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### "Away With the Frills" In Military Matters

(Halifax Chronicle)

Canada, like Britain, is now enlisting and enrolling in her armies the best young manhood of the country. It is not an army of professional soldiers, not an army of men who choose military life by preference. Many of them have been life-long opponents of militarism and earnest advocates of peace. They are gladly enlisting in the ranks and subjecting themselves to the hardships and dangers of active service, because they realize their duty to themselves, to their country and to humanity demands it. It is therefore essential that our army should be organized upon the broadest, democratic principles compatible with discipline and military efficiency. There are one or two things traditional to the army which, we believe could be eliminated and ought to be eliminated.

In the first place we think that the best opinion of the country will agree that the saluting business has been greatly exaggerated. When soldiers are on duty, it is, of course proper and possibly essential to the enforcement of discipline and authority that they should salute their superior officers, according to the custom which military regulations demand. It is a recognition of authority which may and probably does, serve an excellent purpose, but at the present time in Canada, when the streets of all our larger cities are swarming with youths wearing the uniform of commissioned officers—whose military experience is confined to the few weeks spent at a training school—it seems ridiculous that the men who volunteer for service should be under the necessity of carrying out this saluting custom.

We do not think that this sort of thing is likely to appreciably promote discipline or inspire the private soldier with any greater respect for the rank above him. In many cases the man who enlists in the ranks occupies important and influential positions in the community. They, of course, submit themselves to all the regimen of military life when they enter the army, but it is absurd to require men of this class to be constantly saluting some strapping man who passes on the street, simply because they are temporarily in possession of the uniform of a commissioned officer. So long as soldiers are on duty let the strictest regulations be observed but once they are off duty they should be free from the obligation of this antiquated and useless drill sergeant fetish. Sir Sam Hughes would do well to "cut it out." It will be a relief to officers as well as to men.

Then we have the practice, entirely foreign to the democratic spirit of this country, of providing officers with servants, or, as they are popularly known in the army "batmen." There may be good reasons why officers in the field, should have a soldier

detailed to attend to certain personal duties for him which would leave him free to devote his whole time and attention to his military duties. Even that may be debatable, excepting in the case of the higher commands. But there is no reason that we can divine why officers, in time of peace, on home duty, or in training, should be allowed the privilege and luxury of servants. It is, on the contrary, preposterous at this time, when the call is constantly being made for reinforcements and we are being told by those in authority that every man is needed to fill up the ranks, that the men who volunteer to serve their King and country should be detailed as "batmen," or personal servant for officers.

It is little short of a scandal, when men are so urgently needed for the fighting line, that soldiers who volunteered for service overseas and enlisted to be trained as fighting men should be employed in painting fences around private residences of officers, shovelling snow in front of officers' houses, driving motor cars, doing household chores, and being generally engaged in performing domestic or other personal services for officers, who in some cases are devoting the greater part of their time to their own private professional or business affairs. The people of Canada are not paying soldiers for this kind of menial and altogether incongruous work.

This practice has been going on for a long time. It is high time that it was stopped. No man who enlists as a soldier of the king should be compelled by an absurd, moss-grown regulation to serve as a flunky for any man, least of all for men who hold comfortable and lucrative berths and who do not find their military duties exacting as to prevent them devoting most of their every-day affairs of civil life.

Sir Sam Hughes has already indicated that he realizes the necessity of democratizing the Canadian forces. He has recently made the very commendable announcement that in future all men taking the training

course, with a view to receiving commissions, will be on the same level and will wear the private's uniform. This, we believe, is an excellent move. Major General Hughes has been so ready to adopt suggestions which the Morning Chronicle from time to time has made for the improvement of the army and military conditions, that we are encouraged to believe that he will lose no time in adopting the suggestions which we have made in this article. This is the time for the stern business of war. It is no time for "fuss and feathers," or perpetuating absurd distinctions and funkism. We call upon Sir Sam Hughes to top of the frills and fripperies and make the Canadian Army what it ought to be, a democratic force of the highest efficiency. It will be better for the men; it will be better for the officers, and it will be better for the country.

