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Provincial Patriotic Fund Secretary F. Nation to Speak at Armory on Monday---Corpl. Bradley "Died From Wounds."---Hospital News

Corpl. Bradley in Honor Roll

Popular Middlesboro Soldier gives His Life for His Country and Empire

Infantry—

DIED OF WOUNDS

130048 Corporal W. Bradley.

In this humble and pathetic way a casualty list published at Ottawa on Tuesday afternoon tersely announced the death of a Middlesboro hero who laid down his life for his empire.

The late Corporal Bradley was a young business man in the prime of a promising life. He was well known in the Valley through the position he held as storekeeper and purchasing agent for the Middlesboro Collieries. He enjoyed general popularity for his genial manner and cheerfulness.

[illegible] he was looked upon as a conscientious and able worker and his colleagues [illegible] his loss. [illegible] Bradley was a resident of the city for several years. He went overseas with a battalion of Vancouver [illegible] Highlanders [illegible].

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Barn Destroyed by Fire at Nicola

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The value of the building is estimated from $400 to $500, and contained among other things some household effects belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Riley which were being stored there.

Hear Secretary of the Patriotic Fund

Public Mass Meeting will be Held in the Armory Next Monday Evening

The residents of the Nicola Valley and of Merritt especially are urged to bear in mind the fact that on Monday evening next, October 2nd, Mr. F. Nation, secretary of the Provincial Branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund, will address a mass meeting.

The meeting will be held in the Armory commencing at eight o'clock. President M. L. Grimmett of the local fund, will preside.

In an interesting way the speaker intends to show how the heavy enlistments of civilians in the Canadian Army has occasioned the placing of an immense burden on the resources of the Patriotic Fund and will tell just what the fund is doing for the dependents of the absent soldiers at the front.

The meeting will be of a patriotic character and [illegible] interest [illegible] will show [illegible] the soldiers and those [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Chief Aitken and Fireman Boyden—the fireboys and their friends met at the firehall on Wednesday evening and held an impromtu dance in the Council Chamber.

Another Shipment of Useful Comforts

Yesterday was Packing Up Day of Local Red Cross Society—Canford Sends Articles

Continuing the good and useful work of the local branch of the Red Cross Society, a goodly number of members were present at Thursday afternoon's meeting. The afternoon was set apart for packing the comforts the ladies had prepared. The consignment consists of—

[illegible] shirts, 2 enteric shirts, 4 dressing gowns, [illegible] suits pyjamas, 2 M.T. [illegible] pairs day socks, [illegible] bed socks. From the Junior Branch [illegible] pairs day socks, 2 pairs bed socks, 9 pyjama cords, [illegible] face cloths. From the Canford Branch: [illegible] eye bandages, 5 T bandages, [illegible] night shirts, 3 enteric shirts, [illegible] pyjamas.

The Merritt branch acknowledges the receipt of $[illegible] from the Orange Lodge as a donation to the Prisoners of War fund.

All members are urged to be present at the monthly business meeting to be held next Thursday afternoon.

The funeral of the late Mr. William [illegible] who passed away on Thursday of last week, aged 72, took place on Sunday afternoon at Merritt cemetery in the presence of a large number [illegible] [illegible] Gulliford at the residence a brief committal ceremony being performed on arrival of the cortege at the graveside.

Good Meeting of Hospital Directors

Chartered Accountant Appointed to Prepare Statement for Annual Meeting

The last but one regular monthly meeting of directors of the Nicola Valley General Hospital before the annual meeting called for Friday, October 27, was held at the institution on Monday evening, all the directors, with the exception of Director Slater who is ill, being in attendance. Besides the routine business various matters affecting the annual general meeting of subscribers came up for discussion.

Director Dr. [illegible] gave notice of motion to the effect that directors of the hospital be not permitted to have any financial dealings by which they will make personal or business gain out of the hospital. The notice of motion was accepted for introduction and will be discussed at the regular meeting to be held next month.

