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VETERANS ARE READY TO PERFORM MILITARY DUTY WHENEVER REQUIRED.

They Organized on Monday Night Under the Direction of Lieut.-Col. Hunter—The Minister of Militia Notified.

The veterans in Kingston and district have organized, and are now an association, as Lieut.-Col. Hunter said: "Although we were born a little too soon, we are ready now to offer our services either as individuals or as a body to the militia department to be used in any capacity that it may see fit."

Those present were: W. H. Godwin, Charles N. Spooner, H. Healey, W. G. Wells, M. H. Claxton, A. M.



LIEUT.-COL. GEORGE HUNTER

Chisholm, Thomas Smeaton, James E. Dillon, James Bennett, John A. Nesbit, T. Delph, R. McMillan, J. E. Moncrieff, George L. Laves, W. Gilbert, Ashplant, J. E. Jordan, G. Plumb, J. R. Donaldson, William McCammon, Thomas Moore, Thomas MacKenzie, F. Beale, William Toner, Horace Attwood, James G. Evans, William Crahan, W. C. Leighton.

The chairman then called on several of those present to give suggestions as to what it would be best to do in the organizing of the veterans. He said that there were now 240 names on his veterans' roll and the list was still increasing. There were 5,000 registered in Toronto and they were very strong as an organization in helping their comrades.

Rev. J. Forrester spoke of coming from a fighting family and also in which the "Tyrant of the Rhine" was despoiling beautiful countries in his attempt to conquer the world. A. M. Chisholm said he remembered distinctly the call that came out at five o'clock in the morning of that memorable date, July 2nd, 1866, and how by 11 o'clock the 51st battalion of Belleville was entrained for Prescott.

Col. C. Spooner was willing to show his patriotism by offering to take up his rifle and go to the front even now. W. H. Godwin, an ex-member of the N.W.M.P., said that rifles should be asked for and rifle practice carried on. He gave many practical suggestions.

J. R. Donaldson said that the veterans should organize immediately and help the patriotic fund campaign in every manner possible. William McCammon suggested that the veterans should meet for roll call at least once a month. They should help veterans in need and help the collectors in the patriotic fund.

Col. W. Gilbert Ashplant, late O. C. No. 3 company, Southwark battalion, N. R. London, England, gave some very good suggestions on the plans used in England.

After other members had given their experience and offered suggestions, the following officers were elected: Chairman Lieut.-Col. S. C. McMillan, vice-chairman, Lieut.-Col. George Hunter; secretary, Dr. J. G. Evans; executive committee, Col. C. N. Spooner, J. R. Donaldson, W. McCammon, G. H. Healey, John Gleason and A. M. Chisholm.

It was suggested that a communication be sent to Col. Sam Hughes minister of militia telling him of the meeting. This was heartily agreed to. The next meeting will be held on Monday evening, October 5th at 7.30 p.m., in the immigration rooms, and all veterans are requested to be present.

THE SPORT REVIEW.

Notes About Baseball, Rugby and Lacrosse.

International baseball league records show that Newark has dropped seventeen and Montreal fifteen games in a row this season.

Sam Manson, re-elected captain of the Hamilton team, national senior football champions, led the Tigers to the championship last fall.

Toronto Telegram: In Paris, just now, there is but one answer to the question: "Can the Kaiser come back?"

Rumor has it that Syracuse will take the place of Baltimore in the International baseball league next season, Jack Dunn, the Oriole boss, is to manage the team.

Christy Mathewson is the king of the National League pitcher, and Honus Wagner is the king of the National league batter. For fourteen years these marvels have battled; away and the verdict is in favor of the husky Pirate.

After weeks of idleness the Vancouver and New Westminster professional lacrosse teams jumped back into the game on Saturday, playing in aid of the war relief fund. The Minto cup molder proved to be in the better condition, and on the heavy field easily outplayed the Vancouver, winning by a score of 5 to 3.

Eddie Gerard, former captain, has been appointed coach of the Ottawa football club. Rev. Father Stanton could not take charge for some time at least. Phillips refused on account of being president of the Big Four. Either Dave McCann or "Silver" Quilty will act as captain.

