

George Pogue of Ottawa was called back to his home town of Lindsay this week because of the passing of his sister, the late Mrs. Lawrence (Myrtle) McArthur, whose death brought sadness to many local friends and relatives.

George Pogue is another Lindsay boy who has made good. He is remembered as the son of the late Percy Pogue, a former Canadian Pacific Railway operator in Lindsay who was interested in politics and several years ago was candidate for parliamentary honours in Victoria-Haliburton.

George Pogue followed in his father's footsteps as an employee of the C.P.R. and it was while he was a station agent at Janetville that he met his wife, a member of the Bradburn family. Later he was promoted to the office of assistant superintendent on the Trent Division, another favoured move found him located at Ottawa as Assistant Superintendent.

For several years past George Pogue has been the official in charge of an extensive and progressive railway development scheme in the capital city. In conjunction with the C.N.R. the two railway companies have been engaged in levelling to the ground the old Union station and lifting all tracks in the city limits to make way for a green belt in the

heart of Ottawa, which will further enhance the beauty of Ottawa.

George Pogue is the key official representing the C.P.R. in this gigantic plan. His many friends regret the sad mission which brought him to his own home town.

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Twenty-five years ago on May 24, Victoria Day, it was an eventful day for Victoria County and the Town of Lindsay. It was the day when an important chapter was written in the military annals chronicling the entertainment of the 45th Battery on the first lap of the long journey across the Atlantic Ocean.

While the dew was still on the grass, Lindsay's main street was lined with citizens who followed the parade of one of the finest looking and best marching units in the Province to the Canadian Pacific depot on Caroline street. The boys in khaki strutted majestically behind the Lindsay Citizen's band. When the parade reached the railway station the well trained soldiers were greeted by hundreds of men, women, sweethearts and children who amidst tears of joy and sadness at the departure watched with pride as Col. H. H. Brown, O. C., and his officers, lined the men up for inspection before the word "disband" was heard. When the Battery was ordered to "stand at ease"

ordered to "stand at ease" wives, mothers and sweethearts ran forward to embrace departing loved ones. Soon the long special train of coaches was filled with uniformed men — and boys. The throng burst into cheers as the old engine puffed loudly and almost drowned the words of the Conductor of "all aboard."

As the long special moved slowly out of the yard, soldiers leaned out of the windows and crowded the platforms between

coaches. Women waved their 'kerchiefs and men waved their arms and the band played stirring music. Soon the train moved out of sight, destined to stop at Camp Pettawa. Months later, following vigorous training, the Battery sailed across the broad Atlantic for England and shortly afterwards the men from Lindsay and Victoria County were treading on the beaches in France, and marched to battlefields of Flanders.

To the praise of these fine men let it be said their fine training served them well on many occasions and they fought bravely for King and Country, and many paid the supreme sacrifice. Yes, May 24th, 25 years ago was a epoch-making day for Lindsay and district.