President Strickland said that as Mr. Martin, chartered accountant, of Graham, Martin & Co., was in the city auditing the city hall accounts, it would be a good opportunity for the hospital to get their accounts audited by a responsible party. He had taken upon himself to speak to the auditor who [illegible] was willing to give his professional services to the hospital as a charitable institution for $[illegible]. This the President [illegible] a very low figure, and ad[illegible] the appointment of Mr. Martin [illegible] [illegible] heard of any complaints and wanted to know whether it was necessary for any money to be incurred in an audit by an accountant when an audit could be taken by two members. He did not oppose an audit but thought the money thus spent could be used to better advantage.

Director Taylor disagreed with the medico, opining that the audit should be performed by a fully qualified professional accountant. Eventually the President's suggestion was endorsed by a unanimous vote.

Director Bond having called attention to the resolution passed at the last annual meeting that in future a balance sheet showing the state of finances at the hospital should be prepared and circulated in ample time to allow the public to digest same before the date of the annual meeting, it was unanimously agreed that such a statement should be prepared.

So as to enable the new directors appointed at the coming annual general meeting to arrange for the calling of tenders for supplies it was decided to request present contractors to extend their contracts for thirty days from the expiring date, September 30.

George M. Baccus, logging contractor of Kingsville, and Fraser Betterton Co. having applied for contract privileges for their employees and being willing to comply with the customary rules, the applications were accepted.

Matron Miss Fish was granted two weeks extended leave of absence. This lady, who is on vacation, took ill and has been in a hospital in Vancouver. Sympathetic references to her misfortune were passed and hopes extended for a rapid recovery to full health and strength.

The report of the House Committee showed nothing of importance needed their attention during the month of August.

Local Subscriptions to War Bonds

Through the medium of the two local banks residents of the Nicola Valley and district, together with the City of Merritt, subscribed some $25,000 to the new war loan now closed largely over subscribed.

The city council invested $2000 from the sinking fund but the remainder, approximately $23,000 comprised investments by private people, many of the subscriptions being in small denominations.

Rally Day at St. Andrews

Special Childrens' Service—Oddfellows and Rebeccahs Attend Church

Bright, well attended and inspiring were the special services held at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday. The day was given over to the children. At the Sunday School Rally held in the morning vivacious hymns were interspersed with songs and recitations by Sunday School children, an enjoyable feature being a sweetly rendered duet by Minnie Paul and Agnes Sharpe. At the evening service when this duet was repeated by request, the choir rendered ably the anthem "Abide with Me." The usual congregation was augmented by the attendance of several brothers and sisters of the Oddfellows and Rebeccah lodges.

The Rev. Mr. Johnston delivered appropriate sermons on each occasion.

A successful operation was performed on Mr. J. Nicol at the hospital on Wednesday. Mr. Nicol was suffering from appendicitis, and is, we learn, progressing as well as can be expected.

Might Have Been Very Serious Fire

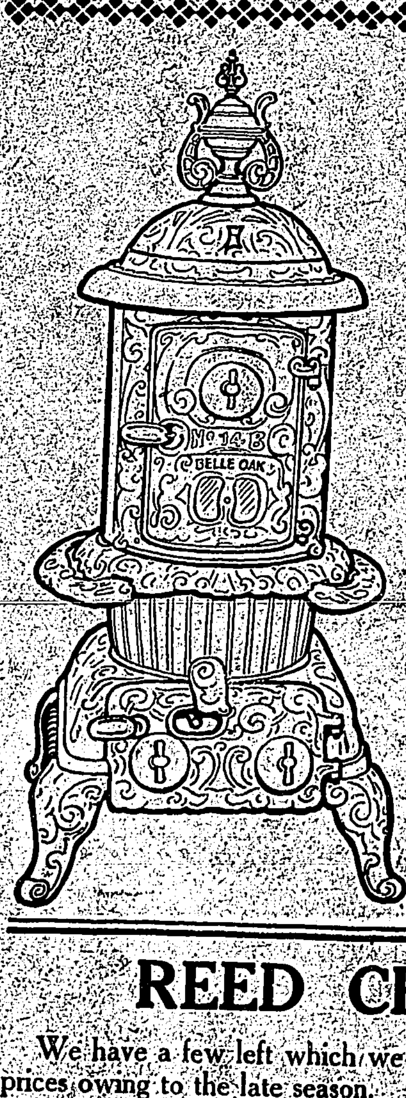
Early Morning Mysterious Outbreak of Fire Soon Put Out by Stable Hose

Spending a sleepless night, Oliver Cole rose and going out of the house detected fire and smoke at the rear of the D. L. Munro barn on Quilchena Avenue, in the heart of the city. This was on Monday morning at four o'clock. He gave the alarm, yelled "Fire," the fire bell was rung, the syren screeched, firemen and civilians rushed to the scene. Some dozen horses, some valuable ones, were hurriedly taken from the stalls beneath the hay barn. Luckily there was little but hay [illegible] in the barn and deft manipulation of the stable hose had the outbreak subdued.

