

SEVENTY PER CENT LESS DRUNKENNESS SINCE PROHIBITION

But Police Chief Frowns on
Staff Reduction.

SAYS ALL MEN NEEDED

Police and Fire Chiefs Dis-
agree on Duties in Drown-
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CITY BREVITIES

ENGLISHMAN JOINS.—F. S. Tomkinson, of London, formerly of Kidderminster, England, was the only recruit to the Engineers on Saturday.

CITY CLERK ON HOLIDAY.—City Clerk Sam Baker leaves tonight for New York on his holidays. He will be away about two weeks.

CONTROLLERS MEETING.—The board of controllers will meet this afternoon. There is little business to be disposed of, as none of the committees have held sessions.

MEDICALLY UNFIT.—Lieut. H. E. Hay, late of the 16th Battalion, who was transferred to the Special Service Company, has been found medically unfit for overseas service and has been struck off the strength of the C. E. F.

COLORS LEFT ON TOMB.—Letters from Pte. A. W. McNamara state that the colors of the 7th Battalion have been placed on the tomb of Gen. Wolfe in England to remain there until the end of the war.

GOES TO NO. 2.—Company Sergeant-Major A. Britton of the Special Service Company has been detailed for duty with No. 2 Construction Battalion at Windsor. He will be attached for rations and quarters to the 21st Battalion.

TRAIN DERAILLED.—The breaking of an axle on a G. T. R. freight car near Kerwood on Sunday evening caused a derailment of the train that resulted in tying up traffic on both tracks for several hours. The auxiliary from Burnham finally cleared the tracks.

CLAIMS ON NOTE.—John R. Summers issued a writ in the county court today against Robert T. Robson, claiming \$271.70 as the amount of a promissory note which the plaintiff claims was made by the defendant in his favor.

COMING HOME FROM FRANCE.—Lieut. L. H. Douglas, M. D., of the R. A. M. C.'s, son of ex-Ald. H. M. Douglas, is expected home in a few days, having spent over a year on medical work in an isolation hospital in France.

TWO MORE PERMITS.—Permits were issued today by Building Inspector Piper to George Fiddling for a one story house on St. Donald's avenue, to East 11, and to Wilson for a one story frame house on Langarth street, costing \$900.

HAS TRENCH FEVER.—Melville Petrick, a young man who gave up his position in the Rectory street branch of the Dominion Bank to fight for his country, has written to his father, Thomas Petrick, 571 Ridout street, saying that he has contracted trench fever and is now lying in a hospital in England.

JOINS HEADQUARTERS.—Lieut.-Col. T. G. Delamater, late of the 11th Battalion, reported for duty at local military headquarters this morning. He has been employed for training purposes. Major Bantick, the territorial officer, who reported last week that he was in the 1st Brigade staff temporarily.

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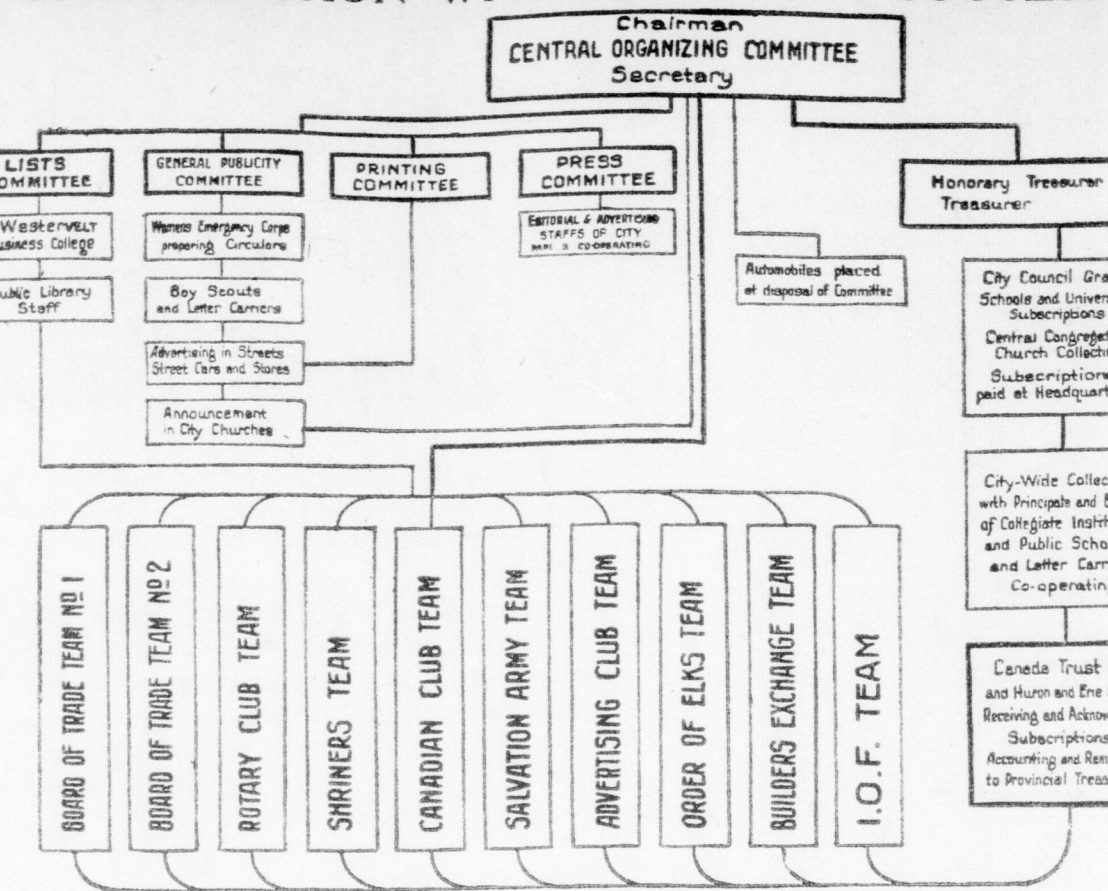
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ORGANIZATION WHICH BROUGHT SUCCESS



