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The Hon. Mr. McPherson, Chairman of the Soldiers' Aid Commission, in opening the meeting stated that it had been suggested to him a short time ago that, in the formation of local Branches of the Soldiers' Aid Commission in various parts of the Province, there was a very strong probability of enlisting the sympathy of the fraternal societies and organizations in work conducive to the welfare and interest of the returned soldier.

There was a very determined effort on the part of the military authorities to get men back to Canada as soon as possible. The number of men for Ontario was approximately 50 per cent. of the enlistments for overseas, and we could therefore look for a very large increase in our returned soldier population in the near future.