

What Others Say of the LONDON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

THE BRANTFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Brantford, Canada.

Sept. 21, 1921.

Canada will be what Canadian communities are. The effort of the modern Chamber of Commerce is to assist in the building of communities to meet the requirements of the new day.

London, Ont., has in its Chamber of Commerce not only an institution that gives attention to the interests of its immediate vicinity, but an institution of broad vision endeavoring to project its activities throughout Western Ontario, as illustrated by the expression given its constructive desires through the Western Ontario United Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce pertaining to town planning, rural relations, exporters, etc.

This is statesmanship that will surely be of great value to London itself. For as the various communities in Western Ontario are, so will the province be with the inter-relations of the various projects reacting to the advantage of London.

The expansion of the Chamber of Commerce of London will make possible a greater work for London, and in this undertaking I trust you will have every success.

(Signed) W. H. WOOD,
Manager.

THE W. T. RAWLEIGH CO.

Freeport, Illinois.

Sept. 19, 1921.

We have been in position to closely observe the operations of Chambers of Commerce in various cities. We know of none that, in our opinion, is more capably managed or more constructively active in the interests of its city and vicinity, than the London Chamber of Commerce.

To even an outside observer, there is abundant evidence of the activity of your organization in promoting the best interests of the industrial and civic life of your community. Such unstinted activity cannot help but react to the advantage of your locality, particularly if given anywhere near the support it is entitled to on the part of the citizens of your city.

(Signed) J. R. JACKSON,
Secretary.

THE LONDON LUMBER CO., LIMITED

London, Canada.

Sept. 22, 1921.

As a member of the city council and also of the Chamber of Commerce, I have had, during the past three years, ample opportunity to observe and study the effect of promotional work undertaken by the latter for civic advancement, and have no hesitation in testifying that by educating and directing public opinion the Chamber has assisted the council in carrying out many projects for civic betterment, the benefit of which will be more generally realized and appreciated before long.

If we are to live up to our obligation as the metropolis of Western Ontario, we must, with due regard to the limitations of our civic finances, adopt a constructive policy for metropolitan growth, and, in my opinion, the purchase of land for new industries held at cost, revision of assessment, planning for future development, providing homes during the housing shortage for working people, all of which have been authorized by the council at the instigation of the Chamber of Commerce, are important steps in building London for the future.

(Sgd.) FRANK E. HARLEY,
Alderman.

RUGGLES MOTOR TRUCK CO., LIMITED

London, Canada.

Sept. 20, 1921.

The London Chamber of Commerce has made creditable advance in sponsoring the formation of the United Exporters' Association of Western Ontario. The local organization committee of the Chamber of Commerce, assisted by other Boards of Trade, are earnestly endeavoring to advance this organization in such a way that it will be beneficial to all, and will unite in a concerted effort to obtain true information on export practices which will be helpful in increasing the volume of export shipments by farmers and manufacturers in this particular section of Canada.

(Signed) J. W. TOMER,
Export Manager.

THE YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

London, Canada.

Sept. 22, 1921.

We are proud of the fact that we have citizens sufficiently self-sacrificing and public-spirited to give so much of their time and thought to the consideration of our city's problems and we would like the president, the board and the committee members as well, and their managing secretary and his staff, to know that they have our heartiest support in their endeavor to make "our city a better one in which to live and work and raise families."

(Sgd.) LILLIAN GRAHAM,
Secretary of the Board

Public Utilities Commission

London, Canada.

Sept. 23, 1921.

During the summer of 1919, at the suggestion of the Chamber of Commerce, an experimental playground was conducted by the Public Parks Department. On the success of this playground the Chamber of Commerce launched a campaign for the permanent establishment of civic playgrounds.

A bylaw was placed before the electors, appropriating \$20,000 for this purpose. The efforts put forward by the Chamber of Commerce in this connection resulted in the carrying of the bylaw by a substantial majority, while all other of the ten money bylaws submitted to the people, with one exception, were defeated.

