

THEATERS BANNED FOR PUPILS DURING SCHOOL HOURS, BOARD DECIDES

Managers of Various Theaters Asked To Co-Operate With Board By Excluding Children Under 16 To Afternoon Performances Unless Accompanied By Adult.

Theaters in the afternoon for London school kiddies are to be made taboo. At yesterday afternoon's meeting of the Board of Education Inspector Administrator Wheable was instructed to write the various theater managers in the city and ask their co-operation in preventing children under 16 years of age attending the afternoon shows unless accompanied by an older person. There is a law governing this at the present time. Chairman Lawrason stated, but it apparently is not being enforced because Attendance Officer Holmes in his monthly report stated that a number of youngsters were in the theaters visiting the theater during the afternoon instead of attending school.

Incidentally the board after some discussion upheld the recommendation of the executive committee with regard to the anti-cigarette campaign lectures being conducted by an American association. At the executive committee meeting the trustees were requested to permit the delivery of a series of lectures to the "teen age boys of the city during school hours." The executive committee recommended, however, that the use of the auditorium be allowed free of charge to the lecturer, providing he conducted his lectures after school hours.

Trustee Campbell asked why the girls were not among those scheduled to hear the lectures. He was advised that the girls of London do not smoke. Trustee Campbell very emphatically declared that they did, however, and it is just possible that the "teen age girls" may also be invited to attend the lectures. The lecturer, whose identity has not yet been disclosed, will use a very modern chemical apparatus in demonstrating the poisonous results of cigarette smoking.

PROBLEM OF CURRICULUM.

"Why not go the whole way? If you think the lectures are necessary then why not include them in school hours?" asked Trustee Copeland.

Trustee Mess remarked that the entire matter was a problem of curriculum. If the curriculum of studies was not capable of dealing with such matters then why go outside the school for a lecturer? Trustee Copeland moved an amendment to the resolution, upholding the executive, in which he proposed to permit the lectures during school hours. Trustee Greenlee recalled that he had been taught the evils of cigarette smoking when he went to school and he offered the opinion that the attendance of boys at this lecture would be exceptionally small. The recommendation of the executive was finally adopted.

A request from the Y. M. C. A. for permission to distribute circulars in the schools created another furor of objections and was refused on a vote. Trustee Copeland supported the Y. M. C. A., declaring that he could see no harm in this. The recommendation of Trustee Mess pointed out that other concerns would expect similar treatment. Chairman Lawrason was of the opinion that the howling alleys would soon be along requesting the formation of teams.

"You might also find the church associations along, too," advised Trustee Mess. He stated that he had opposed a similar move by the W. C. T. U. some time ago, not because he differed

with their principles, but because he did not favor the plan.

At the opening of the meeting R. H. Hessel and R. Foxcroft, representing the local Trades and Labor Council, appeared before the board with a request that the fair wage clause be inserted in the contract for the new collegiate. Mr. Hessel declared that he knew of cases in the past where men had been paid as much as seven and 10 cents per hour below the standard rate of wages and in the majority of cases these low-paying workers were out-of-town men.

Chairman Lawrason read off a list of articles to be used in the school all of which are being purchased in London. The subcontractors had been awarded for everything except glazed brick in the City of London, Mr. Lawrason declared, and it was up to these contracting firms as to what wages were paid. Mr. Hessel could give no specific instance where men had been underpaid, although he declared that he had pay envelopes on file in his office.

EXPRESS THANKS.

The resolution passed at the last board meeting, providing for the use of only Canadian or British made goods and the employment of only London labor, was then read and the matter closed with the Labor men declaring their appreciation for the board's action after extending their thanks to the board of Education they left the meeting.

A financial statement presented to the board from the city treasurer's office was passed to the trustees to be read for their perusal. It will be discussed at a future meeting. Inspector Administrator Wheable reported that there will undoubtedly be a surplus at the end of the year, while each of the trustees reported that they had similar conditions existing in their establishments.

