

# THIRTEEN CASES NOW LISTED FOR NON-JURY SITTINGS

## LOCAL COAL MAN ENTERS ACTION AGAINST DEALER

William Buchanan Claims A. Deviney Has Failed To Settle For Fuel.

### SUIT IS CONTESTED

Two more cases, making thirteen in all, have been set down for trial at the county court non-jury sittings scheduled for April 1 before Judge Talbot Macbeth.

William Buchanan, London coal dealer, is suing A. Deviney, another coal man, for \$573.11, which is alleged to be due the plaintiff on the purchase of two cars of coal on Jan. 24 last.

Mr. Deviney, in his statement of defense, alleges the plaintiff asked him to take two cars of coal, as he had already enough for his January orders. Deviney claims he told Buchanan he also had a large supply on hand, but would endeavor to sell the coal to out-of-town customers, providing he received prompt delivery of the coal. One car, the defendant claims, was sold to a customer at Mount Brydges, and the other at Beachville. Delivery was not prompt at Beachville, Deviney alleges, and the customer there cancelled his order. The price was set at \$10 a ton, f.o.b. mines, for egg coal, and \$10.35 for nut.

The defendant counter-claims \$23.50 for coke alleged to have been sold the plaintiff; \$27.95 loss of profit on the car of coal, and \$123.40 for freight and demurrage paid, a total of \$183.95.

Gibbons, Harper & Braden are appearing for the plaintiff, and Flock & Flock for the defendant.

Rosalie Gootson is suing the Dominion Gresham Guarantee and Casualty Company of Montreal for \$300, alleging this amount is due under an automobile insurance policy. Mrs. Gootson claims her Ford sedan was stolen, and found burned by the roadside in the country.

The defense alleges the car was misrepresented in the policy as being a 1923 model, and further alleges it was of an earlier date. They ask that the case be dismissed.

Spencer & Brand for the plaintiff; Hughes & Agar, Toronto, for the defense.

## FARM HELP DEMAND NOW EXCEEDS SUPPLY

District Farmers Besiege Immigration Office For Workers.

Farmers of the district are besieging the immigration office here for farm help and although men are arriving in London practically every day in the week, officials state it is impossible to keep up with the demand.

Five men from England and Ireland arrived in the city last night and six more came on the noon train today. All are being sent out to farmers this afternoon.

Two clean-cut chaps from Somerset left for Strathroy this morning, being placed with John Curran, an ex-warden of Middlesex County, and his brother. The boys, who are 20 years of age, are brothers, Reynold and Wilfred Besgrove. Boys young men have had farm experience, working for their father, Thomas Amor, also from Somerset, has been placed with a well known district farmer.

## 20 Years Ago

In The Advertiser.

When the Kaiser arrived in Naples yesterday the Italian fleet greeted him with a royal salute and the ladies of the German colony sent beautiful bouquets of flowers out to the imperial yacht.

The U. S. customs authorities have held up the examination papers sent in Oxford University for the American and Canadian students for the Rhodes scholarships. The authorities claim that the papers should have been printed in America.

J. MacLaren, M.P. for Huntingdon, moved his bill for the prohibition of the manufacture of cigarettes last night in the federal house. Both Mr. Borden and Wilfred Laurier opposed the bill on the grounds of its impracticability.

## 25 Years Ago

In The Advertiser.

The Khalifa is short of provisions and ammunition. He has only 6,000 men with him in the Sudan, and is encumbered with many women and children, according to despatches from Cairo.

Ala. Jolly in the city council last night moved the substitution of cement sidewalks in London for the wooden ones, now in use. He said that the new method of building sidewalks would save the city \$14,000 a year and that in a few years he believed the city rate would be below sixteen mills.

The Brockville rink collapsed last night under the weight of snow on the roof.

The central district of Russia is suffering from a severe famine and thousands are dying daily.

Paris is in the grip of a severe epidemic of flu. The death rate has increased largely in the last few days.

## PUBLIC MONIES FOR GOLF RAPPED BY ACTING MAYOR

Allan Towe Asserts Average Taxpayer Opposes Plan in New Course.

### EXPLAINS VIEWS

Alderman Allan Towe, who in the absence of George Wenige, is London's acting mayor for one day, has his own views on the question of the proposed civic golf course. He believes that it is not the wish of the average taxpayer that public money should be spent in this way. His letter which follows explains itself.

"It may be that I have not kept pace with the age, as there are so many proposals made by public men that do not meet with my views.

"An expenditure of money raised by taxes should be spent in the interests of the 'mass' instead of the 'class.' It surely cannot be said that \$10,000 of Public Utilities funds would be of benefit to those who do not, or ever would, play golf.

