

# PROF. E. A. MERAS TAKE S. N. Y. POST

Has Been Associated With the  
Dept. of Romance Languages  
at "U" Since 1919.

Professor Edmond A. Meras, M.A., J. es. L., of the department of romance languages at the university of Toronto, will go to New York the latter part of next week to take charge of the department of romance languages in Adelphi College, Brooklyn.

Professor Meras has been on the staff of the college of arts here since 1919. He came from Richmond, Virginia, and except for two years abroad has been in the office of assistant professor of romance languages.

In 1921-22 Professor Meras studied romance languages and philology at the university of Paris and Toulouse, taking two degrees, one known as the regular French licence et lettres, and the other a degree in philology and literature. His degree of master of arts was conferred upon him by Columbia university, last year.

The duties at Adelphi college will be similar to those at Western, except that Professor Meras will have a superior position, being head of his department.

While in London, Professor Meras collaborated with Dr. Shanks in the production of two French grammars for high schools. The first one by Shanks and Meras was published last year and entitled "French Grammar for High Schools."

The new book will be out next September, the deal with the publishers having been completed this week. It will be called French composition by Meras and Shanks.

The new book features a small yet popular vocabulary to create an interest in the study. There are 40 lessons in the book. The vocabulary is repeated often and idioms are introduced gradually.

Mrs. Meras, instructor at the university, will continue until the end of the school year, when she will join Professor Meras in Brooklyn.

No successor has been appointed to fill the vacancy left by Professor Meras. It is expected that Dorothy Turpin, Ph.D., Columbia, who has been associated with the department of romance languages since the beginning of the year will fill in until a successor has been named.

# UNION IS ACCEPTED BY 817 CHURCHES

Latest Report Shows Ontario  
With 274 For and 166  
Against.

Canadian Press Despatch.  
Toronto, Jan. 22.—Including reports from many churches in British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Ontario and Prince Edward Island, received this morning, a summary of the voting by Presbyterian congregations throughout Canada on the question of church union issued by the church union bureau of information at noon shows that 817 churches have voted in favor of entering the United church of Canada, while 237 have decided against the merger.

The summary by provinces is as follows:

Province.	For.	Agst.
British Columbia	38	9
Alberta	53	9
Saskatchewan	21	11
Ontario	274	166
Quebec	52	20
Nova Scotia	67	12
Prince Edward Island	14	5

Totals—Churches—817 237  
St. James church, Montreal—160 for, 413 against.  
St. Catharine's, Montreal—29 for, 93 against.  
Rosemont, Montreal—174 for, 110 against.  
St. Lambert, Montreal—170 for, 111 against.  
Montreal West—218 for, 79 against.  
American Presbyterian, Montreal—Unanimous for union.

# "Y" BOYS' SECRETARIES ARRANGE CONFERENCE

The members of the Boys' Secretaries' Association of the Y. M. C. A. in Ontario are holding their mid-winter conference at Toronto on Sunday. The program this year is of an inspirational nature, said W. S. Spearman, local boys' secretary, today.

The sessions will begin at 9 o'clock Sunday morning at central Y. M. C. A., Toronto. A. J. Gregg, international boys' secretary will be one of the speakers. He will be in attendance throughout the conference.

W. H. Spearman, secretary of the association, and Lou A. Buckley and W. R. Cook will also be present. Outstanding leaders in boys' work among about 25 men from coast to coast will be present.

# GAS IN THE STOMACH IS DANGEROUS

Recommend Daily Use of Magnesia To  
Overcome Trouble Caused by Fer-  
menting Food and Acid  
Indigestion.

Gas and wind in the stomach accompanied by that full, bloated feeling after eating are almost certain evidence of the presence of excessive hydrochloric acid in the stomach, creating so-called acid indigestion.

Acid stomachs are dangerous because the much acid irritates the stomach wall, leading to serious stomach ulcers. Food is fermented in the stomach, creating gas which distends the stomach and hampers its normal function. The vital internal organs often suffer the result.

