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Imposing Gathering at City Park on Anniversary of Battle of Langemarc—Hon. W. D. McPherson, Provincial Secretary, Delivered An Address at the Ceremonies.

A garrison parade to City Park, where the Army and Navy Veterans placed a floral wreath on the maple tree planted in memory of Lieut. Calvin Day in the Second Battalion, 1915, was one of the features of the Langemarc celebration.

Hon. W. D. McPherson, provincial secretary, paid a visit to the city for the occasion, and delivered an address. The wreath was placed on the tree by Pte. Frank Smith and First Petty Officer Leyman. Pte. Frank Smith served under the late Lieut. Calvin Day in the Second Battalion. Upon arrival at the park the different units formed into a square, and the proceedings opened at 2.30 o'clock. The cadets of the Royal Military College, cadets of the Royal Naval Academy, formed in line with the Depot Battalion, R.C.H.A. and various other units in training here. A large number of veterans wearing badges turned out, also the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, under Lieut. Rodgers.

As the different units were lined up they formed a most imposing scene. A large number of citizens attended the ceremonies.

At the opening the R.C.H.A. band played the National Anthem and this was followed with scripture reading and prayer by Major G. I. Campbell, chaplain for the Army and Navy Veterans' Association. Following this the band gave another selection, and afterwards the wreath of flowers was placed on the tree. Then the band played the well-known hymn, "Lead Kindly Light."

Mayor J. H. Hughes introduced Hon. Mr. McPherson, in a brief address. "We are here to commemorate one of the greatest battles which has taken place since the war began," said his worship. He added that the city was very glad to have the honor of a visit from Mr. McPherson, who, he stated, was devoting much of his time to the returned soldiers, as chairman of the Soldiers' Aid Commission for the Province of Ontario.

Hon. Mr. McPherson stated that it was most fitting that Langemarc should be celebrated, and that a ceremony of this kind should take place. Since August 4th, 1914, when war was declared, things had moved along very quickly. The Germans had placed tremendous forces under preparation for forty years, while our own nation was largely in a state of unpreparedness, but thanks to Providence, we had been able to uphold and maintain the glory of the British Empire, and had been able to serve as one of the bulwarks of freedom and civilization, and humanity throughout the world. Many serious engagements had taken place since the war began, and no doubt many more would take place, but he did not overestimate what took place on April 23rd, 1915, when on that day the fate of liberty depended, and it was most remarkable from the standpoint of men from Canada, and these men from Canada were put to a test that no more seasoned troops had ever faced before or even since. "From that time on," added the speaker, "Canada was regarded as a

worthy member of the British forces. Thousands of brave men—over 40,000, have rendered up their lives to the service of King and Empire, and we know not yet how many more sacrifices we may be called upon to make. The men of the war, proved themselves, and their deeds will serve as an inspiration for all who follow them. The work of the Canadians has been crowned with valor and heroism.

"During the past few days there has been a lull in the events at the front, and we are told by our military advisers that this is but a preliminary to what might be a greater offensive.

By the holding of this ceremony, the speaker declared that the people showed grateful hearts for what had been accomplished for the nation. Turning to the large assemblage, the speaker said he was pleased to see many who had seen service overseas—men who had faced the foe, heard the great guns, and had taken an active part in the great struggle. He was glad also to notice the men who had been decorated for brave deeds at the front.

Continuing, Hon. Mr. McPherson paid a warm tribute to the various units which had left this district to serve overseas. "Magnificent contingents have left from this district," he said. "But make up your mind," he said in his concluding words, "that we will sacrifice in this great war. Still greater efforts are sure to be demanded. He paid tribute to the Royal Military College, for the splendid part that institution was taking in the war. Since the college had opened about 1876, there had been 1,400 graduates, and hundreds of them had performed their duties, and had paid the supreme sacrifice.