We beg to thank you for the book on Tabulation of Elevations and Aerial Map of the City of London, which you so kindly furnished us. These, we understand, are in part the result of the geodetic survey conducted by the Dominion Government, and this survey originated through the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce.

The value of the information furnished us thereby is impossible to estimate, even roughly, but we can assure you that it will save the City of London several thousands of dollars.

(Signed) E. V. BUCHANAN,
General Manager.

CRANE, LIMITED

Toronto.

Sept. 19, 1921.

It is rather hard to express in cold type our appreciation and thanks for your help in the matter of locating a site for our warehouse in your city, but we are extremely grateful, and sincerely trust that your Chamber of Commerce will continue, as we feel sure it is of great benefit to the city of London.

(Signed) G. A. VOWELL,
Local Manager.

WESTERN UNIVERSITY

London, Canada.

Sept. 20, 1921.

The Chamber of Commerce has been of direct assistance to Western University in a number of ways. Of three of these I wish to speak in particular.

In preparing and offering a course in Commercial Economics the university needed above all the advice and co-operation of the business leaders of Western Ontario. Through the Chamber of Commerce the contact with these men was brought about, with the result that a strong course was made effective in a surprisingly brief time, and an enrollment of students beyond all expectations was secured.

Again, the Chamber of Commerce is, to a large measure, to be credited with the great success that has attended the athletic meets held in London under the auspices of the university, at which representatives of the collegiate institutes and high schools of Western Ontario took part. In helping to organize these contests, the Chamber of Commerce, in the language of business, put the university in immediate touch with its future customers.

Finally, the efforts made by the Chamber of Commerce to get before the university commission the opinions of the people of Western Ontario favorable to Western University were instrumental in convincing the commission, and through it the Government, that it was to the interest and advantage of all Western Ontario, and not merely of London, that Western University should be given every encouragement and all possible means of development.

In short, the university owes a large part of its recent rapid expansion to the Chamber of Commerce.

(Sgd.) W. SHERWOOD FOX,
Secretary of the Board of Governors.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Middlesex County Branch.

London, Sept. 20, 1921.

The activity of the London Chamber of Commerce in regard to the appointment of an immigration superintendent at London to serve the needs of Western Ontario is to be commended highly.

Their generosity in financing the housing of immigrants until satisfactorily placed upon farms made it possible to make a larger number of, and more satisfactory placements.

This work shows the desire of the Chamber of Commerce to co-operate in solving rural problems.

(Signed) R. A. FINN,
Agricultural Representative.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTES

Western Ontario Branch.

Komoka, Ont., Sept. 22, 1921.

At this time I am glad to state that the success of our annual convention of Women's Institutes, held at London for the past three years, has been in a large measure due to the co-operation of the London Chamber of Commerce.

This gathering of 300 or 400 women of Western Ontario is held annually in London because we feel that we are welcome there. We receive every year a cordial reception from the women of London and the hearty co-operation of the Chamber of Commerce in arranging for meeting place and in billeting our delegates.

(Sgd.) MRS. GEO. EDWARDS,
President Women's Institutes of Western Ontario.

STRATFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Stratford, Ontario.

Sept. 21, 1921.

There is no question that your Chamber has been more than alive to the interests of the citizens of London, and the achievements that you have accomplished give ample reply to any criticism of Chamber of Commerce work. It is a well-known fact that many accomplishments are only brought to a successful issue after having been on a minor program of work for some time. Consequently, it is most essential that at least a three-year revenue be assured for carrying on the work.

I trust that the citizens of London will realize the benefit that your Chamber is to them, and that your campaign will be successful in every way.

(Signed) A. W. DEACON,
Secretary-Manager.

CANADIAN DEEP WATERWAYS AND POWER ASSOCIATION

Toronto, Ontario.

Sept. 21, 1921.

I am glad to convey to your president and directors the appreciation of the Canadian Deep Waterways and Power Association of the aid your Chamber in the campaign we are carrying on for the improvement of the St. Lawrence River canals and locks, so as to admit ocean vessels to the Great Lakes.

