RUSSIANS STILL READY TO FIGHT, OR SOME OF THEM

Another Slav Recruit Comes to Local Mobilization Centre.

17 MORE VOLUNTEERS

Allies Represented in List of Men Who Donned Khaki Here Monday.

Seventeen volunteers were examined by the medical board at the local mobilization centre at the Armories Monday. Only one of these was found unfit for service in the front line.

There were two Italians and one Russian accepted. One of the Italians presented himself for service at El Pasa, Texas.

Following is a list of the recruits: John Hogg, Special Service Company, Cleveland; Jas. Fassetti, W. O. R., El Pasa, Texas; F. E. Randall, Forestry, Detroit; A. L. Greig, S. S. Co., Detroit; R. H. Severson, W. O. R., Detroit; J. B. Marco, W. O. R., Detroit; E. Williams, W. O. R., Detroit; J. A. Little, C. A. S. C., Detroit, London; Jas. Wilkinson, 63rd Battery, Windsor; T. Betinski, Forestry, Windsor; Geo. Strong, W. O. R., Windsor; W. E. Greenwood, W. O. R., Windsor; M. B. Holman, W. O. R., Windsor; Frank Harris, Engineers, Windsor; M L. Thompson, 63rd Battery, Windsor; W. E. Cooper, 63rd Battery, Windsor.

PATRIOTIC DRIVE TO BE SHORT ONE, IS PRESENT PLAN

Snappy Campaign in March Expectation of Committee in Charge.

Owing to the fact that the Red Cross and Patriotic Fund campaign will not take place until March no organization meeting will be held for several weeks, according to Lieut.-Col. W. M. Hartshore, president of the London Patriotic Association.

It is proposed to make the campaign a short sharp one, and it is expected that it will be carried through with the enthusiasm and success which characterized the campaign of a year ago.

Owing to the postponement of the canvass, the London branch of the Red Cross Society has been guaranteed a sufficient amount to carry on until the new subscriptions come in.

$2,000 FIRE DAMAGE WHEN SPARK IGNITES PILE OF SHAVINGS

George White & Sons' Factory Suffers.

Damage to the extent of $2,000 was done by fire which broke out in the boiler-room of the George White & Sons' factory at 11:20 o'clock Monday night.

A spark, which managed to get into the shavings bin, is believed to have caused the fire. The blaze spread rapidly through the shavings chute and ignited the roof of the boiler and shavings rooms.

The firemen had a hard fight to keep the blaze from spreading to other portions of the factory.

SEVERAL CHANGES MADE AT WAR HEADQUARTERS OF DOMINION MILITIA

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—Several changes in the headquarters staff of the militia department have, it is understood, been authorized by order-in-council, and will shortly be announced officially. Among these is the appointment of Col. Langton of Toronto to succeed J. W. Borden, who has been superannuated as paymaster-general. It is understood, also, that Brig.-Gen. J. L. Biggar, director of supplies and transport, will shortly succeed Major-Gen. H. Smith as judge advocate general, the latter remaining on the headquarters staff. R. S. Brown, who has been assistant accountant in the paymaster general's branch will, it is stated, be promoted to chief accountant.

DEFAULTERS TO BE KEPT IN BARRACKS FOR NIGHT

Men apprehended as defaulters or deserters under the military service act will not be brought to the mobilization centre at the Armories, London, after 9 o'clock p.m., but will, instead, be placed in detention barracks for the night and thence be taken to the mobilization centre at 9 o'clock the following morning, instructions in camp orders state.

A MOTHER'S WORK

Mothers as a rule spend so much time in looking after their children and in household work that they overlook the absolute necessity for that rest and relaxation upon which their health depends. The consequence is that soon they find their health breaking down. The daily humdrum of household life as a mother knows it, with hurried meals and family and household cares, quickly thin the blood and weaken the nerves. Then follow headaches, pains in the side and back, swollen limbs, palpitation, a constantly tired feeling, and often an inclination to fretfulness. These symptoms are the sign of poor blood, and are the inevitable penalty of overwork and over-anxiety in the care of children and the affairs of the household.

Whenever a mother finds her health failing and household duties becoming more than she can comfortably manage; whenever extra demands are made upon her strength she should adopt the safe and simple expedient of enriching her blood with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These pills are especially valuable to the nursing mother and the woman worn out with household cares. They renew her blood supply, strengthen her tired limbs, and drive away the headaches and backaches that have made her so miserable. They have restored thousands of despondent women to good health and bright spirits, and will do for you as much as they have done for others, if you will give them a fair trial.

