

ASKS GOVERNMENT GUARD INVESTORS ON STOCK SALES

Pius Michaud, Liberal, Would Prevent Repetition of Steel Case.

WANTS SOUND BASIS

Hon. A. B. Copp, Secretary of State, Explains Companies Act.

Ottawa, April 20.—A statement in regard to the L. R. Steel Company, Limited, was made in the House of Commons this afternoon by Hon. A. B. Copp, secretary of state, in reply to a question by Pius Michaud, Liberal. Mr. Copp stated that the L. R. Steel Company, Limited, was incorporated under the Dominion Companies Act in October, 1919, with \$2,000,000 capital, and the capital was increased to \$8,000,000 on January 6, 1921. The Steel Realty Development Corporation, Limited, was incorporated on December 23, 1920, with a capital of \$10,000,000, and on August 18, 1922, this latter company was given power to act as agents for brokers.

Prevent Repetition. Mr. Michaud asked what steps the government intended to take "in order that in future any similar companies may not take advantage of the people of Canada in canvassing to buy stock without first assuring the public that said companies are organized on a sound basis."

"Under the provisions of the companies act," replied Mr. Copp, "companies incorporated thereunder selling securities to the public are required to file prospectuses for the purpose of assisting the investing public in forming judgment of the financial standing and future prospects of such companies. The said act further provides penalties for infractions of its prospectus clauses. The act makes such provisions as are necessary to protect the public and if its requirements are not fulfilled, or misrepresentations are made, the enforcement of the statute is in the hands of the parties interested therein. There is no provision in the said act casting upon the government or any department thereof the duty of enforcing the clauses referred to."



CARDINAL MERCIER,
Roman Catholic primate of Belgium,
advocates a world-wide crusade
against the Russian soviet.

MELROSE YOUNG MEN ELECT CLUB OFFICERS

Special to The Advertiser.
Melrose, April 20.—The "Hustlers," young men's class of Melrose Methodist Sunday School, held their annual meeting in Melrose Hall Monday night.
After the usual business meeting the election of officers took place. Honorary president and teacher, Ralph Jackson; president, Ernest Miners; vice-president, Edwin Clare; secretary-treasurer, Nelson Ellis; absentee committee, Ed. Hare, Albert Collier, George Topping; sports committee, Edwin Clare, A. Collier, Clinton Sells.

WOODSTOCK INSTITUTES ARMENIAN RELIEF FUND

Special to The Advertiser.
Woodstock, April 20.—The Woodstock Armenian Relief Committee met this afternoon in the Y. M. C. A. and decided to take steps to institute a county-wide campaign for Armenian relief purposes. There was a full attendance of the committee, the I. O. D. E. and other women's organizations also being represented. A committee composed of Judge Wallace, Mayor Murray and W. H. Peirce, was appointed to undertake the task of co-ordinating the county-wide efforts for this purpose.

DR. ADAM THOMSON SUCCUMBS AT GALT

Prominent Citizen, Former Mayor of City, Passes In 66th Year.

Special to The Advertiser.
Galt, April 20.—This city was shocked last night when it became known that one of its best known citizens, Dr. Adam Thomson, had passed away suddenly at the hospital. Deceased had been ailing for a few days with a cold but was up and around this morning and this afternoon was taken to the hospital, passing away at 7:30 tonight.

Born in Guelph 66 years ago, the deceased graduated from Trinity College, Toronto, and later took post-graduate courses in Glasgow and Edinburgh. He first practised in Galt and had followed his profession here for 34 years. He was a Liberal of the old type and one of the best known politicians in this part of the province.

He had been an unsuccessful contestant for the federal house twice and once for the Ontario House.