"Today I am taking Mayor Wenige's place, and, in giving my opinion on the golf question, I know those who are promoting the Municipal Golf Course will not relish what I have to say, but, as I am acting mayor, I feel that I have all the privileges of that office, and the mayor has often said that he does not 'give a darn' who likes or dislikes what he says. I feel that I have a special privilege in giving my personal views on this proposal which may, or may not, be the views of the general taxpayer."

## ALLEGED DRUNK GETS BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT

Defendant Denies Officers' Claims He Was Breaking Smoking Rule, Too.

What constitutes drunkenness was the vexed question which occupied Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon in police court this morning when a local insurance agent appeared before him charged with being intoxicated. Evidence of police officers indicated the man was reeling and in a stupor part of the time, but the prisoner declared he had not taken a drink since 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

The arrest was made in the arena at 9:20 last evening. Officers stated the prisoner was smoking, contrary to arena regulations. They nabbed him in the players' dressing room.

The defense declared he had only taken a single glass of wine about four hours before the arena incident. He was not bothering anyone and the cigar in his mouth was not lit. He could not understand why the constables should assume that he was drunk.

In view of the defendant's good record the court decided to give him the benefit of the doubt, and the charge was dismissed.

## FORMER LONDON BOY WINS HIGH HONORS

Wallace K. Ferguson Awarded Fellowship Medal at Cornell University.

Word was received yesterday that Wallace K. Ferguson of the University of Western Ontario graduating class in arts, had won the Andrew D. White fellowship in history at Cornell University, New York.

Mr. Ferguson is the son of Rev. H. T. Ferguson, formerly pastor of the Centennial Methodist Church of London, and who now resides in Aymer.

Two other winners of fellowships and scholarships are now studying in the United States, Harold Dalglish of London is at the University of Pennsylvania, and Gilbert Tucker, son of Dean Tucker, rector of St. Paul's Cathedral, is at the University of Wisconsin.

All three men studied under Professor A. C. Dorland, head of the history department of the University of Western Ontario.

## HOCKEY PLAYER ARRESTED FOR POSSESSING ALCOHOL

Charged with having liquor in other than a private dwelling, a member of the London Intermediate hockey team was arrested last night and locked up in the cells. In police court this morning he pleaded not guilty.

As the prisoner had no witnesses he was remanded until tomorrow. He said the liquor found in his possession was secured by a substitution for rubbing purposes. He was injured recently in a hockey game and required the alcohol as a liniment.

When the case comes up tomorrow the prisoner, with the evidence of a local physician, will attempt to disprove the charge.

## JUNIOR FARMERS' CALF ENTRIES BEING JUDGED

J. A. Andrews of the local branch of the department of agriculture, is in Appleton today looking over half a dozen calves entered in the baby beef competition for junior farmers. There are twelve entries in all, and the competition will not close till November. The prize is a two-weeks short course in stock and seed judging at the O. A. C. next winter, all expenses being paid by the department of agriculture.

## The Welfare Fund Cares For Him



CARED FOR WHILE MOTHER WORKS.

This is one of the little chaps taken care of in the Day Nursery. Their mothers are obliged to work to keep homes together. The Welfare Fund keeps the Day Nursery and a dozen other institutions going. Next week is the Welfare drive—your opportunity.

## WELFARE FUND PRIZES

Three prizes every day for the best answers to the question: "Why give to the London United Welfare Fund?"

Each day this week, until next Saturday, March 29, The Advertiser will give three prizes each day for the best answers to the question stated above: "Why Give to the London United Welfare Fund?"

The prizes will each be two seats in Loew's Theatre, and each day will end at noon, the following day commencing at once.

The contest is open to all citizens of London. Answers are limited to 150 words. Brevity is an advantage.

## Tuesday's Best Answers

The following are the best answers received on the second day. They were submitted by E. M. Southcott, 57 1/2 Craig street; T. J. Murphy, and O. C. H., each of whom receives two seats at Loew's Theatre.

**E. M. SOUTHCOTT:**  
The Reason Why.  
Why do we give to this welfare fund? The reason seems quite clear—You should so loud through the daily press.  
No one can help but hear.

As morning and eve we read the news,  
Our eyes can see this call:  
Come give to the aged and infirm,  
To kiddies large and small.

"Loosen your purse for the fine big Y."  
The girls' "Y. W." too.  
"Why do we give?" you ask us that—  
What else could a fellow do?

You state your case in glowing words,  
Right to work by animal plain.  
Our empty hands in our pockets go,  
And come out full again.

**T. J. MURPHY:**  
Because.  
1. "We are born to do benefits, O what a precious comfort 'tis to have so many like brothers commanding one another's fortunes." (Timon of Athens, Act I, Scene 2).

