

St. John Will Extend Welcome To New Brunswick Soldiers

Citizens' Reception Committee Will Give Royal Reception to Coming Units, But Decide to Hold Grand Rally Later in Summer and Welcome Every Provincial Soldier Who Served in the War—Matter Discussed at Meeting Held Last Night.

In addition to arranging for right royal receptions for the 26th Battalion, the 4th and 6th Siege Batteries, and any other units that may come along, the Citizens' Reception Committee decided last evening to hold a grand rally later on, when St. John will be prepared to extend a welcome to every soldier of New Brunswick who served in the war. This official welcome to the soldiers of New Brunswick will not take place till late in the summer, when every soldier is likely to have returned from overseas, and it may extend over several days. Some of the features of the programme which it was first intended to carry out on the arrival of the 26th, will be postponed till the Grand Jubilee, but the committee will make arrangements to give the famous battalion a hearty reception on arrival here, and will request the citizens to decorate their stores and homes, and turn out to give the boys a generous welcome.

Hereafter on the arrival of ships or trains bearing soldiers for St. John, the steam whistle at the sugar refinery, the city maroons, and other whistles, will be sounded as a signal to the citizens to turn out and give the glad eye to the boys on their march to the Army for demobilization.

A telegram has been received from Rupert Wignome, M.P., stating that he had received positive assurance from the Minister of War that the 4th and 6th Siege batteries would come to St. John to be discharged.

At the meeting in the Board of Trade rooms last evening, a resolution was read from the Military sub-committee, expressing the opinion that while the reception committee should continue to provide a hearty reception for each unit on arrival it would be better to hold later on a field day, extending an official welcome to all soldiers, who went from New Brunswick.

Captain Brown, a former officer of the 26th, said he had talked with a lot of returned soldiers, who felt that a general reception after the return of all soldiers would be more satisfactory. He thought the men returning in the 26th would also agree with this view. About 25,000 soldiers had gone from New Brunswick, and had been drafted to various battalions without regard to their wishes. Only about 700 men were now attached to the 26th, and they would not want the citizens of St. John to expend all their enthusiasm and energy on a welcome to them. Of course soldiers appreciated a warm reception on arrival, but the first thing they wanted to do was to get their discharges and see their families from whom they have been absent for years. They would not care very much to take part in parades and spectacles on the day of their arrival. He felt that after all the soldiers had arrived, St. John should fix a day or days to extend an official welcome to all New Brunswick boys who had served in the war, and if its intention was properly advertised in advance, between 15,000 and 20,000 soldiers from all parts of the Province might be expected to come here. Most of them would be glad to take part in a province-wide celebration and have an opportunity to meet old pals again. Their families would, in many cases, come with them.

As regards accommodation, the soldiers could shake down with a blanket in the Exhibition buildings or West Side sheds, and be better off than they were in France, and as good as they were in England. The only problem would be that of feeding them.

T. P. Regan suggested that the railways might give the soldiers free transportation to St. John, or at any rate they might try to prevail upon the Government railway to do so. Mrs. Kahring suggested that the citizens might throw open their homes to the soldiers. In England many families had welcomed overseas soldiers into their homes. Col. Sturges was of the opinion that preparations for a general welcome should not prevent them extending a hearty reception to the 26th and other units on arrival. Many soldiers probably would not want to leave their affairs to come to St. John to take part in a general demonstration.

Chairman Mayes said they proposed to carry on with the work of meeting the boys and trains, and as arrangements had been made to notify citizens of the arrival of troops, it was hoped they would do their share by decorating their premises, and turning out to give the boys a welcome. But the more elaborate features, such as fireworks and street arches might be reserved for the general field day. He found that the general sentiment was in favor of a general welcome.

Commissioners Bullock, Jones and Thornton said that the city would be prepared to do anything in reason to assist the committee in making any kind of a demonstration they thought best a success. Nothing was too good for the boys.

It was suggested that the demonstration to the soldiers might be held during the week of celebration being arranged for by the Booster's Committee, but it was said that the Booster's committee had fixed on the first week in June for their demonstration, and that would be too soon to enable all the soldiers to receive a welcome from the citizens of St. John.

E. J. MacLach said they figured that it would cost about \$9,000 to carry out their programme for one big demonstration.

Com. Bullock said the city should pay for the whole thing, and charge it to taxes.

Com. Thornton said many citizens wanted to make a personal contribution towards the reception, and should be allowed the privilege to do so.

