

ALDERMAN M'BRIDE ATTACKED STRIKERS

Told Deputation to Council
Yesterday They Should
Be in Khaki.

CONSIDER GRIEVANCES

Gave Increase to Engineer
McCarthy and Grants to
Battalions.

In introducing a deputation of road-way repair men employed by the corporation in order that they might give their reasons for demanding an increase in wages, Ald. Robbins presided at a meeting of the city council, which was for some time very heated. A large number of men appeared in the chamber, and after three of them had aired their grievances, Ald. McBride attacked them bitterly for striking at a time when the prosecution of the war should be every man's first consideration. Waving his arm around the room the alderman declared that each one of them should be in khaki, and this led to some of the strikers remonstrating in a manner which caused the mayor to call for order time and time again.

Alfred Fullard was the first speaker, and he pointed out that although Works Commissioner Harris persisted in stating that there was no strike in his department, yet there was one in which 400 men participated. He declared that the men wanted a living wage, as the present cost of living would not permit them to live decently on \$10 or \$11 a week, which he claimed was all they received from the works department. They wanted \$15 a week, straight, Saturday afternoon off and all holidays. Answering Mayor Church Mr. Fullard said that the men worked 9 hours a day.

Wanted Living Wages.
William Bullock asked the members of the council point blank how they would care to live on ten or eleven dollars a week. He maintained that they did not come before the council with any unjust demands. All they required was enough money to enable them to live.

Ald. Robbins then moved that Works

Commissioner Harris should be instructed to arbitrate in the matter, but Ald. Ramsden could not see how the members of council could be asked to vote on such a matter when they were not acquainted with the conditions prevailing among the men.

An appeal on behalf of the strikers was made by Ald. Gibbons, who declared that they were not making any exorbitant demands in view of the fact that the cost of living had increased considerably.

Ald. McBride would not consider the matter at all. "Every man in the deputation should be in khaki," he exclaimed. "They are taking advantage of conditions existing at the present time, and I don't think the council should do anything. I asked one young man, who came out from Lancashire only four years ago, why he was not in khaki, and he told me to ask others why they were not." Mr. McBride maintained that the question was purely a departmental one, and the council should not interfere with the heads of departments in any way. The alderman, in the course of his remarks, repeated many times that the men should be fighting the battles of the empire instead of striking, and some of the men took exception to a statement made in this manner that Mayor Church at one time threatened to have one of them turned out of the council chamber unless he refrained from interrupting.

Passer for Alderman.
"Why is the alderman not in khaki?" queried Ald. Gibbons in taking the matter up for the second time. This led to considerable enthusiasm among the men, and again the mayor had to call a halt until order was restored.

"Who's fighting the battles?" came back Ald. McBride. "Not street railway men, nor the laboring men, it's the upper ten who are fighting."

This resulted in general laughter among the men, and one was heard to remark, sotto voce, "Fool."

At this juncture Mr. Church commenced to explain matters and stated that the roadway men struck before the board of control had been given time to consider their request.

"They were disgruntled," interrupted Ald. Gibbons. "When we heard about it we advised them to wait for the board's decision, but it was too late, as a great many had already laid down their tools."

Controller O'Neill regretted the turmoil and did not think the council would be absurd and appoint a board of arbitration leaving Mr. Harris out altogether. He moved an amendment that the question should be referred to the controllers for consideration.

Another Dispute.
Another altercation between Aldermen Robbins and McBride took place

a few minutes later when the former rose to speak on the question for the third time.

"Ald. Robbins should be ashamed of himself for continuing this agitation by bringing the matter to the council chamber," commenced Ald. McBride.

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Finally Controller O'Neill's motion was carried and the question will be decided by the board of control. A few minutes later the council was called upon to decide whether Engineer McCarthy should be given an increase of \$1000 a year. His salary at the present time is \$2000 a year and Ald. Robbins in moving that the controllers' recommendation should be struck out stated that \$3000 a year was quite sufficient for any man to live comfortably on. In this he was supported by Ald. Gibbons. Ald. Hiltz wanted the council to take the principle of the question into consideration. He observed that a decision had been made not to grant any increases in city officials' salaries during the year.

