return. Lieut. E. R. Hinchey, bandmaster of the 254th expressed his thanks to the investigators of the farewell plot. Such gatherings he thought promoted good feelings. Bandsman Wilkinson sang a pathetic song of parting and the hope of return "It's a Long Long Trail." The veteran, 15th Bandsman, Robert Blaind regretted the breaking of the ties of comradeship which had been formed between the bandsmen. Bandsman Shunk said he never in all his life in musical organizations meet with such harmony as reigned in the 15th and the 254th which were as one family. "I regret," he said, "the breaking up of this organization, but I suppose we must submit to the inevitable. I'm sorry to part with you all boys and sincerely hope we may meet again."

Bandsman David Brown sang a solo and Bandmaster F. W. Robinson in a short speech expressed regret at losing the comrades of the 254th. The 15th orchestra played a selection, after which Bandsman Givens of the 15th made a bouquet speech. Bandsman Jesse Brooks, who came three thousand miles with others to enlist said of the 254th there was "never a bunch more sociable and happy." It cuts us to know that we are breaking up. It's not so much being cut up, but it's the leaving behind the older boys our dearest friends. But duty is calling us to another and closer scene of action. All of us who came from the west are glad to be one of you and we are glad to meet the members of the Fifteenth. The little gathering will long be remembered. He closed by hoping it would not be long before they had the Germans back in Berlin and "we have the privilege of joining again with the old Fifteenth Band." Bandmaster Hinchey led the orchestra in a selection of patriotic and national airs. Bandsman Harry Thompson made a speech that kept the crowd in a roar. Bandsman Wm. Mitts regretted the breaking up of the 254th and expressed his appreciation of the hospitality of the 15th boys. Quartermaster Sergt. John Patterson de-

clared "The 254th band hate to leave the rest behind. They will keep them in mind." Bandsman John Weese of the 15th wished the boys godspeed and a safe return.

Three cheers and a tiger broke out from the hosts for the parting "two-five-four" boys. Bandsman Brooks moved a resolution of thanks, seconded by Bandsman George McGuire, who had never met such a body of men as the 254th Band for among them there were no jealousies. Bandmaster Hinchey surprised me I did not know that you had such a capable leader in this district." The cheers for the Fifteenth and musical honor with the song "Jolly Good Fellows."

Bandsman Hanna in accepting the thanks of the guests once again bade farewell to the 254th.

GARDENS FOR G. T. R. WORKERS HELP PRODUCTION CAMPAIGN

Montreal May 15th.—The Grand Trunk Pacific Railway does not intend to allow any land along its line to lie idle if it can be avoided. To assist in meeting the universal need for food at the present time, employees of the Company have been notified that the whole right-of-way is offered for gardening purposes without any charge to employees. Whatever crops can be raised on this land will belong absolutely to the employees who do the work. The standard right-of-way is 100 feet wide. This is much more of course, than is used for the road bed alone and is provided to allow for drainage works where they are required, and for the location of buildings and extra trackage as may be needed. At the different stations, additional land is owned by the Company to allow for the construction of more sidings with increasing development.

If the sectionman is able to lay out his garden 25 ft. wide, he needs a length of 400 ft. only to give him a garden a quarter of an acre. The gardeners of the city, who often get results worth while from a tenth of this space will realize the opportunity that the sectionman has in the way of feeding his family and possibly raising crops to sell. The permission to cultivate the right-of-way is being eagerly availed of.

WOMENS' RIFLE CLUB FOURTH SHIELD SHOTT

Miss Falkner—98
Miss McCarthy—94
Miss Wallbridge—91
Mrs. Allen—90
Miss McGie—89
Mrs. Symons—87
Miss Rathbun—82
Mrs. Sandford—78

The next and last "Shield Shot" will take place on Wednesday, May 30th. Members wishing to make up their five cards have the privilege of doing so on this date. Three highest scores to count.

HARRY C. DICKENS WELL

Mr. C. C. Dickens has received word from his son, Harry C. Dickens of the Winnipeg Rifles, who has been at the front since the first Canadians went to France. The card was written in the latter part of April. He reports that the weather is clearing after a season of rain and hail.

ARRIVED IN ENGLAND

A cable received yesterday morning by T. G. Bell, Isabel St., reported the safe arrival in England of his son, Flight Sub-Lieut. Arthur P. Bell of the British Royal Naval Air Service.

