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DIRECT FROM THE TRENCHES

Michigan Boy, a Member of the Royal Canadian Regiment, Visits Friends in Farmington

Misses Nina Warner and Ruth Carlisle had as their guest Sunday William Lazenby, a former pupil of Miss Carlisle, whose home is in Cass City, but who has for the past two years been a member of the Royal Canadian Regiment, and has been in the "front line trenches" of France and Belgium, having received a furlow after being wounded four times and spending a number of weeks the hospitals back of the firing lines in Belgium.

Mr. Lazenby in 1914 was working on a ranch in Saskatchewan, Northwest Canada, when it became apparent to him that it was his duty to offer himself to the Canadian government for service at the front, and he immediately enlisted, after being sworn in as a Canadian subject. Four days after enlistment he was taken with diphtheria, spending a number of weeks in the hospital. On recovery he, with 5000 others left Halifax, and after eight days of ocean voyage arrived in Liverpool, England, from which place they were transported to France, landing on the Belgium frontier in February, 1915, about 8 miles back of the front line trenches.

Mr. Lazenby stated that their first duty was the carrying of supplies to the firing lines and the repair of trenches, all of which was accomplished at night. Finally they were put on the "firing line" and he was among those who repulsed the Germans in the third and terrible battle of Ypres, the horrors of which were beyond the power of a pen to relate. Mr. Lazenby was within a short distance of "gas hose" as it shot forth its deadly fumes, but fortunately, by running and holding his breath until he could adjust his gas helmet he escaped with nothing worse than the bursting of two blood vessels in the back of his neck.

He described the gas sensation as if some one were "sticking daggers into your breast, and the sense of suffocation." His left arm is badly shattered, one wound in the leg and his hip injured by the bursting of shells. He stated that the airplanes were continually flying over the territory seeking the whereabouts of the troops and letting a bomb drop whenever a "strike" was possible, the darkness of night frequently being turned into almost daylight by the shooting of "star shells," which, when they burst throw a bright light.

In relating an incident of cruelty practiced by the enemy Mr. Lazenby stated that the "spiked plank" described in last Sunday's Detroit papers, were placed in zig-zag rows along a strip of rough "shelled" ground, and as a cavalry horse struck the plank the spikes penetrated it's hoofs, literally tearing them off as the animal attempted to make the next plunge.

Mr. Lazenby will report at his place of enlistment in four weeks, when an operation will be performed on his arm, after which if successful, he will return to the front. He has several medals, procured for active service, and is in line for a commission on his return.

Pure Bred Holstein bull calves at Warner Farm.



From Governor Sleeper's Proclamation of October 4, 1917.

"Michigan's sons are going forth to defend the nation. Michigan must stand as one man behind them and provide a full share of whatever financial support may be required. Nothing must be left undone, no matter what the cost, to win this war and win it speedily. Let us not do halfheartedly the part that may be ours in the conflict, but so lend ourselves and whatever we may have to the cause of humanity that the clenched hand of an outraged civilization may strike not only heavily but quickly. *****

"I further designate the fifteenth day of October as Patriotic Day. On this day, or the evening thereof, let a meeting be held in every school house in Michigan, with a program suitable to the occasion, the children participating, and let careful consideration be given to the progress of the work and its further promotion."

Death of Young Man

Clare Conroy, who has been ill at the home of his brother, George P. Conroy, for some weeks past, with tuberculosis of the lungs, died Monday evening, October 8, 1917, aged 28 years, 11 months and 21 days. (Philip Clare Conroy was born October 17, 1888, in Farmington, where he spent the most of his life until he was 21, when he went to Detroit.

In 1911 he was united in marriage to Miss Clara Kerbyson of Deckerville, and to this union was born two children, a boy, Sherrill, who passed away at the age of two years, and a little daughter, Grace, aged 3 years. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. D. D. Christy, of Fairhope, Ala., two brothers, George P. of this village, and James Conroy of Fremont, Ohio; also one sister, Mrs. M. S. Ambler, of Detroit, besides other relatives and warm friends here and in Detroit.

About 18 months ago Mr. Conroy was taken with the illness which resulted in his death Monday evening.

The funeral was held in the Methodist church in this village Thursday afternoon, Rev. J. S. Priestley officiating, and the remains taken to Detroit for burial in Evergreen cemetery.

Adolph Nacker is some bowler. He succeeded in rolling up a score of 212 one evening recently.

Mrs. and Mrs. Manley Newman entertained her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Houghton and daughter Mabel, of Redford, last Sunday, in honor of their second wedding anniversary.

School Notes.

The First and Second grades colored squirrels for their number and spelling books Wednesday.

The Kindergarten now meets in the morning, with Miss Yerkes upstairs in the old High School room.

Mrs. McDonnell called on the Primary room for a few minutes Monday.

The girls of the High School Basket Ball team have organized for this year, and elected Julia Eisenbald as captain.

The Foot Ball game between Farmington and Wyandotte High Schools resulted in a victory of 52 to 0 for the Wyandotte Giants.

Miss Alice Yerkes has been engaged to teach in the Kindergarten department.

Don't forget the Foot Ball game Friday at 3:30 on the Farmington diamond—Northville vs. Farmington. Turn out and give our boys a financial lift.

Mrs. S. Newman was a caller in the Intermediate and Primary rooms Tuesday.

Albert Esch has left the Fifth grade, and is going to attend the German school.

Fourth grade geography is studying North America. Fourth grade Arithmetic class is studying Division.

Alarm of Fire

Sunday morning everything was made lively for a short time by the sound of the fire whistle. The alarm was caused by a dresser burning in the upstairs of the Carr house on Roger street, occupied by George Conroy and family. "Matches and Mouse" were the supposed origin of the fire.

