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NICKLE WILL START HOT DEBATE ON O. T. A. BILL

Second Reading on Proposed
Referendum Slated For
This Morning.

U. F. O. WILL OPPOSE

Raney Will Demand Stricter
Enforcement of Present
Act.

Special to The Advertiser.
Toronto, March 6.—With the government bill to provide taking public opinion on the O. T. A. slated for a second reading at today's session of the legislature, speculation is rampant about the corridors of the parliament buildings as to just how the debate is going to shape up. Hon. W. P. Nickle will start the ball rolling by moving the second reading. From then on the debate is expected to wax fast and furious.

Hon. W. E. Raney, former attorney-general, will take the opportunity to defend his enforcement of the act, and it is expected will speak at some length. There will be a large number of speakers in the debate, and a demand will be made for an immediate referendum. The government, however, will not vacate the position as stated by the premier in his speeches that they will submit the matter to a vote when and how they desire.

Although there have been more speakers demanding a vote on the liquor question than there have been defending the O. T. A., the majority of the House are without doubt behind the government in its act and intentions. Much of the ammunition of those wanting a quick vote has already been fired in the budget debate. The U. F. O. will line up nearly solid against a referendum at present or in the near future. The Liberals will follow the policy laid down by their leader in the budget debate.

'Puffing' Co-Ed's Appeal Denied

Alice Tanton Expelled From
School For Alleged
Smoking.

Associated Press Despatch.
Lansing, Mich., March 6.—Officials of the Michigan State Normal School at Ypsilanti who expelled Miss Alice Tanton for alleged smoking of cigarettes in the spring of 1922, were upheld by the state supreme court in a decision handed down last yesterday. Miss Tanton is now working as a stenographer in Detroit.

Miss Tanton was refused permission to return to the school because of cigarette smoking and took her case to the courts in an effort to compel the authorities to admit her.

ESSAY CONTEST PLANNED BY CITY TRAIL RANGERS

The Pointers and Gordons of Dundas Center Methodist Church, Y. M. C. A. Trail Rangers met last night for supper in the "Y," and routine business discussed. Allan Kay, leader of the Pointers, was in charge.

Next week an essay contest will be held, and a prize awarded to the boy submitting the best composition on "Why I am a Trail Ranger." It is expected that over 100 boys will compete.

The Weather

FORECASTS.
Today—Light winds and cloudy.
Friday—Strong winds, and probably snow or rain.

Pressure is highest over Northern Canada, and relatively low to the south, with some indication that any important disturbance will develop near the middle Atlantic coast.

The weather is cloudy over a great part of the Dominion, quite cold in the Western Provinces, and with a cold front, and with the temperature just below freezing in Southern Ontario and east.

Temperatures.
The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	52	40	Cloudy
Calgary	40	29	Clear
Winnipeg	18	4	Cloudy
Port Arthur	28	16	Snow
Sault Ste. Marie	30	9	Clear
Tyngton	38	20	Cloudy
Kinistone	38	32	Cloudy
Ottawa	40	32	Cloudy
Montreal	40	34	Cloudy
Quebec	42	30	Cloudy
St. John's	44	28	Cloudy
Halifax	44	32	Snow

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 41; lowest, 30. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 31; lowest, 29.

Barometric Readings.
Wednesday—2 p.m.—29.14.
Today—8 a.m.—29.14.



ISMET PASHA,
has resigned as Turkish premier, according to the Constantinople despatch. The public has asked him to form another cabinet. The premier has not yet decided on his course of action.

REFUGEE PROBE BEGINS TODAY

Keeper at Strathroy Institution
Will Be Called To Give
Evidence.

Although Reeve Walter Laidlaw of Westminster Township intimated several days ago that there would be no investigation into liquor consumption at the House of Refuge, Strathroy, until the week after next, a meeting has been called for the county buildings this afternoon.

Members of the committee interviewed by The Advertiser were not anxious to give out any information regarding the probe, contenting themselves with the statement that the gathering was for organization purposes only.

