PUBLIC UTILITIES PROMISE SURPLUS FOR PRESENT YEAR

Buchanan Expects To Show at Least $10,000 on Right Side of Ledger.

PARK RATE LOW

In All $54,000 Will Be Asked for Upkeep Civic Parks and Playgrounds.

The waterworks department of the public utilities commission will promise an estimated surplus of $10,000 for 1923 when estimates for the coming year are presented at the meeting of the city council on Monday.

Mr. Buchanan stated today that the commission is confident that the department will be able to show this surplus after all provisions have been made for debenture issues, including the cost of new meters which the department desires to install during the year.

Prospects Bright.

The prospects for the year, according to this report, promise as great a success as attended the efforts of the department during the prosperous year of 1922, when a similar amount was turned back to the ratepayers.

The ten thousand dollars will go towards the reduction of the general tax rate of the city.

The city parks will be maintained this year at a lower tax rate than during the past year, when a record for the Dominion was established. This, also, will be borne out by estimates that are to go before the city council from the public utilities on Monday.

The commission will ask $34,000, the same amount as last year, for the upkeep of the several parks. With the assessment of the city considerably increased, this will mean that the city will pay a lower rate.

Park Rate Low.

Even with the rate for parks the same as last year, London would have by far the lowest rate of all the cities in the Dominion. The comparative figures for 1921 run as follows: Toronto, 2.19 mills; Vancouver, 1.59; Winnipeg, 1.44; Calgary, 1.17; Ottawa, .89; Saskatoon, .87; Regina, .80; Hamilton, .71; Victoria, 65; and London, 55 mills.

A few days ago Hamilton boasted that it had pared its park figures down to one mill this year. London will remain at one-half mill

Twenty thousand dollars will be asked for the playgrounds once again. Like the rate for parks, this will also mean a trifle lower tax rate, with the increased assessment. This money will provide several improvements, such as additional tennis courts.

DECLARES UNFEASIBLE NATIONALIZE INDUSTRY

British Press Comments on the Death of Ship Subsidy Bill.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, March 1.—The death of the United States' ship subsidy bill is commented upon by the press this morning. The editorial writers find that the moral in the United States' experiment is the futility of any government's attempting to create an industry artificially or to nationalize an industry.

The Telegraph, recalling gratefully the circumstances under which the United States' merchant fleet was built, deprecated the idea that Great Britain should view with satisfaction the collapse of the attempt of subsidization.

"The experiment failed, as all state ventures in shipping either have failed or are failing," the newspaper says. "A bureaucracy, irrespective of nationality, does not understand business. If any people could have succeeded, the Americans with their acumen and commercial keenness would have done so.

The Telegraph concludes that "in any case, the American shipbuilding effort, a splendid vindication of the spirit of the people of the United States, will never fail to evoke feelings of gratitude and admiration in this island country."

MANITOBA GOVERNMENT URGES RAILWAY BE BUILT

Canadian Press Despatch.

Regina, March 1.—A resolution urging the federal government to complete immediately the construction of the Hudson Bay Railway was adopted without dissent in the legislature yesterday.

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PECULIAR VERDICT IS GIVEN IN MRS. STOPES' LIBEL SUIT

Jury Decides the Criticism of Birth Control Publication To Be Defamatory, But True in Substance and Fair Comment—$500 Damages Awarded.

By HENRY SOMERVILLE.
Special Cable to The Advertiser.
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London, Eng., March 1.—Mrs. Stopes' libel suit has ended in an extraordinary manner. The judge put four questions to the jury:

One—Were the words which were complained of, defamatory? Two—Were they true in substance and fact? Three—Were they fair comment? Four—What were the damages, if any?

The jury's answers were: One—Yes. Two—Yes. Three—No. Four—Damages, one hundred pounds.

It was confusing to find that the words were true, yet defamatory and not fair comment. I heard counsels on both sides last night, telling their clients in court, that they had won. Newspapers this morning treated the verdict as being in favor of the plaintiff, and headlines were, "Marie Stopes Wins."

The lord chief justice, however, this morning gave a contrary judgment. He said that the jury, in finding the words to be true, had admitted a plea of justification, and, therefore, the judgment must be for the defendant, with costs.

