

'ANDY' HICKS FIGHTING FOR HIS POLITICAL LIFE

HICKS TO BATTLE TO GET FARMERS' SUPPORT IN HURON

Generally Believed He Will Not Be Given Nomination.

SAYS NOT WANTED

A. Munn Declares "Andy Has Been Cutting Up Too Much."

Special to The Advertiser by a Staff Reporter.

Hensall, May 31.—Andrew Hicks will battle for his political life at a convention of the South Huron U. F. O. this afternoon, and the odds are against him. General feeling among the farmers seems to be opposed to Hicks, and it is predicted that either W. G. Mead or W. D. Sanders of Exeter will be the next candidate.

"Andy has been cutting up too much, and we don't want anything more to do with him," A. Munn, president of the South Huron U. F. O. said this morning when interviewed by The Advertiser.

It is expected, however, that Hicks will speak in a desperate effort to win the nomination. Several hundred farmers from all parts of the riding are attending the convention.

SERGEANT LAYS CLAIM TO FIREBUG REWARD

Finance Committee Turns the Matter Over to Police Commission.

Another step towards securing for Sergeant Thomas O'Connor the reward offered for the capture of John Isen, firebug, was taken last night when the finance committee of the city council referred to the police commission a letter from Sergeant O'Connor with instructions that the matter of laying the information be thoroughly investigated.

Isen, who was responsible for many fires throughout the city, was caught by Sergeant O'Connor as he was endeavoring to set fire to a portion of the barracks where he was stationed. The sergeant ordered the man under arrest and informed his commanding officer as to what had occurred.

The O. C. in turn told Sergeant Birtwhistle, who went to the local police station and went through the formality of laying the information which resulted in Isen's conviction.

Sergeant O'Connor wrote to the finance committee setting out his claims to the \$500 reward offered by the city, pointing out that it was he who had discovered the man.

APPOINT JAIL MATRON TO FILL THE VACANCY

Mrs. Frank E. Ross Will Take Over Duties of Miss Jane Doyle.

Mrs. Frank E. Ross of Hensall has been appointed the new assistant matron at the county jail to fill the vacancy left by the superannuation of Miss Jane Doyle.

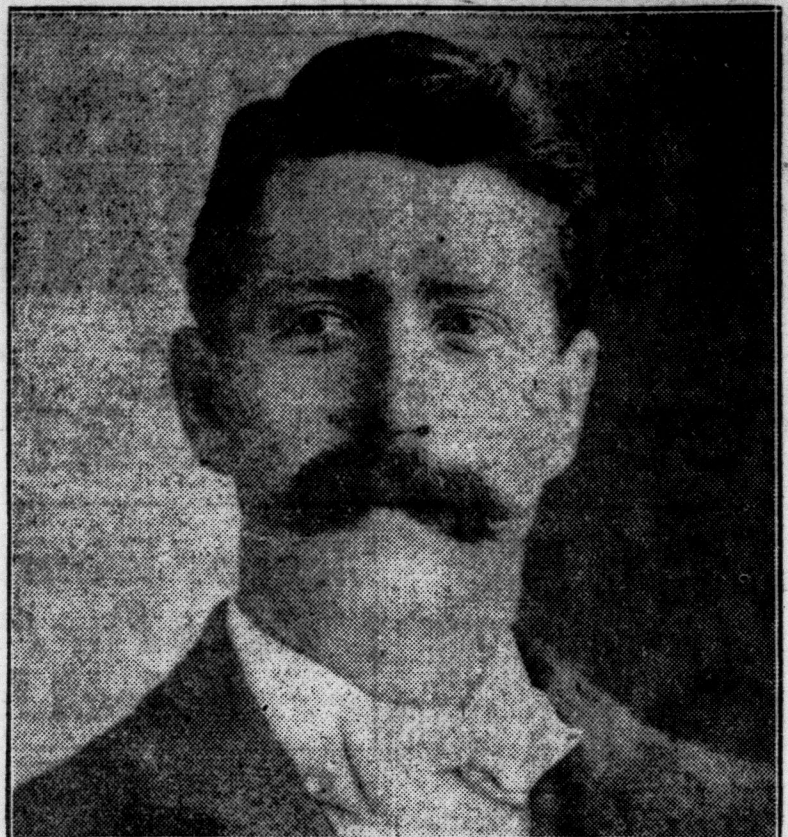
Mrs. Ross, who is a trained nurse of wide experience, and a graduate of a London hospital, will commence her duties this evening as night matron. Her apartments in the county buildings are being renovated, and within the next few days Mr. and Mrs. Ross will be residing in their new quarters.