It was learned, however, that Alex. Anderson, the keeper of the House of Refuge, is not in charge, and no doubt he will be asked just what disposition was made of some 50 bottles of whiskey purchased from the licensed vendor last year for the House of Refuge.

The meeting will not be open to the press, it was stated.

MIDDLESEX LIVE STOCK ASSOCIATION PLANNED

R. W. Wade Will Address the
Meeting, Which Will Be
Held March 21.

There will be a large gathering of live stock men of Middlesex County in the department of agriculture office, London, on March 21, to form a live stock improvement association, R. A. Finn, B. S. A., announces.

Notices are being sent out to the live stock men of the district, telling them about the meeting which will be addressed by R. W. Wade, superintendent of the "better live stock" train, which will be in London that afternoon. Mr. Wade is an authority on live stock, having been associated with the animal husbandry branch of the O. A. C. for many years. He was also secretary of the Guelph Winter Fair for some time, and is well known in live stock circles from coast to coast.

NEAR'S FINAL ESTIMATE PLACED AT \$210,314.03

Sum \$75,000 More Than 1923
Figure—Reductions Are
Promised.

City Engineer W. P. Near today submitted the final figures for his proposed 1924 expenditures, as approved by the board of works, aggregating \$210,314.03.

These estimates do not include, of course, the estimates from Building Inspector Piper for such items as general repairs to the city hall and fire halls. Nor does it include the bill from the Suburban Road Commission for \$15,000, or the provision in the estimates for the interest on sinking fund, about \$14,000 on the provincial highway bill.

This sum is approximately \$75,000 in excess of the 1923 estimate, telling the engineering department. Further reductions are promised, however, when the city council meets as a body to consider the estimates from all spending bodies and departments under its supervision.

CUNLIFFE APPOINTMENT WILL BE CONSIDERED

Chairman Tallant of the Housing Commission stated today that the Cunliffe appointment would be considered at the next regular session, and if ratified, a recommendation to that effect would be duly forwarded to the city council. Mr. Cunliffe is the logical selection in the chairman's opinion.

BIG LIQUOR SHIPMENT SEIZED BY OFFICIALS

Stratton and Bolton Swoop
Down On Train Early
This Morning.

PLACE VALUE AT \$3,500

"Clothing" Removed to Police
Station—Owner's Name Not
Divulged.

At 3 o'clock this morning when most citizens were snoring the sleep of the just, License Inspector Walter Bolton and Provincial Constable T. Y. Stratton were maintaining an expectant vigil in the C. P. R. freight yards, East London.

When the big freight train from Montreal pulled to a stop in the yards, the officers picked out a "per"-ticular car, and on opening four large cases labeled "clothing," they found some 400 bottles of high-class liquor, which at vendors' prices would bring about \$3,500. It was removed to the police station in a motor truck. There was other merchandise in the car, officers stated.

The "clothing" was addressed to a London man, whose name the inspector refused to divulge at the present time.

Liquor shipments seized by the license inspector during the last few months have usually been billed to Windsor and the Petite Cote district. It has been some time since a London shipment has been seized.

The liquor left Montreal on March 3, according to the shipping bill, the freight on the consignment amounting to \$18.47.

WARD FOREMAN'S YARD RENTED FOR STORAGE

City Engineer Declares Amount
Paid Is \$25 a Year, Not
Month.

While the report was made at last night's session of the finance committee that one of the ward foremen had been leasing his backyard to the city for the storing of tools, etc., at \$25 per month, the city engineer corrected this impression today.

"It is \$25 a year that the city has been paying this man," he explained. "And in addition to the use of the property for storage purposes, we have the use of his telephone at noon hours to call the men. We could not use the fire hall telephone for the same purpose if the backyards of the departments were used as has been suggested."

GRANT OF CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONED BY DOUGLASS

City Treasurer James Bell reports that the city council has provided in its 1924 estimates the sum of \$450 to be given to the Free Press to make up for an overdraft of that amount. Aid. Leonard Douglass, chairman of the finance committee, questioned the wisdom of this move when the question was first introduced in the committee several days ago.