DONATIONS TO THE SCHOOL FOR BLIND

In connection with the annual meeting of the New Brunswick Auxiliary to the Maritime School for the Blind, which was held last month, Mrs. E. Adair Smith feels that it is due the various localities which responded so generously to publish the full statement as follows:

St. John	\$4,083.36
Fredericton	1,255.00
Moncton	84.25
Sussex	672.00
Women's Institutes in N. B.	652.25
Campbellton	650.00
Chatham	589.00
St. Stephen	553.35
Loggieville	604.00
Sackville	\$13.00
St. Andrew's	219.15
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Kouchibouguac	31.50
Port Elgin	25.00
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Lorneville	25.00
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Douglasville	5.00
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ITALY'S MOVE POLITICAL ONE

Belief in Officialdom at Washington That Italians Will Not Quit the Conference.

Washington, April 24.—Belief was expressed in official quarters here today that Italy, eventually, would be obliged to recede from her demands for Fiume and the Dalmatian coast, though it was recognized that for the moment Premier Orlando and his delegation were obliged to maintain an unyielding attitude or face repudiation at home. The decision of the Italians to withdraw from Paris was a desperate one, but was forced, according to the view here, by the opposition in Italy to the present cabinet, growing so rapidly under the direction of former Finance Minister Miti and Gullitti, also a former cabinet officer.

By returning to Rome with the report that they had used every effort to secure Italy's claims, but were unable to overcome the opposition of President Wilson, it was suggested that the delegation would be in a much better position than by continuing the fight to the extent of breaking off negotiations.

JAPANESE DENY ANY CRUELITIES

Say Reports Regarding Korean Disturbances Are Greatly Exaggerated.

Washington, D. C., April 24.—An official statement by the Japanese embassy today characterizing as exaggerated current reports of cruel measures, employed by the Japanese authorities in suppressing Korean disturbances, says one person was killed and six wounded in outbreaks at Zouli, and that the total number of casualties in the provinces has been 331 killed and 786 wounded.

THE POLICE COURT.

Two drunks appeared in the police court yesterday morning and were remanded.

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G. N. W. OPERATORS GO ON STRIKE

Winnipeg Staff Quit Work Yesterday—Saskatoon Operators Go Out in Sympathy.

Winnipeg, April 24.—The entire operating staff of the local Great Northwestern Telegraph Company went on strike at one o'clock this afternoon, owing to employment by the company of a man alleged to have acted as a strike-breaker in previous labor disputes. The service here is tied up. Forty men walked out of the local telegraph office.

Company officials declared that the men have no authority to strike without giving notice. An effort is being made to reach officers of the union this afternoon with a view to effecting settlement of the trouble, they say.

Saskatoon, April 24.—G. N. W. telegraphers went on strike here at 2:40 p. m., fast time, in sympathy with the Winnipeg strikers.

WEDDINGS

Miss C. Alma Nixon and Joseph L. Michaud were married at the Cathedral yesterday morning, at 4:15 o'clock, by Rev. R. B. Fraser, with Nuptial Mass. Arthur Michaud, the groom's brother, was best man, and Miss Emma Carman, Haymarket Square, was bridesmaid. The bride is a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Nixon, Bruns street, and has been residing with her aunt, Mrs. John Riley, 2½ Charles street. The groom was formerly a captain in the 16th Battalion. After the ceremony the party went to the Park Hotel for breakfast, and will leave for their new home at Edmundston this morning. The bride received a number of beautiful presents.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. George H. Collins took place at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from her late residence, 72 City Road. The Rev. R. T. McKim officiated. Interment in Fernhill cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. J. Henry Driscoll took place at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning to the Cathedral where Requiem High Mass was solemnized by the Rev. C. P. Carleton. Interment in the new Catholic cemetery.

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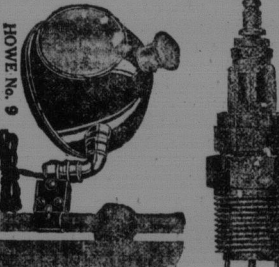
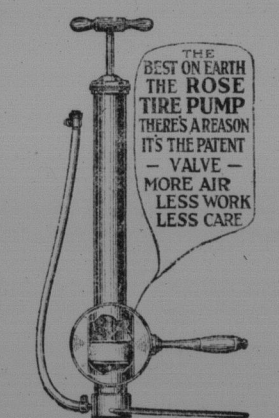
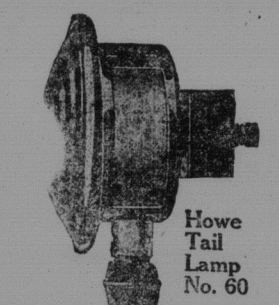
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