Ottawa will have a senior team in the O.R.F.U., whether or not it will be Ottawa College or Ottawa was not divulged. This new O.R.F.U. club will be a very strong aggregation as it will include the majority of the players of the Ottawa College Riders, as well as the Ottawa College students. This is the opening that the Ontario Union has looked forward to in Ottawa for many years past, but owing to having to make three trips west in former years, and the fact that there were two teams in Ottawa at that time, it was not deemed feasible.

A COMMONPLACE BOARD

Appointed to Carry Out Workmen's Compensation Act.

Toronto, Sept. 22.—Political truce, which is still being maintained in all matters affecting the war and the defense of the country, does not make the Ontario government secure from serious criticism for its choice of the Workmen's Compensation board. Praise given from government supporters is noticeable by its absence and constant in prevalent grounds for criticism are the appointment of a disappointingly commonplace board and the failure to include on it a representative of labor.

Dr. Fridtjof Nansen sees Country in Danger. Christiania, via London, Sept. 22.—Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, former Norwegian minister to Great Britain, caused a sensation in the quiet and peacefully neutral capital, when he stated before an assembly, composed of prominent members of the cabinet and students of Christiania university, that Norway's situation is as precarious as that of Belgium.

GERMANS' BIG HANDICAP.

Can't Fight Without Food or Ammunition.

Rotterdam, via London, Sept. 22.—There seems to be little doubt that the German retirement at the western theatre of the war was due largely to the subsistence problem, with which the army had been wrestling for some time owing to the rapid advance.

Authoritative information, describing conditions at the front, indicates that the troops subsisted largely on food which they commandeered, and, in many cases, lived on dry bread for more than a week. This was especially the case with those advancing by way of Belgium, who were obliged to fall back further than those in the south.

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WITH THE BRAVE DEAD

GRAPHIC STORY OF THE CROSSING OF THE AISNE.

Pierre Tide of Battle—Struggle Terrible—The Last Stand of Germans in France—Correspondent Passes Through Smiling Land to Land Wearing Mask of Death.

London, Sept. 22.—The London Times' special correspondent in France says: From a point behind the lines by Senlis and Chantilly I have passed through a smiling land to a land wearing the mask of death; through harvest fields rich with great stacks, snugly built against winter, to fields of brave harvest; by jocund villages where there is no break in the ebb and flow of everyday life, to villages and towns that despoiling hands have shattered in ruins.

The crossing of the Aisne by the allied troops was, as all the world now knows, accomplished on Sunday under circumstances of desperate strain and stress. On the north bank the enemy was repulsed with a sweeping force, but was able to reform his ranks for another stand. He was able, too, as we have reason to know, to hurry large reinforcements toward this vital part of his line.

On Monday the second and greater battle of Aisne opened all along the line. Details of this fight, which as I write reached the third day of duration, are very scanty, but from personal observation and information which reached me, I know the struggle so far has been terrible, one equal to if not greater than the struggle on the banks of the Marne.

The events of Monday revealed the foe battling desperately for his life. This defence of General Von Kluck's army demanded of the allies and is still demanding, their utmost strength and determination. I see through these fierce hours the tide of battle ebbing and flowing across the plain which runs deeply betwixt high banks. Along this huge front there are varying fortunes, though everywhere the same zeal and fury of conflict. I see tremendous doings on these rough, newly-made bridges in the region of Noyon, of Vic-sur-Aisne and of Soissons. I know of the heroic work against these great lines, a work that will live with the most momentous of this struggle.

NORWAY MUST PREPARE.

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Labor men, themselves, are not silent. J. Gilpin, the well-known union leader, points out that the government, while it has appointed a representative of the manufacturers and the employers, "has ignored the request of the working people by not appointing Fred. Bancroft." H. B. How says: "Labor interests are responsible for this appointment of a disappointingly commonplace board and the failure to include on it a representative of labor."

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KAISER WAS IN FRANCE.

But Left When Germans Retreated Across Marne.

Behind the Allies' lines in France Sept. 22.—It is reported that the German Kaiser came to Montmedy and penetrated into France in a very bad state. In fact, unless they strike an essential organ, only a slight scar remains after a fortnight to warrant the bearer to declare proudly: "You see, I was there."

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