

WHO ARE THESE FOREIGNERS OF SWARTHY LOOK BUSY IN CITY?

Men of Mystery Mixing With Russians and Austrians in Factories.

"Swartzy, mysterious strangers are seen about the streets of our community as the inspired country correspondent might say. It may not be the joke it sounds, however. Heavy-set Russian and Balkan nations men, they are with the Russians and Austrians employed in local industries from time to time. They have mustaches of ferocious and an air of sophistication and creature comfort, and they do not seem to have any regular employment. They are well dressed like Europeans, Americanized, and keep to themselves, and are the kind of men who were hailed into a few weeks ago for having Bolshevik literature in their possession. London is not such a large city that new types are not noticeable. Recent stories of the spread of Bolshevik propaganda in Canada, and the knowledge that the I. W. W. is a strong organization that has not overlooked Canada's west, nor the east, either, make people wonder if the serpent can and a home here keep a tight mouth regarding the possibility of Bolshevism in Canada, or they smile. The secret service force, if any, does not tell what is doing.

But the fat, dark, heavily-mustachated strangers are talking to the Russians, the Austrians, working among the foreign element in the city, and Western Ontario, making the city a headquarters for some sort of movement, possibly for the study of influenza's effects on canary birds and oldsh.

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EVENING CLASSES START—Evening classes will be resumed at the College Institute Monday, November 18, after being closed during the "flu" epidemic. Principal W. H. T. Mooney, announced last night.

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and taste in the mouth, despondency "the blues" and other miserable ailments call attention to the liver. It torpid. Take Hoad's Pills—they route the liver and relieve all liver ills. They are the old and favorite family therapy. Purely vegetable. Gentle and thorough. 25c. All druggists.

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Diamond Rings, specials \$15.00 to \$500.00
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Lavalieres, Pendants \$2.00 to \$60.00
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Cameo or Onyx Rings \$2.50 to \$30.00
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Parasols, specials \$4.50 to \$10.00
Jewel Cases in sterling silver.
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FOR HIM

A Gruen Watch, thin model \$28.00 up
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Signet and Bloodstone Rings \$4.00 up
Gillette Razors and blades \$5.00 to \$12.00
Auto-Stop Safety Razors \$5.00 to \$15.00
Military Brushes, ebony \$4.50 up
Cuff Links, Scarf Pins, Pens, and Pencils.

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London's Honor Flag



This city, having secured its objective in the Victory Loan, has received its flag, which was hoisted at noon today.

GUESTS FLEE FROM HOTEL TO STREETS IN NIGHT CLOTHES

Fire Alarm Given in Early Morning Hours.

SMOKE FILLED HOUSE
Belvedere Affected By Fire Which Started in the Restaurant.

Fire, which broke out in the Belvedere restaurant, adjoining the hotel, at 4 o'clock this morning, badly damaged the restaurant and the barroom of James Lambourn, next to the restaurant, and frightened some 72 guests of the hotel. The travelers' resting place filled up with smoke in a short time, and as the society editor would say, a "screamingly funny time was spent by all."

Pretty little nighties with pink and blue ribbon hung around the necks were the fashion of the corridor glides and street frots that were done when the hotel was a place of refuge for the homeless. Pyjamas ranging from pink and blue, back to purple, were also noticed. An occasional dressing gown and kimono lent more or less respectability to the occasion. The bright hues of the night wear were dimmed by the smoke and the latest fashions could not be seen for heavy eyes filled with smoke. The women sought shelter and seclusion across the road in the London House, while the men borrowed overcoats and bedclothes and sat around the office of the Belvedere. It was stated that the fire siren had nothing on the noise that some of the ladies made as they made their exit from the hotel.

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BOARD OF CONTROL RECOMMENDS THAT PREMIUMS BE PAID

Thinks It Unfair to Soldiers to Stop Now.

