# LONDON PATRIOTIC FUND HAS CARE OF OVER 800 FAMILIES

## Twelve Thousand Dollars Distributed in February.

## DONATIONS GO TO OTTAWA

### Monies for Local Distribution Are Requisitioned Each Month.

Not one cent of the money collected in a patriotic fund campaign in this city is actually handled by the London Patriotic Fund Association. As soon as collected subscriptions are immediately forwarded to Ottawa to the Canadian Patriotic Fund, of which Sir Thomas White is treasurer, the local organization requisitioning each month the amount required to meet allowances to beneficiaries and other expenses.

Not once since affiliated with the Canadian Patriotic Fund in April of 1916 has the London association been obliged to make an overdraft over the monies requisitioned, notwithstanding the long list of its beneficiaries. From April, 1916, until the close of February this year, the amount of money administered by the London association has been $254,286.42. Probably no business firm in the city holds such a record for economic management as the London Patriotic Association. The cost of administration averages just 1.29 per cent of the total turnover, an object lesson in wartime thrift.

**Sergeants Get Increase.**

In January this year the sum of $11,381 was written out in checks to 820 beneficiaries by the London Association, and in the month just closed $12,001 to 811. The larger amount for February to a smaller number of beneficiaries is explained by the fact that the patriotic allowance for sergeants has been increased. Formerly, when the sergeants' separation allowance was $25 and the privates' $20, $5 was deducted from the patriotic allowance in the case of the N. C. O. Since the privates' separation allowance has been increased to $25, the $5 has been put back on the patriotic allowance for sergeants.

Though the figures have been given in the papers from time to time, subscribers to the patriotic fund have difficulty in remembering about the allowances. In response to a number of inquiries made in view of the coming Patriotic Fund campaign, the scale is herewith quoted:

**Allowances Made.**

A soldier's wife who has no children receives $5 a month; a wife with one child a month old receives $10 for herself and $3 for the child. An allowance of $3 monthly is made for each child up to five children. Consequently, counting the mother's allowance of $10 a month, the highest amount paid to any family by the Patriotic Fund Association is $25 a month.

While the checks are made out by the London Patriotic Fund Association staff and sent out from the local office to be cashed in this city, all vouchers are forwarded to Ottawa along with the statement for the month.

Though there were 811 beneficiaries who received allowances in February this year, as compared with 783 in January, 1917, there are less names on the list than some months ago. This is owing to the return of men from overseas, discharge of men, granting of pensions in place of allowance and the removal of names from lists for other reasons.

**Local Administrators.**

The responsibility for wise administration rests upon the relief committee, if which the officers and members are: President, Lieut.-Col. W. M. Gartshore; vice-president, W. M. Spencer; chairman, John Puddicomb; secretary, Gordon Phillip; treasurer, A. M. Smart; T. W. Baker, J. P. Moore, George H. Belton, E. C. Mitchell, W. N. Manning, C. R. Somerville.

"Keeping the pot boiling" is largely up to the finance committee, of which Sir George Gibbons is chairman. Associated with him are Philip Pocock, Mayor Somerville and the president, vice-president and honorary treasurer of the association, Col. Gartshore, W. M. Spencer and A. M. Smart.

# RUMOR OF CHANGE IN GARBAGE DEPARTMENT HEARD AT CITY HALL

## Assistant City Engineer May Be Superintendent.

Changes will be made in the operation of the garbage department, it is rumored at the city hall.

Conditions have not been satisfactory, and a special committee, composed of Controller J. M. Moore, Ald. P. J. Watt, Ald. G. B. Drake and Mayor Somerville, has been investigating. It is said the changes will be made in the organization staff. Superintendent W. B. Walker will probably be transferred to his old position as ward foreman, with W. R. Hunter, assistant to City Engineer Brazier, and head of the asphalt paving department, as the new head.

The city will probably be divided into sections, with a man in charge. In this way it is expected that a better arrangement will be allowed, and more satisfactory service.

