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CITIZENS WANT A WIDER ROADWAY

St. Marys, March 31.—At a special meeting of the town council a protest was received from a number of citizens of the town of St. Marys, who petitioned the council to widen the street at the intersection of Queen street west. It was stated that the street was not sufficiently wide at this point. As Engineer James was out of town, the matter had to be left over.

D. S. Campbell, manufacturer of cement building materials, has renewed his building on Water street and anticipates a busy season.

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MAYOR LITTLE

Ald. Drake declared that strong resentment existed throughout the eastern part of the city at the action of the private committee. Residents of that section consider the settlement to be most unfair. "The price which the committee has recommended is certainly too high. They do not seem to have any regard for the people. While it is acknowledged that the company should have some increase I think \$1.25 is too much."

Useless. Ald. Bridge declared that it was useless to demand return of the money collected in service charges. "The company hasn't the money on hand," he said. "If they make a refund they will have to collect it from the consumers first. What advantage would there be to that. It would merely amount to taking the money at another wicket and handing it back at another wicket and would do no actual good at all." The bill approved by the committee, and of which copies were received here today, fixes the price of gas at \$1.25 until the end of the year, providing an additional charge of twenty per cent on bills not paid promptly. Another clause provides that an audit of the company's books and a valuation of its plant and holdings can be made by the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board on application by the council. The city is to pay half the cost of such an audit.

After passing the Legislature the bill will become effective on receiving the royal assent.

Experience Has Taught thousands upon thousands that INSTANT POSTUM as the meal-time drink is better for health than tea or coffee.

"There's a Reason"

ALL FOOLS' DAY EXCUSE FOR JOKERS

Ideal Spring Weather Adds Enjoyment to Annual Celebration.

A smiling spring sun and indications of the return of warm weather were ideal conditions for the celebration of All Fools' Day today. While observance of this joyous festival has fallen off somewhat of late years there were not lacking strong signs of a revival. Juveniles were not the only ones who thought merry pranks to play on their isomer-witted companions. Staid businessmen wasted many valuable minutes in perpetrating various little hoaxes.

All the old brands of humor, from the red pepper candy to the brick under the hat were in demand. The sore-finger hoax, in which the victim spends a great deal of energy trying to injure a friend, was only to find that the bandage is a cleverly-arranged fake, was doing yeoman service, but it had almost serious consequences for one citizen. He really had his finger seriously hurt while at work today. When he endeavored to get help in dressing it he was politely refused by a score of wise ones. "We're up to that old trick," they declared. "It was not until he heard a hurried cry to a doctor's office that he was able to have his injured digit properly looked after."

HOSPITAL GUARDS ARE OVERPOWERED; SINN FEINER IS RELEASED

Sensational Coup Is Managed at South Ulster Infirmary.

Belfast, April 1.—The mystery of the two blood-stained motor cars found by police patrol Wednesday night at Rockcorry, near Ballybay, County Monaghan, was explained today when it was discovered the vehicles played a part in the sensational coup managed by Sinn Feiners in South Ulster.

Early evening an important Sinn Fein prisoner, Matthew Fitzpatrick, who was being treated in the Monaghan infirmary, was removed by friends despite the fact that the fully armed military guard had been placed in the infirmary to prevent his escape. Fitzpatrick's friends secured all the rifles and ammunition of the guards. One of the Sinn Feiners was wounded, which accounts for the blood on the cars.

A Belfast dispatch of Thursday night told of the police patrol finding two small automobiles with the engines still warm, near Rockcorry. The machines bore splotches of fresh human blood, but no trace could be found of their former occupants, the dispatch said.

City Briefs

800 EXPECTED.—Final plans were made by Industrial Secretary R. P. Liddle of the local Y. M. C. A., for the McCormick picnic in the "Y" on Saturday evening. About 800 are expected to attend.

BUYING HOME IN INGERSOLL.—Brigadier Albert Critchley, of the local command of the Salvation Army, are in Ingersoll today completing negotiations in the purchase of a home for the Salvation Army officers in that town.

NOONDAY SING-SONG.—A singing of the budget committee of the United Welfare fund was held in the Chamber of Commerce last night at which the budgets of the various organizations were brought up for consideration. A report on the budget will be submitted at a general meeting to be held in a few weeks.

