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CHAOS IN BOHEMIA BRINGS MARTIAL LAW

WINNIPEG CARMEN JOIN GREAT STRIKE; UNIONS CALL OUT 16 THOUSAND MORE

Sympathy Walk Out At Manitoba Capital Assumes Gigantic Proportions—City Makes Concessions But Wants the Fire Department Non-Union.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Winnipeg, May 22.—At 1 o'clock this morning, after meetings of several local unions had carried strike votes, union labor headquarters issued an order calling out 16,000 union men today. This adds to the 12,000 already out. Five thousand more will be called out on Thursday morning, Secretary Robinson declared, including all unions in theatres and picture houses, closing up these amusement places.

The city council, after a long conference with David Campbell, Premier Borden's representative, made concessions to strikers. They will not insist that all civic employees must not strike, but resort to arbitration, but the city council insisted and held out that the firemen must not under any condition resort to a strike. The unions, it is believed, will not accept this concession, but will hold out for complete victory. Great enthusiasm prevailed around the Labor Temple all night, and the men appear to be very optimistic they will win everything.

Winnipeg, May 22.—Yesterday morning more than 3,000 railway shopmen at the Canadian Pacific, Canadian Northern and Canadian Government shops laid down their tools, while last night 250 stationary engineers quit work, and 1,000 street railway employees followed them at 2 o'clock this morning, when they took their cars to the barns.

The strikers' committee further threatens that the carmen at the railway shops will walk out at 9:30 this morning.

The public utilities continue to run along smoothly, the waterworks and city light and power departments being right on schedule, and the fire fighting force in a position, it is stated, to handle any emergency that may arise.

The transportation of the employees of the big stores and business firms occupied the attention of the employers yesterday, and arrangements were made to bring their staffs to work this morning by automobiles, motor trucks, etc.

SAMMIES DRENCH ENEMY WITH GAS

Sudden and Terrific Attack Is Launched by Americans Near Toul.

With the American Army in France, Tuesday, May 21.—The American artillery northwest of Toul launched a sudden and terrific local gas attack upon the German positions and cantonments within the Gerschamp wood early today. Severe punishment was inflicted upon the enemy. The deluge of shells fell in three waves, and within a half-hour the woods in which many Germans were sleeping had been drenched with a large quantity of poisonous gas.

"In lively patrol actions Monday night and this morning east of Luneville, German parties were twice defeated. We captured two prisoners.

ENTERED GERMAN TRENCHES.

London, May 22.—In the sector southeast of Arras, German trenches were entered at two points last night by British raiding parties, says today's official announcement. Prisoners and a machine gun were taken.

ARTILLERY FIRE VIOLENT.

Paris, May 22.—Artillery fighting of the most violent character occurred last night on the front southeast of Amiens, the war office announces.

METHODIST MISSIONS AND SOCIAL SERVICE MAY BE AMALGAMATED

Toronto, May 22.—Rev. Dr. Chown, general superintendent of the Methodist Church, today said that one of the questions to be taken up at the general conference will be the suggested amalgamation of the social service and the home mission departments. The two departments in their ultimate aims closely coincide, he declares.

DIAZ' TROOPS WIPE OUT AN AUSTRIAN POSITION

Rome, Tuesday, May 21.—Italian troops in the mountains west of the Brenta have broken up enemy attacks, especially on the southern slopes of Sasso Rosso. On Monte Spinoncia, west of the Piave, says the official statement from the war office today, an Austrian position was destroyed and fifty-three prisoners captured.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 79; lowest, 43.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 68; lowest, 53.

TOMORROW—SHOWERS.

Toronto, May 22—8 a.m.

Forecasts.

Today—Moderate to fresh south to west winds; partly fair and warm, with some local showers or thunderstorms.

Thursday—A few scattered showers, but generally fair.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	58	42	Clear
Calgary	54	32	Clear
Port Arthur	46	38	Fair
Parry Sound	64	52	Rain
Port Stanley	66	56	Cloudy
Buffalo	74	60	Cloudy
Toronto	70	50	Cloudy
Kingston	72	54	Fair
Ottawa	76	48	Fair
Montreal	70	48	Fair
Quebec	66	48	Fair
Father Point	60	32	Clear

Weather Notes.

The depression which was over the Western States yesterday is now situated to the northward of Lake Superior, causing local thunderstorms in Ontario this morning.

Rain has fallen generally in Manitoba and locally in Southern Saskatchewan.

