

LOCAL RAILWAYMEN EXPECT STRIKE TO BE ARBITRATED NOW

Do Not Look for American
Workers to Go Out.

WOULD HIT CITY HARD

Volume of International Busi-
ness Such That Many
Would Be Laid Off.

Because of the fact that Canadian railwaymen are not directly affected in the general railway strike that seems to imminent in the United States, the local members of the different railway unions know that the American situation is other than that which appears in the daily papers. Naturally the railway workers on all Canadian lines are deeply interested in the situation that has developed across the border and the progress of the arbitration proceedings are being keenly watched in this city.

Recently speaking, the consensus of opinion expressed by union men and railway officials both is that the strike will never be called, but that the intervention of President Woodrow Wilson of the United States will be successful.

While it is freely admitted that the allied nations would suffer were a strike declared, the union men here claim that German influence has absolutely nothing to do with the strike situation across the line. They claim that the development of the strike is by no means a new issue but rather a gradual fight for better working conditions that has now come to a head.

Locally the situation attracts more interest than at possibly any other Canadian point. London is on what might well be termed an international highway. Through freight bills from American points in the west to American points in the east, comes through an immense volume. More American tonnage passes through this city than any other Canadian railway centre save those on the immediate border, and the effect on local business as well as on the city is great.

Should the strike be declared in the United States it means the calling out of 3,000,000 railway employees and the practical closing up of all traffic east of Chicago. It would completely tie up the international freight that passes through the Sarnia, Windsor and Black Rock railways into the United States. As all these freight "mortals" contribute to the volume of American business going through the London yards, particularly of the Grand Trunk, the decrease in volume of freight will naturally throw many local crews out of employment.

Freight conditions in Ontario are good now, and the fact that an embargo had to be placed on the export of goods by the Grand Trunk is a striking example of this. But nevertheless the Canadian freight business alone would hardly be sufficient to keep the roads running to their present capacity. It is claimed, and the consequent local effect of a strike would be heavily felt in London and in the entire London-Sarnia-Buffalo freight division.

CYCLIST OFFICER STARTS RECRUITING CAMPAIGN

Hopes to Get 30 Men For His Platoon
at Once.

Lieut. J. W. McVie, newly-appointed officer of the 1st platoon to be raised in this district, is now in the city and is endeavoring to secure the 30 recruits necessary for the platoon. Those who intend to go to Niagara Camp, where the cyclist training depot is established, and will not go to Camp Borden.

The best type of men will be required for the platoon, and it is preferred that they be fairly young and active. They should also have some knowledge of cycling, although this is not absolutely necessary to qualify. Good mechanics are required, and at least two men thoroughly familiar with motorcycles and repair work are wanted.

Those who join the platoon first will, of course, have the opportunity to become non-coms, although they must qualify for the positions by their work, and not by the length of time they have been in the platoon. If a number are signed up soon enough it is probable that two at least will have an opportunity of gaining with the bayonet fighting and physical training class which is to start shortly.

The work of the cyclist is probably the most exciting of any branch of the service. They are not attached to any battalion, but work with a division. The first work will be training carrying for officers, commanding regiments and units, but some A. S. C. work will also be involved. All the medical qualifications are practically the same, and although the cyclist is not much heavier than for infantry units, men with keen sight are preferred.

At present recruits for the platoon are being accepted by Capt. Irvine at the recruiting office in the armory.

BATTALIONS CHANGING CAMPING LOCATIONS

3rd Moves to Coves Tomorrow—All
to Go to Carling Camp Later.

Tomorrow the 11th Battalion returns to its camp on Carling Heights, and the 15th Battalion moves to the Cove Camp to start its musketry course.

Following the 15th, the 16th goes to the Cove.

The three local battalions will be located on Carling Heights as soon as arrangements can be completed for their removal from their present camps.

The large W. A. C. Camp, Ontario, which was removed to Carling Heights about two weeks ago, is being replaced by another, and will be ready in a few days for the work which will recommence as soon as the men are located in Carling Heights.

STILL "UNOFFICIAL"

Listing of Capt. Lattimer as Prisoner
of War Not Yet Official.

