

# EXHIBITION NEVER HAD HAPPIER OPENING OMEN

## George Perley Eloquent in His Reference to Canada's Part in the Empire and the War—President Takes Rumania's Entrance Has Augury of Splendid Things.

**TUESDAY AT EXHIBITION.**  
Society Day.  
10 a.m.—Gates open.  
11 a.m.—Buildings open.  
12 a.m.—Cat Show opens.  
1 p.m.—Model Camp open to public.  
2 a.m.—Midway opens.  
3 to 3 p.m.—Toronto Symphony.  
4 p.m.—International trap shooting tournament opens.  
5 p.m.—Grandstand vaudeville.  
6 to 6:30 p.m.—Conway's.  
7:30 p.m.—Symphony Band.  
8:45 to 9:15—Naval demonstrations.  
9:30 p.m.—Hydroplane flights.  
10 p.m.—Grandstand vaudeville.  
11 to 12 p.m.—Conway's Band.  
12:30 p.m.—Federation of Empire Spectacle.  
9:45 p.m.—Fireworks.

At 2:30 to-day at the Dairy Building George Perley, acting Canadian High Commissioner in London, England, pressed the button and officially opened the 1916 Canadian National Exhibition. This is Federation Year. It is symbolic of the unity of the allied nations fighting against the Prussian empire.

The arrival of The Star extra with news that Rumania had joined the allies in the common cause against the Central Empires brought to the face of President Noel Marshall, who remarked: "Isn't that a very best of news for opening day of the Exhibition? It is a good omen for the success of the Exhibition this year," he said.

At one o'clock the guests for the luncheon of the directors gathered together in the Administration building, which such a short time ago was the divisional headquarters with General Logie in command, and over 48,000 soldiers under arms in the military district.

The soldiers are now in camp or on parade, and the building has remained its Exhibition adornments. President Noel Marshall is a proud man to-day, and the glorious weather which superseded the early morning over-casting clouds gave to everyone a sort of optimism which just bubbled over. Whatever the C.N.E. may be called this year, it is certainly "Canada Militant" which impresses everyone.

### Guests at Exhibition Luncheon.

Among the guests at the luncheon which President Marshall presided over were Sir George Perley in the chair of honor, Sir Edmund Osler, Sir William Mulock, Major-General Mason, Sir John Willison, C. A. B. Brown, Thos. Roden, representing the Canadian Manufacturers' Association; Col. A. E. Gooderham, Sir D. Mann, W. S. Kerman, vice-consul for Brazil; J. L. Englehart, W. C. Brent, F. A. Gaby, Major Pope and Sir John M. Gibson.

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### Perley Type of Best Citizen.

Mr. Noel Marshall, president of the C.N.E., addressed Sir George Perley previous to the opening as follows:

"It is fitting, Sir George, that you as Canada's High Commissioner in Great Britain (the direct link between this Dominion and the Mother Country), should honor the Canadian National Exhibition on opening day, 1916, 'Federation Year,' when the Exhibition is endeavoring to convey the lesson of Imperial power and cohesion and to exalt that wide patriotism necessary to cement and render more intimate the future relationship between the different parts of the Empire. Your occupancy of the High Commissioner's office, sir, has seen problems arise unprecedented in world's history, and you have been invited here to-day that we might tell you that you have represented the Dominion in this world's crisis in such a manner as to reflect the true Canadian ideals, love of Canada and loyalty to the Empire.

"We welcome you, sir, as a type of our best Canadian citizenship, upright in private business and zealous in the public service, and we would direct your attention to the myriad evidences around you of our national progress, our industrial strength, and our unlimited resources, and of the determination of the people of Canada to pour its resources and its manhood into the crucible of war that victory may rest with the British cause on distant battlefronts.

