

# CANADIAN ITALIANS WOULD JOIN CANUCKS

## Are Getting Restless Waiting for Their Country's Call

### RECRUITING FAIRLY GOOD

**Latest Volunteers in Toronto Are  
Nearly All Men Who Worked Out-  
doors, Including Several Farmers—  
Mississaugas to Raise 1,000 Men.**

Italians who would like to go to the fighting line are getting restless with the uncertainty as to when their services will be required by their native land, and in numerous cases have entered recruiting offices to set down their names for overseas service with the Canadian troops. The recruiting officers have been unable to take them in many cases, as their residence in **Canada** extended only to a period of two years, and consequently they could not be naturalized. It is suggested in some quarters the naturalization of such men should be hastened. Russian reservists may now enroll in the Canadian forces, but The Globe has not learned of any having enlisted. Several Russian **Jews** have made applications.

An outstanding fact of the recruiting is that the men are all outdoor men. Office clerks are not coming forward. The list of men secured at a Yonge street office this week includes a woodfinisher, lots of painters, several cooks, barbers, two railway men, two harness makers, teamsters, seven firemen right off one of the lake boats, and last, but not least, six farmers. When farmers have to come to a downtown office in Yonge street it shows there must be places in the country which have not been touched by the recruiting officer. Several of the farmers are middleaged men, but think it their duty to go to the front.

**Has Husky Company.**

Lieut. Clark of the 109th Regiment hopes to leave on Saturday for Niagara with his full complement of men for the 37th Battalion. Officers from headquarters say they have not seen a huskier and better trained bunch of men in the short time available. Between 20 and 30 men were secured yesterday. One old soldier who presented himself had five bars on one medal and two on another. Many pathetic scenes are witnessed in recruiting offices when old soldiers present themselves, eager again to fight for their country, for sometimes a splendidly-trained man has to be turned down because his eyesight is not what it once was, or for some other defect that has developed with the years. The 109th Regiment is opening a new recruiting office at the corner of Keele and Dundas streets to-day. A recruiting meeting is also to be held at Weston to-night, when Dr. Charlton, Mr. George Verrall, Lieut.-Col. Stewart and Captain J. J. Wright and others will be the speakers. Woodbridge and Kleinburg folks are being invited to the meeting.

**Mississaugas to Raise Whole Battalion**

Recruiting at the Armouries continues to be rather more encouraging this week than towards the end of last week. The 9th Mississauga Horse, who command the strategic position outside the Armouries, are enlisting between 50 and 60 men a day at their tent, and this number will be largely augmented during the next few days when the returns from the out-of-town recruiting stations begin to come in. Yesterday their flying squadrons of recruiting officers were operating in Stouffville, Newmarket, Uxbridge, Woodbridge, Streetsville and Milton, and to-day they push on to other points. This regiment was originally asked by headquarters to supply 99 men for the new battalion to be commanded by Col. Beckett. It took the Mississaugas about two days to comply with this modest request, and now at the beginning of the tenth day of their whirlwind campaign they have enrolled approximately 460, or two double companies. The slogan of the regiment is now: "Raise a whole battalion ourselves," and their officers think they can do it.

In view of the disappointment which many men feel when they are turned down by the examining officer, the 9th Horse have now arranged to give a card to men who have been pronounced unfit, and it is understood that the men will be permitted to wear a khaki band to show that they are willing but unable to serve.

The regiment's former Officer Commanding, Lieut.-Col. Beckett, was seen at the Armouries yesterday supervising energetically the multitudinous details involved in the organization of a new battalion. No further announcement has yet been made regarding the personnel of his staff, and it may be some days yet before this information is available for the public.