

CLIMAX REACHED; MEN ON HOLIDAY

Refuse to Go to Work Monday Under Commissioner Wilson.

STANDS ON HIS RIGHTS

Official Says Employes Have Been Led by Old Trouble-Maker.

A climax in the trouble with the street cleaners and garbage men was reached Saturday morning when the following letter was sent to Mayor Church:

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Wee, the committee appointed by the street cleaners department to place in your hand the decision of the men arrived at in placing before them the refusal of the board of control and city council to give them justice, inform you that (and it is with a great deal of reluctance we do so) the men have unanimously decided to refuse to work under Commissioner George Wilson after this (Saturday) evening at 6 o'clock.

The men agreed to leave the city clean for Sunday, but after that they will not receive any orders issued by Commissioner Wilson.

The men wish to say that they realize that the fault is not yours, as you have endeavored in every way to avert their decision, and they appreciate your efforts.

We remain respectfully yours, (Signed) C. J. Mitchell.

On behalf of the street cleaning department.

The mayor Saturday morning stated that he did not know anything about a strike, but when informed that the men had decided to go out on strike maintained that the board of control will deal with the matter at its next meeting. "It is not a matter for this office," he said. "The men have some rights, and when they come down they had a right to be heard."

"The city is not in the habit of having any trouble with its men. A little tact on the part of everybody would be a good thing. The men are not dictating as to how the city shall be run. Nobody has ever dictated to me in any shape, manner or form. I have never been influenced by anybody in making appointments, and we have made the appointments of the heads of several large departments. The lowest paid men in the city's service have rights as well as ourselves."

Commissioner's Statement.

Commissioner George Wilson, under whom the men refuse to serve after 6 o'clock Saturday, made the following statement:

"I stand absolutely on my rights to administer the affairs of my department. As a body, and it is almost the great majority of the men in my department are willing to go ahead quietly and attend to their work. They have been led into this by a man who was disappointed because he was not promoted to the post of foreman and by a man who has always given trouble to the department."

"These two men," he added, "are in turn being used by a government employee who is attempting to interfere with the administration of the department. The men are being deluded by a would-be boss who wants to use the city hall for his own base purposes. The attack is not only upon me; it is an attack on the heads of all the departments."

In conclusion, he said: "The question is—Are the citizens going to allow the gum shoe business at the city hall?"

It is estimated that the strike—or as the men themselves have called it, a "holiday"—will affect about 614 men, classed as follows: Drivers 162, Extra drivers 129, Cleaners 222, Hired carts 105.

A special meeting of the committee representing the men was held Saturday afternoon in the Victoria Hall, when the question of placing pickets, was decided. The general plan for action will also be outlined. The committee is composed of the following: Messrs. W. Kennedy, chairman; C. J. Mitchell, secretary; T. Black, C. Willie, R. Whiteley, F. V. Sheppard, C. Lamey, S. Luck, S. McMurray, M. Lester, W. Robson, and J. Lawrence.

"We are not going on strike," declared Secretary Mitchell, when asked by a reporter from The World. "We simply refuse to work under Commissioner Wilson, and absolutely refuse to go back until he has been removed."

Mr. Mitchell also wished to contradict a statement that appeared in The Telegram on Saturday, in which it was stated that Mr. Wilson removed a small Union Jack from a garbage truck, placed there by the men, and decorated, and the men resented this action and threatened to strike if Mr. Wilson were not dismissed from office. "No such orders had been received from Mr. Wilson," declared Mr. Mitchell, "until after the flag incident on September 17. As a matter of fact, on Friday last Commissioner Wilson issued orders thru the same man, J. Lawrence, to have the flags removed from his trucks, and the order was obeyed."

A special meeting of the men's committee was held in Victoria Hall, Saturday afternoon, when final arrangements were made for the prosecution of their demands. It was agreed that the stable men be allowed to stop on the job and look after the horses. They will assist in unloading the fodder. Also that all night watchmen will stay on their jobs in order to protect the animals that may be about and might prove a menace to health. It was emphatically stated that with this exception nothing else will be collected.

Will Place Pickets.