THE WAR SITUATION

Germany's spring offensive, launched in the hope of forcing the Allies to conclude peace, enters upon its third month today. The allied armies are still intact and waiting further enemy attacks, while American reinforcements are hurrying to France. Great losses sustained in Picardy and Flanders have forced the Germans to halt and reorganize their shattered divisions.

Foe Lacks Vigor.

In the weeks since the repulse of the last strong German attack, that north of Mont Kemmel, the Allies have succeeded here and there in biting off important positions. Enemy counter-attacks have not been vigorous, and all his attempts to regain the lost positions have failed.

The latest German failure was northwest of Merville, the apex of the Lys salient. Attacking new British positions on a front of two-thirds of a mile, the Germans, although in strength, were thrown back. The British line remains unchanged. Smaller enemy attempts north of Bailleul have been repulsed by the French.

1,000 Foe Planes Downed.

On the sectors southwest of Ypres and west of Amiens, the Germans have shown no indications that infantry attacks are about to be renewed. Neither has Gen. Otto von Buelow's army east of Arras undertaken new operations. However, Berlin cannot delay a renewal of the offensive much longer, and that is the time the Allies are waiting for, as they improve their positions at various points. British aviators since March 21 have accounted for 1,000 German airplanes and have dropped more than 1,000 tons of bombs on enemy military targets. The aerial campaign against the enemy continues unabated, both British and French bombing squadrons being busy.

On the front between the Piave and Lake Garda the Italians have been victorious in several strong local engagements with the Austro-Hungarians. On Monte Spinoncia, west of the Piave, the Italians wiped out an enemy post and captured 53 prisoners, while their new positions at Capo Sile, on the Piave, have been extended further.

North of Bagdad in Mesopotamia, the Turkish resistance to the advancing British still is weak. Mounted troops have occupied Fatha, north of Tekrit on the Tigris, the Turks fleeing after slight fighting.

On the main western battlefronts no infantry movements of major importance were reported last night, but there were successful raids on the part of the British on the Arras front and in Flanders. The principal German activity was in the form of a heavy gas bombardment of the sector northeast of Bethune.

Violent Gunfire.

Paris reports pronounced artillery activity on the important front southeast of Amiens, where the gunfire is described as extremely violent. There was heavy firing also on the southern side of the Montdidier salient near Plemont to the west of Noyon.

The air defences of Paris held against persistent attempts by the Germans last night to get over the city and drop bombs. The casualties were confined to three killed and several wounded in the outskirts. The Germans failed to reach the city itself, and had one of their raiding machines brought down in flames by anti-aircraft gunfire.

SHERBROOKE CARMEN GIVEN 5 CENTS BONUS

Sherbrooke, Que., May 22.—The Sherbrooke Railway and Power Company has granted the demand of its motormen for a bonus of five cents an hour above their regular scale of wages.

UNFIT FOR TRIAL.

Moose Jaw, Sask., May 22.—Mary Curtis Smith of Loreburn, Sask., charged with the murder of her husband, John Henry Smith, at Loreburn, on March 31, was found by a jury as unfit to stand trial, owing to mental troubles. She was sent back to jail till the crown takes further action.

LAURIER POINTS OUT INFRACTION OF HOUSE RULES

Richardson Did Not Vote On Sub-Amendment to the Titles Motion.

YUKON VOTE BILL IN

Extends Period in Which To File Petition by Forty Days.

Ottawa, May 22.—In the House this morning the solicitor-general introduced a bill for extending, in the case of the Yukon territory, the period in which a petition may be filed by 40 days after the general returning officer had made his returns. The bill provides also that the soldiers' votes cast shall be counted notwithstanding the time when they were polled.

Bank Closing Bill.

The minister of justice presented a bill enabling banks to close at 2:30 instead of 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Hon. Chas. Murphy asked if it was true that bank clerks of 20, 21 and 22 liable to report in June and July, had been granted exemptions to January 1, 1919, and whether the reason given for such exemption was that the clerks would be required to help in the next Victory loan.

Sir George Foster promised to confer with the minister of militia on the matter during the day. Sir Wilfrid Laurier pointed out the men on farms in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces are being required to report in person, which, in some cases, involves a return journey of four days during their busiest time, and Sir George promised to draw the attention of the minister of militia to this matter also.

Members Should Vote.

Sir Wilfrid also brought up the point that Mr. Richardson did not vote in the House last night, although present when the division was taken on the sub-amendment of Sir Robert Borden to the motion on titles. Sir Wilfrid asked for a ruling of the chair and argued, after quoting an authority, that the rule was specific, members should vote.

