# MUNICIPAL PHONES MAY BE DISCUSSED BY CITY COUNCIL

## Major, However, Thinks Govt. Control of Prices Better Plan.

Municipal telephones will again be in the limelight as a result of the application of the Bell Telephone Company to the Dominion railway board for permission to increase its rates. Ald. C. G. Moorhead will bring the subject up in the council at an early date by presenting a motion to the effect that the public utilities commission be asked to prepare a report for the council on the feasibility of establishing a municipal system in London, and the cost of the same.

**The Mayor's View.**

Mayor C. R. Somerville says that the question has been under discussion during the last few years, but nothing definite has been done. In his opinion it would be preferable for the Government to regulate the prices of the service of the Bell Telephone Company to the citizens.

A dual telephone system, which would be the result if a municipal system were installed, would not be satisfactory, Mayor Somerville thinks. Business houses would need to maintain connection with both systems.

**Worth Discussing.**

Manager E. V. Buchanan of the public utilities commission says that if the commission is asked for a report the request will be readily complied with. In this connection he reports that at the last meeting of the Municipal Electrical Association a motion was presented by Philip Pocock, with a view to having the Ontario hydro-electric power commission prepare a report on the feasibility of establishing a municipal telephone system in the province. Mr. Buchanan thinks that the question of municipal telephones for the city of London, as well as for the province as a whole, is well worth a thorough investigation and a full report.

The matter will probably be brought to the attention of the council at an early date.

# ZEEBRUGGE HERO TO BE ENTERTAINED BY THE CANADIAN CLUB

## Captain Carpenter To Address Joint Gathering On Saturday.

The visit to London on Saturday of Capt. O. F. B. Carpenter, the hero of Zeebrugge, will give Londoners an opportunity not only to see one of the great naval heroes of the war, but as well to hear from his own lips the story of the most daring naval episode of the whole war. Capt. Carpenter comes to London under the joint auspices of the two Canadian Clubs. He will be the guest of the Men's Canadian Club at an informal luncheon in the Tecumseh House at 1 o'clock Saturday, at which the members will be given the privilege of meeting the distinguished visitor, and he will probably also speak briefly. It is expected that there will be a large representation of the military at this luncheon. In the evening, in the Masonic Hall, Capt. Carpenter will tell the story of the Zeebrugge affair, illustrating it with limelight views that have been sent to this country by the British Government. At Ottawa and Montreal hundreds were turned away from the theatres, where Capt. Carpenter appeared so that the public are advised to be on hand early Saturday night, as the seating accommodation is limited. Members of the two Canadian Clubs will be admitted free on presentation of their membership tickets. While in the city, Capt. Carpenter will be the guest of Sir Adam and Lady Beck. He will return to Toronto on Sunday at noon.

# GEN. HUGHES PLEASED AFTER INSPECTION OF FORCES IN LONDON

## Looked Over Various Military Units and Departments.

Inspector-General John Hughes, after a tour of inspection of the various military units and departments here, which occupied two days, left at noon today for Ottawa. He did not make any statement before leaving, except to say that he was well satisfied with conditions as he found them.

General Hughes yesterday afternoon visited and inspected the A. M. C. and Engineers, and this morning completed the work, commenced on Tuesday, of investigating the headquarters departments at Wolseley Barracks.

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Mr. F. Bernard McBride, near Amherstburg, has replaced his barn which was recently burned, by a fine new fireproof construction. This barn is steel truss type and the Metal Shingle and Siding Company, Limited, of Preston, Ontario, supplied the material and erected the building. The barn is well worth a visit.

**HAS PRAISE FOR GALT.**

GALT, Jan. 8. — Deputy Fire Marshall I. W. Pointon of Toronto is here investigating the recent fire at the Glennie & Moore cold storage plant. He declared that Galt was one of the cleanest cities in Western Ontario, and that it enjoyed a unique position as regards the premium rate for insurance, as compared with other Ontario cities. He has made several recommendations to improve the city's fire protection.


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# CLIFFORD SOLDIER'S VIVID PICTURE OF THE MARCH INTO GERMANY

*Advertiser Illustrations*

A. M. SMART, chairman of the 1919 Red Cross Campaign Committee, whose forces are far exceeding their original objective.

## Splendidly Treated by Belgians and French—Plenty To Eat and Comfortable Billets, Says Gunner Hazelwood.

Belgium, Nov. 29, 1918.