You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills from any dealer in medicine, or by mail at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for $2.50, from The Dr. Williams Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont.

LOCAL NEWS

RETURNING FROM LEAVE.—The members of the 1st Depot Battalion, W. O. Regiment, are returning to camp after spending their week-end leave with relatives and friends.

IS RECOVERING.—The condition of James Young, a city gas employee, who had his foot injured on Friday afternoon, when a crowbar he was using slipped, is reported as much improved.

COULD NOT STEAM UP.—Several of the offices at Wolseley Barracks were closed Monday owing to the cold, as the soft coal in the furnaces today failed to produce enough heat to go around.

MEETS THIS EVENING. — The board of works will meet this evening, with a considerable budget of business. City Engineer Brazier will present a number of reports and other things will come up.

REGULAR EUCHRE NIGHT—Wednesday evening the regular euchre games will be held at the Hyman Hall. Rivalry is now very keen among many of the regular players, and the games are becoming most interesting.

MATCH AT EUCHRE.—Arrangements have been made by President Robson of the Liberal Club for a euchre match between the Liberal Club and George White & Sons' Company, for Thursday night at Hyman Hall.

BUYS PRACTICE.—W. G. R. Bartram has purchased the practice of the late Mr. John F. Faulds, and will move his office on the ground floor, 59 Dundas street, to that formerly occupied by Mr. Faulds, on the 1st of February.

$15 BLAZE.—An overheated stovepipe ignited attic woodwork at the home of Arthur Keene, 458 St. James street, Monday. The firemen responded quickly, and soon had the blaze under control. The damage would not exceed $15.

CONDITION WORSE. — John P. Evans, proprietor of the Grigg House, who suffered a stroke on Sunday night and was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, is reported to have spent a restless night. Yesterday the attending physician reported that he was considerably improved. He is worse today.

BACK IN LONDON.—Capt. J. M. Watt, of the 7th Regiment, has completed his duties at the Windsor Mobilization Centre, and has returned to this city. Capt. William P. Freeman, recently of the Canadian Army Medical Corps, and Lieut. Dickenson Fletcher, recently of the 34th Battalion, have been attached to F Unit, M. H. C. C., for treatment and pay.

REMANDED FOR WEEK.—A former Grand Trunk employee pleaded guilty in police court today to obtaining goods from the company's storehouse under false pretences. He was remanded to jail for one week for sentence. On January 25 he secured copper wire, insulators and lamp shades valued at $125, leading the foreman of the storehouse to believe he was still in the employ of the company.

$9,500 BASIS OF SETTLEMENT FOR FOSTER ACTION

$7,000 Being Asked for Land as Addition to $2,500 for Wells.

The settlement of the Foster wells deal is for $9,500, according to reports, not $7,500, as first announced.

When the announcement was made it was stated that the deal called for the payment of $7,500 for the 11 acres of land, and the water rights. Now it has developed that the land is to cost $7,000, and the commission is to pay $2,500 for the wells. The original price of the land was placed at $7,500, but the owners took off the estimated amount of costs, namely $500.

It is expected that the case will be settled this afternoon. The commission will meet in special session, and will decide the question one way or another.

HOSPITAL COMMISSION MAIL WILL NOT GO TO GUELPH AND BACK HERE

Certain Red Tape Abolished to Facilitate Business.

For purposes of correspondence, the office of F Unit, Military Hospitals Commission Command, in this city, is to be deemed F Unit headquarters, instead of the office at Guelph, camp orders state today.

The change has been made with a view to co-ordinating and simplifying the administration of F Unit, and facilitating the interchange of correspondence with militia district headquarters here, and letters will now pass directly from district militia headquarters to the office of F Unit here, instead of passing through Guelph first.

The new rule applies to all correspondence and messages except in emergency cases, when telephone and telegraph messages are sent.

MILITARY HOSPITAL IS OPENED IN ST. THOMAS

Portion of Barracks Being Used for the Purpose.

A new military isolation hospital is to be opened in St. Thomas tomorrow. A portion of the barracks at present in use by the Volunteer Company of the 1st Depot Battalion, W. O. Regiment, have been set aside for hospital purposes, and the equipment has been installed, so that everything will be in readiness to begin tomorrow.

The new hospital will accommodate as many as 150 patients, though it is expected that it will be only partially used at present. The isolation hospital at Carling Heights will as a result be available for other patients, and will provide ample accommodation for patients here.