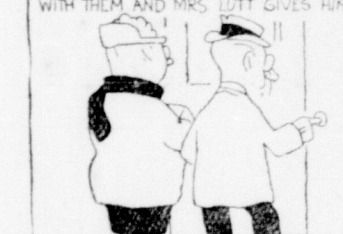
It is the worst of folly to neglect such a serious condition or to depend on ordinary digestive aids which have no neutralizing effect on the stomach acids. Instead get from any druggist a few ounces of Bisulphate of Magnesia and take a teaspoonful after each meal. This will drive the gas, wind and bloated right out of the body, sweeten the stomach, neutralize the excess acid and prevent its formation and there is no source of pain. Bisulphate of Magnesia (or tablet form—never liquid or milk) is harmless to the stomach, inexpensive to take and the best form of magnesia for stomach purposes. It is used by thousands of people who enjoy their meals with no more fear of indigestion.

—Adv.

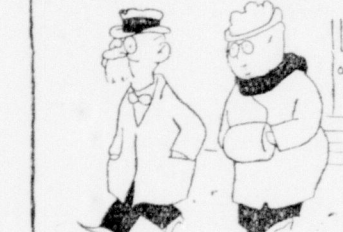
# SUBURBAN HEIGHTS — PAYING A CALL.



FOLLOWING UP THE LUTTS FRONT PATH STILL  
INTERESTING. HE DOESN'T SEE ANY EARLY  
REASON WHY THEY HAVE TO CALL ON THE  
LUTTS. THEY HAVE NOT A THING IN COMMON  
WITH THEM AND MRS. LUTTS GIVES HIM A



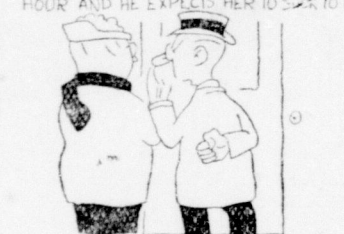
WANTS TO KNOW WHAT'S THE SENSE IN  
RINGING AGAIN. WHY NOT SHOVE THEIR  
CARDS IN AND BEAT IT. LET WELL ENOUGH  
ALONE HIS MOTO. OH WELL, ALL RIGHT



TRIPS JUBILANTLY DOWN PATH EXCLAIM-  
ING THAT THINGS WOULD OUT PRETTY  
NICE AFTER ALL. THEY PAID THEIR OLD  
CARD WITHOUT HAVING TO LISTEN TO A LOT OF  
SILLY CHATTER AND HE WENT MISS HARDLY



PAIN ALWAYS TALKING HIGH-BROW STUFF  
CONCLUDES IN WHISPER AS HE RINGS BELL  
THAT ANYWAY SHE'S PROMISED THEY  
WON'T HAVE TO STAY MORE THAN HALF AN  
HOUR AND HE EXPECTS HER TO GO TO IT



GRAYS AS FOOTSTEPS RESOUND INSIDE  
AND WHISPERS QUICKLY REMEMBER—  
HALF AN HOUR? NOT A MINUTE MORE!  
HE DOESN'T WANT TO MISS ALL OF THE  
RADIO PROGRAM



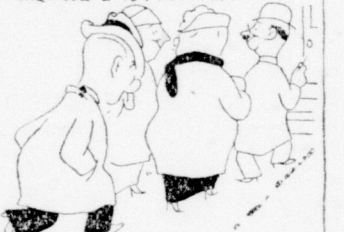
ANY OF THE RADIO PROGRAM STOPS  
SUDDENLY GROANING. GOOD GRIEF—  
THEY COME THE LUTTS NOW! JUST  
CALL WITHOUT HAVING TO LISTEN TO A LOT OF  
SILLY CHATTER AND HE WENT MISS HARDLY



BEING TO CHIRP UP A LITTLE AS NO  
RESPONSE COMES TO BELL WHISPERS  
THEY MAY BE IN LUCK AFTER ALL  
LOOKS LIKE NOBODY HOME



MAID OPENS DOOR AND REPORTS THE  
LUTTS ARE OUT. WELL, WELL, NOW ISN'T  
THAT TOO BAD AND WILL SHE TELL THEM  
THAT THE MINNIES CALLED AND HOW SO-  
RY THEY WERE TO MISS THEM



AND SO AFTER THE USUAL TALK ABOUT HOW  
LUCKY IT WAS THEY CAME JUST THEN AND  
HOW THEY HAD HATED TO MISS THE  
VISIT, THURS. ONE MORE AND FOLLOWS  
THE OTHERS WEARILY INTO THE HOUSE

# Crossword Puzzle Game Is Latest Addition To Fad

A novel crossword puzzle game in which two or more players can compete has been devised by Joseph Roden of this city. Mr. Roden's suggestion would relieve the monotony of working out the crossword puzzle alone and rules for the competition which he has advanced makes for a considerable amount of ingenuity on the part of the players.

