PANAMANS ARE READY TO BACK U.S. IN WAR

PANAMA, Feb. 8. — The Panaman foreign office has replied to President Wilson's note suggesting that all neu-trals sever diplomatic relations with trals sever diplomatic relations with Institute a bale was packed for ship-Germany. It inderses the stand taken ment to Hyman Hall, London. It by the president and offers to co-oper-contained 21 suits of pyjamas and five by the president and offers to co-oper-

Wm. J. Price, the American minister has received numerous offers from Pan-amans to enlist in the United States

RAISED \$300 IN YEAR. WATFORD, Feb. 8.—At the annual CHATHAM, Feb. 8.—A number of seeting of the Tecumseh Chapter, Americans engaged in business in the I.O.D.E., held this week, the following city, and who are members of volun-officers were elected for the coming teer regiments in the United States,

Newell; standard-bearer, Mrs. W. . Thompson. The treasurer reported are expenditure of \$300 during the year. raffle of a quilt and piece of India lace At the last meeting of the Womer'

SUBJECT TO RECALL

American Volunteers at Chatham Are So Notified.
CHATHAM, Feb. 8.—A number of

BARGAINS

Our big clearing sale still goes on. We have some exceptional bargains to offer. We received vesterday A LARGE SHIPMENT OF ENAMELLED WARE, which should have arrived some weeks ago, and must be sold. THE PRICES ARE THE LOWEST EVER OFFERED IN LONDON.

1	2-quart M. and R. Boiler. Regular 65c, for350
1	3-quart M. and R. Boiler. Regular \$1.00, for490
1	5-quart Lipped Sauce Pan. Regular 40c, for
1	10-quart Lipped Sauce Pan. Regular 75c, for 24c
1	5-quart Lipped Kettles. Regular 40c, for
1	10-quart Lipped Kettles. Regular 65c, for
}	16-quart Lipped Kettles. Regular \$1.25, for500
1	6-quart Berlin Sauce Pans. Regular 75c, for35c
	10-quart Berlin Sauce Pans. Regular \$1.25, for 496
	10-quart Water Pails. Regular 85c, for40c
	12-quart Water Pails. Regular \$1.00, for470
1	10-quart Dish Pans. Regular 60c, for20c
1	17-quart Dish Pans. Regular 85c, for
1	21-quart Dish Pans. Regular \$1.00, for500
	4-quart Pudding Dishes. Regular 35c, for10c
1	6-quart Pudding Dishes. Regular 45c, for
	These goods will be on sale Friday and Saturday only.
	We have still:
	2 Garland Stoves, No. 9, with Reservoir. Regular \$36.00 for
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1 Refrigerator, Enamel-lined. Regular \$24.00, for....\$18.00 See the wonderful values on our 5c, 10c, 15c and 25c tables, worth three times the price. As we vacate these premises on March 1, everything

must be sold, regardless of value. After that date we will occupy the large premises at 197 King street, opposite Central Fire Hall, and will be better equipped than ever to attend to all kinds of sheet metal work, furnaces and general

All outstanding accounts are required to be settled at our present store on Richmond street before March 1.

DON'T MISS THE BIG BARGAINS.

STEVELY'S

A demonstration of our readiness to meet the demands for fashionable attire in advance of a new season. An exhibit showing everything

A Distinguished Line of Women's

Fashionable Spring Suits

of Charming Simplicity

that is new in Women's and Misses' Suits, Coats and Dresses.

Y. M. C. A. MILITARY EXPENSES INCREASE BEYOND ALL BOUNDS

Ten Times as Much in 1915 as in 1914-More Now Required.

year: Regent, Mrs. E. Fitzgerald: 1st vice-regent, Mrs. T. G. Mitchell; 2nd vice-regent, Mrs. C. Howden; secretary, Miss. Adams: treasurer, Mrs. J. declared, it is reported.

the united States, the military service work of the Y. M. C. A. has grown since the opening of the war, through this new responsibility on the association, was indicated at the war, through this new responsibility on the association, was indicated at the annual meeting of the national council on Wednesday, when the treasurer's report showed disbursements for military services alone during the year 1916 at the year 1916 on was making some repairs allowed a torch to come in contact with some woodwork, and started a small blaze. No harm was done. mounted to \$389,126, as compared with TO EXAMINE OFFICERS.—Capt. F. one for the city for subscriptions to the coup. \$33,000 in 1915 and \$7,000 in 1914. A H. Sutherland, A.M.C., and Lieut, J. (000 fund for Red Cross and patriotic for 1917 in order to enable the association to keep pace with the increased number of Canada soldiers in training the officers, N.C.O.'s and other men of the 153rd Battalion in St. Thomas on February 7.

