

## NUMBER ENGAGED NOW ONE MILLION

Provincial Secretary States  
That is Total Canadian Sol-  
diers and War Workers.

### SOLDIERS' AID WORK

Work of Commission is Ex-  
plained at Women's Con-  
servative Club Gathering.

Much information was given the members of the Women's Conservative Club at the Saturday afternoon gathering at which Hon. W. D. McPherson, provincial secretary of Ontario, detailed the work of the Soldiers' Aid and Military Hospitals Commission. The speaker told of the conference called by Sir Robert Borden, at which members of the Dominion and provincial Governments were present, and as a result of which the Ontario Government took over the hospital at Orpington with its 1000 beds, and the Toronto University, McGill and Queen's all took upon themselves certain responsibilities in regard to military hospitals. Then the conference decided to take up the work of making provision to give employment to returned soldiers. The speaker estimated that 450,000 men in all had enlisted for service with the army, navy, or for construction work, and that including reservists, those on munitions and in the great steel plants, 1,000,000 Canadian men and women were enlisted in the work of winning the war. This national service the speaker was hopeful that the 65,000 still required to make up the 600,000 promised for direct recruiting would yet be available. He pointed to the fine work of the west in the matter of enlistment was paid by the speaker, who then went on to the statement that Canada would in all probability have to provide for the rehabilitation of 150,000 men.

In this connection the hospitals were doing splendid work, of which homes on Spadina Avenue and College street receiving special mention. Altogether there were forty convalescent homes scattered thru different parts of Canada.

**Vocational Training.**  
Training classes were being established at different centres, of which Guelph, with its many industrial facilities, was the most important, and at these the men could take up any line of work they chose. While in training the government would give allowances to their wife and family, and if necessary pay their expenses to the place where the special line of work was situated. Encouragement, too, would be given to go into agricultural pursuits and to settle on the land.

Towards the close of the meeting Premier Hearst, Sir John Willison and the Hon. Mr. McGarry arrived, and were invited to the special gathering. The premier stated that he had himself taken over the portfolio of agriculture so that he would understand the needs of the farmer, and the government had decided to give every encouragement to returned soldiers to go on the land in New Ontario, where land would be made available, cleared, and a house built. A community centre would also be formed, so that the soldier-settler would have all the comforts and conveniences of a city. Agriculture would also be encouraged in old Ontario, and every opportunity provided to make the life of the soldier-settler as happy as possible. The premier cordially thanked the ladies for the resolution which was moved at the meeting by Mrs. Van Koughnet and carried by a large vote. He expressed appreciation of the splendid war measures of Sir Robert Borden and of the work of the Ontario government, and the determination of the members to do what they could to assist until victory for the British Empire and the allied nations.

The provincial treasurer was the last speaker. He paid tribute to the work of the Women's Conservative Club and to that of the government.

### CHAUFFEUR ARRESTED BY BELLEVILLE POLICE

Believed to Be Driver of Truck  
Which Killed Little John  
Markey.

James Foster, 19 Mutual street, driver for the Reliable Delivery Company, Belleville, was taken into custody yesterday by the Belleville police, according to a telegram received by the local detective department. Foster is believed to be the man who was in charge of the motor truck which killed seven-year-old John Markey, 51 Gordon avenue, on Feb. 16, at the corner of Close Avenue and Queen street. Detective Montgomery left Toronto to bring Foster back this morning.

The boy was run over and killed while returning to his home from school. An inquest was held at the morgue last Thursday, but was adjourned pending the apprehension of Foster.

### SUCCESSFUL SCOTCH CONCERT.

The Aberdeen, Banff and Kinross Association of this city held its fourth and most successful concert and dance in Victoria Hall, East Queen street, on Friday evening last. A splendid program of Scotch songs and dancing was offered, headed by James Fiddes and Duncan Cowan, and the three hundred present showed their keen appreciation. Controller Cameron acted as chairman. After the dancing dancing was indulged in until a late hour.

### ADDRESSES CANADIAN INSTITUTE.

An address was given before the Royal Canadian Institute on Saturday night, in the art gallery of the College street library, by Prof. A. B. Macmillan, F.R.S., chairman of the advisory committee on industrial and scientific research, on the subject of "Research in Canada." President J. C. McLennan occupied the chair.