When the executive committee report was being presented the matter of allowing the G. W. V. A. and the Tuberculosis Association to call for volunteers was considered. The committee recommended that the request be granted. Trustee Mess pointed to the great accomplishments of the veterans on the field of battle and that such a small request should be granted.

She was opposed, however, although the decision of the executive committee so that Inspector Administrator Wheable make the principals to call for volunteers for Saturday's tag day. The volunteers will be expected to be the women only if they have their parents consent, however.

The report of the Technical School committee recommending an increase in salary for Miss P. S. Morgan of \$100 this year and \$100 at the first of next year was also considered. Trustee Mess secured a degree of B. A. and started other lengthy word battle. Trustee Mess also reported that the proposed increase in salary for Miss P. S. Morgan was not actually an increase in salary.

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ART WORK.

A brief talk on the work being done in the public school art department was given by Miss Mary C. Mulvaney who is in charge of the department. Mulvaney deplored the absence of a museum or art gallery in London. A collection of art objects, which she secured a degree of B. A. and started other lengthy word battle. Trustee Mess also reported that the proposed increase in salary for Miss P. S. Morgan was not actually an increase in salary.

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Trustee Mess reported that the school's property on Grand street was being used as a dumping ground. A resolution was immediately passed, asking Superintendent Robinson to have a sign erected prohibiting such practice. Vice-chairman Cairncross reported progress on the oil burner experiment now being conducted at Victoria Street School. A full report would be ready for the next meeting, he promised.

The medical committee, of which Trustee B. D. Mess is chairman, was authorized to meet with the advisory medical council, made up of local medical men, at the conference to be held for the purpose of discussing the recent medical examination of various youngsters. Inspector Administrator Wheable reported that he and his assistant, Mr. Stothers, had made 20 visits during the month. Complete classroom inspections were made of the following schools: Boy's Memorial, Edin, Rectory, Knollwood, Lorne Avenue, Talbot Street and Tecumseh Avenue.

Trustee Mess reported that the Western University had the equipment for testing and analyzing coal. In the past the board has sent all its fuel to Toronto for analysis. Dr. Neville, acting dean, had recently written Mrs. Rose in answer to a query, stating that the machine that will outclass anything in Canada has been installed. A letter of thanks from the Principals' Association of the city, for the board's action in changing the days to Thursday and Friday of last week was filed. The principal reported that attendance was very satisfactory as a result of the change.

NEW INSPECTOR

Thomas S. Melady, B. A., successor to J. F. Sullivan, local inspector of separate schools, has taken over his new duties and began his inspection of the London separate schools Wednesday. Mr. Melady is a resident of Stratford, but will become a resident of this city in the near future. J. F. Sullivan, the former inspector, was officially transferred to the Hamilton district over a year ago. He has carried on his local work since that time, however.

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FEE SPLITTING IS REGRETTABLE

Sir Arbuthnot Lane Deplores Such a Practice

CARRIED ON IN U. S.

Much Pleased With Western "U" Medical School

Education of the people to show them how to live healthy, normal lives is the greatest single need of the hour, and mechanical knowledge and ability to work with the hands as well as the head is the supreme need in the education of medical students to-day, in the opinion of Sir Arbuthnot Lane, C. B., chief of staff of Guy's Hospital, in London, England, who was a visitor in this city yesterday.

Speaking to The Free Press after the dinner at the Canadian Club last night Sir Arbuthnot Lane discussed things medical and things of interest to the public, but always from the standpoint of education.

"There are so many diseases, or what I choose to call departures from the normal in modern civilization," he said, "that the time has come when the medical profession owes the public some definite system of health. If only people would eat the right foods, that is whole meal bread and plenty of fruit and vegetables, the only ill sickness would be the result of accidents and they would fight against tuberculosis which would go on forever."