The rules are as follows: Two or more people, working on one puzzle, take separate turns. The player who fills in one word, counting as points the number of letters in the word he has completed. In so doing one or more other words are completed also, he counts as points the total letters in the words thus completed.

# Girl Dentists Need Big Feet

Associated Press Despatch.  
London, Jan. 21.—Girls seeking a career were advised to take up dentistry by Dr. Helen Mayo, a successful woman dentist, lecturing here recently before the Sorority in favor of entering the United church of Canada, while 237 have decided against the merger.

# SWIFT CANADIAN COMPANY NOT DAMAGED BY BLAZE

A loss of approximately \$5,000 was suffered in a fire at the William Davies meat company Monday night, according to officials of the concern. Although the building was not burned, considerable damage to meat and stock was suffered.

The blaze had its origin through an electric heater in the kitchen which ignited the wall. Through an error it was first reported that the fire damaged the Swift Canadian company, but it was later ascertained that the fire was confined entirely to the William Davies company.

# SOUTH HILL WILL HOLD "PRIZE NIGHT" JAN. 30

The annual prize night of the south hill college institute will be held on Friday, Jan. 30, it was stated today by Principal T. S. Graham.

The students of the south hill college will be competing for prizes at the departmental examinations for 1924, together with the medals for the school oratorical contest, the finals of which are to be held on Saturday night, will be presented on that occasion.

# ICE HARVEST AT PORT NOW IN FULL SWING

With the continued mild weather, the three concerns at Port Stanley who are cutting ice, say that the cutting is much easier and the amount cut daily is larger.

Large gangs of men are employed by each of these companies, and it is expected that they will not be finished for a few weeks yet.

The London and Port Stanley railway supply for the summer use of their tea rooms on the board walk is nearly completed.

# SEEK AMUSEMENT TAX.

The Komoka Building committee has failed to make any amusement tax returns to the Ontario government for November and December for the year ended in that community. A summons has been issued by County Magistrate Hawshaw, and will be served on the hall proprietors, by High Constable Wharton this afternoon.

# ADDRESS COM-TEC. CLUB.

W. W. Yeoward, president of the members of the Com-Tec club, at their luncheon at the Y.M.C.A. yesterday. Mr. Yeoward's subject was on the making of a successful life. George Lettbridge also spoke. He explained the musical scales and demonstrated his talk with several selections on the piano.

# NEWSBOYS MEET.

City newsboys met at the Y. M. C. A. last night for Bible study. The meeting, which was attended by 26 boys, was brought to a close with a supper.

# HIGHLAND GOLF CLUB RE-ELECTS JOHN PRINGLE

Charles Nixon, Outstanding  
Pro., Is Secured For Local  
Course.

John Pringle was again elected president of the Highland golf club at the annual meeting held last night at the club house. Basil Sterling was elected secretary and George Cumming as treasurer. The golf club members are as follows: Ward one, Raymond Smith; ward two, Donald Wright; ward three, T. W. Pauley; ward four, John Colbert.

When the election appears on the political horizon, if it does this summer, these are the men who will head the Labor committees in their respective wards. In the past, Labor has felt a weakness in this way, and is determined to prevent it this time.

# CONCILIATION BOARD CHAIRMAN IS NAMED

Miners and Employers Agree  
On Third Member To Dis-  
cuss Dispute.

Canadian Press Despatch.  
Montreal, Jan. 22.—It is understood that Col. W. E. Thompson, Halifax, for the employers, and Dr. J. W. Robertson, Ottawa, for the men, have agreed upon a chairman for the conciliation board proposed to sit in the wage dispute between the miners of Nova Scotia and the British Empire Steel Corporation.

Announcement is delayed, however, pending the effect on the board of yesterday's decision of the privy council, declaring the industrial disputes act, under which the conciliation board would sit, ultra vires of the federal parliament.

# France To Better Army Discipline

Bill Would Lessen Penalties  
Now in Force.

Associated Press Despatch.  
Paris, Jan. 22.—The French army's courts-martial and general disciplinary system will be considerably re-modelled if a bill approved by the senate judiciary committee yesterday, and due for introduction today, becomes law.