Your organization has rendered very effective support to our movement, and if I may be permitted to say so, I regard your Chamber as one of the best organized and best administered in Ontario.

(Sgd.) ALEX. C. LEWIS,
Secretary-Treasurer.

EMPIRE BRASS MFG. CO., LIMITED

London, Canada.

Sept. 20, 1921.

This association (United Exporters of Western Ontario) should be of great benefit to the manufacturers of Western Ontario, as the exchange of information which has been gathered by different companies' representatives in actual foreign fields will save many a manufacturer the expense of sending his own representative out to obtain that information.

There are also many other ways in which the association will benefit the members, and we are indeed very much indebted to you for the zeal with which you have helped to organize it.

(Signed) C. H. IVEY.

AMERICAN CONSULAR SERVICE

London, Ontario.

Sept. 22, 1921.

Association with the London Chamber of Commerce has been noticeably helpful in starting and promoting the work of this consulate. There has been no let-up in the hearty and even neighborly welcome and advice extended to this office when it was re-established last year. General commercial information has been freely given us, and data, including confidential information, have been willingly furnished by the best concerns here concerning their business.

(Sgd.) G. R. TAGGART,
American Consul.

SERVICE LAMP COMPANY

London, Canada.

Sept. 22, 1921.

We take great pleasure in acknowledging the assistance rendered us by the Chamber of Commerce in establishing our factory here.

(Signed) F. DAPULTO.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE, WESTERN UNIVERSITY

London, Canada.

Sept. 20, 1921.

In connection with the recent advances made by the Medical School, and the erection of the Medical School building, the London Chamber of Commerce has rendered signal service.

The passage of the bylaw authorizing the city of London to contribute the first \$100,000 for the erection of the new building was due in large measure to the influence and efforts of the Chamber of Commerce. Please allow us to express our appreciation of this service.

(Sgd.) PAUL S. McKIBBEN,
Acting Dean

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Sept. 17, 1921.

The work done by the London Chamber of Commerce has, in my opinion, been of a very outstanding character in Chamber of Commerce work throughout Ontario, due largely to the fact that not only has the London Chamber of Commerce worked consistently for London, but it has gone outside of this field, and has rendered exceptional service to the whole of Western Ontario.

I have been greatly impressed by the work done by your Chamber, and I do most sincerely hope that your membership may be greatly increased, as it well deserves to be, if only as a mark of appreciation on the part of the citizens for what your Chamber is doing.

(Signed) H. WESTOBY,
Secretary.

MURPHY & CUNN

London, Canada.

Sept. 20, 1921.

That London is suffering less from the aftermath of war than any other city in Canada is largely due to the activity and energy of the Chamber of Commerce, whose directors, committees and members voluntarily give their services and time for the upbuilding of their home city and country.

(Signed) T. J. MURPHY.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODDFELLOWS

London Convention Committee.

Allow me, on behalf of the general committee and the Oddfellows of this city, as chairman of the reception committee and D. D. grand master, to sincerely thank the Chamber of Commerce for the action you took in every way for the benefit of our order and the city.

(Sgd.) ERNEST C. COOK.

VICTORY LOAN, 1918

Toronto, Ontario.

December, 1918.

Please convey to the London Chamber of Commerce my thanks as London organizer, and also that of the Dominion executive, for the extremely valuable assistance which was rendered in the recent campaign. Without this assistance, such a large and successful undertaking would have been almost impossible.

(Sgd.) J. A. G. CLARKE,
London Organizer.

SACRED HEART CONVENT

London, Ontario.

Permit us a second time to thank you most sincerely, and through you the other gentlemen of the welfare committee who so generously sacrificed time and money to aid their less fortunate neighbors. The kindly help and encouragement by word and deed rendered by the good citizens of London call for our deepest gratitude.

(Signed)
SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH,
(By Mother Mechilde.)

LONDON YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

London, Ontario.

Sept. 22, 1921.