A report to the council may be submitted on Monday evening.

NOTHING STARTLING SCHEDULED.—The city council will meet on Monday evening. While there is an enormous mass of routine business to be disposed of, there is nothing of startling importance.


# CHILL STARTS COLD

## WAS SICK FOUR WEEKS

### JUST ABLE TO CRAWL ABOUT

Mr. Weldon T. Hawkes, Curryville, N. B., writes: "Last spring I was taken very ill with a severe cold. I got wet and it started with a chill. I was sick four weeks, and was just able to crawl about. People all said I had inflammation of the lungs, and I think I did. I told a friend to get me two bottles of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, and before the first one was taken my cold and cough were broken up, and the second did its work completely. I am raising a family and I find that it is a good medicine for the children."

There is no remedy that will cure stubborn colds or coughs, the kind that won't let go, like Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

It allays the inflammation, soothes the irritation, heals the diseased mucous lining of the lungs and bronchial tubes, and rids the system completely of all the bad effects of lingering coughs and colds.

There are so many spurious "Pine" preparations on the market that you should see you get "Dr. Wood's" when you ask for it.

Put up in a yellow wrapper; three pine trees the trade mark; price 25c and 50c; manufactured only by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.


# CITY BREVITIES

LIBRARIAN ILL.—W. Allister, librarian at the G. T. R. car shops, is confined to his house through illness.

ADDRESSED CAR SHOPS.—Rev. A. C. Bingham addressed the meeting at the carshops held Friday under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A.

PREACHING AT BRANTFORD.—Rev. W. E. Pescott of Dundas Centre Methodist Church, is conducting missionary anniversary services in Wesley Church, Brantford, on Sunday.

ON WEEK-END LEAVE.—About 75 men from the 63rd Depot Battery, Canadian Field Artillery, left Carling Heights Camp Friday to send their week-end leave with relatives and friends.

SMOKING CONCERT ARRANGED.—The local branch of the Honorably Discharged Soldiers' Association has arranged for a smoking concert to be held on Monday, March 11, in the Iroquois Hotel.

MAJOR COWAN PRESIDENT.—Major T. C. Cowan is now president of the medical board at the mobilization centre in the armories, which has been reconstituted as follows: Major T. C. Cowan, president; Capts. A. E. Whitmore and H. E. Arkell, members.

SPOKE ON MIDDLESEX ROADS.—At the final session of the annual convention of the Ontario Good Roads' convention, held in Toronto on Friday, County Engineer Charles Talbot of this city, gave an address on the "Gravel Roads of Middlesex County."

KIWANIS CLUB LUNCHEON.—The regular semi-monthly luncheon of the Kiwanis Club was held at the Tecumseh House Friday. There was a large attendance, the discussion being based on the objects and aims of the club. Suggestions for increasing the membership were submitted by different members.

KITCHEN SHOWER.—A most enjoyable time was spent at the home of John A. Sholdice Thursday evening, when the girls of McConnell & Fergusson's staff held a kitchen shower in honor of Miss Edna, who is shortly to be married. There were about twenty girls present.

NEPHEW KILLED.—Geo. La France, 219 Waterloo street, has been notified that his young nephew, Norman Brickman, formerly of Stratford, was killed in Detroit on Friday by being run over by a motor truck. Mr. La France and family have gone to Detroit. The Brickman family was well known in London.

"Y" REGULAR MEETING. — The regular meeting of the Flora Yorke Miller "Y" was held at the rooms, 432 Park avenue. A number of interesting articles were read dealing with the advancement of prohibition in Canada during the past few years. A piano solo by Miss Gladys Roedding was much appreciated.

HURON APPOINTMENTS. — Huron College appointments for Sunday are: St. James, London, Rev. Principal Waller, D.D.; St. Paul's, London, Rev. Professor Wright, B. D.; Thedford, A. Barclay; Eastwood, J. Chapman; Hensall, E. Garrett; St. Luke's, London, W. D. Davis; St. Luke's, Brantford, A. S. Mitchell; Chelsea Green, H. G. Crosby.