TWENTY-TWO BIKE RIDERS FINED.—The practice of riding bicycles on the sidewalks of the city has become quite common, but the practice of catching the offenders has become equally as common for this morning 22 guilty ones paid Police Court Clerk John Moulton \$2 each.

BRADSTREET'S REPORT.—London reports to Bradstreet's say that there is a very heavy demand coming from outside points for motor work on the farms. Married men are being offered \$400 to \$600 per annum with house and other privileges, while single men are also being sought in considerable number and a feature of this time of activity is that a number of dwelling houses are among the things that are being sold. Considerable employment will likely be done this year to men on the railroad lines in the way of relaying ties and re-ballasting the roads. Wholesale and retail trade is improving. Manufacturing operations are becoming more active. Payments are fairly satisfactory.

RATEPAYERS ATTEND MANOR PARK SCHOOL MEETING

Resignation of Thomas Fleming, Chairman of Board, Accepted.

Nearly every ratepayer in Manor Park attended on Thursday night a special meeting in the schoolhouse of S. S. 22, Westminster, which had been called by Thomas Fleming, chairman of the board of trustees at the request of ten citizens to discuss the spirit of dissatisfaction which has existed in that section for many months. At the conclusion of the meeting Mr. Fleming tendered his resignation and it was accepted.

For a long time there had been a feeling of unrest throughout the school section regarding the way school affairs were conducted. This feeling was brought to a head when ten of the taxpayers requested that special meeting be held. At the meeting a vote of confidence was passed approving the stand taken by A. Mathers and H. McColl, the other two members of the board.

Oscar Gray acted as chairman of the meeting. He handled many delicate situations with much tact. It is expected that an election will be held in the near future to select another trustee.

EXPECT ONE THOUSAND NAMES ADDED TO LIST BY TONIGHT

One Hundred and Thirty-Four Names Registered by Officials This Morning—One Thirsty Individual Greatly Relieved To Find Wife's Name Among Those Absent.

It is expected that by tonight a grand total of more than 1,000 names will be added to the revised voters' list of this city, which is being prepared by the county revision board, in each of the four wards. During this morning 134 names were added, bringing the grand total at noon today up to 265.

Except perhaps in Ward 4 this morning's session was the busiest. In the opening of the courts on Monday last, the different courts were crowded during the two-hour session, and the efforts of the officials were far more fruitful than on any other occasion.

This morning a new type of information seeker. While the room in one of the courts was practically deserted this morning, a thirty-looking individual entered warily. Approaching the official in charge he said: "Is my wife's name on the list?"

"It doesn't," said the official. "I'm sorry, but it isn't." "Is my wife's name on the list?" "It doesn't," said the official. "I'm sorry, but it isn't."

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PROBE WESTMINSTER HOSPITAL AFFAIRS

G. W. V. A. Committee Will Report at Meeting Tonight.

SECRETARY TO RESIGN

J. W. Cunliffe Will Take Holiday Before Proceeding to England.

The report of the investigation by the local branch of the Great War Veterans into conditions which are alleged to be in existence in Westminster Military Hospital will be submitted to the committee of the organization at its regular monthly meeting this evening. Secretary J. W. Cunliffe asserted that he expected word from the Dominion command in Ottawa regarding the results of the local request that the chief of the D. S. C. R. investigate conditions at the hospital.

The local branch alleges that employees of several departments of the D. S. C. R. are being discharged without just cause. B. A. Dunlevy, quartermaster-sergeant of the stores department, received notice about a month ago that his services would no longer be required. A few days later Mr. Dunlevy was informed that another man would take his place. The chief gardener also received notice to quit. Secretary Cunliffe stated that the janitor of the Veterans Shop on Horton street was also discharged.

Upon hearing of these discharges, an investigation committee, chosen from the executive, was appointed to probe the affair and reported that the employees were doing their work as well as it could be done. They also discovered that Mr. Dunlevy had fifteen years' experience at this work while serving in the imperial army in England. All discharged employees are ex-C. E. F. men.

Secretary Cunliffe, will tender his resignation. Mr. Cunliffe has been secretary of the local branch since its inception, four years ago. He has done much to build the association to the high standard it enjoys at present.

"I will not reconsider withdrawing my resignation," he declared. "I will help the secretaryship for four years and have not had a holiday. It is my intention to take about two months' holiday in England in all probability at the end of that time I will leave for the old country."