Well, the days pass by more or less comfortably according to the clemency or inclemency of the weather, and at present the real November changeable weather conditions are showing up. One day we're favored with beautiful bright sunshine, and the trip seems all too short, but when we get soaked in an all-day, endless drizzle the next day, the "going" isn't what would be called good.

The night after being so joyfully entertained by the village "Chanteur" at Charleroi, a few of us secured a billet in a house inhabited by only an old Belgian army veteran—three decorations and a wooden leg. He couldn't do too much for us, and say, we lived high on coffee and cake and pie, and slept in feather beds.

The next day we passed through one of the great cities, where the Belgians had their second line of defence at the beginning of the war—Namur. It was raining and the grey wall of the citadels and forts towered grimly, high above us the rugged heights. The river, which runs through the city and around the base of the Citadel hill, is navigable, and both banks were lined for miles with tugs and barges, all decorated from bow to stern with flags and bunting of all sorts and descriptions. That night we slept on the floor in an upper room of a house inhabited by some French refugees from near Cambrai. They took us in beside the fire (it had been raining most of the day), and fed us right up full, on creamed potatoes, pie and coffee. We sure had a great feed. They'd been moving from place to place for the last three years, and were greatly tickled to think of going back.

Then last night we bunked in a chateau barn, lots of straw to lie on and a good fire in a stove. Tonight we're on a schoolroom floor.

**Beautiful Scenery.**

The last day or so we've been traveling through an altogether different sort of country than formerly. Day before yesterday from noon till 9 p.m. the road wound steadily up, up, up—an awfully trying grade for the horses, but the most beautiful mountain scenery on every hand. British Columbia in miniature.

During the last ten-minute halt to rest the horses, Roy Bishop rode up, and we had a little talk. He had just received a letter from Norman saying that he had recently returned from 14 days' leave in Paris. Major Roy Bishop's company has been very busy of late, fixing up roads, clearing the road-mines, filling in shell holes, etc. That's all through, and there's nothing but straight-ahead route-marching for them, and that's quite enough at that.

Just now we are halted about two kilometers from German territory at a little burg called Ourthe. It's like Cliford, in that it's situated just at the borders of Belgium, Luxemburg, and Germany, the village being in Belgium.

There's been very little mail lately, but no doubt it will be along shortly. Hope so anyway. However, for the last two nights I have had a real single bed all to myself, and "Oh, it's nice to get up in the morning, but—"

The man of the house says he's a Belgian and his wife a German, but I think they're both the latter. He speaks French a little, but the frau speaks nothing but German, so I'm getting what little I know of that language into practice, and doing my best to acquire more words and sentences.

Eggs in this joint are only three dollars a dozen, so we buy up a dozen or so every half hour. But, to tell the truth, we have invested in a couple each two or three times, and had the frau fry them with a big dish of potatoes. She's a big jolly woman and is awfully good to us.

Last night Johannesson's parcel containing the woolen gloves, chocolates, krumbles, etc., etc., arrived in splendid condition, and as I'm writing you now, Jo asks me to express his appreciation. As I got a good share of the chocolates and krumbles, I'll say "Thank you" for myself, too.

Six of us are sitting around the table, writing and reading by the light of three or four candles, and, as a roaring fire is going in the stove in the corner, we are very comfortable indeed.

Lovingly,

HARVEY.

# RETURNED SOLDIERS CANNOT RETAIN THE ENTIRE SERVICE KIT

## Rifle, Bayonet and the Web Equipment Must Go To Quartermaster.

A report to the effect that returned soldiers are allowed to keep the whole of their kit, including rifle and bayonet, has gained currency in the city, and as a result the officers at the district depot have been almost swamped with applications for the return of such articles, which have been turned in by men on their arrival in Canada. Lieut.-Col. W. J. Brown, A.A.G., points out that the report is incorrect and misleading.

A discharged soldier is allowed to retain his steel helmet if he is an overseas man and has had one issued to him, his uniform and great-coat and his personal kit, consisting of underclothes, razor, shoes, etc. His rifle, bayonet and leather or web equipment, however, must be returned to the quartermaster's stores.