### CHARGED WITH THEFT.

Fred Dannhower, 200 East Bloor street, was arrested Saturday afternoon by Detective Lewis on a charge of stealing a pair of boots from the latest Simpson store.



Eleven hundred war veterans paraded to St. Paul's Church with the 109th Regiment yesterday. The veterans are co-operating with Lieut.-Col. W. Dinick in raising an overseas draft of 250 men. The photo shows a section of the veterans lined up in front of the church.

## RETURNED HEROES MARCH TO CHURCH

Crowds Line Streets as One  
Thousand War Veterans  
Pass By.

### A MEMORABLE SIGHT

Battle Scarred Soldiers Cheer-  
fully Sang as They March-  
ed Thru Streets.

Over a thousand returned soldiers were honored by the citizens of Toronto yesterday as they paraded thru the streets, en route to St. Paul's Church. Heroes of Givency, Festubert, St. Elloi, Ypres, Courcellette and the Somme, battle scarred heroes from the fields of Flanders, Imbiers and shattered veterans of the struggle against the Hun to protect the humanity of Belgium and France were applauded as they passed. The procession was a fine token of feeling spontaneously shown to the men who had sacrificed and fought for the freedom of the empire and their country. First division, second division, third division and fourth division men passed, recalling as they went the gallant stands made in the great war.

"Pack all your troubles in your old kit bag and smile, smile, smile," struck up the 109th Band as the veterans, accompanied by the 109th Regiment, moved off from the corner of Carlton and Church streets, and the campaign tune proved as catchy as ever. The veterans picked up the pace and tune, singing as they swung into column behind the band and escorted by the 109th Regiment. To listen to their merry chatter and laughter it seemed that the song only applied to those who, with solemn faces, watched them as they passed.

**Marched Thru the Snow.**  
Snow was falling fast as the column moved along Carlton street, headed by a company band, the 109th Regiment and up Jarvis street to the church on Bloor street, where nearly a thousand people lined up and, headed by the 109th Band, moved westward on the old, familiar hymn, "O, Come All Ye Faithfuls."

After the service much interest was shown in the departure of the vice-regal party and staff of military district No. 2. When they had left the veterans followed to the rear of the 109th Band, moved westward on the old, familiar hymn, "O, Come All Ye Faithfuls."

### PREMIER PRAISES WORK OF WOMEN CONSERVATIVES

Thanks Them for Expression of  
Confidence in Govern-  
ment.

A bumper house of the members of the Women's Conservative Club assembled at the rooms of the association on Saturday afternoon to hear an address on the work of the soldiers' aid and the military hospitals commission, by Hon. W. D. McPherson.

Towards the close the gathering was honored by the coming of Sir William Hearst, the premier; Hon. Mr. McGarry, provincial treasurer, and Sir John Willison. The premier congratulated the members on the patriotic work they were doing and thanked them particularly for the resolution passed by the meeting which expressed confidence in the government of the premier and that of the members of the members to assist in every way possible until victory for the British Empire and our allies, peace with honor, triumph thru sacrifice, were won.

The Hon. Mr. McGarry added his tribute to the activities of the women, and referring to the record of the government, assured those present that if the premier decided to give the women the vote of which he was positive that no lady would blush to support anything that the present Ontario Government might determine upon. Tea was served at the close, the first time of the season that the members had laid aside their patriotic work for anything resembling a social function.

## WAR VETERANS' DRAFT TO HAVE GOOD BACKING

Campaign Off to Good Start and  
Will Probably End in Rais-  
ing Two Companies.

That the 109th Regiment will have a backing of \$20,000 in its campaign to raise a company of men for overseas service, to be known as the Great War Veterans' Overseas Company, and that the aim is now to raise two and possibly three companies, instead of one, as at first intended, was indicated at an enthusiastic committee meeting held to formulate plans. The committee, fifty of the leaders of the Great War Veterans open their campaign Saturday noon. Mayor Church was chairman. At St. Col. Dinick set out the plan of campaign. The Great War Veterans' Association has pledged itself to give all its efforts, the efforts of returned soldiers, to the getting of the men for an overseas company. The committee pledged financial support. The following officers for the committee were elected: Hon. president, Mayor Church; president, Sir Edmund Walker; vice-presidents, Sir William Mulock, Sir Edmund Osler; chairman, W. A. McLean; chairman finance committee, Duncan Cameron; treasurer, W. H. Shierley.