WOMEN IN CHARGE.—Mrs. (Rev.) W. E. Pescott of Dundas Centre Methodist Church will speak in the Wellington Street Methodist Church tomorrow evening. The service will be under the auspices of the W. M. S. The women will have full charge of the service, acting as ushers, taking the offering, singing and conducting the service generally.

CHURCH ANNIVERSARY.—The anniversary of Askin Street Methodist Church will be held on Sunday. The speakers are Rev. Dr. Barber of Colborne Street Methodist Church, and Rev. J. H. Boyd of Adelaide Street Baptist Church, with whom Dr. Dougall exchanges pulpits. The services will be held in the main auditorium, and good music is promised.

SERIES OF LENTEN SERMONS.—In Empress Avenue Methodist Church the pastor, Rev. J. D. Richardson, will, beginning next Sunday evening, preach a series of six Lenten sermons on successive Sunday evenings, under the general title "The Radiant Hope," as follows: 1, "The Problem of Immortality"; 2, "The Life Everlasting"; 3, "The Deathlessness of the Soul"; 4, "The Home of the Soul"; 5, "Our Life Beyond"; 6, "The Call of the Other World."

PASS ST. JOHN TEST.—At the annual examination which was held by the St. John Ambulance Association at the Grand Trunk carshops recently, the following passed with a good percentage: W. H. Phillips, J. G. Beedle, A. R. Ellis, H. Bartlett, H. Johnson, A. H. King, W. H. Martin. Dr. F. G. Clegg was the examiner. Two of the carshops first aid class members have paid the supreme sacrifice, B. Wooley and A. Dust.

CLASS ELECTS OFFICERS.—A successful meeting was held at the home of Mrs. North, 328 St. George street, when the Fidelis Class of Empress Avenue Sunday school elected its officers for the coming year, as follows: President, Miss Nina North; secretary, Miss Irene Bartlett; treasurer, Miss Velma McPherson; 1st vice-president, Miss Ruth Lucas; 2nd vice-president, Miss Eva Jellows; 3rd vice-president, Miss Eva Perkins. Afterward a much-enjoyed social hour was spent.

ENTERTAINED CLASS.—The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cornish of Lovett street, was the scene of a happy gathering on Thursday evening when the genial hosts entertained the Builders' Bible Class of Hyatt Avenue Methodist Church, of which Mrs. Cornish is the teacher. The class of young ladies has made its influence felt in all branches of the church's work. Refreshments were served by the hostess. Mrs. (Dr.) Cornish of Ingersoll, a former member of the class, was a welcome member of the happy group.

STOCKDALE LECTURES—At an enthusiastic meeting of the executive of the London Advertising Club, held on Friday, plans were laid and committees appointed to handle the lectures to be given in this city about the middle of March by Frank Stockdale, one of the greatest business efficiency experts in the country. Mr. Stockdale will give a course of lectures here under the auspices of the Advertising Club, and an effort will be made by that organization to have every businessman in London and district and all interested employees attend these lectures.

CLAIM FIRST ROBIN.—Two boys, Willie Nobbs, 196 Sherwood avenue, and Russell Nielson, 205 Regent street, pupils of the Ryerson School, claim the distinction of sighting the first robin of spring. They spied it at the top of a tree on Becher's Island about 5 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon. W. E. Saunders, London's bird expert, states that the robins are due to be along almost any time now that March has arrived. Before hearing of the "early bird" spied by the Ryerson School boys, he said that the spring robins had not yet appeared, but that two courageous robins had made their home all winter over in South London.