Full premiums will be paid on the soldiers' insurance by the city for another year. At least this action will be recommended to the city council as a result of the meeting of the board of control this morning. The question of dropping the war premiums and letting the policies go into extended insurance on the payment of the regular premium, which is permissible under the terms of the policies, had been discussed, and it had been decided to take this step. By doing this the city would save \$5,550 this year, but unless the war premiums are paid the men would not be able to take advantage of the offer of the city to carry their policies after their return. The policies under the extended insurance plan would lapse in three or four years. An effort was made to get in touch with the men insured to lay the plan before them and letters were sent out to all, but few replied. In view of all the facts it was thought that it would be unfair to the men to do anything while they are overseas that would deprive them of the privilege of continuing their policies after their return.

HURRY CALL IN EARLY HOURS FINDS ST. JOHN AMBULANCE READY; BABY BORN IN HOSPITAL

Emergency Home Opened and Returned Soldier's Wife Was Given Room in the Nick of Time.

No. 4 Nursing Division, St. John Ambulance Association Emergency Hospital at 404 Talbot street, is still very much on the job, notwithstanding the fact that all the "flu" patients have been sent home and the accident cases of the peace celebration on Monday were disposed of without much difficulty. This morning at 6:45 o'clock, a "love" (to use the V. A. D.'s adjective) baby girl, weighing 8½ or 9 pounds, was delivered into the world in the Emergency Hospital, and both mother and babe are doing nicely, thank you, the former extremely grateful for the skillful care that has been bestowed upon herself and little daughter.

Quick Response. During the night, Mrs. J. P. Thomson, superintendent of No. 4 Nursing Division, received a call from a doctor in the city asking if she could have the hospital opened up at once to take in the wife of a returned soldier, who was ill. The assistance of a member of the

CRIMINAL RECORD NO BAR TO ARMY, BUT EX-CONVICT WHO HAS SERVED WILL NOT BE TRUSTED ON RETURN

Government Lays Down Law in Corp. Pugh's Case, That Prison Record Can Never Be Wiped Out—No Come-Back to Re Spectability Allowed.

"He has a criminal record and cannot have a Government job," is the reply of the department of inland revenue to the inquiry of the Great War Veterans' Association as to why Corp. Alfred Pugh of this city should have had no position in the civil service snatched

from his grip when it was in his reach. Not only does the department set up the hard and fast law that a man cannot wipe his name clear of past stains by doing his duty in the army, but having that it is a criminal record, it digs into the past record of the man and declares that he has served sixteen years in penitentiaries and jails for offenses ranging from burglary to horse-stealing.

The case of Corp. Pugh came to the attention of The Advertiser long before he went to war. When he was released from Kingston Penitentiary early in 1914, he came to this office stating that he desired to place himself on record for a new life, and he wrote an article on prison conditions which attracted considerable attention. During his long incarceration the man evidently had spent much time in educating himself, and came out of the portals of Kingston a trained accountant, and with more than an ordinary command of English.

He was anxious to secure a civil service position, and made application. He took a high standing in the examinations, and was to be secured a position at \$1,000 a year, when an order came through cancelling the appointment without explanation.

Deeply Grieved. The day he received the letter Corp. Pugh came to The Advertiser office and revealed the fact that he had been turned down. He was greatly stirred emotionally, and told a most dramatic story to the editor of this paper.

One of the men who met in the old days, he stated, came to him and attempted to get him to return to a life of crime, and he was to be paid a sum of money easily. The character was of the "big game" type, and he was a (nitro-glycerine safe blowers), in the country, and he offered to pay the fare of Pugh to a certain place, where he had a job in which the stake was \$65,000. He told Pugh that the latter was a fool to think that the money would ever be his a chance again, and dangled the lure of "easy money" before the eyes of the man who, according to every indication, was attempting to get back on his feet and to support his family by honest work.

Pugh told The Advertiser of his refusal to accept the offer and of the crook's departure after another declaration that the London man was a fool, and should take up the chance.