**Ottawa Has Difficulties.**  
Among those in attendance were Archbishop Neill, McNell, Bishop Reeves, J. M. Godfrey, K.C., Sergt. Major Whitton, W.O., and Sergt. Turley. The latter were representing the Great War Veterans' Association. In commenting on the opening of their campaign Tuesday morning, working from the armories of the 109th Regiment, under whose authorization from Ottawa the company will be raised. Stations will be opened on Yonge, opposite Temperance, and Queen, opposite Testimony.

All returned soldiers are meeting tonight at Oddfellows' Hall, College street to organize their plans of action.

### VICE-REGAL PARTY DEEPLY INTERESTED

Was Impressed by the Returned  
War Veterans' Service at St.  
Paul's Yesterday.

That the appeal to the returned men to assist in raising a draft of 250 men thru the 109th Regiment for overseas service was timely, pointed and eloquent was the opinion expressed by Col. Henderson, aide to the Duke of Devonshire, in commenting on the service held in St. Paul's Anglican Church, East Bloor street, yesterday afternoon.

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### BAKER'S HEIRS HOLD VERY QUIET MEETING

Organize Ontario Association and  
Elect New  
Officers.

Very quiet and uneventful was the meeting of the Baker's heirs at St. George's Hall Saturday afternoon. About sixty people were present representing Toronto and the outlying suburbs, including Richmond Hill, Thornhill, Stouffville, Maple and other places. The work was taken by S. D. Abell, and following the reading of a lengthy discourse, the speaker resolved that those present should organize, and in consequence there came into being the "Baker's Heirs Association of Ontario," and the following officers were elected: Chairman, S. D. Abell; secretary, E. W. Andrews, 47 "Yacht" avenue; treasurer, W. E. Leigh, 9 O'Hara avenue.

It was pointed out by the chairman that the services of a well-known firm of solicitors in Detroit had been secured, who will only charge their share of those here. It was suggested that each member of the association pay down the sum of \$10, or \$12 per month, and that the money, however, did not seem to meet with a ready response. The chairman stated that in Detroit over \$8000 had been raised, but that they in Ontario should pay their share. There was considerable discussion regarding the fact that many valuable papers had been placed in the hands of A. E. Henderson, who now refused to part with them. E. Quantz, who had been sent over \$700 of his own money in tracing certain papers in the States, which were also handed over to Mr. Henderson. It was resolved that the association back Mr. Quantz up in his endeavor to recover these papers. It was suggested, when it would have a legal standing, but it was thought that this would cost too much. Another meeting will be called some time in June, when further reports will be made.

## POWERFUL APPEAL TO RETURNED MEN

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The returned men to assist in giving new impetus to Canadian enlistment. He spoke, too, of the part returned men should assume in Canada's future life, asking them to refrain from political partisanship and to work always in the interests of a better, nobler Canada.

**The War's Six Features.**  
"We perceive more clearly than ever," he said in part, "the six features of this war. First, this is a necessary and righteous war, we cannot have avoided it without dishonor. Second, Canada is voluntarily and wholeheartedly in this struggle. Third, the war must be terrible and prolonged. That a force of five millions has been raised is one of the marvels of this marvellous war. Fourth, this is a war of opposing principles. Fifth, this war will tax our strength and resources to the utmost. Sixth, without the navy the cause would long since have been lost."

"All Canada was thrilled at the part you have played in the war. For what you have done Canada and the empire owe you an unpayable debt, which will be paid, I trust, with generous hands both in ways material and by sympathy untold."

"As an organization of patriots who have proved their loyalty by deed and daring, what may you not do in the future for the country which you have served so well? Will you not be an intelligent and organized effort that these sacrifices be not in vain? You wish the new Canada to be a better Canada. This better Canada will not come of itself, it can be ushered in only by the toil, planning, high-mindedness, and unselfish devotion of the other fellow. Where this struggle have learned that the state is not simply an organization or treasury out of which men may squeeze as much as they can, but that it stands for great ideals, for which, if need be, men will suffer and die."

