

WATERLOO NEWS RECORD

ANNUAL REPORT OF ST. QUENTIN CHAPTER I. O. D. E. WATERLOO

Satisfactory Financial Report and Encouraging Increase in Membership.

At the annual meeting of the Saint Quentin Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire, reports from the secretary and treasurer were read and the conditions of the Chapter are shown to be in a highly satisfactory state. The recording secretary's report shows a total membership of 162 and increase of 112 since the Chapter was organized in 1917.

A resume of work for the past year is highly creditable, to the Chapter, it includes no less than 117 boxes being sent to soldiers overseas at Christmas and 100 Sailors' Comfort bags.

The following officers for the coming year were elected.

Regent—Mrs. H. M. Snyder.

1st. Vice-Regent—Mrs. C. W. Wells.

2nd. Vice-Regent—Mrs. J. A. Harper.

Corresponding Sec.—Mr. M. M. K. Haight.

Recording Sec.—Miss E. B. Reid.

"Echoes" Sec.—Miss Olive Ross.

Treasurer—Miss Hilda Ross.

Standard Bearer—Miss Margaret Stuart.

The Red Cross Committee report the following articles finished during the year:

Weather conditions have been of the best the past few weeks and the Bell Telephone Company have taken full advantage of it and a gang of men have been kept busy installing new phones, making changes and in every way improving the service. Mr. Kumpf, the local manager, in answer to a query how many phones were in Waterloo stated approximately 580, a fine showing for a town the size of Waterloo. Mr. Kumpf also stated that occasionally wrong address appear in the directory from time to time and it would be a task for each subscriber to see that his number, name and address are correct and if not to report any error to the office. A new directory is under way the last day for making connections being Saturday the 15th.

Nothing Known Here.

A returned soldier by the name of McKinnon who enlisted in Galt and has seen service overseas arrived in town last night and this morning enquiries were made as to the whereabouts of his wife he being under the impression she was living in town. It was learned there was no one by that name residing here and apparently the returned soldier was laboring under an illusion. Several patriotic citizens interested themselves and he was taken to Galt by Constable Clark where undoubtedly a happy re-union will take place to-day.

Annual Meeting Today.

The annual meeting of the Waterloo Loan Co. is being held this afternoon. The Annual Meeting of the Dominion Life will be held tomorrow at the Head Office.

Could Not Come Here.

Owing to a previous engagement at St. Catharines, Mayor McBride of Brantford, who spoke in Kitchener last evening, very reluctantly had to forego the pleasure of being the guest of the Waterloo Labor Club at their opening of the new quarters to-night. The invitation was extended from the Club through Mayor Kutt who was assured that in the course of a week or two Mayor McBride would pay a visit to Waterloo and address the members.

Mrs. C.A. Hachmel was at home yesterday afternoon and evening to a number of her lady friends. Afternoon tea was served after which

the girls Club of St. Johns Lutheran Church will be entertained at the home of Miss Helen Ross, Church Street this evening.

Mr. J. Canton of Toronto was a business visitor in town yesterday.

Don't forget the Public Dance in the Orpheus Hall, Waterloo, Saturday evening Feb. 15th.

Mr. H. Coggins of Hamilton was in town yesterday on business.

Grand Dance Orpheus Hall, Saturday Night, Feb. 15th. Excellent floor, First Class Orchestra. Admission 50 cents, Ladies Free.

Isle of Love.

The last performance of the above play was staged last evening before a good attendance.

Yesterday was a busy day for the participants there being a matinee in the afternoon as well as the evening show.

Both performances were highly creditable and the success of the venture is assured as over \$350.00 were taken at the box office during the three days. The cast will hold a dance in the near future but no definite date has been set yet.

The prize for the seller of the most tickets has not been awarded yet, owing to the number of outstanding tickets.

The Tommy Atkins Chapter is deservingly of full credit in its endeavours, their share of the proceeds will amount to a considerable sum.

Satisfactory Financial Condition.

The monthly meeting of the Public Library Board last evening saw a full attendance of members.