Miss Doyle has been assistant matron at the county jail for more than thirty years, and the county council at their January session decided that since Miss Doyle was getting up in years, she should be superannuated, and a bylaw was passed releasing her from her duties and setting aside of \$30 a month for her pension.

OF INTEREST TO EVERY HOUSEWIFE.

On page five of this paper will be found an advertisement featuring a One-Cent Sale by the Standard Drug Limited of this city. They call attention to the fact that this is a repetition of one of their old-fashioned, price slashing extremely popular One-Cent Sales. Many of our readers will remember the great sensation these sales caused a few years ago. The management claims that this sale contains even greater values than ever, and anticipates that their stores will be crowded to capacity on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. It will be advisable to make a list of your needs and visit your nearest Standard Drug Store as early as possible.—Advt.—b.

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ANDREW HICKS, M.L.A.

who today is battling to remain in the political ring. Mr. Hicks, the sitting member for South Huron, and former U. F. O. whip, is not expected to receive the U. F. O. nomination. His fiery attacks on Premier Drury have led for him the confidence of many of his former loyal supporters in the riding.

"M'GREGOR" IDENTIFIED BY BIRRELL AND DOWN

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For a long while the theory that he organized the escape of the Murrell brothers from their county jail was given little credence by the police. Subsequently, the evidence accumulated, until today it is believed certain that Norton may well be regarded as the criminal master mind of the Murrell gang. There is much evidence to substantiate the claim that Norton returned not only to London, but to the cell window of the Murrells within the jail walls, and while they hacked away at the bars with saws which he provided, he took his turn in cutting through the steel from the outside.

It is the belief of the police that Norton may have returned on more than one night to assist in the cutting, and that the slots notched in the tedious process were filled by him with a soap and lampblack disguise that concealed the progress of the jail delivery. He, too, it is thought, fixed the time for the escape, assisted in bringing the men safely over the jail wall by means of the ladders and ropes left inside by contractors building a county works storage, and provided the motor car in which they left the city.

Part of the story has been unfolded. What happened after the prisoners got again beyond the grasp of the law is for the meanwhile a mystery. Where they spent the first night after their escape, how soon they made the break across the international line; whether major acts of banditry and homicide have been their stock in trade since where Bill Murrell is now, remain for the time a mystery.

Stole Another Car. Displaying a physical endurance few of his pursuers could equal, he distanced the posse and lost himself in a woods soon afterward to reappear at a farm a mile or more away. The stolen motor car, the radiator of which had been drained to prevent damage by late spring frosts. He rushed out to the road, menacing the members of the household with his automatic pistol, and was soon lost to view. The rural telephone lines broadcasted the word to the people of the whole community, now alert to the call to avenge the embattled people of Melbourne. Two men with light rifles as their only weapons to join action with the "fourth man's" arsenal soon picked up the trail of the stolen car and swiftly drew in upon it. The waterless motor had practically run its limit. Overheated and in difficulties, the desperado was unable to force it further. The pursuing car was close upon him when, again resorting to his wits, he swung the machine on a rabbit turn into a farmer's lane. The driver following, not suspecting the move, over-ran the turn and before he could stop saw his man leave the machine well down in the fields and again strike off, running toward the swamps.

The bandit was nearing exhaustion, but his brain was working. Pretending to abandon the attempt to avoid arrest, he dropped his gun on the ground and stood as if to surrender. The leading pursuers, too, lowered their weapons and proceeded to close in and apprehend him. But when the leader was less than a hundred feet from the fugitive, the bandit, again grasping his German army pistol, laid its muzzle across his up-lifted left forearm and, taking deliberate aim down the gleaming barrel, he fired. The bullet whistled past the farmer's ear and he escaped the death intended for him.

Slipped the Net. Other shots crashed around the poorly-armed or unarmed people of the countryside, and the chase ended. The Fourth Man, scarcely recognizable in the excitement, plunged into the dense undergrowth, and when daylight returned next morning, he had slipped the net.

But with the threat of the hangman's noose clutching at his throat the bragging gangster Murrell could not resist the impulse to boast of his escapades in the evasion of the law. "I have been in jail one place and another every year since I was 16 years old, and I never saw one yet I couldn't break," he told a fellow-prisoner.

That night, while the jail night watchman was on his rounds about the building between 2 and 3 o'clock, he was attracted by a noise on the roof, and two slinking figures moved across the cornice dimly silhouetted against the moon.

Cook, the watchman, promptly covered both men with his gun and ordered them down. They parleyed for a moment, claiming they were

REV. W. E. MILLSON MADE PRESIDENT BY METHODISTS

Chosen To Head the London Conference at Today's Meeting.

