

players amounted to approximately \$17 a week.

There was a difference of opinion among the members of the strike committee as to the advisability of considering any offer the city might make to have the matter referred to a board of conciliation; there was no question of opinion as to the need of making the findings of such a board binding upon all parties to the dispute. The committee was determined that no board of conciliation should be appointed except under the Industrial Disputes Act.

Senator Gordon Robertson, who was in Toronto in connection with the trouble between G. N. W. and its employees, was in friendly conference with T. A. Stevenson of the Toronto District Trades and Labor Council; Fred Bancroft; J. O'Leary, vice-president of the District Labor Council; Alderman Gibbons, Controller W. D. Robbins and John W. Bruce, John Noble and John Dorgan.

"This conference, if you could call it one, was merely a friendly resumption of the situation," said the senator when seen at the determination. "There is absolutely no need to connect me with this strike," he continued. "I am here in the interests of quite another matter and am not devoting myself to the question of the civic strike. Not officially at any rate."

Veterans Resent Connection.

The central branch of the G. W. V. A. at a meeting held at Columbus Hall last night, passed a resolution strongly protesting against the alleged statement of the senator. The board of control that the places of the strikers could be filled by the returned soldiers. The resolution expressed the determination of the branch to refuse to be considered in this connection.

C. J. Mitchell, secretary of the Civic Employers' Union, emphatically denied the statement that the strikers were personally interested against the street cleaning commission. "I wish to point out," he said, "that there has been complete harmony between the commissioner and the employees."

It was pointed out by the strikers' committee that a man of alien origin was in charge of the sewer employees on the Yonge street sewer. It was claimed that this man was receiving \$57 a week as foreman. The city hall authorities some weeks ago pointed out that this man was a Pole, born in Warsaw, and a Russian-Polish percentage. It was then stated that although a foreigner, he had interested himself in the recruiting of a large number of Poles, and that he had been an outspoken sympathizer with the cause of the allies.

Favors Board of Three.

Speaking to a reporter for The World last night, ex-Ald. Donald MacGregor said he believed the strike was wholly unnecessary. "The laborer is worthy of his hire," said Mr. MacGregor, "and it is his duty to be paid for his services. The city has been well served by its civic employees." Mr. MacGregor is strongly in favor of three men being brought in to decide every holding order appointed by the men, one by the city and these two to appoint a third. "These men should be chosen who are well versed in local affairs," said Mr. MacGregor. He said that in his estimation Toronto was more fortunate in having an efficient body of civic employees, both in the fire, police, street cleaning and other departments than any city in America. Mr. MacGregor, in his repeated tours thru the city, has seen in his own profession, never neglects to keep in close touch with the other cities as to the conditions of their employees. "The power of the dollar has, as everyone knows, decreased so fast that these men would be let down on the hands of charity," he said, "unless the rate paid is a fair living wage by the city, which has always had the name of being a just employer of labor."

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STRIKE UNSETTLED.

Vancouver Carmen Still Idle—Six Cent Fares Agreed to.

Vancouver, July 9.—There have been no developments today, the eighth day of the strike in the labor troubles which involve carmen and electrical workers of the British Columbia Electric and the Western Canada Power Company. Vancouver has agreed to the six-cent fare, without which the electric company says it cannot pay the men's demands. Victoria is holding out and proposes to negotiate for cheaper light as a concession in return for higher fares. Burnaby and North and South Vancouver also are holding out.

TO GUARANTEE SAFETY.

Bolshevik Government Takes Up Quarters in Embassy at Moscow.

Amsterdam, July 9.—A member of the Bolshevik Government has taken up quarters in the German Embassy at Moscow, according to The Berlin Tageblatt. This is for the purpose of showing that the Bolshevik Government has undertaken to guarantee the safety of the German personnel.