The jury were four hours considering their verdict, and did not return to court till 8 p.m. The lord chief justice, who had a dinner engagement, was wearing evening dress under his official robes. The lord chief observed that the findings were a matter for argument, but he would not hear the arguments till the morrow. On his summing up, the lord chief had said that everybody was agreed that young people should be taught in matters of sex, but there should be instruction in the use of contraceptives did not follow. Still less did it follow that knowledge about contraceptives should be broadcasted to all without discrimination of sex or age. He estimated that from the sale of two of Mrs. Stopes' books, nearly ninety thousand pounds had been realized. The fact that no criminal proceedings had been taken against Mrs. Stopes' books did not prove they were not original.

JEWS TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF PURIM

Pay Tribute to Deliverance From Persians by Queen Esther.

From sunset today till sunset tomorrow will be a time of rejoicing for Jews in every part of the globe because in that twenty-four hours will be celebrated the Feast of Purim or the deliverance of the Jewish people from the murderous intentions of the Persian Empire many years before the birth of Christ.

Jews in London have made elaborate preparations for the proper observance of the feast and the ceremonies will commence this evening at sunset in the synagogue. The ancient ritual for the observance of the feast will be carried out to the letter and the book of Esther will be read in its entirity in the ancient Hebrew tongue tonight and in the morning as well. The reading will be given from a scroll of manuscript according to the ancient custom.

In the book of Esther the story is narrated of how the Persian Empire issued an edict at one time to annihilate all living Jews. Queen Esther interceded on behalf of her people with the result that those who were going to slay the Jews were themselves slain. It is in commemoration of this deliverance by Queen Esther that the Feast of Purim or the Feast of Esther is observed by Jews in every land.

The feast does not call for one to abstain from his daily routine work. It is a time when all indulge in the best of food and the exchange of presents while the feast is in progress is another of the old customs that has been handed down to the present day.

The Jewish month of Adar included the months of February and March of the present day calendar and the Feast of Purim which formerly lasted two days was held in the fourteenth and fifteenth days of Adar.

SARNIA MAN IS FINED $200 IN LOCAL COURT

George Campbell Admits Possession of Bottle in Other Than Private Dwelling.

George Campbell of Sarnia was fined $200 and costs in police court today when he admitted an officer had apprehended him with a bottle of liquor in his possession and in a place other than a private dwelling.

Three drunks were fined $10 and costs. A fourth man, charged with being intoxicated, did not think he was inebriated and asked a remand in order to obtain a lawyer to fight the case. An adjournment of three days was granted. He was bailed.

Nathan Goldberg, charged with having liquor in a place other than a private dwelling, was remanded another day when he appeared. He was arrested yesterday. He was boarding at the home of Mrs. Rachel Cohen, 124 Clarence street, who was fined $1,000 and costs in police yesterday on a charge of keeping liquor for sale. Twelve of the bottles which the officers seized in a raid on her home were found in Goldberg's room. She claimed them.

MAYOR AND PUMPMAN HOLD BATTLE OVER GAS

The Chief Magistrate Plows Through Slush To Get Necessary Permit.

Not even the backing of eight thousand people entitled Mayor Wenige to draw gasoline from the garage of the public utilities commission without an order, he discovered yesterday.

By chance the mayor's car ran out of gasoline just as he was passing the commission's garage on Horton street. The engine sputtered and refused to go another foot unless refreshments were provided. The mayor walked into the garage and demanded gasoline.

The high commissioner of the gas pump demanded to see his order. The city's highest official was taken aback, not having one. He was told that he must secure a permit before being served, for even cash was not accepted.

All the arguments of which the mayor is master proved of no avail, and so disgusted Mr. Wenige turned on his heel, tramped two blocks through deep slush, secured an order from the storekeeper, and managed in the end to appease the pumpman.

The mayor will be tendered a bill for five gallons of gas within the next few days.

NEW BOTTLING PLANT WILL LOCATE IN CITY

To Distribute Lime Beverage From Establishment on William Street.

Within the next month this city will be enriched by a new factory, when the Green River Bottling Company of London opens a plant on William street.

Officials of the new concern announced to The Advertiser, this morning, that negotiations which had been carried on through the London Chamber of Commerce for a few weeks had been completed. Plans for renovating the old Gleason mill at William street and the G. T. R. are already underway, and machinery has been ordered.

At the start, the concern will employ in the neighborhood of ten men, but as the business expands, which the company is confident it will, the staff will undoubtedly be increased.

The firm, which is composed largely of local men, with Toronto interests included, will bottle and distribute a new drink called "Green River." This is not the fluid which made the mountains of Kentucky famous, but a lime drink, the syrup of which is made in Toronto.