Only Thirteen Days Remain For Special Cash Prizes



MRS. JAMES HENDRY,
popular London club woman, who is making an excellent showing in the \$20,000 Advertiser contest. Mrs. Hendry, who is widely known throughout the city, is receiving the strong support of her friends, who are ardent boosters of The Advertiser.



PRESIDENT EBERT,
of Germany, has authorized Chancellor Marx to dissolve the Reichstag, according to a despatch received from Amsterdam. If the dissolution takes place this week, the despatch says, the elections will be held either on April 6 or 13, and will include the occupied regions.

PREMIER TO AID IN ALBERTA COAL

Mayor Receives Letter From
Ferguson Promising Personal
Efforts.

Premier Howard Ferguson promises Londoners that he will exert every effort to bring about a suitable arrangement whereby Alberta coal can be sold at a reasonable price.

In a communication to Mayor Wenige today, the premier states his appreciation of a recent letter from the mayor, but assures him that nothing in this undertaking will be left undone.

The premier's letter follows: "Dear George Wenige: "Mayor Sir,—I appreciate yours of the 3rd instant.

"There appears to be many obstructions put in the way of securing western coal for our Ontario users, but I intend to exhaust every effort in my endeavor to make it possible for the people of this province to secure coal at a reasonable price. This government is now making application to the federal railway commission for a full investigation of freight rates. You etc."

"G. HOWARD FERGUSON."

COMMISSIONER SOWTON WILL SPEAK IN THE CITY

Canada East Chief of Salvation
Army Expected Here
Tuesday.

Commissioner Sowton, head of the Canada East division of the Salvation Army will speak at No. 1 citadel on Tuesday at a united soldiers' meeting. On Wednesday he will preside at an officers' council meeting. Lieut.-Col. Morehen, young people's secretary for the Canada East division will conduct meetings at No. 1 citadel on Friday and Sunday as well as a special service on Saturday and Monday at No. 4 citadel.

\$500 and Extra Vote Offer Run Out in Two Weeks' Time.

STILL OPPORTUNITIES

Just thirteen days remain for candidates to cash in on the \$250,000 extra vote offer and the \$500 in special cash prizes. These two added incentives make subscription-getting at this particular period an extremely lucrative occupation. The bigger the effort during the next two weeks the higher will be each candidate's standing and the better his chances for the \$2,000 grand prize.

It is almost impossible to run out of territory in contest of this nature. If candidates feel that they have canvassed the greater part of their community they should go back a second time and increase the terms of subscriptions already obtained. For instance, a citizen who gives a three or six months' subscription can very readily be persuaded to increase it to a year or two-year subscription. Thousands of votes may be secured in this way.

Only twelve subscriptions separated over 60 candidates from the four special cash prizes in the last period. No one candidate has any great lead in votes. It is anybody's race and will be until the end of the 250,000 extra vote period. This is all the more reason, therefore, why real hard work should be put in the campaign from now on.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY OF DISEASE MADE IN CITY

Drs. Harold Wismer and John
Hunt Solve Baffling
Problem.

LECTURE IN DETROIT

"Sthenoidal Sinusitis" Is Name
Given to Affliction in
Head.

London doctor has achieved distinction in locating a disease which has baffled X-Ray specialists all over the country. Announcement of this comes simultaneously with the appearance of Dr. Harold Wismer, and Dr. John Hunt, local specialists as lecturers before the Wayne County Medical Association of Detroit, on a disease of the head which Dr. Wismer has aptly prolonged "sphenoidal sinusitis," and Dr. Hunt has discovered a diagnostic method of recovery. The nature of the disease is that of a small hollow place in the skull were an infection sets in similar to that of a mastoid.

Dr. Hunt has been treating a case of this, according to the treatment discovered by Dr. Wismer.