DEATH OF FREDERICK BIRD

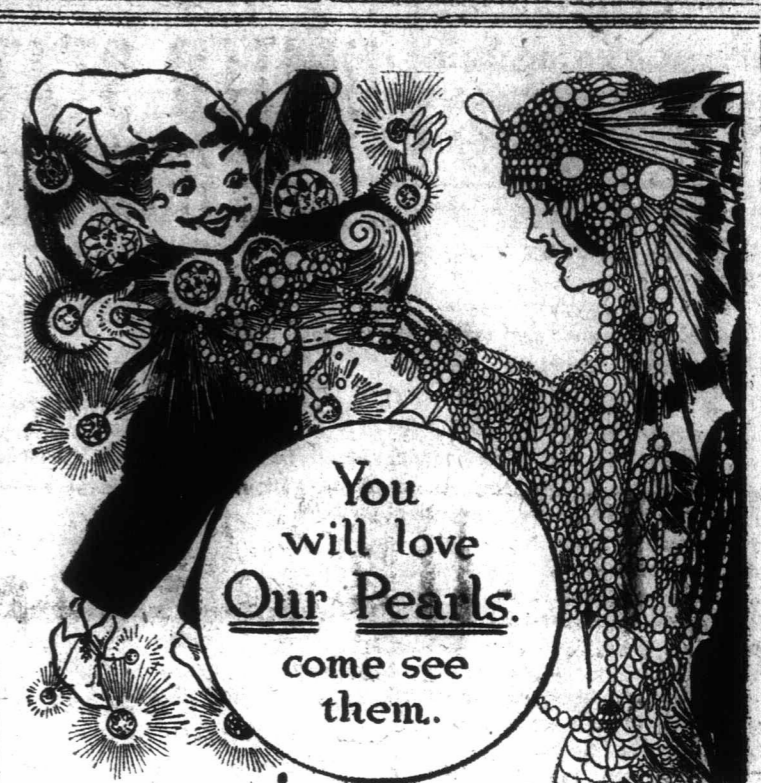
Frederick Bird passed away this morning at an early hour at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Wallace Webber, Hochimer Ave. He was born in Great Wadding Field, England in 1842 and came to Canada 5 years ago, since which time he had been in the employ of the G.T.R. He leaves two sons and one daughter in England, Charles, Walter and Grace, and one daughter residing here, Mrs. W. Webber. He was a member of Christ Church.

SENTENCE SUSPENDED

In police court this morning, Wesley Barnhart pleaded guilty to theft of brass from the Point Anne Quarries Ltd., amounting in value to about two hundred dollars. As he had made restitution as far as he was able and as it was his first offence, he was given a suspended sentence. W. Carnew for the crown. W. D. M. Shorey for defendant.

FIFTEENTH DRILL

Lt.-Col. D. Barragar was in the city last evening and had charge of the drill of the 15th Regiment at the armouries.



Pearls are modest jewels. They keep themselves secreted in shells on the ocean's bed. Even after they are discovered, polished and set they bespeak modesty. A pearl necklace, a pearl brooch or a pearl ring will be sure to make an acceptable gift for any woman.

We invite you to come in and see our pearls and precious stones of all kinds, both unset and made into designs.

ANGUS McFEE
MANUFACTURING JEWELER
216 FRONT ST.

MEN'S \$15 SUITS

We are still selling as good a Suit for \$15.00 as you ever bought at this Price. Never mind how we do it as long as you save money. The assortment is not quite as large as last year—but we still have a nice lot to select from.

OAK HALL

C. H. Vermilyea

DESTRUCTION OF ZEPPELIN CONFIRMED

COPENHAGEN, May 19.—Destruction of the Zeppelin L 22 reported without details in an official British announcement on Monday, occurred off Esbejerg within sight of the Danish coast, according to the account of eyewitnesses from villages on the shore. A second Zeppelin is believed to have been destroyed the same day the explosion of an airship off Terschelling being reported from Holland. The loss of the second airship is attributed to lightning.

SPANISH NOTE DEMANDS SATISFACTION

LONDON, May 19.—A Madrid despatch says the note sent by the Spanish government to Berlin in regard to the sinking of the Spanish steamer Patricia demands immediate satisfaction and guarantees for the future.

MONTE KUK ABANDONED

VIENNA, May 19.—An Austrian war office statement issued today says that Monte Kuk, southeast of Plasta was abandoned Thursday morning after two days of fierce fighting. The Austrian troops taking up positions several hundred metres east of the Hill. Numerous night Italian attacks on the Gorizia on the Austrian lines failed before the cool defence of our brave troops. An enemy attack on Monte Santo, repelled after hand-to-hand fighting early yesterday.