

The citizens
will be quick to support
progressive action.

EFFECTIVE CITIZEN CO-OPERATION

WHAT IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS SHOULD
BE EACH BODY'S BUSINESS

Issued by the
BUREAU OF MUNICIPAL RESEARCH
813-820 Traders Bank Building, Toronto

Bulletin No. 37

January 29, 1915

Unemployment Relief
Fire Department Reorganization
Accounting and Budget Reform
Are Knocking at the Doors
of the
Toronto City Administration
demanding attention
forthwith.

Unemployment Relief

A great deal of extra work has been given by the City Council through the city departments.

Financial assistance has been given at various times to the Woman's Patriotic League.

The organization of an efficient Labor Bureau, bringing the "manless job" to the "jobless man," will probably be entrusted to the Board of Control.

So far so good

But no one yet knows how many families and individuals are having their vitality depleted through unemployment, nor just how large are the resources in work available to meet their needs. The situation has been acute since October 1st, 1914. To date no comprehensive effort has been made by the city to deal with the problem as something more than a mere emergency which will soon pass.

Fire Department Reorganization

It will soon be a year since the Woodbine Fire.

Whoever the new chief may be he should be provided with authority and means to organize at once a fire prevention bureau and a system of thorough training for recruits according to modern methods.

If undertaken with care, in the light of experience elsewhere, the initial and current costs need not be nearly so great as are sometimes stated.

Accounting and Budget Reform

An adequate basis for this in the form of a comprehensive report from three responsible heads of city departments is now awaiting action by the City Council.