

### BUSY SESSION OF BOARD OF CONTROL

#### Niagara Pipe Line Refund—Condition of Reception Hospital.

#### VICTORY HALL

#### Toronto Building Trades League Suggest Fitting War Memorial.

At the meeting of the board of control yesterday, it was decided that the city will second the efforts of the Provincial Hydro-Electric Commission to secure from the Dominion Government a refund of the money spent purely on account of the war. This was for the pipe line at Niagara, which was built at a cost of \$2,000,000, and duties at the rate of 4 1/2 per cent. on plant and machinery, the total amount being between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000. The pipe line will not be necessary when the Chippewa development scheme is completed.

The board also discussed the proposed provincial highway from London to Windsor. There is a proposal to increase the distance by 21 miles by circling around by way of St. Thomas, which, it is said, will add a million more dollars to the necessary expenditures. Seventy per cent of the cost is to come out of the license fees of the province and 30 per cent to be levied on the municipalities thru which the highway will pass.

A number of suggestions were received by the board of control regarding the housing problem. The Toronto Building Trades League sent in a number of suggestions, one of which is that a large number of detached houses, at least 25 feet wide and 150 feet deep, to cost approximately \$2750 each.

They also suggested to the board that a large public hall with a seating capacity of 10,000 people be built in the vicinity of College and Yonge streets to be named Victory Hall. Erection of pavilions and parks and more public lavatories was suggested. The league officials will be given an opportunity to address the board on having a plan of action made to the railway commission for order for a large separation in this locality, and to prepare the way for a cross-town car line on Bloor street. It was decided to consult Committees Forman, Harris and Bradshaw regarding the proposed work.

**Fire Protection.**

A communication was received by the board from G. F. Lewis, deputy fire marshal, calling the attention of the board to previous recommendations regarding large water mains and better fire protection along the industrial section of the water front. A report will be secured from the fire chief on the matter.

Major-General Ashton wrote the board a letter in which he stated that the return of women and children from overseas comes under the immigration department and not the militia department. He also gave some explanations of the reason why the troop trains have not been held up for some time at the attention of the board to Dr. Hastings' report on the unsanitary and unsatisfactory conditions prevailing at the reception hospital. "We will have to provide better quarters until such time as we can put the onus on the government," he added.

The board decided that the building should be repaired, and in the meantime consider the erection of a new building.

Commissioners Bradshaw and Forman refused to recommend the board to refund the taxes amounting to \$330 on the property of Mrs. S. T. Warren, 469 Jarvis street, used as a convalescent hospital, and \$670 on the property of Mrs. L. M. Beatty, Stop 26, Yonge street, occupied by the militia. The controllers felt that as the women were devoting so much time and money to the essential work the taxes should be refunded.

Alderman Risk, chairman of the board of health, asked the board of control to order payment of \$25,000 spent by the department in fighting the "flu." The board had previously expended was \$20,000.

The controllers asked that a statement be prepared showing how the money was spent and what was done with the hospital equipment purchased.

When this is received the accounts will be passed.

Referring to the inauguration of the double-platoon system in the fire department Mayor Church said: "I am not opposed to the two-platoon system. What I favor is the employment of returned soldiers in the new positions."

**Made on Merit.**

Controller Robbins stated that 96 returned soldiers had already been secured. A suggestion was received by the board from the Toronto branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, urging that promotions in the fire department be made on merit, and that examinations be held before promotions are made. The suggestion will be considered.

On the suggestion of Controller Maguire the board of control requested the city council to have the words "police ambulance" replaced by "city ambulance." "To have an ambulance labeled 'police ambulance' call at a home gives a false impression, and one that is unfair to those concerned," stated the controller.

The board decided to recommend to the city council that the restrictions on three-suite apartment houses be removed. This will apply in the area bounded by Bathurst, College, Carlton and Parliament streets and the water front. It was intended that Bloor street, but on the mayor's suggestion the northern boundary was changed to College and Carlton streets.

The appointment of E. L. Cousins, harbor manager and chief engineer, as industrial commissioner, will be recommended to the city council. This decision was arrived at by the board of control at a private conference in the mayor's office. Mr. Cousins will have an office in the city hall. It is understood that he will receive one dollar a year for his services.