**Country Worth Living For.**  
"Do not allow the task of helping to raise a draft of 250 men thru the 109th Regiment to be known as the Great War Veterans' Overseas Company. This is the first of such drafts authorized in Canada. Altho you have already done your share in the sea you have undertaken this further task of raising a company of men for active service. By making a success of this enterprise—and none is so likely to do so as you—will place you in a position to be the means of kindling afresh the fires of recruiting, now languishing in our land, and giving a new impulse to the effort of the last hundred thousand men, who may turn the battle tide to victory and win the war."

"So today in this house of prayer, you join in invoking God's blessing upon your undertaking. Effort and prayer are linked together. We wish not only to win, but to deserve to win and to be able to bear our success. Beyond the gallant allies, pledged to us by treaty bonds, we have as allies the forces which make for truth, honor, justice, freedom and humane conduct. These are the enduring forces of the universe. If God be for us, who can be against us?"

### Greek Doctor is Charged With Violating Medical Act

William Spasichopolis, of 362 Yonge street, taken into custody last night by Provincial Inspector John Fife, of the provincial medical department, charged with a violation of the Medical Act, by practising the profession of medicine without a license. He was arrested on a warrant, preferred in Hamilton, Ont., which was issued this morning at 1 o'clock and may be consulted on the bulletin board in the mining building, which will be open.

A French scientist is working upon photographing the human voice by passing compressed air thru photographically produced holes in a rapidly moving membrane.

## TRAINING AT CAMP IMPRESSES DUKE

Sees How Canadians Tackle  
Huns, But Is Careful of  
Bombs.

### CAN JOIN THE R. F. C.

Militia Officers Not Attached  
to C. E. F. May Take Out  
Cadetship.

On the occasion of his second visit to Exhibition Camp Saturday morning, His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire was greatly impressed with the extensive training operations being carried on there, and the fine physique and apparent good health of the men. The governor-general was accompanied by Lieut.-Governor Sir John Hendrie, Col. Hon. Harold Henderson and Captain Kenyon-Stacey. Major-General W. A. Logie and headquarters staff met the party at the administration building, from where a tour of inspection was commenced.

Last November his excellency had the opportunity of seeing the Toronto troops on ceremonial parade, but Saturday, the program showed the men in active training work. The party first visited the 208th Irish Battalion, where Lt.-Col. T. H. Lennox, O.C., gave them every opportunity to see the men's quarters, which they lived in barracks. Continuing his tour of inspection, he saw picked squads of men give an exhibition of bayonet fighting in a glimpse of trench warfare, under almost actual fighting conditions, which down on the lakefront, Lieut. W. J. T. Hargrave, brought the 6th Battery and his four guns to action, where they engaged suitable enemy targets anchored about 3,500 yards off the island shore.

**Concludes Inspection.**  
The duke concluded his tour of inspection of special training at the bombing school, and Captain Norman P. Kelly and his staff put on a fine show of bombing, using live bombs. The duke was decidedly impressed, but when the sergeant-major asked him if he would like to throw one of the bombs, he suggested that this privilege be deferred until some later date, when he might have more practice. General Logie then threw the bomb successfully. The vice-regal party departed about 12:40 p.m.

**Authority Has Been Secured.**  
From Ottawa whereby militia officers who are not at the present time enlisted in the C. E. F. may take out cadetships in the imperial branch of the Royal Flying Corps and still remain seconded with their units. Since the duke has been established in Toronto a large number of militia officers signified their desire to become members of this unit, but were met with the statement that it would be necessary to resign their commissions to enlist in the ranks of the imperial unit. This matter was taken up with Ottawa, which has been given a satisfactory answer. Applications to join the flying corps must therefore under these circumstances be sent by militia officers thru their officers commanding and forwarded by him.

The 204th Beaver Battalion was paraded by Lieut.-Col. W. H. Price on Saturday afternoon at the Exhibition grounds, where a panoramic photograph of the unit was taken.