London will be the bottling and distributing point for the counties of Middlesex, Oxford and Elgin, which includes the cities of Woodstock and St. Thomas, and such large towns as Ingersoll, Aylmer and Tillsonburg. Four large trucks, as well as the network of railways, will be utilized in distributing the products.

The local concern will have no connection with the Green River, Toronto, Limited, nor with a Winnipeg concern from which the Toronto firm purchased syrup manufacturing rights for Ontario at the beginning of this year. London is the first city outside of Toronto to secure a Green River bottling firm, although others will be located in time at Hamilton, Ottawa and Kingston. Bottling rights may be given to firms in other smaller cities.

The company has secured the William street building from E. Moore of this city for a period of years. G. House of Aylmer will be in charge of the new factory.

Church Circles

Orphans Entertained.

The Jolly Worker Beavers, C. G. I. T., of the Robinson Memorial Church, entertained the children of the Protestant Orphans' Home Wednesday evening. Following a short program by the children of the home, the girls, who are members of Mrs. O. Mooney's and Mrs. W. J. Wray's classes, gave a charming program, including the highland fling and a butterfly dance by Miss Ruth Wigmore; instrumental solos by Misses Grace Wray, Mussen and Stella Mooney; solos by Miss Stella Mooney, and readings by Miss Powell and Miss Gladys Fenton, who also supervised the games which followed the program. Miss Eileen Putherbough acted as accompanist. A dainty supper was served under the convenership of Misses Evelyn Putherbough, Mary Near and Bertha Hueston. The girls were accompanied to the home by Mesdames Wigmore, Powell, W. J. Wray and O. Mooney.

St. Luke's Ladies' Aid.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid of St. Luke's Church was held this week at the home of Mrs. George Bowman, Hellmuth avenue. During the afternoon, the members presented Mrs. William Wyatt, the secretary-treasurer, with a hymnal and prayer book, in honor of her birthday. The presentation was made by Miss Alice Mason, and Mrs. A. S. H. Cree read the address, speaking with appreciation of the splendid work done by Mrs. Wyatt. Following the meeting, tea was served by the hostess, assisted by her daughter, Mrs. W. F. Wheaton.

To Entertain Choir.

A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Ladies' Aid of Askin Street Church was held Wednesday afternoon. It was decided that the association would entertain the choir, following the choir concert, Thursday, March 8. Plans were made for a concert to be given March 20 by the program and refreshment committee. A rummage sale is to be held in the near future, and an apron fair arranged for April 12, are among the activities on the association's program. Mrs. West gave the Bible reading, and solos by Mrs. Jenkins, accompanied by Miss Maude Norris, were greatly enjoyed.

ST. JAMES' C. G. I. T. GIRLS.

The Senior Cloverleaf C. G. I. T. of St James' Anglican Church met this week, with Miss Margaret Armitage presiding. It was decided that $20 be given towards the building fund of the church, also to adopt the C. G. I. T. code for at least two months. An enjoyable reading was given by Miss Monica Carter.

Children Cry
FOR FLETCHER'S
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SOLDIERS' SETTLEMENT WORK.

Professor C. R. Fay, exchange professor of economics at Cambridge University, who addressed a joint meeting of the Canadian and Lions' clubs at noon on the work of the soldiers' settlement board in Western Canada.

AVERT CHINESE STRIKE SET FOR MARCH 2

Labor Leaders Admit Negotiations With Russian Socialists For Spring Agitation.

By JAMES L. BUTTS.
Special Cable to The London Advertiser and Chicago Daily News. Copyright

Shanghai, March 1. — Owing to drastic preventive measures taken by Chinese military authorities and the local police the threatened general strike of all Chinese workers, set for March 2, as a protest against the shooting down of laborers on the Kinhan Railway, will not materialize.

Labor organizations, however, are still in a dangerous mood, and officials here believe they will be the biggest factors in the impending annual summer war, in which they are expected to line up with certain Chinese military leaders, in an effort to establish communist rule in various provinces. Some labor leaders here admit that negotiations are in progress between Chinese and Russian labor socialists for the agitation and promotion of communist activities in the spring.

Offices of labor leaders and of a communist newspaper here already have been raided and closed by the Chinese police.

SCHOOL DEBENTURES ASKED TOTAL $476,000

This Will Include Votes For Much New Building Work.

Amount of debentures to be asked for school building purposes will be definitely fixed at a special meeting of the board of educaiton tomorrow afternoon.

It is quite certain that the board will ask the council to issue debentures amounting in all to $476,000, outside of money required for interest and sinking funds.

