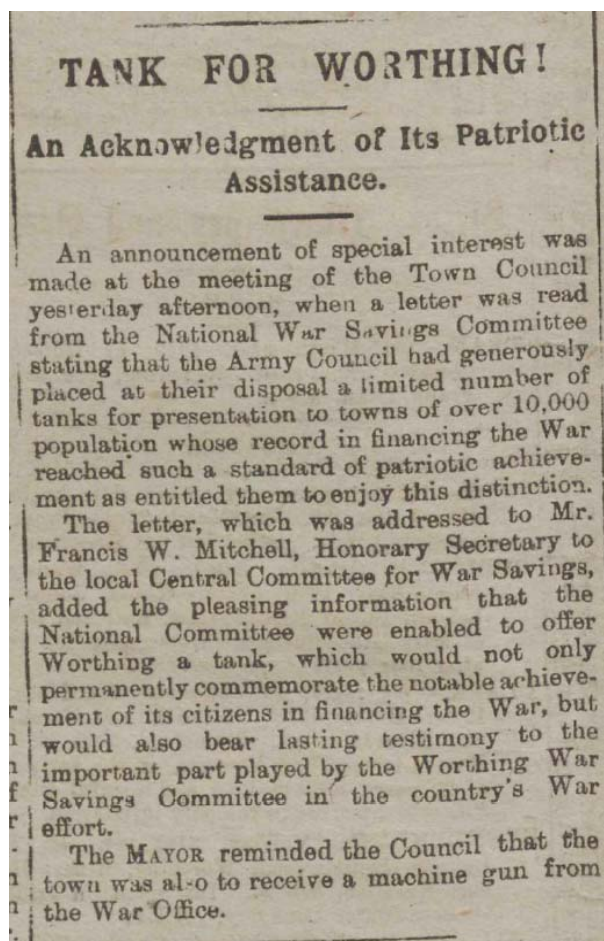
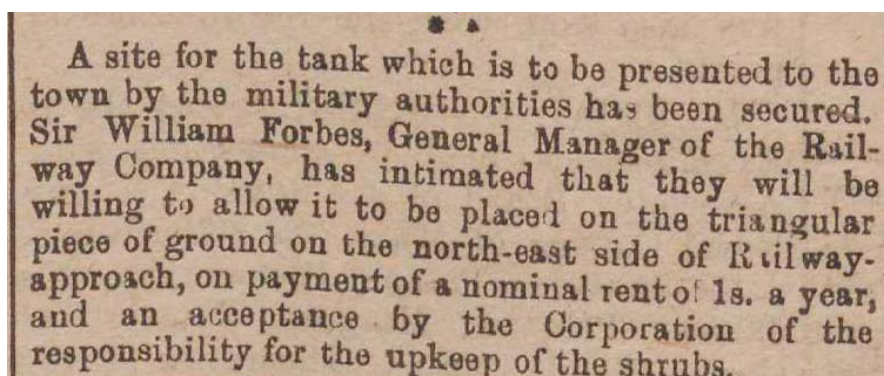


The Gift of a Tank for Worthing

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THE TANK

Awarded to Worthing as an acknowledgment of the Services rendered by the Town in financing the War

Will be presented by
CAPTAIN W. F. FARRER, M.C.
On behalf of the National War Savings Committee,

ON
Tuesday Next, October 28th.
THE MAYOR
Will receive it in front of the
Town Hall at 12 o'clock:
After the reception the Tank will proceed to the site near the Bridge, accompanied by the Band of the Steyne School Cadets.

N.B.—War Savings Certificates can still be bought for 15/6

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THE TANK.

Its Public Reception Next Week.

To commemorate the work of the local War Savings Committee, the National Committee have allotted a tank to Worthing, and at a meeting of the Committee, held in the Mayor's Parlour on Monday evening, and presided over by Mr. G. Stacey, arrangements were made for its public reception next Tuesday.

The formal ceremony will take place outside the Town Hall at noon, when the tank, with its crew in attendance, will be formally offered to the Mayor for acceptance on behalf of the town.

Afterwards the tank will be taken to the place prepared for it, one of the enclosed shrubberies belonging to the Railway Company, in Railway-approach, where the foundation has already been prepared by Mr. Frank Roberts, the Borough Surveyor.

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WORTHING AND ITS TANK.

An Interesting Souvenir.

Its Part in the Great Battle of Cambrai.

In acknowledgment of its services to national finance, for it has raised more than two million pounds towards successive War Loans, Worthing has been presented by the National War Savings Committee with one of the tanks actually employed in the Great War; and its formal reception yesterday provided an interesting public ceremonial.

Flags were displayed in the neighbourhood of the Town Hall, and the tank was placed near the Fountain. The Steyne School Cadets attended, under the command of Councillor Captain G. B. Bennett and Lieutenant C. Renham; and the children of the several Elementary Schools having been released an hour before the time appointed for the ceremony, the elder scholars, many of whom belong to the War Savings Associations at the Schools, came to the spot to witness the proceedings. A crowd of several thousand townspeople assembled at the scene.

The Mayor and Mayoress (the former wearing his chain of office) stood on the roof of the tank, accompanied by Captain W. F. Farrer, M.C., and several other officers in uniform, Mr. G. Stacey (Chairman of the War Savings Committee), and Mr. Francis W. Mitchell (the Honorary Secretary).

Several of the members of the Town Council and some of the Corporation officials also attended.

An All-British Production.

Mr. MITCHELL formally introduced Captain FARRER to the assembly, and the latter, in asking the town to accept the tank, made an extremely interesting speech, first striking a personal note by saying that he held very dear associations and memories of the town of Worthing, having been a schoolboy here something like eight years ago. The tank before them, he declared, stood as an everlasting emblem of British ingenuity, British resourcefulness, and British pluck (applause). The tank was primarily a life saver, and in going into action in front of the infantry it saved a good many thousands of lives (hear, hear). It saved in other ways, for 500 of them were used at Cambrai, and an official at the War Office calculated that the saving in the preparatory barrage which would otherwise have been necessary would more than keep the whole Tank Corps for two years (applause). The colours of the tank before them were brown, red, and green; and the proverb they got in France was this: Through mud and blood to the green fields of Peace! (loud applause). The speaker concluded with some apt words to the children before him.

The MAYOR, in formally accepting the tank on behalf of the town, mentioned, amid loud applause, that Worthing had raised £2,322,780 towards the War Loans; and as in certain cases their investments were made by local residents in London, he thought it might be said that Worthing contributed something like two and a half million pounds to Government securities (renewed applause).

A verse of the National Anthem having been sung, Councillor F. A. WATTS called for three cheers for Captain Farrer, which were heartily given.

A Task for the Mayoress.

The MAYORESS bestowed the name of "Farrer" upon the tank, in honour of the eloquent young Captain; some liquid contained in a champagne bottle being broken open by one of the officers in attendance.

The tank, preceded by the Steyne School

Cadets, was removed to its appointed place in Railway-approach early in the afternoon, its progress through the streets being watched by a large assembly.

The crew of four was in attendance.