

NOT MUCH CHANCE OF POSTAL STRIKE

West Sending Representatives to Ottawa at Postmaster-General's Request.

Altho the executive of the Postal Clerks' Association declare that the outcome of the western postal employees' ultimatum is still in doubt, the situation at an early hour this morning would indicate that some compromise may be reached today.

Kenneth J. Dunstan, president of the board of trade, interviewed by The World last night, declared positively that the western employer had accepted the offer made by the Hon. P. E. Blondin, postmaster-general, which asked the men to send five representatives to Ottawa to meet with the officials of the government in order to arrive at an amicable settlement.

"Immediately after the conference on Monday," said Mr. Dunstan, "we sent a representative to Ottawa to learn the government's side of the case. He will return with his report today, and a further meeting will be effected by the officials of the board of trade and the Canadian Manufacturers' Association with the respective deputations appointed by the organizations of the carriers and clerks."

"What then," queried The World, "is your view of the situation as it stands tonight?" "Everything looks well," concluded Mr. Dunstan.

Nothing definite. President V. Gallagher of the Postal Clerks' Association, on the other hand, when seen by The World gave nothing definite as to whether the western men had accepted the postmaster-general's offer. "I have received no telegram from the west and everything now is just hanging fire."

The local branch of the Federated Letter Carriers' Association held a special meeting at the Occident Hall at the corner of Queen and Bathurst streets, last night, which was largely attended by the carriers, and, on special permission, a number of postal clerks were admitted. The meeting was closed to the press, and when interviewed after the meeting, several officers of the organization emphatically denied that the meeting had been in any way called for the discussion of a strike or for the discussion of any other matter which might have been against the government.

"The meeting," said one of the officials, "was called for the purpose of discussing a purely industrial matter, and everything now is just hanging fire."

Pressed by The World as to what the matter might be, the official declared that he could not give it out, but he reiterated his refusal to resign, motion or discussion had come before the meeting with reference to the western situation, nor had they received any notification from their western brothers.

AGREED TO CUT GERMANY'S CLAWS

Will Not Be Permitted to Have Garrisons or Forts 30 Miles From Rhine.

Paris, April 1.—An agreement on at least one point seems to have been reached in the peace conference discussions, according to The Temps, Germany is not to be permitted to keep garrisons, fortifications or war factories not only on the left bank of the Rhine, but also along a strip of at least thirty miles on the right bank.

The council of foreign ministers, at their meeting this afternoon, received the report of the peace conference commission on Czech-Slovak territorial claims, and discussed the advisability of holding a plenary session of the conference at Geneva. It probably will be received at a plenary session.

The foreign ministers also considered the question of holding a business session at Versailles when the German delegates arrive there. Because of the inadequate heating arrangements, and its inconvenient location, there is some doubt whether Versailles would be satisfactory for a business session, altho historic reasons make it imperative that the peace treaty be signed there.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS END PRESENT SESSION

This is Stated to Be the Expectation of the Liberals of Quebec.

Quebec, April 1.—L'Action Catholique, the local clerical organ, states that Quebec Liberals expect federal elections after the present session. It is further stated in this paper that if local Liberals do not succeed in bringing Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King to Quebec east, they will run Mr. Hector LaForte, M.L.A. for Drummond, there. The paper credits a Liberal politician with a statement that the provincial elections will be held in May next.

Bolshevik Seizures Of French Bank at Petrograd

Paris, April 1.—The manager of the Petrograd branch of the Credit Lyonnais has been compelled to hand over to the Bolshevik government all securities on deposit, according to a despatch received here. The branch also has been taxed 4,025,000 rubles by the Bolsheviks.

League of Nations Difference Causes Watterson's Retirement

Louisville, Ky., April 1.—The Louisville Courier-Journal tonight announced that Lewis Watterson, the newspaper's editor since 1887, and editor emeritus since last August, had requested his retirement. Mr. Watterson recently passed his seventy-ninth birthday.

The newspaper said the editor's action was partly due to his variance with the league of nations, he, the paper says, being against the proposal, while the officials favor the issue.

OFFER AMENDMENTS TO LEAGUE COVENANT

Berne Conference Would Have Germany and Russia Admitted Soon as Possible.

Paris, April 1.—Lord Robert Cecil, the British authority on a league of nations, today met a committee from the international socialist conference recently held in Berne and received various amendments which the members of the committee desired to be included in the covenant of the league of nations.