"I have tried to keep straight, but these Government officials don't want me to," said Pugh at the time. He also believed that someone aware of his record was busy seeking to prevent him from securing work.

No Encouragement. "A man might as well go and put his head under an engine and end it all," he stated. "The man who put me in jail if you go wrong, and they close their doors on you if you try to go right. Your life was good enough when they needed human bodies in the front lines. Why didn't they shut me out of the army if they don't want men who have served time? I suppose they regard anyone as worthless but themselves."

The case was taken up by Secretary Cumliffe of the Great War Veterans' Association, through the Dominion executive at Ottawa, and the reply which comes back makes it plain that the Dominion Government has made it a rule that no matter what service a man may have performed in France at \$1.10 a day he cannot work for the Government at home if he has a record of crime. The decision is regarded as a cruel and unfeeling attitude, and it is probable that the returned soldier's case will be made a capital issue before long.

The Great War Veterans will meet tonight and the correspondence will probably be discussed.



CORTESE ORCHESTRA SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Ladies' Suits, Millinery, Sweaters, Underwear, Silks In Saturday's Sales

It was the policy upon which the foundation of this store was built that has made it what it is today—the policy which has won your approval season after season, year after year. One part of that policy which is adhered to strictly is that all fashion garments must be sold the season they are received. The offerings in above headline is the result of this policy, and in the way of timely merchandise will stand out with diamond-like brilliancy. These sales will make a stirring, energetic occasion tomorrow, befitting the present times. Each section will be found with its full quota of attractive offerings Saturday, and many priced at half for immediate sale.

40 Ladies' Suits Half-Price

We will give only a brief outline of this group—you must see them. Suits of serge, chevion, poplin, velour, gabardine and broadcloth, in black, navy, copen, green and brown, with trimmings of braid and fur-woven beaver collars, faced with velvet, plush and silk, belted and plain tailored styles, convertible collar which rolls snugly; sizes 36 to 42. Every suit in this group half-priced. Prices \$17.50, \$20.00, \$22.50, \$25.00, \$27.50, \$37.50

Ladies' Sweater Coats, \$2.89

Saturday we offer a clearing of 84 Sweater Coats from the manufacturer; some are brushed wool effects, also fancy and plain stitched, in colors of rose, paddy, copen, brown, grey, white, mauve, cardinal and black, novelty and attractive styles, sailor collars which may be worn closed or open, and many are in attractive combination of colors. Saturday sale \$2.89

Children's Sweaters, \$1.49

Also a group of Children's Cosy and Serviceable Sweater Coats, in navy, white, cardinal, 40 coats, sizes 24 to 28. To clear at \$1.49

Millinery Half-Price and Less

About 100 hats in the Saturday group—banded sailors, trimmed hats in velvet and satin shapes—all are half-price and many are less than half to effect an immediate clearance.

Banded Sailors, \$2.49

30 only Banded Sailors, in velvet, pressed beaver and velvet and satin combinations, all ready to wear. To be cleared, many less than half \$2.49

Trimmed Hats, \$3.49 and \$6.49

Above prices include about six dozen, the best of silk velvet and silk beaver shapes, black and colors, matron and misses' hats, flower trimmings, in gold and silver, also ostrich and fancy ribbon trim; half of this group are trimmed hats, velvet and satin shapes. At, each \$3.49

Ladies' Underwear, 39c Saturday

20 dozen White Ribbed Vests, round neck, closed front, long or elbow sleeves, sizes 36 and 38. Saturday sale 39c each
Drawers, ankle length, closed or open, to match, 10 dozen only. Saturday 39c pair



AT TOILET COUNTER

Genuine Castile Soap, big bar 25c
Ivory Soap for bath or toilet 2 for 15c
Lifebuoy Antiseptic Soap 2 for 15c
Peroxide Bath Soap 10c
Olive Oil and Cucumber Toilet Soap 5c
Oatmeal and Lettuce Soap 5c
Velvet Powder Puffs in waxed envelope 8c, 10c, 15c and 25c each
Small-Sized Puff for vanity case 7c each
Aluminum Soap Boxes 19c
Witch-Hazel Cream 25c bottle
Rice Powder, flesh or violet 25c
Charcoal Tooth Paste 25c
French Bristle Tooth Brushes, five styles 25c each

