

have to be indoors at 7 p.m., and the cripples, as well as those affected by chest complaints, by 5 p.m., but in one way or another, plenty of interesting and enjoyable recreations are provided to enable them to pass the time agreeably.

During October, the following were the principal entertainments arranged:

On the 2nd October, a party of 35 men were invited by His Majesty the King to visit the State Apartments at Windsor Castle. This is now the ninth time that large parties of our men have enjoyed this most interesting trip. After being shown over the State Apartments, and having their rooms and their historical contents explained to them by guides, the men were provided with lunch, in the serving of which Princess Alice and other ladies of the Royal Household assisted.

On the afternoon of 2nd October, 20 men went to one of the well-known concerts and teas at the Savoy Hotel, London, by invitation of Mrs. Corbett.

On the evening of 4th October, we had a whist drive in our Recreation Hall, arranged by the nursing sisters, and in which they and over 40 of the men took part. The winners were presented with prizes provided by members of the staff in Toronto.

On the afternoon of 12th October, 25 men were entertained to a splendid concert and tea by Mr. W. Whitaker at his fine home in Wimbledon in the south-western environs of London. Mr. Whitaker has fortnightly parties of 50 or 70 convalescent soldiers from overseas armies (Canadians, Australians, New Zealanders and South Africans). Princess Marie Louise assisted in serving the tea and entertaining the men at what proved to be a most enjoyable party.

On the evening of 12th October, we had a very enjoyable concert here by a small party of local ladies and gentlemen, arranged by our good friend Mr. H. S. Cadle.

On the afternoon of 16th October, 20 men attended another of the renowned concerts and teas at the Savoy Hotel, London, as before, by invitation of Mrs. Corbett. This is now the twenty-ninth time that she has kindly entertained parties of our men at these splendid fortnightly concerts.

On the evening of 17th October, we had another whist drive in our Recreation Hall, arranged by the nursing sisters, and in which they and about 60 of the men took part. Hand-some prizes for the winners were presented by Sister McMechan.

On the evening of 19th October, a very enjoyable concert was given here by Miss Dorothy Douglas and her party of young lady pierrettes.

On the afternoon of 24th October, another party of 34 men were very kindly entertained by Mr. W. Whitaker to a splendid concert and tea at his home at Wimbledon. As on the

occasion of the previous outing, the arrangements were made by the Canadian Chaplains' Service, and a motor-bus was provided to convey the men to Wimbledon and back. On this occasion all the 70 convalescent soldiers entertained were Canadians, and the outing was greatly enjoyed by all.

On the evening of 25th October, we had another most enjoyable whist drive here, taken part in by about 60 of our men, the nursing sisters and the matron, and two of the nurses from the neighboring British Red Cross Convalescent Home.

On the evening of 27th October, Mr. D. Davidson's Girls' Choir gave an excellent concert in our Recreation Hall. The Choir is composed mostly of girls engaged during the day in factories and workshops, and who devote their spare time in the evenings to giving concerts at hospitals and convalescent homes in and around London.

On the evening of 31st October, Hallowe'en was celebrated by our men in the Recreation Hall here in the good old-fashioned way. A committee of the nursing sisters had arranged an excellent programme comprising some very clever and amusing shadow pictures, and a number of the old-fashioned games, such as apple diving, needle-threading competitions, bun-eating contest, etc. During the evening the men were plentifully supplied with apples and nuts, as well as some of the maple sugar and cigarettes kindly provided by the young ladies of the Toronto Office. The evening was brought to a close by a service of coffee and cakes for all. Nursing Sister Hamilton has contributed a special description of this most enjoyable evening.

Miss Le Fleming and some of our other neighbors and friends occasionally come in for an hour or two of an evening and help to entertain the men by singing and playing at the piano a number of popular songs, in the choruses of which the men join heartily.

During the moonlight nights in October, the German aeroplanes made a number of air raids on London and suburbs. We are always warned of these raids in good time by telephone from police headquarters, and, according to military instructions, the men are then assembled in the large Recreation Hall, which is considered to be the safest place in case bombs were dropped on or near the Home. No bombs have so far been dropped very near, although on several occasions the enemy planes have passed quite close, the noise of the gun-fire and the bursting of the shells from the barrage of our own anti-aircraft guns is rather disconcerting for some of our nervous and shell-shocked patients.

From time to time, especially during the quiet of the evening and in the early morning at dawn, when the attacks are usually