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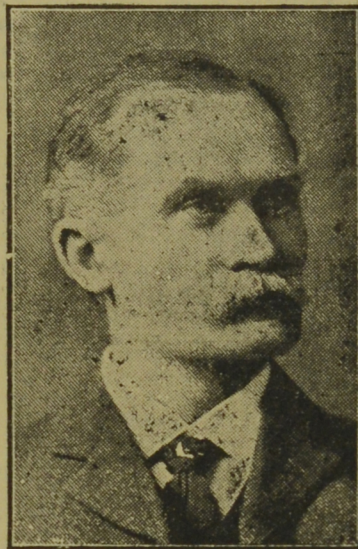
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DR. JAMES W. ROBERTSON ON FRANCE'S NOBLE EFFORT

**Large Audience Heard Veteran Education-
ist in Connection With Increased Pro-
duction Campaign Last Night---Other
Speakers were Mayor Hayes of St. John,
Dr. W. C. Kierstead of Fredericton and
L. A. Buckley of Halifax.**

A large audience heard the address at the session of the Increased Production Conference last night. The speakers were Dr. J. W. Robertson, of Ottawa, His Worship Mayor Hayes of St. John, Dr. W. C. Kierstead, of the U. N. B., and Mr. L. A. Buckley, of Halifax, Maritime Secretary of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A.

Dr. Robertson was the speaker of the evening. He was in excellent form and gave to his audience magnificent word pictures of conditions in France as he saw them last autumn.



Dr. J. W. Robertson.

Dr. J. W. Robertson was called upon as the first speaker, in order that those who desired to leave on the 9 o'clock train need not miss the chief address. He introduced his remarks by telling of his departure from Halifax in August last on a transport with 6,400 troops aboard. Four transports were conveyed by a cruiser. As they left harbor the cruiser's band played "O Canada," and the Canadian bands replied with "Rule Britannia."

Dr. Robertson said that he could not pay too high a tribute to the British Navy and its eloquent silence. In British waters and in the English Channel he saw more merchant ships than ever he had seen there before.

He believed that Germany was losing more in skilled men by the capture and sinking of submarines than the British were losing in merchant ships. The submarine Bremen, according to a "dream" that he had had, was captured within three days of the time that her voyage had been advertised by despatches from Germany. (Applause.)

Proceeding, the speaker described some of his experiences in France. As a guest of the republic, representing Canada, he had been taken over the battlefield in the valley of the Marne. There he had seen the women, the old men and the children at work in the fields. They had raised and gathered a four-fifths crop—a wonderful achievement. Not a woman had injured her physique; rather she was spiritually exalted.

It had been a matter of great regret to him that the Red Cross supplies from Canada to France had been stopped in the middle of winter. France's women were working in the fields, but Canada had cut down her Red Cross supplies.

In one village he saw houses that had been burned by the Germans after they had sprayed them with kerosene or gasoline inside. Farm implements were destroyed by being gathered in heaps and having bombs exploded under them. The people had temporarily repaired the damage. Even within the sound of the guns of Verdun schools had been reorganized. "Children first" was the spirit of reconstruction. In the same part of France he had heard of German atrocities from the mouths of people who had seen them.

Dealing particularly with the food situation, Dr. Robertson said that a world-famine would be a fact in the spring of 1918 unless everyone helped to increase production. Forty million men were on military service or had been killed or wounded, and there was a universal crop shortage.

Speaking of the French army, Dr. Robertson said that the average height of the soldiers was one to two inches greater than that of the British; not of the Canadians or the other British colonials, however. British officers said they were as brave as the best of the British troops. The Entente Cordiale was not a phrase, it was a national belief.

He also dealt with the organization of the British army in France. "Every man gets his breakfast on time," said he. "In midsummer in all the British troops there were but twenty cases of typhoid." (Applause.)

He also commented on the everlasting good nature of the British officers and men. He saw them going in for their final test. They underwent a transfiguration.

The speaker told also of examining the German trenches which had been captured and of the organization of the British army near Albert. The Red Cross work also was mentioned.

