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BLIND SOLDIERS GIVEN PAINSTAKING ATTENTION

Eleven Canadians Have Lost Sight on Battlefields of Europe.

TRAINING IS SPLENDID

Men Able to Take Up Useful Work After Leaving Institution.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, June 14.—There are 201 British officers and men who have been rendered blind by injuries at the front. Eleven of these are Canadians, four of whom have returned to Canada and seven are still in the hospital for blinded soldiers at St. Dunstan, Regent's Park, London. There are 140 non-commissioned officers and men in this hospital now, including five Australians, two New Zealanders and the Canadians. There are also ten blinded officers who went there for the special training given.

Fifty-one men have passed out of St. Dunstan's having learned some useful occupation, such as typewriting, book-binding, basket-making, poultry farming, market gardening, etc. One officer has qualified as a masseur.

The military hospitals commission here is looking after blinded soldiers who return to Canada and it announces that the efforts of other agencies to collect money to provide homes and special training for blinded Canadian soldiers are unauthorized and unnecessary. Nor is it considered necessary to erect a special institution for such cases.

Of the four blinded Canadians who have returned home, one was trained at St. Dunstan's and is now earning his living as an insurance agent in his home town, and his typewritten letters are a model. Another lives on a farm with his friends who are well. The third is suffering from shock

blindness and may regain his sight. He returned from Liverpool on the Hesperian and when thrown into the water after the ship was torpedoed, he regained his sight temporarily, but has since had a relapse. He will probably recover, as there is no ascertainable organic trouble.

Many innovations in the new Pullman Cars Now Being Operated by the Grand Trunk Railway System.

In conformity with their customary progressive policy, the Grand Trunk Railway are now operating a new type of Pullman sleeping car, on their Montreal-Toronto service. Many improvements have been included in these truly magnificent examples of modern railway equipment. One of the most noteworthy of these innovations is the arrangement of the berth curtains. Each upper and lower berth has been provided with its own set of curtains, superseding the larger type, which previously served for both berths. This new arrangement makes for the greater privacy in traveling, a condition long sought for by the traveler. Removing as it does the possibility of the passenger, who has retired, being disturbed by the opening of the curtain by the occupant of the other berth.

Other new features of this 1916 type of Pullman cars are mirrors in the upper berths, new lighting and ventilating system, more seating accommodation in the smoking-rooms, installation of dental fittings in the drawing-rooms, which have also been fitted with a new type of window shade to give increased privacy.

Similar cars, representing the last word in the railway car builder's art are being placed in the various Canadian services of the Grand Trunk Railway in accordance with the company's policy to maintain its service at the highest possible standard. 45671.

BIG TURKISH OFFENSIVE REPULSED BY RUSSIANS

Foe Fails to Stop Advance From Khanikin on Bagdad.

Special Cable to The Toronto World. LONDON, June 14.—In heavy fighting on the road northeast of Bagdad, Mesopotamia, and in the region of Khanikin, the Russians repulsed a heavy offensive undertaken by the Turks, today's official communiqué from Petrograd reports.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S WESTERN TRIP PLANNED

Royal Party Will Leave Ottawa on June Twenty-Sixth.

AWAY FIVE WEEKS

Inspection of Military Camps Will Be Carried Out by Duke.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, Ont., June 14.—Their highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia will leave Ottawa on their western trip on June 26th, stopping first at Petawawa, where the duke will inspect the artillery camp. After another short stop at Kenora, the party will reach Winnipeg on the afternoon of June 28th, and spend the evening there. Reaching Camp Hughes on Tuesday, June 30th, the duke will inspect the camp and attend field exercises. The party will then go on to Regina, Moose Jaw and Banff, arriving at the latter place on Monday, July 3rd and remaining for a fifteen days' visit. The duke will inspect the military camp at Vernon, B. C., and the party will reach Vancouver on July 15th.

A week will be spent at Victoria and the party will start eastward again on July 27th, arriving back in Ottawa on August 2nd.

During the duke's stay at Banff he will pay a visit to Calgary.

PROOF POSITIVE.

Tommy's mother put a new pair of pants on him and sent him out to play. He came back in a few minutes, and said: "These pants are too tight, mother; they are tighter than my skin." "How do you know that, Sam?" his mother enquired. "Because I can sit down in my skin, and I can't in these pants."

York County and Suburbs

PARENTS ARE INDIGNANT OVER SCHOOL TROUBLE

Claim Nothing Has Been Done for the Nine-Room Annex at Earls Court.

Great indignation is felt by the teaching staff and parents of pupils attending Earls Court Public School, at the manner in which the board of education are handling the school situation in the section.