The cadets who had fallen in battle had served nobly and their work would serve as an inspiration for the cadets taking the places of the fallen heroes. Speaking directly to the naval college, Mr. McPherson said that in the days to come they would be called upon to join one of "the greatest aggregations"—that of his Majesty's Navy, which had never allowed a hostile flag to fly in any of the British domains and had always safeguarded the interests of humanity.

Following the address of Mr. McPherson, the band played a number of patriotic airs, ending with the National Anthem, and this brought the interesting programme to a close. Among those present for the ceremonies were Brigadier-General T. D. R. Hemming, Col. Charles F. Winters, representing the Minister of Militia, Col. Mansell, Col. G. Hunter-Ogilvie, Col. J. N. S. Leslie, Col. C. N. Perreau, Commander Nixon of the Royal Naval Academy, Major Weather- spoon, Major G. I. Campbell, Major Kidd.

The Rose Ball. As the final act of the Langemarc celebration, a rose ball was held in the City Hall on Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Army and Navy Veterans' Association. Each person attending wore a rose in honor of St. George, the patron saint of England. Dancing was indulged in until one o'clock on Wednesday morning.

FARMERS KEEP OLD TIME
 Most of Them Refuse to Move Their Clocks On An Hour.

That the farmers in this district still maintain their hostility towards the daylight saving regulation was a statement of a farmer to the Whig. He said that all over the country the farmers refuse to move their watches one hour ahead because they feel they cannot rise one hour earlier than they are now doing. "I get up at four o'clock every morning now," said the farmer, "and I can't be expected to rise at three o'clock by the new time." It was pointed out, however, that instead of rising an hour earlier he could rise at the same time as now but that his watch would register five o'clock instead of four o'clock.

It was the members of parliament representing farming constituencies that opposed the passing of the measure in the federal house, and the farmers have not taken kindly to the measure for which there is so much enthusiasm in the cities. The farmers have been quite bewildered at times when they come to the city and find that their timepieces do not agree with Big Ben in the City Hall tower. As a result of their failure to acquiesce to the new law, considerable confusion has occurred when they forget that the city is under the new time and consequently arrive an hour late.

"WATCH YOUR STEP"
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Irving Berlin's most famous musical comedy, "Watch Your Step," delighted a large audience in the Grand Opera House on Tuesday evening. The cast endeavored to please and their efforts were met with much applause. The plot was remarkably thin, even for a musical comedy. As a result there was a lack of harmony among the principals, and rather a series of skits presented in rapid succession.

Charles E. Udel as Ebenezer Hardacre, a thrifty sport; Fred Hillebrand as Joseph Lillyburn, an elongated dancing teacher, and Goff Phillips as a negro porter, provided some good comedy work.

The music was tunesful and the numbers were pretty. The songs of Fred Coombs, "Vesti la Giubba," and "Wasn't It Yesterday?" in beautiful tenor voice, were much enjoyed as interludes.

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Michael Corkey was badly hurt by falling off a scaffold on Montreal street.

