## PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS

## Ontario.

Dr. G. Sterling Ryerson, Canadian Red Cross Commissioner, has been in Britain for some time, and recently crossed to France to inspect the work of the Red Cross in that country. He is also visiting the Canadian hospitals on the continent.

All will be deeply grieved to learn of the death of Lieut.-Col. G. C. Ryerson, killed at Langemarck. He was a son of Dr. G. Sterling Ryerson, of Toronto. A second son was wounded in the same engagement.

Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Gilmour were the recipients of an illuminated address and a Pathephone, one of the newest styles of phonographs, recently on the occasion of Dr. Gilmour's removal to Guelph. The presentation was made by members of the Parkdale Methodist Church, of which Dr. Gilmour was a most prominent member.

Sixty-five Queen's medical students and graduates have already volunteered and been accepted for No. 5 Stationary Hospital, which Queen's is supplying for overseas service. Prof, W. T. Connell, Queen's bacteriologist, may accompany the stationary hospital as sanitary officer. Dean Connell, of Queen's Medical College, has already received about half a dozen applications from doctors who express a desire to join the R.A.M.C. and serve in hospitals abroad.

It was announced that Western University, of London, has decided to equip a full hospital unit for service overseas with the Canadian troops and offer it to the Dominion Government, as has been done by the University of Toronto, Queen's University and other educational institutions. Those behind the scheme are confident of success in the raising of the unit. Scores of physicians, nurses and surgeons throughout western Ontario have offered their services in this regard.

Captain R. J. Gardiner, Kingston, will succeed Lieut.-Col. H. R. Duff as Director of Medical Services of No. 6 Divisional Area, the latter going overseas with the 21st Battalion.

Captain Dr. Amyot, Provincial Bacteriologist, and Drs. Palmer, Frazer and Hodge, of the 2nd Division, paid a visit to Belleville to investigate the cases of spinal meningitis in the 39th Battalion. There had been two deaths and a number were ill. Dr. Amyot thought there was no need for alarm.

Dr. J. W. S. McCullough, Provincial Officer of Health, has been appointed assistant sanitary expert of the International Joint Commission on Waterways. As executive head of the Provincial Health De-