

## WITH THE GREAT WAR VETERANS

Items of Interest to Returned Soldiers Will Be Printed in This Column if Phoned or Sent In.

## VETERANS IN GALT WANT THE GRATUITY

Special to The Toronto World. Galt, Ont., Sept. 14.—A mass meeting of veterans was held this afternoon in Jackson Park in support of the G. W. V. A. gratuity for \$2,000. Over three hundred were in attendance and the men marched to the park in a body headed by the G. W. V. A. band. The chief address was given by Comrade Soudy of Guelph, who in addition to outlining the gratuity demands criticized the present pensions as not sufficient. A resolution was passed asking the citizens to support the G. W. V. A. in demand and government to appoint commission to investigate.

## G.W.V.A. IN BRANTFORD BACK UP SEC. TURLEY

Special to The Toronto World. Brantford, Sept. 14.—A special meeting of the G.W.V.A. Saturday night in the chamber of commerce rooms a resolution was passed endorsing the request as passed at the Dominion convention, requesting the appointment of a commission to enquire into the claims for additional gratuity. The association also endorsed the stand taken by Provincial Secretary Turley of Toronto and backed him up strongly in his attitude towards the new gratuity organization just formed.

## HAS GREAT WAR RECORD

To enlist at the beginning of the war and participate in all the notable engagements on the western front without receiving a scratch is the record of Jack Austin of Oakville. The young man, whose relatives reside in Toronto, enlisted in the Canadian artillery on August 6, 1914—two days after war broke out—and underwent training at Valcartier and Salisbury Plains. While in England, he took out a commission with the Imperial army at Woolwich and went to France in July, 1915. From that time until the signing of the armistice he saw service in France and Flanders and served in the army of occupation in Germany. At the time of the signing of the armistice he was serving in the capacity of acting captain. Life in the army evidently holds a strong appeal for Capt. Austin, whose ability lies in the direction. Shortly after the end of hostilities he took a gunner's course in Shorncliffe and is to be shortly despatched to India in charge of a battery.

## SOLDIERS' MASS MEETING.

After interviewing the cabinet at Ottawa, T. H. Flynn and V. Kearns, Bachelors of the Returned Soldiers' Gratuity League, returned to Toronto yesterday morning. They at once called a meeting of the chief organizers of the league and, after a lengthy discussion, they decided to arrange a mass meeting of returned men in Queen's Park for 7 o'clock tonight. The council of the league got in touch with Colonel Folger Currie, who is a great supporter of their demands, and a lengthy interview resulted. At tonight's meeting the result of the interview with the colonel will be made public and the details of what transpired when the federal cabinet will be given out.

## CALLS ON LENNOX TO SUPPORT U.F.O.

Farmer Candidate Pokes Fun at North York's Provincial Member.

## WOMAN RIDICULES Says Government's "Lady" Instructors Presume Far Too Much.

That the farmers' wives will stand shoulder to shoulder with their husbands in the industrial revolution now sweeping over agricultural Ontario, was the message delivered in the town hall, Newmarket, on Saturday night, to a crowded U. F. O. Labor meeting by Mrs. Webster of Lindsay, prominent among the women, who have lately been heard on the public platform.

That the female of the species is more outspoken than the male, was the impression given by S. P. Foot, the U. F. O. candidate, when his turn came to address the gathering. He made a lot of quiet fun of Col. Herb Lennox, M.L.A., and practically dismissed the colonel from service in the legislature.

Mr. Foot said: "I have nothing that is unkind to say of Colonel Lennox. I have always supported him since he first ran in this constituency. Seeing that I have done so, I think he will recognize now that it is his turn to support me. I think he should. But if he does not do so I will not criticize him. I cannot well criticize my own man. I put him there. He knows that, of course. He knows that the farmers will put their own candidate in the legislature now for North York."

This way of handling the situation tickled the audience keenly, and they laughed and applauded the big quiet farmer who was making fun of the colonel.