The pronounced advantage of the existing agreement between the city council and board of trade is instanced in the way in which the British Red Cross caravans was conducted. Two city councils in Ontario voted \$5,000 each to the British Red Cross fund. In one case the city council called on all citizens to send voluntary contributions to the city treasurer. The first day's collections amounted to \$90 (according to the published reports) and the second a little more.

The other city—London—the council called upon the board of trade to interest the community in the promotional effort which a campaign requires. The municipal act restricts the action of municipal councils and makes no provision for carrying out by promotional effort certain aims and aspirations which every healthy community possesses from time to time. Herein lies the value of the city council-board of trade agreement. The diagram reproduced above shows the organization which was immediately called into being to meet the emergency. This comprised one women's and nine men's organizations of the city, the public library staff, the staff of a business college and a trust company, the postoffice letter-carriers, the Boy Scouts, the principals and pupils of the College Institute and every public school in the city, many automobile owners, etc., in all, well over five hundred people.

FOUGHT ON SOMME; ENTHUSIASTIC OVER ALLIES' CONDITIONS

Lieut.-Col. Douglas, Home on Leave, Says More Men Needed.

[Canadian Press.]

Lieut.-Col. Douglas, late second in command of the 34th Battalion, is home in Canada on sick leave. He paid a visit to headquarters Saturday. Lieut.-Col. Douglas, on the breakup of the 34th, was attached to the 2nd Division at the front, where he went as a subaltern. He was afterwards attached to the 1st Battalion of the 1st Division. He saw some of the fighting on the Somme, and is enthusiastic over the conditions there.

He is British superiority in gun power is as ten to one, he reports, and the Allied forces are making steady gains. The British casualties are great, of necessity, but it is well known that those of the Germans are even greater. The superiority in gun power accounts for the reversal of the usual results of offensives. The spirit of the men is excellent. Confidence in the final outcome is complete, but it is recognized that the Germans are not yet beaten and, moreover, men are the constant victims of the gas.

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LOYAL FEELING EVIDENT

French-Canadians Speak and
Learn English, and So
Desire.

J. K. H. Pope, treasurer of the McClary Manufacturing Company, addressed the Rotary Club today on the tour recently made by a number of Ontario businessmen into Quebec for the purpose of fostering better relations between the two provinces and healing the sores that have cropped up over language, schools and recruiting. Mr. Pope was a member of the delegation and returned feeling that Ontario must do more for the improvement of relations. It was not enough, as one delegate had said, to return with pious sentiments. The movement must combat sectionalism and discord wherever found. Business relations had been affected by the bitter feeling engendered, and some good citizens in Toronto took the initiative and arranged for the trip. Everywhere the delegation was royally received, and including Col. Guthrie, a maritime province soldier, who was twice wounded.

Union Jack in Evidence.

The places visited included Montreal, Quebec, Three Rivers, Thedford Mines and Sherbrooke. At Three Rivers the Union Jack was everywhere in evidence, and better relations were urged by all. Ontario firms were advised to have their catalogues printed in French and to send travelers who could speak French into Quebec.

At Thedford Mines, the speeches which furnish 90 per cent of the world output, were inspected. One speaker had said there should be a booby prize for the two provinces. One controlled school and the other uncontrolled. The ignorance of the two provinces concerning the people and problems of each other caused most of the strife.

"Canadians All."

As an indication of the growth of the French population, he referred to Sherbrooke where at one time the English-speaking comprised almost the entire population. Today there were 14,000 French and 7,000 English, but their motto today was "Canadians All."

In many places, schools and workshops, it was urged that the French learned English and spoke it fluently. At St. Louis Institute, the children spoke French in the morning and English in the afternoon. The French were anxious to learn English, but they wanted to have their own language as well.

"We are doing little to learn French," said Mr. Pope. "Everywhere we went in Quebec we were addressed in English, and the purest English, but there was only one man in our party who could reply in French. He was the professor of French at Toronto University."

"The French complain that we do not see anything of their papers, that we have extracts reprinted from the paper of Montreal and the Montreal press. The French ask us to make more statements and fewer politicians. (Applause.)"

"The French are devoted to their language, and will never give it up, but they are not anxious to learn ours. We found the students speaking the English tongue, and a good spirit for Canada."

"It is going to be necessary to know two languages in Canada. The French have increased from 60,000 to 2,500,000 without immigration from Europe."

"As to recruiting, they point out that 67 per cent of Ontario's recruits have been British born, and even one Nationalist, who did not believe in Canadian participation in the war, was recruited in Ontario. The French ask us to make more statements and fewer politicians. (Applause.)"

"Why should one man risk his life for another while the other is safe?" asked Mr. Pope. "Why should married men go to the front while single men walk the streets?" (Applause.)