# BUTLER ESTATE IS VALUED AT $37,865.47

## London Family Beneficiaries by Will of James Webster Butler.

The will of James Webster Butler, who died in this city on December 5, 1918, has been filed for probate. The total amount left by him was $37,865.47. Of this, $4,191.17 is in cash. The will provides that all the rest of the money shall be converted into cash and that $30,000 of it shall be invested and that John C. Butler, brother of the deceased, shall receive the income from this amount in quarterly, half-yearly or annual payments. On his death, this income shall be equally divided among his children. The children of the deceased's brother are Kathleen Butler, Norine Butler, Muriel J. Pope, Julia Butler and Richard E. Butler, all of this city. When the youngest of the children attains the age of 30 years, then the $30,000 shall be divided equally among them.

In the case of John C. Butler not surviving the deceased, the will provided that the children receive the income as above. His brother was also left the remainder and residue of the estate.

The following is a description of the estate: Personal effects, $100; moneys secured by mortgages, $27,031.88; bank and other stocks, $6,542.42; cash in bank, $4,191.17.

In the Toronto General Trust Corporation the deceased had $1,774.10; in the Imperial Bank of Canada at Toronto, $1,816.88; and in the First National Bank at Los Angeles, California, $600.19. He had $1,027.95 worth of debentures of the city of Regina, and $512.47 worth of debentures of the Township of York.

In the Pick and Drill Manufacturing Company and the London and Western Trust Company he had stock, the fair market value of which is $5,002.

The Toronto General Trust Company were the executors.


**Colds Cause Grip and Influenza.**

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# COURT-MARTIAL NAMES PUNISHMENT FOR TWO

Court-martial sentences on two men of the W. O. R. were promulgated in the presence of the paraded unit yesterday.

Pte. Percy A. Tucker, charged with desertion and loss of equipment, was found not guilty of the first charge, but guilty of being absent without leave, and of being short in his equipment. He was sentenced to 90 days' field punishment No. 2.

Pte. John A. McIntosh, also charged with desertion, was similarly acquitted on this charge, but convicted of absence without leave. Sixty days' field punishment No. 2 was the sentence imposed on him.

# STILL SEARCHING FOR YOUTH WHO LEFT FAIR ONE IN THE LURCH

The "Ladies Only" sign was hung up in police court today. There were no males to clutter up the prisoners' box. The girls had it all their own way. Tea and cakes were not served at the conclusion of the session.

The mother and father of the girl whose gay companion ran away on the Asylum siderod on Sunday night and left her in sole possession of a stolen automobile belonging to Dr. Angus Graham, each went $250 bail for her this morning, and she wil not grace the court room again till next Thursday morning. In the meantime the police are making a search for the young man, who can be classed as a twin brother to the meanest man in town. Sergt. Birrell is real wrathy over the youth leaving the girl to face all the trouble.

The two little vagrants whose escorts left them in the lurch in the Grand Cafe last New Year's Eve, also came up this morning, and were remanded to jail for another week in order that Magistrate Graydon, who is ill at the present time, might deal with them.

The other youngster sent out an S. O. S. call for her mother, who lives in St. Thomas, and on the latter's promise to look after her daughter more closely, she was allowed to take her home.

## DON'T WRITE TO OTTAWA OVER PENSIONS CHANGE

The board of pension commissioners at Ottawa has addressed to Donald Campbell, the local representatives of the commission, a request that publicity may be given to a recommendation to soldiers' and sailors' dependents who are in receipt of or entitled to pensions, not to write to Ottawa asking for the increases which have been announced as authorized. It is pointed out that the adjustment of many thousands of accounts to the new scale takes time, and that if the department is inundated with letters on the subject, the time taken to reply to all of these will necessarily delay the routine work and make the unavoidably delay still greater.

## NO RACE OR CREED IN THE S. A. ARMY'S APPEAL

A Montreal paper has the following: That there is no race or creed in the appeal of the Salvation Army for one million dollars to carry on its after-the-war work among the returned soldiers and to continue its campaign in France and Germany until the last Canadian soldier is home, is evidenced by the hearty indorsement that comes to the headquarters of the army from the Right Rev. N. F. Fallon, Roman Catholic Bishop of London, Ont. Bishop Fallon spent some months with the troops at the front, and is in a position to know what is being done there by the many social organizations. He writes to Lieut.-Col. Rawling, 394 Clarence street, London, Ontario, as follows:

"I am in receipt of your letter of the 27th instant, and I beg leave to tender you my sincere thanks for the good wishes it contains. I heard and saw much of the good work done by the Salvation Army for the social welfare of the Canadian troops fighting in France and Flanders. Every organization which contributes to this cause has my deepest sympathy, and I am glad to know that your society is doing valuable and effective service."

