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PET BEAR OF 159th MADE BIG HIT IN OLD LONDON

The pet bear used as a mascot by the 159th Battalion has created quite a sensation and achieved unusual popularity at the Zoo in London, England, to judge by the references made to the animal in the newspapers of the world's greatest city. "Darky," the 159th Battalion's pet, was caught by Pte. Guppy at Temagami and was trained and taken overseas by the boys of the Battalion. According to the London Standard, "Darky" has made quite a reputation as a mimic and as a dainty spoon feeder as well. His daily receptions are always well attended. At the call of his keeper he will bark like a dog, cry like a child, and utter sounds similar to those emitted by a working man who, after a weary tramp, finds the sign "No Beer" displayed at this local hostelry. When "Darky" is offered syrup in a spoon he licks the latter clean inside and out, and then chortles, gurgles and laughs. When he finds that there is no more to follow, he uses the bear language equivalent to the talk of an angry fishwife from Billingsgate. "Darky" in other ways shows a number of human traits that attract and please the crowds who laugh at the human-like selfishness and greed displayed by the bear though, doubtless, they would take it all as a matter of course if it came from a man or a boy.

SCHUMACHER LADIES PLAY GOOD BASEBALL

At Schumacher last week there was an interesting and keenly-contested game of baseball between the married ladies and single ladies, both teams being in the best of condition and putting up a really good line of ball. Only five innings were played, the score at the end of that time being 10 to 9, the married ladies winning the game but the closeness of the score proving that the single ladies held up their end of the game in good fashion. The spectators pronounce the game as one of the best of the season in the district and hope that other similar matches will be played. For the married the following was the lineup:— Mrs. Parker, pitcher; Mrs. Calverey, catcher; Mrs. Goodheart, first base; Mrs. Curtis, second base; Mrs. Brown, short stop; Mrs. Davis, third base; Mrs. Monaghan, left field; Mrs. Henderson, right field; Mrs. Archambault, centre field. The single ladies had the following players in order as named:— Miss Plaunt, Miss Bergeron, Miss Hogg, Miss Goodheart, Miss Hawley, Miss Little, Miss Cousineau, Miss Marcotte, Miss Myers.

BASEBALL AMONG THE SOLDIER BOYS OVERSEAS

Sergt. Frank Smith Writes of the Inter-Allied Games

There will be general interest in the following letter from Sergt. S. Frank Smith, of the Canadian Army team in the Inter-Allied games. Writing to Sergt. W. M. Widdifield, from Paris, he says:—

Dear Widdy:— You will no doubt be surprised to hear from me at this place. I just landed here this morning and as yet an just sight-seeing about camp. Well, Widdy, we had a successful baseball season. We won fourteen straight games before being beaten. We won our area and were sent to London to play off for the championship of England. There were seven teams in it. We were representing London, and then there was Seaford, Buxton, Rhyll, Witley, Ashford and Rippon. The first day we beat Seaford, and Rhyll beat Witley, and Rippon beat Buxton. The second day we beat Ashford, while Rippon beat Rhyll. In the final Rippon beat us 4 to 2,—this being our first defeat. The games all led to picking an all-star team to represent Canada at this Inter-Allied meet. Yours Truly was surprised to be picked. We have eighteen men, including six pitchers and three catchers. I am an outfielder now, compres, having been doing so for the last seven games. I also played 1st base one game and 2nd one game. Am hitting about 400 per cent. This is going to be some time over here. Each Allied Country is represented. There are track teams, boxers, wrestlers, footballers, rugbyists, etc., from all over. Each country has an allotment of space for their quarters. America, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, France, Roumania, Arabia, Czechoslovak, and lots besides these. The games are to start on June 22 and to last until the 6th of July. Sunningdale team is well represented. There were five of us picked,—Edjs, Pickham, Gilpatrick and (Moose) Hurd, and myself. The balance are from Rhyll, Witley and Epsom. I have had some time since you went away. We were in London every for two or three days at a time. I met Dan Dooley and Pete Bardesseno there one time. I think I will close for now, but will write again and let you know how we are getting along. Best regards to Bunny, when you see him, also to Drew. I have a picture of the team I will send you the next time I write. Best regards to all. Sergt S. F. Smith, Canadian Athletic Team, Inter-Allied Games, Paris.