SUPPLY SHIPS BUNKERED DESPITE BAD WEATHER

New York, Jan. 29.—Severe weather conditions yesterday did not prevent the coaling of the supply ships for the Allies in this harbor most in need of fuel. J. E. Parsons, in charge of ship bunkering for the United States Shipping Board, said today that while only six ships were bunkered, those still lacking coal—numbering 29, counting yesterday's arrivals, were not in readiness to sail for other reasons.

Organization of the bunkering situation has now reached a stage, he said, where there would be no more delays, such as held up more than 200 ships here last month.

MELTING SNOWS SWEEP VESSELS FROM MOORINGS

Paducah, Ky., Jan. 29.—Descending ice gorges in the Tennessee and Ohio rivers, converging here, today swept the winter fleet of packets and other craft from their moorings at up-river points and in the Paducah harbor and carried it on down the Ohio. Appeals for help from persons marooned on the icebound craft plainly were heard as they were carried past this city. A report from Metropolis, Ill., said several packets were seen standing on end in the ice as the floe passed that place. The number of boats caught in the torrent has not been demonstrated. It may reach, however, more than a dozen.

GOVERNMENT PLUMS SHOULD BE UNDER COMMISSION IS MAJOR CRONYN'S OPINION

Appointments Such as Reward for Man Who Stepped Out for Ballantyne Should Be Subject to Civil Service Rules, Declares Local Unionist M. P.—Refuses to Discuss the Military Service Act Enforcement.

While declaring that he was most strongly in favor of the abolition of patronage, Major Hume Cronyn, London's Unionist M. P., said today that he did not care to express an opinion on the point of whether or not patronage should be abolished before an enactment was put through Parliament placing the whole of the outside Government services under the control of the civil service commission.

The Advertiser called Mr. Cronyn's attention to the promises made by Sir Robert Borden, during the election campaign, and to the fact that one of the strong reasons which the premier put forth for union was that patronage might be abolished.

Mr. Cronyn replied that, as he understood the promise, it was to the effect that the Government would do what it could to bring the outside service under the commission.

The Advertiser pointed out that the allegation is made that the Government is continuing to hand out patronage. The recent appointment of a Montreal alderman, who retired from the federal contest in favor of Hon. C. C. Ballantyne and has since been made collector of customs as a reward, was cited. Mr. Cronyn was asked if he thought the Government should continue to hand out patronage until Parliament dealt with the question, or if the abolition of patronage should have started from the time the Government was returned.

Favors Its Abolition.

"I do not care to make any remarks on that point," said Mr. Cronyn. He added: "I am most strongly in favor of the abolition of patronage. It has been a great difficulty for all parties. It will eventually help to pull down all parties if they stay in power long enough. For one appointment made there are numerous who get angry.

"In London all appointments have been given to returned soldiers. None that I am aware of have gone to other than returned soldiers. There has been no question of their political faith. It has never entered into the case, and their politics were not known nor asked. We get all the particulars we can, as it is necessary to get fit men, but there is no question as to who they supported in politics.

"Of course," added Mr. Cronyn, "there have been no such important appointments such as the Montreal one and, personally, so far as I am concerned, they ought to be subject as much as any to the civil service commission.

Mr. Cronyn was asked if he was satisfied with the manner in which the military service act was being administered. Did he think that it was being enforced as the people had demanded by their vote? Did he think that the Government was getting reinforcements overseas in accordance with the expressed will of the people?

Ventures No Opinion.

Mr. Cronyn said that he had no information to hand as to how things were going other than the statements made in the press. He expressed the belief that a statement would be forthcoming soon from the Government, setting forth the facts. Other than this he would not venture an opinion.

MILITARY SERVICE ACT BRINGS WHOLESALE PROMOTION TO MEN OF DISTRICT MILITARY POLICE

Act Says Non-Commissioned Officers Alone Can Accost Suspected Defaulters, So Up Goes "Lance-Jack's" Stripe on Sleeves of Every Private of Force.

Ninety-four privates of No. 1 Detachment, Military Police, have been made lance-corporals, camp orders announce today.

In addition 25 per cent of the corporals on the strength are to be graded as acting sergeants without pay, and 50 per cent of the lance-corporals are to be graded as acting corporals without pay.

These changes have become necessary owing to the fact that under the military service act only "officers and non-commissioned officers, police officers or constables," may accost men to ascertain if they have complied with the provisions of the act. In order to make it possible for all the members of the military police to take part in the roundup of defaulters which is taking place, practically the entire force has been given non-commissioned rank. The pay, however, remains the same, so that the cost to the public will not be increased.

It is pointed out that many times members of the military police meet men whom they feel it their duty to question, yet unless they are wearing the stripe or stripes of a non-commissioned officer they have no authority to do so.