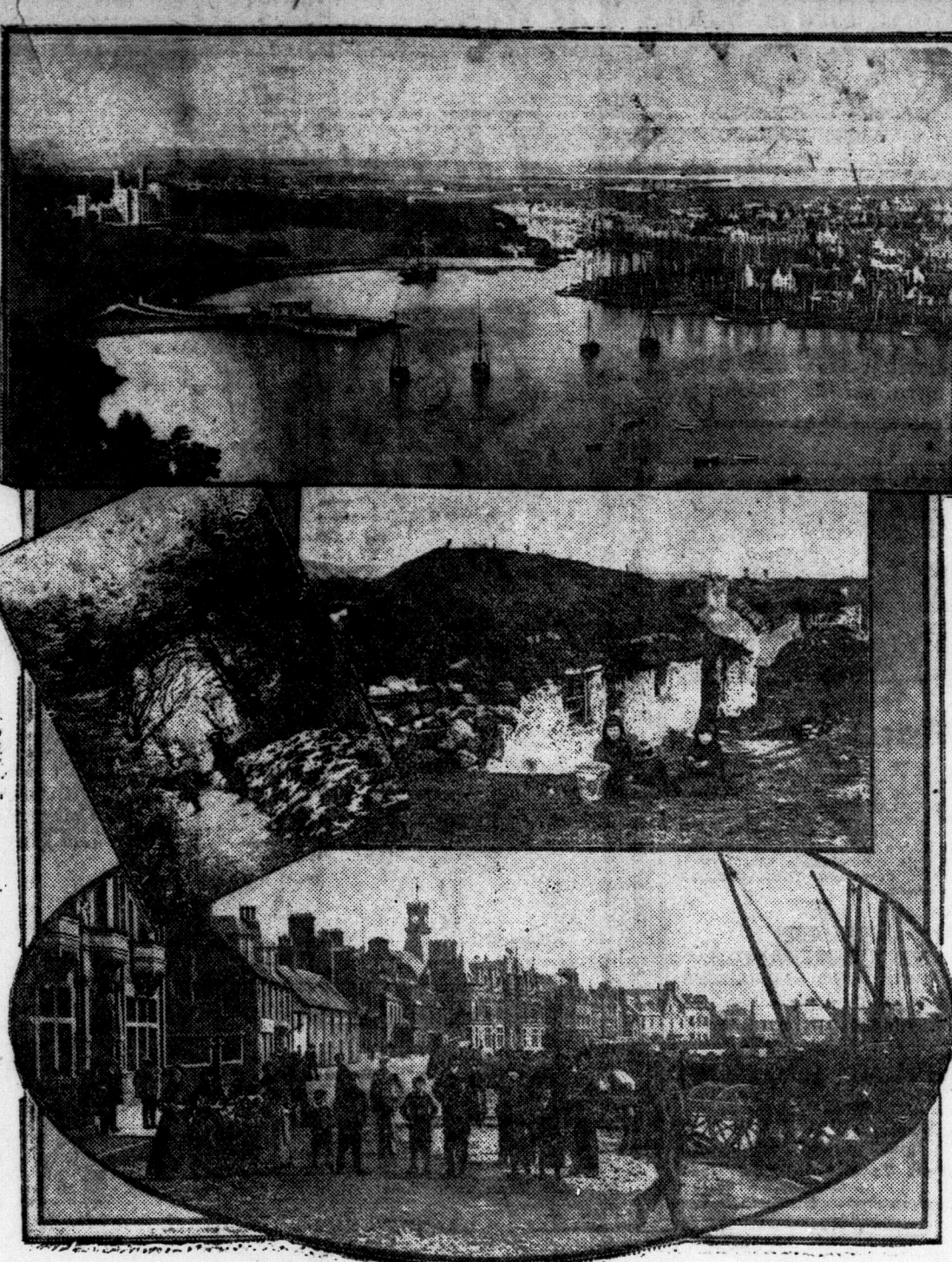
Dr. Thomson in years gone by took a keen interest in municipal affairs, commencing his career on the public school board and climbing the ladder until he became mayor of the city, holding that office for two years, 1906-07. He was prominent in C. O. O. F. circles, being a past grand master of the order. He is survived by his widow, two daughters, Glen and Marguerite at home, and one son, Dr. A. Findlay Thomson, a surgeon aboard a steamship running between New York and the West Indies. The funeral will take place here Sunday at 2:30.

SEEK GALT RELATIVES OF VET. DEAD IN DETROIT

Special to The Advertiser.
Galt, April 20.—A telegram was received here today asking if there were any relatives in this district of John Grant, a veteran of the 34th battalion, who dropped dead in Detroit this morning. He was employed at the Morris Hotel there.

ELECT OFFICERS.

Wallaceburg, April 20.—The Bible Society held its annual meeting Tuesday in the Knox Church and appointed the following officers: president, Mrs. A. D. Brand; secretary-treasurer, A. A. Wright; representatives from each church: Presbyterian, E. W. Shaw; Methodist, J. M. Harrison; Baptist, J. Zavitz; Anglican, J. Barber.



THE ISLANDS OF SORROW.

The Hebrides, off the west coast of Scotland, are being rapidly depopulated by emigration.
Scenes shown are: Top—Stornoway Bay with a view of the town and castle. Center is the castle grounds and a coterie's home. (Bolton, The Waterfront, Stornoway.)