## WINDING UP THE YEAR'S BIBLE SOCIETY'S WORK

Rev. Dr. D. L. McCrae, who has been supplying the pulpit of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Chatham, during the absence of the minister, Capt. (Rev.) Norton on chaplain service, and more recently due to illness, has been in town this week, co-operating with other members of the board of the Western Ontario Bible Society in getting out the reports for the past year, winding up the year's work, and arranging for the annual meeting to be held on February 4.

Several changes will be necessitated on the board for the coming year. Rev. H. H. Bingham, president, is resigning owing to the fact that he is leaving the city for Calgary, and Rev. Dr. H. S. Dougall, another prominent member, formerly pastor of Askin Street Methodist Church, is now stationed in Hamilton. Nominations for the 1919 board will be made at the annual meeting of the board, which takes place on Tuesday next.

Rev. H. H. Bingham, the retiring president, has been asked to give the chief address of the evening at the annual meeting of the Association, which takes place in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening, February 4. This will be practically his last appearance in a public meeting in the city before leaving for Calgary, and it is expected that, owing to his wide popularity, this fact alone will attract a large audience.

Rev. R. J. Bowen, secretary of the Western Ontario branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society, is also to speak. The singing on this occasion will be led by a chorus composed of the combined Methodist choirs of the city.

## VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

**THE HYMN BOOK FAMINE.**

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

"Come to Church" may be seen in big letters over the entrance to one of our city churches, and in other ways the stranger is invited to attend the services of our several churches, and it is not my purpose in writing this letter to argue the need for church attendance, but to point out the need for better thought in catering to the comfort of those who do attend.

A few weeks ago I had occasion to complain of the lack of hmn ybooks in a Dundas street church, and I want to relate my experiences at Ridout Street Church last Sunday evening, where in common with many others I was tempted to attend to hear Major C. M. R. Graham speak on "Religion in the Front Line Trenches."

The pastor announced that "we will all sing together heartily Hymn No. 250." I felt tolerably comfortable for lo, right in front of me, was a hymn book, and I eagerly turned over the pages to find the words as heard by the minister, only to discover that against this number was a different hymn altogether. Hastily I turned to where the index should be, only to find it was missing.

Anxious to join in the singing I looked around me, and found that I was not alone in my embarrassment, for not one-quarter of the congregation had books, and who in consequence, were gazing interestedly at the parson, who from his elevated position was beaming with pride on all below him, apparently pleased and happy.

To the credit of the gallant major, it should be said he sang with all his might to make up for the poor vocal display of the congregation, and impressed one as being embarrassed at not being able to share his book among the scores who were without one.

A returned soldier next to me said, "This is an awful way to treat a fellow," and I could not help feeling that he had good cause for complaint, and that the sincerity of the welcome supposed to be extended to visitors to this church was as artificial as the Latana Baboonica Palms on the rostrum.

During the service the pastor spoke of the sacrifice of our boys in leaving home and loved ones to fight the battles of freedom, and that no sacrifice we could make would be too much to make these men feel at home in attending church.

All I can say is, get busy then and see that every pew has a new hymn book for each seat in it. This, I submit, is the plain and obvious and common sense way of getting people to "come again."

Whatsoever a "church" soweth that shall it also reap.

Yours faithfully, WM. GILES.

London, Ont., January 7, 1919.

# WINDSOR SOLDIER REACHES ENGLAND

WINDSOR, Jan. 8.—Minus his right arm and left foot, which were amputated after he was seriously wounded during one of the major engagements on the western front, Pte. Paul Prince, 19 years old, son of Immigration Officer Eugene Prince of Sandwich, has been released from a German prison camp. Word of the soldier's repatriation was contained in a telegram received today by his parents from Ottawa. Pte. Prince is now in King George Hospital, England.

