

Lt.-Col. A. J. MacKenzie, of Toronto, who has been on active medical military service in France since the beginning of the war, has been given command of the Princess Patricia's Red Cross Hospital, London.

An appeal is made for funds in aid of the Belgian children. Any contributions sent to Mr. Goor, the Belgian Consul at Ottawa, will be forwarded to proper persons in Europe. The cause is a worthy one and also much in need of aid.

The ovation with which the French people greeted the American Mercy Corps of doctors and nurses was only equalled by the greeting the same people gave the British army when it landed in France in the early days of August, 1914.

The establishment by the American Red Cross in London of an up-to-date orthopedic hospital for American officers, the building for which was donated by William Saloman, of New York, provides what is believed to be the first hospital of its kind for officers. Similar institutions for privates are already in existence. The institution will treat disfigurements and deformities caused by wounds.

The School for the Deaf and Blind, Manila, Philippine Islands, is represented in the National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness through Miss Delight Rice, of that school, who has recently become a member of the committee. This demonstration of interest and confidence in the work of our organization from one so far away is encouraging. It is earnestly hoped that many others will follow her example.

A Royal Commission has been appointed in Holland to consider legislation looking toward prevention of blindness from all causes. The National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness has been requested to give all possible assistance in forwarding the work of this commission.

At the closing session of the June meeting of the Ophthalmological Section, American Medical Association, a resolution presented by Dr. F. Park Lewis was adopted which urgently directed the attention of the Federal Government's medical authorities to the danger of the spread of trachoma through men conscripted for the United States armies, and called for the exclusion of any who are found to be infected.

Major A. K. Haywood, formerly of the staff of the Toronto General Hospital, has returned from the front to accept the appointment of superintendent of the Montreal General Hospital. Major Haywood has been on active service since the outbreak of the war, going over as medical officer of the 3rd Battalion. He won the Military Cross at St. Julien. He came home to give evidence in a Toronto trial, but returned to England, and was placed in charge of the Canadian division of the Epsom Convalescent Hospital.

Dr. James Kivelle Newcombe, formerly of 79 Brunswick Avenue, Toronto, and who died in England of 19th March last, left an estate