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VETERANS HOLD VERY ENJOYABLE SMOKER

Impromptu Program was Unusually Good and All in the Big Gathering Had a Good Time

A very pleasant evening was spent in the Oddfellows' Hall on Friday night at the first Smoker given by the Goldfields Branch of the Great War Veterans Association. The Smoker was for the members of the local branch of the G. W. V. A., and for all other returned soldiers, while there were also a half dozen other invited guests. The hall was comfortably filled with returned men and the whole evening was a very pleasant one. There was a plentitude of the best "Smokes," while an ample supply of light beer also was on tap. The cigars, cigarettes, etc., were kindly donated for the occasion by the following: Ben Jacobs, T. F. King's Amusement Parlors, J. A. Howse, Mr. Massey of Lowery's Wholesale, F. M. Burke, E. J. Meyers and the Curtis Drug Co. Everything was of the best quality from the smokes and beer to the addresses and from the songs and sociability to the cigarettes. Before the program proper started the boys had a sing-song, with Comrade P. Dougall at the piano, the selections including all the popular trench and marching songs. The hall heard "We'll Never Let the Old Flag Fall" thundered out by the very men who risked their lives to keep the Old Flag flying. The returned men sang once more "Tipperrary," and the other songs that they used to cheer less pleasant days and while away more dangerous hours.

The President Geo. A. Smith then took the chair and in a few brief words introduced the program of the evening, which, though an impromptu one, was one of noteworthy general excellence and showing the talent possessed by the G. W. V. A. in Timmins. With Mr. H. W. Martin presiding in his usual capable and enthusiastic manner at the piano for the evening, the program opened with the chorus, "Pack up Your Troubles in Your Old Kit Bag, and Smile, Smile, Smile!" And "everybody did! The whole evening there was nothing but fun and good fellowship and good music and happy addresses.

In introducing Dr. McInnis, Mayor of Timmins, and Fire Chief A. Borland, and G. A. Macdonald, Editor of The Advance, President Smith referred to the interest shown by these three men in the returned soldiers and the special attention given by them as members of the Civic Reception Committee to welcome Returned men to the Camp. Mention was also made of the assistance and sympathetic publicity given to the G. W. V. A. by the press. When Dr. McInnis rose to speak the Veterans greeted him with two enthusiastically rendered verses of "For He's A Jolly Good Fellow." In a brief but witty address he set a high standard for the addresses to follow. After evidencing his appreciation of the returned men, most of whom he had known for a long time, the Mayor said that it was the intention of the Town to give a fitting, formal public reception to the returned men in the near future when they had all gathered back here. He also made feeling reference to those who would come back no more, whose memory had been honored at the opening of the evening by all standing silent with bowed heads for two minutes. The Mayor explained that it was the intention to assist the Veterans in financing their club rooms, by donating a material part of the money remaining from the Patriotic Clubs here. Fire Chief Borland and G. A. Macdonald also made brief addresses during the evening, the former being loudly cheered when he closed by saying that if any of the returned men wanted any help that he could give them in any way they had only to let him know, and the latter after some stories, referring to the good citizenship of the returned men and the help they can give in the solving of Canada's present pressing problems.

The opening song of the program was "When the Nightingales are Singing," effectively rendered by Comrade Jack Carey whose fine voice and talented rendition won an enthusiastic encore. Comrade Calvary in a humorous song, with a cleverly-rendered laughing chorus, brought down the house, and his response to the encore was equally successful, the latter being a humorous thrust at doctors and their fees and church-going habits. Comrade J. Staples in comic songs was happy and made the audience equally so, his selections being specially enjoyed. Comrade Drummond introduced his song with stories and witticisms that convulsed the audience, while in a brief but very witty address Mr. H. W. Martin delighted the audience with anecdotes and humorisms. Mr. Martin also added to the evening's pleasure by one

of his well-rendered piano solos. Mr. R. F. Argles started with a witty speech, went on to stories that made the audience roar and concluded with a clever rendering of a tongue-twisting reading. Hearty applause was also given to Comrade Prangley for his song, Lauder's "Safest of the Family." President Smith also favored the audience with a very capable presentation of a Pennsylvania Dutchman's story of a baby on a railway track and how the "ginger beer" leaned out of the "cat boot's" window and saved the child's life though wrecking the train and killing 624 passengers. A vote of thanks to the Comrades and visitors giving the program was moved by Comrade P. Dougall and seconded by Comrade J. Macgregor and carried enthusiastically. It is the intention of the Veterans to hold further Smokes of this kind and a Concert in the theatre in the future, and judging from the unusual talent shown in Friday evening's impromptu program the public may expect something out of the ordinary when the Veterans prepare for the events.