Speaker Rhodes replied that the question had not arisen before in his experience, either as a member of the House or while occupying the chair. In the short space of time since the division last night, he had not had an opportunity of reaching a mature, considered decision on the point. He would, however, take the earliest opportunity in consulting the authorities and of advising the House.

The minister informed Sir Wilfrid that there was now an agreement between the Montreal municipal workers and the company, but the latter had not signed it, and the men had not yet returned to work.

Mr. Crothers told Hon. Chas. Murphy that he had nothing new concerning the Winnipeg strike situation, but hoped to report favorably before long.

Mr. McMaster said returned soldiers are being arrested in Montreal under the anti-loafing order-in-council, and was told by the minister of justice that the enforcement of the order lay with the municipal and provincial authorities, whose attention should be called to these cases.

HOLLAND ONCE MORE PROTESTS TO ALLIES OVER SHIPS' SEIZURE

U. S. Is Told Original Objections Were Not Answered.

Washington, D. C., May 22.—A supplementary note of protest against the British and American seizure of Dutch shipping has been handed to Secretary of State Lansing by the Dutch legation here. It contends that the United States in its explanation of the seizure did not answer the original objections made by the Dutch Government.

KERENSKY ARRIVES AT CANADA ATLANTIC PORT

A Canadian Atlantic Port, May 22.—A mission from Denmark to the United States, headed by J. Olan, chief of the Danish foreign trade department, arrived here this morning. It was rumored that among the passengers aboard is A. P. Kerensky, the former premier of Russia.

Port authorities here, when asked to confirm this report, replied that they had "no information about it."

Positive instructions have been issued by the steamer's agents here that no newspaper correspondent is to be allowed on board.

DOUBTED AT WASHINGTON.

Washington, D. C., May 22.—Investigation by the state department has failed to verify reports that Alexander Kerensky, the former premier of Russia, had arrived here or is on his way to the United States. No record, it was said, today could be found of Kerensky's leaving Russia and officials are inclined to doubt the reports.

At the Russian embassy it was said today nothing was known of Kerensky's movements, and that he was not expected here by embassy officials.

CROP CONDITIONS ARE EXCELLENT OUT WEST

Winnipeg, May 22.—Nearly every district in Manitoba and many parts of Saskatchewan was visited with heavy rains in the last 24 hours which, with temperatures ranging from 40 to 60 degrees, makes for ideal crop conditions at this stage of growth. In Southern Manitoba, where rain was needed, perhaps more than anywhere else in the West, .65 of an inch of rain has fallen.

Weather conditions throughout the West are excellent, and with the prospect of warm weather, the season bids fair to remain at least two weeks earlier than usual.

How Rumania Is Robbed by Germany

Advertiser Illustrations.

The province of Dobrudga, the most fertile portion of the kingdom, is taken, but as compensation Rumania may get control of Bessarabia.

MOBS PLUNDER THE VAST ESTATES OF KAISER'S FRIENDS

Bohemians Turning On German Task Master With "Popular Excesses," and Martial Law Is Proclaimed.

London, May 22.—Martial law has been proclaimed in Bohemia and in consequence of "popular excesses" many persons have been imprisoned, says a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Berne, quoting the Slovenski Parod.

Outbreaks have occurred in Pilsen, and other towns. The vast estates of Prince Furtstenburg, a close friend of the German emperor, have been plundered, and the buildings on them burned.

Dr. von Seydler, Austrian premier, it is added, has summoned the Czech Deputy Stanek to discuss the situation. Deputy Stanek has declined, and has warned the premier against a policy of violence in Bohemia, fearing evidently that the indiscriminate hangings and shootings in Galicia at the beginning of the war are to be repeated in Bohemia.

A HINT OF PEACE.

The Breslau newspaper Volks Wacht, as quoted in a Copenhagen dispatch to the Daily Mail, says Dr. von Seydler made a visit to Prague and Northern Bohemia, and in addressing striking miners, asserted that the effort for general peace which, he said, Emperor Charles was carrying forward incessantly, was not so hopeless as many persons thought.

The premier authorized control by the workmen of food distribution in their own districts, and promised that the question of reducing hours of labor will be taken up by the war ministry and representatives of the workers.

GERMANS ARE FOILED IN MIDNIGHT RAID ON FRENCH CAPITAL

Perfect Defence Keeps Attackers in the Suburbs.