HELD SOCIAL EVENING.—London

Canada.

The report on the home military work, as submitted by Dr. John Brown Jun, general supervisor, showed that association work was established in eleven summer camps, where 251 Y. M. C. A. men looked after the needs of 141,000 soldiers. Arrangements are even now under way for continuing this during the coming summer, including equipment for reading and writing, tents for recreation purposes and physical work, moving picture machines, pianos and other means of entertainment. Over ive hundred ladies assisted at the respective of the pines of the coming in their rooms on Thursday night. A musical program was put on by the Lombardo boys' orchestra and others, which was greatly enjoyed by the large number the opinion that 300 could accomplish the opinion that 300 could accomplish the work, the woman who has mentioned 500 as a minimum gives as her reconstituted, and is now composed of Major Cruickshank, A. M. C., Training Depot No. 1, president: Major W. O. Burgess, A. M. C., and Major E. Shepley, A. M. C.

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FRUITCROWERS' OFFICEDS.

Shment booths.

Wherever possible, a secretary accombles troops on trains to the point of barkation, carrying with him station-magazines, song sheets and games hort time ago three men were apheted especially to look after soldiers sing to England and the wounded who were returning, and three etaries will be appointed to superad the work where returning soldiers at Helifer 1. wood and J. C. Harris of Ingersoll.

ANYONE KNOW HIM?—Does anyone who were returning, and three secretaries will be appointed to superintend the work where returning soldiers land at Halifax, St. John and Quebec.

A report by Harry Ballantyne for Western Canada showed that out of 80,000 young men who were members when the war began, about 70 per cent have enlisted, and the regular membership had fallen from 10,000 in December, 1914, to 3,750, but the boys' membership was showing large increases in nearly every centre. Out of less than 70 offi-

cores, 40 had enlisted or were doing Y.

M. C. A. military work.

The Maritime Provinces reported hrough A. S. McAlister that 30,000 soliters had been sesved in camps and baracks during the year, and nearly 100, and the costs, and after a warning each promised not to repeat the offence.

SLEIGHING PARTY.—The members of St. Mary's Dramatic Club and their friends enjoyed a sleighride on Thursday work in Ontario and Quebec in the report of C. M. Copeland, the secretary:

A letter came to our desk recently from a woman who told that her husband had cone to the war, and was now in hostital wounded, and her son was in the tarned a little money for the Y. M. C.

A., Red Cross, etc., by scrubbing and washing.

The office is open for registration until 6 o'clock this afternoon, and will be open on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

While the number that registered during this afternoon was small, it was pointed out that London is an "afternoon town" for the women, and was pointed out that London is an enjoyed a sleighride on Thursday evening. Sing-songs and noises from the latest noise-making devices, enlivened the trip around the city after which the party returned to St. Mary's Dramatic Club and their friends enjoyed a sleighride on Thursday evening. Sing-songs and noises from the latest noise-making devices, enlivened the trip around the city after which the party returned to St. Mary's Dramatic Club and their friends enjoyed a sleighride on Thursday evening. Sing-songs and noises from the latest noise-making devices, enlivened the trip around the city after which the party returned to St. Mary's Dramatic Club and their friends enjoyed a sleighride on Thursday.

Hall, where luncheon was served. A musical entertainment occupied the remainder of the evening. Members of the canvass for the patricular to the committee in charge of the arrangements were Miss Ella Jenkins, V. J. Colgan and W. J. Delaney.

J. Colgan and W. J. Delaney.

STRATFORD BOY AN M. D.

RUTHVEN KNITTERS BUSY. RUTHVEN, KNITTERS BUSY.
RUTHVEN, Feb. 8.—The Women's Patriotic League of this place met in its rooms over T. H. Wigle's store on Wednesday afternoon. The league has a membership of about sixty, and e-ery one of them is a worker. On Wednesday the ladies shipped two more large boxes of comforts to the boys at the front. Among the shipment was 59 pairs of hand-knit socks and 27 flannel shirts. Many letters have been received pairs of hand-knit socks and 27 flannel shirts. Many letters have been received by the ladies thanking them most heartly for the many comforts which are being sent by the Ruthven League.

though living in Montreal for the past eighteen years, he is an annual visitor to Stratford, where he has many friends and relatives, who no doubt will be pleased to hear of his great success.