The committee was composed of Arthur Henderson, G. H. Stuart Bunting, and J. Ramsey McDonald, for Great Britain; Jean Longuet and Pierre Renaudet for France; Hjalmar Branting, for Sweden, and Camille Huysmans, for Belgium. The committee claimed to speak for the Socialist-Communist movement, represented at the Berne congress.

Among the principal amendments that the socialists proposed was the introduction of provisions facilitating the entry into the league as soon as possible of Germany and Russia, which they believed to be essential to the maintenance of the league and the prevention of the spread of anarchy. To this, Lord Robert replied that it was impossible to admit states without stable governments. The committee proposed the supervision of disarmament, to which Lord Robert replied by giving the reason which had led the league of nations commission to reject a proposal for the continuous international inspection of armaments.

Proper Election System. The committee also had proposals respecting the method of choosing delegates to the league, expressing belief that nominating by the governments would not be representative. They said they preferred the elective system. Lord Robert explained that this question was for the various states to decide themselves. Regarding the committee thought that the election of delegates should be abolished, except where the league itself made war to enforce its mandates. Lord Robert agreed in principle, but thought that the world had not yet attained the development to make it practicable and possible.

Other points presented were the belief that mandates should be handed over to a mandatory government, and that no mandate should be given until all nations had been admitted to the league. In reply, Lord Robert said that the committee had not yet defined in special treaties before the mandatory power undertook its functions of government, but dwelt upon the necessity for the appointment of mandates in many cases as soon as possible.

The committee expressed a desire that the league undertake to distribute raw materials in order to prevent economic inequality and finally to reach the hope that peace would be concluded speedily.

Remains of Gen. Sir Sam Steele To Be Buried in Winnipeg May

Winnipeg, Man., April 1.—The body of Major-Gen. Sir Samuel Steele, C.B., will be laid to rest in Winnipeg in May this year, with full military honors, in an announcement made today by Brig-Gen. H. D. B. Ketchen, C.B., C.M.G., general officer commanding Military District No. 10.

Street Cleaners Commence Eight-Hour Day System

Employees of the street cleaning department this morning commenced for the first time since their connection with Mr. Wilson's department, the eight-hour day system. They will begin at eight o'clock and quit at five.

The commissioner gave as his reason for keeping them so late in the afternoon that he desired the streets to be as clean as possible at night.

SCORE'S GREAT ESTATE SALE

For this week in the great estate sale we are offering a very superior range of fine Worsteds Suits—every yard woven from the purest of woaded yarns.

Oxford and Cambridge grays, broken checks, pin heads, grays with stripes, and those fine old honeycomb patterns—most reliable woollens from noted British manufacturers—also a selection of besides these we are still presenting genuine Irish Serge Suits—regular \$50.00 for \$45.50. R. Score & Son, tailors and haberdashers, 77 King west.

HAMILTON NEWS

Hamilton, April 1.—Opposition of property owners on Wentworth street, between King street and Cumberland avenue, to the construction of a local improvement sewer, is holding up street railway improvements on that thoroughfare. It was pointed out to the works committee by E. R. Gray, city engineer, tonight.

The Hamilton Ministerial Association elected the following officers: Rev. A. H. MacGillivray, president; Rev. J. E. Babie, vice-president; Rev. R. T. Cookburn, secretary-treasurer; program committee, Rev. F. M. Wootton (convenor), Rev. W. W. McMaster and Rev. R. M. Dickey.

Alexander C. Beasley left an estate valued at \$35,194.41, and among the bequests are \$20 each to the Home of the Friendless, St. Peter's Home, and the Babie Dispensary.

In the event of the railway board handing down a ruling favorable to day-council will meet on Wednesday evening to proclaim the new time until the end of August. The majority of the council are opposed to the term extending to October 1, as was the case last year. An estate valued at \$11,158 is disposed of in the will of the late George Swain. There is \$25,420.66 life insurance. Three grandsons and a grand-daughter are left.

The "Hall of Lucifer" was the subject of an address delivered by Rev. Shields, D.D., of Toronto, in James Street Baptist Church, tonight.

President C. W. Heming and the executive of the West End G.W.V.A. will likely sever their connections with that organization and an investigation will be made into its affairs. The World was informed tonight.

IN THE MATTER OF CERTAIN CHARGES AS TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE Ontario Temperance Act Preferred in the Ontario Legislature and Elsewhere; IN THE MATTER OF CERTAIN CHARGES AS TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE Ontario Temperance Act Preferred in the Ontario Legislature and Elsewhere; IN THE MATTER OF CERTAIN CHARGES AS TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE Ontario Temperance Act Preferred in the Ontario Legislature and Elsewhere;

TAKE NOTICE that Sir William Ralph Meredith, Knight, Chief Justice of Ontario, the Commissioner appointed by the above mentioned Commission, has appointed Friday the 4th day of April, 1919, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon (daylight saving time) at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, for his first public sitting as Commissioner. Let all interested parties then attend. Dated Toronto, the 2nd day of April, 1919.

