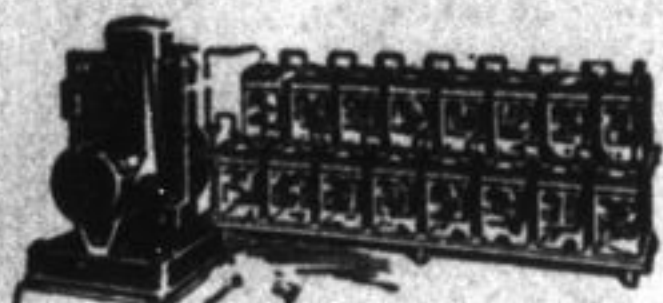


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WINTER WILLIES.

By George S. Chappell.

I
Skating where ice was thin,
Little Willie tumbled in.
"Never mind," I heard him say,
"This is bath night, anyway."

II
Willie, with his hockey-stick,
Hit the puck an awful lick.
Straight it sped toward Papa's face;
They can't find Pa's tooth any place.

III
Willie, on the icy slide,
Asked his Aunt Estelle, to ride.
"Sit in front, dear Aunt," said he,
"Like as not we'll hit a tree."

IV
Little Willie, in the yard,
Threw a snow-ball round and hard.
Dr. Titus, driving by,
Got some wind-shield in his eye.

V
Little Willie found a fuse
Such as quarry-workmen use.
This he rammed in Papa's pipe.
Papa's face looks awful ripe.

Dividing It.
Mrs. Preston (bitterly): "You're a fool!"
Preston (victoriously): "Well, you're my better half."

Queered It!
Mähler: "So that 'secret' society you belonged to has disbanded, eh? What was the trouble?"
Patek: "They added a Women's Auxiliary."

—Gertrude.
Only one man in a thousand is a leader of men.
The other 999 are followers of women!

The Infant-ry, The Infant-ry,
With the—
The young man of the house was ill of pneumonia and sympathizing friends had sent many flowers which seemed to be quite a source of wonderment to Harold, a little cousin of four years.

Soon a caller came to ask about the young man's condition. Little Harold met him at the door and the caller asked: "How is Charlie to-day?"
"Well," said Harold, "he ain't dead yet, but the flowers are nearly all here."

—Mrs. F. V. P.

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Ringling the Belle.
I gave her a ring,
And I felt rather grand, sir.
She was such a sweet thing
That I gave her a ring,
For I wanted to cling
To my darling embrancer.
I gave her a ring—
But they told me: "No answer."
—Joseph Staats.

The Interrupted Lover.
"Twas late one night he spoke to her;
He roared his love with eloquence.
He hoped her tenderness to stir
When late that night he spoke to her,
Nor reckoned not what did occur—
Her folks o'erheard and drove him hence.
"Twas late one night he spoke to her,
That Tom Cat on the backyard fence."
—Byron Frederickson.

Kidding Somebody.
Easter: "You say that the mine was nearly full of blood! Horrible! But how did it happen?"
Western: "Oh, one of the min-

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THREE CHAMPIONS.
(A Tongue-Twister.)
Babe Hogan, shaking a speedy leg,
Was champion skater of Winnipeg;
She met Cap Higgin (and his toboggan)
The champion slider, from Copenhagen.
"I greatly admire you Winnipeg-gans."
Higgin said, "in your shapely leggings."
"Go slide your toboggan," Babe Hogan bade Higgin,
"For I am engaged to a jealous Chicagoan;
His name is Tobe Egan and he is a big 'un—
Chicagoan Tobe Egan," Babe Hogan told Higgin;
"If Tobe hears you braggin' of Babe Hogan's leggin,
And such lollygaggin', with gags about huggin',
Tobe Egan, the big 'un, will crack your big noggin,
And, further, Tobe Egan will bust your toboggan!"
—Bernie Shantz.
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GEN. LESSARD TALKS ON NAVAL MATTERS

What Navy League is Doing—Canada Spends Little for Navy Protection.

