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Six-tenths Gallon Per Person Per Month Hotel Beer Quota

Reallocation of beer quotas for hotels of Ontario is being carried out with a view to fairest distribution of supplies, Commissioner W. G. Webster of the Liquor Control Board told the Legislature yesterday. New quotas were on a population basis, he said, allowing approximately six-tenths of a gallon per person per month.

Mr. Webster made the statement in answer to a question from Nelson Alles (Ind. Labor, Essex North), concerning recent beer quota cuts in Windsor and increases in London. The Commissioner said only 27 of Windsor's 77 hotels had received cuts, while 43 got increases. The overall cut in gallonage there, 4½ per cent, he regarded as "insignificant." He said some would be returned after operators of certain hotels had come to Toronto to be

told what the board expected of them in the conduct of their business. He will receive them Wednesday. With one-third more population than London, Mr. Webster said, Windsor had been getting more than double London's beer gallonage, hence the increase in London as well as in Oshawa.

The Government's recent announcement that it will enforce the law banning women waitresses in Windsor beverage rooms, relaxed during labor shortage, was being criticized, Mr. Alles said, because, though the aim was to provide jobs for ex-servicemen, this was being defeated through the beer quota cut of as much as 68 per cent in some cases. "Ex-servicemen are giving all this the raspberry," said Mr. Alles. "I hope it is not typical of plans to solve post-war employment."

Asks Health Plans For Municipalities

Provision for municipalities to make their own health services plans without acting through the Provincial Health Services Board, is contained in a bill introduced in the Legislature yesterday by William Dennison (C.C.F., Toronto-St. David). His amendment to the Municipal Health Services Act, he told the House, in reply to a question by Health Minister R. P. Vivian, would permit any municipal body to make its own plans, its arrangements with hospitals and physicians, and that submission of its plan to vote would not be compulsory after three years, unless deemed desirable.