

SOOTIES WAITING WORD OF FRIENDS IN MACEDONIA

Messrs. Christoff and Yaneff
Hear Home Village Has
Been Wiped Out.

THREE TOWNS HAD
4,500 PEOPLE

Letter From Volunteer Says
Only Sixty People are
Left in Them.

Pete Christoff and his wife, and Kote Yaneff, who are employed at Mr. A. R. Flockhart's bakery, have received word that their home villages in Macedonia have been completely wiped out during the war, and that their property has been all destroyed. Word came to them via Toronto from a Macedonian of that city who had gone as a volunteer to the war.

Mr. Christoff told the Star to-day that he and Mr. Yaneff had come from Tarnova, which is one of three villages in the Province of Kastoria, that are right close together and that together had a population of about 4,500. The other two villages were Jalevo and Otsima. Jalevo, which is the largest, having 400 houses and a population of 2,000, was completely destroyed, while of the population of the other two villages there are only 60 people left.

The farm lands and storehouses have all been rifled and things generally are in a bad state.

Mr. Christoff has a brother with four children there, also his mother and two cousins. Mr. Yaneff's wife and their three children are also at the scene of conflict. No word has been received of them and a cablegram has been sent from Toronto to Sophia, Bulgaria, at a cost of \$75 to secure any information obtainable about them.

Mr. Christoff's cousin is leaving Toronto on Christmas Day for Macedonia to see if any trace of the family or the property can be obtained.

Yanina, from which Mrs. Christoff came, has also been destroyed, and she is anxiously waiting for word from her relatives there.