Supposing your name is Jane on the Red Cross, or subscribed and relatives, who no doubt will be pleased to hear of his great success.

TESTANS MORE VOLUNTEERS FOR CITY CANVAS

CAPT. HAYDEN IN CHARGE.— Capt. W. Y. Hayden will be in charge of No. 1 Detachment, Canadian Army Dental Corps, for a few days during the absence on leave of Major F. P.

BACK TO DUTY.—Capt J. K. Me-Bane, A. M. C. Training Depot No. 1, has been on duty at the rifle ranges, Chatham, for the past month. Capt A. Poisson has returned from Windsor for.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—The extent to which the military service work of the Y. M. C. A. has grown since the opening of the war, through this new responsibility on

HELD SOCIAL EVENING .- London the canvass by a prominent member of Tent, No. 17, Knights of the Maccabees held a social evening in their rooms on Thursday night. A musical program was put on by the Lombardo boys' orchestra and others, which was

FOR CITY CANVASS URGED TO REGISTER

GO TO AMHERSTBURG.—Sergt. H. EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Those Subscribing To Red Cross Have Amounts Credited To Them.

"Wanted, at least 500 women volunteers to canvass the residential part of

FRUITCROWERS' OFFICERS.—Among officers elected by the Ontario Fruitgrowers' Association, in convention n Toronto, were the following from

J. Colgan and W. J. Delaney.

STRATFORD BOY AN M. D.

STRATFORD, Feb. 28. — The list of vertiser by a member of the men's

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

eas with No. 10 Stationary Medic Hospital, George of Neslen, Utah; Irv-ng in California; Mrs. Albert Banting Mandaumin; Mrs. Ed. Nobbs of Lon-n, Miss Ada, graduate nurse at Vicria Hospital, and Miss Elsie at ho ount Pleasant Cemetery.

Cemetery.
The pallbearers were L. Boss, W. Walker, William Knapp, Charles Howard, C. F. Reid and John Maul.

THE LATE MRS. McCARTHY.

ARTHUR'S, 662-6621/2 Dundas St. East. Prone 3213 FRIDAY AND SATURDAY ARE

LAWN, FLANNEL AND PRINT WAISTS, 2 FOR \$1.00. Five dozen Waists, comprising Lawn, Flannels and Print, in a range of sizes from 34 to 40, both light and dark colors, Regular values \$1.00 to \$1.50. On sale Friday and Satur-

DAYS

LADIES' WHITE KID GLOVES, \$1 PAIR Ladies' White Kid Gloves, made from soft, pliable skin, two dome fasteners, gusseted fingers, sizes 6, 6½, 6½, 6¾, 7. Present \$1.50 value. Special for Dollar Day, pair\$1.00

PRINT AND GINGHAM HOUSE DRESSES, \$1.00.

Three dozen Print House Dresses, in navy and cadet blue; one dozen Checked Gingham Dresses, in blue and white, and black and white. Sizes from 34 to 44. Dollar Day special, each\$1.00 ENGLISH CASHMERE HOSE, 3 Pairs \$1.

English-made Cashmere Hose, last season's value, good British dye, seamless feet, spliced heels and toes, sizes 81/2, 9, 9½. Dollar Day special, 3 pairs for \$1.00

WHITE BATH TOWELS, 4 pairs for \$1. White Bath Towels, with blue borders, soft finish, free from dressing, size

18x32 inches. Not more than four pairs to one customer. Sale price for Dollar Day only 4 pairs for \$1

DOLLAR DAY BARGAINS IN SUITS AND COATS.

The balance of our stock of Sample Suits and Coats at DOLLAR DAY PRICES. One only, Black Caracul Coat, regular \$35.00. Two only Corduroy Velvet Coats, regular \$35.00. Six only Tailored Suits, in navy blue, black and brown, regular \$25.00 to \$35.00.

Your choice Friday and Saturday only: 9 a.m. Dollar Day Price .. \$ 9.00 10 a.m. Dollar Day Price .. \$10.00 11 a.m. Dollar Day Price .. \$11.00 12 a.m. Dollar Day Price .. \$12.00

1 p.m. Dollar Day Price ... \$13.00 2 p.m. Dollar Day Price ... \$14.00 3 p.m. Dollar Day Price\$15.00 Prices Advance \$1 Every Hour.