Another message from the department of militia and defence announces that Capt. J. R. Lattimer, Mounted Rifles, is listed, "unofficially," as a prisoner of war at Stutgart, Germany. He was received today by Capt. Lattimer's brother who resides at 15 Cove road.

A number of messages have come through announcing the unofficial listing of Capt. Lattimer, but he is not yet placed in the official list of prisoners, although his mother and sister in this city, have received word from him that he is in a German prison camp.

CITY BREVITIES

MEETING CALLED OFF.—There will be no meeting of the board of works tonight, the session having been called off. There was little business to be transacted.

COURT OF REVISION TONIGHT.—The court of revision sits at the city hall at 7:30 o'clock tonight to make revisions of the voters' list of No. 5 ward.

CLAIMING \$174.—Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons, acting for F. J. Jackson, today issued a writ against Henry Schaefer claiming \$174.67 as the price of goods sold and delivered by the plaintiff to the defendant.

GOES THROUGH CITY.—U. E. Gillen, general superintendent of western lines, passed through the city at 12:30 on route to Montreal from Detroit. His official car, No. 2901, was attached to regular train No. 6.

PARACHUTE DROPS.—The balloon ascensions at Springfield Park take place at 8 o'clock sharp each evening. On Wednesday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. The crowd drop is an exciting event, and crowds are interested in the thrilling drop every night.

MOVES TO BASE LINE.—E. J. Taylor, brother of Israel and S. L. Taylor of this city, arrived in London with his family on Saturday last from Minnesota, Minn., and will reside on the Base Line, having bought the new home recently owned by Mr. Roux.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL.—An ice cream social was held Monday evening at the Sunday school church under the auspices of the church. A large crowd was present, and the young men made a substantial sum for the building fund. The church will have a social on Wednesday evening, and an opening address was given by W. H. Fike, teacher of the young men's class, and he thanked the large crowd for showing its kind interest by coming in such large numbers. A solo by Mrs. J. H. Talbot, a reading by Mrs. Wingerd, solo by P. H. Phillips and an instrumental by Mrs. F. Grey made up an excellent program.

WHEABLE—McCRAE.

One of the prettiest weddings witnessed of the year took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock in Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church, when Helen Campbell, youngest daughter of Ray Dr. D. L. and Mrs. McCrae of this city was united in marriage to Lieut. G. A. Wheable of the 12th Battalion. The time of his enlistment vice-principal of the Chesley avenue school.

The willing hands of a bevy of friends of the bride had beautified the church with quantities of golden flowers and greenery, banking the choir gallery and altar with golden red, golden glow, palms and ferns, and arranging a charming setting for the event.

Dr. McCrae, minister of the church, and father of the bride, officiated, assisted by Rev. J. D. McCreary, and Crac, A. S. Stein officiating at the organ.

The bride, who was given away by her brother, G. L. McCrae of Montreal, was girlish and lovely in robe of ivory duchesse satin, with which she wore the conventional veil, draped and carried a wreath of orange blossoms, orchids and lilies of the valley.

Miss Dorothy Harrison, a bride-elect, dressed in white, with a picture hat.

Lieut. Harold Paul of the 12th Battalion, performed the duties of groomsmen. Following the service, a small reception was held at the manse, when relatives and a few intimate friends were afforded an opportunity of congratulating the happy young couple.

Perms and gladiolus in profusion added to the attraction of the drawing-room, where Mrs. McCrae received, and also the dining-room, in which afternoon tea was served. Lieut. and Mrs. Wheable are leaving for a honeymoon trip up the lakes, after which the groom will rejoin his battalion, the bride remaining in London.

For traveling, the bride donned a smart suit of navy gabardine and white satin hat.

Attending the wedding were the bride's sister, Mrs. Andrew Murray of Westminster, with Mr. Murray; a brother, A. L. McCrae, of Montreal, and a cousin, Miss Shiralee of Toronto.

DENNIS—MCQUADE.—A very quiet wedding was solemnized this morning at 8 o'clock in St. Mary's Church, when Peter Dennis was united in marriage to Miss Mary McQuade.

Father Kennedy performed the ceremony, and the happy couple left for their honeymoon trip.