As it turns out the fire was of slight consequence but Merritt, it can truthfully be stated, had a narrow escape for, fighting the fire [illegible] which visited Ashcroft, the demolition of the whole business section. [illegible] highest wind of the season was blowing at the time and considerable anxiety was manifested before the blaze was controlled. It was generally conceded that if the flames had got full grip it would have been difficult to have saved the most valuable places in town.

The Rev. [illegible] C. Freeman, of Revelstoke, chairman of Kamloops District of the Methodist Connexion, preached at the Methodist Church [illegible] Sunday. The announcement of [illegible] to the Rev. [illegible] is expected soon.

Chilly Mornings



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Official Count of Civilian Vote in Yale Electoral Riding

Analysing the figures of the official count of the civilian vote in Yale Electoral District at the election held on September 14, as given out by Returning Officer John McRae, of Agassiz, it is found that to date Joseph Walters (Liberal) leads Alexander Lucas (Conservative) by 171 votes; that Prohibition carried by 109, and that there was a majority of 525 out of 782 votes in favor of the franchise for women.

There were 38 polling stations, in four of which Walters received no votes, Lucas not receiving a vote at one of the polling stations. As Walters secured a total of 677 votes and Lucas 506, an average gives a majority equalling approximately 18 votes for the Liberal to 13 for the Conservative per polling station. It will be noted also that at Camp 16 the five voters went solidly against Prohibition, and all but one against extending the franchise to the fair ones even though they themselves "spoiled" their franchise for member. At Mamette Lake there were only four good votes, two each for the candidates, none being recorded for the liquor or franchise question as no less than 23 ballots were spoiled. At Merritt their were but 21 ballots spoiled, although 205 were cast for member alone. At Ruby Creek, six voters went to the booth, evidently being divided by three to three on the Prohibition question, and voting five to one for the extension of the franchise. Only one vote was recorded for member as five were spoiled. It will be observed that there was a tie of 40-40 for Lucas and Walters at Lytton, Hope was close with Walters obtaining 45 to Lucas's 42, Middlesboro went decisively for Walters with 58 to 7. Lucas got a bare majority at Agassiz but carried 12-1 at Keefers. As the name Boston "Bar" might suggest, the Prohibition question lost out there by 12 to 2.

	Member		Proh.		Wm.F.		Spoiled		
	Walters	Lucas	Yes	No	Yes	No	M	P	W
Harrison Mills,	13	4	12	4	9	7	0	1	1
Agassiz,	56	66	75	39	83	34	0	8	5
Harrison Hot Springs	7	5	5	7	9	3	0	0	0
Popcum,	11	4	13	2	11	3	0	0	1
St. Elmo,	10	10	13	6	16	3	0	1	1
Ruby Creek,	0	1	3	3	5	1	5	0	0
Hope,	45	42	42	33	53	22	0	12	11
Yale,	9	13	14	6	18	3	2	5	4
Spuzzum,	1	1	3	0	3	0	1	0	0
Camp 16, C.P.R.	0	0	0	5	1	4	5	0	0
North Bend,	39	25	32	31	36	27	1	2	2
Keefers,	1	12	9	4	10	3	0	0	0
Lytton,	40	40	31	49	46	33	2	2	3
Spence's Bridge,	24	8	5	23	19	9	2	6	6
McGillivrays,	0	5	3	2	3	2	0	0	0
Ashcroft,	93	42	71	57	92	37	4	11	9
Walhachin,	12	24	17	20	19	15	1	0	1
Cache Creek,	1	3	4	0	4	0	0	0	0
Upper Hat Creek,	7	5	3	8	4	7	0	1	1
Dot,	1	3	2	2	2	2	0	0	0
Canford,	16	15	19	10	22	8	0	2	1
Coyle Station,	13	18	16	11	18	8	1	8	10
Coutlie,	3	3	5	1	6	0	0	0	0
Merritt,	130	75	115	84	134	65	3	9	9
Coldwater,	8	6	8	6	10	5	2	2	1
Nicola,	23	18	29	11	30	10	0	1	1
Quilchena,	5	2	1	6	3	4	0	0	0
Stump Lake,	4	4	4	2	3	3	0	2	2
Douglas Lake,	1	3	4	5	8	1	5	0	0
Manette Lake,	2	2	0	0	0	0	5	9	9
Brookmere,	4	2	4	2	5	1	0	0	0
Middlesboro,	58	7	41	23	52	11	0	1	2
Aspen Grove,	17	9	11	15	17	9	0	0	0
Thynne's,	10	4	1	13	8	2	1	1	1
Boston Bar,	2	12	2	12	7	7	0	0	0
Port Douglas,	0	4	2	2	4	0	0	0	0
Aberdeen Mines,	7	3	5	3	8	2	0	2	0
Highland Valley,	4	6	1	9	4	6	0	6	0