Reports of the past year were read and the years financial statement shows \$180.00 in hand over the preceding year. The total expenditures for the year was \$648.40 while the receipts amounted to \$762.69 giving a balance of \$114.29.

The January statement shows receipts of \$1699.76 and expenditure of \$564.44 showing a balance of \$1135.32.

No further information has been received with reference to the coming Art Exhibition which is to appear here on the 18th of the month.

Officers for the forthcoming year were elected, last years slate being returned unanimously.

Child Passed away.

Died—On Feb. 11th, Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph S. Coen, 188 West King Street, aged 2 years, 6 months.

Born.

On Feb. 9th to Mr. and Mrs. John Reitz, 103 Stanley street, a daughter.

the year, 12 Pyjama Suits, 30 Nurses' aprons, 30 pairs sleevelets, 358 bed socks, 20 pairs knitted socks, 13 quilts, 3 comforters, 41 handkerchiefs, 126 head bandages, 117 housewives.

At the signing of the armistice work was commenced for Belgian and French refugees this work being carried on at the homes of the members.

The Relief Committee report special efforts on behalf of the anti-tuberculosis work in Waterloo. Special treatments and necessities were provided.

The treasurer's report shows total receipts to be \$743.06 and expenditures \$732.79, balance from 1917, \$218.41. Total on hand \$228.68, a most satisfactory statement from the financial point of view.

Mrs. Herbert M. Snyder who has been Regent since the organization of the Chapter is deserving of special praise for her work in connection with the Chapter, she has given unstintingly of her time and labours and it is much to her credit that the Chapter now finds itself on such a splendid basis both financially and membership.

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This illustrates the irrepressible high morale and good spirit of the British "Tommy" even when things looked darkest. You cannot beat soldiers like Old Bill, Bert and Alf, whose acquaintance you will make next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at the Allen, in "The Better 'Ole". Seat plan opened today. Three days only, afternoon and night.

NEW RATES A KED BY THE BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

This City Would Pay \$3.00 More on Business And \$2 More on Residence Phones

MONTREAL'S EXPERT SUGGESTS THIS.

OTTAWA, Feb. 12.—A proposal by Mr. Hagenah, the Chicago telephone expert, that Toronto should pay approximately one-half of the increased earnings which he proposes that the Bell Telephone Company of Canada should be permitted to earn evoked considerable interest at the resumed telephone inquiry today before the railway board.

This interest was enhanced perhaps by the circumstance that Mr. Hagenah has been engaged as an expert by the City of Montreal. While he thinks that the Bell Telephone Company should be given an increase in rates sufficient to increase earnings by \$1,000,000 per annum he maintains that the 20 per cent. general advance asked for by the company is too much because it would enhance earnings of the company by over \$2,000,000 per annum.

His Reason.

Mr. Hagenah's reason for suggesting that Toronto should bear \$457,000 of the burden, as compared with \$100,000 by Montreal, \$77,000 by Ottawa, \$27,000 by Hamilton and \$21,000 by Quebec, is that Montreal, as compared more particularly with Toronto, has been discriminated against in the past.

Increases proposed by Mr. Hagenah in business telephone rates run from \$10 in Toronto down to \$2 in smaller cities and in residential rates from \$6 in Toronto to \$2 in smaller places.

The present rates and Mr. Hagenah's proposed rates in the larger centers are:

Business. Residence

Pres. Pro. Pres. Pro. rate rate rate rate.

Toronto \$50 \$60 \$30 \$36

Montreal 55 60 35 36

Ottawa 45 51 25 30

Hamilton 45 51 30 30

Quebec 45 51 30 30

London 45 48 25 30

Windsor 30 36 25 27

Brantford 30 33 25 27

St. Catharines 35 33 25 27

Kitchener 30 33 25 27

Kingston 30 33 25 27

Peterboro 30 33 25 27

Chatham 30 33 25 27

St. Thomas 25 33 20 27

Sherbrooke 30 33 25 27

Stratford 30 33