NEW BRUNSWICK TO DEVELOP HYDRO

Speech From Throne at Opening
of Legislature Favors
Project.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Fredericton, N. B., March 6.—The speech from the throne, delivered at the opening of the New Brunswick legislature today, announced as favorable to development the experts' opinion on the Grand Falls on the St. John river, said to be one of the most potent hydro forces on the continent, and which has attracted United States interests in the past.

The government's policy with regard to it would be placed before the House at an early date, the speech said, and the House would be asked to pass legislation thereon.

MEDS WILL NOT SIGN STUDENT PETITION

Members Content With Present
System of Administration
at University.

Medical students of the University of Western Ontario are taking no interest in the petition which was signed on Tuesday by 200 members of the arts department of the university to be sent to the board of governors, urging that immediate action be taken in the appointment of a president.

According to members of the Hippocratic Society, an association of the Medical School corresponding to the Men's Club of the arts department, the medical students are not interested in the movement instituted by arts students. They claim they are content with the manner in which the university is being conducted.

No further developments have been reached at the arts school, and the enthusiasm which was shown over the petition on Tuesday has partly abated.

Several students stated today they would not have signed the petition had they given it reasonable consideration.

Frank Crane Coming

Dr. Frank Crane is going to write for The Advertiser every day.

Millions of people throughout the world have felt better because of this simple man and his writings.

Frank Crane's articles commence next week — every day on the editorial page.

BEATTY TO QUIT POST IF NAVY IS REDUCED

MacDonald's Policy Is Productive
of Vigorous Protests
by Officers.

FEAR FOR EMPIRE

Scrapping of Singapore Base
May Precipitate Real
Crisis.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, March 5.—Increasing dissatisfaction is developing among British naval officials over the Labor government's avowed pacifist policy and its intention to reduce Great Britain's present naval and military commitments to a minimum which admiralty officials fear may endanger the security of the empire.

This feeling has been strengthened by the reports printed this morning that the government had decided to drop the project for a naval base at Singapore. The naval staff at the admiralty is known to hold strong views that the Singapore base is a necessity as a protection for Great Britain's eastern trade routes and as a precaution against naval attacks from unfriendly powers in the future.

It is freely predicted that if the MacDonald cabinet announced the unequivocal abandonment of the Singapore base the decision will result in the resignation of Earl Beatty, the first sea lord, as well as the withdrawal of numerous naval officials of the admiralty.

Prime Minister MacDonald is aware that the complete scrapping of the Singapore plan may precipitate a crisis in the admiralty as well as displease Australia and New Zealand, and he is understood to be working out with his ministerial colleagues a compromise plan which will permit at least the construction of a base at Singapore on a greatly reduced scale.



EARL BEATTY,
first sea lord of Great Britain, who will resign if the MacDonald government persists in reduction policy and the abandonment of Singapore naval base.

COUNTY ROADS IN POOR STATE

Practically Impossible For the
Heavy Traffic To Get
Through at Present.

Heavy traffic of all descriptions in the county of Middlesex is practically held up owing to road conditions, Count Engineer Charles Talbot states. On the majority of roads east, west and south of the city there are huge snow drifts and one hundred feet farther on there is nothing but mud.

The engineer pointed out that it was almost impossible to get through the roads with wagons owing to the drifts and with sleighs it was just as bad in the mud.

The highway funding act which was vigorously enforced in 1923 will again be enforced in the county this year, Mr. Talbot stated. The act provides that all vehicles using county roads from March 1 to April 30 will be loaded to but half their capacity. This means that a two-ton truck owner is liable to a heavy fine if he allows more than a ton to be carried on the truck during March and April.

It was not found necessary last year to prosecute any individual in Middlesex, but a number of warnings were issued from the engineer's department.

NEAR CORROBORATES \$1 AN HOUR FOR TEAMS

Standard Rate Paid by City
When Horses Required,
Says Engineer.

It was reported last night that the city engineering department has been hiring teams at \$1 per hour. City Engineer Near states that this is nothing unusual. It has been necessary for them to hire teams every year and at frequent periods throughout the year. Upon these occasions the standard rate is paid, which happens to be at this time one dollar an hour.

