

WAR HAS ITS HUMAN SIDE AS WELL AS ITS HORRORS, SAYS HAY

Soldier-Author Tells of Some of Events Which Do Not Reek With Blood.

"FRITZ" IS GOOD FELLOW

Incidents of Trench Life and of "Johning" Across No Man's Land Told; Germans Cannot Understand.

"Hey, Jock, are you there?" It was in the small hours of one rainy early morning somewhere along the British front line in a sector dominated by an Argyle regiment of Scots.

The steady downpour had turned the front line trenches into a flooded ditch. The German lines were just 30 yards away.

The officer on guard heard this cry come across No Man's Land.

"We are here, Fritz," one of the Scots replied.

"Have you any whiskey, Jock?" the German wit shouted; "we have plenty of water."

The officer on guard that night with the Argyle was Captain Ian Hay Keith, who spoke Thursday evening to a packed house of Portland folks at the Hellig theatre on the subject, "The Human Side of Trench Warfare."

Address Most Interesting. It is just such stories as these told by Captain Keith that made his address on the war the most interesting of any that have been given here on that subject.

The British Tommy, the Scot and the Canadian, as he lives the daily life at the front, not as he dies, were described by the speaker. He did not touch on the horrible side of intensive warfare as it is now waged, elaborating instead on the disappointment that comes to Tommy Atkins when he finds that the commissary has sent him plum jam instead of strawberry.

Captain Keith accompanied the English force to France after the regular army of 120,000 had gone to the front with the declaration of war. Captain Keith's command belonged to the first 100,000 of Kitchener's army affectionately referred to in England as "K-1."

The audience was led from these first days when the recruits were coming into the depots for enlistments, to Salisbury Plains, the great concentration camp, thence across to France, along shell-ridden roads, to the very front, following which a day's routine was described.

He Never Said Word. Men of every calling flocked to that first army, Captain Keith said, and just as like as not, an officer instructing his command of rookies about some technical detail, would be interrupted by a voice from the rear rank telling him how to do it.

Captain Keith said he was giving instruction one day to a private about the points of the compass and map reading.

"After I finished he said never a word, but departed," the speaker recounted. "And do you know, a few days later I found out that the fellow was a land surveyor."

Tall, angular and slightly stooped, with nervous gestures and a fascinating Scotch accent, Captain Keith won his hearers from the very first word. He did not say a word of his own activities in the army, although his was one of the heroic parts of the British warfare of the first periods of the conflict.

Captain Keith was proud of his first hundred thousand, and the audience grew proud with him as he told of their steady march forward, rank upon rank, many going to their death, in the first assault at Loos, as fearlessly as the most seasoned troops.

Germans Not Bad Fellows. The Germans were not bad fellows, he said. Probably the artillerymen had hearts, too, but they were too far back for the English to meet and they were not to shoot; that the war would soon be over, and fixed the dates for the termination.

"One morning following a little dialogue," he said, "a head popped up over the German trench. 'Don't shoot me,' he said, 'let's talk. We're not Prussians, we're Saxons. The Prussians won't be here until Thursday.' But the Germans could never understand the lighthearted attitude of the British in their fighting. Their idea of war was unorthodox, according to the Teuton mind, Captain Keith stated.

They could not understand a British regiment making a charge singing Cockney songs, or kicking and rattling across No Man's Land with the enemy trench as their goal.

Of the night life, when the first magnesium flares from the German trench, when for the first time in the day the men would go over the parapet to mend barb wire entanglements, of the spontaneous rifle volleying that would start with the dawn and sometimes run up and down the line for miles; of the stand to arms half an hour before dawn when the "Boche" usually attacked; and a score of other things were described in fascinating vein. In conclusion, Captain Keith said:

"Do not be discouraged when you

TRIBUTE PAID TO LATE SENATOR LANE

High tribute to the character of the late United States Senator Harry Lane was paid by Isaac Sweet of Portland. Mr. Sweet says that the senator's fearlessness in the enforcement of law and his great love for the poor were conspicuous characteristics of Dr. Lane's life. He says:

As one who deeply sorrowed for the loss of Senator Harry Lane, I am wondering if men and women everywhere understand the worth of the man. As I read the obituary notices and see him credited for integrity, honesty, for a life devoted in efforts to aid common people, for simplicity in daily life, I am impressed with the fact that some of his most remarkable characteristics are not presented.

Perhaps his most predominant feature was utter fearlessness. In his official capacity he was absolutely unafraid, particularly in matters that usually count for so much for the man in office, or that seeks office. The man of property and large employers of labor, the men of influence, or the blocks of voters that presumably were ready to cast the vote solidly as a result of this or that action, meant little to Dr. Lane. He was wholly concerned with right action as he saw it.

Always Sought Fair Play. True, he favored the poor, but this always because of the feeling that our social and economic structure places the poor at fearful disadvantage, and his desire for fair play drew him irresistibly to side with them. Utter honesty of purpose made different actions impossible.

And yet the same implicit honesty made him fair and just to all men.

Fairness and justice, as commonly used are relative terms. To Dr. Lane and to many of his friends he will always be thought of as Dr. Lane, there was an unequal struggle between one set of men and women of wealth

and influence, strong and powerful, and another set of men and women poverty stricken, almost helpless. It was inevitable that his sympathies be with the poor. And yet he resisted deeply any action that was unfair to anyone. Beset at all times with men seeking gain, he perhaps unduly suspicious even of his friends. It was the consequence of implicit honesty. His responsibilities in office were to him a trust that was always sacred. He would favor no friend nor permit anyone in the guise of friendship to swerve him from proper action.