The meeting was called for 8 o'clock, but the hall was packed long before the speaking began. The meeting was scheduled on "farmers' time," nine o'clock, and there was talking ability enough on the platform to keep the proceedings going to the "wee sma' hour" ayont the wall. The attendance of women was exceptionally large, and there was an enthusiastic spirit manifest both among the men and women.

## OVERSEAS TROOPS SEND PROTEST TO COMMONS

The following letter has been sent out to all the members of parliament: "I take this opportunity of writing to you regarding a matter which I consider is a gross injustice to the troops at present overseas. I refer to the order-in-council P. C. 809 of April 12, 1919, which granted increase of pay to the C. E. F., and which has not been made applicable to the troops of the O. M. F. C., thus discriminating against the troops overseas, who are being retained here thru no desire of their own, and many of whom have been absent from home for four or five years. This is very difficult to understand and I think you will agree is most unjust."

"There is intense resentment against this treatment among all ranks here, and my personal opinion is that this grievance is most justifiable. I appeal to you to do everything you can to bring this state of affairs before the government of which you are a member, with the view to obtaining justice for all ranks overseas, who from no fault of their own are being so unjustly discriminated against."

## RETURNED HERO BURIED

The funeral of the late Lieut. Evan Price, D. S. O., M. C., with bar, of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, took place on Saturday afternoon. After service at Grace Church the body was taken to Mount Pleasant Cemetery for burial. The Rev. J. S. Broughall officiating on both occasions. The pall bearers were Captain Grant, M.C., Lieut. Jack Price, Capt. S. Beck, Lieut. Eustace Smith, R. McMurrick and Cecil Wood. Both the officers and N. C. O.'s of the R. C. D.'s sent floral remembrances and a beautiful wreath was received from the members of the governor-general's body guard.

## AUSTRALIANS GOT MORE.

Editor World: With reference to your paragraph re Australian gratuities, it is perhaps generally known that the commonwealth troops received half a dollar per day more than the soldiers of Canada, the above amount being held in trust by the government until the soldiers' return. Therefore, a soldier who had served five years would be paid back like \$1400 on his return, which I think is a fairly decent gratuity, including the money he receives on discharge. Hoping you will make some use of this statement, as it may help to benefit the Vets' cause.

W. Edge, ex-C.E.F.

## UNIVERSITY'S OFFER.

The University of Toronto will commence on October 1 a special matriculation course for returned men. For admission to this course a student should have at least one or two years in high school. The object of the course is to enable such men to obtain matriculation standing next spring, and so to obtain admission to the university in the following fall. Application forms for admission may be secured from the registrar, and should be returned with evidence of military service. This is the fourth matriculation course that the university has offered to returned men.

the verge of the precipice; but the advice is still persevered in. "Keep on rocking." The farmers' wives have come to the conclusion that they will not assist the government to rock the country into bankruptcy.

Mrs. Webster described with considerable acerbity the visit to her own kitchen table here, and the women's institute. She brought in her washing. Mrs. Webster provided the hot water and the soap. The lady then said: "But me good woman, you don't expect me to wash, never did such a thing in me life."

Mrs. Webster did the washing and dried the lady's lingerie in the sunny out-of-doors. She brought it in off the line and said it with starch and the ironing board in front of the women's institute "lady," who again remarked: "But, me good woman, you don't expect me to iron me clothes. Why, I never did such a thing in me life."

Mrs. Webster ironed the fine linen of the "lady," who meanwhile sat on the kitchen table and swung her fashionably hosed legs round and about while she impressed upon the worker that she did not know how to bring up her family, rock her cradle, run her kitchen or look after the farm work.

"No more women's institute for me," said Mrs. Webster in conclusion, and the hall laughed their agreement with the declaration of freedom from government patronage by Mrs. Webster.