TISDALE COUNCIL GETS FURTHER SUPPLY OF HOSE

At the last regular meeting of the Tisdale Council held last month among the interesting items dealt with was the report of the Fire & Light Committee. This Committee reported that the Fire Pump was covered by insurance to the extent of \$5,000, and that all Municipal buildings and apparatus in the Township were now covered by insurances. The question of purchasing additional hose pipe was discussed. On motion of Councillors Hutchison and Muskett, it was decided that the Clerk be instructed to order 1,000 feet of Dunlop 2 1/2 inch standard Underwriters' Fire Hose, at price of \$1.50 per foot, f. o. b. Toronto, from the Dunlop Tire and Rubber Goods Co., Limited. The Clerk was instructed to inform the Geo. Taylor Hardware Co., of Cobalt that later on the Council might be in a position to consider the purchase of their two-inch steel pipe. The Clerk was instructed to write the Timmins Branch of the Great War Veterans' Association and tell them this Council is prepared to meet them at any time to discuss with them the Labor Situation. The usual accounts for salaries, payroll, supplies, etc., were considered and ordered paid. On motion of Councillors Muskett and Walton, it was resolved that this Council as a whole form itself into a Committee for the purpose of investigating the condition of the Corporation Books, etc., and arrange for any improvements and corrections necessary, the meeting to be held on Monday, the 30th. The Township Solicitor was instructed to take proceedings against the King George Hotel Company, unless the same are protected by insurance assigned to the Township on or before July 5th. The question of a night policeman was discussed, and on motion of Councillor Maekie, the Chief of Police was authorized to engage a special officer for duty when and where he is required. The Township Foreman was also authorized, on motion of Councillors Hutchison and Muskett to purchase enough 40 per cent asphaltum oil to oil the road in Schumacher from the McIntyre property to the station.

