

GREEKS IN TORONTO STRONG FOR ALLIES

Stirring Appeal Heard Yesterday in Church

Greek Government Will Pay Expenses of Men Returning to Fight—Thousands in **Canada**—Bulgarians Melt Away.

"Men, when you are called upon to defend the flag of Greece, do your duty and stand side by side with the allied forces on the battlefield." Thus declared Archdeacon Daniel Scarpus in a stirring patriotic sermon yesterday before a large assemblage of the Greek and Greek-Macedonian citizens of the city in the Greek Chapel at Jarvis and Shuter streets.

"I am proud of you as citizens of Toronto, and while you only form but a very small part of the population, I feel that in this great war what you lack in numbers will be made up by showing your loyalty when called upon to go to the front."

Received With Enthusiasm.

The appeal of the Archdeacon was received with prolonged cheering and an outburst of enthusiasm which was even greater than on the eventful occasion in the same temple a few years ago when a large number of Greek reservists in Toronto left to defend Greece in the Balkan war. In the audience were many young Greeks who went through the Balkan war and afterwards returned to the city.

That they are still as eager as upon that occasion to defend their colors and throw in their lot with the allied forces was evident by the spirit of patriotism displayed during the service. The feeling of the local Greeks against Bulgaria and Turkey is very bitter and pronounced.

They All Hate Turkey.

"For centuries Bulgaria and Turkey have been our greatest enemies," declared Mr. William Karry, President of the Toronto Greek Association. "The Greeks are lined up to a man for the allied forces. They believe the time is most opportune to wipe Bulgaria and Turkey off the map for all time to come. In fact, a large number of the Greek reservists in Toronto and other parts of Ontario are so eager to get into the fray that they have voluntarily offered to bear their expenses to Greece."

Will Be Helped to Greece.

Mr. Karry stated that while he had not received any definite information from Ambassador Bouras at Washington, the work of mobilizing the Greek reservists in the city was well under way. He stated that the information reaching the Ambassador at Washington was not being heralded openly until such times as the call for reservists in **Canada** had officially been made by King Constantine. Mr. Karry stated that he had received officially a notification from Ambassador Bouras that the Greek Government had arranged to defray all expenses for the transporting of reservists from **Canada** and the United States to their native land.

There are between 1,200 and 1,500 Greeks and Greek-Macedonians in Toronto, two-thirds of whom are reservists. Mr. Karry said that in British Columbia there are almost 4,000 Greeks who are eligible for duty at the front, while about two-thirds of that number are to be found in Montreal. Besides these, he thought that about 2,000 more could be mobilized from different points in Ontario.

The Bulgarians now in the city are observing a policy of "watchful waiting." Officials representing the Bulgarian Society are silent, and decline to discuss the issue. During the past couple of weeks the population has gradually been reduced. A large number of Bulgarian reservists have succeeded in getting across the border on the pretence that they were migrating to the United States in search of work.