#### GIVE "SYRUP OF FIGS" TO CONSTIPATED CHILD

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#### Hon. J. D. Hazen Made a Mistake

The Toronto Globe:—"The Hon. J. D. Hazen, Minister of Marine and Naval Defence, made a mistake when he refused 'more than once' to accept the resignation of his confidential Secretary, Mr. Gustav Heidemann, which was tendered by that gentleman with a finer sense of the fitness of things than Mr. Hazen showed. The Ottawa Journal, which is friendly to the Government, and can have no desire to embarrass Mr. Hazen, speaking of the presence of a number of men of German birth in confidential Government posts, said on Wednesday:

"Probably the most conspicuous case on record is that of Gustav Heidemann, Secretary of the Minister of Marine and Naval Service, Hon. J. D. Hazen. Mr. Heidemann was born in Germany, and no doubt has relatives fighting there. He has been a long time in Canada and is reputed an able and efficient Secretary. His name appears only on the most recent list issued from the Secretary of State's Department as having received full naturalization. Mr. Heidemann has access to all correspondence connected with Canadian coast defence, wireless, harbor patrols, and marine matters which come to the office of the Minister of Marine and Naval Service."

"Prince Louis of Battenberg was one of the most useful men in the British naval service before the war broke out, but because he was of German birth and had relatives who

were fighting for the Kaiser as well as for British public opinion forced the acceptance of his resignation as a Lord of the Admiralty. Mr. Heidemann's loyalty to the land of his adoption is probably as little open to question as that of Prince Louis, but Mr. Hazen had no right to insist on his retention of an office so highly confidential. Canada is at war. The enemy is crafty and unscrupulous to an extent beyond all precedent. The idea of any one of British birth in a confidential position at Berlin and permitted access to documents on the safeguarding of which the lives of thousands of men might depend is unthinkable. Mr. Hazen should be requested by Sir Robert Borden to secure another confidential Secretary. And if there are other officials of German birth in similar positions who have access to the inmost secrets of the country's defences they should assuredly be transferred at once to posts of an entirely different sort. The people of Canada desire to be free to citizens of German birth and ancestry, but they are not prepared to take the chances that Mr. Hazen has been taking in the Department of Naval Defence."

The Fish, Fur and Feather Tribe of St. George, N.B., was organized last year. The object of the society is to fry in a number of the back lakes this they have provided to do and summer by a number of young men, this spring a number of fry will be who met on the shores of Lake Utopia. The object of the society is to fry in a number of the back lakes this they have provided to do and summer by a number of young men, this spring a number of fry will be who met on the shores of Lake Utopia. The object of the society is to fry in a number of the back lakes this they have provided to do and summer by a number of young men, this spring a number of fry will be who met on the shores of Lake Utopia.

was primarily of a social nature, members of the club are anxious to advertise—"the pleasures of the path less woods", and only wish all might enjoy "the rapture on the lonely shore." They propose this year to build a club house on Lake Utopia, where a cordial welcome will await all who love the open.

The officers of the club are the following:

Grand Rover—A. D. Frauley.  
Little Rover—Harry Doyle  
Royal Pathfinder, Keeper of the Seal—George Anderson.  
Royal Light Beaver—Joseph McHugh  
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Royal Paddler—Harold Blundell.

#### OAKVILLE RED CROSS SOCIETY

The Oakville Red Cross Society still continues to carry on a splendid work. A box containing the following was sent to headquarters, St. John, this week:

33 pairs socks  
4 hospital shirts  
5 pyjama suits  
2 field shirts.

The Society wishes to thank Mrs. Thos. Tracy for a donation of \$5.00 and H.M. Levenholy 25 cents.

Mrs. John McLellan, Pres.  
Miss Clara McLellan, Secy.

