

BATTLE OPENS NEAR MACHANG

Rival Chinese Leaders Reinforcing Armies in That District.

Troops of Chang Tso-Lin Have Recaptured Kuan.

PEKING, May 3.—General Wu Pei-fu, commander of the Chi Li forces, was reported this evening to have arrived near Machang, on the railroad south of Tien Tsin, to take personal command of the operations against the troops of Chang Tso-Lin on that section of the battlefront.

Late reports are to the effect that Chang Tso-Lin is heavily reinforcing his troops in that region with men of all arms, and the indications are that fighting will be the center of operations. Artillery duels already have commenced over a wide front. General Fu, if he actually takes command there, will have facing him the 25-year-old son of Chang Tso-Lin. Foreign military observers with the Chi Li forces report that Wu Pei-fu recently has been directing the operations at Chang Sin Tien, pending the arrival of General Feng Yut Siang's forces, which began to reach Pao Ting Fu, on the railway south of Peking, Tuesday. The reports are to the effect that Wu Pei-fu's own troops have not participated in the fighting at Chang Sin Tien. The heavy bombardment that has been in progress at various points has depleted the stores of big-gun ammunition.

94-Year-Old Pioneer of Mitchell Relates Experiences of Early Days

Special to London Advertiser. MITCHELL, May 3.—The oldest man in Mitchell is Mr. Lawrence Gollnitz, father of Public School Trustee John Gollnitz. He was born in Germany nearly 94 years ago, and still enjoys fairly good health.

When he arrived in Mitchell there were only three buildings here. While clearing up the dense forest and assisting in making roads, he passed through many hardships, and tells of carrying flour on his back from Tavistock to Mitchell, a distance of fifteen miles.

munition, and the fighting is now mainly with machine guns and rifles. At some places there has been a lull in the battle.

On the middle of the front the troops of Chang Tso-Lin have recaptured Kuan. Wounded men from that region say that the fighting was heavy during the last few days, often at close quarters. The tide of battle was continually changing until the turned the scales.

A dispatch received here from Tien Tsin says reinforcements for Chang's army near Machang and Machang and marched southward toward the Hun River, where fighting took place on the western bank of the stream.

The cabinet here announces that it has received a message from the governor of Shantung, saying that 20,000 Manchurian soldiers had landed in Shantung, having been transported from Manchuria by sea.

FIRST CONTINGENT LARGELY TRAINED

OTTAWA, May 3.—(By Canadian Press).—Approximately 92 per cent of the first Canadian contingent which went overseas in 1914 had received previous military training. This statement was made by Hon. G. P. Graham, minister of militia, in the House of Commons today in reply to a question by T. L. Church (Conservative, North Toronto).

SARNIA MAY GET STEEL INDUSTRY

Trades and Labor Council Supports Concessions Asked by Steel Corporation.

VOTE ON BYLAW MONDAY

Chamber of Commerce Is Carrying Out Thorough Publicity Campaign.

Special to London Advertiser.

SARNIA, May 3.—With the announcement made today that the trades and labor council will support the bylaw granting the concessions asked by the Dominion Alloy Steel Corporation, which will be voted on Monday next, it becomes increasingly apparent that the residents of Sarnia appreciate the value to the city and district of the projected steel position.

A heavy majority at the polls on Monday is expected. The Sarnia Chamber of Commerce is carrying out a thorough publicity campaign in order that at least one-third of the voters, as required by the city act, register their vote at the polls.

Friday night a public meeting will be held at the city hall, when George A. Simpson of Hamilton, one of the directors of the company, will address the voters on the plans of the company. Motion picture films, depicting operations of well-known steel plants are being exhibited in the city.

LIFE-LONG RESIDENT OF PARIS DIES IN 73RD YEAR

William Tennant, Prominent in Farming Circles, Passes Away at Bradford Hospital.

Special to London Advertiser.

PARIS, May 3.—The death took place in Bradford General Hospital of William Tennant, an old and highly-respected citizen of Paris, in his 73rd year.

The deceased was a native of Bradford County, being born in Bradford Township, near Paris, where he lived until four years ago.

The late Mr. Tennant was well known in farming circles, and always took a deep interest in municipal affairs.

He leaves a widow and three sons. Interment was made in Paris Cemetery Wednesday, May 3.

PARTY WORKERS CLAIM POSITION

Many U. F. O. Members Anxious To Fill Oxford County Registrarship.