**Promotions Grated.**  
Sergt. Andrew Anderson of the 220th Battalion has been granted his discharge to enlist in the Imperial Royal Flying Corps.

The appointment of Miss Jessie Ferguson to the Army Medical Corps is approved provisionally. She will be posted to the strength of the base hospital staff.

The following promotions have been granted on the staff of the military police: To be sergeants—Corporals G. Hancock, A. Larkin. To be corporals—Lance-Corporals J. Green, G. Stewart, J. Bell.

### Gas Overcomes Couple in Beverly St. Rooming House

James Fox, 24 Dods street, and an unknown woman were discovered at 11:20 yesterday morning in a room at 13 Beverly street suffering from the effects of inhaling illuminating gas. Both were removed to the general hospital in an unconscious condition, but are expected to recover.

### Faculty of Applied Science Resumes Active Work Today

Lecture and laboratory work at the university has been carried on as usual in the thermodynamic building, which has a separate heating plant. In addition, other adjoining buildings are now being heated, which will permit the resumption of all active work of the faculty of applied science. The new temporary time table will go into effect this morning at 9 o'clock and may be consulted on the bulletin board in the mining building, which will be open.

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## If He Died-- The Business Would Die

How often have you heard some such statement made about a particular business?

It means—that one man, either through technical knowledge, or through his ability as an executive, controls for the time being, the destiny of the firm. If he died, creditors would become anxious, inquisitive or even troublesome. Many contingencies might arise to threaten the stability of the business.

Unless—his life was insured in favor of the firm.

It is possible to so insure "his" life that the storm can easily be weathered and the business successfully carried on without him.

The matter is very clearly dealt with in a book we have published, entitled "Personality in Business." It would be well worth your while to send for a copy and read it. You may have one for the asking.

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## The Marguerite Clarke Fund

Nearly ninety dollars has come in for the Marguerite Clarke Fund since Saturday morning. The fund continues to grow, and the amount aimed at is in sight, so that the little blind girl will be well cared for all thru her life. Someone who signed himself "Grateful for Sight" sent in \$11.30. Quite evidently it was a collection from some firm. Another chapter of the I.O.D.E. sent \$10, and some contributions have come in from outside towns. The list this morning is so long that it has to be set in smaller type. That looks good. If we can have a list like this every day this week the fund soon will be closed.

Previously acknowledged	\$136.15	H. J. King, "E. T.", "G. A.", "K."	2.25
Yours Chapter	10.00	F. H. L.	1.00
"Grateful for Sight"	11.30	Ben Orenson	1.00
P. H. A.	1.00	Mayor Church	2.00
W. A. Doney, Braymer	1.00	Bradshaw	1.00
Mrs. J. B. Maclean	3.00	R. W. Plewlow	1.00
Hector Maclean	2.00	S. Wheaton	1.00
200 W. Johnston	2.00	W. Johnston	1.00
"W. A. P."	1.00	"W. A. P."	1.00
Ernest Chemical Co.	1.00	T. Jacob	1.00
John Spark Co.	1.00	Gutta Percha Rubber Co.	2.00
Dale Co.	1.00	R. H. Kingston	5.00
Islerly Amundson and Harcourt	1.00	R. B. Spence	2.00
Thompson Dale and Power Co.	1.00	Mrs. N. A. Cavanagh	1.00
F. G. Evans and G. L. Rose	1.00	Mrs. W. A. Kavanagh	2.00
"R. L. D." and "L. W."	1.00	M. Matheson	1.00
Fred Armstrong	1.00	R. W. Bockery	2.00
M. Matheson	1.00	Wood, Gundy Co.	10.00
P. Brooks	5.00	P. Brooks	5.00
R. W. Bockery	2.00	W. A. Doney	1.00
C. Morris & Co.	5.00	P. McGann	1.00
A. E. Ames	10.00	Bernard Scott	1.00
Mrs. Ross Goodrich	5.00	Emily and George	1.00
Mary Lee and Wm. C. Oiler	1.00	Miss M. Macdonell	1.00

## WILL HELP IN WAR BY ORGANIZATION

Engineers and Technical Men  
Get Together for National  
Service.