This will include $330,000 for a new Collegiate Institute to be erected in the east end, $60,000 for the purchase of two sites for branch collegiates, $33,000 for the completion of the Trafalgar Public School, already under construction, $20,000 for the purchase of a school site in West London, $22,000 for four new rooms at Boyle Memorial School, for which the contract has been let, and $11,000 for the completion of work already started at Tecumseh and Pottersburg schools.

An item for $180,000 for a new Empress Avenue School was eliminated from the original estimates, as was $85,000 for additions to the Technical School.

City Hall Briefs

The professional arbitrators won't be largely enthusiastic with this proposal to negotiate and not arbitrate with the London Street Railway Company.

It's a hard road for the arbitrators. They have to struggle along on $250 per day.

The mayor wants to know why he sits as a member of the public utilities commission.

Who knows? It may be the same reason he sits on the police commission.

Things are slowing up a trifle. There hasn't been an investigation broached in the past six days!

The school trustees are having a breathing spell. The mayor and his trusty followers are bombarding the utilities commissioners.

By the way, Philip Pocock has the mayor's permission to purchase the street railway for $900,000.

Now for another long-winded series of addresses upon the alleged value of the street railway. In the meanwhile that well-known factor, the "long-suffering public" walks or waits.

ALD. MAY SEES CHANGE IN COLLEAGUES' VIEWS

Ald. John May, member of the board of works, submits that certain of his colleagues are changing their tatics from last year, in direct connection with the city engineer's department.

"While they talk about dispensing with the services of three ward foremen, they evidently thought last year that these positions were all right," he said this afternoon. "I say leave this to the incoming city engineer. The committee argued at the last session that he was not to come in with his hands tied.

"Last year we were not allowed to interfere with the city engineer. Now it seems to be a 'horse of another color' as it were. I say leave the engineer to run the department as he deems fitting."

WILL MOVE AMENDMENT.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, March 1.—Notice has been given by Lucien Cannon, Liberal member for Dorchester, of intention to move in the Commons that all authorized trustees appointed under the bankruptcy act should be officials receiving a fixed annual salary, and placed under the control of the minister of finance.

WESTERN "BIG NIGHT" IS HELD TOMORROW

Students Indulge in Athletic Carnival, Vaudeville Show and Barbecue.

ENACT "PROFESSORS"

Staff Will View Themselves as Members of the College "See Them."

Final plans have been completed for the big night at Western University Medical School tomorrow, when students and faculty will turn out in full force for a grand athletic carnival, vaudeville show, and barbecue, the entire function assuming the form of an "at home." Staid "profs" are expected to be present tomorrow night, when the students promise to see them "as others see them."

The program will commence with a basketball game between picked teams representing the student body and faculty, and enthusiasm is expected to run high at this contest. Immediately following the big game, a series of boxing bouts will be staged in the gymnasium, and in addition to "home brews," several imported sluggers will exhibit their prowess.

Athletics will then give way to vaudeville, which will be staged in the auditorium of the school. In addition to professional entertainers from local theatres, the Meds will put on a real program, consisting of clever skits on everyday school life of an embryo doctor. Those who will assist in this feature include J. Earl Hunter, James Jarrott, A. A. James, T. Roy McLeod, C. M. L. Beattie, Stewart Kitchen and L. G. Girard. The school musicians will also be on the job to augment the program.

After the vaudeville, the "eats" are scheduled to appear. The chief item on the menu is "hot dogs," which will be prepared by a special secret process in the school, and each recipient will be allowed to help himself and complete the process. This feature will conclude the program, which is expected to run into the night.

Following are the various committees responsible for the undertaking, which is being staged under the auspices of the Hippocratic Society of the Medical School: Publicity, Dr. Paul S. McKibben, Angus McKillop and E. Percy Johns; refreshments, M. W. Poole, F. W. James, A. J. Read, J. McWilliams, F. Hunt, M. MacPherson, George Gibson, L. G. Cargill W. C. Sproat, R. R. McNeill and J. Ferguson; program committee, Dr. John E. Gordon, Lloyd W. M. Rice and Clare Sanborn.

PRAISES SETTLEMENT OF SOLDIERS IN WEST

Professor Fay Declares Board May Become Important Factor in Development.

HAVE FINE COLLEGES

States Canada Must Combat With Attractions in South.

Paying the highest compliment to the work of the soldiers' settlement board in Western Canada, Professor C. R. Fay, exchange professor of economics of Cambridge, England, who spoke at a joint meeting of the Lions' and the Canadian clubs in the Tecumseh House today, pointed to it as an organization which might be the important factor in the development of the west, if its network of agencies and advisors were used to the advantage of hundreds of incoming settlers as they had been for the returned men in the west.