France, said Dr. Robertson, needs all the clothing she can get, for her mills cannot work. Hospital supplies also were needed. The Canadian Red Cross had built verandahs on every Canadian hospital in France, and on some of the others. In Paris a hospital had been equipped which will remain a permanent military institution and a constant reminder of Canada's regard for France. Now, as French wounded are brought toward Paris, they ask to be taken to the Canadian hospital.

Mayor Hayes of St. John.

Mr. R. T. Hayes, Mayor of St. John, was the next speaker. He said he, like many of the other speakers, had been born on a farm and had lived there some time. He still looked back with longing to those days. He represented a community founded some one hundred and thirty years ago upon principles of loyalty to the Empire. That city had little opportunity to practice production, as it was founded on a rock, but the citizens were much interested.

Mayor Hayes was pleased that his friend for so many years, Premier Foster and his Minister of Agriculture, had called this conference. Good, he felt, would come from it. He also complimented the government upon appointing so excellent an official as Mr. W. R. Reek to fill the position of Secretary. No political claim was satisfied in making that appointment. Excellent addresses had been given and important suggestions made. Resolutions had been passed, perhaps with too little discussion. In the aggregate, however, not much ever was accomplished. It was what each person did that counted.

Dr. W. C. Kierstead.

Dr. W. C. Kierstead also spoke. He referred to the tendency of a time of national stress to eliminate petty strife such as developed in commercial and political life. Speaking particularly of increased production, Dr. Kierstead suggested that soil analysis might be a means of developing productivity. Efficiency of labor also would count. England had discovered that she was not half working before the war. If increased efficiency could be carried over after this great crisis, the war would not be without a benefit. The speaker dealt with the question of capital. The war had destroyed much capital goods. Capital was secured by farmers by long term or short term loans. The former in New Brunswick took the form of mortgages. In the West the governments of four provinces had made arrangements for giving the farmers short term loans at low rates of interest. It would be well if similar action could be taken in New Brunswick.

L. A. Buckley.

Mr. Louis A. Buckley, of Halifax, representative in the Maritime Provinces of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A. spoke briefly. He offered the co-operation of his organization. The government of New Brunswick should provide inspiration to the boys who would be working on the farms. Mr. Buckley also gave instances of Y. M. C. A. work among Nova Scotia boys who have been working on the farms.

Votes of thanks were tendered the speakers on the motion of Dr. W. S. Carter, seconded by Major W. J. Osborne.

BRITISH OFFENSIVE AHEAD OF TIME

Washington, May 4.—The British forces on the western front are two weeks ahead of their attacking schedule, according to a cable received here today by Secretary Balfour, from the foreign office. The advance, it is said, has been much faster than expected, and the losses smaller. The losses were said to be only one-half as large proportionately as those on the Somme offensive last year. This is attributed by members of the mission to an incomparably better artillery preparation and the fact that the men are not allowed to outrun the guns.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

St. Paul's, Presbyterian.
Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. W. A. Ross will be the preacher at both services. Sunday school and Bible classes at 2.30 p.m. All welcome.

Methodist Church.
Rev. Thos. Marshall, pastor. 10 a.m. prayer meeting. Preaching services, 11 a.m., Rev. T. Marshall; 7 p.m., Sergt. the Rev. C. H. Leonard. Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. All seats free. A cordial welcome to all.

Brunswick Street Baptist.
Rev. G. C. Warren, B.A., B.D., pastor. Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Communion service at 8 p.m. Bible school at 2.30 p.m. All are cordially invited.

Reformed Baptist.
Rev. H. C. Archer, pastor. Preaching on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30 p.m. All are welcome.

George Street Baptist.
Rev. J. E. Wilson, pastor. Prayer meeting at 10 a.m., public worship at 11 a.m.; Sunday school and Bible class at 2.30; evening worship at 7 p.m. A cordial welcome to all.

Notice to Water Consumers.

Water Consumers will please take notice that the Water and Sewerage Rates are now due and payable at the City Treasurer's Office, City Hall. Persons owing back rates are liable to have the water turned off without further notice.

G. R. PERKINS,
Collector of Water and Sewerage Rates.

Notice of Meeting.

The regular meeting of Dovixson No. 1, A. O. H., will be held in St. Dunstan's Hall **SUNDAY EVENING, May 6th, at 8 o'clock.** Full attendance of members is requested.
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