W. C. Miller, of the Retail Merchants' Association, headed a deputation of merchants who yesterday asked the board of control to raise the transient traders license fee from \$50 to \$250. Controller Maguire moved that a recommendation be sent to the city council setting the fee at \$250. The motion was adopted.

### LAST WEEK OF "THE BETTER 'OLE"

#### Famous Film Has Broken All Records in Toronto.

This is the last week of the extended engagement of the famous all-British production, "The Better 'Ole," which is showing at the Allen Theatre. This justly famous cinema has broken all records for film presentation in Toronto and shows conclusively that truly great motion pictures can be successfully produced in England, dispelling the belief held in some quarters that the British film industry is far behind the American production.

"The Better 'Ole" describes the day-in-day-out life of the British soldier more intimately than ten volumes of books. Old Bill, Bert and Alf, the three musketeers in "The Better 'Ole," are typical of many of the brave boys who fought with indomitable courage against the Hun menace until glorious victory was assured for the allies.

"The Better 'Ole" is one of the very few film productions which can be seen again and again and enjoyed better each time. As it has been announced that this is the last week of the engagement of this picture, thousands who have previously seen the film are making arrangements to view it this week, as the production will not be shown again in Toronto until next year.

The management makes an effort to attend the matinees when possible in order to avoid the large crowds which are the rule at the evening performances.

### MAY ENDORSE BUT NOT NOMINATE CANDIDATES

"It is incorrect to assume from last night's resolution of Parkdale G. W. V. A. to support Mrs. Jessie Melver, candidate for school board, that the branch endorses her candidature," said J. V. Conroy, district secretary, G. W. V. A., Toronto, yesterday to "The World." The meaning of the resolution was that the members might support this candidate individually.

Major J. B. Bell, the mover of this resolution, who approached yesterday, stated that the resolution was an out-and-out endorsement of the school board candidate. "The provincial executive," said Comrade Bell, "gave us authority to endorse municipal candidates but not to nominate any ourselves."

"Yes, the resolution reads 'endorse,'" replied Edgar Ball, secretary of the branch. "This was made possible thru the ruling of the chair."

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### TO PUNISH DEFAULTERS.

Captain Tom Flanagan, chief of the civil section of the Dominion police for district No. 2, has received orders to prepare for further orders, which it is expected, means the reorganization of the department to full strength and that work in rounding up defaulters and the like will be resumed.

### FOLKIES OF THE PASSING SHOW—By Mitchell

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### VETERANS

Items of Interest to Returned Soldiers Will Be Printed in This Column if Phoned or Sent In.

### G.A.C. ESSAY IN LOCAL POLITICS

Support Angus Beaton for Ward Five—No Triumphant Arches.

Following the principles of the association the G.A.C. last night placed its political feet firmly upon the first rung of the ladder, and endorsed the candidature for Ward Five of Angus Beaton, a member of the association, who had been in the field for some time, as an independent candidate.

W. J. Morrison expressed the opinion that all candidates seeking endorsement should send in written statements of their platforms for after-election reference.

Members of the association pointed to many individual instances of exploitation of the returned soldier. One tea-firm was asking for one-legged men employees; another was prices several times those charged by the T. Eaton Company. "That man," said a member, "should be chased from here to Owen Sound."

Sergeant Coring moved a resolution to call for a tag day on behalf of the widows and orphans of those killed in battle and to protest against any tag days for memorials and arches. This was carried without dissenting vote. A deputation will confer with the board of control upon this matter, and this deputation will also get information as to the city council's action respecting arrears in the taxes of both soldiers overseas and those killed in battle. A re-

### HAD HIS DOUBTS.

One month's imprisonment was the sentence imposed by Judge Winchester yesterday upon Laurence C. Smith, convicted of being in possession of stolen goods. R. Allen night watchman at the factory of the Eclipse Whiteaver, charged with stealing the dress goods; A. McCurdy of the firm, Laurence Smith himself, and Detective McConnell and Young were the chief witnesses. Smith swore that he had not known the goods were stolen, but admitted he had had his doubts.

### OSGOODE HALL NEWS

Appellate Court—Second Division. List of cases set down for hearing for Thursday, Dec. 12, at 11 a.m.: Re Malheur Estate, Re Public Health Act and Township of Waterloo.

Reid v. Millar. Colesnick v. Piggott. Oshawa v. Ontario Asphalt Co. Helmbrich v. Moyer.

Before Mr. Justice Mastron.

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