CAME AS SURPRISE

Generally Conceded Honor Would Fall Upon Rev. H. J. Uren of Mitchell.

Special to The Advertiser.

Sarnia, May 31.—Rev. Walter E. Millson of London, field secretary of the department of evangelism and social service, was elected president of the London Methodist Conference at its session this morning. Mr. Millson's election came as a surprise to many delegates present, for it was generally conceded before the conference convened that the honor would fall on Rev. H. J. Uren, of Mitchell, incoming pastor of Colborne Street Methodist Church, London.

The first ballot showed Mr. Millson leading by a good margin, but



REV. H. J. UREN.

not having obtained sufficient votes necessary for election. On the final ballot nearly three hundred votes were cast by accredited delegates. Mr. Millson receiving 188 votes and Mr. Uren 113 votes.

On taking the presidential chair, Mr. Millson received an ovation from the conference. He gave a brief address, thanking the delegates for the honor bestowed upon him.

Rev. L. W. Hill of Parkhill presented an unusually carved presidential cane to the conference, which was handed over to the president-elect. Before the retiring president, Rev. J. E. J. Millard, relinquished his position, farewells were said to Rev. J. F. Percraft, of London, and Rev. J. D. Richardson, of Petrolia, who are among those leaving the conference.

Rev. A. D. Robb, Rev. Jas. Wilkins, Rev. J. P. Chisholm, Rev. W. William Walker, Rev. Joseph Didden were welcomed into the conference.

One hundred and seventy-five ministers and 146 laymen were registered up until Thursday noon. A civic welcome will be tendered the conference this afternoon, and an in-charge of education to inspect Sarnia's new technical high school.

unable to do so, but a shot through the night sent them back the way they had come. With the turnkeys aroused to the emergency, the watchman entered the building, and Murrell and his partner were again safely in the toils.

With two ordinary clasp knives, knicked out and fashioned into a saw by the crude expedient of rasping one against the face of the other, they had sawed through the bars of a patented and supposedly impregnable cage. Then with the same tool they had hacked a hole through the plaster ceiling, and saved an opening in the boards of the roof. Through this opening, they reached the roof, and in a moment later would doubtless have reached the ground and again eluded the law.

Sherriff Played Safe.

The attempted jail delivery coincided with receipt of telegraphic information from London, Toronto and Ottawa that Murrell was wanted here with a price on his head. Sheriff Carter, realizing that he was dealing with an ordinary criminal, and justified in the suspicions that incited him to pursue his inquiries, procured authority from the state authorities to transfer Murrell without delay to a stronger prison in San Francisco. The last word from Sarnia was that McGregor was left in that place.

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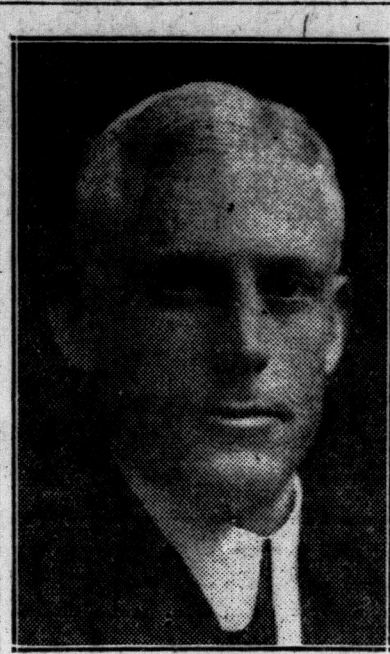
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(From Advertiser)



HARVEY SKEY,

manager of the Bank of Montreal, has been transferred to the Winnipeg office, where he will hold the position of associate manager.

HARVEY F. SKEY GOES TO WINNIPEG BRANCH

Named Associate Manager of Bank of Montreal in the Manitoba Capital.

Harvey F. Skey, manager of the Bank of Montreal in London, has been notified of his promotion to the post of associate manager of the bank, in Winnipeg.

He is a director of the London Chamber of Commerce, and a Rotarian, and has become very popular among a large circle of friends and acquaintances during the fourteen years in which he has resided in this city. He is an active member and worker in St. John the Evangelist Church, and his departure for Winnipeg will be felt by the many friends who have been associated with him in London.

MOTOR BUS PROJECT IS AGAIN DISCUSSED

Mayor Wenige Seeks Demonstration of New Type of Vehicle.

The municipally-owned motor bus project is revived at the city hall today.

Representatives of a large American firm expect the arrival this afternoon of one of their latest types of equipment, and Mayor Wenige is trying to arrange for a demonstration for the edification of the citizens and the city councilors.