WAR SUMMARY

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

Italian operations in Albania have already resulted in the throwing of the Austrians well across the Vjoska advance on the left wing along the shore. The presence of British monitors in order to assist the advance seems to imply that the campaign has ambitious objectives, for the British admiralty would hardly send monitors to this coast for any local operations. The Italians on the second day carried on the left wing the heights between Levan and Pohnal monastery. Italian cavalry, breaking thru the Austrian lines, attacked the Austrian rear and destroyed bridges over the Senini River at Metali. The allies captured 15 miles north of Aviona, and also carried strong positions at Cafa Grava, Corcop and Cafa Devria Heights. They have taken over 100 prisoners and many guns, airplanes, and much other booty. On the right wing French troops won a bitter action and captured all the Serbian Creches between Cafa Beot and Mail Gjarperit, on the Macedonian front the Bulgarians tried the old plan of checking the advance against them by attacking in the centre, but their five groups of assaulting troops failed to penetrate the allied positions there in the Cerza Band.

An allied advance up the coast of the Adriatic won valuable results, contributing to the shortening of the war. It would deprive Austria of the Dalmatian coast, valuable for her naval forces, and would thus contribute to the ruining of her naval power. It would assist a valuable turning movement in the Balkans, a time when Von Ludendorff has massed his total available military forces on the western front, giving the allies plenty of opportunity for the achieving of large territorial gains. The chief result, however, would probably be the opening of a revolutionary front in accordance with the strategy of political science. The Germans have employed this strategy of political science with marked results during out in conjunction with adhering to purely military strategy, have lost Russia, at least temporarily. Their present attempt is to replace Russia with a new force, a new ally.

It is agitated in France that the allies can accomplish their ends by the means of a revolutionary front in the east. This is feasible owing to the peculiar racial and political composition of Austria-Hungary. This empire consists of 8,000,000 Germans and 100,000 Hungarian nobles, priests and office-holders, who support the Ger-

man connection, and 44,000,000 people who are present, who detest the German connection, and whose only hope of liberation lies in allied victory. The support for the allies is to utilize this support by coming in direct contact with these insurrectionary elements. By drawing within reach of these disaffected and Hungarian subjects the allies can provide them with the stirring of 44,000,000 people into revolt would destroy the German military power. It is thus of the highest importance for the allies to disintegrate into a disaffected section of Austria-Hungary.

In France and Belgium the lull in the battle continues. The French recaptured a counter-attack of Germans against Chagny Farm, captured the other day on the Aisne front, and they took 500 prisoners and 20 machine guns in their morning's mité advance west of Antwerp. The British passed a day of almost uninterrupted calm. The increasing quiescence of the Germans seems to imply the nearness of their next offensive. The British front before Amiens and Flanders, formed after the German advances in the spring, has now reached such fortified strength that it surpasses the best lines in formidability. The enemy, it is said, can only hope to break thru these new lines at the expense of crippling losses. Canadian construction troops have laid down a perfect system of light railways, so that troops can proceed with the utmost rapidity to any threatened point. The chief asset of an army in this western front is the concentration of its forces against any enemy advance.

Von Kuehlmann, German foreign secretary, has resigned with the consent of the Kaiser. The fall of this official signifies that he has failed somewhere. This resignation is a significant gesture. German wirepullers ever sent abroad. His function in the war was peace offensives. He organized and led out in conjunction with Von Hindenburg the peace offensive in Russia. That country is now slipping away from the German grasp. Von Kuehlmann has signally failed in his peace offensives with the western allies; but the allies have adopted his methods in Austria-Hungary and Turkey, with increasing results, for the vast majority of people in those countries are eager to throw off the German yoke and ready for revolution when they receive arms from the allies. Accordingly, Von Kuehlmann has fallen.

ONE MILLION MEN TO RESTORE RUSSIA

Three Hundred Thousand Allied Troops Could Reconstruct Eastern Front.

ACTION UNAVOIDABLE

Germans Strive to Possess Whole of Siberia With Resources.

London, July 9.—"With a million men, of whom 200,000 only need be allied troops, it would be possible to reconstruct the eastern front on a line running thru the Ural Mountains," is a statement made by Lieutenant-General Horvath, president and general manager of the Chinese Eastern Railway, according to a despatch to the Mail from Harbin under date of June 29. General Horvath is chief director of the Chinese Eastern Railway in 1904, was responsible for transporting Russian armies over the Siberian railway during the Russo-Japanese war, continued:

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BIG CROP SETBACK IN UNITED STATES

Reduction of Forty Million Bushels Forecast by Washington.

