

INTEREST CENTRES IN THE WAR NEWS

Thanksgiving Day Passes Quietly and Inquiries Many About Western Front

Thanksgiving Day passed off quietly in Toronto. Interest centred chiefly in the war news. The bulletin boards were eagerly scanned during the day, and telephone lines into the newspaper offices were kept busy by inquirers anxious to hear of the latest news from the battle theatres, and to learn of any further developments in the Central powers' bid for peace.

While the sunshine basked the city in its warmth, a cold wind made heavy coats necessary on the part of the men and furs on the part of the women. A few people braved the lake breezes to enjoy excursions on the boats, but it was not the most desirable place to be. As usual, there was quite a large exodus of people from the city for the holiday, although this was more particularly noticeable on Saturday and Sunday. But in many homes there were happy family gatherings, broken only by the absence of the son or daughter on war service.

After a gasless Sunday, motors were out in large numbers. Considerable concern was manifested in the Spanish "flu" epidemic, judging by the number of inquiries received by The Globe during the day to learn what action the Board of Health had decided on at its meeting of the morning. The Boy Scouts held a big despatch-running contest at Weston, and the theatres did their usual big holiday business.