Mrs. Webster further said that the journal of the women's institute told farmers' wives they do not know the first thing about their own business. On children are the best class in the land. She was careful to speak of them as a class, and to declare that there is no shiftless class on the farms. The shiftless class belong to the city.

Mrs. Webster severely handled the education system and its effect upon farm life.

She declared the emancipation of the farmers and their wives from the political leadership of men with minds and ambitions for the town.

"Up to the present," she said, "we have been content to take the back seats. People who are content with back seats deserve great credit. But that is up to a certain point. The farmers intend now to take a hand in the leveling down of prices."

"We would be the first ourselves," she said, "to protest against high prices. But what is responsible for the cost of it? It costs three times as much for a farmer's wife to buy a pair of boots as the farmer gets for a hide. The cost \$2.5 to produce a bush of wheat, but the price of wheat to the farmer is fixed at \$2.29."

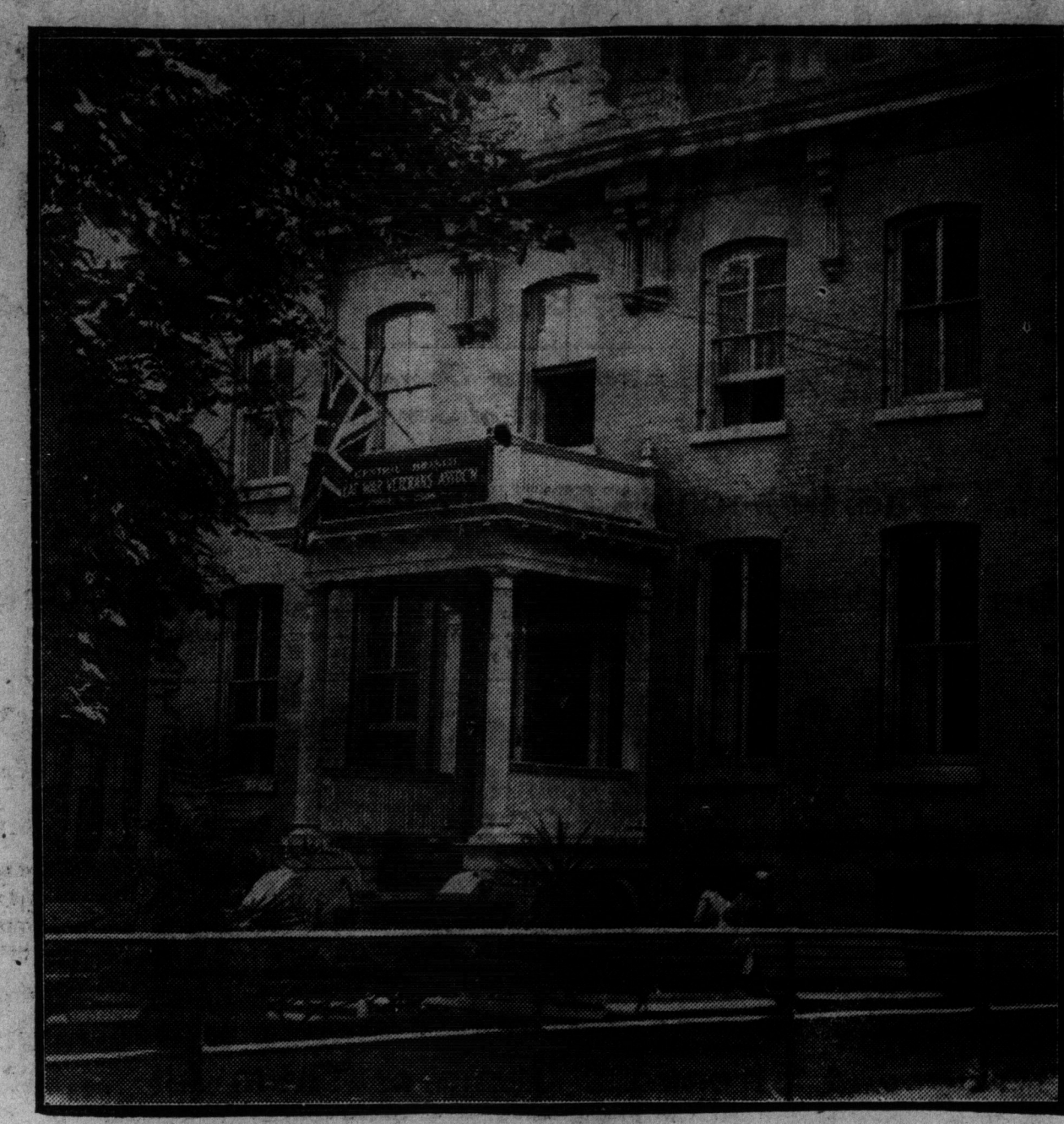
Mrs. Webster gave facts and details of the leaving off the enumerators' lists in her own and adjoining districts, of men and women who have been active in the farmers' political movement.