In order to protect themselves from probable strike-breakers, it was decided to place pickets at the following yards: East End, West End, Yorkville, Davierville, Lansdowne, Dufferin and the Junction.

C. J. Mitchell, the secretary of the special committee, when asked what steps will be taken should the commissioner bring in strike-breakers, would give no statement, simply saying that they rely upon Toronto to be patriotic enough for its citizens to see that this is not allowed. At each stable pickets of eight men will be

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placed first thing Monday morning should it be thought necessary. The matter of strike pay was also discussed, but on this matter Mr. Mitchell also refused to say a word, but it was intimated that there is enough money on hand to carry the men over. At the meeting it was also decided to send a statement to each individual alderman and member of the board of control, and they were forwarded by special delivery on Saturday.

Denies Interference.

The statement that appeared in the Saturday evening papers to the effect that Mr. Wilson stated that some of the men are being used by a government employee who is attempting to interfere in the administration of the department, was emphatically denied by W. D. Kennedy, the chairman of the meeting. "We wish to emphatically deny that any outside man has anything to do with our decision," he stated. "It is a matter that is being fought by our own men and them alone. We also contradict the statement of Mr. Wilson that this is an attempt to introduce 'boss rule' in the city hall. We have made no attempt to do this, and do not intend to do so. Neither do we wish to interfere with any other department. If our department was run in the same manner as others there would never have been any kick. It is purely a fight by our men for their own rights, and the men are absolutely united and will stand fast by one another until they win."

It was stated that in the event of a settlement being arrived at any moment the committee will in close touch with the men, and it will be possible within half an hour to get 500 men out.

J. Mitchell and W. D. Kennedy are established at the men's headquarters in Victoria Hall, where all the business in connection with the strike will be transacted, but the men anticipate a long-drawn-out fight, as they are of the opinion that some action will be taken.

Burns the Garbage.

It is understood that should the worst come Mr. Wilson will probably ask the citizens to burn their garbage for the time being, as this will help to some extent. Mr. Wilson himself was unable to say why a faction will be taken to fill the places of the men who quit on Saturday, but according to a statement made by one of the men themselves, it will be impossible to get men to fill the places, as it is claimed there has been about a 40 per cent. shortage in man power for some time past. The men are making any complaint in regard to their pay or the hours they work.

At the present time they receive a wage of \$18 per week, a half day off per week, sick pay for a period of one month in the year, compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act, an annual vacation of two weeks and work nine hours a day. According to the men themselves, they are striking because the commissioner has made their lives a misery and their work a slavery.

Regarding the possibility of the people being asked to burn their garbage it was stated that there is a law against this. When questioned the city solicitor said that he knew of such, but the public health regulations prohibit the keeping of material on the premises dangerous to public health, and the M.O.H. has given the opinion that in garbage there is no danger whatever from a health standpoint, as the danger comes from the breeding in it of flies, which disseminate diseases, which, of course, would not apply in cold weather.

KINGSTON'S FIRST SEMI-READY STORE.