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THE NEW PEACE RIVER COUNTRY

The Department of the Interior, at Ottawa, has just issued—through its Railway Lands Branch—a very comprehensive pamphlet dealing with that now Mecca of the landseeker, the Peace River country.

While a few pioneer settlers have from time to time penetrated this portion of Northern Canada, it has only been within the past few years that it has been possible to regard the great Peace River Valley as within the reach of the homeseeker. The almost insurmountable difficulty in taking in supplies and machinery, and the corresponding task of marketing the crop rendered this fertile area of Canada's hinterland a veritable "terra incognita."

While—as been said—but few have explored this district, many will be surprised to learn that so long ago as 1876, grain from the Peace River captured the trophy in competition with the world at the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia,

This publication deals with all the subjects which naturally suggest themselves to the average inquirer. Under the headings of Agriculture, Timber, Minerals, Game, and Transportation the pamphlet gives a mass of information. Climate and rainfall are also treated of. Numerous extracts are given from the reports of well known explorers and scientists who have visited the country, dating from the beginning of the last century, down to the present day. There is a concensus of opinion among these authorities as to the adap ability of the country to the growth of all grains and root crops. The great amount of sunshine which obtains in these northern latitudes renders vegetation both rapid and luxuriant.

In the Peace River district the seasons change very quickly, so that as soon as the snow passes the ground is ready for seeding. The soil in some places, consists of a rich black loam. In others it varies from a blue clay with a top soil of sandy loam—from two to six inches—to a sandy loam, much desired by wheat growers.

Vegetables attain a large size. During a large part of the winter season cattle and horses may remain out doors.

It is a country adapted both to mixed farming and ranching.

This useful publication is being distributed free of charge by the Railway Lands Branch, Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

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RETURNED SOLDIERS AND LABOR BUREAUS

The proposal for the establishment of labor bureaus is again before the Assosiated Boards of Trade of Eastern British Columbia. At the time when it was urged upon the Dominion the cabinet at Ottawa felt that it would be inadvisable to undertake a project of this kind while the energies of the government and the people were fully occupied in making Canada's participation in the war as effective as possible.

The question has now taken on a new angle. It seems that any adequate scheme for the placing of returned soldiers in the vocations to which they are most suited must necessarily include a federal labor bureau or something similar. Providing for the returned soldiers calls for Dominion-wide organization. It cannot successfully be handled in a purely local way.

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MADE HIT WITH AMERICANS

If an examination of the applications for the Canadian War loan were permitted it would probably reveal that a considerable portion of the $200,000.000 subscribed emanated from the United States. In Vancouver a number of American subscriptions were received. In the Eastern States the interest in the loan was greater than had been shown in and previous foreign government internal issue.

After speaking in high terms of the bonds as suitable investments for Americans, that powerful financial paper, the Wall Street Journal, in a recent issue said.