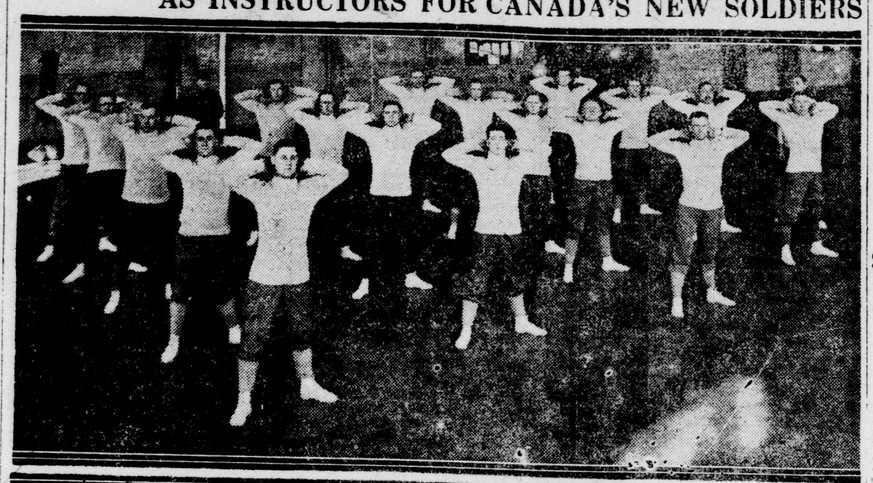
CHANGES ALL UPWARD.—Changes in wholesale hardware markets have been in a steadily upward direction during the week, says Hardware and Metals of March 2. In view of the conditions in raw materials and in the labor market, where prices are high, there does not seem any prospect of a downward revision to any considerable extent in the near future. High prices have had the effect of curtailing consumption and manufacturers are now inclined to ask higher prices only when there is no other way out of the dilemma. This curtailment of consumption is acting as a steadying factor in the markets.

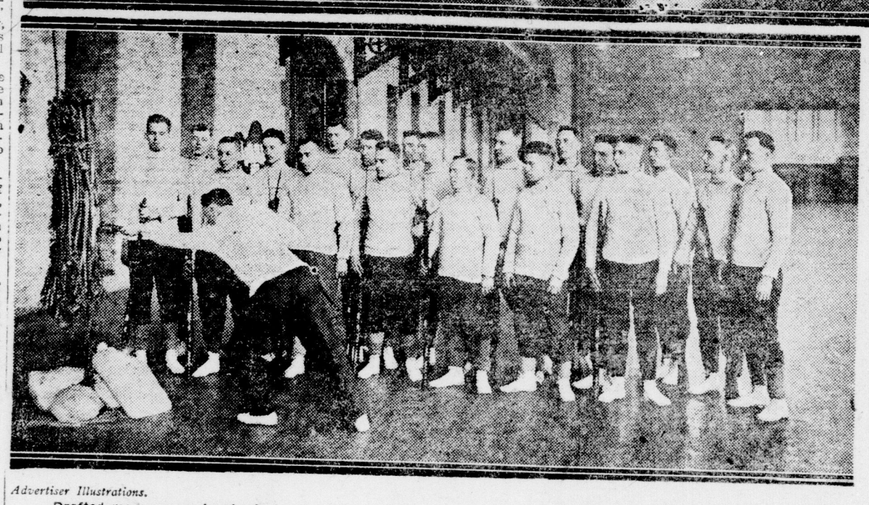
# IN CAST OF BIG PLAY WHICH STIRS NEW YORK

### London Boy, Arthur Holman, Playing Now in "Seven Days' Leave."

His parents in this city, Mr and Mrs. Al Holman, have received word that their son, Arthur, who has been enjoying a creditable stage career for some years, is now in the cast of "Seven Days' Leave," playing in New York City. Mr. Holman had been playing in stock and happened to make a visit to New York, with the result that he was offered a role in the big military melodrama which has been, having a most successful run.

# UNDERGOING INTENSIVE TRAINING TO QUALIFY AS INSTRUCTORS FOR CANADA'S NEW SOLDIERS





*Advertiser Illustrations.*

Drafted men engage in physical and bayonet training at the school of instruction in the armories learning to be N. C. O.'s. Upper Picture—"Position—Neck rest," "Trunk to the right turn." Retaining the position square to the front, and trunk is turned to the right. One of the greatest enemies of dyspepsia. Lower Picture—Illustrating the "making of a point" in bayonet training. The faggots are supposed to offer the same resistance as an enemy.

