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WARM RECEPTION FOR THE VETERANS

Large Crowd Out to Greet Those Who Have Done Their Bit

Relatives and friends who went to meet their soldier relatives that were due to arrive at 9.30 yesterday morning had to wait until 11 a.m., the train with the returned men being six hours late. A large number of people waited patiently for the arrival of the train, and when it at last arrived the men, the men who had been traveling the long journey by rail and sea were

more than repaid by the warmth of their welcome home.

Some ninety men were in the party, and all looked travel-worn but very happy to look once more on faces they had not seen for many long days. Many of the men whose homes were outside the city left at once for their homes, all being glad to be in Canada again.

N. ROMANOFF'S FOOD SUPPLY
Petrograd, Oct. 19.—The family of Nicholas Romanoff, former emperor of Russia, now procure its food supply by the use of cards. The authorities in the Tobolsk district are issuing food cards and the Romanoffs must obtain their food the same as other citizens.

BUSINESS MEN BID WELCOME TO NEW Y.M.C.A. SECRETARY

Mayor Costello Speaks for City and Various Institutions Represented

Calgary citizens gave Stanley Brent, the new general secretary of the Y.M.C.A., a hearty welcome at a supper in the Y.M.C.A. last night. Representatives of almost every important local organization were present to bid Mr. Brent welcome to Calgary and wish him success in his work.

Ald. R. C. Marshall, president of the "Y" presided, and after a few introductory remarks called on Mayor Costello who, in a brief speech, formally welcomed Mr. Brent on behalf of the city.

In the absence of President Black of the board of trade, Archibald McTeer spoke for that organization. H. R. Chaucer represented the Ad club and bid Mr. Brent a hearty welcome. President Jeff Lydall was introduced by Chairman Marshall as head of a very live club. In a brief manner he promised Mr. Brent the support of Rotarians in his work.

In a very humorous speech Rev. A. Rennie, president of the Ministerial association, told Mr. Brent of Calgary's pitfalls and temptations, concluding with a warm promise of co-operation on the part of the ministers of the city. Speaking for the national council of the Y.M.C.A., J. H. Hanna, secretary-treasurer of the school board, explained the new changes in the territorial supervision of the Y.M.C.A. Mr. Hanna stated that western Secretary Harry Ballantyne would shortly move his headquarters to Vancouver.

Holding up the splendid work and extensive influence of Capt. Bob Pearson as an example for Mr. Brent to look to, W. M. Davidson, M.P.A., commended the local "Y" as the institution of most value to the city of Calgary, and in welcoming Mr. Brent, wished him the success which attended his predecessor.

Mr. Brent, in replying, thanked the men for their reception to him, and after pointing the responsibility the war had entailed upon the association at home and at the front, the opportunities for work in Calgary, promised that he would give the best of his efforts and ability to the accomplishment of the association work.

MERCHANTS BANK EXECUTIVE AND MANAGERS MEET

Conference of Alberta and B.C. Branch Managers With an Eastern Official Held Yesterday; Banquet Concludes the Event

A banquet was held last night in the ballroom of the Palliser, following a conference of the executive officers of the Merchants Bank and the branch managers of Alberta and British Columbia, held during the day, when the bank's policy and general business affairs were discussed.

The executives present were E. F. Hobden, managing director, Montreal; D. C. Macarow, general manager, Montreal; and the following directors, F. H. Wilson, Montreal; A. B. Evans, Montreal; and G. L. Cairns. The party has been making a tour of inspection throughout the west in the bank's interest, and the banquet held last night was for the purpose of bringing the executive in closer touch with the managers and with business conditions as they exist in this country.

Mr. Macarow, the general manager, in a statement to The Albertan, commented on the excellent condition of affairs prevalent in the western provinces. "The whole business system in force in western Canada," remarked Mr. Macarow, "is on a very sound basis. Our western trip has been an agreeable surprise to us, and affairs are in much better shape than we anticipated. It is five years since I made my last trip through the west, and I have found a remarkable change. I am speaking as a business man of business. When last here, though conditions were flourishing, there lacked the stability essential to sound business operations. All this has changed. In every line of trade the operators are firmly established. It is not a case of make a fortune in two or three years and moving on. They are established and their various businesses are established."