"A showplace to demonstrate our material progress, a recreation and educational centre for the people of Canada for the next two weeks, these grounds and buildings, almost as soon as the gates are closed, will be transferred into a great military mobilization centre for the winter months. Thousands of men have been trained here during the past two winters, and it is a source of great pride to the citizens of Toronto, and to the members and directors of the Canadian National Exhibition, to know that they have been able to render some slight service to the Empire in this emergency.

### Says Ex. Has No Peer.

"Naturally, I consider it a great honor to have been asked to come here and open the Canadian National Exhibition at this important time in our history," said Sir George Perley in reply. "From small beginnings, through the ability and enterprise of your directors and members, this Exhibition has grown in strength and influence until to-day it occupies a unique position and I believe that there is no annual exhibition anywhere so large or successful as this one. You are not only teaching the people how to produce more on their farms and increase the output of our factories, but you are helping in many ways to broaden and uplift us from a moral and artistic point of view. Further than that, you are at the present time carrying out a loyal and patriotic duty by placing before your subscribers and visitors the situation and conditions at the front and encouraging them to enlist and do everything possible to assist in winning this great war.

### Mutual Trust and Confidence.

"When we went over to England in June, 1914, we had no idea of being away more than a few weeks, but war came on just as we were about to return to Canada. Owing to the lamented death of Lord Strathcona a few months before, we had no representative in London and so at the request of Sir Robert Borden, I stayed on to attend to the duties of the High Commissioner's Office as a member of our Government. It has been a great pleasure to me to do this, and we have had a most interesting, though busy, time. It is true that under these abnormal conditions a good many difficult questions have to be discussed and arranged with the British Government, but these have been dealt with satisfactorily and in a spirit of mutual trust and confidence. In this and many other ways the different parts of the Empire are being brought closer together. Our soldiers are fighting on the same battlefields and are being nursed side by side in the various hospitals. It is one of the marvels of history that from the beginning of this war every part of the Empire showed its wish and resolve to join with the Mother Country in fighting Prussian militarism and in the great effort to maintain the ideals of liberty, which are the pride and boast of our race. The Germans cannot understand our system of Government and in their ignorance believed that the self-governing Dominions, as well as India, would be glad to seize the first opportunity of declaring their independence. Never was there a greater mistake. Every part of the Empire, without pressure or request, promptly gave assistance in both men and resources. All this will tend to increase and cement the sentiment and feeling of Empire which we are all anxious to strengthen and perpetuate.

### For All Pain

"The efficiency of any drug" says Dr. C. F. Robbins, "is known to us by the results we obtain from its use. If we are able to control pain and disease by means of any preparation, we certainly warrant it in its use. One of the principal symptoms of all diseases is pain, and this is what the patient most often complains to us for, i. e. something to relieve his pain. If we can arrest this promptly the patient is most liable to trust in us for the other remedies which will effect a permanent cure. One remedy which I have used largely in my practice is anti-kamnia tablets. Many have varied as their uses. I have put them to the test on many occasions, and have never been disappointed. I found them especially valuable for headaches of malarial origin, where quinine was being taken. They appear to prevent the bad after-effects of the quinine. Anti-kamnia tablets are also excellent for the headaches from improper digestion, and for headaches of a neuralgic origin, and especially for women subject to pains at certain times. Two anti-kamnia tablets give prompt relief, and in short time the patient is able to go about as usual." These tablets may be obtained at all druggists. Ask for A-K tablets. They are also unexcelled for headaches, neuralgias and all pain.

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### Free Institutions Must Be Defended.

