

Social Studies: Ch 6: The First World War  
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Use your textbook to complete the following assignment.

The WPA formed in **1914** having **150 branches** with **15,000** members.

1. Page 136. The Women's Patriotic Association was organized to:

- a) Assist the troops
- b) Support the family

2. Give examples of what the women made:

Bandages

Scarves

Socks

Hats

3. Give examples of what the women did:

- Raised funds.
- Visited grieving families who lost loved ones.
- Cared for injured veterans.

4. Page 137. The Prime Minister handed over responsibility of the war effort to the Newfoundland Patriotic Association (NPA) in 1914. They were a group of 300 volunteers who had the responsibility to manage the war effort.

5. In an arrangement that differed from the other parts of the empire, where government directly controlled the administrative and financial duties related to the war, the NPA was funded by public money, but not overseen by the government.

6. Why was giving control of the war effort seen as a failure of the government to do its duty?

It was seen as a failure because in other parts of the British Empire, the government controlled the war effort.

7. List the duties of the NPA.

A) recruiting members for the Newfoundland Regiment, Royal Naval Reserve and the Forestry Corps.

B) supplying equipment and other necessities.

8. Page 137-138. Define conscription.

Forced military service. In May 1918 the Military Service Act was passed, requiring all unmarried men aged 19 – 25 years to register for service.

9. Page 138. Read the reasons for conscription and against. Complete the t-chart in your own words.

<i>For Conscription</i>	<i>Against Conscription</i>
<i>1. Newfoundland pride was at stake.</i>	<i>1. No person should be forced to go to war.</i>
<i>2. Britain was threatened.</i>	<i>2. The war was a European war.</i>
<i>3. Britain had a law for conscription, as did Canada. Newfoundland should do the same.</i>	<i>3. Merchants were getting rich by profiting from the war.</i>