Has Done Well.

"In two things, her agricultural education and her soldiers' settlement, Canada has done supremely well. Spending a summer in the west and visiting over three hundred farms, I reached the conclusion that Canada had discharged her debt to her returned men more thoroughly than any other dominion, or country, which has come under my study.

"In the west, there are two fundamental problems. How are you going to get people on the farms and to stay there? And how are you going to build up their commercial prosperity once you have them there?

"In all social policies it has been found wisest to employ a means tried and found successful, where one was available.

"In the west, ready as an aid to the solution of the problem of emigration and development, you have ready the network of agricultural colleges and soldiers' settlement agencies.

Millions Spent.

"Millions have been spent for these purposes, and the question arises whether the money has been spent to a loss or will it justify its expenditure. One important reason why it will justify itself is because the Canadian people were wise enough to supplement financial assistance with a magnificent service of supervisors—the field men of the soldiers' settlement, who not only look after the replacement of government grants, but are ready to advise and help a man on to prosperity.

"And in the network of men already organized there is found the excellent combination of men who have a sound technical training and whose experience as officers in France has given them a knowledge of discipline and a knowledge of the weaknesses of the men under them.

Racial Indigestion.

"Mind you, I do not advocate the bringing in of millions or even thousands of settlers, but I do mean to advocate the use of this network of soldier settlement as a machinery for introducing select settlers from Britian and settlers from the north of Europe.

"We know ther eis decidedly such a thing as racial indigestion, and that you can't mix a dozen races and expect to have a negibhorly corporate life. There must be moderation. And of all the foreigners who came into the west I found the Scandinavians were the most friendly and the most neighborly."

Praises Doukhobors.

Professor Fay singled the Doukhobors out for special mention. "Whatever their faults," he said, "I find that they have a strong instinct to make things for their own personal use, whereas the tendency with us is to go to the store and buy what we need wherever possible. In the building up of a new country that is an important instinct to have embedded.

"And coupled with her other problems, Canada must fight against the attraction to the south. It is her peculiar problem to get settlers as well as hold them. It is an untruth to pick any particular type of Britisher as making the best farmer. I have heard it said that only the northeners, or the sons of farmers, were useful, but in the farms I visited I found a farmer's son and a farmer's grandson equally successful with his negibhro who was a London busman.

HEADS SIMCOE SCHOOL BOARD.

W. E. Kelly, K.C., crown attorney for Norfolk, recently elected chairman of the Simcoe high and public school board of education. This board consists of twelve members; three are appointed by the county council, three by the town council, and six are elected members. Mr. Kelly is an elected member.

HARDING UNFAVORABLE TO EMBARGO ON COAL

Would Put Responsibility on Interstate Commerce Commission.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, March 1.—President Harding declared in a letter made public here today that he did not favor an anthracite embargo to relieve the fuel situation in the northeastern section of the country, and felt that responsibility for any other action in facilitating shipments to that district must rest wholly with the interstate commerce commission.

FRENCH ALLOW COAL TO GO INTO GERMANY

Exporters, However, Must Pay Forty Per Cent Duty to France.

PENALTY OF DEATH

Warns Inhabitants Against Sabotage Resulting in Mortal Accidents.

Special Cable to The Advertiser.

Essen, March 1.—The French and Belgians today lifted a little the barrier around the Ruhr, and permitted coal from the occupied areas to be sent to Germany.

Exporters, who take advantage of the new order of things, must pay 40 per cent duty to the French, however. This is explained as in keeping with Premier Poincare's declaration that France seized the Ruhr to collect reparations.

PROMISE DEATH PENALTY.

Special Cable to The Advertiser.

Coblenz, March 1.—Death is to be the penalty for persons found guilty of sabotage in the occupied areas that result in mortal accidents, the French and Belgians have decided.

A series of disastrous railway accidents, in which more than forty lives have been lost, caused the decision. It is also understood that persons committing sabotage or obstructing traffic in such a way as to endanger travelers, are liable to the death penalty. Minor offenders are liable to prison terms of not less than ten years at hard labor.

COAL TAX TO FORE AGAIN.

Associated Press Despatch.

Dusseldorf, March 1.—The question of collecting the forty per cent tax on Ruhr coal came to the fore today in view of General Degoutte's announcement that refusal to meet this obligation would make offenders liable to trial by court-martial and would result in the seizure of coal at the mines.

