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GOD SAVE THE KING

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To-day throughout the British Empire the birtnday of His Majesty King George the Fifth will be loyally and lovingly commemorated. Owing to the war the celebration will be on a less elaborate scale than has been the custom under happier conditions, but the conditions which would make any elaborate demonstration inappropriate will only intensify the loyalty and the patriotism of every British subject and give a newer and deeper meaning to the prayer, God Save the King. The firing of the usual royal salutes will be dispensed with as has been the case in all Imperial celebrations since the war began. The stores will be open and business generally will be as usual with the exception of the closing of banks and public offices.

King George is fifty one years old to-day. It has been his lot to command the army and the navy of Great Britain in the greatest war in the history of the world and the prayer of every loyal British subject is that he shall live for many years after the greatest victory in the history of the world has been celebrated.

While the war is no less sanguinary than it was a year ago, while thousands of lives are being snuffed out almost daily there are many evidences of the approaching end. Germany is being slowly but surely hemmed in by a ring of steel that cannot be broken; distress and want of a kind calculated to make the German victims of militarism realize the develishness of the system that has brought this curse upon them, are becoming evident throughout the German Empire; the terrible waste of life at Verdun for which there could be no military advantage to the Germans even if they should succeed in capturing the position, is now being realized not only by the German soldiers but by the German people at large. All these and the ever increasing strength and effectiveness of the Entente Allies point to an end in the not distant future and it is reasonable to hope that before we again have the pleasure of commemorating the King's birthday we shall have the privilege of celebrating a greater day even than the birthday of our much loved King—the day when Peace shall be declared, the birthday of a world newborn, a world from which the possibility of a universal shambles like the present will have been banished forever. For this day we pray and none the less fervently as we pray God Save the King.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CENTENNIAL

The anniversary of the opening of the Wesleyan Methodist Sunday School in Charlottetown one hundred years ago, will be observed by special appropriate services tomorrow in the First Methodist Church and in the Heartz Memorial Hall. It may be interesting to know that this was the first Sunday School of any denomination organized in Prince Edward Island. It came into existence in the old Wesleyan Chapel that stood on Richmond Street west, below the Royal Bank corner. This was just thirty-five years after Robert Raikes had started the first Sunday School in the world. Eight years later in August, 1824, St. Paul's Church Sunday School was formed in the first Episcopal church, that stood on Queen Square near the site of the present Post Office building. Since that time Sunday Schools of every denomination of Christians, for the moral and spiritual training of the rising generation, have come into existence all over this land, and faithful teachers are always found willing to carry on this noble work.

In connection with the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary tomorrow special sermons will be preached in the First Methodist Church morning and evening by the Rev. W. H. Barraclough, B. A., the eloquent Pastor of Centenary Church, St. John, New Brunswick. The singing at these services will be conducted by the members of the Sabbath School, and special music has been procured for the occasion. In the afternoon at 2.30 o'clock a special Centenary Service will be held in the Heartz Memorial Hall. At this meeting, in addition to short addresses by the Rev. Mr. Barraclough and others, in which reference will be made to the formation and history of the School, an interesting programme consisting of singing and recitations by the younger scholars of the School, will be given.

This School that has been in operation without interruption since 1816 and now celebrating its natal day is to be congratulated upon its marked successes during the century that has just closed upon it. It has grown with the years and advanced with the times, and the institution that had its birth in an unfinished primitive "Meeting house" now has its home in a beautifully finished building, fully equipped with every modern convenience for its work provided by the munificence of one of its members who through many years of his long life attended the School both as a scholar and teacher.

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THE RETREAT BEGUN

There was a significant incident before the commission enquiring into the work of the Canadian Shell Commiteee on Tuesday, says the Montreal Gazette. Major-General Hughes had submitted a statement of his connection with the Shell Committee. What he said was in accord with what had been said by Brigadier-General Bertram, by Lieutenant-Colonel Carnegie, by Mr. David Carnegie and by any who could speak with authority of the work of the committee. The evidence has been reported with unusual fulness. Any who had the desire had the opportunity of understanding its meaning and effect. The committee sought by the means at its command to secure for the British Government, whose agent it was, supplies of required material as rapidly as possible and at moderate prices; and it did what it sought to do. Major-General Hughes, though a member of the committee and in a way responsible for its being established, did not interfere with its work in letting contracts. The more he was questioned the clearer was this made. Neither the documents stolen from the Shell Committee's offices, nor those which may have been prepared for use before the commission, changed the impression created. Mr. Hellmuth, one of the counsel before the commission, before the cross-examination of Major-General Hughes began, pointed out that the gravamen of the Kyte charges was that Col. Allison, through his alleged influence with the Minister of Militia had been able to obtain commissions upon certain contracts he had made. Major-General Hughes had denied that Allison, so far as he was aware, had obtained any commission on goods supplied for Canada. Mr. Hellmuth, therefore, proposed, he said, to determine whether Major-General Hughes knew that what had been said was correct. The report of the proceedings tells the rest:

"Mr. Carvell said there was a lot of misapprehension as to Mr. Kyte's statements in the House. He had not made any statement such as attributed to him by Mr. Hellmuth. He had never stated that General Hughes had sent Col. Allison down to make contracts for fuses in New York.

"Sir William Meredith pointed out that witnesses had been called by Mr. E. F. B. Johnston for the purpose of showing that pressure had been brought to bear by the Minister upon the Shell Committee to induce it to make contracts it should not have made. That had been the nature of Mr. Lloyd Harris' evidence. Sir William also pointed out that the scope of the inquiry was wider that Mr. Kyte's statements.