Washington, July 9.—Government hopes for a billion bushels of wheat, but a setback today when the department of agriculture's July forecast showed a reduction of 40,000,000 bushels in the prospective crop. Unfavorable weather conditions during June cut the estimated harvest to 81,000,000 bushels from the 121,000,000 bushels forecast in June. Production of corn on other crops also slightly reduced.

BIG INCREASE GRANTED STRIKING WEAVERS

Lawrence, Mass., July 9.—A wage increase of 50 per cent was granted the 1800 striking weavers of the mills of the American Woolen Company in an award announced tonight by the Industrial Relations Commission of the state. The award was made by Secretary of War Baker to settle the controversy. The award also abolishes the premium system which was opposed by the union operatives. There will be no strikes or lockouts while the war lasts, and the weavers will return to the looms tomorrow, according to the agreement.

FIFTEEN-YEAR-OLD LAD SENTENCED TO DEATH

Winnipeg, July 9.—Edward Stolke, 15 years old, this afternoon was sentenced by Mr. Justice Metcalfe to hang Sept. 27 for complicity in the murder of Constable Bernard W. Spragden in Psebiat's hardware store on Main street the night of April 5 last.

COURT ORDERS OFFICER TO PRODUCE DRAFTS

Calgary, July 9.—Colonel P. A. Moore in charge of the depot battalion here must appear before the chief justice of Alberta Wednesday morning, according to a court order, and produce the bodies of twelve men for whom applications for writs of habeas corpus have been asked.

KINGSTON HEARS OF GOOD ROADS

Improving Highways Will Do Away With Farmers' Isolation.

BARRIEFIELD BARRACKS

Contract for Permanent Buildings Will Soon Be Awarded.

Kingston, July 9.—That the work of improving the roads should be proceeded with until the average township road will be good as the main highway was the appeal of Hon. G. S. Henry, minister of agriculture of Ontario, and secretary-treasurer of the Ontario Good Roads Association, speaking at a luncheon tendered by the city to the members of the executive of the association, who spent today making a tour of the city and country roads. He said the association has acted as a clearing house for ideas on roadways, and felt that the government was deserving of credit for the good which had been accomplished along the line of good roads in Ontario. Good roads were overcoming the bugbear of isolation for the rural districts.

C. R. Wheelock of Orangeville, president of the association, replied to the address of welcome by acting mayor Ald. R. E. Kent. Speaking on behalf of the city, he said that the city had been making a tour of the city and country roads. He said the association has acted as a clearing house for ideas on roadways, and felt that the government was deserving of credit for the good which had been accomplished along the line of good roads in Ontario.

HAMILTON NEWS

SALARY INCREASES WERE NOT RAISED

Labor Members of Hamilton Council Fail in Their Efforts.

Hamilton, July 9.—Labor members of the council, headed by Ald. Halcrow, were unsuccessful tonight in their efforts to have recommended increases for lowly paid outside employees raised. The salary argument was staged in committee of the whole, with Controller Tyrrel presiding. Ald. Halcrow immediately moved that the recommendation of the board of control be changed to provide increases of \$2 a week for meter readers, and a rate of 35 cents per hour for street cleaners. This would work out as an increase of five cents per hour, only three cents being recommended.

GERMAN EDITOR ON PEACE TERMS

Georg Bernhard Urges Return of Colonies With Evacuation of Turkey.

Copenhagen, July 9.—While claiming official sanction and even admitting that their realization would encounter strong opposition from the German Government and people, Georg Bernhard, political editor of the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin, submits the following peace conditions: France and Italy to discuss with Austria and Austria their future frontiers without the intervention of third parties.

