

# Our Plan Today...

- ▶ **Canada Goes to War**
  - ▶ PowerPoint + Notes
  - ▶ Complete graphic organizer “Canada’s Response” about different groups in Canada and how they responded to war



# The Great War and Canada







# Many Canadians Supported the War



*Soldiers leave for war watched by their families at Union Station in Toronto, 1914.*

(City of Toronto Archives)

## Many Offering to Serve.

Hamilton, Aug. 4.—There was great enthusiasm to-night after it was announced that a declaration of war had been made by Britain. A number asked that bands be brought out, but no action was taken in this respect. A large number of men volunteered their services, and some smaller units, such as army corps and dragoons, are talking of offering their services immediately, and in a body.

After describing what the victory of Germany might mean to the Dominion, Mr. Sevigny said he had never seen such unity in Canada as upon this war question.

Many Offering to Serve.

## SCENES OF PATRIOTISM IN SEVERAL CITIES

### Enthusiastic Crowds Sing National Songs

Lively Scenes Witnessed at Ottawa, Quebec, Montreal and London — French-Canadians Realize the Situation.

(Canadian Press Despatches.)

Ottawa, Aug. 4.—Not since the memorable South African war have such scenes of patriotism been witnessed in the capital as to-night, when the news of the declaration of war was received. Thousands stood in the streets before the newspaper bulletin boards and sang the National Anthem, "The Maple Leaf Forever" and "O Canada." Extras of the newspapers were issued informing the public of the conditions abroad.

The Governor-General's Foot Guards marched through the streets to-night, and almost the entire population of the capital lined the streets cheering the citizen soldiery. Lieut.-Col. J. W. Woods of the Guards has volunteered his regiment for active service. Col. the Hon. Sam Hughes addressed the men at the drill hall after the march-out, assuring them of his confidence in the corps.

# Support

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- Canada offered Britain 25,000 men trained, equipped, and paid for by Canadian gov't
- We only had 3,000 regular army soldiers and two navy cruisers!

Robert Borden, Prime Minister 1911-1920



# Kitchener Calls for Another 100,000 Volunteers Liege Forts Still Hold Out—French Capture Passes

**LORD KITCHENER ORGANIZING THE BRITISH 'M' DIVISION**

General Has Full Control in Them, Says French Agents.

**ALL SUFFRAGETS RELEASED BY KING**

St. McKenna Assurances That Military Will Not Keep Them in Jail.

**NEW ARMY OF 100,000 MEN**

England in Adding New Volunteer Contingent to the Existing Units.

**QUEBEC PORT CLOSED, NO SHIPS CAN LEAVE**

**WHOLE FRONT OF FRENCH ARMY IS FIGHTING NOW**

Series Loss of Life on Both Sides in Battle With German—French Forces Gain Possession of Passes—Valley Flooded in Fight to Advance.

**CAVALRY ARE TAKING AN ACTIVE PART**

General's Successor

**LIEGE A CITY OF SHROUDS OCCUPIED BY GERMANS**

City, But Not Fort, Taken—British Papers' Dependent Tell of Strange Stories in Belgian City—Opposite Co. Arms in Arms.

**COAL FROM THE UNITED STATES NOT CONTRABAND**

No Chance of Canada's Attacking Supply Doing Co. Co.

**STATES COULD FORBID EXPORT**

That Is If They Should Decide That All Coal Was Needed in Their Own Country.

**RESERVISTS CALLED OUT**

Taken and Transportation to Be Sent to 4,800 Men in Canada.

**THE WAR REVIEWED**

Significance of Events Reported To-day.