MEDICAL EDUCATION

"This brings me to my chief criticism of medical education. What the student really needs is a thorough knowledge of mechanics. He should be what I call an anatomical engineer. He should learn to do things with his hands as well with his mind, and so fit himself to deal adequately with every trouble that the human body can suffer."

"Prevention of ill-health, rather than an increase in the use of drugs and medicines, is the creed that the English surgeon upholds. He believes that a great deal of value and knowledge of the piles of health have been lost in the last 2,000 years.

"Hippocrates, who lived 400 years before Christ, was more of the rules of health than the average physician does now," he said. "He told his followers to eat less, not to overwork the stomach and to live as close to nature as possible. Above all, he maintained against the religious view of the times that all disease must be treated by natural laws. That, by the way, is a belief that the medical profession needs to get away from, as well. If we can put into practice all the teachings of this old Greek physician the world would be a very much healthier and happier place in which to live."

VISITS SCHOOL.

The distinguished visitor, who spoke to the Academy of Medicine of Western Ontario yesterday afternoon, made a tour of inspection of the Medical School of the University of Western Ontario.

"I was very favorably impressed with the school here," he declared. "I received the impression that your students get a thorough training in the essential fundamentals of the profession, and that is the main thing. If they are to specialize later on in any branch of the work they can do it better if they have a sound foundation on which to work."

On being told that the profession in the city was at present laboring to find some means of putting a stop to the practice of fee splitting, Sir Arbuthnot Lane was not greatly surprised, as he had been told of the same condition in every city in America in which he has been lately. He said that in America this time he delivered the John D. Murphy oration at the annual meeting of the American College of Surgeons at Philadelphia.

"I have heard of this fee splitting," he said, "but I have only once met it in practice myself. It is a most regrettable thing and a terrible blot on the finest profession in the world. In America I find that the College of Surgeons makes its members take an oath not to engage in any form of fee splitting, but I suppose such an oath is only worth what the character of the individual man makes it worth. Anything that can be done to prevent this practice is naturally worth every consideration, but it seems to me that the remedy lies in the moral education of the individual, and that the character that allows it will also allow similar irregularities in any other profession or business."

OBJECT TO CLOSING OF KING STREET FOUNTAIN

Was Convenient For Market Frequenters—Will Ask It Be Turned On Again

Many objections have been raised against the closing of the fountain on King street, in front of the market house, which was shut off with the other fountains of the city on orders said to be given by Manager Buchanan, of the Public Utilities Commission. This week was left on all last winter and there was no trouble from frost. Farmers using the market and city teamsters also find this fountain very convenient throughout the winter as in the summer, and they are asking that it be turned on again.

STUDENTS ARE READY TO KEEP TRADITIONS

Traditions in the making at the University of Western Ontario are few. So to preserve what precedents have been set in growth of customs so far, students must arouse themselves and be in readiness to pounce on any move that will tend to discontinue any of them.

Such opinions prevail in many quarters of the student body. A university must have its traditions, it is said, else the school spirit, older universities found on great and accepted things of the past will never come into being at Western.

NAME CAPTAINS FOR BIG DRIVE

Twenty-Eight To Direct Teams In Beck Memorial Campaign

The selection of 28 team captains in the campaign to raise the \$500,000 Beck memorial endowment was made at a meeting of men in all walks of life at the Chamber of Commerce rooms last night. No time will be lost in getting down to actual efforts to raise the money, while at the same time citizens will be given a chance to visit the Queen Alexandra Sanatorium to see for themselves the noble work that this institution is accomplishing for the entire province.

Col. Ibbotson Leonard pointed out what a fitting memorial the endowment would be to Sir Adam stating that next to the late hydro chieftain's power interests, his life work was centered in the sanatorium. He was confident the campaign would meet with glowing success.

MAJOR INGRAM

Major Gordon Ingram spoke of the high standard of men behind the campaign, which in itself was noteworthy. He gave figures to show that the outstanding debt owed by Queen Alexandra Sanatorium was not more than \$50,000. A. C. Carry believed the question of the endowment fund was one of public gratitude to Sir Adam. No more suitable monument to his memory could be brought about than the province-wide fight against tuberculosis which would go on forever.