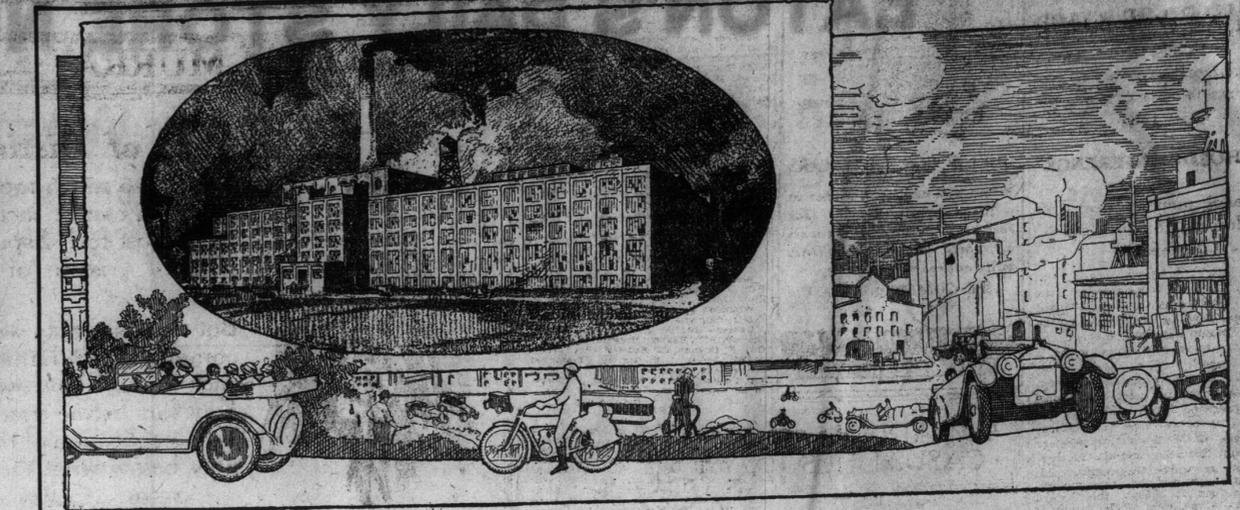
Kingston has to have its first real semi-ready store. David J. Will of Huntington is opening a new store on Princess street. Every garment in his store will be a genuine semi-ready with the price label in the pocket.

It has been demonstrated that men's fashion shops, selling only these high-class goods, can be profitably maintained in other than the largest cities. The margin between cost and the label price in the pocket is so small that many merchants are prejudiced against semi-ready clothes and say they cannot handle them unless they are also allowed to sell clothes that do not bear the maker's price label. In all the twenty years of semi-ready tailoring no merchant in Kingston could see the profit of featuring the best clothes.

Returned Men Were Treated To Motor Trip to Hamilton

Nineteen amputation cases from the Davierville and College street military hospitals were yesterday treated in the shape of a motor car trip from Toronto to Hamilton, where they were received by Mayor Booker of that city, who stated in his little address of welcome that he thought that this was one of the most ideal ways of entertaining the returned men. Dinner was then served for them at the Royal Ontario Hotel, where they received a great reception, everything being done for their comfort.

The cars belonged to George Lawrence, Albert Lawrence, Robert Lawrence and G. Kelly, who were enthusiastic as to the success of the day's outing.



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SPADINA HEIGHTS SCHOOL EXHIBITION

Creditable Showing of Vegetables and Flowers Grown by Pupils.

Friday afternoon a very successful exhibit of vegetables and flowers was held in the Spadina Heights Public School (section 30, York Township) buildings, and was attended by a large number of the parents and relatives of the children competing. W. Lowrey, chairman of the school board, presided and distributed the prizes as follows:

Beets, Leslie Garland; carrots, Hilda Davis; onions (two), Alma Smith; parsnips, Harold Glover; Maud Lips; cabbages, Harold Glover; potatoes, Frank Burnham; cucumbers, Hilda Davis; tomatoes, Hilda Davis; corn, Willie Tempest; squash, Alice Foster; vegetable marrow, Harold Glover. Special prize for best collection, Harold Glover.

The prizes consisted of a watch, fountain pen, knives, games, etc. The school buildings have received a thorough painting outside, and the grounds are being leveled and laid out by a competent landscape gardener, the aim of the trustees being to make the school a credit to the township both as to the teaching and the surroundings.

Red Cross Contributions

Brig-General James Mason, honorary treasurer of the Canadian Red Cross Society, reports that since the last public acknowledgment the following contributions to the fund of the society have been received, amounting to \$8,153.87:

Table listing Red Cross contributions from various locations including Lakefield, Milton, Niagara Falls, etc., with amounts.

TUG FOUNDERED NEAR VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, Sept. 28. — The Vancouver tug Alford has been considered in Agassagot Channel, one of the entrances to Jervis Inlet according to news which reached the city today. The tug was towing a boom of logs when it is presumed she ran on a reef. All hands are reported safe.

WILL NOT GIVE HELP.

Edmonton, Sept. 28. — That the Dominion Government take over the responsibility for raising the Patriotic Fund, and that no action be taken in the meeting towards next year's fund was the decision of the board of management of the North Alberta Fund at the semi-annual meeting yesterday.

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