

MEDIATION IN WINNIPEG FAILS

SITUATION IS TAKING BAD TURN AT WINNIPEG

Nerves of Both Sides on Edge After 5 Weeks Disagreement.

CITIZENS URGE CALLING OUT OF MILITIA WINNIPEG MAN, June 14.—"We are all ready for rioters this afternoon," remarked a prominent business man today, who has been spending several days at Fort Osborne with several hundred other members of the militia enlisted to guard property in case serious rioting should break out. But the new police were not put in uniform and nothing was therefore present to aggravate the crowd of strikers and their sympathizers.

This man went on to state that machine guns are mounted on trucks in the barracks ready to proceed and fully manned by tried officers from the front. He placed all returned soldiers who are in sympathy with strikers as "Hoboes" and as those who had no permanent occupation before war and coming back "think we are caring of button who gave them the privilege to boss the job."

"Call out the military," is heard on every hand. It is the old story from down the ages. But would it have the effects anticipated? "If machine guns are turned on us, we will face them," one returned man said tonight. "We faced them over in France, with bare fists on many occasions and we can do it here!" he declared.

Many of the striking soldiers hint at a supply of bombs that have been stored away and they are no doubt adept at throwing such weapons if they have any. "It is not hard to make a supply right in Winnipeg," one said.

In front of the city hall, although the council ordered the seats for returned soldiers taken away, one hears this kind of talk continually and not by braggers but by men who know the seriousness of their words. On these seats great crowds would sit all day long and "Boo" all rage on which non-union drivers were seated. This had a tendency to gather the hostile elements and after mayor's proclamation against crowds the seats were taken away.

So Winnipeg awaits with fear action from one side or the other—the act that will precipitate slaughter, or the appearance of a new police force. Nothing will satiate that is known as the better element of the city but bloodshed. The fifth week of the strike is getting on the nerves of everyone and action are heard from all sides for action by the military.

There are four large barracks in the city, Fort Osborne, near the Parliament buildings, Minto barracks, at the new half of the million-dollar structure of the old exhibition building, where mounted men are held, and the McGregor street barracks, in the heart of the foreign district, in the northwestern part of the city and where machine guns face the front line officers.

Winnipeg's army of civilians and returned men, of whom spend two nights a week in the barracks, 300 mounted police, 100 Fort Garry horse.

part of whose barracks was burned a week ago, and 3,600 special police. There are forty-five squads of machine gunners.

One returned man said that the shooting of any returned men on either side would be the signal for an uprising in Canada.

In the meantime Chief Newton is going ahead with the organization of the new police force.



The above cartoon was drawn by a young man of this city, Mr. Don Cameron. The idea and the sketch shows the ingenuity of this coming artist. Mr. Cameron has sketched numerous ideas and all are a credit to himself. Among features of his sketches are those depicting the humorous side and the difficulties of the aviator. He himself has had experience in the air and he makes good use of this experience when he handles the pencil.

480 INCREASE IN TWO WARDS

Population Well Over 20,000 The returns of the population in the North Ward have been approximately summed up. Assessor M. Reidel states that the population of that ward is 4406 as compared to 4122 last year. This is an increase of 284 for the year in this end of the city.

The increase in the centre ward as estimated at present and as stated in the Record some weeks ago is 196. This makes a total approximate increase of 480 in the two wards. Adding this increase to the city's population last year the total of 20,247 is arrived at. Three wards have still to be heard from. So it is certain that there are well over 20,000 souls in the city. Rather it would seem that the figures next September when Assessment Commissioner Huengard makes his final returns for the whole city will show that the number of people in the city is nearer the next number in thousands, namely, 21,000 or 20,000.

However, not much is expected in the way of increases in two of the other wards. The South and East, of course will show a slight gain but it will not be near the figures in the north ward. In the West, Mr. Reidel expects some increase but also not as big a one as in the north although it will probably be bigger than the figures in the east and south.