# SOLDIERS BROUGHT INTO ARMY BY DRAFT ROUTE EQUAL VOLUNTEERS IN SNAP AND PRECISION OF THEIR WORK

## Experience With Drafted Men Here Leads Officers in Charge of Their Intensive Training to Praise Unstintedly the Wonderful Development They Have Made in Army Careers.

Does the drafted man make an efficient soldier? Does the man who does not offer his services voluntarily enter into the various activities of army life with the enthusiasm exhibited by the volunteer troops that have been in training and are still in training in Canada for overseas service?

These and similar questions are the ones which must be answered before it is possible to estimate the value, to the country, of the men who have been summoned under the military service act to don the uniform.

And while it is not possible to examine and report upon the efficiency of every one of the individual soldiers so far obtained by the draft process, yet some indication of what the correct answer to the questions asked above is, may possibly be found by considering for a few moments the work of a few of the men who are quartered in this city.

**Make Good Progress.**

At the district training school in the armories, about 60 drafted men are receiving instruction in the course of infantry and physical training now in progress. Are they making good progress? Are they entering into their work as if they meant business? To anyone familiar in the least with the problem of training men, the answer is obviously in the affirmative.

To the casual observer, they would no doubt appear to be most efficient soldiers. They are alert, keen, rapid and precise in the movements. They handle themselves with well-controlled grace. They are lithe and exhibit "pep."

But to those who saw them on the day that they first arrived, and who have had the opportunity to watch their development day by day, their progress has been absolutely marvellous.

The officers who have had charge of their training from the beginning are unanimous in stating that they have made big strides in their work.

**Progress Called Wonderful.**

"Wonderful progress has been made by the men in the elementary stages of their training during the short time that they have spent in this district," said one officer. "This is true not only of the class at the armories, but of all the men who have received their elementary training here."

"Many of the men who came in at first, arrived during adverse weather conditions, and while during their short stays here, they made good progess, no doubt one of the reasons which led to their being moved overseas so quickly was the fact that their training could be carried on more efficiently under the better weather conditions that prevail overseas, and also the fact that they could be better trained when closer to the field of operations."

**Training Is Reason.**

How it has been possible for the Canadian civilian, transformed into a soldier, to take his place in the line in France and to "hold up his end," if not at times excell his neighbors, European troops who have received long training, is explained by one word, "training." Training, training, and then more training, has enabled them to produce the results they have, and it is the same training which is developing the men who compose the class at the armories today.

These men are being instructed in accordance with the most recent syllabus adopted by the forces in the field, but owing to the short time that most of them are here, they can only learn the rudiments. The class at the armories is being trained for instructors and, of course, will go much farther than the rudiments.

The first men to arrive in response to the M. S. A. call, came in under unfavorable weather conditions, and during the severe coal shortage. The gap between civilian and military life is a wide one, but they were able to bridge it successfully, and after they got accustomed to the new manner of living took to their new work well, according to their officers.

**Army's Great Attraction.**

Quite a large percentage after getting interested in the work were pleasantly surprised, and were so pleased that they expressed the opinion that had they known what soldiering was like they would have been in the service long ago. Such is the attraction and lure of the outdoor life and training.

Some of the boys who were granted indefinite leave after having reported for duty, had become so interested in their work when the notice of their exemption reached them, that they signed waivers foregoing their right to exemption, and went overseas with the first draft to leave.

The men are treated in every respect like volunteers, and the same machinery, officers and organization, which handled and trained the latter, are training the drafted men. Just as in volunteer units, the men who are to act as instructors are chosen from among their own number, so among the drafted men, certain men of ability were selected to take the courses of instruction at the armories, in order that they might be able to return to their battalion and instruct others.