## DEATHS AND FUNERALS

**DEATH OF MRS. W. SHORT.**

The death of Bertha Short, wife of Walter Short, occurred at the family residence, 112 Mamelon street, Wednesday, after a short illness from pneumonia. Miss Short was aged 32 years, and is survived by her husband, one son, Russell; her mother, Mrs. Emma Young of Delaware Township; three brothers, W. Young of this city, A. Young and D. Young of Delaware Township, and six sisters—Mrs. Joseph Kennedy of this city, Mrs. John Robertson of Adelaide Township, Mrs. Albert Moore of Kalamazoo, Mich., Mrs. Harry Downs of Goderich, Mrs. John Smith of Lambeth and Mrs. D. Demeray of Delaware Township. The funeral will be held from the family residence on Friday afternoon. Services will be conducted at 1 o'clock by Rev. Mr. McKinley, pastor of Hyatt Avenue Methodist Church. Interment will be made in Dorchester Union Cemetery.

**FUNERAL OF KOMOKA MAN.**

The funeral of John Livingstone of Komoka took place from the family residence, Thursday, January 2. His death was due to influenza after one week's illness. He was in his 46th year, and is survived by his wife and four small boys. His mother lives at Coldstream, Archibald Livingstone of Coldstream, Frank of Detroit, Joseph of Hyde Park, and Lewis of Saskatchewan are brothers. Rev. J. Clarke of Poplar Hill conducted the services, and interment took place at the Poplar Hill Cemetery.

**DIED AT GRAVENHURST.**

The funeral of Miss Grace Wollon, who died at Gravenhurst on Sunday, January 5, was held from the residence of her uncle, Charles Brennan, 28 Picton street, this morning, at 8:30 o'clock. Requiem high mass was sung in St. Peter's Cathedral at 9 o'clock by Rev. Father McKeon. Interment was made in St. Peter's Cemetery. The pall-bearers were Charles Morris, Harold Lewis, C. Pollick, L. Fowlie, C. Raymer and Fred Waud.

**ALVINSTON WOMAN DEAD.**

The death of Mrs. McPhail of Alvinston occurred yesterday in her 55th year. She is survived by her husband, C. McPhail; three sons, Nevin and Archie at home, and J. D. of Dutton; two daughters, Kathleen and Maggie, also survive her. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

**GETS BAR TO CROSS.**

GALT, Jan. 8. — News has just been received here that Capt. Herman G. Morrow, a popular Galt officer, who went overseas as lieutenant with a Toronto unit in 1915, and who was decorated in September last with the Military Cross, had been awarded a bar to his decoration for gallantry in action at Cambrai in the closing days of the war.


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## Nine Fur-Trimmed Models, $49.00, $50.00, and $59.00

In taupe, navy, brown, burgundy and black. Perhaps you have had your eye on one of these very suits and were debating whether or not you would pay so much. You will decide quickly now as the prices for these are now about half. We will give only brief outline of material, color and size in each.

One Brown Gabardine, shawl collar, Hudson seal trimming, size 38. Sale price $50.00

One Taupe Velour, with fur collar and cuffs, velvet revers, high collar, size 38. Sale price ..... $59.00

One Navy Gabardine, with Hudson seal collar, velour vest and velour facings, size 38. Sale price ..... $50.00

One Taupe Velour with rat collar faced with velvet, size 38. Sale price ..... $59.00

One Brown Broadcloth, with Hudson seal collar, size 36. Sale price ..... $49.00

One Brown Gabardine, with pin tucks and fringe, fur trimmed, size 20 years. Sale price ..... $50.00

One Taupe Broadcloth, fur trimmed, collar and banding of fur at bottom, size 38. Sale price ..... $49.00

One Black Gabardine, with nutria collar, tucks and bottom trimmings, size 36. Sale price ..... $50.00

## Italian Silk for Lingerie

This is a silk and cotton mixture, specially adapted for lingerie and nightwear; beautiful, soft, silky in texture, it gives every satisfaction for wear and retains its silky appearance after laundering, while the cotton in the weave gives it added strength for wear. It will be found to make up dainty lingerie and nightwear. This comes in shell pink, coral pink, white, maise and sky blue; Italian silk, 36 inches wide.... 75c yard

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## Dress Velveteens at Half Price