The new houses in the West Ward which were erected by the Dominion Tire Company and which have all been filled will cause an increase. Mr. Reidel again said this morning that there are many places in the city where friends are being accommodated in private homes, whereas last year these homes had no friends staying with them. This accounts for the increase. Were it not that so many private homes took in friends as boarders there would not be the increase in the north and centre wards.

The scarcity of houses, of course, prevents many married men from removing their families here.

roundtable conference some years ago. I believe the tariff would be reduced and there would not be the friction that exists at present."

He issued this "warning" because he wanted to see a united Canada. "I am told the farmers of the west are unreasonable," he said. "If any one goes to the west he will hear the opinion that the manufacturers of the east are extremists. They may be extremists in both places but I do not think the farmers should be bearing the 'burdens'."

Huron County Wants Radials

DEPUTATION FROM COUNCIL INTERVIEWS SIR ADAM Goderich, June 13.—A committee of the Huron County Council waited on Sir Adam Beek yesterday regarding better hydro-radial railway facilities for the county. The delegation were the warden, J.N. Campbell, reeve of East Wawanosh, chairman, John Laporte, reeve of Bay, and Messrs. Dr. W.F. Clark, deputy reeve of Goderich; J.P. Dalton reeve of Ashfield; Gordon Young, reeve of Colborne; W.D. Sanders, reeve of Stephen; R.M. Elliot, reeve of Stanley; A.E. Erwin, reeve of Bayfield, and County Clerk G.W. Hollman.

The deputation was received by Sir Adam Beek and Chief Engineer Gab in the board room of the hydro power commission building. The proceedings were quite informal and conducted in a conversational question and answer style, with the exception of the opening remarks made by the chairman.

Will Be Considered. The deputation was told by Sir Adam that during the war the commission had refrained from extensive operations, but that the whole question of hydro-radial development would have to be gone into in the near future, and that when that time came Huron's needs would be fully considered and receive attention.

Much work of a data collecting nature and of surveys had been done already in the county which would serve as guides for the actions of the commission in carrying out future development work. Sir Adam dwelt on the great work and the splendid financial results accomplished through the electrifying of the Port Stanley road and predicted similar results from work done along the same line in Huron.

Mrs. Mann, wife of the manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia at River Herbert, N.S., was found dead in bed.

Bianche Gravelle, a 17-year-old Ottawa girl, made her escape from the Police Court while waiting for trial.

H.J. Habgood, Niagara Falls, has a quarter of an acre of fall wheat which he thinks is ready to cut.

FOCH HAS ISSUED AN ULTIMATUM

REGARDING POLISH TROOPS COBLENZ, June 14.—An ultimatum, demanding the immediate continuation of the movement of Polish troops across Germany has been sent to the German government by Marshal Foch, according to dispatches received here from the Spa.

Orders were issued at Berlin several days ago to hold up Polish trooptrains. One was held at Coblenz, another at Treves, two at Ems and eight in the interior of Germany.

The transfer of Polish troops from France to Poland began about six weeks ago and was due to be completed on June 17. Berlin dispatches received on Friday night stated that Mathias Erzberger, Chairman of German Armistice Commission at Spa, had written General Dupont, chief of French mission in Berlin, declaring that Poland intended to distribute two divisions of General Haller's troops along the frontier.

It was said that Erzberger had protested that this was opposed to the terms of the armistice and that unless Poland abandoned her purpose Germany would be compelled to suspend the movement of the Polish army across Germany.

TORONTO POLICE AND ITS CHARTER

MEMBERS CRITICISE HEARST TORONTO, June 14.—At meetings of the Toronto police union, dissatisfaction over the failure of the Premier to make a clearer and more definite statement of the interpretation of the royal commission, which inquired into police affairs, was expressed. At the last meeting to interview Premier Hearst, he reported that the finding of the commission, insofar as it effects the charter of the trades and labor congress, did not definitely order the relinquishing of the charter.

Just what action will be taken in connection with it is uncertain. A member of the union states: "If we do decide to relinquish the charter, it will be under protest."

