Federation Convention, November 27.

A full convention of the Civil Service Federation of Canada has been

called, to meet in Ottawa on Tuesday, November 27th.

After careful consideration the Ottawa members of the Executive decided that it was highly desirable to hold a convention at an early date. Provincial vice-presidents and other members of the Executive who live at a distance from Ottawa were consulted by post and the concensus of all was that the meeting should be held as soon as possible.

Accordingly, Acting Secretary-Treasurer Halladay has sent out the official call to all organizations connected with the Federation, notifying them to take the necessary steps as to returns of membership, capitation tax and selection of representatives, and to have their delegates or proxies ready for

the opening session on the date mentioned.

The Civil Service of Canada is on the eve of events that promise to completely transform it and the convention will be one of the most important gatherings in its history. It will be the last opportunity for the Outside Service to make itself heard before the new laws which will govern it in future are devised and put into effect.

WAR PERSONALS.

Major David Philpot was invested with the D.S.O. at Buckingham Palace on October 22nd.

Lieut.-Col. J. R. Monro (Census Office), who commanded the 8th Mounted Rifles, has returned to Canada.

Lieut. R. S. Stronach (Interior), recently discharged from hospital at Oxford, has returned home.

Lieut. Frank Grierson (Finance) is home.

Lieut. St. B. Sladen, son of A. F. Sladen, and lately of the Welland Canal engineering staff, is home.

Lieut.-Col. J. J. Penhale, appointed postmaster at Sherbrooke, was an officer of the 1st Canadian diploma.

Lieut. R. H. Lalievre, son of S. Lalievre, assistant clerk of the Senate, has been gazetted Flying Officer Observer in the Royal Flying Corps. He joined the air service eight months ago, after having served seventeen months in the infantry and suffering a severe wound.

Capt. C. B. Magrath, wounded, is a son of C. A. Magrath, of the International Joint Commission. Lieut. Gerald Wattsford is home after two years overseas.

Lieut. H. H. McElroy has returned from overseas.

Lieut. R. J. and Mrs. Edmunds have returned from England.

Corp. Dan. A. Simons, 2nd Battalion, wounded and taken prisoner at St. Julien, and for months past interned in Switzerland, is home—bringing a bride with him. Mrs. Simons was one of a party of singers who went to Switzerland to cheer the British prisoners. Corp. Simons' picture and some of his experiences were published in *The Civilian* some time ago. He will resume his old place in the Post Office Department.

Flight-Lieut. J. S. Godard, missing, is a son of H. P. Godard, of the Auditor-General's office.

Lieut. A. H. Wharton has recovered from his wound and returned to duty in the Library of Parliament.

OBITUARY.

Louis N. Gagne, for twenty-six years an employee of the Department of Mines, died on Nov. 2nd, aged seventy-two years.