"It is an interesting comment on Canada's financial position that this new loan is offered on a lower yield basis than the $100 000,000 issue of last November—about 5.26 per cent. as compared with 5.33 per cent—while practically all the other governments involved in the war are paying more for money on each successive loan. Of course Canada, is far removed from the war zone, and it is enjoying a prosperity somewhat similar to that of the United States.

"This present Canadian prosperity is shown by the large increase in the Dominion customs receipts in the first five months of the present fiscal year, to August 31st. They were over $53,-000,000. as compared with $35,520,000 in the same period of 1915. Other revenue receipts have gained on a smaller scale, while the ordinary expenditures of the government have declined, due to smaller appropriations for public works."

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Until Canadian Public men deal as carefully with their country's money as with their own, graft and extravagence will not be stamped out.

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Among the various more or less reasonable forecasts of the future progress of the war there is one that has not been made so prominent as it deserves. It seems to be both a wise and feasible policy on the part of the allies to aim at the early expulsion of the Germans from Belgium, in order to lesson, if not prevent, their use of Holland as a traffic route for contraband imports. Any means of intensifying the choking effect of the naval blockade will tend to hasten the end of the war.

Farmers Going in for More Cattle

That farmers are realizing that live stock is the basis of true agriculture is plainly evident by the applications which are daily coming in to the Board of Agricultural Credit Commissioners asking for loans for the purpose of acquiring live stock, erecting stock buildings, constructing silos, etc. This is a very encouraging sign of the times, and farmers can rest assured that applications for farm loans for this purpose will receive favorable consideration from the Commissioners. During the last year several co-operative creameries have been incorporated and all are making good. What is your district doing towards development on mixed farming lines? Keep more and better stock. Grow ensilage and fodder crops. Make your farm as much as possible self supporting and grow your own stock food.—Agricultural Journal.

Mrs. Quinville and son William were in town Tuesday.

Mining Engineer Musgrove, who has been doing special field work for the Provincial Government in various mining sections of the Province, with a view to assisting the development of promising properties, has been in the city during the last few days. During his sojourn he visited Aberdeen Mine.

Stovepipes and Chimney Fires

With the approach of cooler weather, stoves and fireplaces will soon be put into commission. Before this is done care should be taken to see that chimneys and stovepipes are in good repair, thoroughly cleaned, and rendered safe from fire. Owing to the dampness of the early summer, many stovepipes will be found badly rusted, which an outer coating of enamel will not expose. Examine these carefully and replace defective pipes. Fire prevention is one of the first considerations of the householder. Consult Joe. Small, of Pope & Smpll, who will be pleased to make suggestions of advantage to you.

Mrs. J. Rhodes of Canford was in town on Wednesday.

Dick Hazlehurst drove in from his ranch on the Mamette Lake road on Wednesday.

The Provincial elections over, city politicians will be turning their attentions to the January civic elections. Already we hear of one aspirant to the chief magistrates chair.

On Wednesday the telephone gang which is working on the Mamette Lake extension moved from near the Heslop home to the W. B. Jackson's ranch at Lower Nicola.

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Nicola Valley Branch

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On Monday, October 2.

Addresses will be given on the Work of the Patriotic Fund by

Mr. F. NATION

Secretary of the Provincial Branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund;

AND OTHERS

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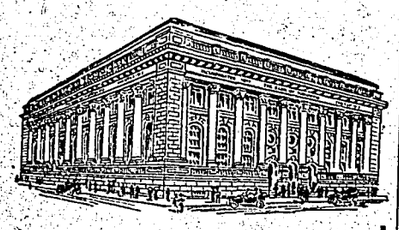

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Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal sub divisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, rescinded by Chap. 27 of 4-5 George V. assented to 12th June, 1914.

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The Newsy Pars

T. G. McBride, of Stump Lake autoed to town last Saturday.

Both managements of the local coal mines are advertising for miners in the Coast papers.

Mr and Mrs. J. Upston are in the city from Canyon House, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. R. Gulliford.

Tne many friends of Mr. Andrew Dobie will regret to learn that he has been ill and is a patient at the hospital.

City Clerk H. Priest returned on Wednesday after spending a few days hunting in the Minny Lake country.

We would call our readers attention to the announcement of the Middlesboro Collieries Limited on page 4.

