

War Breaks Out!



SOCIAL STUDIES 8
WORLD WAR I

Democracy



- This war was seen as necessary to protect democracy and security across the globe.
- The Allies coined the phrase “a war to make the world safe for democracy.”
- This war was also called ‘The Great War’ until the outbreak of the Second World War.



Newfoundland's Role



- NL enters WWI automatically as a dominion of GB.
- NL contributed its human and financial resources to GB's war effort.

Newfoundland and Europe



Propaganda



- Propaganda: official government communications to the public that are designed to influence opinion. The information may be true or false, but it is always carefully selected for its political effect.
- During WWI, all countries used posters to convince men to enlist in the war and to make people believe the enemy was evil.

Enlistment Poster



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**5TH PIONEER
BATTALION**
CANADIAN OVERSEAS EXPEDITIONARY FORCE
Commanded by Lt.-Col. H. R. LORDLY, C.E.

IS NOW RECRUITING
THIS IS A SPECIAL BATTALION
TO BUILD ANYTHING
AND
TO FIGHT ANYTHING

ENGINEERS, ENGINEER STUDENTS
and ARTISANS! This is your chance.

We will build bridges, railroads and highways.
You will have money in the bank on your return.
Now is the golden opportunity.

— APPLY TO —

578 WELLINGTON STREET. 2704 NOTRE DAME WEST.
OGILVY BUILDING, CORNER MOUNTAIN AND ST. CATHERINE.
135 ST. PETER STREET. 2120 ONTARIO STREET EAST.
2 FIRST AVENUE, MAISONNEUVE.

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**Your King and Country
Need You**

Any man between ages of 18 and 45 years, in
good health, who is desirous of

Enlisting for the War

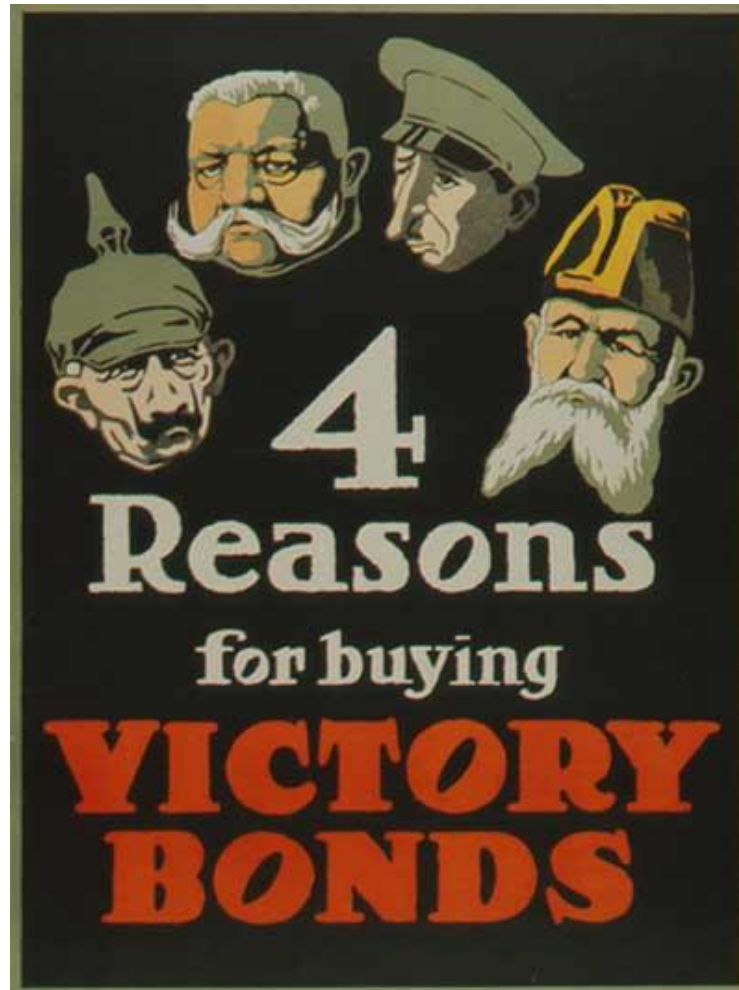
may do so at the

ARMOURIES, PICTON

**This Saturday Night, Aug. 8th, or
Monday Evening, Aug. 10th**

• Apply to any officer of the 16th Regiment.
Service rolls must be in Ottawa by Wednesday next, so lists will close here on Monday night.