YORK. WATER MAIN BILL GIVES AUTONOMY

On Matters Affecting Extensions and Crossing of Vacant Streets.

York township council presented drafts of three bills to a committee of the Ontario house yesterday, two of which were passed. The first effected the proposed water main extensions and will give the council authority to lay water mains across streets not built up in order to supply other streets. Previously the council had to refer certain matters pertaining to the laying of water mains to the township board.

A bill giving authority to incorporate the town of York will be revised and presented again on Thursday. Under the terms of the present bill, the ratepayers of the township would have to be taken within three months after the date of the passing of that bill. It is not the intention of the council to do more at present than to give permission to incorporate the town until the people are ready for it.

A report was also submitted by the deputation which was presented at the ratepayers' meeting regarding a belt line route for Bloor and Broadview.

HOUSE GUTTED BY FIRE. At 11 o'clock yesterday morning the completely destroyed a house situated on the 7th concession of York.

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WESTON. TOWN SELLS DEBENTURES. Twenty tenders for the \$50,000 debentures to be issued by the town of Weston, were marked at a public meeting of the council and the offer of \$52,000 by the Kenilworth Company was accepted.

DANGER FROM GRASS FIRES. The weather conditions of last fall and of the winter have this spring left many fields all over the province covered with long and thick grass, which is ready to flash into flame from the first spark. What with the prevailing winds the danger of grass fires is being unusually great.

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2,700,000 French Troops Are Already Demobilized. Paris, April 1.—French troops to the number of 2,700,000 will have been demobilized by April 5, according to L'Heure. This leaves 2,100,000 still under arms in the French army.

YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS

RIVERDALE RATEPAYERS WANT BLOOR-BELT LINE

Hubbard Suggests Alternative Route Up Broadview Down Cambridge.

HIGH BUTTER PRICES Residents Contemplate Sending Deputation to Food Controller.

The unpaved condition of Arundel avenue; unsatisfactory collection and delivery of mail matter; lack of school accommodation, and the high cost of butter, were some of the many live questions discussed at the regular monthly meeting of North Riverdale Ratepayers' Association, held in Frankland School, Logan avenue, last night.

That the civic authorities be asked to place a sidewalk on the north side of Danforth avenue, between Donlands and Greenwood avenues. And also: That the deputy postmaster be requested to remedy the unsatisfactory mail collections and deliveries in the Danforth and Riverdale districts.

DEPARTMENT OF LICENCES. A communication from J. J. Allen, stating that the new Danforth theatre premises, also a communication from E. Deavenport, issuer of licenses, read that should an application be made for a billiard room in the district, the application will be notified by the department.

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Will Ask Toronto and York Radial for Equitable Settlement.

EARLSCOURT G.W.V.A. BOX SOCIAL GIVES SCOPE TO ARTISTS

Over fifty dollars were collected at the box social held at the G. W. V. A. headquarters last night at Belmont Hall, West St. Clair avenue.

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JURY BLAMED DRIVER IN DEATH FROM MOTOR

The jury at the morgue last night in their verdict, found that Thomas Longridge, 206 Brunswick avenue, came to his death as the result of being run down by a motor truck driven by Max Halpern.

DIAMONDS CASE OR CREDIT

Up to date 65,000 cubic yards of earth from the Ridout and Keele street ridge have been thrown into Catfish pond.

MAJOR ASKS RAILWAY BOARD TO HEAR DAYLIGHT DEPUTATION

Mayor Church has written Sir Henry Drayton, chairman of the railway board, protesting against interference with the railway daylight saving measures.

THE DAY AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, April 1.—The Liberals are to hold a national convention in the city of Ottawa on Aug. 5, 6 and 7. Thus the Liberals implement the pledge given to the country not long ago by Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Another way, if there is a fight on the tariff will-Quebec divide? If the Liberal party has the courage to become a free trade party, it may achieve a sensational success.

The tariff issue still the rock ahead. The government shivers on the brink of a budget speech that may lead to disruption.

Little of interest transpired in the house today. Shortly before the dinner recess the house went into committee of supply on Hon. N. Rowell's estimates, and the proceedings were as sprightly as a cold water banquet.

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