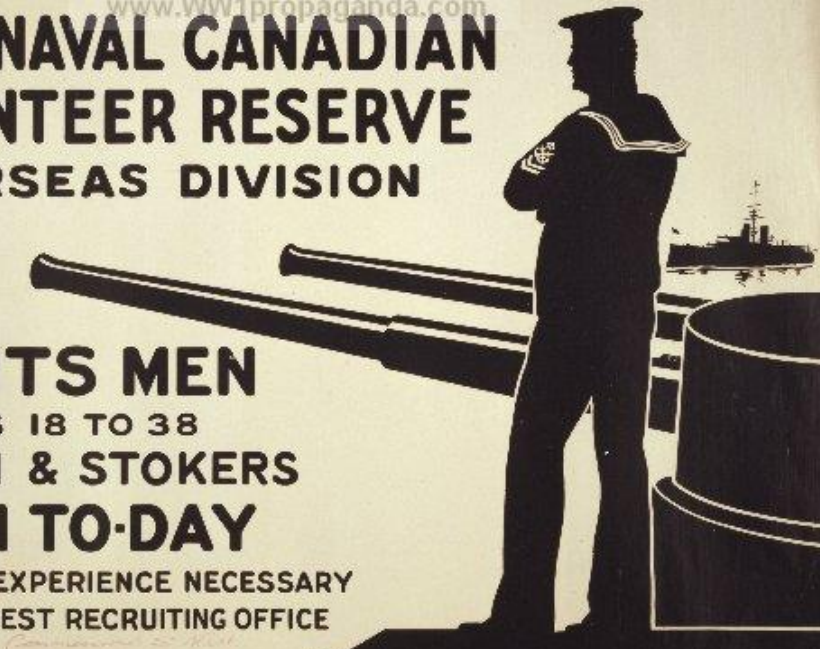
**Fleets Are in Close Contact**

# Support

➤ Col. Hughes sent out a call to volunteers to join for \$1 per day

www.WW1propaganda.com

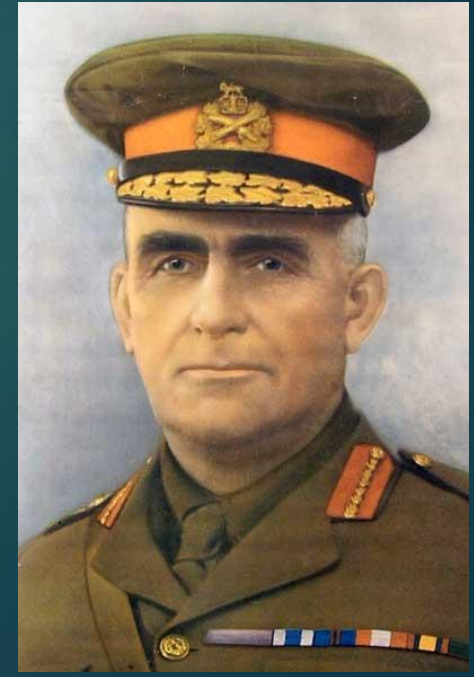
## ROYAL NAVAL CANADIAN VOLUNTEER RESERVE OVERSEAS DIVISION



### WANTS MEN

AGES 18 TO 38  
 SEAMEN & STOKERS  
**JOIN TO-DAY**

NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NECESSARY  
 APPLY AT NEAREST RECRUITING OFFICE



## Over 100,000 Canadians volunteered!



# Why did they join?

- ▶ Sense of **Patriotism**
- ▶ Feelings of excitement and **adventure**
- ▶ **A Job** (struggling economy, no work)