Saturday Sales In the Men's Section

MEN'S OVERCOATS, \$15.00

Very special clearance of Men's Winter Overcoats Saturday at a price that must surprise you; real choice meltons in greys, browns and black, with velvet or self collar; also a few tweeds. Note the sizes of these coats and be here at 8:30, for this is a snap that cannot be repeated—two size 34, five size 35, three size 36, seven size 37, one size 39, two size 40, two size 42, five size 44, seven size 46; 34 coats, good winter weight of splendid quality, well tailored and of smart appearance. Clearing Saturday morning at \$15.00 each

BOYS' SUITS SATURDAY, \$2.95

About 70 suits for the small boys on Saturday, ages 3, 4 and 5 years, at a very attractive price, tweeds and worsteds, in grey, brown, blue and mixed shades, belted coats with close-fitting neck, straight knickers. Mothers of small boys will do well to be here on Saturday. These suits are extra good value and will give entire satisfaction. The price is very low. Saturday \$2.95 suit

KHAKI HANDKERCHIEFS, 2 FOR 25c

Khaki Handkerchiefs for the soldiers, one line to clear Saturday, regular size, in good cotton. At 2 for 25c



MEN'S SHIRT SALE, \$1.69

Saturday will be a good day to fill in your shirt wants. There will be on sale here 25 dozen Men's Fine Negligee Shirts, a special factory clearance of neat stripe patterns in Madras, percales, prints and crepes, all coat style, good roomy garments, soft French cuffs. This is a fine lot and the sizes range from 14 to 17½. You know the price of shirts now. Be here Saturday morning for a good choice. Price, each \$1.69

UNDERWEAR FOR MEN

Wolsey Brand, a delayed shipment just received, combination and two-piece garments, very choice all-wool garments, in all sizes; Tiger Brand, Watson's and Penman's make. Get your supply early—good woolsens are scarce.

SMALLMAN'S INGRAM

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BRUSHED WOOL SETS, \$2.95

Handsome Brushed Wool Sets, large scarf with knotted fringe ends and cap, with buckle on side, in pretty colors of rose, sage, Nile and combination colors. Special \$2.95
Special Wool Sets, with scarf and tam, in plain color combinations, also plaids \$3.00 set

SPECIAL SET, \$1.89

Brushed Wool Set, large scarf with knotted fringe ends and cap with button trimmings, in rose, paddy, sage, cardinal, white, etc. \$1.89 set
Heavy Brushed Wool Tams \$1.75 each
Caps 75c and \$1.00 each

TOMORROW WILL BE THE DAY TO BUY A BLACK SATIN DUCHESSE DRESS AND COLORED CREPE DE CHINE

YARD-WIDE BLACK SATIN DUCHESSE, SATURDAY \$1.98 YARD. Just two pieces to sell at this price, a beautiful rich black finish, all silk, colored salvage, one of the most fashionable materials for dresses and separate skirts. Tomorrow two pieces for \$1.98 yard

COLORED CHIN-CHIN CREPE DE CHINE, \$1.50 YARD

You should be here early to participate in this snap of Pure Silk Washable Chin-Chin Crepes. They are of extra heavy make, rich, beautiful colors, such as apricot, maize, burgundy, old blue, mole, myrtle green, amethyst, old rose, pale blue, mauve and ivory. It will mean considerable saving to you to lay in your Christmas supply of these at Saturday's price; a limited quantity only; all full 36 inches wide \$1.50 yard

Silk Department, Main Floor.



Afternoon Tea, 3 to 5:30.
Club Sandwich 25c
Cold Chicken with Potato Salad 40c
Buttered Toast, Strawberry Jam, Cup of Tea 20c