It provides for establishment of a judge advocate general's department composed of officers holding law degrees, having served for a period in the civil courts and selected by the senate. The bill aims to adopt the rules of common law to military jurisprudence, provides for a general scaling down of the penalties now enforced, and would do away with the ceremony of "military degradation."

# SCOTTISH RITE DEGREES TO BE CONFERRED ON 30

Thirty candidates commenced their advancement through the higher degrees at the meeting of the 31st annual reunion of the London lodge of Perfection, Scottish Rite, at the Masonic temple yesterday.

Degree teams from Hamilton, Stratford and St. Mary's participated in the ceremonies, which were attended by a number of distinguished out-of-town Scottish Rites, including members of the supreme council of the 33rd degree. The ceremonies will be continued today.

# AUTHORITY GRANTED.

Authority has been granted for the establishment of a provisional hospital for the reception of infants at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday, 26, according to orders issued by Lieut.-Col. E. C. Dean, A.D.O.C., military district, No. 1.

# CRITICAL OPERATION.

Charles Barnard of 311 Hyman street, employed at the local post office, underwent a critical operation at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday. His condition was reported to be fairly good today, and he is doing as well as can be expected.

Anybody want a few nice bits of bird's eye walnut for making table

# CHURCH REPORTS ARE OPTIMISTIC

Congregational Meeting Held  
in Several Presbyterian  
Churches.

Annual congregational meetings held last night in a number of the Presbyterian churches of the city showed that the denomination is in a flourishing condition. Reports of the work accomplished during the year were satisfactory, both as to finances and other branches of the churches' activities.

# KING STREET CHURCH.

King street church paid \$500 off its outstanding mortgage and has a surplus of \$125 to spare. The ladies' aid raised \$2,000.

J. J. Walker, roll clerk, reported a net increase in the membership of the congregation by 10 members over 1923. The date of the anniversary service was set for April 5.

R. J. Blake was appointed congregational treasurer in succession to R. S. Morrissey, resigning the position after several years' tenure of the office.

Other officers elected were: managing board, H. J. Brown, A. N. Caton, P. C. Toon; auditor, W. A. Hunter; missionary board, A. McMillan, H. Wilson, C. P. Ross, J. S. W. Johnson, Harry Dick, Dr. M. C. Dewar, J. J. McWilliam, M. Wilson, and L. McKellar.

# CHALMERS CHURCH.

Chalmers church raised over \$5,000 for all purposes during the past year, and \$100 off the church mortgage, reducing it to \$3,700, and installed an organ at a cost of \$2,000, against which there remains only a payment of \$400.

Officers elected were: H. Findlater was appointed to the office of congregational treasurer of the mortgage fund and envelope steward with D. Black as assistant. H. J. Brown was appointed congregational secretary and Keltman and C. Donaldson as auditors.

Managers were elected as follows: For three years, H. J. Brown, A. N. Webb, J. Keltman; for two years, E. Sutherland, L. Philip, W. Watson; for one year, D. Black, N. Foster, H. Findlater.

# NEW ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

New St. James' church raised \$15,000 for all purposes during the past year, of which \$3,800 was for missions. The roll of names for the church is as follows: For three years, H. J. Brown, A. N. Webb, J. Keltman; for two years, E. Sutherland, L. Philip, W. Watson; for one year, D. Black, N. Foster, H. Findlater.

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# SAVING OF \$2,500 MADE IN SUBURBAN PAVING

A saving of \$2,500 in the 1924 city estimate for suburban area paving costs has been effected, according to accounts received today by James Bell, city treasurer, from the consulting engineer Mr. Bell got a statement of costs for highways in Middlesex county. The city's share of the bill is \$123,872. The city's share of the bill is \$123,872. The city's share of the bill is \$123,872.

The estimate last year for this was \$126,372. The bill shows a saving of \$2,500.

Hamilton road, Pipe Line road, Wellington road, Adelaide street, Sarnia gravel road and the River road are included in the estimate, with charges for pavement and upkeep.

# ATTRACTIVE PROGRAM WAS WORK OF E. A. GRAY

To E. A. Gray, A. M. E. I. C., secretary of the Engineering Institute of Canada, goes the credit for working out an attractive and novel program and menu card for the annual dinner of the organization, which was held last night at the Blue Dragon tea room.

