

NORFOLK NEWS

MAJOR NOTCHES RECORD TRIP

Personals And Odd Ends of News

Simcoe, July 26.—Major W. A. McIntosh, who went overseas as medical officer of the former 133rd Batt., reached Simcoe last evening. The first intimation of his having reached Canada came yesterday morning when he telephoned home that he was stopping over in the city for the day. His approach was bulletined at The Courier agency, and Mayor Sillier and Al. Balline went to meet him at the depot.

The Major looks well and feels well. He has been called home from France for duty, and will report after two weeks' leave, to learn what his duty, and where it is to be performed.

The Major left Europe at midnight on Wednesday, July 17th, and

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sailing on the swiftest ship afloat, and though zig-zagging considerably, and deterred somewhat by fog, his transport stood outside a North American port at midnight on Monday. Coming ashore Tuesday afternoon, he could have been here yesterday at noon, but for stopping over in Toronto.

Press Photographs
Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Boughner left yesterday for a fortnight's holiday tour on the lakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hilliker and two sons, of Vikings, Alta., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gray and daughters, and other relatives in Norfolk.

We Are Going to Bring On Our Annual SUMMER SALE and Our Annual FURNITURE SALE A Week Earlier This Year

We are very glad that we thought of starting these sales in advance, because it will give the hundreds of visitors to the Chautauqua, that will be held in Simcoe July 25th to July 31st, an opportunity to participate in the bargains that will be offered. This is the first opportunity that many people will have to see what the Falls' summer Clearance Sale is like. It is their first opportunity to see a sale in the finest Furniture and Home Furnishing Department within 50 miles of Simcoe. Our Furniture buyer has spent several days in the leading factories picking up fine items for this event.

There will be hundreds of people buying Furniture during our Annual Furniture Sale, who are going to be very much happier in their homes. Sale opens Saturday morning.

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POLICE COURT AT PT. DOVER

Take Markers to Bed With You

Port Dover, July 26.—Magistrate Bond had quite a case up on Wednesday evening when one Bannister appeared to answer a charge of having a car on the street there at 10:45 one evening recently without lights on. Mr. Bannister had dealt the car off to S. L. King of Simcoe, and had neglected to send in the necessary return. Mr. King accepted the responsibility and came down to see the case through. The evidence of Constable Pepper was taken without his having been sworn. The defence had four witnesses to swear an affidavit for both King and Bannister, and King swore that the car and markers was in his garage at Simcoe up till eleven o'clock that evening.

"What make of car was it?" queried Mr. King.

"Why a Ford, of course," said Mr. Pepper.

"Sure it was a Ford?"

"Yes," replied Mr. Pepper.

"But these markers are for a Chevrolet," continued Mr. King, "and as you have owned a Ford for four years you ought to know," and so the magistrate said he would err as to the figures on the marker.

The record made at the time by the constable was not put up as an exhibit.

Could Call Another Witness.
Mr. King offered to produce his garage man to testify in corroboration.

Magistrate Bond observed, "He would have to swear the car was in the garage or perhaps lose his job."

The magistrate admitted the weakness of the prosecution, but pointed out that the constable was not on oath when he had sworn to the markers in laying the information, and the minimum fine was imposed.

Mr. King observed that for himself the safe plan in future would be to take home his markers every night and sleep on them.

Need the Money.
An official present remarked that the Port needed the money, \$15.00 had been spent on street oil and it would help.

Odd Ends of News

The Norfolk Milling Company had shut down, and drained the dam, and a good force was at work yesterday removing the old wooden raceway which is to be replaced by concrete structure. It would have been a splendid opportunity to put concrete abutments under the skew bridges.

The G. T. R. railway bridge over the Lynn, south of the town, is being renewed.

With the water out of the dam turtle soup should now be available and the carp, no longer able to reach their feeding bed under the skew bridge, should bite well.

Local grown variety of apples are already on the market.

Sugar is retailing locally at eleven to twelve dollars a hundred in one dollar lots.

Local grown ripe tomatoes are going out by express in considerable quantity. Cabbage is plentiful, and potatoes are already at 50 cents a peck or \$1.75 a bushel, delivered by growers.

The pea pack has passed the maximum rush point, and already the management sees the beginning of the end.

Mr. Doolittle reached town early in the week, and is preparing for opening the evaporating plant for the coming season's operations.