Paris, May 22.—German aviators made an ineffectual attempt last night to raid Paris. Three persons were killed and several wounded in the outskirts of the city, but none of the raiders reached Paris itself. A German airplane was hit by an anti-aircraft gun and fell in flames north of the city.

The enemy dropped bombs in various suburban localities. Some material damage is reported. The signal that all was clear was sounded at 1 o'clock this morning.

The raid demonstrated the high state of efficiency to which the aerial defences of the city have been brought. It was a clear and windless night with a brilliant moon, ideal for an aerial attack. The raiders, who were divided into two squadrons, sought vainly for two hours to find a gap in the wall of fire with which the city was encompassed. The places at which the bombs fell show that the Germans circled around the city before loosing their cargoes and fleeing.

BRITISH TAKE LARGE MILITARY STORES FROM THE RETREATING TURK

London, May 22.—Turkish troops in Mesopotamia, north of Bagdad, display little activity, while British cavalry has advanced north of Tekrit, on the Tigris to Fatha. An official statement on operations in Mesopotamia reads:

"The Turks have shown no activity since they were driven across the Lesser Zab on May 11. Removal of large quantities of military stores captured in Kirkuk proceeds without interruption.

"On the Tigris our mounted troops have advanced as far as Fatha. The Turks holding the village offered little resistance and retreated hastily up the river."

SCHOOLBOY ELECTROCUTED.

Montreal, May 22.—Adelie Dupuis, 7 years, was electrocuted, and Germaine Perron, aged 8, was badly burned, when the two came in contact with an electrically-charged barbed wire fence during the recreation hour at Rosemore School, near Montreal, yesterday afternoon. The barbed wire had become charged owing to a broken pole on a high transmission line.

THREATENED BREACH BETWEEN PRESIDENT AND SENATE AVOIDED

Washington, May 22.—With less than two minutes debate, the threatened breach between President Wilson and the Senate disappeared today when by a viva voce vote an acceptable substitute was adopted in place of the Chamberlain resolution which the President contended was nothing less than a proposal to constitute the military affairs committee a committee for the conduct of the war.

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENT BY HOME GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED

Advertiser Illustrations.

W. G. WOONTON, B. A. Sc.

The appointment of W. G. Woonton, son of Alex. Woonton of 714 Maitland street, and a former Advertiser employee, to the engineering staff of the Imperial Government has been officially announced. He is another of the many Londoners who have received recognition from the home Government since the war began. The exact nature of the work which Mr. Woonton will be connected with has not been given out, but it is believed to be in connection with the construction and operation of the large chemical plants which are to be developed in Canada for the manufacture of explosives and chemicals for war purposes.

Mr. Woonton's actual appointment took place some months ago, but the official confirmation has been delayed until today, and even then the specific nature of his work is withheld.

Mr. Woonton graduated with honors from the London Collegiate and the University of Toronto, and spent two years as engineer of the London street railway, being in charge of all engineering of the road, including the electrical, civil and mechanical departments.

VETS SAY LANDLORDS IMPOSE ON FAMILIES OF MEN IN TRENCHES

Hamilton, May 22.—Housing conditions in Ontario cities and towns is one of the matters that will be discussed by the Ontario War Veterans at their annual convention, which opens here tomorrow. Many bitter complaints are being received about the way greedy landlords are imposing on the families of men in the trenches. The convention will be opened by Sir John S. Hendrie. General business will occupy the first day. On Friday there will be a big patriotic parade to Dundurn Park, where field sports will be held. Following the church parade on Sunday, the veterans will be reviewed by the governor-general.

FARMERS OF THE WEST SEND TO OTTAWA GRAVE WARNING THAT M. S. A. HITS PRODUCTION HARD

BITTER FEUD EXISTS BETWEEN SINN FEIN AND NATIONALISTS

Irish Party Likely To Officially Denounce Other.

SINN FEIN "ALL WRONG"

If Proved in League With the Germans, Will Be Repudiated.

London, May 22.—The order for the internment of Sinn Feiners taken in custody, according to a Times dispatch from Dublin, states if, within seven days from the date of the serving of the internment order, any interned person makes any representation to the chief secretary, it will be referred to the advisory committee which deals with the internment of aliens, and will be considered.

Dublin, May 22.—The events of the past few days have not drawn as much support to the Sinn Feiners as they expected from the more moderate Irish parties. Indeed, there are indications that the feud between the Sinn Fein and the Nationalists has only grown more bitter.

To sum up the attitude of the two factions it may be said that the Nationalists believe in constitutional methods of settling the Irish question while the Sinn Fein demands revolution and that the Nationalists consider that the Sinn Feiners are spoiling Ireland's best chance of a satisfactory settlement.