**40-INCH DRESS VELVETEENS, HALF PRICE, $1.50 YARD.**

Not for some seasons have you had an opportunity to buy fine dress and costume velveteens like these at such a low price. Tomorrow we clear the stock of four pieces imported fine English velveteens, rich silk-like finish, best dyes, twill back. A large purchase of this line was made two years ago when prices were greatly lower than today's. All have been sold out excepting four colors, to be cleared at half price; fashionable for girls' dresses, coats, ladies' wear, and the darker colors for little boys' suits; colors dark old blue, dark Copenhagen blue, amethyst, old rose; 40 inches wide. Tomorrow at 9 a.m., half price ..... $1.50 yard

**IMPORTED ENGLISH CORD VELVETEENS, $1.00 YARD.**

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## English and Canadian Prints to Clear at 25c Yard

These are broken ranges, incomplete in designs and colors, to clear before stocktaking. Good quality prints, firm even weave, they will be found to give satisfaction for wear. Owing to some of the colors and designs being sold out, we have grouped these two ranges together to clear at this exceptional price. White grounds with stripe or dot designs in black, red or blue; black grounds with stripe or dot design in white only; choice of 50 designs. This is an opportunity you will not have again for some time. Get your supply now. Come early while the selection is large; no seconds; 32 inches wide. To clear..... 25c yard

Wash Goods, Main Floor.

## Skirtmaking, $1 89

**HAVE YOU ORDERED YOURS?**

A limited number of orders are being taken, sufficient in addition to our regular work to keep the machines busy through the between-seasons month. Four styles to choose from. See models in Dress Goods Section. Made to measure, trimmed and fitted, for ..... $1.89

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# PATRIOTIC AUCTION

tonight, has again made a big record for himself in the canvass field. He shares the honors with the campaign chairman, A. M. Smart, for bringing in the biggest returns of any member of the "A" class. Considering the part he has played in making the 1919 Red Cross campaign the success it has already proved, Honorary Chairman A. M. Smart has kept himself very much in the background. As always, one of the hardest and most efficient workers in this patriotic campaign has been the secretary-manager of the London Chamber of Commerce, Gordon Philip. "I don't see how we could put a campaign over without him," said a prominent campaign committee members today. "Mr. Philip is always on the job, always ready to meet any emergency, and always there with ideas."

**Not All Pleasant.**

"Pleasant" and "plain sailing" aren't by any means the terms which apply to all the experiences of the canvassers. A sense of humor has tided over a number of difficult situations where the visitors were met not merely with indifference, but with positive hostility.

"You'd think the signing of an armistice had miraculously healed all the wounded, the war-worn and sick soldiers," said one woman team captain today, adding: "'That's the way a number of people greet you, anyway. They look suspicious and want to know why you want the money, now the war is over. You'd think a little intelligence would tell them why."

"Perhaps you would like to give that dog," ventured the canvasser.

"He wouldn't say with you," came a decidedly tart reply. And the canvassers left. I would have liked to have had a try at keeping that dog."

A certain food vendor, rumored to have been a pro-German sympathizer in the war, according to a woman captain, was most surly in his reception of the canvassers, refusing them anything pointblank.

Another team captain laughs as she tells of an experience of yesterday as follows: "The third house the canvassers arrived at, the door was opened for them by a young woman carrying a cranky-looking dog in her arms. Both she and the dog looked as if they were daring the visitors to go an inch farther.

**Nothing To Donate.**

"When the errand was explained, the young lady with the dog announced she had nothing to give for the Red Cross. The canvasser, wishing to give her a further chance, wanted to know if she hadn't an automobile, chickens, fruit, anything she would like to donate to be sold at the auction sale. The reply was a decided 'No.'"

London has once more pushed past the original objective in a patriotic campaign, with a whole day still to the good to win further triumphs. Seventy-five thousand dollars has been obtained and a good start made towards the second objective set, $100,000.

The canvassers in the big Red Cross campaign which is in progress have apparently taken their cue from a statement made by Major C. M. R. Graham at the campaign inauguration dinner given by Lady Back at the Tecumseh House on Monday night:

"The end of the day invariably found the Canadians hundreds of yards past their objective, sometimes a thousand or fifteen hundred yards. They were given an objective with an option to go still farther, and it is characteristic of the Canadians that they took their objective and went on."

**Original Goal Passed.**

By 4 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, the afternoon of the second day of the canvass, "General" John Bridge expressed entire confidence that if the reports of the ladies' teams were in it would reveal the fact that the $75,000 which was set up as the goal to reach had been achieved.