The card, designed on blue print, embraced the program for the evening on the front page and on the back in the form of a crossword puzzle, the solution of which was featured prominently by the letters E. I. C. The unkeyed blanks were taken to indicate the appetites of the public utility commission staff. His reelection to the office of secretary-treasurer in the institute was responsive to the acclamations of the practically unanimous vote.

# FATHER AND SON WEEK.

At a meeting of the boys' work board held at the Y. M. C. A. last night, arrangements were made for the father-and-son week, which will be held from Feb. 8 to 14. The father-and-son week will follow the hand selling campaign to be put on by the boys' work committee. The following committee was chosen to take care of the father-and-son week: H. R. Franks, chairman; E. W. Jewett, Rev. W. L. Reid, Hugh Scratch.

# TARIFF ON EARLY FRUITS WILL BE DISCUSSED

The feature of the meeting being held by the London branch of the Ontario fruit growers' association in the department of agriculture office next Thursday will be a debate by members on the tariff that should be levied on early fruits being brought into Canada from the United States. John Etherington is president of the association and A. J. Cody, secretary.

# Gossip Around The City Hall

Ald. McKay and the mayor will meet joint representatives to discuss joint action to secure a motor bus center and rest room on the market square. At the present time various bus lines have no centrally located terminal and it has been recommended that all these buses call at one central station for the convenience of the public.

Engineer Near is securing a report on the probable cost of removing the present weigh scales at the market and installing a smaller one at the southwest corner of the square. This move has been supported as a means of securing more space for vendors.

Miss Norah Toll, assistant city clerk, has been given authority to sign contracts with the local post office, under a critical operation at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday. His condition was reported to be fairly good today, and he is doing as well as can be expected.

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# CENSUS PLAN INTRODUCED TO THE WORLD BY CANADA

Colony of New France  
Acquired First Record in  
1666—Original Preserved.

# COSTS JUMP

Volume one of the 1921 census of the Dominion of Canada issued today by the Dominion statistician is not only a volume of interesting figures but also a human record of the growth and movement of the population in Canada for the previous ten years.

Urban population, probably one of the most discussed topics of the day, is shown to be growing rapidly. In 1921 there were 109 cities and towns in Canada with a population of 10,000 and over, as against 57 in 1911, 27 in 1901, 16 in 1891, 14 in 1881 and 11 in 1871. In 1891 the population living in urban centres made up 31.5 per cent of all the total population; in 1901 it had climbed to 37.5 per cent; in 1911 to 45.4 per cent and 1921 to 48.5 per cent. From 1891 to 1921 the rural population showed a gain of 24 per cent as against a gain of 183 per cent in the urban population in the 30 years.

In 1871, Montreal, within the area comprised within its present limits, had a population of about 100,000. Against 618,000 in 1921, Toronto, similarly considered, grew in the 50 years from 59,000 to 521,393. Winnipeg, which scarcely found a place on the map in 1871 with 121 persons, in 1921 had 179,087. Among the outstanding features may be noted that Vancouver and Calgary were first mentioned in the censuses previous to 1901. These are now among the leading centers of population, trade and industry.

# Immigration Effects.

Immigration has had its effects on the ethnic composition of the population as well. For instance, while in 1881 59 per cent of the population was of British and 31 per cent of French origin, nearly all of whose ancestors were native born and 2 1/2 per cent Indian, leaving only 8 1/2 per cent for all other races, in 1921 the figures were: British races, 54 per cent; French, 28 1/2 per cent; Indians less than 1 1/2 per cent and all other races nearly 16 per cent. In 1921 the proportion was British races 53 per cent, French 27 1/2 per cent, Indians, 1 1/2 per cent, leaving all other races with 15 1/2 per cent of the total population.

It is also interesting to note that in 1871 Ontario possessed nearly 44 per cent of the population of Canada and Quebec a little better than 32 per cent, while in 1921 Ontario possessed 33.3 per cent and Quebec 23 1/2 per cent of the total population. The relative positions of the Maritime provinces as regards population in 1871 and 1921 is strikingly illustrated by the fact that at the date of the Confederation the Maritime provinces were 10 per cent of the total population as against 8 per cent in 1921. On the other hand, the population of 2,689,257 only 18.00 per cent of the population in 1901, while in 1921 they possessed slightly more than 8 per cent of the total population, while in 1921 they had more than 22 per cent.