Others present at the meeting were G. Brodie, Mrs. Brodie, F. C. McKay, Beaverton, James Conner, Toronto.

## PREDICT BACON PRICES WILL DROP IN KINGSTON

Special to The Toronto World. Kingston, Sept. 14.—Housewives were given a pleasant surprise Saturday, when dealers announced that bacon prices would drop from four to six cents a pound during the coming week. It looks as if the investigation into the high cost of living by the government is having its effect.

NEW HOME OF CENTRAL BRANCH, G. W. V. A.



New G. W. V. A. clubhouse at 41 Isabella street, officially opened for the Central Branch Saturday.

## LABOR CONFERENCE IN OTTAWA TODAY

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labor laws deemed necessary; recommendation of royal commission on industrial relations respecting hours of labor; minimum wage laws; employees' right to organize; recognition of labor unions; right of employees to collective bargaining; recommendation of industrial relations commission in favor of establishment of a bureau to promote establishment and development of joint industrial councils and regarding establishment of joint plant industrial councils and any other feature which may be introduced bearing on the relations of employers and employees.

Borden Still Ill. Owing to the illness of Sir Robert Borden, it is not expected that he will attend the opening sessions and the statement on behalf of the government will be delivered by Senator Gideon Robertson, minister of labor, who is vice-chairman of the conference. Sir Robert Borden is chairman and expects to attend some of the later sessions.

Others who will speak tomorrow morning are: Hon. J. L. Mackenzie King, leader of the opposition; Col. David Carnegie, of London, England, formerly with the imperial munitions board here, and who, since last spring, has been following closely the development of the British industrial policy. Col. Carnegie will speak on the actual conditions in the British Isles and also on the plan of joint industrial councils inaugurated by the Whitley commission. Hon. A. L. Sifton, minister of public works, is expected to deliver a brief address and another speaker during the morning session will be W. Jett Lauck, former secretary of the United States labor board, who will deal with conditions in the United States.

Three Groups. There will be three groups represented at the conference—the employees, employers (including members of the public service of Canada), and a third group composed of the members of the royal commission on industrial relations, municipal representatives, representatives of various engineering societies, G.W.V.A. and other bodies. It is anticipated that the public interest will be looked after by this third group, and at the same time the session will all be open to the public. As the employers' and employees' groups were arranged on a fifty-fifty basis, it was found impossible to give the same representation in the first two groups to agriculture, and provision for that industry has been made in the third and largest group.

The representation has all been secured on the delegate basis, the selections being left entirely to representative bodies of the various groups. It is also expected that two or three big industrial organizations in the United States will be represented. These include the National Industrial Conference Board of the United States, representing the large manufacturing United States Chamber of Commerce.

Premiers on Way. Several of the provincial premiers are either in the city or on their way here, the latter including Premier Norris of Manitoba, Premier Oliver, British Columbia, and Premier Murray of Nova Scotia, and all the provinces will have representatives here during the conference which is expected to last the entire week.