Officers in charge of the instructional work state that the men are in physique and general appearance quite up to, if not above the average standard.

**Big Difference in Bearing.**

"It is simply wonderful to see the progress they have made," said one officer, referring to the class of men at the armories. "To see them work now, one would think that they had been soldiers for six months, instead of a little over six weeks. They started the present course on January 21, and there is already a big difference in their bearing and carriage. While at first they were, as recruits are usually, more or less clumsy, they are now quick, and alert and move with precision.

"It is an excellent proof of what a little intensive training under thoroughly competent instructors will do, with intelligent men of fair education.

"The course the men are now taking is a combined one, including infantry and physical training, bayonet training, and musketry and machine gun work. The final examinations will be held during the first week of March and, judging from the preliminary examinations, about 70 per cent of the class will become efficient non-commissioned officers and instructors. Of course, they have come in as "green" civilians, and will require experience. This is an exceptionally high average, and a class usually produces only about 50 per cent efficient instructors.

**Equals Volunteers' Work.**

"The present class is making good, as well as any class of volunteers ever did," he added, "because they have entered into it with the right spirit. It is really surprising, the way they go at it. They are doing just as well as anyone could expect them to do, and have made actually astonishing progress. There is no doubt but that they will prove themselves Canadians in deed, as well as in word, and will no doubt take their place and play an important part in the world struggle."

# APPEALS FOR MORE VACANT LOT LAND FOR CIVIC GARDENS

## Chairman of Greater Production Committee Asks It.

Ald. Sam R. Manness, chairman of the greater production committee of the city council, is asking the citizens to hand over lots to his committee for use this summer.

The chairman is anxious to have more than last year, as the needs are much greater. There is much vacant land in the city, and if it is given over to the committee, it will produce crops.

Gordon Philip, commissioner of industries, is receiving information on the subject.

# SIX TRAINS CHANGE ON G. T. R. SUNDAY

### Next Schedule in Effect Tomorrow Morning.

Six trains passing through this city will be affected by the new G. T. R. timetable effective Sunday morning at 12:01 o'clock.

Train No. 114, due here at 3:55 o'clock in the afternoon, and train No. 115, due here at 12:35 p.m., will be cancelled on Sundays.

Changes in times of arrivals of Nos. 13, 1, 16 and 14 are arranged for in the new timetable.

No. 13, now due at 11:30 a.m., will arrive at 12:10 p.m.; No. 1, the International Limited, will arrive at 9:02 p.m., instead of at 8:53 p.m. No. 16, now arriving at 6:52 p.m., will arrive at 7:10 p.m., and No. 14, now due at 5:18 a.m., will arrive at 5:24 a.m.

The bulk of train cancellations on the Grand Trunk has been ordered on lines east of Toronto.

# TWO RUSSIANS STAGE FIGHT IN EFFORT TO BREAK UP MONOTONY

## One Knocked His Friend Down Seven Times.

Frank Mariocky, St. Thomas; Peter Barasuke and John Abikok, 62 Maitland street, were summoned to police court this morning on charges of disorderly conduct.

Mariocky and Abikok pleaded guilty to fighting, and were fined $2 and costs each. Barasuke, proprietor of the boarding house at 63 Maitland, was discharged, the evidence showing that he was trying to separate the other two while they were engaged in the fight.

"What were you men fighting for?" asked the magistrate.

"Just for fun; we like to fight," said Mariocky and Abikok in chorus.

Both are natives of Russia, and explained to the court that when time dragged heavily on their hands they usually broke the monotony by staging a scrap.

"It wasn't much of a fight; he only knocked me down seven times," explained Mariocky, who at the same time informed the magistrate he couldn't fight.

"I guess he can fight all right. Look at my eye," said Abikok, displaying a highly discolored optic.

Barasuke explained that he was kept busy trying to part the other men. For his trouble he got one good wallop in the eye.