Miss Ida Day, who spent a vacation here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. Heslop and family, returned to her home at Princeton last Tuesday.

The many friends of Mr. George Slater will regret to hear that he has again been in ill health, but will be glad to hear that he is now improving.

$138.00 was taken by Auctioneer Carrington from the sale of effects at the store of A. Ewart, who recently retired from business on joining the forces.

Dr. C. S. and Mrs. Williams arrived in the city the first of the week from Rossland, visiting at the home of Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. Williams mother.

A "surprise" was paid Mrs. and Miss Pope last Friday evening by a number of their friends. A very enjoyable time was spent.

Next Sunday evening the Rev. Johnston, of the Presbyterian Church, will preach on the subject "The sign of the times, or the second coming of Christ."

Maurice Hodgson, representing the Vancouver Sun, has been in the city this week in the interests of the circulation department of the paper.

The father of Mrs. N. J. H. Brown arrivsd in the city on Wednesday night from New Westminster to spend a short vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Brown.

A sitting of the Yale County Court was held here on Wednesday morning. A small and unimportant docket occupied the attention of His Honor Judge Swanson.

Our readers will regret to hear of the serious illness of Mrs. A. R. Carrington. He condition was so serious last Sunday that it was deemed necessary to remove her to the local hospital. All will hope for her speedy recovery.

A 17 lb. brick of gold was sent down from the Lorne mine to the Bank of B.N.A., at Lillooet, last week. This is the third shipment from this mine in the last couple of months and there are tons of gold still left in this property only waiting to be dug out. This mine has proved to be wonderfully rich and Mr. Noel, the owner, is to be congratulated on his good fortune.

Tonight at the city fire hall, members of the volunteer fire brigade will assemble to enjoy a sing song and smoker, the event being in honor of William Aitken the fire chief, who will shortly join the camp of the 143rd Battalion. Chief Aitken, who is very popular among the men, has held the position for over two years, succeeding Dan Shearer in the post when he went overseas with the first contingent.

Bar Made a Home for Soldiers

The bar of the Ogden Hotel at Calgary has been turned into a "handicraft room."

Where liquor gurgled and glasses clinked, the hammer and chisel and plane are heard instead. The counter has been fitted with a sloping top for drawing boards and mathematical instruments.

The frequenters of the transmogrified bar have not to be turned out at closing time by law. On the contrary, when closing time comes they have all to be in.

The hotel, in fact, is now a health shop for wounded and otherwise disabled members of our expeditionary force. The men do not have to buy health there; it is given them by us, the Canadian people, through our Military Hospital Commission.

Not as a matter of charity, by any means. It is the repayment of the debt owing to these men, who lent us their bodies to defend our liberty and restore peace.

If we were lukewarm and care less about paying this debt of honour, we should not deserve the liberty and peace for which these men volunteered at the risk of their lives.

We cannot pay the debt with medicine and surgery alone. To restore them thoroughly, fitting them to take their place in the working world as soon as they leave, they need exercise of body and mind, exercise of course carefully arranged in proportion to their strength.

And so it comes about that wood-working and mechanical drawing, gardening and poultry-keeping, typewriting, and the good old "three R's," are all enlisted to help in equipping the disabled soldier with health, energy and ability for a life of independence.

Sergt. L. F. Barnes of the 172nd Battalion, C. E. F., has been attached temporarily to the instructional staff of the 11th Military District and is posted for duty at the Convalescent Hospital at Esquimalt.

Tonight (Friday), the Harvest Thanksgiving services will be held at the Nicola Anglican Church.

Ald. George Ransom returned on Wednesday evening from his shooting trip.

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Meeting of St John Ambulance Saturday, 30th

The annual meeting of Merritt Centre of St. John's Ambulance Association will be held in the City Hall on Saturday evening, September 30th, at 7 o'clock. Secretary George Maxwell in notifying the members of this meeting earnestly requests all members who can do so to be present.

Arrangements will be discussed and decided in respect to the coming winter lectures on first aid work. Prospective participants in the courses, and new members, are requested to communicate with the secretary before the meeting. He will gladly furnish any information,

Out of every wage some portion should be banked regularly, either as security against the proverbial rainy day or as a foundation to future prosperity. $1.00 will open an account in the Bank of Toronto, and interest is added half-yearly to the balances on deposit.