AMOROUS CONDUCTOR BLAMED FOR ACCIDENT FOR WHICH PLAINTIFF ASKS $1,000 DAMAGES IN ASSIZES

Endearing Terms Caused Her to Leave Car, She Testifies, Then Street Railway Employee Pushed Her From the Steps, Wrist Being Broken in Fall.

"The conductor on this street car placed his hand upon my shoulder, held me back, and called me 'darling' and 'sweetheart,' and when I resented he pushed me off the car," said Nina Nash, 124 Bathurst street, 24 years of age, in giving her evidence at the winter assize court today, in an action brought by her against the London Street Railway.

The action was brought to recover damages to the extent of $1,000, because of an accident on the evening of July 18th last at the corner of Bathurst and Richmond streets.

Miss Nash gave further testimony to the effect that the street car was started while she was on the step of the car, and that at that time the conductor, she alleges, shoved her and she fell to the street. As a result of the fall she sustained a broken arm, nervous shock, and a severe strain, and has not yet recovered her health.

Drs. James D. Wilson and D. H. Hogg testified that they had attended her, and had found the injuries sustained as set forth in the plaintiff's statement of claim. Both doctors gave evidence that Miss Nash was suffering from a neuratic condition, which might have been brought on by the accident, and that her wrist might be permanently weak.

The statement of defence submitted by the street railway company is that if the plaintiff sustained the injuries she claims that they were partially the result of her own want of care and caution, and as far as the motorman and conductor were concerned the accident was unavoidable.

Court adjourned at 12:30, and resumed again at 2:15 o'clock this afternoon.

A number of witnesses are to be heard this afternoon. The case will, it is expected go to the jury late today.

FIFTY-THREE BODIES STILL IN DEATH PIT

Halifax, Jan. 29.—It is expected by the management of the Acadia Coal Company that by Wednesday all the victims of the explosion in the Allan shaft will have been recovered from the pit. The company is increasing the number of men searching for the dead. Thirty-four bodies have been recovered and 53 still remain in the pit. The water at the 1,200-foot level has been lowered 11 inches by the powerful pumps in use. The coroner's inquest into the Allan shaft disaster will begin at 2 o'clock tomorrow before Dr. Kennedy.

NEW YORK LEGISLATURE FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 28.—After an outburst of oratory which has not been equalled this session the assembly of the New York Legislature tonight by a vote of 72 to 17, adopted a resolution petitioning the United States Senate to act favorably on the suffrage amendment to the federal constitution.

STRIKE AT BERLIN HAS FAILED TO MATERIALIZE

Amsterdam, Jan. 29.—A strike in Berlin, Germany, announced for Monday in leaflets distributed at the end of last week, did not materialize according to a dispatch from the German capital. The agitation had only limited success, although the strike leaflets were spread from house to house in Berlin and the suburbs.

The trades unions refused to co-operate and only in a few sections did the factory workmen strike. The failure of the strike is said to have arisen from lack of central direction.

LT.-COL. McRAW DEAD

Brandon, Man., Jan. 29.—Lieut.-Col. McCrae, the author of "In Flanders' Fields," died Monday morning in France from pneumonia, it is reported by cable from the deputy minister of militia in London.

At the time of his death, Col. McCrae was in command of the medical side of the Canadian Hospital No. 3, the McGill Unit, at Boulogne, France. At the beginning of the war he entered active service with the 1st Brigade of Canadian Artillery on the staff of Brig.-Gen. Morrison, and during the early period of the war up to and through the second battle of Ypres served with his brigade in the double capacity of staff and medical officer.

Col. McCrae was a distinguished physician of Montreal, and on the professional staff of McGill University. He was a son of Lieut.-Col. David McCrae of Guelph, Ont. Deceased was 45 years old, and unmarried. Mrs. J. F. Kilgour, Brandon, is a sister.

VETERAN MEMBER OF POSTOFFICE STAFF DIED THIS MORNING

Oldest Employee in Point of Service Passes Away.

PROMINENT IN LONDON

Musical, Fraternal and Bowling Circles Made John Ward Well Known.

John Ward, the oldest member of the London postoffice staff in point of service and prominent in many London circles, especially musical ones, died at his residence, 30 Craig street, this morning. He has been confined to his home since early in September of last year.

Mr. Ward was born in Crumlin in 1854, his father being a prominent local preacher of the Wesley Methodist Church. He was educated in the London schools, and June 1, 1872, entered the postal service here.

During his service in the postoffice he had filled practically every office there, and was familiar with all branches of the work. At the time ill-health forced him to relinquish his duties last September he was head of the local dispatch branch.