The speaker at the meeting of the Kiwanis Club on Monday at noon at the Frontenac hotel was Major-General Lessard of the Navy League of Canada, who delivered a very interesting talk on naval matters of great importance and his address was listened to with the greatest attention. The speaker was introduced by Major-General Sir A. C. Macdonell, Major-General Lessard, in his speech, said in part:

I wish to make it very clear that the Navy League is non-political and that it does not represent militarism. Perhaps it would be well for me to give you a word of explanation as to why it is necessary to assist the Merchant Marine sailor. The Merchant Marine sailor is not as fortunate as the man who belongs to the Navy, the latter is looked after by the government, but the Merchant Marine sailor has no one to take care of him. His engagements on board ships are only for one trip.

It is not our wish to pauperize those who apply for relief, so that after examining their papers to satisfy ourselves that they are bona fide cases we find employment for them supplementing such employment by what ever amount is necessary to get them on their feet again.

Every Canadian manufacturer, farmer, miner and laborer should be brought to understand he is necessarily vitally interested in shipping, because we cannot maintain prosperity in Canada unless everybody is employed and fed. This is only possible by our retention of foreign markets for our surplus products,

and linked with this is the guarding of the great trade routes.

Sea Cadet Corps.
The Sea Cadet Corps organization in connection with the League is also a department which deserves attention. It so happens that the Federal government has authorized school cadet corps all through the Dominion. The schools have organized companies of such cadet corps to which the government makes an annual allowance of \$2 per cadet for clothing plus a small .22 rifle and some ammunition. But these school cadet corps, though doing most excellent work, do not teach anything pertaining to the sea, and as in almost every school there are always a few boys who wish to be sailors, here the League comes forward and assembles these boys together, forms them into Sea Cadet Corps companies, gives them qualified instructors and prepares them to be sailors.

The instructors are almost all expert or non-commissioned officers of the British Navy, holding best of the work intended. The boys are taught, besides physical training, boxing, swimming, rowing and sailing a boat, use of compass and other subjects pertaining to the sea. The boys are eligible from 12 to 18 years old. By the time they have been with us three or four years they have made up their minds, if they still wish for the life of a sailor, if so, they are given facilities to engage as cadet officers. Through the efforts of our management we are now in communication with companies owning ships, who ply on the oceans. These companies apply to us for these young men. If a boy wishes to join, he has to sign a contract for four years, plus a guarantee from his father for the sum of \$250. If the father is unable to give this guarantee the League does it for him.

For the first year the boy received as pay, \$100, the second year \$200, the third year \$300, and the fourth year \$500, a total of \$1,100. If at the end of his term he has successfully passed all the required examinations he is then qualified and accepted as an officer in the Merchant Marine. We have placed fifty-seven of these boys last year and we are yet to hear of one single boy who has either failed in his examinations or failed in the requirements necessary to his acceptance as an officer.

Canada's Small Expenditure.
Contribution to Navy per head of population: British, \$6.72; Australia, \$2.04; New Zealand, \$1.14; Canada, 17c.

The United States Naval programme for 1925 is about \$289,000,000. Their annual expenditure on national defence is somewhere about \$600,000,000.

Canada is spending less than any of the other countries mentioned in the statement. Our expenditures being as much as \$1,250,000,000, and of the imports as much as \$3,000,000 worth of tin is brought over from Great Britain (we do not produce tin in Canada) one can well imagine the importance of complete security for the 30,000 miles of trade routes.

If the supply of the one commodity (tin) were interferred with, all our canning industry would be closed down. Canned fish amounts to \$16,000,000—out of a total of fish products of \$24,000,000.

The dairy products are worth \$14,000,000.

The fruit and vegetable products are also worth another \$16,000,000.

The British Navy is at present looking after, or rather guarding some 30,000 miles of trade routes. You see by the statement which I have read to you that the British Navy is far from being as strong as it was in pre-war days. What does this all mean? Admiral Sir Frederick Field has given us fair warning, that if war was declared and the British Navy had to be mobilized as it was in August, 1914, there would not be any ships to spare to look after the trade routes.

The possible objection of our parliament to an increase in the appropriations of the navy might be that in 1909, or say fifteen years ago the national debt was \$478,535,427—today in 1925 it is \$2,819,610,470.

True, but do we therefore reduce in proportion to our public debt our appropriation for public works, for agriculture, for railways, immigration and national expenses requisite to develop the industrial and commercial wealth of our people.