Twopersons, charged with intoxication, pleaded guilty and were fined $10 and costs. One, a Stratford young woman, had her fine paid by a friend who appeared in court. She was advised to immediately return to the Classic City.

# COUNTIES URGED TO KEEP UP REPAIRS

### Must Keep Roads In Good Shape, Is Advice.

The members of the Middlesex County Council and County Engineer Talbot, who attended the Ontario good roads convention in Toronto this week, returned to the city early today. Those comprising the delegation in addition to the county engineer were Warden D. A. Graham and County Councillors John Stewart, Fred Barrett, Neil McPhee, Arthur Wright, D. A. McCallum, A. Holman, R. J. Petch, T. W. Morrison, R. Fitzgerald, A. J. Blaike, J. L. Robson and John Currie.

County Engineer Talbot read a paper, "The History of Gravel Roads in Middlesex County," at the good roads convention, and also at the road superintendents' convention held Monday and Tuesday.

Deputy Minister of Highways Maclean urged that economy be exercized in new construction, but at the same time advocated that all roads be kept in repair. Although economy was urged as much as possible, the deputy minister considered it would be unwise to permit roads in Ontario to get in a bad state of repair because of the cost to maintain them in a proper condition.

# WESTERN "U" C. O. T. C. HAS 70 IN TRAINING

### Young Men Trying for Lieutenants' Certificates.

The Western University Contingent, C. O. T. C., under the command of Major T. J. Murphy, is now well on its way with its course. There are about 70 candidates trying for their lieutenants' certificates, and six hours weekly are being given to instruction at the armories.

Though the course has been going on three weeks, another start was made at the beginning of the present week, and a new policy introduced, whereby the candidates will be instructed one week and be called upon the second week to instruct the squads in what they learned during the week previous.

# MILITARY NOTES

Nursing Sisters Cassandra Ethel Renwick and Catherine McDonald Thomson of the Army Medical Corps have been attached to A. M. C. Training Depot, No. 1, and employed at the military hospital, Wolseley Barracks.

Lieut. William Allan Campbell, late R. F. C., ceases to be attached to E Unit, M. H. C. C.

Nursing Sister Florence M. Anderson, C. A. M. C., is struck off the strength of the C. E. F. in Canada, and returned to the active militia unit, to which she formerly belonged.

The undermentioned officers, having completed their conducting duty, are transferred to the Overseas Military Forces of Canada: Lieut. Marshall John Andrews, C. A. M. C.; Lieut. Francis Alexander Seeds, 24th Regiment.

# PRUNING KNIFE NEEDED IF RATE TO BE 33 MILLS

## Council Must Wield It This Year to Keep Down Rate of 1918 Taxes.

## $75,000 INCREASE SHOWN

### Added Estimates Only Counterbalanced by $25,000 Increased Revenue.

The city council and the special committee, going over the estimates, have quite a bit of work cut out for them, if they intend to keep the 1918 tax rate down to 33 mills. That it will be accomplished is the opinion of those at the city hall. If they succeed, Mayor C. R. Somerville and his assistants will have reason to be satisfied.

The figures are not all in yet, the technical school committee not reporting. Its figures will be available on Tuesday next.

The board of works will ask for about $15,000 more than last year; the finance committee will require $9,000 more; the board of education $20,000 more; the debenture debt about $15,000 additional, while the police commission, the hospital trust, and other spending bodies will require at least $10,000 additional.

While the receipts will be about $25,000 more than in 1917, the extra expenditure will run $75,000 more on the figures submitted so far. The pruning process will have to be employed, and much of this additional expense will be lopped off. It will have to be, if the rate is to be down to the point fixed last year.

For instance, it is likely that no street oiling will be done this year, as the price of oil makes it prohibitive. It is expected that $7,500 will be saved in this way. The Government will be asked to heat the military hospital at Victoria, lopping off another $7,500.

"We will keep the rate down as low as possible, but it does seem to me that there will be quite a bit of work entailed to do so," said Mayor Somerville.

