

Big Deputation Waits on Mayor of Toronto, Controllers and Aldermen in City Hall.

Several hundred returned soldiers, headed by officials of various soldier organizations, gathered in Queen's Park, Toronto, the other day, and marched to the City Hall to demand that the Church, members of the board of control and scattering of aldermen, to urge upon their future consideration of the policy of giving positions in the public service to returned soldiers. A spokesman declared that the policy of giving positions to soldiers had been in force since the war, but that it had been applied only to minor positions, and asked for a review of all positions filled since that time. He suggested that the present situation, and for more than an equal chance to the returned man in considering the question of qualifications of the city and the soldier organizations to take place in the front corridor of the city hall. He said that the returned soldiers and Mayor Church, who replied, spoke from the main stairway, while the members of the deputations crowded the main floor.

J. V. C. Grou, secretary, district command of the G. W. V. A., said that all the soldier bodies were united on the question of appointments to positions of honor. He said that in the past conferences had been, he said, that in minor appointments returned soldiers had received some consideration, but for the most part they had been overlooked in consideration they deserved. He complained that vacant situations had often not been advertised widely enough, and that the G. W. V. A. had not done its duty in not coming to the notice of the public. He said that he could have named qualified men. He referred to the appointments of city architect and manager of the civil aircraft, and assistant city engineer. He said that the department the city auditor had not applied to the returned soldiers' department of the labor bureau and satisfied that the city had no returned men were available.

As regards appointments by the provincial government, the speaker said that the soldier citizens of Toronto looked to the city council to take action to safeguard their interests. No protest had been made to the provincial government, and he asked the city commissioners for having appointed men who had not seen service to positions applied for by returned men. There had been well-qualified returned soldiers who had been turned down, and for positions as truants officers of the board of education, but had been turned down. This sort of thing was a disgrace to the city council, and to foster Bolshevism. He asked for a review of all positions filled since August.

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WHAT PARLIAMENT HAS DONE IN THE LAST FOUR WEEKS

1914, and for equal consideration of the soldier's widow.

Mayor Church in reply promised to take up the matter of publicity and to take steps to have a review of appointments in the civic service by the heads of departments. He declared that he had always acted in the interest of the soldier.

SIR JOHN WILLISON
IN HALIFAX SPEECH

Halifax, N. S., May 1—Before a large audience in the assembly hall of the School for the Blind last night, Sir John Willison delivered an interesting address on the "Situation and the Outlook in Canada."

He thought that the prosperity of the future, which he indicated was probable, was dependent on the good will, co-operation and sense of equity which prevailed the country over. He laid great stress upon the burden of debt which is Canada's as a result of the war, the adverse exchange situation, Canada's adventure into railway matters, and the need for greater production. The lecture was under the auspices of the Canadian Club.

Ottawa, April 30.—With the budget still to come and little supply voted, parliament has completed its second session. The session has been a success, progress has been slow and by no means indicative of prorogation so early as was expected. The session has been apart from the franchise bill—discussion of which was carried on from the 10th to the 27th inst.—and during which the house has been a bill to ratify the agreement for acquisition of the Grand Trunk Railway system by the Dominion government. The bill was referred to legislation passed in the special session last year when purchase of the railway was authorized. The bill has been kept both in the house and in the senate. It sought to correct some minor defects in the bill and to give it more thorough open way to discussion and critics were not slow to take advantage of the opportunity.

In particular, Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, leader of the opposition, led a protracted discussion first in committee and then in the house. The passing of the bill, on the pension rights of Grand Trunk employees. The bill has been passed by the senate and approved by the senate remains.

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"Did you mean to intimate that I have no respect for the truth?"

"No," answered Senator Sorghum, "my complaint is that you take as much care of the truth as you do of your Sunday clothes, and bring it out only on funeral occasions."—Washington Star.

BOASTS OF KILLING NURSES IN RUHR

Reichswehr Corporal, a Medical Student, Says All Red Prisoners Were Butchered.

(Special cable to the N. Y. Times).
Paris, April 26: The following letter, which has been sent to his paper by the correspondent of the Journal des Debats at Strasbourg, was written by a Reichswehr soldier of the Epp Brigade in the course of the advance against the "Red" troops in the Moselle district. The writer's name is Max Zeller. He is a medical student, and the letter was written to the personnel of the hospital where he was finishing his training. He wrote:

"Liebrherafen, between Hamm and Dortmund, April 2.
"Dear Sisters and Dear Sick People—
I arrived here this morning, and have

in last joined my company. At 6 o'clock in the afternoon we made our first attack. If I could tell you all you would really understand what these phrases mean. We gave no quarter. Even the wounded were shot. The enthusiasm in the ranks was such that the 1st Italian had only two dead; the Reds between 200 and 300. All who fell into our hands were finished with the butt of our rifles. At the end we gave a bullet, just to make sure.

"The next day I could think only of the nurses at St. Anne. What happened was that we shot ten Red Cross nurses. I was the first to fire with my revolver. It was a pleasure to fire on these disgusting creatures. How they carried their babies! They were carrying arms is considered an enemy and executed. During the war we were told that the nurses were the worst to do in the hospital think of that?"

"The people here give us all the water they can. I can't tell you how good the food is. I can't tell you how good with drink. I can't tell you how good. Corporal Max Zeller, Student, 11th Company, 9th Brigade, Post 108a, West."

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**Delaware and Hudson Rail-
way Issues Notification.**

Montréal, May 1.—Notification was given today to various coal merchants of the city and also to the transportation bureau of the board of trade, that the Delaware & Hudson Railway had decided to withdraw the clause in their recently issued tariffs which charged prepayment in United States currency for the privilege of right of transit to United States ports to Canadian destinations, no matter what was the length of the haul on Canadian railways. This section is now rescinded and the railway will allow reconsignment to the border to Canadian points, without payment of the United States currency to be made in Canadian currency.

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The votes which have arrived up to and including the final press-day of the issue of THE DIGEST for May 1st, include 25,000 received in the first week, 125,000 in the second, and considerably over 300,000 in the third. The next two weeks' returns, it may safely be prophesied, will place the poll's total beyond the million mark. The results are being tabulated and shown in THE LITERARY DIGEST week by week.

To the considerable volume of country-wide newspaper comment on THE DIGEST'S poll, the Boston Globe contributes the following observation: "When THE LITERARY DIGEST poll is completed every one should have a pretty clear hint as to how the country is going."

Among other striking features in THE DIGEST for May 1st, are:

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