### COMMITTEE FORMED

Will Line Up Specially Train-  
ed Men to Solve Prob-  
lems That Arise.

The engineers and technical men belonging to the various branches of the profession in Ontario have recently organized to lend their technical knowledge in the service of their country. The new movement is known as the Joint Committee of Technical Organizations, Ontario Branch, and is governed by a strong committee composed of representatives from all the known engineering associations of the province.

Representatives have been selected from such institutions as the Canadian Mining Institute (Toronto branch), Canadian Society of Civil Engineers (Toronto branch), Ontario Association of Land Surveyors, Society of Chemical Industry, Canadian Section (Ontario members), Engineering Alumni Association of the University of Toronto, Engineers' Club, Toronto, Royal Canadian Institute, Canadian Engineers (Military District No. 2), American Society of Mechanical Engineers (Ontario section), American Institute of Electrical Engineers (Toronto section), Institution of Electrical Engineers (Ontario members), Ontario Association of Architects.

Meetings are held once a week only, but a small executive meets three or four times weekly and reports at the weekly meeting to the representatives of the above mentioned societies. That there is ample scope for good work from such a galaxy of knowledge as is represented at these meetings is evidenced from the fact that after less than a month's existence members in hand embody nearly all interests connected with the war, from aiding recruiting in the engineering branches of the service to giving technical advice when requested by the munitions manufacturers and armament makers engaged in war work.

### Will Canvass Province.

The committee is making a canvass of the province to register all engineering ability of every sort and description, and cards have been distributed to the members of all the societies asking for accurate information as to each man's special experience and qualifications. This information should prove useful when obtained as Ontario is called upon to organize her resources, mental as well as physical, to defeat the common enemy.

Thru the efforts of this committee similar organizations are being brought together in the other provinces, and already Nova Scotia, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, British Columbia and Alberta have active work started to or-

ganize engineers for any work that may be delegated to them.

The objects of the association are clearly defined in their rules, which read as follows:

"The object of the joint committee shall be to devise and carry out such plans whereby engineers and other technical men may, as a result of their special training and experience, render assistance to the government in the event of our Dominion. The immediate aim shall be to evolve a plan or plans whereby such of these men as are business men, or who for other reasons are unable to go to the front may be used for war purposes at home in such a manner as their special technical training may make them most valuable."

"Any engineers not affiliated with any of the above associations and willing to lend aid about the war, may apply to the secretary's office for a registration card. The office of the joint committee is in Room 710 of the Excelsior Life Building, Toronto street, Toronto."

### URGE GOVERNMENT TO DEFER NEW BUILDINGS

Large Deputation in Winnipeg Ar-  
gues Against Completing Work  
Owing to War Conditions.

Winnipeg, Feb. 24.—A large deputation waited upon J. H. Johnson, minister of public works, today, and urged that the completion of the new provincial parliament buildings be deferred until after the war.

Argument was advanced that owing to the urgent need of labor on farms, big work requiring labor should be undertaken. Mr. Johnson promised consideration. Among the speakers for the deputation were A. L. Crossin, president of the board of trade; J. A. Macphay and R. Henderson, representing respectively the Canadian Club, and Grain Growers' Association.

### Delivers Splendid Lecture On Backyard Gardening

A meeting of the North Riverdale Horticultural Society was held in the Franklin School Saturday evening, presided over by G. Sedgewick. The subject under discussion was "Backyard Gardening," and an interesting lecture accompanied by lantern slides, was given by G. Baldwin. Aid. W. W. Hiltz and Aid. W. D. Robinson, also spoke. This is only a new society with now about 60 members, and it is the aim to get a membership of 120 when a grant will be asked from Ottawa for the distribution of prizes. The society will also try to obtain from the city a piece of ground similar to the Rotary Club, for the use of the members, but if they are unsuccessful in this they will attempt to obtain a piece of ground in the vicinity by other means, to further the aims of the society.

### LIVES LOST IN TORONDO.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 24.—Reports received here today state that a tornado in central Alabama yesterday caused the death of from 15 to 20 persons. Wire communication with the storm-swept district was interrupted and an accurate estimate of loss of life was impossible.