## WIN FOOTBALL TROPHY.

Special to The Toronto World. Kingston, Sept. 14.—The local football team won the honors in the Military League, and were presented with the trophy by the British Whig. The league was wound up Saturday upon the organization of the District Military League, and the team was affiliated with the Ontario Football Association. These officers were elected: President, Sergeant T. H. Murray; treasurer, A. T. M. Strowger; secretary, George Young.

## MOTOR FATALITY NEAR BRANTFORD

Dr. C. Dunscombe Killed, Sister-in-law May Die, Brother Injured.

Special to The Toronto World. Brantford, Sept. 14.—Dr. Charles Dunscombe, 34, was killed this afternoon in a distressing accident five miles out of Brantford on the C. N. R. track. Dr. Dunscombe, of Waterford, sister-in-law, lies in the Brantford General Hospital in a very critical condition, and her life is despaired of as a result of the accident. Dr. Dunscombe of Waterford, brother of the deceased, was injured in the wreck, receiving a dislocated shoulder and a badly cut face. The accident happened at the McGill tract, when an automobile containing a number of employees of the Brandon Shoe Co. of this city plunged at right angles into the car driven by Dr. Charles Dunscombe. Both cars were wrecked to the scene being strewn about the road. A cornfield at the corner intervened, causing the drivers of each car to lose sight of each other. Both were going at a good speed at the time of the accident.

Rush Motor Ambulance. The Brantford motor ambulance was rushed to the scene and conveyed the three injured to the city. Dr. Dunscombe of St. Thomas, accompanied by his wife, who was only shaken up, died on his way to the hospital.

Coroner Dr. Hicks was called in attendance, and declared the condition of Mrs. O. M. Dunscombe to be most critical. All the occupants in the Brandon Company car escaped serious injury.

County Constable Kerr, who investigated the accident, announced tonight that an inquest would be held on the order of the coroner, altho relatives of the deceased doctors in this city were distinguished towards an investigation. The name of the driver of the car which ran into that of Dr. Dunscombe's was not available to the coroner's authorities tonight.

## DISCUSSED MANDATE FOR GERMAN AFRICA

Debate in South African Parliament is Opened by Premier Smuts.

Capetown, South Africa, Sept. 10.—The debate on the assembly on the bill giving South Africa the mandate to administer German Southwest Africa was opened by Premier Smuts, who dwelt on the two great principles of the mandate, first, that there should be no military training of the natives, and second, that equal opportunities should be given members of the league of nations for trading in the mandated areas.

Gen. Smuts also pointed out that safeguards would be introduced on behalf of the natives. He announced that the actual terms of the mandate had not yet been actually approved by the supreme council, but it would be necessary for the government to have provisional interim powers, pending the act to be passed by parliament.

Korean Government Has Asked 1,500 More Police From Japan. Seoul, Korea, Sept. 14.—The government has requested 1,500 police reinforcements from Japan as the result of the recent bomb outrage against Baron Saito, governor of Korea.

It is announced that the casualties due to the explosion of the missile aggregated 32.

## LABOR NEWS

## CONGRESS CHIEFS TO HELP I. L. P.?

Prominent Labor Men Are Asked to Address Meetings in Province.

Unparalleled enthusiasm all over the rural districts was the succinct way Joseph Marks, provincial secretary of the Independent Labor Party, described the feeling of the farmers of the province for the aims of labor as enunciated in the platforms of the labor party. Mr. Marks traced the recent history of the party thru the various sectors of the province, touching all the principal centres from Kenora to Toronto. It is the intention of the party, he said yesterday afternoon at the session held at the Labor Temple, to call upon such widely known labor men as P. H. Draper, William Elgie, Tom Moore and others to address constituencies while in session at the annual convention at the Trades Congress at Hamilton next week. The speaker pointed out that it would be quite easy for these men to address meetings at Woodstock, London, Brantford, Galt, Elmira, Preston and all points near the Mountain City, and the influence of the address, he stated, would prove invaluable to the cause. He has requested Mr. Draper and Mr. Moore to consider the proposition, and the chances are that notabilities from the congress will carry out such a program.