KENT COUNTY FARMS NEED 100 WORKERS

Farmers Alarmed By Scarcity of Help and Late Sowing Season.

Special to The Advertiser.
Chatham, April 20.—One hundred single men are required for work on the farms of Kent county according to a statement issued by the local labor bureau yesterday morning. The present fine weather and lateness of the sowing season, together with the scarcity of farm help, have been the cause of much anxiety to the farmers who are eager to have their crops sown in seasonable time.
The average rate of pay offered by the farmers is from thirty-five to forty dollars per month and board. Seeding has become general throughout the county as the land is drying up quickly and the surface is being worked into an excellent condition.

SUSPENDS SENTENCE ON JOSEPH MURPHY

Vienna Man Promises Magistrate To Become Reconciled With His Wife.

St. Thomas, April 20.—Sentence was suspended by Magistrate Maxwell yesterday afternoon on Joseph Murphy, the Vienna man, convicted last week of assaulting his wife and who has spent the week in the Elgin county jail.

The sentence was suspended on promise of Murphy that he would become reconciled with his wife and avoid altercations in the future. Unwarranted jealousy of his wife was reported to have been the cause of the assault.

Murphy arrived home and found his brother-in-law there, according to the evidence, and immediately started to vent his wrath on his wife.

VISITS STRATFORD ROTARY.

Special to The Advertiser.
Stratford, April 20.—Governor Ed. Bull of Buffalo, governor of the 28th District International Rotary, paid an official visit to the Stratford Rotary Club today and spoke to the members at their noon-day luncheon. Accompanying Governor Bull was Governor-Elect Andrew H. Wallace of St. Catharines.

SARNIA EXPERIENCES REAL BUILDING BOOM

Contractors Anticipate May Will Be Record Month In City's History.

Special to The Advertiser.
Sarnia, April 20.—Sarnia is experiencing a building boom the like of which has not been seen for some years and this is reflected in the information given out yesterday that 174 houses have been erected in the last twelve months. With this large addition to the home accommodation of the city there was never such a shortage of homes as is the case at the present time. It is a matter of impossibility to pick and choose now in the way of renting and newcomers are fortunate if they obtain accommodation.

Local builders state that the month of May will prove a record one. There is a considerable extension of the residential streets towards the eastern limits of the city, particularly on the London Road, Cromwell and Stewart streets.

Real estate dealers report, however, that there is little of the speculative element noticeable in the ready movement of property, considered all the more notable through the absence of any conditions that would promote a boom.

WILL HOLD CONVENTION IN PRESTON ON APRIL 28

Special to The Advertiser.
Galt, April 20.—It was announced today that the Liberal-Conservative Association of South Waterloo would hold an open convention at the Princess Theatre, Preston, on Sunday, April 28, at 3 p.m., to name a candidate for the coming provincial election. W. F. Nickle, K. C., M. L. A., will be the speaker.
Rumors now have it that Frank Pattinson of Preston, son of George Pattinson, ex-M. L. A., Sir Adam Beck, London, and Winfield Brewster may be among the nominees.

WINDSOR CARS CARRY 1,000,000 PASSENGERS

Special to The Advertiser.
Windsor, April 20.—For the first time in the history of hydro operation of Windsor street railways and suburban lines, passengers carried totaled more than 1,000,000 during March. Figures supplied by William R. Robertson, general superintendent, today showed that 1,101,315 passengers on the lines during March, of which 138,753 were transfers.

"WHAT WILL THE TIDINGS OF THIS MEAN TO MY LOVED ONES AT HOME?"

Curly Kane touched the lowest depths of despair—and rose again to true manhood.

Kane has written his life story. It is the story of a fight for regeneration such as a master of fiction might imagine. But it is LIFE.

UP FROM THE DEATH CELL

By John W. Kane

(ex-convict No. 1666)

Will appear daily in *The Advertiser*, beginning Wednesday, April 25.

There is swift action in "Up From the Death Cell"—the gripping action of a frontier period and of the hidden struggles behind prison bars.

There is the appeal of a woman who at first sight recognized a real man hidden beneath the prisoner's jacket—a woman who risked all she had to prove her confidence.

There is a punch in the realistic portrayal of what prison does to men.

There is inspiration in the account of a man who couldn't be kept down.

There is, from first to last, the enthralling power of a story of fact—not a tale but a recital of a man's fight with himself and with conditions, and victory achieved through slow dark years which lead at last to liberty and love.

"Up From the Death Cell"—John W. Kane's own story—starts Wednesday, April 25, in *The Advertiser*. An installment will be published every day.



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