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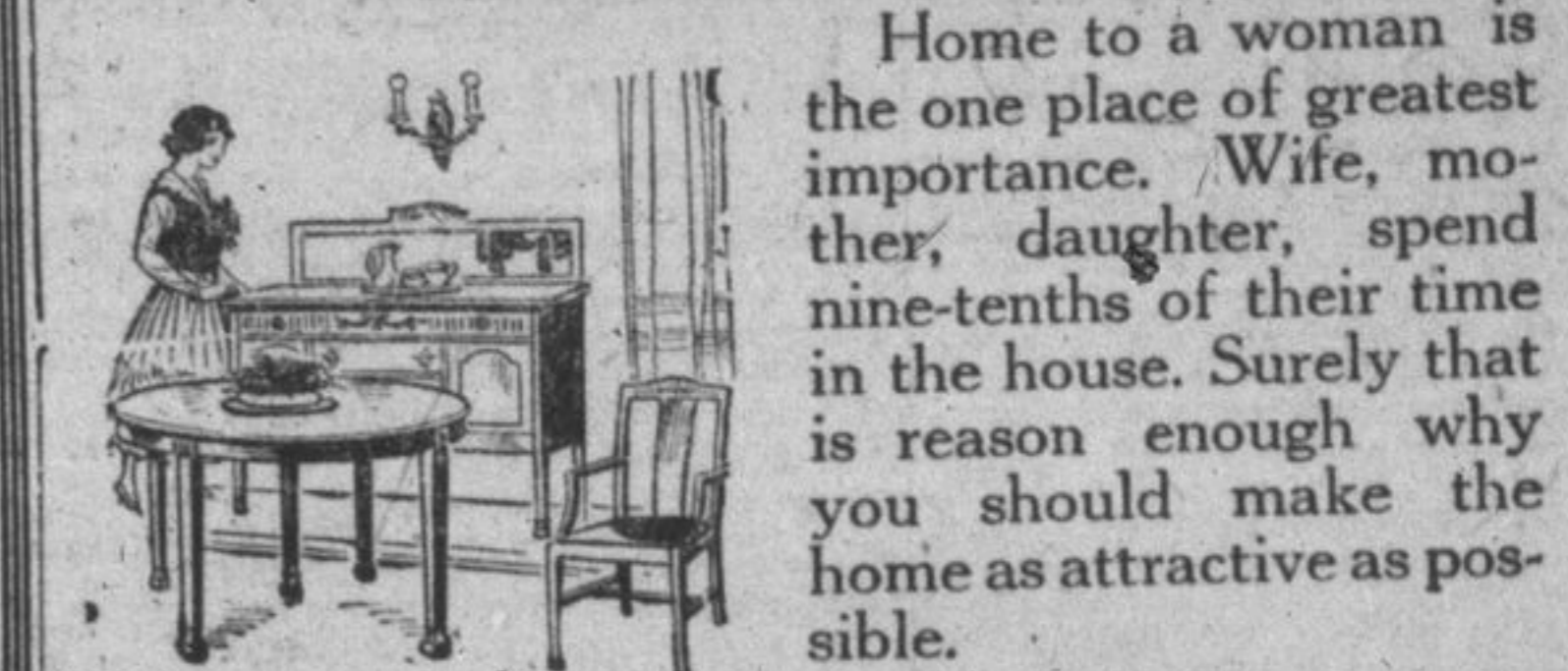
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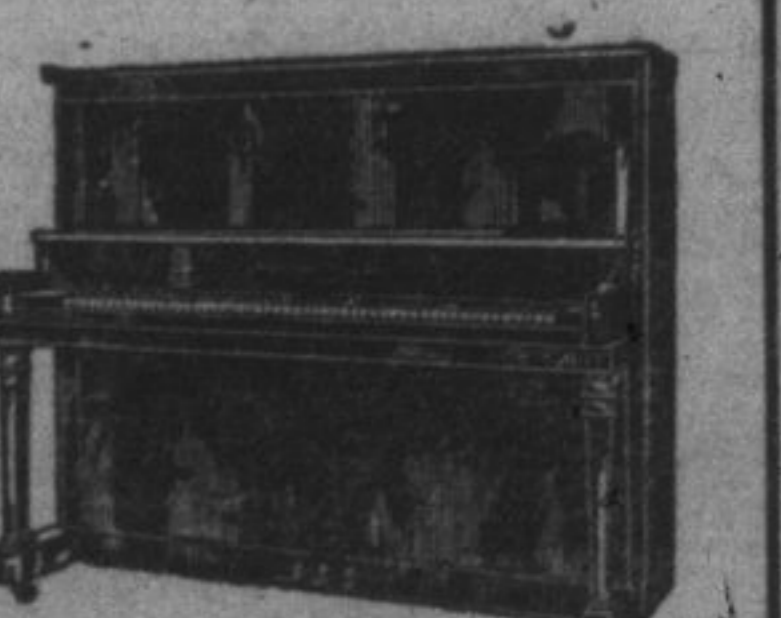
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