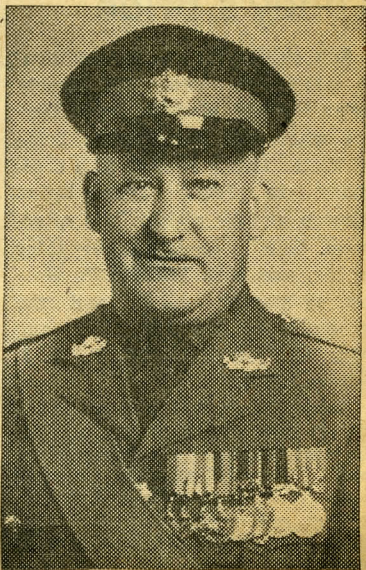


# Frank Billings Retires After 21 Years In Army

Staff-Sgt. F. L. Billings, 120 Ross street, has retired from the regular army after 21 years of service with the Royal Canadian Infantry Corps.

S-Sgt. Billings joined the Militia in 1926 in his hometown, St. Marys, and enlisted with the Active Force in the Perth Regiment in September, 1939. He remained with the Perths throughout the Italian and Northwest



**STAFF-SGT. FRANK BILLINGS**

Europe conflict and at the end of hostilities transferred to the Highland Light Infantry of Canada as regimental quartermaster-sergeant to serve in the Army of Occupation in Germany.

On returning from overseas, he was posted to the Instructional and Administrative Cadre at London, Ont., and attached to the Elgin Regiment, where he was stationed for 10 years and then was posted to Area Headquarters Record Branch in London. The past three years S.-Sgt. Billings served as chief clerk at the Royal Canadian Regiment Depot.

S.-Sgt. and Mrs. Billings entertained 60 friends in the Robert Room at Malloy's restaurant on July 1 and then took a motor trip through Quebec and the Maritimes, visiting friends in Newcastle, N.B. They are taking up permanent residence in St. Thomas.