Division of a population according to religious beliefs is always interesting. From the statistics presented in this volume we find that Anglicans, Lutherans, Presbyterians and Jews increased, and Methodists, Baptists and Roman Catholics decreased. The actual percentages are: Total population in 1921, the Church of England claimed 12.59 per cent; Baptists, 5.92 per cent; Lutherans, 1.22 per cent; Methodists, 17.97 per cent; Presbyterians, 15.58 per cent; Roman Catholics, 41.51 per cent. In 1901, 20 years later, the per cent proportions were: Church of England, 10.02 per cent; Baptists, 6.02 per cent; Lutherans, 3.28 per cent; Methodists, 13.18 per cent; Presbyterians, 16.63 per cent and Roman Catholics, 38.70 per cent. The large swing in the proportion of the population in 1901, had 125,190 adherents in 1921 or 1.42 per cent of the total population.

Here are a few facts about the last census supplied in the book. The number of questions asked of each individual has increased in 1921 to 1,501 and 522 in 1911 to 555 in 1921. The work necessitated the employment of 241 commissioners and 11,255 enumerators, the number of enumerators in the Dominion. In the remote districts the Canadian Royal Northwest Mounted Police did the work. It required 250 employees to compile the records, who were classified as coders, auditors, machine operators and various typists and clerks. There are 100 pentagrams, 54 Hollerith punches, three census sorters, 10 census tabulators and 11 Hollerith tabulators in the office of the bureau at Ottawa. The tabulators handle 23,460 cards a day and the sorting machines 40,000 each.

# Cost Is Enormous.

The cost of taking a census is enormous. In 1921 it amounted to \$1,442,000.72 as compared with \$1,122,488.65 in 1911. There is at least this to be said for the present system in vogue, it is thorough. Take a look at a few of the questions which must be answered on each form. Personal description, nativity, citizenship, religion, race, occupation, education, age, total earnings, amount of employment in the year, date of immigration to Canada, single or married, tenure and kind of home occupied, sex, and so on. These are merely the heads under which all the subdividing details are given.



LESLIE W. OKE, M.L.A.

for East Lambton, who has quit the Progressive party in protest to W. E. Rans, Sec. of the department, being elected to the leadership of the group in the provincial house.

sions are listed. When the figures are all returned, the statistician should have a transcript of every individual in the Dominion. The answers are naturally confidential and kept secret.

This report, however, brings to notice that the credit for taking the first census as known in modern times, belongs to Canada. This year was 1666 and the census was one of the colony of New France, as Canada was then called. This census was a systematic record of each individual by name, taken at a fixed date, showing sex, occupation, conjugal and family condition. The records of it are preserved in the archives of the province of Quebec (1719) and Sweden (1748) and France and England (1801), the achievement of the province of New France in instituting what is today one of the principal instruments of government in every civilized community calls for more than passing notice.

From 1666 to 1763, when the French regime was ended, no fewer than 15 censuses were taken in New Canada, and 1790. From 1817 onwards, census taking in Canada has been more or less frequent, but it was only with the formation of the Dominion of Canada that they were taken at a stated period for the Dominion as a whole.

# HORSE IS SEVERELY CUT WHEN STRUCK BY AUTO

A horse belonging to William Mercer, 12 Byron avenue, was severely cut when struck by an automobile at the corner of Ridout and Dundas streets yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Mercer was driving a team attached to a sleigh and was turning from Ridout street to go east on Dundas. A car driven by Clarence Gleason, 576 Grey street, was making the turn from Dundas street when it struck the horse. The car did not stop, and the driver was later apprehended by the police.

The horse was taken home after it had been attended to by a veterinarian.

# PHYSICAL TRAINING COURSE IS PLANNED FOR TEACHERS

A course of instruction in physical training for public school teachers will commence at Blenheim on Jan. 28, and at Ridgeway, Jan. 28, and at Dresden Jan. 30, according to orders issued at headquarters at military district No. 1 today.

The courses will continue for four weeks. Capt. G. F. Howard of the Royal Canadian regiment has been detailed as the officer of instruction.

LEAVES FOR STRATFORD.  
Horace L. Seymour, town planning expert, left for Stratford this morning where he will take up plans for civic improvement.

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