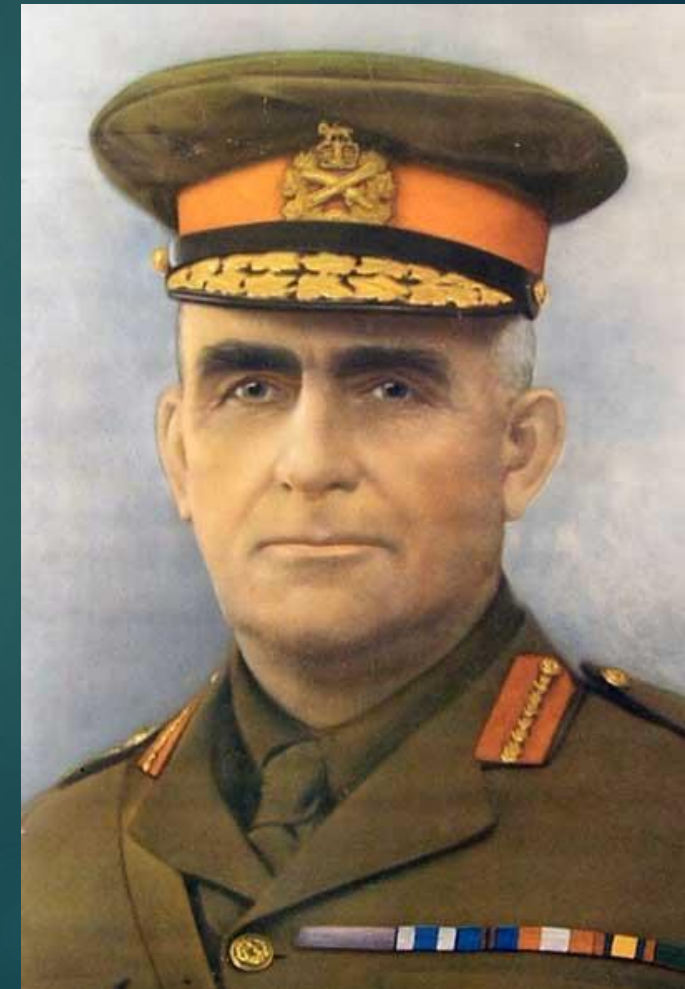


Canadian soldiers leaving Toronto in 1914

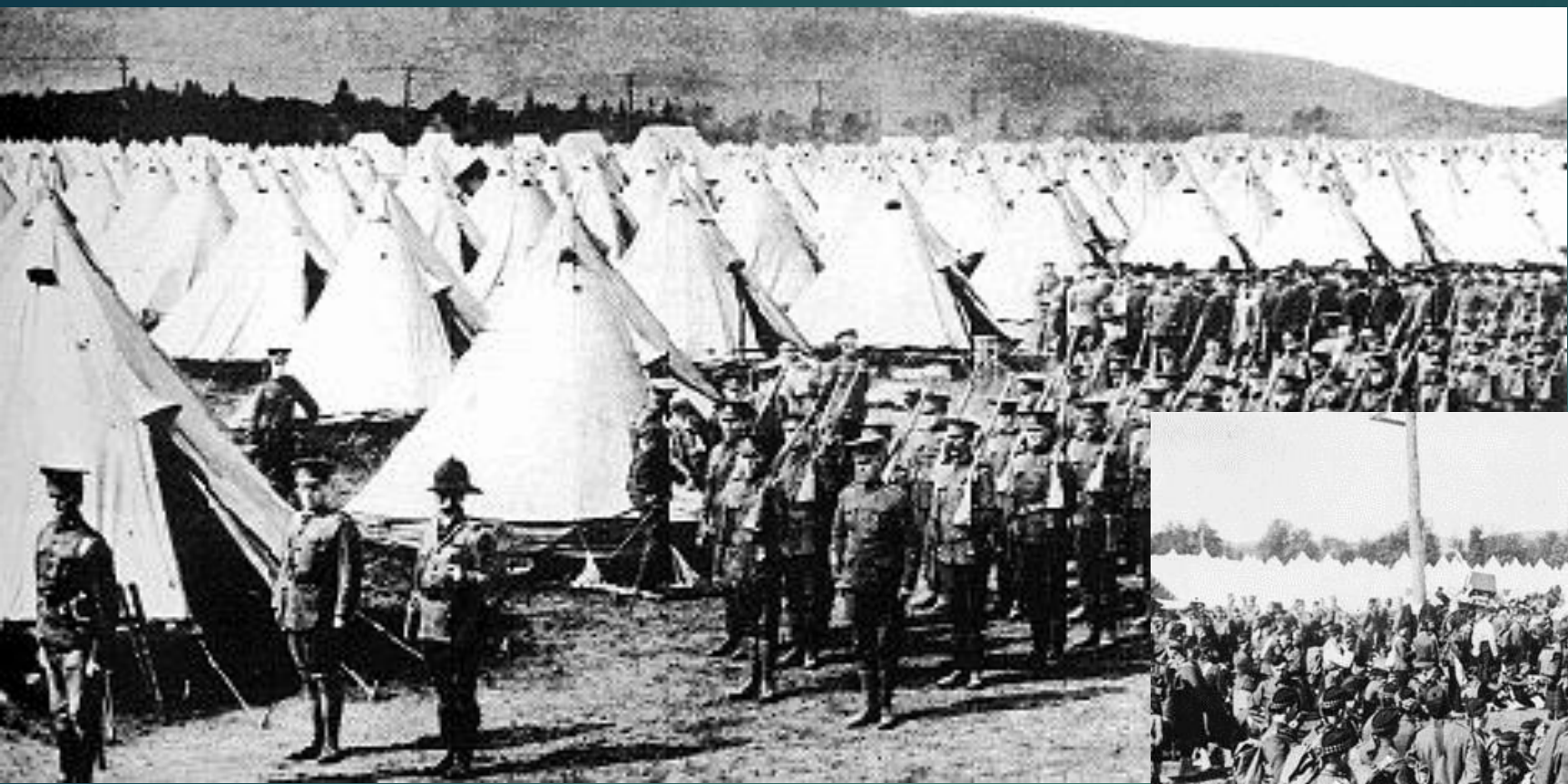


# Training the Troops

- ▶ Training camp set up at Valcartier, Quebec
- ▶ Troops issued the **Ross Rifle** (manufactured in Canada)
  - ▶ Good for sharp shooting, but poor in trench warfare... (long, heavy, finicky with ammunition, jammed from dust/dirt)







Oct. 1914:

Canadian  
troops headed  
to frontlines in  
France

CANADIANS ARE  
NOW ON WAY TO  
FIELD OF WAR

Evacuation of Valcartier Began  
Several Days Ago and Num-  
bers Decrease Perceptibly

SOME TRANSPORTS SAIL

Steaming Seaward They Are  
Joined by Protecting Force  
Strong Enough to Re-  
pel Any Possible  
Attack

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THE GREATEST  
MOVEMENT ON  
THE ATLANTIC

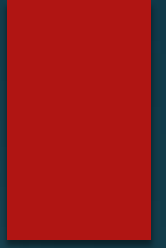
Thirty-one Vessels Took the Can-  
adian Contingent, Convoyed  
by Eleven Warships

SLIPPED SILENTLY AWAY

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<http://www.cbc.ca/archives/categories/war-conflict/first-world-war/the-first-world-war-canada-remembers/first-world-war-canada-answers-the-call.html>



# Canada's Response Who Joined?

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- ▶ Task: Complete the graphic organizer with the information from your textbook on p. 56-62.