Grocers Deny They Make Large Profits

CLAIM THEY CANNOT PURCHASE MANY ARTICLES DIRECT Ottawa, June 13.—Several Toronto retail grocers who gave evidence this afternoon before the special committee of the Commons, on the cost of living, agreed in stating that, while their profits are not large, they were before the war, the manufacturers and wholesalers still continue to make good profits. They complained because they cannot purchase certain articles direct from the manufacturers as they were permitted to do a few years ago. This, they said, was due to the fact that the grocers' guild had put on the screws and would not allow the manufacturers to sell direct to the retail trade.

Mr. Clarke who told the committee that he employs a staff of ten, asserted that during the last three years he had not been able to carry on business at a profit because of the high cost of carrying on business. A few years ago, when the prices were lower, it had been possible to make money, but conditions had changed.

Mr. Burns, a Dundas street grocer, told the committee that it had not been possible to buy canned goods from independent packers during the last two or three years because they sell direct to the wholesalers.

Hon. W. S. Fielding asked what the effect would be if the duty was taken off canned goods.

"Prices would be lower," the witness replied. One witness went over a list of Toronto prices for February, furnished by the department of labor, and declared in almost every instance that they were lower than dealers were compelled to charge the public at the time in order to make a living.

Stewart Harris, a Toronto retail butcher, who has gone into the "cash and carry" business, said that prior to his doing so it cost him from 14 to 15 per cent to do business, and now it cost from eight to nine per cent, a saving of practically six per cent. He said he made less money than before the war, because the public were not buying so much. He did not have as large a turnover.

Mr. Harris told the committee he gave credit to the extent of \$700 a month. In 11 years he had not had more than \$400 loss. Most of them were workmen.

"I would rather do business," he said, "when the prices were 10 to 12 cents wholesale and 20 to 25 cents retail."

Mr. Harris testified that there was real competition between the packers to get his orders. Their salesmen came round some days and quoted special prices on certain lines. He was free to buy where he liked.

Fort William policemen have been granted a 10 per cent increase.

ANOTHER PROFESSOR HAS RESIGNED

DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING QUILTS TORONTO, June 14.—Following upon the resignation of several other prominent and capable officials of the D.S.C.R., comes the announcement of that of Professor H. E. T. Hamilton, director of vocational training at D unit.

While Professor Hamilton has so far declined to discuss the reasons for his resignation, it is felt that he has intended from the first to hold the position only until his branch was working smoothly. He holds the view, common to many, that the department should be manned insofar as possible by returned soldiers.

LAST CHANCE OF SETTLEMENT GONE SAYS MR. WARK

IN CONNECTION WITH WINNIPEG STRIKE (Special to The Record) WINNIPEG, Man., June 14.—"The last chance of successful mediation in the strike was shattered to-night," declared George K. Wark, vice-president of the brotherhood of locomotive firemen and engineers, at eleven fifteen to-day, after a long conference with Senator Robertson, Minister of Labor.

"This morning we had some hope of negotiations resuming but now everything is off and we know we have failed in our efforts to bring the two sides together."

TORONTO CARMEN SEEM TO FAVOR

A BOARD OF CONCILIATION (Special to The Record) TORONTO, June 14.—Interest in the labor situation heightens at the approach of the mass meeting of Toronto street railway employees to-night, when they will vote on the offer of the Toronto Railway Company to arbitrate the demands in the men's agreement.

If the men agree to a conciliation board, Toronto will be spared the inconvenience of a streetcar strike on Monday morning.

There is considerable opinion among the street railwaymen themselves that the majority of the employees are favorable to a conciliation board.

POTATO BLIGHT IS AGAIN HERE

It is Reported that It has been Discovered The potato blight which did so much damage two years ago and which appeared in some places last year has again made its appearance. It is reported that it has been discovered on potato stalks which have attained a height of 6 to 8 inches. Little brown spots are indications of it. Among districts where it is reported to have appeared is Doon, G.T.R. Agent Harris this morning said he had found the plague had got a start on his potato-stalks in previous years the plague attacked the later varieties.

Mr. Harris urges immediate examination of potato stalks by growers. If the blight is discovered and attended to in time he points out it can be checked.