Before the occupation the coal tax was paid to the German government, but the mine owners have refused to turn it over to the French and Belgians.

SAYS CITY WILL BE PAID ITS $326 ELECTION BILL

Ottawa has been vindicated. City Clerk Sam Baker has been advised by Frank White, M.P., that the question of $326 payment to the city by the federal authorities, due the city for services rendered during the last dominion campaign will be cleared up without further delay.

It develops that no account had been rendered by the local authorities, upon whom the burden rests (not city hall officials). Therefore, the federal administration evidently bided its time.

ASK GOVERNMENT PAY SOLDIERS' SCHOOL FEES

Ontario Urban Trustees' Association Passes Important Resolutions.

NEED NOT RESIGN

Would Not Make Trustees Resign Ten Days Before Council Nomination.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Brantford, Ont., March 1.—The Ontario Urban School Trustees' Association this morning passed two resolutions—one to eliminate the necessity of school trustees resigning ten days before nomination for city councillor, and one calling on the Dominion Government to pay full cost of education of soldiers' children when those soldiers were in barracks which paid no taxes.

An illustrated address on school architecture was given by W. W. Pearse, Toronto, the illustrations being particularly effective.

He referred to the Collingwood disaster, in which 173 children were burned to death.

The plans were similar to those of dozens all over the country. He advocated the incorporation of the Philadelphia fire tower which did away with the cutting off of a stairway by smoke. He commended the Plenum system of school ventilation, serious flaws in window ventilation were that in winter the windows were kept closed and humidity became high, the air being like a sponge, absorbing moisture thrown off by the children.

By resolution of F. B. Edmunds, Toronto, the convention approved of a change so that a school trustee desiring to run for city councillor would not have to resign as a trustee ten days previous to the date of nomination. Sometimes the date was not known in time to allow the trustee time to resign. The Dominion government was asked to pay the full cost of children of soldiers in barracks, which paid no local taxes. This particularly applies to London.

The delegates this afternoon visited the Ontario School for the Blind, guests of Principal W. B. Race.

BOARD OF HEALTH ESTIMATES.

Board of health estimates for the year will receive a final trimming at a special session of that body tonight. Both Mayor Wenige and Ald. Leonard Douglass, chairman, are determined that last year's figures shall not be exceeded, if it is possible to otherwise conduct the work of the department, without lessening the efficiency.

A BOYS' PILGRIMAGE TO ALASKA

George E. Buchanan and the fifty boys he will take to Alaska.

Between Vancouver and Skagway the Canadian Pacific steamer "Princess Louise" passes through hundreds of miles of such beautiful sheltered waterways as this.

The wonderful totem poles of an Alaskan Indian village.

GEORGE E. BUCHANAN, a Chatham, Ont., boy who is now a prosperous coal dealer in Detroit, attributes his success largely to an offer made him when he was a boy that he would have a trip to Europe if he saved up a third of the cost. The offer was made by a friend who promised to lend a third provided George's father lent the other third, the loans to be repaid when George could afford to do so. Here was a real incentive for saving, and when the trip was made it proved of an educational value that has stood him in good stead all his life. Last year Mr. Buchanan made a trip to Alaska, and the idea occurred to him of making the same kind of offer to other boys that he had himself enjoyed in his own youth. But the trip should be to Alaska and not to Europe. As soon as he made the announcement, he was inundated with applications, and a large party of Detroit boys has already been booked to sail from Vancouver on the Canadian Pacific steamer "Princess Louise" on July 14th. Mr. Buchanan will personally conduct the tour which he is thus helping to finance. He says that such a trip would have been worth $50,000 to him if he had taken it himself in his own boyhood because of its educational and broadening influences.

The Rev. Lynn Harold Hough, pastor of the Central Methodist Church, William Livingstone, president of the Dime Savings Bank, and Circuit Judge Joseph A. Moynihan have indorsed Buchanan's scheme as an unusual opportunity for boys to learn the value of thrift and industry. But the trip will have still other benefits, as Mr. Buchanan has said. These lads cannot cross the continent and take that wonderful trip up the island-sheltered waters of the Pacific Coast without its having a tremendously stimulating effect upon their imagination, and upon their future modes of thought and life. From Vancouver up to Skagway and back is a nine-day trip that can never be forgotten. The yacht-like "Princess Louise" glides over a still sea among countless islands that rise forest-clad or mountainous on either side against a snow line of snow-capped mountain peaks. The Indian villages of Alaska with their totem poles are unique, and they too will have a special charm for these fifty fortunate boys.