Purpose of the Gathering

"This gathering tonight of our many branch managers will be most beneficial not only to them, but to ourselves. The executive of the bank is located a long way off. It is difficult to render an answer on some business proposition referred to us, unless we know intimately the man through whom the transaction is communicated to us. That man is the branch manager."

Asked if he anticipated a further reduction of the staff under the Military Service act, Mr. Macarow stated that in one eastern branch 32 of the staff were classified by the medical board as a men. "Our staff is terribly depleted, 600 members of the staff have already gone to the front."



STANLEY BRENT
New general secretary of the Y.M.C.A., who was formally welcomed to Calgary last evening

ONE-MAN CARS ARE NOT A FIXTURE; IS A MATTER OF ECONOMY

Commissioner Graves Believes the System Will Be Abolished in Post War Times; to Be Tried Out This Winter

"I am not sure that the one-man cars have come to stay. In fact I hardly think they have come to stay. But in this period of unusual stress we found it wise to introduce them for the purpose of reducing our cost of operation. We had but three things to choose from, either lose money, increase the fares or reduce the cost of operation. The one-man cars made the latter possible and we have adopted it at least for the present." This was the explanation given by Commissioner Graves to F. A. Hoover of Vancouver, vice-president of the international union of street railwaymen.

Mr. Hoover is in town for the purpose of looking over the operation of one-man cars and to report the result of his observations to the officers of the international union.

Only a Trial.
Mr. Hoover visited the commissioners yesterday afternoon and spent last evening in riding on the cars and making personal observations. Commissioner Samie explained to Mr. Hoover that the one-man cars were still practically on trial; in fact he pointed out that the council had power to reverse any decision it had arrived at in the matter at any time. There has been no charter amendment and so there is nothing to prevent the council from rescinding any former decision.

Commissioner Samie also explained to Mr. Hoover that some of the difficulty now experienced through the men having too much to do might be eliminated by introducing a system of selling tickets off a reel, something similar to that used in the picture theaters.

Commissioner Graves suggested placing men on the two busiest street corners of the city to sell tickets during the busiest hours of the day and selling tickets all the time in drug stores and tobacconist shops. Commissioner Graves thought that the trouble being experienced with the frosting up of the front windows might be overcome by putting double windows down on. Both commissioners acknowledged that possibly there might have to be some modifications after the winter season.

JOHN A. IRVINE IN OPPOSITION TO THE UNION GOVERNMENT

Candidate in West Calgary Cannot See His Way Clear to Support Sir Robert Borden

John A. Irvine, Liberal candidate for West Calgary, is not in favor of the present union government. He told The Albertan last night that he favored a national government chosen after the election from the various parties, which would be truly representative of all parties.

As far as the present cabinet is concerned he cannot see his way clear to endorse it.

Mr. Irvine remarked: "I am a Liberal and have always been a Liberal and do not see any reason why I should endorse a government headed by Sir Robert Borden. As to win-the-war I hold that I am as much a win-the-war candidate as anyone. I am out to win the war and be."

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The wintry weather experienced this week has an appreciable effect upon the revenue derived from the street railway. The average daily receipts for the previous week were a little under \$1,500 per day. This week the daily average is \$1,648. This increase is to be explained partly by the fact that many who walk at other times ride during the cold or stormy weather, and partly by the fact that autos are not used so much in stormy weather.

It is estimated that there are 1,700 autos in Calgary. If the business man only used the car to go to and from business it would mean a difference of four tickets a day for each car. But he seldom travels alone, and every member of his family that travels thus, or every neighbor or friend he picks up on his way, means one less passenger for the street railway.

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MUTT AND JEFF—Jeff May Be Short on Vocabulary, But He's Long on Measurements

By BUD FISHER