WANT EMBARGO LIFTED

By Courier Leased Wire.
London, July 25.—"The embargo" which the munition strikers demand shall be removed, "restricts the engagement of additional labor by firms already having a large proportion as their munition work warrants, having regard to the present labor shortage." The main idea of the authorities in imposing the embargo is to maintain the supply of munitions for the troops and to ensure the proper distribution of labor.

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Order-in-Council is Passed to This Effect—Will Help Roads to Meet the Increase in Wages

Ottawa, July 26.—Adding on a report prepared by the Board of Railway Commissioners, an order in Council has been passed increasing freight rates to an amount sufficient to meet the increased operating cost imposed on the railways by the new wage schedule. The increase will average about 20 per cent.

The freight rate increases are the direct outcome of the acceptance in Canada of the McCaDoo award, which applies to both Government railways and railways owned by private companies.

Conformity With United States

The railway companies confronted with demands for increased wages, stated that they were willing to grant the increase in order to conform with the conditions in the United States. They recognized the similarity of operating conditions in Canada and the United States, and they admitted that in general wages scales of railway employees in this country are similar to those in force on the other side. The railway employees are taken in their daily work from one side of the line to the other, and their brotherhoods are identical in their scope. Recognizing these facts and conditions, the Government made effective in Canada the so-called McCaDoo scale of wages. As a corollary the Canadian railways insisted that the McCaDoo scale of freight rates, which were deemed necessary in order to carry the increased cost of railway operation in the United States should be adopted here.

Railway's Conditions

The Canadian railways made this result all the more certain. The earnings of the Grand Trunk in 1916 of \$1,200,000 had dropped in 1917 to such an extent that there were practically no net earnings and no dividends on any of the preferred stock could be declared. There was also a drop in the first six months of this year in the net earnings of the C.P.R. of \$6,500,000 as compared with the first six months of the last year. The deficit on the Canadian Northern was increasing, and there was no other way in which money for meeting the increased scale of wages, which had been demanded, could be raised.

McCaDoo Increase Adopted

By order in Council passed under the War Measures Act, the Government, after considering a report prepared by the Board of Railway Commissioners on the rate situation in Canada, has practically adopted the McCaDoo increase. There are certain exceptions made in cases where it was found that the adoption of the scale would unduly limit or interfere with Canadian commerce.

The export and import rates system in Canadian territory where rates were not increased, continued to stand, and can only be increased subject to a maximum of the lowest rate or rates in American territory to or from the seaboard ports. In like manner the low value ore in the Kootenay district, which could not well stand the American increase, is held down to the stone and rubber commodity basis.

HABEAS CORPUS WRITS REFUSED

Sever Six Applications Before Sir W. Mulock—Held That the Finding of Supreme Court Governed

Toronto, July 26.—Chief Justice Sir William Mulock, who yesterday heard 76 applications for writs of Habeas Corpus at Osceola Hall, held that he was bound by the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada and dismissed the applications. "I do not see," he said in giving judgment, "how any Judge can do anything but be bound by the decision of the

Supreme Court in annulling the order in Council." Sir William said that he had some doubt as to what decision he might have arrived at had not the matter already been passed upon by the Supreme Court, but that under the circumstances he had no doubt as to what was the only course open to him, sitting as a Judge of the Supreme Court of Ontario. In one case, in which Gordon Waldron applied without attacking the validity of the orders of Council, but on the ground that already 100,000 men have been raised under the Military Service Act, he was given leave to bring another application. He asked for a week's adjournment to furnish proof that the specified number have been raised by draft, but W. N. Gilley, Government counsel, discovered that the petition did not set up the ground which he was arguing in support of his application, so that it was also dismissed, with permission to bring the matter before the Court again in a new motion.

Fifty men seeking freedom from military service were represented by Gordon Waldron, and 27 by R. S. Coulter of Cayuga. The cases argued by the former were those of William Alexander, Mumford and Bruce Daniel Whitney. In both instances these young men had been granted exemption as long as they remained on the farm, but had been called to the army under authority of the order in Council of April 20, cancelling their exemption.

AMMUNITION HIDDEN IN IRELAND

Some weeks ago the police authorities in Ireland searched the Smithfield market in Dublin and found 400,000 rounds of ball cartridges concealed in 122 sacks of grain shipped to the North of Ireland. The picture shows 323 bags of the grain and a heap which has been assorted over, and a bag of the corn that forms a portion of the ammunition.

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