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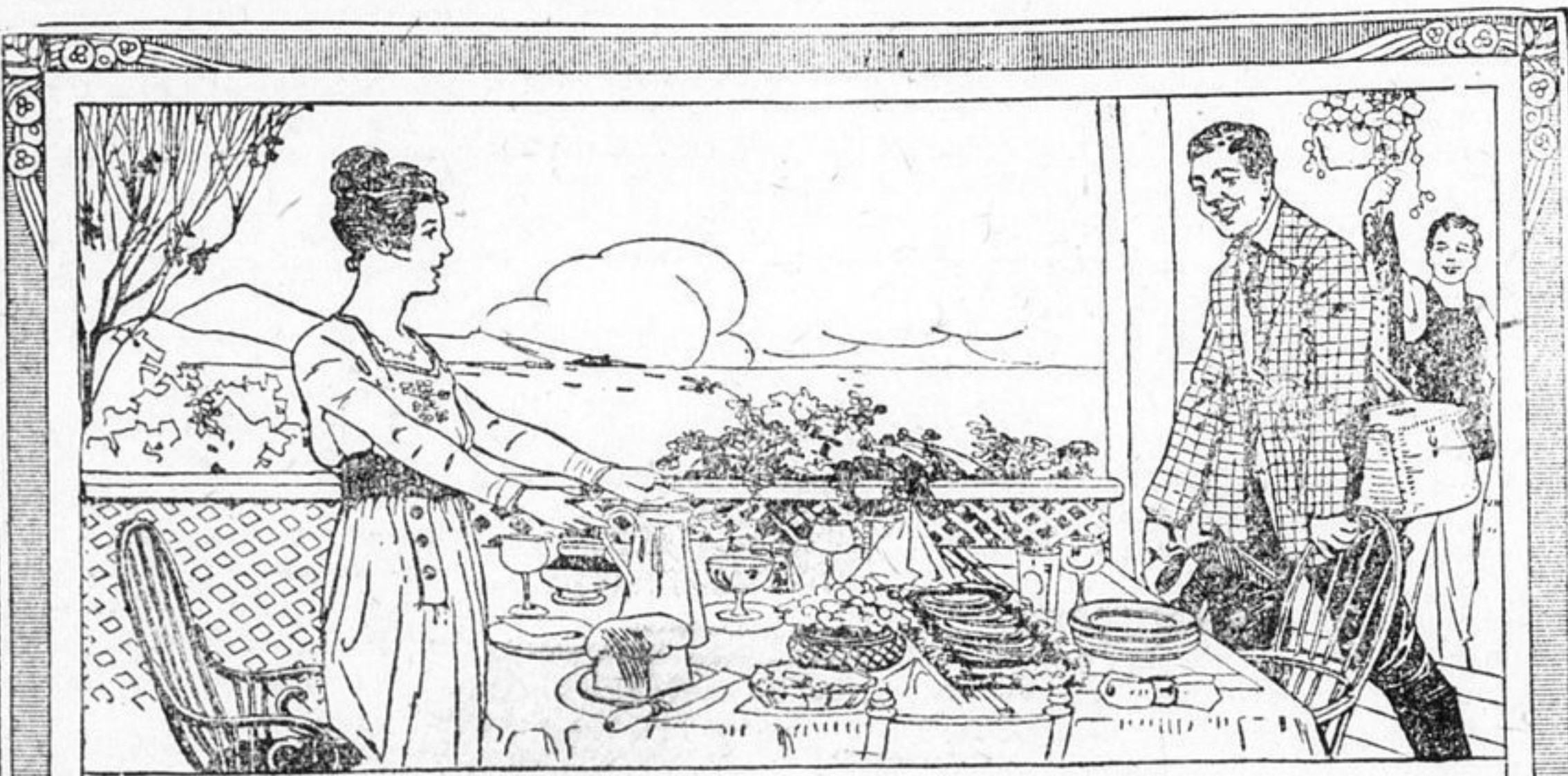
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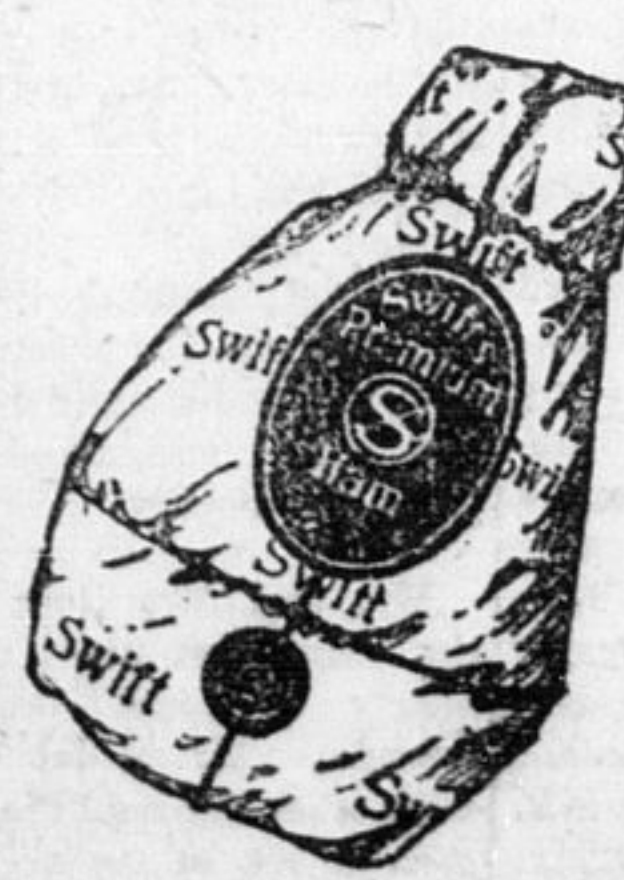


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