May Prompt Government To Promote Deputy As Easiest Solution.

WOODSTOCK, May 3.—With representatives from the U. F. O. in both North and South Oxford after the position of registrar of the county, which position is vacant through the death of G. R. Pattullo, it is not likely that the government will be in any hurry in making the appointment.

This is the information handed out by those in a position to know. It is further stated that if the aspirants in the fight for the position stir up much party strife the government may step in and appoint the present deputy registrar to the position.

Many Seek Position. Among those who are said to be after the position are John Lillico, the defeated U. F. O. candidate in the last federal election in North Oxford; Matthew Kneale, South Oxford; Mr. Rodwell, U. F. O. director, South Oxford; and Mr. Stauffer, Blenheim, pioneer worker in the U. F. O. party.

The grading of hogs, which, it is announced, will come into force on June 1, does not meet with the approval of the shippers and hog-raisers of Oxford. They are of the opinion that too much work will be required to operate the scheme, and that there is bound to be much dissatisfaction among the farmers.

Expect Dissatisfaction. That the grading, no matter who is appointed to do it, will not be satisfactory is almost assured, for no doubt every hog-raiser will be of the opinion that his hogs are the best and most suitable for bacon purposes and entitled to the premium offered.

It is the general belief that the scheme should be held over for another year at least, so as to give the producers time to get fully acquainted with the type of hogs required, which in many cases may mean that the farmer would be called upon to replace his breed of hogs.

REDUCE WAGES OF PHONE OPERATORS

WINNIPEG, May 3.—A general reduction in wages throughout the telephone department has been agreed to, it is stated today.

The reduction is for operators, two and one-half cents an hour; linemen and outside employees three and one-half cents an hour; clerical staff, \$5 per month.

An annual saving of \$40,000 is estimated.

SIDE LIGHTS AT OTTAWA

BY RANDOLPH J. CHURCHILL, Staff Correspondent The London Advertiser.

SENATOR Archie McCoig put at rest today all rumors and reports circulated recently that he had suffered a change of heart regarding senate reforms since he had taken a seat in that venerable house.

Soon after his appointment to the senate, Senator McCoig announced at a meeting in Dutton that he would do all within his power to bring about changes in that body, to make it more useful to the country as a whole. Because he has maintained a silence on the subject since coming to Ottawa it was intimated recently by a certain paper that he had perhaps changed his mind.

Senator McCoig stated today that he has not changed his attitude. He has merely waited an opportunity to broach the subject in the senate. If a better opportunity does not present itself in the very near future he claims that he will speak on reforms during the debate on the budget.

IN the interest of fishermen working out of Bayfield on Lake Huron, William Black, member for South Huron, is seeking an appropriation for breakwater repairs at that point.

He has been in communication with residents of that district regarding the matter for some time, and on Sunday last he made a long journey to make personal observations of the harbor. Mr. Black stated that he found seven fishing boats which operate out of Bayfield in rather bad way because the lake wall section of the breakwater had disappeared. If the damage was not repaired in the near future he feared that the mouth of the harbor would become blocked with sand washed up from the lake.

Monday he took the matter up with the minister of public works. The matter will probably be investigated further.

THIRTY-SIX thousand dollars was voted by the House of Commons today to meet expenditures made in giving relief to unemployed returned soldiers in London military district, during the last nine months of 1921. According to the parliamentary report assistance was given to 596 persons.

BECAUSE they desire to hold themselves in reserve for the debate on the budget, which will be brought down in the very near future, several members from Western Ontario are refraining from speaking in the House of Commons on any subject this week. This was admitted by both Progressive and Liberal members, who, although they ordi-

arily bear considerable weight in the form his contemplated speech will House, have maintained a conspicuous silence during the past few days.

Realizing that the budget debate will be of extreme importance; that perhaps it will extend over a period of many days, and that because they have some decided views to air, the members in question do not wish to detract from their speeches, by appearing on their feet too many times in the intervening time, on questions of lesser importance to their riding.

Members of the House, even those of the Liberal party, are still in profound ignorance of the contents of the budget. Many conjectures are being made, but until the policy of the government is known, no member can be absolutely sure just what

out about two o'clock this morning in the basement of Marshall Stewart's grocery and feed store. The fire brigade was quickly on the scene and the blaze was promptly extinguished. The fire is thought to have been caused by a defective wire.