Mr. Cunliffe has been confined to his home this week. He will attend the meeting this evening.

The resignation of Vice-President R. H. (Bob) Young will be accepted owing to the fact that he is on his way to England. This position will not be filled till the next general meeting of the association.

EXPLAINS WHY BOARD DIDN'T SEE THE PLANS

Impossible To Get Trustees Together To Approve the Collegiate Blueprints.

"It seems to me a case of making much of a little technically for any trustee to object to my having taken the plans of the proposed new Collegiate to Toronto for inspection by the officials of the department of education before they are submitted to the board," said Trustee A. A. Langford, chairman of the Roman Catholic board.

"It would have been impossible to get the board together this week, as at least four of the trustees were out of town, and in order to save time, I decided that as long as the plans were ready for the department to see that I would be saving the interest of all concerned if I got their sanction right away. As a matter of fact No. 3 committee at least has already seen and approved of the plans."

"Owing to the fact that on Wednesday the department of education, to whom the plans have to be submitted being busy it was not till Thursday that the department's approval was given, so that the report emanating from Toronto on Wednesday afternoon was purely a freak of imagination."

SARNIA NEWSPAPER PLANT BOUGHT BY WESTERN EDITORS

The Lambton County Daily Changes Hands Today.

Toronto, April 1.—Two western newspapermen, H. M. Hueston and Allan Holmes, of Prince Albert, Sask., have purchased the Canadian Observer, a daily newspaper at Sarnia, the property having been taken over by the new owners today. Mr. Hueston will become resident manager of the paper at Sarnia, while Mr. Holmes will remain in charge of the Herald at Prince Albert.

The new owners of the Sarnia Canadian Observer are well known in newspaper circles in Canada. Mr. Hueston began his newspaper career with the Ottawa Citizen in 1898 and went to Winnipeg in 1902, where he worked successfully with the three dailies there, being night editor of the Manitoba Free Press in 1910, in which year Messrs. Hueston and Holmes purchased the Herald at Prince Albert as a weekly. This paper was converted to a daily before going to Sarnia.

Mr. Holmes had had experience on the Winnipeg Telegram and Winnipeg Free Press before going to Prince Albert. The purchasers of the Sarnia Canadian Observer are very confident that the paper will sell managed newspapers in Ontario.

STANDARD STOCK EXCHANGE

Toronto, April 1.—Arading in the S. N. T. accounted for two-thirds of the business on the Standard Mining exchange this morning. Mining closed at 18c last night, opened at 19c this morning, and closed at 20c. The latter was higher at 21c, and the latter 22c higher at 23c. Total sales, \$5,000.

Toronto, April 1.—Morning sales: At 10:15, 1500 at 18c; 1500 at 19c; 1500 at 20c; 1500 at 21c; 1500 at 22c; 1500 at 23c; 1500 at 24c; 1500 at 25c; 1500 at 26c; 1500 at 27c; 1500 at 28c; 1500 at 29c; 1500 at 30c; 1500 at 31c; 1500 at 32c; 1500 at 33c; 1500 at 34c; 1500 at 35c; 1500 at 36c; 1500 at 37c; 1500 at 38c; 1500 at 39c; 1500 at 40c; 1500 at 41c; 1500 at 42c; 1500 at 43c; 1500 at 44c; 1500 at 45c; 1500 at 46c; 1500 at 47c; 1500 at 48c; 1500 at 49c; 1500 at 50c; 1500 at 51c; 1500 at 52c; 1500 at 53c; 1500 at 54c; 1500 at 55c; 1500 at 56c; 1500 at 57c; 1500 at 58c; 1500 at 59c; 1500 at 60c; 1500 at 61c; 1500 at 62c; 1500 at 63c; 1500 at 64c; 1500 at 65c; 1500 at 66c; 1500 at 67c; 1500 at 68c; 1500 at 69c; 1500 at 70c; 1500 at 71c; 1500 at 72c; 1500 at 73c; 1500 at 74c; 1500 at 75c; 1500 at 76c; 1500 at 77c; 1500 at 78c; 1500 at 79c; 1500 at 80c; 1500 at 81c; 1500 at 82c; 1500 at 83c; 1500 at 84c; 1500 at 85c; 1500 at 86c; 1500 at 87c; 1500 at 88c; 1500 at 89c; 1500 at 90c; 1500 at 91c; 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