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GETS FOUR MONTHS

Ripley Man With Record Sent to Reformatory.

John Macdonald of Ripley, convicted two weeks ago of the theft of a suitcase from his roommate, was sentenced by Magistrate Judd in police court this morning to four months in the Ontario Reformatory.

At the time of his trial Macdonald pleaded that he was drunk and didn't realize that he committed a crime.

The records of the criminal justice department at Toronto showed that Macdonald had spent six months in the reformatory in 1914, having been sentenced from Berlin on the charge of vagrancy.

At Paris last year he was arrested on the same charge and sentence suspended.

The chief of police of Ripley stated that Macdonald's record in that village was none too good.

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GERMANY PROMISES

tion, although there was unavoidable damage to civilians, but said that in view of the Barlong incident a different attitude would be adopted. The government's purpose is quoted as follows by the news agency:

"Airship will be used against England within the limits of the law, without any other regard. Every airship which throws destructive bombs on London or other defended towns, or on towns which contain establishments of a military character, shall cause England to remember the Barlong case."

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.
London, Aug. 15.—Arrived: Steamship North Point, Philadelphia.
Bordeaux, Aug. 15.—Arrived: Steamship Madonna, New York.
Glasgow, Aug. 14.—Arrived: Steamship Marina, Baltimore.

UNREGISTERED SEWER BLOCKS COMPLETION OF STORM DRAINAGE

Destroys Levels Given for the
Waterloo St. Work.

SAYS CITY NOT TO BLAME

Mayor Declares Contractor
Must Bear Extra Expense
Caused by "Snag."

It is probable that two blocks of the new storm sewer on Waterloo street will have to be torn up, costing the city or the contractor a large sum of money.

When the drain was constructed, the levels given by the engineers in charge were followed, but when the contractors reached the block of Waterloo street, an old sewer was discovered, and the whole work had to stop. This sewer was not figured on, and its discovery meant a change of plans.

The new sewer was not registered, and no person knew it was there, explained Mayor H. A. Stevenson. "I don't think the city is responsible. The contractor will have to bear the expense of the extra work."

City Engineer H. A. Brazier declares that the work is not under his control, being in the hands of Consulting Engineer Willis Chapman, retained for the storm sewer construction.

"I fancy that the difficulty can be overcome at small expense," volunteered Mr. Brazier, although disclaiming any responsibility.

The incident shows some faulty engineering work some time in the past, as the old sewer should have been registered.

IRISH PICNIC TOMORROW TO BE GREAT FUNCTION

Everything Points to Record-Breaking
Crowds and Fun.

The Irish picnic under the auspices of the Irish Benevolent Society will be held tomorrow at the city hall.

Arrangements have been made, and indications point to the best picnic in recent years.

The sports are in good shape, and there will be some unique competitions. In the baby show more than \$200 in prizes will be distributed. The dancing will be high class, too, it is promised. Altogether it promises to be a big time.

Everybody is going to the affair. This is the fourth outing of the Irish Benevolent Society, and the event will be fittingly marked. The officers and the chairman of the various committees will be present, and will make the 1916 picnic memorable, and their efforts will be successful, provided the weather is good.

The first contingent, headed by the 1st Hussars, will go down at 1 o'clock. The second party will leave at 1 o'clock.

The sports will start at 2 o'clock on the beach. The baby show will be on shortly after. The dancing will follow shortly after.

A banquet will be held in the evening, at which prominent Irishmen will deliver addresses.

ANOTHER APPEAL

Tobacco Fund in Need of More Money
to Provide Smokes in Trenches.

Because the money being subscribed in Canada to the Overseas Club Tobacco Fund is insufficient to provide each Canadian soldier at the front with a weekly tobacco supply, an earnest appeal is being made for further funds.

The fund is being run by the local secretary of the fund, W. R. Davis, 154 Wellington street, president of the local branch of the Overseas Club.

On motion of Rev. John Currie, Belmont, seconded by Rev. S. L. Eastman, Port Stanley, the Presbytery decided to accept the resignation of Rev. P. E. Nicholson, and to appoint Rev. J. C. Campbell of Appin, as successor.