"Now, it is the duty of all who believe in free institutions to demonstrate our ability to defend our rights in time of war. After two years of fighting we are now in the very crisis of the struggle. The Germans had been preparing on a gigantic scale for forty years, and they expected to destroy their unsuspecting neighbor, France, within a few weeks and impose terms of peace before the autumn leaves fell. The Germans thought that no one was strong enough to bring them to account for their misdeeds, and so sure were they of victory that they ruthlessly invaded and ravaged Belgium, although they had guaranteed to protect her. What has happened since is a matter of glorious history. Britain has taken two years to get ready for war, and to-day, although we are not yet at the height of our strength, the allies are already equal to the enemy in the size of our army and in the supply of munitions of war. There has never been any doubt about our winning in the end, and from now on the advantage is with us. By comparing the situation in the various theatres of war with what it was a year ago, it is easy to realize how greatly our position has improved. If we remain true to ourselves and our history, victory shall be ours, no matter how long postponed. We are losing many of our bravest and best and the list of casualties keeps growing. All our hearts are with the men of our Empire, from every part of it, who are fighting so gallantly in France. We greatly mourn with the sorrowing and bereaved, but Canada, I am sure, in conjunction with all parts of our Empire, will continue to put forth every effort until we have won a decisive victory, so that never again shall the world be subjected to such a carnival of death and suffering by the whim of one man or one nation.

### 1,000 Children Sang Welcome.

Sir Robert pressed the button, and the message was carried throughout the grounds, that the C. N. E., 1916, was officially opened. The guests then wended their way to the Grand Stand. Here over 1,000 children were assembled in front of the Grand Stand. There is something impressive about children singing, something which grips the heart-strings of all who hear. The Carnival and Festival of Lilies presented this afternoon by the children of the Empire League from Public schools of the city of Toronto, was at once an impressive as well as a delightful scene. After the carnival the guests went around the grounds admiring the various exhibits.

### Germany Dislike Facing Canadians.

"It is not necessary for me in this great city of Toronto to speak about the important part played by Canada in this war and the magnificent fighting qualities of our Canadian troops. You are reading every day about their deeds of valor and the splendid records which they have made. I congratulate you on the large number of men who have enlisted from your city and this part of Canada, as well as on the spirit and devotion shown by their wives and mothers and the determination which is evidenced in so many ways that you are doing, and will do, everything possible, both financially and physically, to back up our boys and to help win this war. When our men first went to the front we all hoped and expected that they would prove themselves worthy of the best British traditions, but at the same time some wondered whether citizen soldiers, such as ours, could effectively oppose those who had trained over a long series of years. The result has more than realized our greatest expectations. Our men have shown courage and self-reliance beyond all praise, and it is currently reported that the Germans specially dislike facing the Canadian divisions.

### Canada Supporting the Allies.

"Canada is intensely interested in this great struggle, although we are a long way from the actual seat of war. In the first place, we are an important part of the British Empire, and it would be superfluous for me to say to this audience that when the Union Jack is attacked, we should take our part in defending it. We have inherited the glorious traditions of a thousand years, which it is our duty and pleasure to uphold, and our hearts are continually with our brave boys in the trenches who are so nobly doing so. Then we are interested from a purely commercial point of view, because it is by the power of Britain that we are able to continue sending our products to market. Our cheese and meat, our hay and oats in vast quantities, are going forward to help feed our troops, as well as those of the allies. To-day we are daily manufacturing in Canada nearly a million dollars worth of shells and other munitions. All of these things cross the seas with as much safety as in time of peace, under the protecting care of the British navy. If the Germans could have accomplished their purpose, Canada would have been subjected to invasion, and I know no part of the world which the Germans would like to possess more than this fair Dominion of ours. But we are interested in the result of this struggle for a higher and deeper reason. This is more than a war between nations; it is a death duel between two opposing and irreconcilable forms of Government. We have inherited the untold blessings of liberty and democratic Government, which have been obtained by the sacrifices and struggles of our forefathers through many centuries. The German system is the antithesis of this, as they believe in autocratic Government, under which everyone is cast in the same mould and made obedient to the rule of the Kaiser and his military advisers. We know that our form of Government is very much the better in time of peace and works out for the good of the greatest number.

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### Eastern Entrance Great Boon.

