

ALL RETURNED SOLDIERS ARE RECOMMENDED FOR POSITIONS IN PT. ARTHUR

Patriotic Action of Port Arthur Conservative Association

Seven Invalided Men from Front to be Cared For

All the soldiers in the Port Arthur riding, who have returned from the front, either wounded or invalided, have been recommended for positions, by the Port Arthur Conservative Association, which, laying aside all thought of political favoritism, or considerations of patronage, has forwarded to Lieut.-Col. Carrick, M.P., the full list of names, with positions attached, for his approval.

A Unique Proposal

A meeting of the executive of the association was held yesterday afternoon, to follow up a suggestion made at a similar meeting a month ago, that every effort should be made to secure all vacant government appointments

for returned soldiers, as far as possible.

It is believed that the action of the local Conservative Association, in securing positions for all the soldiers who have so far returned from the front, is unique in Canada.

The following are the recommendations made:

Thomas Mains, 8th Battalion, suffering from gas and shrapnel wounds—To be first engineer in the new Customs Building. Before the war, Mr. Mains was a locomotive machinist.

A. Yoell, gunner with the 10th Royal Grenadiers, suffering from heart trouble and deafness—To have charge of the passenger elevator, Customs Building.

G. W. Piper, 5th Battalion, suffering from chronic articular rheumatism—To have charge of the freight elevator, Customs Building.

George Clarke, reservist, East Yorkshire regiment, suffering from being twice gassed—To be caretaker of the Customs Building.

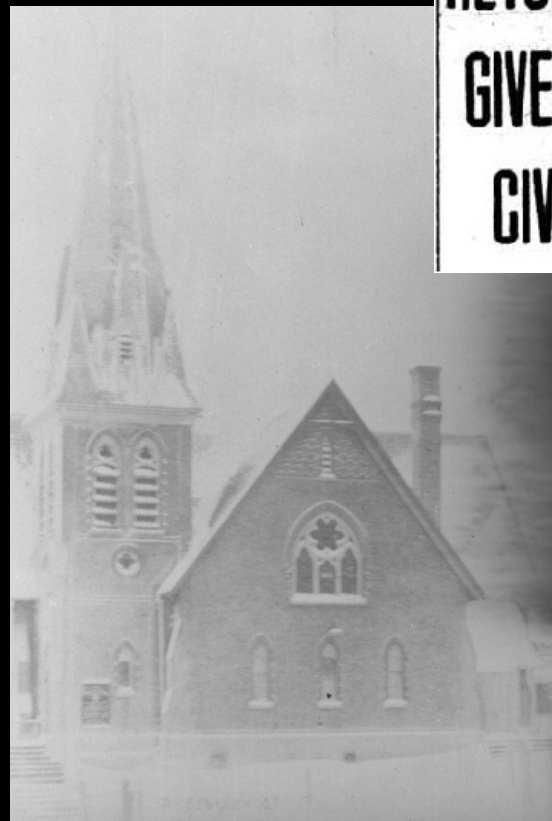
A. McKay will be given a position on the mail delivery, as soon as he has received his discharge, which will be effected in two months.

John Baxter, seriously wounded in the head, has resumed his former duties on the Post Office staff.

Harry Newmar, of Rosspoint, who was fourteen months at the front, will be given a position in the Post Office. His eyesight has been affected by shrapnel.

This takes care of all the returned soldiers so far.

RETURNED SOLDIERS GIVEN A WELCOME CIVIC ADDRESSES



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In early March 1916, the City of Port Arthur created the Port Arthur Soldiers' Aid Commission. The purpose of this patriotic committee was to assist local soldiers returning from the war. By mid March 7 invalided men had returned home to Port Arthur where they were given a heroes banquet and reception at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church. At the end of March it was recommended by the Port Arthur Conservative Association that the soldiers be given positions of employment. In early April, the Fort William Daily Times Journal reported that 13 soldiers had returned home to Fort William and each would be provided with employment.