"Since the completion of Regal Road School the board has evidently enlarged the school boundaries in order to take in our pupils from south of St. Clair avenue," said a member of the Earls Court teaching staff yesterday, "and to fill the new school with our pupils. We have lately sent 150 pupils reading south of St. Clair avenue to Regal Road and are preparing to send another batch of 50 or 60. They are, however, now speaking of taking pupils living north of St. Clair avenue and considering the removal of the portable rooms at present in use at Earls Court. Their idea is to fill Regal Road School at the expense of Earls Court School and the parents are determined that this move of the board will be thwarted," said the speaker.

"Last year there was an appropriation for a nine-room annex for Earls Court School. The money was granted and nothing done. The people of Earls Court cannot understand why their school should receive such treatment."

TAX REDUCTIONISTS PASS MANY MOTIONS

Think Night School Teachers Should Be Paid According to Time.

At a largely attended meeting of the Toronto Tax Reduction Association held in Frankland School last night these resolutions were unanimously adopted: "Resolved, that it is the consensus of opinion of this association that the interest added for delinquency of taxes be one-half on 1 per cent. per month consecutively until paid."

"Resolved, that it is the opinion of this association that teachers' salaries at night should be paid according to the time spent and not according to the term."

"Resolved, that publicity campaign be inaugurated by a description of the advantages for manufacturers to locate in Toronto be inserted in a number of Canadian and American newspapers."

"Resolved, that it is the opinion of this association that the salaries of public school children should be reduced to six weeks."

"Resolved, that we request the city council to ask the Federal Government for a substantial grant of money to help defray the military expenses of recruiting in Toronto and elsewhere."

WILL RAISE MONEY TO SUPPORT "YORKS" BATT.

Independent Women Workers' Association of Earls Court Held Meeting Yesterday.

The regular meeting of the Independent Women Workers' Association of Earls Court was held yesterday afternoon in Little's Hall, Earls Court. President Mrs. Frank Powell occupied the chair.

It was decided to support the 220th "Yorks" Overseas Battalion in their endeavor to raise funds by means of a public dance to be held in the Belmont Assembly Hall in the course of a few weeks.

Mrs. Frank Powell was appointed to represent the organization on the dance committee.

Secretary Mrs. Goddard read several letters from Earls Court soldiers in the trenches in acknowledgment of comforts sent by the members. Arrangements were completed to furnish a fresh supply of socks and other necessities at an early date.

PRETTY WEDDING AT WYCHWOOD CHURCH

A pretty but quiet wedding took place at Wychwood Park Presbyterian Church, Toronto, Canada, on Monday, June 12, 1916, when Miss Sarah (Gladys) Lloyd, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lloyd, of 4 Miller street, Shawlands, Glasgow, Scotland, was united in marriage to George Gemmill, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Gemmill, of 111 Elmwood avenue, Toronto, Ontario.

The bride wore a handsome dress of white silk crepe de chine and lace, with a train of the crepe de chine, and carried a bouquet of pale pink carnations.

The bridegroom wore a suit of dark blue and white, with a white shirt and a white bow tie. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. George B. McLeod.

The groom was accompanied by Dan Gorrle, late of Dunoon, Scotland. After the ceremony a reception was held at 95 Elmwood avenue, at the conclusion of which the happy couple left for a trip to the States, the bride wearing a becoming suit of navy blue silk, with very becoming hat to match.

EARLS COURT W. C. T. U. MEETING YESTERDAY

A meeting of the Earls Court branch, W.C.T.U., was held yesterday afternoon at the home of the president, Mrs. Wm. Pidgeon, 41 Nairn avenue, Mrs. M. E. Harcourt occupied the chair.

It was decided to hold the annual garden party at an early date, the proceeds to be devoted to the funds of the Earls Court branch.

Mrs. Wickson gave an address on the pleasures and evils of every-day life, touching on the many husbands and sons of the members who had enlisted, some of whom have already made the supreme sacrifice.

A committee was chosen to arrange the details of the garden party. Solos were contributed by Miss Laidlaw, and refreshments were served.

L. T. B. A. UNFURLED BANNER LAST NIGHT

Before an appreciative audience of members and friends the new banner of the L. T. B. A. of York, L. T. B. A. No. 28, West Toronto, was unveiled in the lodge room in St. James' Hall last evening. The banner, which is a combination of gold and silk, cost \$65 and was obtained through the efforts of Mrs. H. McDonough, worshipful mistress, who directed the unveiling ceremony. Appropriate addresses were given by Brother R. C. Newman, F.G.M.; Wm. Fitzgerald; C. Beamish, D.M.; Rev. C. E. Perry.

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EARLS COURT WOMEN PATRIOTIC AS MEN

Many With Relatives at the Front Have Volunteered for Munition Work.

At the regular afternoon weekly meeting of the Independent Women Workers' Association of Earls Court yesterday, President Mrs. Frank Powell presiding, it was decided to hold evening meetings each week as well as the afternoon in order to accommodate the large number of women at present working on munitions of war.