Criticism Felt keenly. Many thought him utterly imprudent, and some thought that he thrived on it. My opinion is that few men were more pained or more deeply suffered from unjust attacks. It had been stated that he would not be a candidate for mayor for reelection at the close of his last term, simply because he did not think that he could be reelected. I think that this was not so. Dr. Lane told me that his physical condition made it impossible that he consider another term, that the attacks continually made upon him, though not affecting him officially, yet tended to undermine his health.

It will be the conviction of many men and women that today and for many years to come Dr. Lane would have been a wise force for constructive good and a powerful representative of the common people but for the vicious, pitiless and terrible attacks made upon him as a result of his vote upon the question of war in the recent campaign.

Dr. Lane was condemned not because he failed to vote as his conscience best prompted him, but because he would conform to the highest ideal as he saw it, and not to the demands of others who saw it differently.

I think the nation has had few men serve it who were so wholly inspired for the good of humanity as was this plain man who was so sincerely loved by thousands of our citizens.

MYRICK SAYS GUILTY AND WILL PAY \$3200 TO WOMAN IN CASE

Theatre Manager Changes Plea in Circuit Court Before Jury Box Is Filled.

Edward J. Myrick, manager of a local theatre, charged with attempted assault, changed his plea of not guilty to one of guilty in Circuit Judge Bingham's court this morning, with the understanding that he would probably be paroled under sentence of the court and that he would pay the complaining witness \$3200.

This understanding was reached shortly after the court opened and before the jury box had been filled. During the arguments of the attorneys before the agreement had been reached, both Myrick and the girl broke down under the tension. The girl was assisted to the chambers of Judge Bingham by Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin.

District Attorney Walter Evans urged that the best interests of the girl, because of her extreme nervous condition, would be served by the acceptance of the money offered her, and it was upon his recommendation that the court closed the case.

The judge reserved sentence until Saturday.

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Some Changes in Personnel Made; Oregon Delegation Not to Come.

Washington, May 25.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—The Lane congressional funeral party, leaving here this morning, will arrive in Portland Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, over the Milwaukee (O-W-R. & N.) line. As finally constituted, the party consists of the following:

Senators Chamberlain, Ashurst, Norriss, Kenyon, Kendrick, King, Gronna, Thompson and Johnson of South Dakota.

Representatives Johnson (Washington), Mays, McClintic, Walsh, Berkeley, Kincheloe, Lobeck and Kearns.

Isaac McBride, Lane's son-in-law and private secretary, will accompany the party.

Oregon house members met today and issued the following explanation for their remaining at Washington:

"We deeply deplore the death of Senator Lane, and join in every tribute of respect to his memory. There will be up in the house within a few days a number of matters of the greatest importance to Oregon, including the rivers and harbors, reclamation, food supply and price control bills."

The ordinance was originally suggested by Will H. Daly, commissioner of public utilities.

SALARY INCREASE SOUGHT

R. G. McMullen, assistant engineer of the department of public works, wants his salary fixed at \$150 a month where it was two years ago. He is now getting \$150 a month, and is asking not only for the \$10 increase but for \$10 for 20 months, or \$290. His salary was cut from \$160 to \$150 when city employees were reclassified.

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Captain Keith left last night for San Francisco and will go from there to New York. He has been ordered to rejoin his command as soon as possible.

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MASTER PLUMBERS TO TAKE AN EXAMINATION AND PAY \$12 LICENSE

Council Agrees on Ordinance Which Permits Building Owners to Do Plumbing.

Before master plumbers may engage in the plumbing business in Portland they must undergo an examination as to fitness and ability and pay a license fee of \$12 a year, under an ordinance agreed upon by the city council today.

The ordinance was not passed, however, owing to changes to be made by the legal bureau.

The measure provides for a board of five examiners, four of whom are to be master plumbers and one a sanitary engineer of at least four years' experience. The measure does not license journeymen plumbers unless they become contractors.

The ordinance permits building owners and their own employees to do the plumbing work in their own buildings. The department in charge of enforcing the ordinance and the city council is given the authority to revoke licenses in case of violations.

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Mrs. Frances Lewis Died at Age of 72

Mother of Mrs. Albee Passes at Home of Son, Frank Lewis, After Illness of Two Years From Paralysis.

Mrs. Frances Lewis, mother-in-law of Mayor Albee, died at the home of her son, Frank E. Lewis, 1025 East Irving street, at noon today. She had been in ill health since sustaining a stroke of paralysis two years ago.

Mrs. Lewis was 72 years old and was born in Detroit, Mich. The body is to be sent to Bay City, Mich., Saturday for burial.

Besides Mrs. Albee and the son, Frank E. Lewis, she leaves a daughter, Miss Marjorie Lewis, of Portland; a son, A. G. Lewis, and a daughter, Mrs.

Another Ambulance Donated in Portland

Funds for one more car have been added to the donation for the maintenance of a Portland unit of the American ambulance field service at the front in France. All of these donations have largely come from people who have offered to buy and maintain a car for one year. Representatives of the ambulance service in Portland insist, nevertheless, that contributions, however small, are welcome. Any contributions made should be addressed to Emery Olmstead, Northwestern National bank.

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