Matrons Report For August

Following is the report of Matron Miss Fish, of the local Hospital for the month of August.

Patients admitted	15
Male	12
Female	3
Discharged	8
Deaths	0
Births	1
Hospital Days	259
Average per day	8.35

L. J. Fish
Matron

On Monday next, the members of the Patriotic Guild will meet at the City council chamber in bi-weekly session. Special business will be brought to the attention of the members, and a goodly attendance is requested.

$7000 has been invested by the Merritt city council in the two Dominion War Bond issues. The money was taken from the city's sinking fund.

The municipality of Penticton decided at its last meeting to subscribe for $5000 worth of new Dominion War Loan Bonds.

The Boys at the Front Delight to Smoke. Subscribe to the Overseas Tobacco Fund

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Notice of Cancellation of Reserve

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reserve existing on lands formerly covered by expired Timber Licences Nos. 24104, 24107, 24112, 24116, 42749, 42750, 42751 and 42756, by reason of a notice published in the British Columbia Gazette on the 27th of December, 1907, is cancelled.

R. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Minister of Lands.
Department of Lands,
Victoria, B.C.,
August 16th, 1916.

The Newsy Pars

Mrs. C. Collett was enrolled as a new member of the Red Cross Society at yesterday's meeting.

A. W. Grass, of Penticton, was doing business in the city this week.

W. H. Heighton, of Vancouver visited the city this week registering at the Coldwater Hotel.

Fred. Baker, rancher of the Mamette Lake district, was in town on Tuesday.

J. E. Green, returned to the Valley last evening after many months absence at the Coast.

On Tuesday, E. A. Richardson a popular hardware traveller, visited the business houses in Merritt.

Mr. Frank Thompson will lead the discussion on "Cornelius, a seeker of the best," at next Monday's meeting of the Epworth League.

Dominion Fire Warden Veale, of Dot, was in town this week. Mr. Veale says his district has been practically free of serious fires this season. The Dominion fire season closes the 30th of September.

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"News" Editor Joins the "World"

E. B. Mayon, Editor of the Nicola Valley News for the past twelve months, has severed his connection with the paper to undertake editorial duties on the Vancouver World, which position he will take at the begining of next week. While congratulating Mr. Mayon on his advancement, a host of friends will regret his departure from the Valley, where by his genial disposition he has adhered himself to all he has come in contact. Being possessed of a pleasing tenor voice, he has done much for the entertainment of musical circles, and has been a leading member of St. Michaels Anglican Choir and the newly formed Merritt Choral Union. By both these useful institutions he will be greatly missed. The News, with many friends wishes Mr. Mayon all success in his new sphere of labor.

Hospital Finances During August

According to the approximate report of finances of the Hospital up to August 31st, as submitted at the directors' meeting held on Monday evening, there was received during the past months $177.00 from contract patients and $257.84 from other patients and accounts, total $434.84. The payments made during the same period were $290.00 for July salaries, $302.64 sundry accounts, $10.00 petty cash. The hospital earnings for August amounted to $218 84. The accounts receivable now aggregate $2563.82.

Cash Dry Goods

As with our Groceries, our Dry Goods Bargains are Genuine

Men's Black Overalls, sizes from 30x28 to 40x33, per pair 1.25
Men's Blue Stripe Bib Overalls, sizes from 34x31, to 42x31, per pair 1.50
Men's "Asbestol" Horse Hide Gloves, reg. price 1.50, for 1.00
Men's Pig Skin Gloves, Gauntlets, at special price of .50
Men's Heavy Socks, for working books 3 pairs for 1.00
Men's Heavy Socks, extra thick and strong, 3 pairs for 1.35
Boys' Fleece Lined Underwear, sizes from 22 to 30, per suit .90
Boys' Stockings, fine rib, sizes 7 to 10, per pair .25
Boys' Stockings, coarse rib, sizes 7 to 8 1-2, per pair .25 and .30
Buster Brown Sister's Stockings, in Black and White sizes 6 1-2, 7, 7 1-2, 8, 8 1-2, per pair .25
Infants' Cashmere Stockings, in White and Black, all sizes, per pair .25
Ladies' Lisle Hose, per pair .25
Ladies' Heavy Silk Fleeced Hose, per pair .25
Boys' Boots, Oiled Bluchers, sizes 3, 4 5 per pair 3.50
Boys' Boots, Box Calf, sizes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, per pair 3.75
Girls' Boots, Box Calf, sizes 11 to 11-2 per pair 2.75
Children's Boots, Box Calf sizes 5 1-2 to 10 1-2 per pair 2.25
Washing Prints and Ginghams, nice patterns, per yd. .15
Baveno Velveteen in Black only, reg. price .65, for .50
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Infants' Pinafores, each .25