The British Navy.
Few people know that during the last great war the British Navy alone was not sufficient to cope with the immense problem of the protection of the trade routes. On our Pacific coast it was necessary to accept the aid of Japanese cruisers till the German squadron was disposed of. As the submarine warfare developed, United States vessels had to reinforce our patrol squadrons off Halifax and Sydney to protect the immense convoys approaching and leaving these ports.

The National Defence Department, which is composed of three branches, namely, the Militia, the Navy and Air Force, is now given \$10,000,000 annually to spend, and in pre-war days \$12,000,000 annually was given to the Militia Department alone. Now, if you consider that the dollar is only worth about half what it was before the war, you can see how little each branch is given for its administration and training.

It is said sometimes, that this is a young country which is developing its resources and while doing so it cannot very well be expected to spend money on defence, and that it is for the Mother Country to do this. That the Mother Country cannot afford to allow the trade routes to be unprotected, as it means life, or death to her. Some go so far as to say that England requires food and

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unless she wishes to risk starvation, she is bound to look after the trade routes.

To the first contention I should say that the development and production of a country should go hand in hand with the protection afforded. Since we are repeatedly told by the best authorities to wit Admiral Sir Frederick Field and Admiral Storr, that the British Navy in case of war, is not able any more to look after the trade routes why this apathy as to Naval Defence? Should we not profit by past experience? What happens to a country which is unprotected when war is declared? The answer is plain! A mad rush to arms at the greatest cost, with the greatest waste.

But this rush to armaments may be accomplished, as stated above with the land forces but not so with the sailor. Admiral Sir Frederick Field said that it takes three years to build a ship but nine years to train a sailor for the Navy.

As for the Mother Country having to look after the trade routes for fear of starvation, as a Canadian, I am ashamed to think that such expressions can be uttered by men whose ancestors came from the Old Land. The Old Country is bled white with taxation. She pays four times more than we do per capita for debt, etc., and her contributions to the Navy is forty times as much as we pay. In fact, we don't do anything and yet we talk of Canada as an independent nation, within the Empire with representatives everywhere. If we are so independent why don't we act independently? If it is so that we wish to rank among nations as a nation, why not do as other nations do? The bulk of Canadians do not understand the problem, if they really did, I honestly think that there is enough pride and patriotism in them, that they would act differently.

It is true that the national debt per capita is still on the increase, although improved from what it was, but when we talk of national debt and capital expenditures, we do so in hundreds of millions. Is there no way of finding means of gradually placing our own naval protection on the trade routes, in an adequate manner without impairing or even encroaching too much on our revenues. Could not some other less important expenditures be deferred rather than impair what we consider is vitally necessary for the protection of our products.

Even in time of peace what if the trade routes were not made secure for our products? In other words, what insurances could be placed on these goods if it were not for the British Navy? If the latter were unable to do this, who is going to do it for us? Some will say the United States. Well I cannot imagine a country with any self-respect, expecting a foreign country to look after their vital interests, and even if the United States were to look after us, we should have to pay the piper and indeed it would cost us a great deal more than if we looked after our own protection.

It is remarkable how few people realize that if we require police protection in cities, so we do, and to a far greater extent, require the same protection on the seas.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speaker by Kiwanian Murdoch Johnston.

One of the best boasts that has been put on by the Kiwanis Club was that given yesterday by the W. J. Crothers Co. At each place was a box of the famous Crothers' Cream Sodas while a box of Crothers' chocolates was on every table, the latter being enjoyed during the course of the luncheon. The winner of the boast was Jack Hutchison of the Imperial Tobacco Company, who received a large tin of biscuits.

Kiwanian Ernie Smithies stated that next Saturday morning a special showing of "The Thief of Bagdad" was being put on for the children of the city and he invited the Kiwanians to bring along any children, who did not have the price, and he would pass every one of them free of charge.

Kiwanian Ernie Sparks reported that everything was set for the big Kiwanis dance on Wednesday night in the City Hall and indications were that there would be a very large crowd in attendance.

There were several guests at the luncheon on Monday including Lt. Col. H. E. Penas, A. N. Lyster and J. Kitting of the Rotary Club.

Four new members were accepted into club membership, Messrs. Hal-loway Waddell, Charles Miller, Art Christmas and Robert Poulter. The members were introduced by Kiwanian W. Y. Mills.

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