It might be said that one of the best mixtures that has been recommended by the O.A.C. at Guelph is Bordeaux mixture.

RETURNED FROM THE CONVENTION

Waterworks Convention in Buffalo. Reviewing the proceedings at the annual meeting of the American Waterworks Association which was held in Buffalo this week and from which he has returned, Mr. H. Hymmen, superintendent of the local waterworks plant said the convention this year measured up to the meeting in previous years. The attendance was up to the mark of preceding years. Valuable addresses were delivered and papers read.

One of the features of the convention this year was the reading of a paper on the remarkable waterworks system at the front overseas. "It was given" with permission of the American military department by one of the American engineers who was overseas. It was found very interesting and instructive. The meeting this year was well attended. They were courteously received by the municipal lights of Buffalo and were shown about the waterworks system in that city. Buffalo gets its water 6,600 feet out in the lake. Objection is used and the city is thinking about installing a filtration system.

Next year the convention will be held in Montreal. Others who attended the convention were Chairman J.C. Brethaupt and Commissioner Gies and Manager C.W. Schiedel of Waterloo.

The Canadian National Railway Co. are constructing a five-stall addition to the Port Arthur roundhouse.

HAVE RETURNED FROM SIBERIA

SRGT. DEVITT AND PTE. HAHN ARRIVED LAST NIGHT Two Waterloo Boys Served. Stanley Devitt and Pte. Melvin Hahn who have been in Siberia the past few months were accorded a most hearty welcome home last night by the reception Committee and friends and relatives.

In conversation with Sgt. Devitt this morning he said the trip home on the Empress of Russia was a fine one being in marked contrast to the trip out. He left for Vancouver on Dec. 26th, 1918 and on reaching Edmonton he was welcomed like a lot of others of the Company to-day over due to an attack of the flu. However he was only delayed a few days and on the 16th of January he arrived at Vladivostok and until their return home was stationed within a few miles of that city. A few days after his arrival in Siberia Pte. Hahn landed and both boys have been together ever since. Weather conditions were ideal in Russia and the boys did not get into many serious disturbances.

Last Sunday they arrived in Toronto and they did not receive their discharge papers until yesterday. Both boys look fine and are receiving the congratulations of their many friends on their safe return home.

WAS WITH THE U. S. TRANSPORTS

Lt. Ivan Eby is Visiting Here The Guest of Relatives "Hawaii appeals to me more than any other country" Lieutenant Ivan Eby said to the Record when he was asked which of the many countries he had visited during the course of his work as a chief engineer with the American merchant marine appealed most to him. Lt. Eby is at present visiting with his mother, Mrs. Marie Eby and his brother, Mr. Clayton Eby of this city who reside near Centreville. He has just finished his service with the American transport service between the United States and France.

Lt. Eby has resided in the United States for over ten years. He has been here but infrequently. His headquarters up to the period of enlistment with the American navy in December 1917 were at San Francisco, where he came and went with the merchant marine. During the latter months of the war he was with the American transport service being on ships which carried troops to and from Norfolk, Virginia, at Brest and St. Vazire, France. As he is to whether there are still many troops in France, he replied that the majority of the American troops have been transported back to this country, especially the reservists. The regulars are now being sent over with the army of occupation. He himself had difficulty in getting out of service. His efforts to secure his discharge were first made last November and finally he has been successful.

Previous to enlisting with the merchant marine, the routes of his ships on which he has been engaged included San Francisco and China, Australia, Alaska and South America and others including the well-known islands in the Pacific waters.

As stated above the country which appealed to him most in Hawaii. The climate, surroundings and general cleanliness in the country is favorable he said. Lt. Eby in fact would not mind residing down there permanently. As to the people there are all civilized races. There are many whites today. The original Hawaiian race has practically died out and Japanese have come in to work on the plantations. The supervision is under the whites principally in this country. Sugar-cane and pine apples are two of the principal products grown there.

Lt. Eby will remain here for some weeks and then return across to Europe. He hopes to join the merchant marine again.

Mrs. J. Tanner, Aylmer, injured her shoulder when she fell down the cellar stairs.

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