Dillon Against Them.

If the Sinn Feiners expected that the arrests of their leaders would draw the Nationalists over to the Sinn Fein side, they are evidently destined to experience a serious disappointment. John Dillon, as leader of the Nationalists, carefully pointed out yesterday that he maintains absolute hostility to the Sinn Fein, while indications that the Nationalists are going to repudiate the revolutionary spirit of the Sinn Fein party, may be found in an editorial in the Evening Telegraph, which is the official organ of the Nationalist party.

"If the Sinn Fein leaders," says this organ, "are guilty of the crime of allowing Ireland to be made a pawn in the game of the Prussian junkers they will be repudiated and denounced by Nationalist Ireland."

THE LANDLORDS' VIEW.

Dublin, May 22.—The Nationalist newspapers display unusual caution in dealing with the manifesto issued by the Mansion House conference Monday night. The Dublin Independent has an editorial three-quarters of a column in length, but it is merely a summary of the manifesto with no expression of opinion in it. Freeman's Journal, the official organ of the Irish party, prints the manifesto, without comment.

The Dublin Daily Express, which is regarded as the organ of Irish landlords, comments on the Mansion House document as follows:

"Though the manifesto would imply that there is no foundation for the charge of a conspiracy to enter into treasonable communication with the German enemy it is noticed that the charge is not repudiated in specific terms. The members of the conference no doubt realize that if such a plot exists—and no Government would say that it did if it did not, for even the most shop soiled of political reputations would not survive such a scandal—they must carefully consider their duty and obligations."

NOT PRO-GERMAN.

Dublin, May 21.—Commenting on the situation, the Cork Examiner, an influential Nationalist newspaper, says: "The wholesale arrests convey the idea that Ireland has suddenly become pro-German, which clearly is not the fact, as Lord French and his advisers well know. The circumstances of the arrests look singularly like a deep-laid plot against home rule."

FARMERS THINK GOVT. WILL MODIFY DRAFT RULES, SAYS CURRIE

Believes It Explains Pressure Put On the Members.

Ottawa, May 22.—In the Commons today, Col. Currie, in asking whether the Government had under consideration the modification of the order-in-council through which all young farmers are called to report for service, declared that members were receiving telegrams from all parts of the country asking that pressure be made on the Government. Apparently, he said, farmers think that the Government is contemplating such a move.

Sir George Foster replied that just as soon as an answer to the question could be given it would be announced to the House. He stated that the matter was under consideration.

TORNADO DESTROYS VILLAGE.

Madison, Wis., May 22.—Destruction of the village of Lone Rock by a tornado last night was practically complete, according to word received today. Three persons were killed when their homes were wrecked. A tornado also is reported to have done much damage southwest of here. About eighteen houses are reported to have been blown down at Mount Soreb, but there was no loss of life.

QUEBEC WILL BE GREATEST SOURCE FOR RECRUITING

Montreal, May 22.—"You mark my words, within six months the Province of Quebec will be the greatest source of recruits in the Dominion for the Canadian forces overseas," declared a returned officer of the 22nd French-Canadians, who has earned a brilliant record overseas, and despite severe wounds is still on active service.

OUTSIDERS WILL BE APPOINTED TO PROBE CHARGES

Independent Investigation of Fire Department Favored by Civic Fathers.

LABOR CHARGES SIGNED

Technicality of Anonymous Communication Overcome, Say Trades Officials.

Officials of the trades and labor council will not allow what they call "small and petty" technicalities to block their demand for an investigation into the fire department. They laugh at the statement of members of the council that the charges filed are anonymous. The communications sent to the council went through the city clerk, they state, and he knows that the letter, signed by Secretary George Wakeling, was to be attached to the charges and become one communication. However, so that even this technicality may be overcome, Secretary Wakeling has been instructed to go to the city clerk's office today and sign the charges. This should overcome the objection raised.

Members of the city council are evidencing a little more interest in the situation now than they did at Monday night's meeting.

The indications today are that there are those who will not be satisfied to allow No. 1 committee of the council to do the investigating. The probability is that the committee or the council, whichever body decides who will do the investigating, providing a probe is ordered, will be asked to appoint an independent board of three members, in other words a board similar to the conciliation board, which will deal with the street railway matters.

The contention is that different aldermen will take certain sides in the case, and for this reason will not look at it in an impartial manner.