All moneys will be collected by the Bank of Montreal, who have kindly given their services in this regard, E. V. Buchanan told the gathering.

The finance committee, who will have charge of investing the money, consists of Arthur Little, Major Gordon Ingram, Major Hume Cronyn, Philip Pocock and Mr. Pearson, of the Bank of Montreal.

Those chosen as team captains are A. O. Hunt, T. H. Yull, John Watt, W. C. Benson, G. A. Wheable, J. P. Moore, J. Good, F. Copeland, F. St. Lawrence, E. Cronyn, H. May, H. E. Parsons, D. Weldon, B. Weir, G. Bridgeman, H. Langford, E. Shuttleworth, B. O. Boslick, F. Forristal, H. E. Bell, Brigadier Macdonald, of the Cavalry, and two captains and Harry Wray.

Though not definitely stated, it is likely a meeting of the captains will be held at the sanatorium on Sunday afternoon.

W. B. SAVAGE HEADS FOREST CITY LODGE

F. S. Neely Retires After 14 Years As Financial Secretary

It may have been accidental, or by way of tribute to William of Orange, but the members of Forest City L. O. L., No. 762, last night elected among its principal officers for the new year five Williams. W. Bro. Robert Aitken will be succeeded in the master's chair by William Savage, present deputy, W. E. Elliott, who left the office of deputy master during the war, will fill the post for 1925. W. Bro. James Clugston was unanimously re-elected recording secretary. W. Bro. F. S. Neely, after 14 years of service as financial secretary, insisted upon retiring and will be replaced by E. Draycott.

The remainder of the list is as follows: Chaplain, W. Wilcox; treasurer, Robert Gibb (re-elected); marshal, W. Klassen; lecturers, F. Harvill and J. Shearer; committee, W. Leonard, T. Levitt, G. Yennet, J. Weymouth, W. Green; inside tyler, W. Bro. F. S. Neely. W. Bro. R. D. Mess, district master, who visited the lodge, was assured of co-operation by the lodge, and will be under way for a joint installation of the new officers of all primary Orange lodges in the city, on a date toward the end of December.

RIVER WATER NOT SUITABLE FOR DRINKING

Possibilities of Vitamins in Water No Importance To Londoners, Says Buchanan

The possibilities of vitamins in river water making it more suitable as a source of food is a subject of no importance to London, according to E. V. Buchanan, general manager of the Utilities Commission. The proposal was discussed at the close of sessions of the National Academy of Science held at Madison, Wisconsin, on Wednesday. F. A. Birge, former president of the University of Wisconsin, and Dr. C. Judy told of investigations made by them of Wisconsin Lake water and Lake Michigan.

His opinion was that the day when vegetation of lakes and other large bodies of water will yield vitamins and that people may soon drink river water without fear of the germs that produce disease would soon dawn. It was stated by Philip Hedley, of Michigan, that the time would come when river waters would be filtered by their own action rather than by purification by artificial means. He based his statement on experiments conducted in the Huron River near Ann Arbor.

SEEDS.

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—Timothy seed, \$8.25 to \$7.25 clover seed, \$20.75 to \$22.25.

Her Face Was Covered With Large, Red Pimples

Miss Greta Carlisle, 23 Leonard St., Brantford, Ont., writes:—"A short while ago, my face was completely covered with large red pimples, and it seemed that it was almost impossible for me to get rid of them, as nothing I took seemed to do me any good. One day I noticed an advertisement of Birdock Blood Purifiers."

Within the past few days an action which would cut off one precedent set some years ago was made. Opposition grew, however, and crystallized into definite action, when yesterday the junior year of Arts met in solemn convocation, were unanimous in resolving never to let anything go by the boards merely because greater efficiency might result, and relegated a committee to approach the students' legislative assembly.

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