10 dozen Men's Half-Dollar Ties, in a range of colors and designs, open end or straight Derby style. Dollar Day special 4 for \$1.00

Broken Lines of 75c and \$1.00 Underwear, 2 for \$1.00.

Broken and solled lines of Men's Underwear, both shirts and drawers. Regular values from 75c to \$1.

Dollar Day special ... 2 for \$1.00

Men's Heavy Wool Socks, some black, heather mixture, a..d dark grey. Regular values 30c and 35c Socks, 4 pairs \$1.00

Grey Pullover Sweaters. Men's Grey Pullover Sweaters, with roll collar. Special for Dollar Day. 2 for \$1.00.

PHONE 3213.



Men's \$1 Mufflers, 2 for \$1.00. Men's Knitted and

Silk Mufflers, worth from 75c to \$1. Dollar Day special, 2 for \$1.00.

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PHONE 2671.

EXPERT ELECTRICIANS.

Rawlings died in 1995, ix daughters and four sons survive. by are: Mrs. W. A. Rice, Toronto; s. Francis Taylor, Yuma, Arkansas; s. A. Heio'nway, Masonville; Mrs. Caldwell, London Township; Mrs. Kearns, Westminster; Miss Mabel, home; R. J. Rawlings, G. W. wlings, A. A. Rawlings, of this y, and T. C. Rawlings of London wnship. ship. funeral will be held on Monday oodland Cemetery, and the ser-will be conducted by Rev. A. C. aam of the Egerton Street Bap-

SPECIAL BYLAW WILL PROVIDE FOR OVERDRAFT

Hospital Indebtedness To Be Pald-East End Hall Question Shelved.

The overdraft for Victoria Hospital for 1916 will be paid. The board of control authorized this morning the preparation of a special bylaw to proride for raising the money. Mayor Stevenson was of the opinion that a pecial levy would have to be made, but the controllers doubted this.

The bylaw will be ready for the next neeting of the council. Controller E. Little stated that a number of citizens who had sold supplies to the hospital were in need of the money and should have it.

The question of calling for tenders or heating the east-end hall was not ettled, the matter being left over until the estimates were considered.

Debentures for \$110,000 for the utility of the considered to be

"The commission is worse than the UTILITIES COMMISSION TO USE FORD BUILDING

Present Site.

shop is being constructed.

The Daughters of the Empire, who are sponsors for the club, are willing, it was stated today, to give the club over to the commission. The latter will fit up some buildings east of the club for the purposes of the Daughters of the Empire.

The arrangements will be completed in trol for \$42,000 this morning. The offer a short time. Construction work on the will be sent to City Engineer Brazter of the short shop will commence as soon as the for his report. The property owned by the company meeting

Darch's Big Dollar Saving Day SATURDAY 10th

HERE ARE A FEW OF THE MANY BARGAINS WE HAVE TO OFFER ON SATURDAY.

All Fiber-Covered Trunk, steamer or square; any size, \$7.50 Geluine Leather Club Bag, 16 or 18 inch.....\$2.75 All Leather Suit Case, any size\$4.00 Special Fibre Suit Cases, any size\$1,35

Saturday will be the day of many bargains we have to give our customers. Great reductions in all leather goods in our store. Call and get our prices before buying.

Repairing of Trunks, Suit Cases, Leather and Travelling Goods of all kinds; called for and delivered. We make a specialty of Special Cases of all kinds.

PHONE 542.

City Engineer for Report,

ing Company, offered the company's paving plant here to the board of con-

Artistic Ladies' Wear Co. 211 Dundas Street

\$17.50, \$20, \$25, \$35, \$40 Entirely new styles, showing a host of distinctive individual conceptions, discovering the fashions, suggestions and inspirations of America's foremost designers. So many new things of interest can be seen. The silhouette is more simple and with less flare. Coats in varied lengths. Sport, street and afternoon styles. Many touches of bright colors. New effects in pleats, braiding and embroidery. Close-Out of All Women's Winter Suits, Coats and Dresses EXTRA SPECIAL VALUES FOR TOMORROW, LONDON'S BIG DOL-LAR DAY. 11 Women's Winter Suits, navy and black serge. Regular \$30.00. Dol-1 Woman's Winter Suit, extra fine green serge. Regular \$30.00. Dollar Women's Winter Coats; value to \$18.00. Dollar Day value\$7.90 Women's Winter Coats; value \$30.00. Dollar Day value\$14.90

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Spring Fashions

20 Women's Winter Tweed Coats; up to \$18.50. While they last...\$3.00