The eastern entrance is going to be a great boon and will considerably relieve the congestion at night when everyone wants to get away about the same time. The only criticism to the route that might be offered is the sharp curve that exists just before it reaches the grounds, but the cars go very slowly along here, and danger is reduced to a minimum.

### First Visitor Through New Entrance.

Frank Arnold, of Ivy, Ont., was the first visitor to pass through the turnstiles via the new eastern entrance to-day. S. B. Kirkland, 134 High street, Wychwood, an employe of the C.N.E. for the past five years, was at the gate. The novelty of riding to the fair grounds over the new roadway was quite apparent, the passengers standing up in the cars, noting the Stanley Barracks, the Old Fort and the soldiers engaged in their early morning duties.

Everything was in readiness at the entrance gates. Approximately 300 people passed through the gates in the first hour, many of them employes of the C.N.E. or engaged at the different concessions scattered about the grounds. The Midway was the busiest spot on the grounds. Here tents arose as if by magic and brawny workmen were busy driving in tent stakes, securing tents, ropes, and hammering down the temporary floorings. Purveyors of ice cream cones and "hot dogs" lost no time in preparing for the "offensive" of the thousands of children expected.

In the various buildings scattered throughout the grounds carpenters were knocking booths together, and the ring of the hammer on nails resounded throughout the huge buildings during the early part of the morning. By 10 o'clock everything was in readiness. The "bally-hoo" men on the Midway invited the crowds to witness their "unrivalled attractions," boys were throwing rings for canes and knives, the merry-go-round circulated gaily, and the children were on the first lap of their 10-hour grind of enjoyment. No matter how tired they may be to-night, this is their day.

### GUIDE TO VISITORS.

#### AT THE EXHIBITION

##### First Week.

Monday—Opening day.  
Tuesday—Society day.  
Wednesday—School children's day.  
Thursday—Military day.  
Friday—Press day.  
Saturday—Empire Federation day.

##### Second Week.

Monday—Labor day.  
Tuesday—Connaught day.  
Wednesday—Farmers' day.  
Thursday—Patriotic and production day.  
Friday—Review day.  
Saturday—Citizens' and athletic day.

### EXHIBITION NOTICES

#### W.C.T.U. DINING HALL.

It is at the southern extremity of the Government Building, facing Lake Ontario—the Dining Hall where you get the best hot meal on the Exhibition grounds. If you want a cup of tea or coffee, the "good" kind, go to the lunch counter at any time. The sandwiches and cakes, etc., are always fresh and dainty, too; and the members of the "W" W.C.T.U. will wait on you promptly, just as their mothers do when you sit down to the tables. Meet your friends at the W.C.T.U. Dining Hall after the opening ceremonies, and rest while you enjoy your dinner.

#### NASMITH'S OPEN AT OLD STAND.

Nasmith's Lunch Room opened to-day at its former convenient location, under the west end of the Grandstand. The spacious hall has accommodation for 750 guests at a sitting and is so well arranged that the crowding, usually so prevalent an objection in large lunch rooms, has been eliminated. The regular table d'hote meal this year is served at 60 cents, but the management has also provided an entree lunch at 40 cents. An efficient staff has been engaged and visitors are assured of prompt and courteous service.

#### "OUR SOLDIERS BRAVE."

If you have not heard the march music of the latest and most patriotic song, "Our Soldiers Brave," by Fred Hazard, you may do so any afternoon at the Exhibition Grounds, when it is played by the Toronto Symphony Band. Sold at music dealers. 1,35 Sept 8

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#### Standard Clocks in Paris.

Standard clocks in the Paris Observatory are kept ninety feet under ground, where the variation in temperature has been less than one degree for several years.

#### Large Loss in Cattle.

Last year live stock valued at \$300,000 was killed on the national forest ranges by eating poisonous plants; 85 per cent of the losses of cattle were caused by tall larkspur.

#### Jap' Workmen.

Workmen in Japan wear on their caps an inscription stating their business and their employer's name.

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