The late Mr. Ward was considered an authority on music, and had gathered one of the best musical libraries in Western Ontario. His work for 35 years as librarian of the First Methodist Church choir brought the highest commendation. He was also prominent in other phases of the work in the First Methodist Church.

A member of Dominion Lodge, No. 48, I. O. O. F., he was well known in fraternal circles. He held a past master's jewel of this lodge. He was also a prominent member of Star Lodge, A. O. U. W., and of the I. O. F.

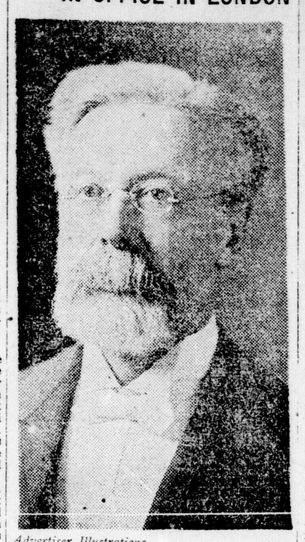
In sporting circles Mr. Ward was a member of the Elmwood Bowling Club, and had many trophies in his home, bearing testimony to his prowess as a bowler. Many members, by many years his junior, found him a strong opponent on the green.

To honor the memory of the oldest postal employee the postoffice flag is flying at halfmast today.

Besides his widow and daughter Kathleen, who is living at home, Mr. Ward had no close relatives in this country. One cousin is living in Australia.

The funeral will be held on Thursday afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery under the auspices of Dominion Lodge, No. 48, I. O. O. F. Rev. Mr. Peever will have charge of the services.

45 YEARS IN SERVICE OF POSTOFFICE DEPT. IN OFFICE IN LONDON



Advertiser Illustrations.

JOHN WARD, prominent musician, bowler and fraternal society leader, who died at his Craig street residence this morning.

BIG SHIPMENT OF COAL IS ON ITS WAY HERE

Twenty-Three Cars en Route for D. L. and W. Dealers of This Citly.

W. A. MARTIN AFTER MORE

Utilities Shipment Not Here Yet—St. Peter's Cathedral Stops Vespers.

W. A. Martin, Canadian sales manager of the D., L. and W., has 24 more cars of coal en route to London. Twelve of them will reach the city some time during the night. The other twelve are supposed to have left Buffalo last night. Twenty-three of the total are for domestic consumption in the city. The other car is for the Byron Sanatorium new soldiers' wing, where stoves are being used.

"I am going to Buffalo this afternoon to stir up eight or ten cars more there, and perhaps will run down to the mines," said Mr. Martin today.

The utilities commission coal has not arrived. Assistant Manager A. O. Hunt says that he has not been advised as to the whereabouts of the two cars purchased by the commission, which are en route to the city.

St. Peter's Cathedral is the latest of the churches to curtail. On Sunday it was announced that Sunday school would not be held in the church. Vespers were not held on Sunday evening and will not be held during February. It was announced that the withdrawal of the service was for the purpose of conserving fuel.

Railway officials in the city have been advised to insist on the immediate unloading of all coal cars so that they may be returned immediately to the mines. No difficulty of this nature has been experienced here. The coal men cannot get them unloaded fast enough to suit themselves and their eager customers.

DROP OF STORM ALLOWS ROADS TO BE CLEARED

The abatement early Monday afternoon of the blizzard that started on Sunday night, and the rise in temperature, followed by a drop in the high wind, was all that saved the railroads in Western Ontario yesterday from another complete tie-up. Had the storm continued until night the paralysis of traffic would undoubtedly have been as bad as that of two weeks ago.

As a result of Monday's storm several branch lines were tied up for a number of hours, but with the aid of snowplows favored by better weather conditions, the snow-drifted tracks were cleared, and the lines opened last night.

Traffic was resumed as usual today, with the possible exception of one of two branch lines that are yet to be opened.

Many Hours Late.

Trains arrived last night hours late. Certain ones cancelled in the early part of the day on the northern division did not get through until late at night.

It took four engines to get the London, Huron and Bruce train up north yesterday afternoon. When the train left here at 4:50 it was pulled by two engines, while the snowplow and two engines went on ahead to break the way for it. This train arrived in Wingham two hours late. The line was clear today.

The train from the north on Monday evidently had great difficulty getting into London. It was five hours late. According to reports the line was in bad shape, and in many cases the engine was detached and aided by the crew broke through drifts and then went back after the train.

No. 27 Cancelled.

