

Canada Cycle States Strikers' Claims Faulty

A statement was issued yesterday by Mr. J. W. Gibson upon the dispute between the Canada Cycle and Motor Company and a number of its employees who are now on strike. It is as follows:

"Of the 500 or more employees, less than 50 have any dispute with the company. These are the metal polishers and buffers. The rate offered them by the company is 55 cents per hour for a 9-hour day, time and a half for overtime, and double time for holidays. This rate of \$5 a day is the rate the polishers are refusing, despite the fact that it is higher than the generally prevailing rate in Canada or the United States for this class of work.

"A number of the other employees have been induced by the polishers to go out with them. These are principally members of the machinists' union. The business agent of the machinists' union investigated conditions in the shop. He advised the company officials that he had no complaint to make regarding conditions or wages, and that the machinists should remain at work.

"Complaint is made that the company is employing **aliens** to replace the polishers and buffers whose positions were held open for them for over two weeks, and who still refuse to work for \$5 per day. The only men so employed are 27 Italians, all reported to be reservists, who may be called to the colors any day on the side of our allies. The other new men are two Americans and 14 British, of whom a number are returned soldiers."

SOLDIER UNDER ARREST.

Pte. M. C. Nelson was arrested at Exhibition Camp yesterday afternoon by Provost Marshal Miller for the police of Burlington. Nelson is alleged to have passed a worthless cheque for \$10 at Burlington.

FIVE PARIS ARRESTS.

Four Men and One Woman Face Grave Charge.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Paris, March 1.—Five arrests have been made on charges of maintaining relations with the **enemy**. Those who are detained are Henri Gay, a dealer in antiques, of Dijon; Maurice Tremblez, a bank employee, said to have been the representative of the Austrian, Rosenburg, who was prominent in the Paris Bourse before the war, and attempted to break the market just before the outbreak of hostilities; Louis Brodier, an accountant; Emile Guillier, a former druggist, and recently a prize-fight promoter, and Guillier's wife, Sumey Detsy, a minor actress at Sarah Bernhardt's theatre.