The engineer does think, however, that it would be advisable for the department to own two or three teams, but that a number of warnings were issued from the engineer's department.

The department has no further stabling accommodation, in any event, for other than the horses with the garbage department.

HOME FOR PIGEONS PROPOSED ON MARKET

Question Provides Good-Natured
Crossfire at Finance
Committee Session.

What to do about the market pigeons, if anything, provided a lot of good-natured cross-fire at last night's session.

Ald. Douglass directed that Market Clerk Maker bring in a report at the next session, Wednesday, what steps he is taking in this regard. The chairman also asked the committee if it had been their desire that these birds should be removed. They replied in the affirmative.

Ald. Drake suggested that they leave the pigeons where they were, while Ald. Anderson suggested that they construct a roost for them at one end of the market, where they would be out of the way.

Market Clerk Maker asked for suggestions as to disposal, but nothing constructive was offered, other than the proposed construction of a home.

SIR ADAM BECK REPORTED NOW GREATLY IMPROVED

Sir Adam Beck, who has been suffering from a severe cold the past week, was reported much improved this morning. He is up and around again today. Sir Adam contracted the cold in Toronto and was forced to absent himself from the legislature for several days.

"Sir Adam is quite recovered now," Dr. George Hale, attending physician, said.

Newsy Bits From Today's Classified Ads.

Semi-modern house to let.
Coatmaker wanted.
Used car for sale.
Bar-pin lost.
Stenographer wanted.
Range for sale.

LAST COURT OF APPEAL TO DECIDE BANK CASE

Petition of Home Bank Directors
To Be Heard by Privy
Council.

HEARING ON SATURDAY

Judgment Will Mean Whether
Bankers Get Speedy Trial
or Not.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, March 6.—The petition to the privy council concerning the question as to whether the ten accused directors and officials of the defunct Home Bank, Toronto, are entitled to a speedy trial before a court judge on the charges brought against them under the bank act will be heard on Saturday. The case is listed as the attorney-general of Ontario vs. Daly and others.

D. L. McCarthy, K.C., Toronto, will appear for the attorney-general when the case comes up on Saturday. The other side will not be represented by counsel.

The question as to whether the ten directors and officials of the Home Bank should be entitled to a speedy non-jury trial before a county judge compelling Judge Costworth, senior county judge, to try them without a jury under the provisions of the speedy trials act, but the attorney-general's department did not accept this judgment and claimed that his lordship had not jurisdiction to grant a mandamus in a criminal case, the alleged offence being punishable with imprisonment for a period of five years. Now the judicial committee of the privy council will settle the question.

The directors of the Home Bank will also have to face trials on charges of conspiracy in connection with the suspension of the bank on August 17 last. The conspiracy charges will be tried by a jury.

Following are the names and positions of the ten defendants in the Home Bank case:

H. J. Daly, Toronto, president of the Home Bank.
Richard P. Gough, Toronto, vice-president.
S. Cassey Wood, Toronto, director.
J. F. M. Stewart, Toronto, director.
F. J. B. Russell, Toronto, director.
Clarence F. Smith, Montreal, director.
Charles A. Barnard, Montreal, director.
A. E. Calvert, Toronto, assistant general manager.
O. G. Smith, Toronto, chief accountant.
Sydney H. Jones, Toronto, auditor.

LOCAL POLICE RECEIVE CIRCULAR ON BAILEY

That Scotland Yard detectives were determined to find Major Norman P. Bailey, wanted in London, England, on a charge of murdering his wife, was demonstrated to the London detective department today, when a circular carrying a full description of Bailey was received. A reward of \$500 was offered for his capture.

Just after reading the circular, Inspector Nickle read a despatch, stating Bailey had been found in an insane asylum at Luxembourg.

Making a Golf Champion

Walter Hagen has won more golf honors than any man on the continent. He has held British, American and French open championships, besides countless other titles.

Hagen has written a story of his career. The Advertiser is making a Golf Champion. It starts Monday on The Advertiser's sports chapter every day.