

KAPUSKASING FINE, THINKS FERGUSON

Pooh-Poohs Statement of Col. Carmichael as to Heart-Breaking Conditions.

G. Howard Ferguson, ex-minister of lands in the Hearst government, whose department had all responsibility for the Kapuskasing camp, would discount the report to the Drury cabinet, made by Lieut.-Col. Carmichael, minister without portfolio.

Mr. Ferguson thinks it obvious that the battle-hardened colonel was never before in a pioneer country. Kapuskasing was opened, he adds, to satisfy a public clamor for soldier settlement. Expenditure upon the camp was but a secondary consideration. The colonel's remarks on climatic conditions, he holds as absurd. "Crops have been successful upon the Ontario and Dominion experimental farms. In the latter Mr. Ferguson held the reins, crop of fall wheat that I ever saw in my life." The settlers could make money, Mr. Ferguson says, working on railway ties and cutting pulp wood.

The Hearst government sold a pulp limit, conditional upon the erection of a mill immediately adjacent to the colony condemned by Col. Carmichael, and in clearing and seeding the settlers had government aid. All the men who went into the colony were passed upon by the G.W.V.A. and Soldiers' Aid Commission.

The Hearst government had in view a great, comprehensive, educational scheme in connection with the train-

ing school at Monteth. In all, 318 men went to Kapuskasing and 117 left.

In respect to this, Col. Carmichael says the men now left on the camp are breaking their hearts.

The G.W.V.A. say a report made for their organization was even more condemnatory than Col. Carmichael's.

INSPECTOR H. WARD DIES UNEXPECTEDLY

Death From Laryngitis Puts Climax on Series of Sorrows.

Much regret in educational circles was expressed yesterday when news of the unexpected death of School Inspector Henry Ward of 92 Kippendavie ave., beside the lake, in only a few days from what at first appeared to be sore throat, the inspector developed acute laryngitis. The death has added pathos from the fact that his only son, Glasford Ward, contracted meningitis overseas and died a year ago, and Mrs. Ward passed away after but a short illness. Only two daughters, Alice and Hazel, survive.

Mr. Ward had been in the teaching profession for thirty years and was born in Vaughan township 54 years ago. He was educated at the Beachyville country school, Berlin high school, the model school, the normal school, the school of pedagogy, at Toronto and Queen's universities. He specialized in science, while he was teaching in the public schools and took his B. A. degree from Queen's a few years ago. The funeral will be on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Kew Beach Presbyterian Church officiating at the services.

CITY HALL NOTES

After hearing the views of medical men on the question, the majority of whom favored a site close to the General Hospital, the board of control yesterday decided to establish the reception hospital on the northeast corner of the Trinity College grounds. This site was recommended by Property Commissioner Johnston as the best of four considered. The commissioner was instructed to have plans and specifications prepared at once.

The advantages of having the reception hospital close to the General Hospital were said by Dr. E. E. King to be chiefly the better facilities afforded there for students from the university to study the cases, and for General Hospital nurses to receive training in the handling of mental cases. Other doctors pointed out that, with the institution near the General, the best medical men could be more readily consulted, and there also every kind of apparatus would be available. The controllers did not appear to be impressed with the desirability of enabling students to inspect the mentally deranged cases.

Mayor Church insisted that if the city built the hospital the city should control it, but the medical men pointed out that this was hardly possible. If it was the decision of the Medical Academy, said Dr. King, that the Trinity College site was a good second choice. He suggested the private patients' pavilion at the old General Hospital as temporary quarters for the reception hospital.

Dr. Meyer, Dr. Hamilton, Dr. Marlow and others spoke.

Whether Commissioner Harris will have to report to the board of control on his negotiations for the purchase of \$200,000 worth of cars for the city, seems before he completes the purchase seems to be an unsettled point with the board of control.

At the meeting yesterday, Mayor Church said the newspapers seemed to have got the wrong impression, but Con-

trollers Cameron and Ramsden did not agree with this.

"The commissioner was instructed to buy the cars and report to us afterwards," contended Controller Cameron. "He must report to us when he gets the bids," declared Controllers Maguire and Gibbons, and there the subject dropped.

Representatives of the Oakland Company again appeared before the board and asked for a decision on their request for a contract with the city regarding the delivery to them of 50 tons of fertilizer a day at the cost of the extra haulage which they thought should be about 50 cents a load. Commissioner Wilson had drawn up an agreement demanding a price per ton several times higher than the company wants to pay, also 10 per cent. of the profits for the city and a surrender in two years of the company's patent rights at the option of the city.

A. C. McMaster, K.C., solicitor for the company, who appeared, said they could pay 10 per cent. of their profits by simply adding the extra onto the contract, but he did not think that was a fair demand from the city. Regarding the surrendering of their patent rights in trade if clear that was out of the question, and the majority of the board seemed disposed to abandon that clause. Commissioner Wilson took a firm stand against a modification of the agreement he had drawn up. Mayor Church suggested that Mr. McMaster should draw up the best terms his company would make and bring the draft to the board for consideration, and this was agreed to.

The board of control gave approval yesterday to the idea of a cafeteria in the city hall for the benefit and use of city employees. Controllers thought this innovation would afford an excellent means of checking up restaurant-

prices. This idea grew out of a letter from Major Duncan of the board of control suggesting that some competent person be appointed to collaborate with the board in the regulation of restaurant food prices.

Dr. Hastings opposed the appointment of such an official and suggested that the federal government be asked to fix minimum prices and the city would see that they were adhered to. The whole matter was referred to Dr. Hastings to deal with.

Among the motions which Ald. Singer will present to the next meeting of council will be one asking the provincial government to appoint an agent to take charge of the placing of, insurance on municipal buildings, and also legislation to empower the assessment commissioner to demand a statement of actual cost of land and buildings.

OFFICERS ELECTED TO COMBAT EVIL

National Committee for Control of Venereal Diseases Meets.

A meeting was held yesterday morning at the office of Dr. McCullough of the provincial board of health for the purpose of organizing the provincial branch of the national committee for the control of venereal diseases. Dr. Chas. Hodgetts, who convened the meeting, was elected chairman. Delegates from Port Arthur, North Bay and other distant parts were present, as well as from Hamilton, Brantford, Peterboro, etc., about fifty being present, including half a dozen ladies.

In the afternoon the executive committee was elected as follows, with power to add to its number, the intention being to retain an active

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It was decided to have the annual meeting in May-concurrently with the meeting of the provincial medical health officers.

Arrangements for the establishment of local clinics for patients, and for the organization of local committees were discussed.

It was stated that a Toronto paper had refused to publish a government advertisement because the word syphilis had occurred in it.

U.C.C. ACTION DISMISSED

Mr. Justice Middleton, in a judgment given yesterday, dismissed the action brought by F. J. Smith to collect \$25,000 commission from Upper Canada College for the sale of its property at the head of Avenue road to the Sydney Realty Company, Limited, for \$125,000. His lordship was bound by a recent statute, which enacts that no action shall be brought for commission except where there is a written contract in writing. The action was dismissed with costs.

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