"Mr. Cervell said that Mr. Kyte had made no charges at all, properly speaking. He had simply made certain statements as a member of Parliament."

The retreat has begun. Unless Mr. Kyte's statement in the House of Commons carried or implied a charge of wrong-doing or incapacity on the part of Major-General Hughes and of the Shell Committee there would have been no ground for enquiry; there would have been no partizan hullaballo throughout the country, no use of stolen documents, no attempt to create a scandal and by ruining Major-General Hughes to destroy the Government of which he is a member.

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Thou wit also journey in the lonely night.

Thou, hurt, now movest not,
Who often with delight
Did lead the race to winning post
Revelling in thy great might.

Proudly thou stepped to martial note
Expectantly sniffed the battle from afar,
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HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

The recruiting meeting in Prince of Wales College last evening was the public event of the week and was greatly enjoyed by a large number of citizens. Col. Gutherie's experiences at the front were eagerly listened to by an intensely interested audience, who closely followed him as he pictured most thrillingly the hardships through which our Canadian boys are so bravely and cheerfully passing and in which he received the wound which necessitated his return home. Col. Gutherie was accompanied here by Capt. Webb who is recruiting for a French-Acadian Regiment.

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Miss Lois Taylor returned this week from a delightful visit to New York.

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Mrs. Stewart, wife of Judge Stewart, was visiting her sister Mrs. Jones in Moncton this week, returning from Toronto where she was attending the convention of the Daughters of the Empire.

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Mrs. Bagnall, wife of Captain J. Stanley Bagnall, received for the first time since her marriage at the home of Mrs. J. S. Bagnall on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons of this week, when a large number of ladies called to offer their congratulations and to welcome the young bride to Charlottetown. Becomingly attired in a dainty gown of white, the bride was assisted in receiving by Mrs. J. S. Bagnall and Mrs. A. G. Peake. In the tea room which, looked exceedingly pretty, the guests were attended by Mrs. A. W. Weeks, Mrs. A. A. McLean, Mrs. C. H. B. Longworth, Mrs. A. W. Hyndman, Miss Brown and Miss Helen Bagnall.

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The tennis season has arrived and is now being thoroughly enjoyed by the young people. Victoria Park Courts were opened last week, afternoon tea being served for the first time this year on Saturday by Miss Annie Johnson, Miss Louise Lyons and Miss Sadie Davison. During the week the courts were again rolled and are now in splendid condition. The hostesses this afternoon will be Mrs. F. Heartz and Miss Katie Stanley.

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The St. James Tennis Courts are being taken advantage of daily by the young people who are planning several tournaments during the coming months. The officers for the year are President— Mr. Clyde Auld; Vice-Pres.—Mr. F. .T. Watkis; Sec.-Treas.— Mr. P. Barlow; Grounds Committee Mr. Leslie Tennant, Mr. K. Martin, Mr. H. Riggs; Tea Committee, Mrs. K. J. Martin, Mrs. (Dr.) Ross, Miss J. Fullerton and Miss A Saunders, afternoon tea will be served on Mondays starting June 12th.

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Mrs. Kaizer of Halifax has arrived home to spend sometime with her parents Dr. and Mrs. Anderson.

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The Khaki concert on Thursday evening was so well arranged that each number was a delight to the large audience in attendance and left the desire with them for a similar entertainment in the near future.

Mr. John Haszard is being warmly welcomed home his week from France and is looking exceedingly well. Mr. Haszard is being besieged by eager enquiries from friends of the Charlottetown boys with whom he was closely associated while at the front, and who hope his visit home will be a pleasant one. Mr. Haszard was accompanied as far as Montreal by Mr. Wendall McKenzie who arrived home last evening to visit his parents Mr. and Mrs. John T. McKenzie. After a short furlough both young men will take up the McGill Summer Course to complete their studies interrupted by their joining the forces going over seas.

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Miss Beatrice McKinnon who has been on an extended visit to Florida is now enjoying a few weeks in New York on her return home.

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Miss Helen Moore who is to be one of the early June brides was given a delightful surprise on Monday evening when a number of her girl friends called at her home in Brighton and "showered" her with many useful gifts for her kitchen. Last evening Miss Moore was invited to Miss Sadie Smith's home and was again the guest of honour at a miscellaneous shower at which she received many choice gifts of linen, china, etc. Much mirth was provoked by the poetical gems attached to the different articles and which were read aloud to the guests. Dainty refreshments were served on both occasions.

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Mr. Justice Fitzgerald left yesterday morning for Toronto to be present at the marriage of his daughter Miss Geraldine which takes place in that city on Wednesday next to Mr. Fergus Hutchings of Liskeart, Ont. Mrs. Fitzgerald has been in Toronto for some time visiting her daughter.

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Mrs. Johnson, with her daughter Miss Annie and son, Master Kenneth, are leaving in the near future on a visit to England where Dr. Johnson is now attached to the Military hospital staff at Bramshott.

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The current report that Lt. Col. Campbell will retain his present rank and be second in command of the 105th Battalion C. E. F., P. E. I. Highlanders, is pleasant news to his many friends.

PRISONER'S FUND

Sir:- The Red Cross Society of Crapaud has sent me $12.00 towards the support of a Prisoner in Germany, with the hope that three other Patriotic Societies will give similar amounts and so together they could keep a prisoner for a year.

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