

# BULGARIANS MUST REGISTER HERE

Are Subject to Same Regulations as Other Alien Enemies

ABOUT 300 IN MONTREAL

Most of Them Oppose King Ferdinand's Policy — Preparations for Handling Troops in Barracks

Since the Bulgarians entered the war all Bulgars in Canada have been subject to the same rules regarding registration and reporting at the office of the various provost marshals as those governing German and Austrian enemy aliens. Little difficulty is anticipated here in this regard, as there are only between 200 and 300 Bulgarians in the Montreal district, and the great majority of these have expressed themselves as strongly opposed to Bulgaria entering the war on the side of her ancient foe, Turkey.

Up to date about 40 Bulgarians have signed with the registrar of alien enemies, and the rest are coming in steadily. For a while considerable trouble was experienced owing to the number of Bulgarians leaving Canada for the States after the declaration of war.

Several of the Bulgars at the registration office yesterday were very outspoken, and declared that in their opinion King Ferdinand had made a big mistake plunging his country into war, especially on the side taken by their ancient enemy, the Turks.

"There are a lot of us here," said one man with an unpronounceable name, "who would gladly go to the front with the Allies. Of course, we would not fight against our own people, but we would be glad for a chance against the Turks, Austrians or Germans."

As a matter of fact, it is believed that there are a number of Bulgars now enlisted in various battalions from this district, and steps will be taken to remove these men from the King's service.

None of the Bulgars from this district have so far been interned, and it is not expected that this will be necessary. They will simply have to register, report regularly, and behave themselves as good citizens.

## PREPARING FOR BARRACKS.

Arrangements are being made for the handling of between 3,000 and 4,000 men at the new barracks at the corner of St. James and Guy streets this winter. This not only entails the preparation of the building, and arrangements for supplies, but also regulations for the protection of the men. General Wilson is planning to talk this over with Chief Campeau, so that stricter police regulations shall be enforced within bounds around the barracks, so as to keep undesirable women away from the neighborhood, and avoid the nuisance encountered last winter around the Peel street barracks.

Another point thoroughly approved by General Wilson was the proposition made in some quarters that a regulation should be made forbidding civilians from buying drinks for men in khaki. This, Gen. Wilson pointed out, could only be done by the provincial authorities, since the military powers had no jurisdiction in such matters unless martial law were proclaimed. He, however, considered that it would be an excellent thing, not only for the men preparing for service, but also for the protection of the nerve-broken men invalided home.

## HIGHLANDERS NEAR 1,000 MARK.

Recruiting was not brisk at the 73rd Highlanders' headquarters yesterday, less than a score of men presenting themselves, although more than that number were attested, including men passed on the previous day. The battalion is fast approaching full strength, now needing less than 150 men, while it was stated that every member of the battalion was a British subject born, this being a sine qua non for membership. A lot of work was done yesterday distributing equipment, and old soldiers who have rejoined the colors stated that they had never seen such excellent clothing and equipment.

The following men were sworn in yesterday:

- Cadden, W., 488b Aylwin street, Montreal.
- Moriarty, D., Renfrew, Ont.
- Reilly, J., 125 Denison avenue, Granby, Que.
- McBurnie, R., 616a Parthenais street, Montreal.
- Picard, A., Granby, Que.
- Aggett, W., 273½ Schumack street, Toronto.
- Wooderson, A., 2610 Waverly street, Montreal.
- O'Brien, J., 125 Rivard street, Montreal.
- Sim, G., 869 Albert street, Montreal.
- Marshall, J., 131 Fulford street, Montreal.
- McLaren, N. W., 456 Lewis street, Ottawa.
- Whitehead, F. G., Ottawa.
- Caspell, T. A., 193a Gertrude street, Verdun.
- Freckleton, J.
- Pitcher, J. G., 142 Charron street, Montreal.
- Mees, A., 287 Magdalen street, Montreal.
- Nelson, N., 45 Drake street, Cote St. Paul.
- Younie, J., Maple avenue, Greenfield Park, St. Lambert.
- Hart, W., Cornwall, Ont.

To the Editor of The Gazette:

Sir,—Referring to your article of recent date regarding the volunteering a Serbian subject to the 73rd Overseas Battalion, R. H. of C., C.E.F., I beg to state that this man was rejected on account of defective eyesight. In any event, it is the rule of the 73rd that no men of European extraction, other than those of British birth, shall be admitted to the battalion.

R. LLANARTH DAVIS, Lieut.  
Montreal, October 18, 1915.