Ald. Drake contends that the city should purchase one or two omnibuses for auxiliary purposes, and while the mayor has frequently urged the inauguration of a complete city motor bus system as a solution of the local transportation problems, he has been remarkably silent in this respect lately.

The cars suggested for the city would cost in the neighborhood of \$11,000 each, and it is just possible that the council may decide before their term of office expires to send a motor bus proposal to the electors for consideration next election.

Read the advertisements and save time wasted in useless shopping. With your main purchases selected you will have time to look for the little things so often missed.

Boys and Girls

are going to have a whole page of The Advertiser to themselves every Saturday, beginning this week.

There will be stories, games, puzzles and a whole list of interesting ideas.

WATCH FOR THE SATURDAY PAGE FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS.

Says Flivver Aeroplane To Be As Popular As Car

French Aviator Invents 15-Horsepower Machine To Sell at \$750, Which He Hopes To Popularize Throughout America.

Special to The Advertiser.

New York, May 31.—A \$750 flivver aeroplane of 15 horsepower that can be flown down Main street and parked in front of the office, or wheeled into the garage in the back yard was introduced to America today by George Babot, French aviator, who recently soared across the English Channel in a seven horsepower monoplane.

Babot said in an interview that

he came to the United States to make the plane as popular as the automobile. He will attempt to demonstrate the practicability and safety of his plane by flying from New York to Chicago next week.

The plane weighs 600 pounds, is 15 feet long, and measures 40 feet from wing to wing. Six gallons of gasoline will keep it in the air for eight hours, traveling at 60 miles an hour.

News From the Churches

ENTERTAINED ST. THOMAS BRANCH.

One of the most enjoyable meetings of the season was enjoyed by the A. Y. P. A. of St. James's Church when they entertained St. John's branch of St. Thomas. R. P. Liddle of the Y. M. C. A. was in charge of the games and sing-song. A relay race was held, and St. John's group proved the winners. A dainty supper was served later, and covers were laid for seventy. The committee in charge included Misses L. Jenkins, Edith Spaul, Jean Cadwallader and Florence Martin.

COLBORNE STREET C. G. I. T.

Splendid talks by three girls of the Geyahses, C. G. I. T., group of Colborne Street Church, were interesting features of the meeting of the group

held this week. Miss Reta Logan spoke on the life of Pauline Johnson, Miss Olive Hobbs on Robert Browning, and Miss Mabel McRoberts on Alfred Tennyson. Miss Eva Hobbs presided over the meeting, which was followed by a sing-song.

DUNDAS CENTRE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

The executive of the Dundas Centre Epworth League held an enjoyable meeting this week at the home of Miss Helen Hardy, Oxford street. Plans were made for a garden party to be held under the auspices of the missionary department of the league, with Miss Rita Barlow in charge. Dr. B. E. Wilson was in the chair and a social hour followed.

MOTOR HOUSES ROLL TO PACIFIC COAST

Traveling to the Pacific coast and back on two Overland chassis on which were built houses seven feet wide and fifteen feet long, and not spending a dollar on either motor for repairs, was the satisfying experience of Jay Wilson of Astoria, Illinois.

The houses were equipped with electric lights, running water and all the conveniences of a home, and the party of eleven people in the caravan camped out each night during the entire trip.

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A Portable Victor Phonograph and 12 Victor Records

Read How To Win This Dandy Prize

Heintzman & Co. want to make the month of June the biggest month in the history of the business. You boys and girls can help. Send in the name and address of someone you know who has not a piano in their home, or someone who hasn't a phonograph. Get working now—every vote counts and the prize, a dandy Victor Portable Phonograph and 12 Victor Records, is worth working for. The phonograph is valued at \$62.50, the records at \$12.00. The price is worth \$72.50.

Supply Us With Name of Friend Who Hasn't a Piano AND IF WE SELL THEM WITHIN THE MONTH OF JUNE YOU WILL RECEIVE 500 Votes

Supply Us With Name of Friend Who Hasn't a Phonograph And if we sell them a phonograph within the month of June you receive 200 Votes

Rules and Regulations of Contest

1. Names and addresses must be authentic.
2. Send names and addresses to Heintzman & Co., Limited, 242 Dundas Street.
3. Write plainly and use coupon below when sending in names.

Parents and Adults May Assist In Contest

Parents and friends of contestants are eligible to compete in contest by helping with names and suggestions. The coupon below must be used when sending in names and addresses.

Scoutmasters and leaders of all organizations, here is a dandy opportunity to win a portable Victor for your summer camp. Make one member of your club or organization a contestant and have all members work for him. Send in your names and addresses today and get working.

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