

TRUCE IS CALLED IN FACTORY RAIDS

Mayor to Consult Ottawa About Soldiers' Complaints

CONFERENCE AT CITY HALL

**Returned Men Advocate Civic Bureau
—Camp Orders Declare Canadian
Soldiers Not Permitted to Appear
in United States in Uniform.**

Truce has been called between the returned soldiers and the factory owners as the result of the conference held yesterday afternoon in the Mayor's office. Those present at the conference included a committee of returned men, the Mayor, Capt. Widgery, Camp Provost Marshal, Capt. A. Sinclair, Provost Marshal, and Col. Grasett, Chief of Police. Mr. J. R. Reese, President of the A. R. Club, was made a member of the returned soldiers' committee. The Mayor will consult with the federal authorities concerning the grievances of the men. It is understood that one thing the men wish to have is a civic bureau, where the returned men can register, and thus their names be available to manufacturers when they wish to employ help. This civic bureau would also be a sort of clearing house for complaints, as the returned men want one place to report all grievances, and not be sent from pillar to post, and from department to department as is the case at present.

The Veterans' Resolution.

The veterans embodied their demands in a resolution, which is as follows: "That the Dominion Government stop the importation of **alien enemy** labor from the United States, and to exclude them from munition plants, restaurants and all places where labor is employed, and to have the same vacancies filled by returned soldiers, A. R. men, British subjects and subjects of the allies, and that a living wage be paid.

"That a committee be appointed by the city to co-operate with the returned soldiers' committee to visit and inspect all places where labor is employed to ascertain the number of **aliens** employed in those places. If any **alien enemies** are being employed and have not the registration card required by law, that they be interned.

"That all **alien enemies** found in places of employment should be interned, and should be used on city jobs and farms under supervision of a returned soldiers' guard, at small wage.

"That no one be employed at the Canadian National Exhibition of 1917 but returned soldiers and A. R. men, irrespective of politics.

"That the City Council should open an employment bureau for the returned soldiers, and that a returned soldier be in charge."

Not Allow in U. S.

Camp orders yesterday cleared up the matter of whether a Canadian soldier can appear in the United States in uniform, now that the United States is an ally, and actively at war. Under no circumstances are Canadian soldiers to be permitted to appear in the United States in uniform.

Some time ago orders were issued from Ottawa to the effect that no more officers would receive appointments in Canada. It is now stated that this order will not apply to units now in Canada which are raising drafts for overseas service. As Lieutenants proceed overseas from these "Depot Draft-giving-units," as they are called, qualified officers may be recommended for appointments to fill their places, provided the authorized establishment is not exceeded.

Capt. R. V. Conover, 20th Regiment, and a member of the B. F. and P. T. Staff at Exhibition Camp, has been appointed Second Senior Company Officer of the 19th C.D.F. Battalion at St. Catharines.

Capt. H. Clark has been detailed for duty with the Depot Artillery Brigade, and Lieuts. J. H. McDonald and F. J. Elkerton have been detailed for duty at the Base Hospital.

A Visitor to Camp.

Major-General J. C. MacDougall, who has been training reinforcements in England and France since the beginning of the war, and who is now in Canada for a few weeks' leave, was a visitor at the Exhibition Camp yesterday, and called on General Logie.

Professor F. V. Riethdorf, who has done lecturing work for the Speakers' League, and addressed recruiting meetings, particularly in places where there are people of German extraction, has enlisted with the A.M.C. He may possibly be used as an interpreter or translator in the hospitals or internment camps in the old country, where there are thousands of **enemy** prisoners.

An interesting and unique course for Staff officers and officers of the C. D. F. who can be spared from their duties to attend will be held at the School of Infantry from April 19 to May 17. Practically all the officers of the various training schools will attend, and a great many of these will deliver lectures on their particular work to all the others. Among those who are down to lecture are Col. H. C. Bickford, G.S.O., Capt. A. F. Coventry, Major S. D. Dunn, Capt. D. M. Mathieson, Lieut.-Col. C. V. Massey, Capt. N. P. Kelly, Major C. R. Young, Lieut.-Col. E. S. Ryerson and Lieut.-Col. J. S. Campbell. Practically all these who attend will be specialists in some line of military work, such as bombing, trench warfare, musketry, etc., and all will learn enough of other branches of training to round them into better Staff officers. An average of four lectures a day will be delivered during the course.

Flying Corps' Camp.

The Royal Flying Corps has obtained the use of land near Deseronto, and will establish a camp there just as soon as it can be got ready. Accommodation will be provided for five reserve squadrons. Three of these will be placed on the Indian Reserve near the town, and the other two on the Rathbone farm. The camp is not far from the Bay of Quinte, which has the advantage of equalizing the wind pressure, and makes the art of learning to fly that much easier.

The Queen's Own Rifles is recruiting for a C. D. F. battalion as well as for an overseas force. The experience of the officers of the Queen's Own is that men will not enlist in the C. D. F. because they only receive fifty cents a night for drill. If they decide to join at all they prefer to wait until the unit leaves for camp, when they are put on full pay. Col. Royce of the Q.O.R. is in favor of a lower

standard of physical fitness for the C. D. F., as many men just under the C. E. F. standard are anxious to join the home defence. If these men were taken on a couple of months' training would put them in fit condition to go overseas.