Train No. 27 from Stratford to Sarnia was cancelled. Thirty passengers from Lucan were drawn to Lucan Crossing by sleighs. During the trip a horse dropped dead. The passengers were brought to London and then sent to Sarnia.

The Stratford train was stalled at Tara for some hours, and this resulted in the cancellation of the 2:45 out of London. The 4:55 left as usual with a double load.

EXTENSION LECTURES HELD IN AFTERNOON

Dr. Montague of Columbia Delivering Course of Three.

Those who are taking advantage of the opportunity offered through the Western University to hear Dr. William P. Montague, of Columbia University, in his three lectures commencing Wednesday, will note that the lectures are to be given in the Lord Roberts school, corner of Princess avenue and Maitland streets. The lectures begin at 4:30 each afternoon and are free. It will not be necessary to present the invitations that have been sent out.

Dr. Montague, who is one of the outstanding men of the United States in his field, has chosen three interesting subjects for his course. The lecture on Wednesday will be on "Friedruch Nietzsche, Futurism as an Atheistic Religion." It is expected that Mayor C. R. Somerville, chairman of the board of governors of the university, will preside at the opening lecture.

LITTLE PROSPECT OF MUCH OILING ON CITY STREETS

Cost Will Be Practically Prohibitive From One Tender Received.

BIG SAVING EFFECTED

$4,000 Surplus in Street Sweeping Account Alone Last Year.

City Engineer H. A. Brazier has prepared his statement of costs for street oiling and pavement sweeping for the year, and the figures are considered satisfactory. Savings are reported in both branches.

The city oiled 43 2-5 miles of pavements in 1917 at a cost of $16,133.84. In 1916 the city oiled 40.5 miles of pavement, about three miles less, at a cost of $16,090. The cost per running foot will be 3¾ cents for light oil, and 5½ cents for heavy oil.

This year, however, the prospects are far from good, and it looks as if little oiling will be done in 1918. The cost per gallon last year was 8¼ cents, while the only tender received this year is for 13½ cents a gallon, an increase of 5¼ cents. This with the increased cost of wages, supplies, etc., will double the price of last year. Mr. Brazier has suggested that no oiling be done unless the price of oil is vastly cheaper.

The pavement sweeping cost $19,366. The estimates were $23,700, so the city has over $4,000 to the good in this department.

Mr. Brazier has made large savings in his department during the year, and has given the citizens cheap and efficient service.

WEATHER HOLDING UP LABOR-GOVT. MEETING

War Cabinet and Workers Are Scheduled for Conference Today.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—As a result of the storm, the conference between the war cabinet and representatives of labor organizations, schheduled for today, may have to be postponed. Owing to the cancellation of many trains last night, it is doubtful if a number of the delegates may arrive today. In that event, the proceedings will probably be informal.

The conference has been tentatively called for 2:30 p.m. today. If the delegates have by then arrived in sufficient numbers, they will meet the war cabinet and the memorandum submitted by the labor men will be further discussed. The labor delegates will then meet in private to discuss any further representations they may wish to make to the Government.

Following the conference, a sub-committee of the cabinet, will be formed to take up consideration of labor questions, Senator Robertson will be chairman.

THE WAR SITUATION

Unrest among the working people of Germany has not yet quieted down, nor has the political conflict between the Pan-Germans and the non-militarists lessened appreciably. Concern over the internal security of the empire appears in the message sent by Emperor William in answer to birthday congratulations from the Reichstag.

Kaiser Is Scared.

To President Kaempf of the Reichstag the emperor expresses his "ardent daily wish" that the German people may "preserve their union until the final victory of our arms." The emperor declares that he enters upon a "serious and decisive year." The Reichstag, however, is reported to have refused to vote confidence in the Government, mainly through Socialist opposition and Chancellor von Hertling may appear before it again in a few days to discuss the question of Belgium.

Strike Effort Fails.

Efforts to agitate a general strike in Berlin on Monday are declared to have failed, according to a message reaching Amsterdam. Leaflets calling for such a strike were distributed widely in the German capital, but it is said that the workmen in only a few factories were idle. Lack of central direction of the strike agitation is reported to have brought about the failure.

"The revolt in Finland is reported to be backed by the Bolsheviki Government in Petrograd, which also has severed diplomatic relations, generally the first act leading to war, with Rumania. Ultimatums and demands have been served on Rumania by the Bolsheviki, and refusal to meet these probably caused the Lenine Government to act.

The Finn Revolt.

Most of the disorders in Finland appear to be in the eastern provinces nearest Petrograd. The revolutionists generally are members of the Red Guard. Bolshevik troops have gone to the aid of the Finnish Red Guard, and additional aid has been promised from Petrograd.