At a meeting specially called in July to deal with this call, Mr. Campbell was elected to the position, and in order to do away with the necessity of another special meeting, it was decided that it would be in order for Mr. Campbell to continue to conduct the service until the next regular meeting of the presbytery will take place October 3.

WINNERS ANNOUNCED
Successful East Middlesex Crop Competitors Named.

The following are the prize-winners in the field crop competition which was held by the East Middlesex Agricultural Society. The competition was for five acres of white oats: J. A. Cornish, Wilton Grove P. O.; Wm. Hutton, Thorndale; J. B. Nichol, Wilton Grove; A. Irvin, Dorchester; R. 1; E. Vinig, Bolton; G. A. Armour, Dorchester; R. 1; J. Jas. Murray, Wilton Grove.

ORPHANS' PICNIC
Children of Protestant Home Have Good
Time at Port Stanley.

Some fifty inmates of the Protestant Orphans' Home, and the members of the London Railway provided free transportation to the London and Port Stanley Railway station and the members of the London Railway Commission gave the kiddies a free ride to Port.

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FURTHER TESTS OF MAGGREGOR WATER BEING MADE NOW

Quality and Quantity Both
Figure in These.

CLAIM IT'S ECONOMICAL

Backers of Scheme Advancing
Reasons for Addition of
Wells to Supply.

Tests both for quality and quantity are being continued daily at the Macgregor wells, suggested as the solution of London's present water problem.

Samples of water from the various wells have been taken from time to time and submitted to the Institute of Public Health for analysis. Other samples will be taken as the pumping progresses in order that a complete report may be secured on the water.

Those who are advocating the wells claim that when pumps are placed on each well, better results will be shown. The present "bitter" from some of the wells is said to be too great to allow a proper and equitable test of the daily capacity of the wells.

Says Pumps Unnecessary.
As an economical move it has been suggested that should the wells be purchased, a reservoir with a capacity of 6,000,000 gallons be built at the Macgregor farm. This reservoir would be sunk to the water level of the wells, and would keep the water supply fresh and would not need a reduction to the Horton street plant, where it could be turned into the reservoir there without having to be pumped at all.

The water now stored in the Horton street reservoir will be pumped twice, being lifted—by air lifts—from the wells, and then pumped into the city mains from the reservoir. With the Macgregor wells in operation, say its backers, it will be possible to reduce the double pumping for at least 1,000,000 gallons per day. That amount, drawn from the storage reservoir at the 1st Hussars, will be sufficient to supply the city with water for a day, and always fresh and would mean a reduction in the pumping bills at Horton street.

Claiming Extra Protection.
The 5,000,000-gallon storage would insure a full reservoir at Horton street in case of prolonged pumping for any large fire. The present capacity of the pumping plant at Horton street is at the rate of 6,000,000 gallons per 24 hours. The Horton street wells supply only 2,000,000 gallons per day, and with a full reservoir to start on would, it is claimed, be pumped dry in little more than 12 hours, and would not be able to supply the city with water for a day.

The high fire pressure. With the Macgregor wells 5,000,000-gallon supply, plus the 1,000,000-gallons-a-day flow that the city would have, a guarantee of 35 hours of water supply would be assured. The high fire pressure, which would be required to bring the pressure down.

Considering the holiday season, there was a good attendance this morning at the special meeting of the London Presbytery held in the First Presbyterian Church, and called for the purpose of dealing with the resignation of Rev. P. E. Nicholson from the pastoral charge of the Knoxwood Park Presbyterian Church owing to ill health.

Mr. Nicholson first stated his reason for resigning, after which J. C. Campbell and John Macdonald, both expressed great regret over the resignation on account of ill health and the loss of the services of one of the most highly respected members of the congregation.

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WOUNDED IN HEAD DURING MELEE THAT ENLIVENED COUNCIL

Declares, However, That More
of Scrap Will Be Heard.

TOO GOOD FIGHTER TO GO TO LAW, SAYS INJURED ALDERMAN

ALD. PALMER PENITENT

Expresses Regret for Glass-
Throwing, But Says He Has
Been Nagged.

Ald. W. A. Wilson, whose head was split open