The Chamber of Commerce stands for an ideal of united action among the businessmen of our city. The platform of the Chamber of Commerce is broad, and men of widely divergent views have found it possible to live above their differences and work together in a common purpose through this organization. It has drawn us out of our narrow provincialism and developed a tolerant community spirit among us. The organization of the United Welfare Fund Association was one result of this influence at work in London.

(Sgd.) ED. J. JENKINS,
General Secretary.

THE CHATHAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Chatham, Ontario.

Sept. 22, 1921.

Those who are in charge of the work of the Chatham Chamber of Commerce heartily endorse the activities of the London Chamber, not only in what they are doing for their own locality, but what they are doing in a broad and general way, and if there is anything that the local organization can do to assist the London organization in carrying on the general work, it is indeed a privilege and a pleasure to be associated with an organization which takes such active interest in so many questions of such general importance, as is the case with the London body.

(Sgd.) M. M. MAXWELL,
Manager.

DUNLOP TIRE AND RUBBER GOODS CO., LIMITED

London, Canada.

Sept. 20, 1921.

On behalf of the committee in charge of the program and entertainment of the British bowlers during the week they made their headquarters here, I wish to express our appreciation of the assistance the Chamber of Commerce gave us in looking after the visitors.

The banquet, I am sure, was the means of making not only the visitors, but also many of our own citizens, many of whom are not members of the Chamber of Commerce, realize what a live organization it is, and how ready at all times they were to look after the interests of London in whatever way the opportunity offers.

(Signed) J. M. HUNT,
Secretary of the Committee.

HADASSAH CHAPTER OF LONDON

London, Ontario.

The members of Hadassah Chapter of London desire to convey their heartiest thanks for the devotion with which you have worked for the Palestine campaign. We are fully conscious of the very substantial contribution you have made to the success of the campaign and of the extent of our indebtedness to you.

(Signed)
MRS. ANNA GOLDSTICK,
Corresponding Secretary.

BORDER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Windsor, Ontario.

Sept. 20, 1921.

Your organization has done much for London, and I am sure that it will do yet more, provided the continued support of your good people is as generously forthcoming.

May I congratulate you most sincerely upon the initiative exhibited by your Chamber in so many matters of vital general importance. Certainly your organization has not restricted itself to the interests of London alone. On the contrary, it has taken a wide and very intelligent interest in the bigger matters affecting not merely the province, but the dominion.

In my respectful opinion, it is during times like the present that there is the most urgent call for a thoroughly thoughtful and energetic Chamber, each committee of which shall function to the ultimate interests of the public. If a community needs a Chamber during periods of activity, how much greater is this need during a period of depression!

It is beyond question a matter of supreme importance to the industrial and commercial centers throughout this province that they should possess intelligent, active Chambers of Commerce which are at all times willing to co-operate toward the general welfare; and I believe that the success of your Chamber has been due, in no small measure, to your recognition and adoption of that wide policy.

(Signed)
F. MACLURE SCLANDERS,
Commissioner.

THE WESTERN FAIR ASSOCIATION

London, Canada.

Sept. 20, 1921.

We appreciate very much the assistance given us by your organization in relation to the children's day at our exhibition. This was a new venture this year, and was sprung on us at the last minute, and we feel that the assistance you gave us so willingly was most opportune and helped us very materially.

(Signed) A. M. HUNT,
Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE TOWN PLANNING ADVISER

Ottawa.

Sept. 22, 1921.

The work of the London Chamber of Commerce in relation to town planning in Canada has been of the first importance.

The Chamber is one of the first business organizations in Canada to realize that town planning is not simply a decorative art, but is an economic science, whose principles make for civic order, economy and efficiency and touch every activity of civic life with a single eye to public welfare. It has conducted an enlightened educational campaign in favor of city planning, and its efforts have borne fruit in the passing by the city council of appropriations for the preparation of a comprehensive plan and the appointment of a town planning consultant to carry out the plan, in conjunction with the technical officials of the city.

(Sgd.) ALFRED BUCKLEY,
Secretary to Town Planning Adviser.

A Membership in The London Chamber of Commerce Is a Mark of Distinction