Red Cross officials and other members are jubilant to think they will be able to carry on the work they have planned for the coming year, and do still more for the lads grievously wounded and stricken in standing between them and the hordes of the Hun.

**Grand Scurry Today.**

As reports of success follow one another in quick succession, enthusiasm grows rather than wanes. The canvassers are starting out this morning with even stouter hearts than the first day, buoyed up by the successes with which they have already met, determined they shall not be defeated in making the last trench. Final reports will be made tonight at the grand wind-up dinner of the campaign, to be given in the Tecumseh House by George M. Reid to the same company as attended the inauguration dinner, the campaign officers, men's teams and captains of women's teams.

**"Victory" Auction Sale.**

Following the dinner and reports, a grand "Victory" auction sale will be held "to put the icing on the campaign cake." The icing, it is assured, is going to be all whipped cream, the richest kind of cream, and by the same token, the auction sale is going to be positively the biggest and liveliest patriotic sale which has ever taken place in the city. Merchants and others willing to give donations to the sale are requested to leave these at the Chamber of Commerce rooms in the Tecumseh House today, or telephone 6600, and the contributions will be called for.

The manager of the Empire Theatre, J. F. Spurgeon, has offered to give the entire proceeds of an afternoon performance at his theatre any day the campaign directors name.

**Teams Vets Cast for More.**

Mr. Bridge yesterday sent night letters to the headquarters of some fifteen large firms having branches in this city, asking them to contribute to the local Red Cross campaign. It is expected that a substantial addition will be made to the fund through these subscriptions.

The women's teams reported another good day yesterday, with few discouragements. It is stated that the Women Teachers' Guild team has been doing particularly well.

The Canadian Garrison band will again be out today to assist in the campaign, the music of the military band, indeed, having proved a most valuable factor in interesting the public.

**SOME LARGE SUBSCRIBERS.**

The following are among the larger subscriptions received yesterday for the Red Cross campaign:

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| Huron and Erie Mortgage Corporation and Canada Trust Co. | $3,000 |
| London Rolling Mills | $2,000 |
| Empire Manufacturing Company | $1,800 |
| Geo. White & Sons | $1,500 |
| Col. T. S. Hobbs | $1,500 |
| London Shoe Company | $1,000 |
| London and Western Trust Company | $1,000 |
| Verschoyle Cronyn | $1,000 |
| A. M. Smith & Co. | $1,000 |
| D. S. Perrin & Co. | $ 750 |
| Major Hume Cronyn | $ 500 |
| Free Press Printing Company | $ 500 |
| W. H. Heard | $ 500 |
| Edward Adams & Co. | $ 400 |
| London Printing and Lithographic Company | $ 300 |
| T. F. Kingsmill | $ 300 |
| London Advertiser | $ 250 |
| Dominion Savings and Investment Company | $ 250 |
| Blair Estate | $ 250 |
| George S. Gibbons | $ 200 |
| Fraser & Moore | $ 200 |
| W. A. Jenkins Manufacturing Co. | $ 150 |
| Miss Helen Gibbons | $ 100 |
| Purdom & Purdom | $ 100 |
| A. E. Cooper | $ 100 |


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# SERBIA'S DELEGATES TO PEACE CONFERENCE

Paris, Jan. 8.—The premier of Serbia has officially notified Foreign Minister Pichon that the Jugo Slav representatives at Versailles will be Nikolai P. Pachitch, former premier of Serbia; Dr. M. R. Vesnitch, former Serbian minister of finance, and M. Trumbitch, president of the Dalmatian Diet.

# BILL WOULD PREVENT PRESIDENT RETURNING RAILWAYS TO OWNERS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Legislation to prevent President Wilson from turning railroads back to private management in the immediate future will be introduced in Congress soon, it was said today, after Interstate Commerce Commissioner Clark had told the Senate interstate commerce committee that most members of the commission believed the president should be deprived of this power.

WINDSOR, Jan. 8. — Two more deaths were reported today as results of the epidemic of influenza. One of these is the 3-year-old daughter of Mrs. Mary Oliver, who passed away after an illness of less than a week. The child's father died a few days ago, and her mother is seriously ill with the disease. There have been five deaths in the Oliver family within the past two weeks.


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