# BILLS SWAMP WIFE OF SOLDIER AS SHE WAITS UPON CHECK

## Patriotic Fund Is Late With February Allowance.

According to statements made to The Advertiser, a number of soldiers' dependents have been inconvenienced by the fact that the separation allowance checks for February have been late in arriving. In January, they were a little earlier than usual, but some have not yet received the February checks. One of those who has found it difficult to get along on account of the delay has written as follows to The Advertiser:

"I read in your valuable paper a short time ago that the dependents of soldiers would receive their checks early. I am a soldier's wife with three children. I have not received mine yet, and I have a little baby sick, and have to have lots of tonics to build her strength up, a doctor's bill to pay, the landlord after his rent, and other little things to meet, and it is now the first of the month, but still no money has come to me. Is that an honorable way to treat us soldiers' wives, while the shirkers at home get big wages, and we have given our all to fight for King and country?

Thanking you if this will find a place in your paper, I remain, yours truly,

(Signed) MRS. FISHER.

345 Thames street, city.

It was stated today at the London Patriotic Association headquarters that while it is the rule to send out the checks to reach the beneficiaries of the patriotic fund on the 10th of each month, owing to the fact that three or four of those receiving allowances, including Mrs. Fisher, had not yet received their separation allowance checks, their patriotic checks were made out a week earlier.

The 10th of March falls on Sunday, so the patriotic fund checks will be made out this month in time to reach the beneficiaries on Saturday afternoon, March 9.

# NEW INSURANCE BILL FOR ONTARIO HAS NO EFFECT IN THIS CITY

### City Policies Were Made Out In Men's Names and Need No Transfer.

Legislation, introduced into the Ontario House by William Proudfoot, leader of the Opposition, and approved by the legal bills committee, to give municipalities power to assign to soldiers insurance policies taken out by municipalities on behalf of men going overseas, will have no effect in London. Here the policies were made out in the name of the men and not, as in some instances, in the name of the municipality itself. Therefore the men, on their return here, can take over the policies, if they so desire, without further trouble. Only a small percentage of the policies have been kept up, however, by the men, according to City Treasurer James S. Bell, who is in charge of the civic insurance department.

The Ontario Legislature bill was introduced by Mr. Proudfoot, who stated that the companies were ready to keep the policies in force after the return of the soldiers insured—upon pre-war rates, of course—but considered that they did not have the power to effect the transfer from the municipality to the soldier.


# WAS OFF WORK FOUR OR FIVE MONTHS A YEAR WITH CONSTIPATION

If the truth were only known you would find that over one-half of the ills of life are caused by allowing the bowels to get into a constipated condition.

When the bowels become constipated the stomach gets out of order, the liver does not work properly, and then follows the violent sick headaches, the sourness of the stomach, heartburn, water brash, etc.

Keep your bowels regular by using Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills. They work on the bowels gently and naturally, and will cure the worst cases of constipation.

Mr. Sylvester Clements, Galt, Ont., writes: "I desire to express my heartfelt thanks for what Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills have done for me. I have been suffering from a bad stomach and constipation, and would be off work four or five months a year. I was hardly able to be inside without getting a severe headache. I tried doctors' medicine and other remedies, but got no relief until a friend advised me to use Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills. Now I can work inside without any headaches or pain. I would not be without your remedy for anything. I write this so that anyone suffering the same as I did may use them and be cured."

Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills are 25c a vial at all dealers, or mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.


# MILD WEATHER HELPING CITIZENS CONSERVE FUEL

### Four Cars Were Received During Past 24 Hours.

Four cars of hard coal was the total of London's receipts during the past 24 hours, and this added to what already in the yards gives the city a fair supply for the present at least. The majority of dealers, including independents, are said to have more or less coal on hand at the present, and are rushing deliveries as fast as possible. However, the supply will only bring temporary relief, as the dealers are for the most part delivering small lots with the exception of those cases where the haul is a long one. In these cases, they say, it does not pay to send a half or quarter ton, and usually a ton or more is sent.

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