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cordance with the city's wishes all costs and charges will be paid by the latter.

The grants to battalions recruiting in the city, amounting to \$5,500, were carried by council without any comment.

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CITY HALL NOTES

Mayor Church declares that Lieut. Col. Williams' estimate of Toronto enlistments of 28,499 is unfair. Toronto has given at least 50,000, he believes.

Capt. G. R. Geary, corporation counsel, writes the board of control that the medical board has passed him as fit for active service and he is subject to despatch to the front at any time.

Mayor Church is after the speeders. In a letter to the police commissioners yesterday he complained that motorists on Bloor street did not stop when passengers were alighting from cars. "Some example should be made," he said, "and reference to the numerous accidents recently."

CONSIDER EAST END RAILWAY FACILITIES

Matter Discussed by Ontario
Board, But No Decision
Made.

Transportation for Toronto residents east of the Don occupied the attention of the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board yesterday. The board suggested a new line from Gerrard up Carlaw to Guelph, and up Pape to Danforth. This, they said, had been recommended by experts.

Both R. J. Fleming for the Toronto Street Railway and R. C. Harris, commissioner of works, opposed this plan. Mr. Fleming suggested a line on Gerrard to Pape and on Pape to Danforth.

No decision was reached, and the matter was adjourned, no date being fixed.

IRISH BANDSMEN TO GIVE A CONCERT

Two Hundred and Eighth Battalion's Entertainment in I. O. F.
Temple Wednesday Evening.

The bandmen of the 208th Irish Battalion, who are giving a concert in the Temple Building, corner of Bay and Richmond streets, on Wednesday evening, June 28th, and are anxious to make it a big success, as it will be the last of the social events given by the battalion previous to going into camp for summer training. The I. O. F. officials kindly donated the hall for the evening, and several of the city's prominent talent in the entertainment line have also volunteered their services. Among those who have consented to assist the bandmen are Ald. Donald MacGregor, William MacIsaac, Harry Lloyd and Bert Lloyd. A splendid program has been arranged and the send-off to the Irish Battalion will no doubt be largely attended.

HAS NO INFORMATION OF BANDITS' WHEREABOUTS

Provincial Police Chief Rogers
Says Lack of Description Makes
Work Difficult.

Chief of Provincial Police Rogers has had no information with regard to the pursuit of the bandits who held up Ville Marie Sunday in an attempt to blow up and loot the bank safe. The affair took place on the Quebec side of the border.

The way out of the village, which he knew well, was, he said, rough and difficult. Since there appeared to be a dearth of description of the men, he thought that if they split up and made for the T. and N. O. line on one side of Lake Timiskaming or the C. P. R. on the other, they might have a chance of getting clear away. The only hope of catching them was, he thought, in intercepting them before they reached the railway.

INQUIRY FOR RELATIVES OF DUNCAN CARMICHAEL

Found Dead in Hotel at Vander-
hoff, B.C.—May Be Ontario
Man.

The provincial police of British Columbia are trying to find the relations of Duncan Carmichael, who was found dead in the hotel at Vanderhoff, B.C., on Sunday, April 22. Consequently they have written to Chief Rogers of the provincial police here, as they are of opinion that Carmichael was an Ontario man. Vanderhoff is near Prince George, a town in the mountains.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM RACE TRACK SPECIAL TO HAMIL- TON.

The Grand Trunk Railway will run a special train Toronto to Hamilton Race Track leaving Toronto at 1:05 p.m. Returning will leave the race track after the last race. Special will stop at Sunnyside in each direction. June 24, \$1.40 return. Tickets valid to return June 26th. June 25th until 29th, \$1.55 return. Tickets valid to return on date of issue. June 30th, \$1.55 return. Tickets valid to return July 3rd. July 1st, \$1.15 return. Tickets valid to return on date of issue.

For further particulars and tickets apply City Ticket Office, northwest corner King and Yonge sts. or Depot Ticket Office, Union Station, Toronto, Ont.

A QUICK CLEARANCE.