On the fighting fronts in France and Italy nothing has occurred to break the almost daily routine of scattered raids and artillery bombardments.

Bolsheviki Gives In.

Leon Trotzky, the Bolsheviki foreign minister, has returned to the Brest-Litovsk peace conference armed with a vote of confidence by the Congress of the Councils of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates in the attitude of the Russian delegation. The congress, however, refused to declare flatly against the policy of a separate peace, defeating a motion in that sense offered by the minority elements and drawing from Trotzky the statement that he would not guarantee not to sign such a peace.

According to a Stockholm dispatch, the Red Guard has won complete control of Helsingfors, capital of Finland.

London was raided last night by German airplanes, not more than a half-dozen reaching the city, however, out of some 15 machines which made the attempt.

MONTREAL CLERGYMAN BELITTLES CANADIANS, SAYS MAJOR V. L. SHAW

Montreal, Jan. 28.—Major V. Leroy Shaw, of the 87th Battalion, Canadian Grenadier Guards, takes exception to a statement attributed to Rev. George Adam, pastor of Emmanuel Congregational Church, this city, in an address to the Caledonia Society on the night of Burns' anniversary, to the effect that the Canadians were driven back twice in their attack on Vimy ridge, and their third attempt to take Vimy proved successful when they had been reinforced by the King's Own Scottish Borderers. Major Shaw stated that the Canadians were not driven back at all, and the ridge was taken and held exactly as planned.

BUSINESS OF EAST END LIBRARY HAS JUMPED UP RAPIDLY

Circulation Is Greater Than That of Chatham Library.

BIG YEAR LOOKED FOR

Expected That 60,000 Books Will Be Taken Out in 1918.

There are no two views in the East End as to the value to that part of the city of the East End branch library, situated in the East End Town Hall, both to the older people, and to the boys and girls. The branch has just completed its second year of operation, and it may surprise many people to know that this comparatively small centre circulated more books last year than the public libraries of either Chatham, Owen Sound or St. Catharines, and almost as many as Kitchener. The first year that the East End branch was opened the East End people took out 40,000 books. In 1917 they increased this by 25 per cent, and took out more than 50,000 books. Judging by the way the new year is starting off, the 1918 total will get around 60,000.

When the public library board were granted the premises two years ago their first task was to clean up one of the most disreputable-looking corners in East London—this notwithstanding the fact that it was city property. The corner store had been a poolroom, and women shunned the locality. The premises were in bad repair, and it was necessary to renovate the whole place before anything else could be done. The changes that took place were watched with interest, and when the opening day came there was no doubt as to how the East End felt about the branch library.

By the end of 1916 the patronage was so large that more room had to be secured, and the city council very graciously turned over the second store, which at that time was in as bad repair as the first store had been. In the early part of 1917 this was renovated, and a large arch cut through, connecting the two parts. The new part was made an adult reading-room, and also contains all the adult books. The original premises were then left free for the boys and girls, both for their books and for a reading room. The change has been appreciated, both by the adults and by the juniors.

There are now 4,000 books at the branch, a well-selected collection in all lines and representing the best writers. New books are placed in circulation every month, and the library board is endeavoring to provide the books that will be particularly used by the people who come to the branch. There is an excellent selection of the best books on the war and these are in constant demand. In the various lines of mechanics there are useful volumes, and just at present a number of the best books on gardening are being secured to supplement those already there. In a month or so the backyard gardeners will be after the gardening books, and will find their needs met.

Special provision is made for the children's reading, plenty of copies of children's books being always available. Some of the Sunday schools in the East End have found it unnecessary to keep libraries of their own now that the public library is open, the books there being plentiful and of the right quality. One feature of the children's work that has always been popular is the story hour every Saturday morning at 10 o'clock when Miss Tanner of the main library has an audience of interested youngsters, who hear stories of Canada and its heroes, and the great stories that have come down from the ancient nations of the earth.

Some day, "when the war is over"—that being the date when all things good are to happen—there will probably be another branch located somewhere on the Hamilton road to meet the call for books out that way. The city has stretched so far out in the southeast direction that the East End branch can hardly meet all the needs though it has among its regular patrons people living in the farthest corners of the East End.

NEW YORK CITY AGAIN ICEBOUND; CAN'T GET COAL

Sno wand Sleet Nullifies Effect of the Industrial Shut-Down.

HARBOR IS BLOCKADED

Passenger and Freight Service From All Directions Badly Interrupted.