Victory Bond Poster



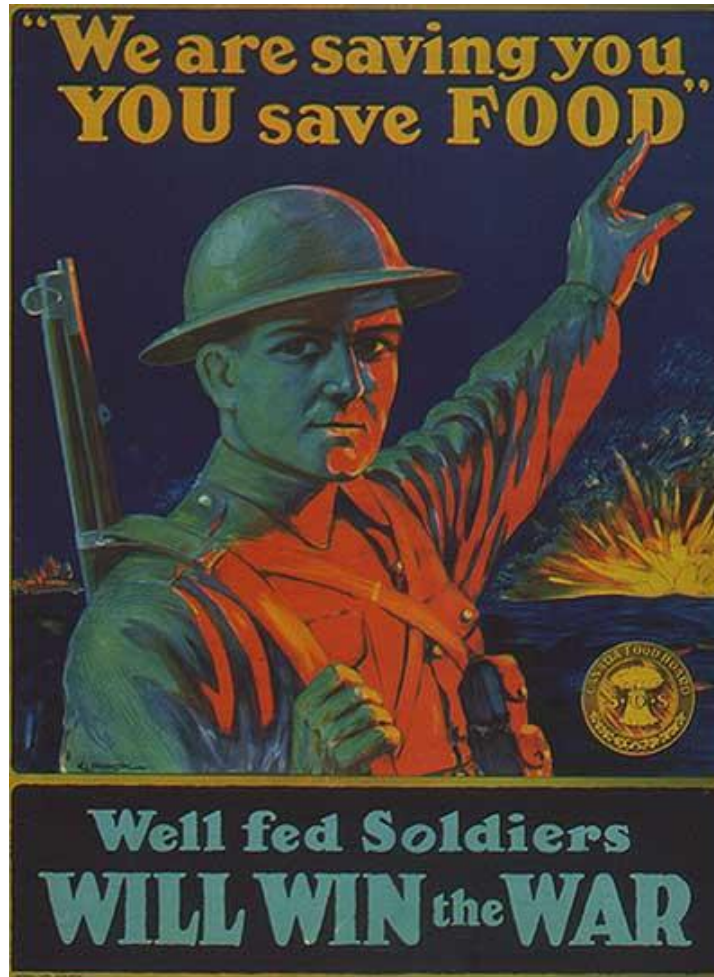
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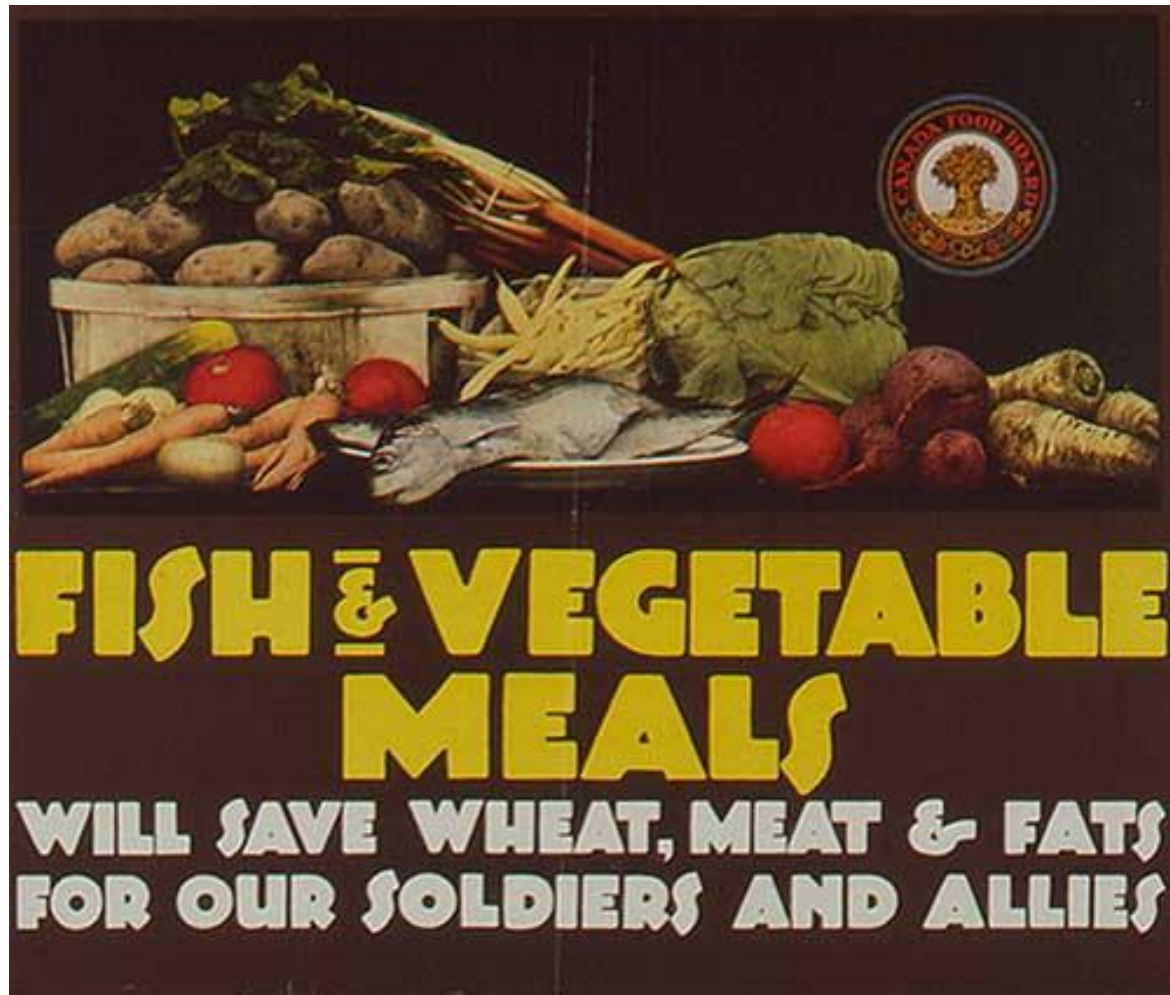
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Enlistment