THE MERRITT
CASH STORE

Mason Pye came down from his ranch at Iron Mountain today.

The usual meeting of the School Board was held this morning when routine business was transacted.

Read the Merco Ad. on page 1 a happy combination for the long winter months which are fast approaching: Warmth, Ease, Music.

Some remarkable looking fruit is being exhibited in different store windows of our city. Apples, the size of Pumpkins were on sale at Heslops last weekend.

D. Dodding, the Lower Nicola rancher has purchased a Ford auto.

We would call our readers attention to the announcement of the Middlesboro Collieries Limited on this page.

The contract for installing new heating apparatus at the public schools has been let, and we learn the work will be proceeded with at once. In addition to the new heating apparatus new storm windows will be put in and the schools painted throughout.

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Harvest Services At St. Michael's Next Sunday

Next Sunday harvest Thanksgiving Services will be held in St. Michael's Anglican Church. Services will be held at 8 a.m. 11 a.m. and at 7.30 p.m. Sunday School at 3 p.m.

The Church will be decorated with grain, flowers and fruit, and special harvest hymns and anthems will be sung.

Gifts of flowers, fruits and vegetables are asked and these will be taken to the hospital after the services. The parishoners are asked to attend at the church at 2 o'clock tomorrow Saturday to decorate the church.

Full congregations are expected at these services.

Thos. Parker, Dominion Inspector of weights and measures was in town this week on business of his department.

Geo. C. McGowan, of the Royal City, is in the Valley inspecting boilers. Mr. McGowan is Provincial Boiler Inspector.

Barclay Bonthrone, of Vancouver, arrived here on last night's train. Mr. Bonthrone's brother has been in Merritt for several weeks inspecting mining properties. They left the Coldwater Hotel early this morning in company with Murdock McIntyre for the hills with the purpose of inspecting some promisiug claims belonging to a local gentleman.

NOTICE

Will all those persons who paid to the formation of the . . .

Owl Society

please hand in their names to the undersigned on or before the 30th day of October, 1916, as the funds will be distributed after that date.

Signed---
F. BOND,
Acting Secretary

Popular Officer Again Leaves For the Front

Lieut.-Col. H. H. Matthews D.S.O., of Nicola, arrived in city last week end from Vancouver and after spending a few days with his old friends and acquaintances left on Monday morning by automobile for Kamloops where he entrained for the East en route to England.

Col. Matthews is one of the best known and most popular officer in the Province, and during his long stay on the firing line made a splendid reputation for himself as a soldier and leader. While he has thoroughly enjoyed his few weeks in British Columbia after the long strain of trench fighting he is looking forward to getting back in France and measuring blows with the enemy.

The Colonel was first wounded at Langemark in the leg and received the D.S.O. as an award for the gallantry showed during the engagement. While convalescing he was made commandant at Shorncliffe of the Officers Training Corps. On September 25th, 1915, he was placed in command of the 8th Battalion, made up of the 90th Rifles, with rank of lieut.-colonel. The appointment was made after Maj.-General Lipsett was given command of the first division.

Col. Matthews returned to the front and was wounded a second time on June 13th at Mount Sorrel. After spending some time at a Boulogne hospital he left for England, whence he returned to Canada.

Col. Matthews will report for duty on his arrival in England, but as yet does not know whether he will be allowed to go to the front again.

The Junior Branch of the Red Cross intend holding a tea on October Pay Day. For further particulars watch for ad.

Owing to a defective furnace at the Public Schools, the scholars belonging to two of the rooms had to find new quarters on Thursday morning. The K.P. hall and the Council Chamber are being used for the present.