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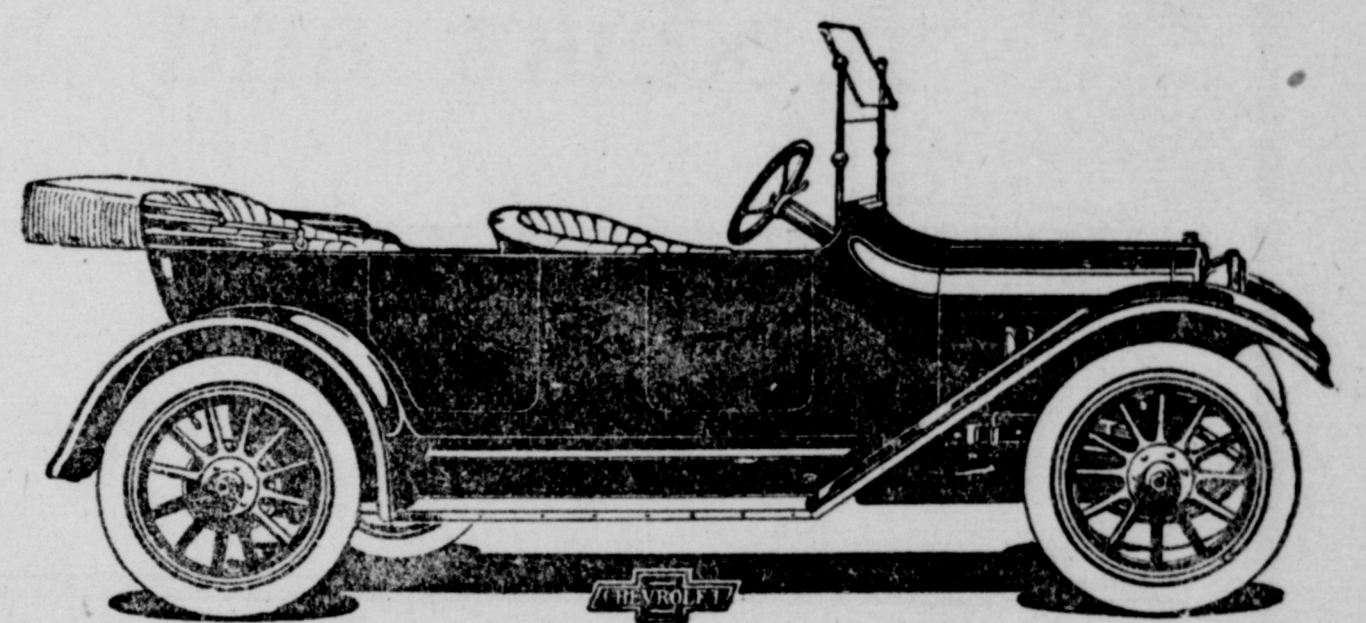
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Thanks is also due for the following donations to society:—Mrs Archibald Tracey, Miss Annie Craig, 1 pr socks each; Mrs Eunice Kennedy, 25c; Mrs Granville Page, 20c; Miss Alice Page, 5c; Mrs J A Kirkpatrick, Pres; Mrs R B Tracey, Secty.

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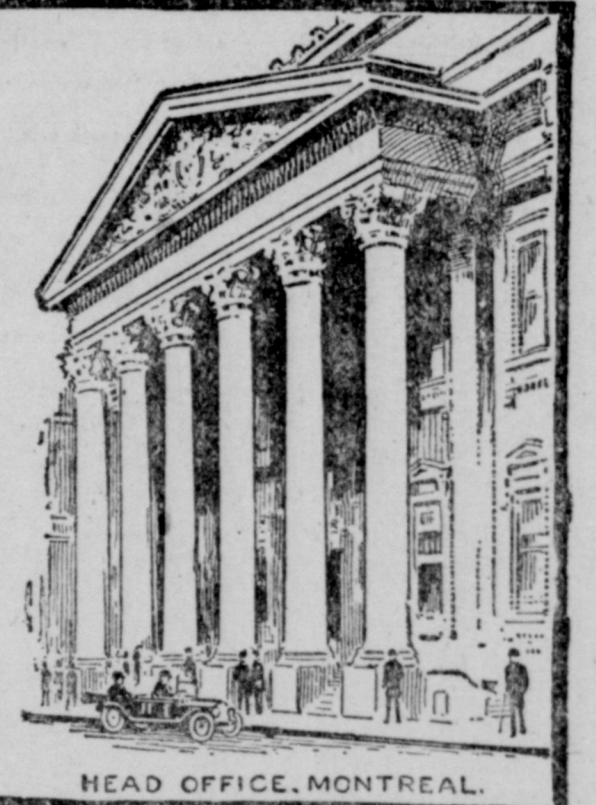
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