SHOULDER DISLOCATED DURING FIRE PRACTICE

On Thursday evening, while the Fire Department were at practice, Alex Borland, one of the expert members of the Brigade, and son of Fire Chief Borland had the misfortune to dislocate his shoulder. He was jumping from the wagon to see about the coupling of some hose, when the hose apparently threw him to the ground. He fell heavily on his shoulder, but at once picked himself up and went on with the work without saying anything to anyone. It was noticed that in making couplings, etc., he only seemed to use one arm, but in the pressure of the race no particular attention was paid to it. When the run was all completed it was noted that Fireman Borland was hurt and medical attention was at once secured. It was found that his shoulder was dislocated, and Drs. Moore and Shields replaced the injured shoulder. Alex will carry his arm in a sling for the next week or so, but though the injury is a painful one he still has his ready smile. When asked why he didn't drop out of the practice when he knew that he had hurt himself his answer was: "Why, you have to run the practices on the same plan as if they were the real race, and in a real race a fireman would have to go through with it, wouldn't he?" So he carried on till the event was finished, just as the boys overseas of whom he was one of the early ones to go carried on until the victory was won.

TIMMINS RED CROSS REPORT FOR MONTH

The following is the report for the month of May of the Timmins Red Cross Society:

Receipts—May 6, cash on hand, \$1246.58; goods sold—Mrs. Dorway, \$1.00; Mrs. Dodge, \$3; Mrs. King, \$3.00; Mrs. Lawlor, \$3.00; Miss Rose, \$1.50; Mrs. McDonnell, \$39.75; Mrs. Spencer, 25 cents; Mrs. Charette, \$2.50; Mrs. Brown, \$7.05; Miss Coppins, \$2.50; Mrs. Barnes, \$7.50; Mrs. Abund, \$35.00; Mrs. Craig, 60 cents; Mrs. McInnis, \$12.00; Mr. Kabel, \$18.30; Mrs. Dolihan, \$5.50; Mrs. Allaire, \$5.00; Mrs. Grimston, \$1.00; Mrs. Vollett, \$1.50; Mrs. Mitchell, \$1.50; Mrs. Seguin, \$5.30; total, \$1406.33.

Expenditures—May 8, To Canadian Red Cross Society Headquarters, \$1000.00. Balance on hand, \$406.33. Total, \$1406.33.

RUM FOR BRITISH NAVY STOLEN AT COCHRANE

Eleven barrels of a superior brand rum were recently shipped from Halifax to British Columbia for the use of the Navy. Owing to the strike at Winnipeg freight shipments were held at Cochrane on the Government Railway, and while the consignment of rum was sidetracked at Cochrane, of course some Cochrane folks got wind of it. The ultimate result was that the car containing the rum was looted and the floor drilled through in several places, until at last, of course, a barrel was also pierced by the augur. The contents of this barrel were allowed to run through into waiting receptacles which were then carefully hidden in the brush near the C. G. R. track. But the officials also soon learned of the interference with the car, and T. & N. O. Swan and Inspector Rowell got busy. They eventually located the stolen liquor and also trailed along until they were able to secure evidence against Joe Taillon, night janitor of the T. & N. O. at Cochrane, and Night Operator Fisher. Before the Magistrate, Taillon pleaded guilty and was remanded for sentence this week. Fisher in the meantime has disappeared, but the police are looking for him and expect to find him soon. Thirty gallons of the forty-six stolen have been recovered. As a consequence of the efforts of the police the sailors at Esquimaut will not be defrauded out of their issue of rum.

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