Secretary Mrs. Goddard announced that over a dozen members joined the newly-formed women's recruiting league. The president declared that the women of Earls Court were patriotic, pointing out that a large number had decided to help in the manufacture of munitions to help their men folk win the war. Mrs. Powell stated that the fine cotton shirts sent to the men in the trenches have been much appreciated by the recipients.

It was decided to help the dance committee in connection with the 220th "Yorks" Overseas Battalion to make the event a success. Letters were read from Corp. J. Endacott, D Company, 2nd Canadian Pioneer Battalion, C. C. B. E. F. France, thanking the I.W.W. for parcels of comforts received.

Driver H. Ross writes: "Many thanks to you and the I.W.W. of Earls Court for parcel received. It is very warm here, now and the front is quiet. We had three of our boys badly wounded yesterday by shrapnel. We don't expect the war to be over for a long while yet, but hope it will come sooner than we expect."

CONFIDENT WILL GET DELIVERY OF FREIGHT

J. R. MacNicol, chairman of the executive committee of the citizens' express and freight campaign, when interviewed re the step taken by Mayor Church in writing to Sir Harry Drayton urging the delivery of express and freight within the entire city limits, said:

"Without a doubt every member of the executive committee to the citizens' express and freight campaign will appreciate that the city officials are again moving in this important matter." He said he had no doubt that with the assistance of Mayor Church and the backing of a sympathetic council, the people would win when this matter comes before the Dominion Railway Board in September.

EARLY MORNING TRAIN FROM AGINCOURT.

Beginning today, June 15, the Montreal express due to reach North Toronto at 8 a.m. will stop at Agincourt at 7.33 and Donlands at about 7.45. This will give an early morning service into the city Sundays included. This is one of the results of opening up the new North Toronto Station. For years Agincourt has tried to get an early stop and now that it is a junction point and that the North Toronto Station has been opened the management have met the wishes of a largely settled petition of the residents of Agincourt for this great convenience. The stage from Agincourt to North Toronto is 9.5 miles, and to Union Station 12.5 miles, a saving of three miles. The time from North Toronto from Agincourt is 22 minutes; to Union Station over 40 minutes. Donlands is four miles from North Toronto.

FAVOR REGISTRATION OF ALL ELIGIBLE MEN

Manufacturers Adopt Report of Committee Appointed to Co-operate in Recruiting.

TRADE DEVELOPMENT

Business Men in All Countries Should Consider Changes Made by War.

HAMILTON, Thursday, June 15.—Immediate registration of all eligible men in Canada for the purpose of putting 500,000 men under arms was favored by the members of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association at the second day of their convention in the Royal Connaught Hotel yesterday when the report of the special committee on co-ordination of recruiting and production was submitted by S. R. Parsons and unanimously adopted.

A large deputation from the Women's Emergency Corps, representing 3000 women of Toronto, appeared before the meeting and offered their services to the employment of the purpose of releasing men for military services on condition that they received equal wages as the men for equal work.

Brigadier-General W. A. Lorne and Lieut.-Col. George H. Williams made short addresses in reference to recruiting for the purpose of securing the assistance of the manufacturers in raising the 11,000 men which Ontario is still short of its quota of the 500,000 from Canada.

Recruiting Problem. The report of the special committee on the co-ordination of recruiting and production was read by S. R. Parsons of Toronto. It said in part:

"While it is true that the enlistment of 44,329 men up to May 31, 1916, has been a matter of congratulation, it has been felt for some time that the recruiting methods used to secure the desired object have been and are wasteful, haphazard and unduly disturbing to production."

"As recruiting proceeded it was noticed with concern and regret that thousands of men were enlisting who were urgently needed in Canada, and that many more thousands who might have gone shirted their duties and joined the army."

"The convention of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association at the second day of this development business concerns lost large numbers of highly skilled employees whose replacement was difficult, and the total cost of the war was greatly increased through the enlistment of married men whose families became a partial charge on the country, requiring the expenditure of immense sums in separation and patriotic fund allowances. The economic problem now is to secure the retention of 165,000 with the least disturbance to the country and the minimum disturbance to all forms of production."

The session will terminate with a trip to Niagara camp, where the military authorities have arranged a big militia review in honor of the veterans. During the trip over the officers for the coming year will be selected while a banquet in the evening at the Royal Connaught will bring the 1916 convention of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association to an end.

HAND BADLY MANGLED

GODERICH, June 14.—James Steele, a prominent young man of this town and employee of the Paget door factory, had the misfortune to have his left hand caught in a rip-saw this afternoon and mangled so badly that amputation at the wrist was found necessary immediately upon his arrival at the hospital. The accident seems to have occurred while he was working on a machine in the factory. The young man is already afflicted with a crippled leg.

ASKED TO REPAIR ROAD.

Owing to the neglected condition of West Che Avenue, a petition was presented to the City Council yesterday by the residents of that section have requested President G. W. McIntosh of the Caledonia Ratepayers' Association to take the matter up with the city council. The civic authorities will be asked to repair and oil the roadway.

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