Harry Habermehl was the real "Man of the Hour," and his quick and efficient action no doubt stopped what might have caused a greater effort on the part of the fire department, who responded to the call with great rapidity. The condition of Mr. Conroy's brother, who was very ill in the home, caused great anxiety, and the kindness of all who helped or showed interest is greatly appreciated by the family.

Outside of the burning of the dresser mentioned and filling the house with smoke, no damage was done.

From All Over.

Three inches of snow reported in the upper peninsula Monday. The Woolen Mill at Milford, erected in 1850, and for many years one of the town's industries, but for the past 25 years a delapidated land mark, was torn down last week.

"Scotty" McMillan, an Englishman of Royal Oak, was burned to death last week, when he was sleeping in a house which was burning. He had no relatives in this country.

Willard Service Storage Batteries for sale. Also batteries recharged. W. H. Lee & Sons.

A PATRIOTIC WAR MEETING

Enthusiasm and Determination Mark the Opening of the Second Liberty Bond Sale

As announced, last week a patriotic meeting was held in the Town Hall last Saturday evening with a number of speakers from Pontiac and Detroit; also a short talk by Mark Owen, of Camp Custer, who was home for a week-end visit with his mother, Mrs. E. S. Grace, who gave a nice description of camp life. The appearance of one of our own soldier boys was a pleasing surprise and he was given an enthusiastic ovation as he was called to the stage by the chairman.

Among the speakers were Cramer Smith, C. B. Wilson, of Pontiac, and Harry Buckley, of Detroit, all making it plain that it was absolutely necessary for every person in this township to do his or her part in the subscribing to the second great Liberty Loan, Farmington township's quota being \$100,000.

It was pointed out that the government was not asking any person to "donate" one cent—simply to lend it money at the best of interest and on the best security in the world.

Mr. Smith complemented Ex-Gov. Warner and Supervisor James Hogle very highly on their interest in the Liberty Loan, stating that if every township could boast of such men the government could be assured of an over subscription of the loan. Mr. Wilson also paid our ladies of the Red Cross a splendid tribute for their part and interest in the boys at camp and in the trenches.

When you buy a bond you are making an investment that is absolutely secure, negotiable at any time and at par value, which bond is backed by the entire wealth of the United States. In regard to the question often asked as to why the government did not produce its loan from the great financial institutions of the country—such as "Wall Street" and the other big banking circles, it was explained that to take the money from these institutions would cripple the great industrial progress of our country, which depend on our great money lenders to finance their enterprises, and the withdrawal of such stupendous sums of money would make it impossible to continue their business, and cause a panic and great suffering among the working classes.

The plan of the government is to get this money from the future earnings of the laboring classes and keep the industrial institutions of the country in a prosperous condition.

The government must have this money and the sooner it is raised the quicker this terrible world war will be ended, and the fewer of our boys will be sacrificed on the fields of battle; hence it is your duty to yourself, your family and your country to BUY BONDS and buy them liberally, even to the greatest of sacrifice.

We are in this war and we MUST win, and save not only ourselves, but the entire world, from a yoke of despotism that will eventually crush all freedom and peaceful civilization.

The following committees were appointed by Ex-Gov. Warner, and every man, woman and child will be solicited during the next 15 days.

Amos Otis chairman; James

Hogle, secretary; Edgar Pierce, treasurer.

Village soliciting committee—East side, T. H. McGee, John Clark, Mrs. Will Irish, Mrs. Ina Hambleton and Plinley Perkins. West side, Mrs. M. B. Pierce, Henry Lee, Minnie Toomey, Henry Pauline, Charles Ely and F. H. Nichols.

Township committees, Districts 1, 2, 11 and 12—Isaac Bond and Bert Stimpson. Districts 3, 4, 9 and 10, Homer Wolcott and Don Butten. Districts 5, 6, 7 and 8, Charles Gow and Ed Grimmer. Districts 13, 14, 23 and 24, Fred Badg and Charles Erwin. Districts 15, 16, 21 and 22, Carlos Hatten and Clyde McDermott. Districts 17, 18, 19 and 20, Louis Schroeder and Dr. Holcomb. Districts 25, 26, 35 and 36, Fred Goers and Charles Heise. Districts 12, 28, 33 and 34, William Pangborn and John Landau. Districts 29, 30, 31 and 33, Frank Parsons and John Johnson.

LITTLE WANT ADS

FOR SALE—Good work horse. Inquire at Owen House Farmington, 42c

GIRL WANTED—For general housework. Call phone 107 Farmington. 50p

WANTED—Four or five young pigs. Rosemont Farm, phone 58w3, Farmington. 46c

FOR SALE—Bunch of pigs, 6 weeks old. Inquire of Albert Sulkowski, phone 44w3. 49c

FOR SALE—Nearly new McCormick Corn Binder, cheap. Elmer Johany. 47c

FOR RENT—The store next to the telephone office. Inquire of Mrs. Harry Harding, phone 74.

FOR SALE—Base Burner. In good condition. Inquire of John Schroeder. 50p

WANTED—Man for farm work. Must be good milker. Highest wages. Phone 58w3. Rosemont farm. 49ft

TO RENT—Furnished sleeping rooms. Electric lights, furnace heat and bath. Inquire at Enterprise office. 49cft

FOR SALE—Two Holstein yearling Heifers, and a stack of straw. Inquire of Robert Graham, phone 40w6. 49-50c

FOR RENT—Collinwood Apartments, 5 rooms and bath. Heat furnished. Apply to O. Schaefer, on premises. 48-49p

FOR SALE—Hoover Potato Digger, as good as new, at one-half price. Potato Planter, Manure Wagon, Dump Wagon, Steel Wheel Wagon. Lohman Seed Co., Randolph and Gratiot aves. Detroit Mich. 49p.

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