ALTHOUGH there has been rumors that a deputation from Port Stanley would wait upon the minister of public works to secure a larger appropriation for harbor repairs and improvements at that point, John L. Stansell, member for East Elgin, stated today that he has had no intimation that a protest was to be registered. He had been led to believe by the silence of the residents of the Port that they were perfectly satisfied with the appropriation of \$10,000 contained in the minister's estimates.

FIRE DAMAGES STORE. SEAFORTH, May 2.—Fire broke

C. P. R. EARNINGS DECREASE. MONTREAL, May 3.—Canadian Pacific Railway earnings for the week ending April 30, were \$3,356,000; decrease \$708,000.

AUTHORIZE DAYLIGHT SAVING. OTTAWA, May 3.—Canadian Postmasters are allowed to follow daylight saving time in opening and closing postoffices, it is announced by the postoffice department.

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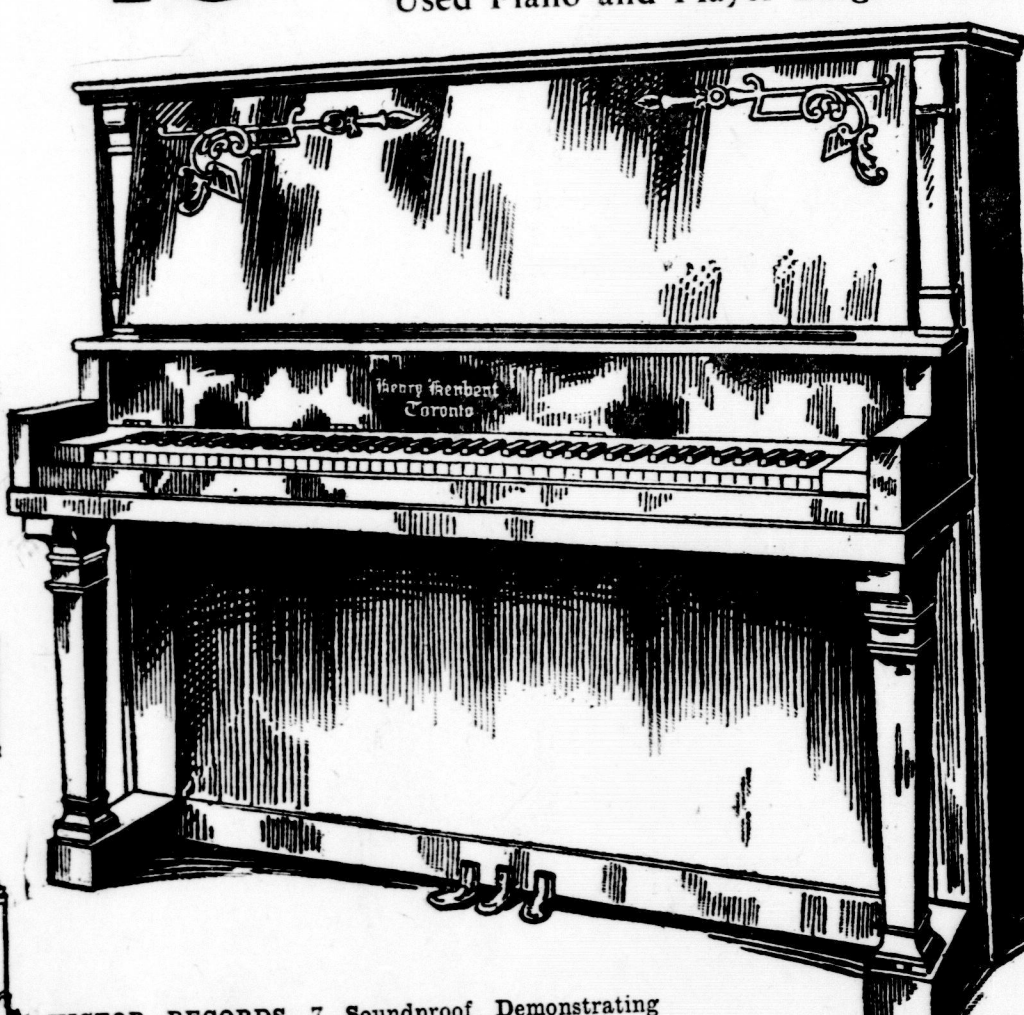
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SONORA—Colonial design, beautiful art mahogany case. Sale price \$125

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