New York, Jan. 29.—New York today found its coal shortage as menacing as ever, the snow and sleet storm of yesterday tying up movements of fuel and virtually nullifying the savings effected by the partial shutdown of industry ordered by the national fuel administration.

In the face of forecasts of more snow, officials in charge of the situation were frankly pessimistic over the outlook for relief. Freight traffic already had been thrown out of joint by huge snowdrifts on all lines entering the city, while the ice blockade in the harbor, which had been improving, is now said to be the worst in thirty years. The storm has interfered with the carefully laid plans of transportation officials to clear up the great congestion of freight at terminals and docks. Trucking was almost impossible during the storm and despite all efforts only 55 per cent of the average daily haulage of freight was accomplished.

Railroad passenger service is still seriously interrupted. Trains from the west were hours behind schedule time early today, and many outgoing trains were abandoned. Suburban traffic has suffered severely.

Fuel administrators said they were pleased with the general results obtained by the closing order of yesterday. Violations of the decree were comparatively few, it was said, while the shutdown was much more general than last week. Theatres and amusement places, permitted to remain open yesterday, were closed today.

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STANDARD STOCK AND MINING EXCHANGE.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Jan. 29.—Morning sales: Gold Reef, 9000 at 1; Holly, 800 at 510; Keora, 1000 at 10; McIntyre, 1700 at 139, 5400 at 140; New Ray, 1000 at 38; Vipond, 500 at 21; Preston, 500 at 2; Teck-Hughes, 500 at 59; Krist, 1300 at 9⅞, 3000 at 9; Wasapika, 3600 at 32; West Dome, 3000 at 12; Beaver, 500 at 26; Provincial, 1500 at 48, 500 at 48¼; Gifford, 1500 at 3¾; Great Northern, 2000 at 4¾, 500 at 4½; Kenabeek, 6000 at 6⅞; Mining Corporation, 500 at 55; Peterson Lake, 500 at 10¼; Temiskaming, 500 at 31, 500 at 31½, 1000 at 32.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Reported by Edward Cronyn & Co.]

Toronto, Jan. 29.

	Asked.	Bid.		Asked.	Bid.
Am Cy..	27	23	St Ch. p.	57	..
do pfd.	..	52	Stl Can..	53½	53¼
Ames. c.	14½	..	do pfd.	83½	82
do pfd.	50	..	T Paper.	72	..
Barcel...	8¾	8½	Tor Ry.	61	60
Brazilian	32½	32¼	Tre'wey.	15½	14½
Burt, c..	65½	..	Tucketts	19	..
do pfd.	86	84¼	Tw City.	65½	65
C Bread.	17	15	Win Ry.	48	..
Car...	18	..	Banks—		
do pfd.	50	..	Com'rce	185	..
Cement.	57⅛	56⅝	Dom ...	202	..
C S L..	43	42⅞	Hamil'n	184	..
do pfd.	75¼	75	Merch...	..	137
CGElec.	102	100	Molsons	175⅞	..
C Loco..	56½	..	Mont'l.	210	..
do pfd.	..	82¾	NScotia	148	..
C P R...	144	142½	Ottawa	201	..
Dairy,p	99	..	Royal ..	208	..
Con Life	375	..	Toronto	187	..
C Smelt.	23	21¾	Union...	..	140
Con Gas.	147	..	Loans, etc.—		
Cr Nest.	50	..	C Land.	149	..
Dome ..	915	875	C Perm.	162½	..
do Steel..	58⅞	55¼	C Invest.	74	..
Dackay..	77	75½	H Prov.	..	134
do pfd.	60	58¾	H & E..	205	..
M Leaf.	94½	93½	20% pd ..	196	..
do pfd.	91	..	L Bank.	..	139
Monarch	..	30	L & C..	126½	..
N S Car.	..	86½	T Trust.	202	..
do pfd.	..	20½	T Mort..	134	..
Nipis'g.	850	820	Bonds—		
NSSteel.	68	66	M L & P	40	30
Petrol.	1325	1250	Penmans	..	80
P Paper.	..	41	Rio Jan.	..	81
Russell.	..	50	Stl Can..	89	88
do pfd.	82	..	War Loan,		
Sawyer.	11	..	1925...	95	94¾
do pfd.	41	..	1931...	93¾	93¼
Spanish.	14	..	1937...	93½	93⅛
do pfd.	50	..			

DEATH TAKES LAST MAN OF GREELEY ARCTIC CREW

Peabody, Mass., Jan. 29.—George A. White, the last survivor of the Greeley relief expedition to the Arctic in 1880, died here yesterday. He was a member of the party on the steamer Porteus. When the vessel was crushed in the ice Mr. White and six others rowed