"There should be an impartial probe by men who are neutral in regard to the department, and no matter what heads, if any, they say shall fall, should fall," said one city father.

2,000 RAILWAYMEN IN THIS DISTRICT VOTE ON QUESTION

Maintenance of Way Men Back Toronto Suggestions.

Approximately 2,000 maintenance of way employees on the London divisions of the G. T. R. and C. P. R., will be called upon to vote on the question of asking for uniform pay and shorter hours for all of their class in Canada.

The action to put the question to a vote was decided at a meeting of the executive of the International Maintenance of Way Employees held at Toronto on Tuesday.

The scale of wages paid to sectionmen in the London divisions of the G. T. R. and C. P. R. ranges from $2.60 to $2.90 a day. The working day at present is ten hours. The maintenance of way men in this district are heartily in accord with the idea advanced at the meeting, and will, it is understood, vote solidly for increased pay and shorter hours.

France Will Join Empire Celebration

Exercises Will Be Carried Out in Many French Cities.

Paris, May 22.—Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.—France is joining with Britain and the dominions in the celebration of Empire Day, May 24. A series of demonstrations have been arranged in the principal cities. In Paris the president of the chamber of deputies will deliver an address on Greater Britain before President Poincare, the cabinet and ambassadors. Distinguished officers, statesmen and others will similarly discourse the various aspects of Britain's war effort in other cities.

Admiral Buchard, at Marseilles, will relate the war efforts of the British dominions and colonies. At Nantes, Gaston Deschamps, author and lecturer, will speak on Canada in the presence of Hon. Philippe Rey, commission general for Canada.

"In Many Cases It Will Leave Families Helpless and Land Unworked," Is the Message Sent.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, May 22.—It has been represented that the western farmers are not opposed to the Government's new military service regulations and the resolution recently passed by a small portion of the executive of the United Farmers of Alberta is quoted as proof of that contention. The following telegram received here by J. J. Morrison, secretary of the United Farmers of Ontario from N. W. Wood, president of the United Farmers of Alberta yesterday puts a different face on the matter.

A Serious Blow.

"Returned to Calgary on the 18th. Find much confusion and resentment among farmers on account of military call, ages between 20 and 22. These men are best producers. Their loss will be a serious blow to production. In many cases it will leave families helpless and farms unworked. Alberta already gave heavily through enlistment, and most of our boys under 23 are single. The results will be disastrous to production. I want Alberta farmers to stand behind the Government in darkest hour of civilization, but their confidence is under a heavy strain, and I am not certain of the outcome."

From all over Ontario heavily-signed petitions are pouring in upon the Government urging the immediate modification of the new regulations in the interest of production.

TRENCH FIGHTERS OF CIVIL SERVICE WILL RECEIVE PAY

Government Changes System Through an Order-in-Council.

Ottawa, May 22.—At the morning sitting of the House of Commons, Hon. N. W. Rowell read an order-in-council passed by the Government yesterday, embodying its decisions regarding the pay of civil servants now enlisted in the overseas forces of Canada.

The net result of the new order-in-council is that civil servants doing bonafide fighting at the front or who have fought, and been wounded, and are undergoing treatment in Great Britain or who have fought for at least a year and are now required for military duty in England, will continue to receive the pay which they have hitherto received.

Mr. Rowell explained that civil servants enlisting early in the war were granted both civil and military pay. Those enlisting later were granted whichever of the two happened to be higher.

WAGES DISPUTE OF STREET RAILWAY TO BE HEARD THURSDAY

Conciliation Board to Commence Long Expected Hearing.

The board of conciliation to deal with the dispute between the London Street Railway and its employees will sit tomorrow at the court house.

It is understood that F. H. McGuigan, the company's representative, will be able to get here tomorrow, and also Judge Livingston of Welland. Charles Ferguson, the men's representative, has been waiting for some time.

There is only one question in dispute, and that is wages, so it is possible that all the evidence may be submitted in one day. However, if that is not the case, there will be a sitting Friday. It is difficult to sit at the court house on Saturday, but it is possible that, if necessary, a place to sit could be arranged.

Manager C. B. King, of the street railway company, stated that the understanding was that the board would sit in the morning.

ALLIED SUBJECTS ARE LEAVING PETROGRAD

Moscow, May 13.—There is under was a marked exodus of Entente Allied subjects from Russia. The distribution of bread in Petrograd will cease tomorrow. It will be replaced by half a Russian pound of potatoes. Flour is unobtainable, even with doctors' prescriptions. Sugar costs 5 rubles a pound.