

# 94TH OVERSEAS NEW ONTARIO BATTALION

## TOUCHING SCENES WHEN 94TH ENTRAINED TODAY



Mayor Cowan is in receipt of the following letter from Lieut.-Col. H. A. C. Machin, O.C., 94th Battalion:

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I cannot leave Port Arthur with the Ninety-Fourth Overseas Battalion without first attempting to express to you, as the head of this municipality, the appreciation of myself, officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the battalion, for the unvarying kindness and courtesy we have received, both officially and unofficially, from the citizens of Port Arthur. I am aware that in this battalion Port Arthur has great interest on account of the many splendid men recruited from here, and I feel quite certain that no act of any member of the battalion will bring discredit or disgrace to the fair name of your city, but, on the other hand, one and all will remember with the utmost gratitude, the pleasant time spent in your delightful city.

With every good wish, both personally and officially, believe me,

Yours faithfully,

H. A. C. MACHIN.

Much beloved by the citizens of Port Arthur and Fort William, the 94th Overseas New Ontario Battalion said goodbye and left for Valcartier, Quebec on June 1916. At the Port Arthur Railway station on both June 8th and 9th, stirring farewells were made as the battalion made their way to summer training camp. Once at Valcartier, the battalion made a extremely positive impression as a very capable military unit.