In order to clear out quickly, a number of used pianos, organs and player-pianos, which they have taken in exchange on sales of their own pianos, Ye Olde Firme of Heintzman & Co., Ltd., Heintzman Hall, have put the prices away down, and are offering remarkably easy terms—as low as five per cent. Out-of-town readers should write for lists and prices.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Earnest Garrick and Newton Cornfield came up in the police court yesterday on a charge of robbing Private Samuel Dymond, of the 134th Battalion, and were committed for trial. Both pleaded not guilty.



Sergt. Walter Herbert Wray, 55 Greenlaw avenue, Earls Court, a bomb thrown with the first Canadian contingent, who was killed in action June 1.

REMOVES ANY DOUBT OF GEN. MERCER'S FATE

Lieut. Lyman Gooderham Says
He Lay Wounded for Day
and Then Killed.

"Dear Father and Mother: Am now a prisoner and en route to detention camp. Am quite well and have been treated very well, indeed, by our captors. Was beside my beloved general when he was killed, and lay in the battlefield for two days suffering from shell shock until picked up by a patrol with some of our wounded. Will write first opportunity, giving details. Asked Elizabeth by card to cable you, so hope you were not said great worry. Can make arrangements at camp for money and any necessities to be sent on. Tell Fred Mercer his brother was first shocked by a large shell and when I tried to get him away but impossible, was shot thru leg and broken. Lay in field, no pain, and next day killed by shrapnel instantly. German staff arranging honorable burial for one of Canada's greatest soldiers. God bless you all and don't worry. Your loving son, Lyman."

The above postcard was received from Lieut. Lyman Gooderham, who accompanied General Mercer on his last tour of inspection in the front line trenches, by E. G. Gooderham, his father. Lieut. Gooderham was the general's aide-de-camp, and word from him was anxiously awaited, as it was felt that a message from him would remove all doubt as to the general's fate.

AT OSGOODE HALL Ed. Smith Enters Action against Mer- chants' Bank of Canada.

The American Hat Manufacturing Company has entered action at Osgoode Hall against H. Clavir, carrying on a business known as the Queen Hat Manufacturing Co., for damages for alleged enticing Harry Clarendon to break a contract of employment with the plaintiff and to enter the defendant's employ.

Edward Smith of Toronto has entered action at Osgoode Hall against the Merchants' Bank of Canada to recover \$500,000, alleged to have been procured by the defendant from plaintiff by fraud and deceit.



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GRAND RABBI JAILED AFTER SECRET TRIAL

Belgian Minister Asks Scourges
of Egypt on Germans and Suf-
fers Insults During Arrest.

Von Bissing, German governor of Belgium, has had the Grand Rabbi of Belgium, the Rev. Charles Bloch, sentenced to six months' imprisonment in Germany.

After a recent service Bloch delivered in the synagogue a speech blessing the Belgian royal family, hoping for their happy return to Belgium and calling down the scourges of Egypt on the invaders.

He was arrested the same day, and after being subjected to various indignities, was sentenced three days later, after a secret trial.

Three-quarters of the world's supply of olive oil is said to come from Spain.

William the Conqueror introduced horses into England. Stirrups were, however, unknown to the ancients, who had posts erected on their roads to enable horsemen to mount.

WILLS PROBATED

Anna Grant, widow, who died in Whitechurch Township on April 26 last, left an estate valued at \$8261.

consisting of \$2199 book debts and promissory notes, 432 mortgages, \$222 cash, \$100 jewelry, and \$2100 interest in the sale of 20 acres of land in Cuba.

By her will she bequeaths her jewelry to her daughters, Julia Grant Fraser, Anna Murray McIlwraith, Aurora, Ill.; a granddaughter, Mar Hudson Grant of Wei Hwei Fu, Honan; and a grandson, Alexander McC. Grant. Provision is made for a bequest of \$100 out of the mortgages to a friend, Gold Rushon Workman of Sarnia. The money in the savings bank is for the education of her seven grand children. She bequeaths to her daughter Julia her share of the rents of certain premises in Sackville street, Dublin. The residue of the estate is left to her daughter, Anna Murray McIlwraith.

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