Progress is being maintained, said Mr. Marks, at Kenora, Sudbury, Sarnia, Orillia, Timmins, Timiskaming, Cochrane, Sault Ste. Marie, St. Catharines and many other points in the province, where large numbers of returned soldiers and railwaymen are living. Altogether the party now had 21 candidates in the field, and there was no doubt that labor would be well represented at the close of the coming election.

## WOULD GIVE THE BOYS THEIR WAR GRATUITY

Rev. Paul Charbonneau, pastor of the Canadian United Disciples, and also a well-known labor leader, expressed the opinion in his discourse at Brown's Hall, Bloor street, last night, that paralyzing the country by strikes and thus losing a large trade was getting Canada nowhere. "What we need in Canada," said Mr. Charbonneau, "is a good, sound Canadian labor government, making it thus unnecessary to strike, and to build up the Canadian trade by insisting upon the 'made-in-Canada' goods."

Toucing upon the problem of gratuities for soldiers, the speaker said he believed that the men who fought and saved the wealth of Canada were entitled to at least a little of the money which they saved from the hands of the Hun. "Let me say," said Mr. Charbonneau, "that if we could raise money for patriotic purposes during the war a sufficient amount could, in my estimation, be raised today, and thus grant the \$2000 in gratuity to the men who fought and won the victory."

SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT. Jack O'Connor, well-known member of the Painters' and Decorators' Union, who fell from the Salvation Army college building, at the corner of Queen street and Sherbourne, on Friday morning shows little improvement. He is nearly 70 years of age. The thigh is broken, and one side almost paralyzed.

## GARMENT WORKERS' STRIKE IS NOW OVER

S. Koldosky Says a Better Settlement Now Exists Between Two Bodies.

Toronto International Union of Cloakmakers and Ladies' Garment Workers, following a strike of many weeks' duration against the manufacturers of the city, finally concluded hostilities a few days ago when they won their fight for a 44-hour week, for eight holidays in the year, and for various increases in wages. Sample makers were increased (minimum wage) to \$32 per week, busters to \$35 and those cutters and trimmers earning \$25 a week increased to \$30, those who were previously earning from \$25 to \$30 a week were increased to \$35 a week, and those earning more than \$30 a week were increased two dollars a week.

Those who met in committees earlier and who were responsible for the final conclusion of hostilities were: Messrs. S. P. McKinnon, R. McCasland, J. H. Winters, R. Roth, Weirwood Rogers, Heinrich Waiman and R. Hullner for the manufacturers, and Messrs. S. Koldosky, Charles Edwards, M. Shur, J. Sporn, A. Friedman and H. Krieger for the union.

## CIVIC EMPLOYEES DECIDE TO ACCEPT CITY'S RAISE

Largely attended, the meeting of civic employees held yesterday afternoon at the Labor Temple decided to accept the raise in wages decided upon by the city council upon the recommendation of Thomas Braden, the finance commissioner. This raise will bring the wages of the men up to \$19 a week instead of \$12, previously given. The payments are to be made from September, and altho many of the members of the union would have been pleased to have their raise made retroactive to April this year, they were all pleased at the raise generally. Hope was strongly expressed that steps would be taken by the city council to do the right thing by the so-called temporary men, who were only temporary in name, many of them having been in the service 10 and 11 years. These so-called temporary men, said Tom Williams, president of the union, were under the present rules given no privileges, such as vacation with pay. There was need of revision in these matters, he said.

## Life After Death

No series of articles printed in Canadian newspapers have aroused more interest than have those which

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is now running on the above subject.

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