

comprising, it is estimated, 80,000 individuals dependent upon the Patriotic Fund.

With further recruiting the demands upon the Fund will, with each succeeding month, continue to grow, so that it is estimated that, should the war continue during 1916, a sum amounting to some \$8,000,000 and probably more will be required. This would, however, only mean \$1 per head of the population for the people of Canada, and it is little indeed to ask of those who remain at home in comparison with the sacrifice in life and limb of those who are fighting in defence of the nation.

In spite of all the various calls that have been made for funds to aid our soldiers and sailors and the magnificent response that has been made in each and every case, I still feel assured that the warm hearts of all Canadians will respond to this further appeal to enable the Patriotic Fund to continue its splendid work during 1916 and take care of the families of those who are fighting for their Sovereign, the Empire, and the Dominion, on the battlefields of Europe and on the High Seas.

(Signed)

ARTHUR,

*President, Canadian Patriotic Fund.*  
Government House,  
Ottawa, 1st January, 1916.

Le Comité soutient aujourd'hui 25,000 familles, soit environ 80,000 personnes.

Le nombre des demandes de secours va augmenter, de mois en mois, en raison de l'enrôlement, et, si la guerre se poursuit jusqu'en 1916, on prévoit qu'une somme de \$8,000,000 sera requise pour y répondre. Cette somme ne représente après tout qu'un dollar pour chaque citoyen de ce pays. Aussi, on admettra qu'on accomplit facilement un acte de patriotisme en souscrivant ce montant, si l'on songe aux sacrifices que font nos soldats sur les champs de bataille.

De toutes parts, on a fait appel aux sentiments généreux des Canadiens et partout on a répondu avec empressement, et sans compter; néanmoins, nous avons confiance qu'ils n'hésiteront pas à souscrire de nouveau au Fonds Patriotique afin de continuer l'œuvre admirable de ce Comité durant l'année 1916, et de soutenir les familles de ceux qui combattent au loin, sur terre et sur mer, pour la cause de leur Roi, du Canada et de l'Empire.

(Signé)

ARTHUR,

*Président, Fonds Patriotique Canadien.*

Government House,  
Ottawa, le 1er janvier 1916.

The Civil Service had been waiting for this call. Some months ago steps were taken towards making a new collection in the Service for the benefit of the Patriotic Fund, but, after consultation with the management of the national organization, it was decided to defer action until the second general appeal was made. In anticipation of this, the Executive of the Civil Service Association of Ottawa issued a Bulletin, which is given on page 487, and its plans are further developed in a report of the last Executive meeting, which appears elsewhere in this issue.

#### FORMER "POSTY" DEAD.

J. R. Jones, who was for five years a letter carrier in Vancouver, has met death while in the army. Whether he was killed in action or died under other circumstances, the brief an-

nouncement does not indicate. He was a member of the 72nd Seaforth Highlanders and went to the front with the 16th Battalion, C.E.F. He had resigned from the postal service just a short time before the war broke out.