PARIS STREETS NAMED AFTER ALLIED RULERS

Paris, July 9.—Four important streets in the Champs Elysees quarter will be renamed according to an announcement of the highway committee of the city council tonight, in honor of entente allied rulers. The Quai de La Conference will be named as Cours Albert I.; Avenue d'Antin will become Avenue Victor Emmanuel III.; Avenue de L'Alma will be known as Avenue George V. The name plates may be fixed by July 14. This decision follows the renaming of Avenue du Trocadero in honor of President Wilson.

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GRAND DUKE FLEES FROM EXECUTION

Former Russian Commander-in-Chief Gets Away From Bolsheviki.

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Amsterdam, July 9.—Grand Duke Alexander Michailovitch, brother-in-law of the former Russian emperor, was interviewed at the end of June in Altdorf, in the Crimea, by a correspondent of The Budapest Azest, according to a telegram to Dutch newspapers. Relating his experiences after the abdication of the Romanovs, the grand duke said:

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The correspondent remarked that Russia might, within the year, again have a monarchical constitution, and the grand duke asked skeptically if this would be possible. The grand duke said that he was not content with the simple execution of the emperor's relations, but would drive them to death in a specially cruel manner.

It was a Caucasian officer named Dsolikani, charged with keeping guard over the grand duke's family, according to the correspondent, who saved their lives. In order to divert suspicion he first treated the family with exceptional severity, and succeeded in having their execution postponed until after German troops arrived.

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GERMANS BUFFETED BY ALLIED ATTACKS

Berlin, via London, July 9.—The official communication from headquarters today says: "South of La Bassée Canal repeated partial attacks were frequently repulsed. In the north, the Somme strong enemy attacks broke down. On this sector the artillery duel continued lively and in the evening increased intermittently to great violence."

FARMER MURDERED.

Prince Albert, July 9.—Nikola Herzyulick, farmer of Cudworth, was found yesterday morning in the field where he had gone to cut scrub. He had been shot at close range.

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NEW BRITISH LINES BETTER THAN OLD

Network of Light Railways Makes Defence in Picardy Easier.

WORK OF CANADIANS

Construction Troops From Dominion Aid in Improving Allied Defences.

Ottawa, July 9.—The following article by Roland Hill from War Correspondent's Headquarters, in France, has been received by the militia department:

"Behind the new fighting line since the Hun's advance in April there has grown up a network of strand railways, making a formidable system which more than compensates for the loss of those lines we had formerly had. The new construction, almost from the day the enemy crossed the Nord Canal practically every installation of Canadian railway troops has been working ceaselessly at the task, some units acting as pioneers in the construction of the great defence line that the Hun is to hasten on this sector."

Little French villages that never hoped for steel links with the larger cities have become, as it by the rubbing of some magic Aladdin's Lamp, great junctions where train-loads of supplies come and go every hour of the hour. The new line runs thru the fertile fields of growing crops and careful building has saved the Frenchman his harvest, but for the necessary strip of permanent way. There are alternate routes around towns which the Hun might shell, and day by day more carefully concealed ammunition dumps grow up which are fed by the strip of steel.

Trade Well Distributed. "Speaking from a strategical point of view," said a railway staff officer, "we are in a better position today than we were in the Somme. The hundreds of miles of new track have been built specially for military use and conform with the fighting front. All possible lines have been considered. Where, previously we had to rely on civilian built lines which would suddenly round the country by indirect routes, we now have a military system which takes out supplies in the quickest and most direct way to where they are needed. The latest German thrust gave us the first test, when the divisions were shifted with a speed that must have surprised the Hun."

In the same way some of the Canadian auxiliary troops have been working unobtrusively in the gun spurs behind the front, where the big howitzers pound the enemy positions. One battery from the middle west has the record of construction, and the work of these men has been so cleverly camouflaged from the prying eyes of Hun airmen.

Light Railway Systems. From the light railway systems which have been christened with Canadian names, there start fresh construction of light railway systems that wind their way thru fields, across scores of miles that might be used. They must be there for an emergency.

The construction of the new British defences—railways play a prominent part—have been marvellously complete, and have been so rapid that the Hun has not been able to take breath for another stage of attacks on this northern section of the fabric of a fortress faced them and grew into such menacing shape, each one was cleverly camouflaged from the prying eyes of Hun airmen.

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