- At the beginning of the war, young men were quite willing to join the NL armed forces
- Many men walked long distances to recruitment stations to enlist
- Why?
 1. to travel and see the world
 2. to go on an adventure
 3. to gain a source of income
 4. to show their loyalty and pride in GB
 5. influence of propaganda posters

Do you think this type of appeal for enlistment would be effective today?



Those Who Served



- Newfoundlanders who enlisted to fight in WWI served in six branches.
- Newfoundland population 1914: 230,000

Branch of Service	# of Soldiers Enlisted
Royal Naval Reserve	2050
Newfoundland Regiment	6240
Volunteer Aid Detachment	40
Forestry Corps	500
Merchant Marine	5000
Canadian and other allied forces	3100

Royal Naval Reserve



- The RNR was the only organized military group in NL at the time WWI broke out.
- The men, who were scattered across the island, were called into active duty.



Royal Naval Reservists



Royal Naval Reservists, HMS *Briton*

Newfoundland Regiment



- NL Regiment was created in late summer 1914.
- Men between the ages of 19 to 36 could enlist.
- During the First World War, the Newfoundland Regiment was nicknamed the "Blue Puttees"
- 'The First Five Hundred' – the first 500 men to enlist – sailed out of St. John's on October 4, 1914.



'The First Five Hundred'



Volunteer Aid Detachment



- The VAD was made up of female nurses and health care workers who went to work overseas in military hospitals in France and England.



Newfoundland Forestry Corps



- These men – mostly those who did not qualify to enlist due to medical conditions or age – travelled to Scotland in 1917 to cut wood for the huge wartime demand.



Merchant Marine



- These unarmed sailors crewed cargo ships, ferrying valuable war supplies between Triple Entente countries in the Atlantic Ocean.
- This was very dangerous, as these waters were patrolled by German submarines.