2. "Make—dinner and a supper for the poor, the maimed, the lame and the blind. (Luke xiv, 13-14).

3. It gives comfort to those who need them." (I Sam. xviii, 4). "And to those who have no mother. (I Sam. xi, 19).

4. Giving is a pledge of love. (John xiii, 34-35).

5. Dives denied Lazarus the crumbs from his table. (Luke, xvi, 19 to 31).

6. Our lives do not consist of the money we have. (Luke xii, 15-20).

7. Even the poor widow gave two mites. (Mark, xii, 41, 42-44; Luke, xxi, 1, 2, 3).

8. "To relieve the wretched was His Pride." (Village preacher). "His pity gave ere charity began."

**O. C. H.**  
Unless citizens subscribe to the United Welfare Fund, they make a mockery of that upon which all civilized folk are agreed.

Churches are a flaming banner to Satan if men and women ignore the supreme command of "Do Unto Others." There are many who can afford a great deal, and others who can afford only a mite, but every man or woman who can give but does not is ammunition for an army of cynics who still maintain that no good ever came out of Nazareth.

**COURT FINDS G. DEAN NOT TO BLAME IN CASE**

Cruelty Charge Dismissed When Defendant Explains Situation.

Although a horse belonging to George Dean was shown to be in no condition for work, the charge against the owner laid by George Tustin, humane inspector, was dismissed in police court this morning.

Dean, it appears, received assurance from Dr. Tamin, local veterinary inspector, that it would be all right to work the animal. Since getting that advice, however, the horse developed a severe abscess, which became so acute that the harness could not be used on it.

Mr. Tustin observed the steed on Talbot street last week and filed a complaint against Mr. Dean. Dr. J. E. W. Blackwell, another veterinary, was called and pierced the abscess. The latter said the horse was in a deplorable condition.

Because Mr. Dean had already seen Dr. Tamin about the animal, however, the court decided no blame could be attached to him.

## FINE PROGRAM IS GIVEN BY CHOIR

First Presbyterian Members Preside at Chalmers Organ Installation.

The choir of First Presbyterian Church, in honor of the installation of a new organ at Chalmers Church, presented a concert program of unusual excellence there last evening.

The choir, under its leader, George Lethbridge, was in full strength, and anthems and choruses were rendered with smooth and pleasing precision.

Solos were given by Miss Donna Schram, Miss Chrissie Wright, Miss Crocker, Miss D. Dickers, Miss Viola Williams, Mr. Gordon Knapp, E. S. Crawford, and Donald Payne. The Chalmers congregation, present in large numbers, heard the full beauty of their new instrument in the organ solo by Mr. Lethbridge, Saint Saens, "The Swan."

The choir of Chalmers Church have been largely instrumental in securing the new instrument. They have put forth untiring efforts to make it financially possible, and last night tribute was paid to them by representatives of the congregation.

Their officers are the following: leader and organist, H. E. Watson; president, Hugh Findlater; vice-president, Russell Legg; secretary-treasurer, Miss Clara Allen.

For the occasion of last night's concert, the organ, communion table, vestry and choir room were artistically decorated with ferns, daffodils, carnations, and a huge arrangement of flowers provided by the choir members and the Ladies' Aid Society. Following the recital, the visiting choir were banqueted in the new Sunday School room, and the hearty thanks expressed to Mr. Lethbridge and the singers who had made possible such a splendidly successful event.

The organ was installed by L. Downey of London, and is a two-manual tubular pneumatic instrument with detached console.

**REQUESTS ARE MANY FOR HATCHING EGGS**

Middlesex Farms Wishing Supply Advised To Act Soon.

Farmers of Middlesex County who wish to receive eggs from O. A. C. laying strains are advised to get in touch with R. A. Finn of the department of agriculture office here as soon as possible.

Mr. Finn points out that requests for eggs from Middlesex laying stations are coming in large numbers from outside points, whereas the stations were started for the benefit of Middlesex farmers alone. Prices this year are about a hundred, Mr. Finn states, and adds that there are many farmers who do not realize that the stations were formed for their own particular benefit.

He says that school children anxious to raise a small flock of chickens.

**MEXICAN REGULARS BADLY DEFEATED**

Obregon Is Losing Control in the Region of Tabasco.

Associated Press Despatch. Merida, Yucatan, March 25.—A column of 1,500 federal troops was "completely annihilated" by revolutionaries at Barra, Tlaxiaco, yesterday morning. General Aguilar, of the third revolutionary zone, reported to the headquarters of the rebellion at Frontera, it was announced here today.

General Aguilar's message declared that the downfall of the Obregon control in his region is imminent.

**BOX SOCIAL IS PLANNED BY THEBES SANCTORUM**

Thebes Sanctorum, No. 26, O. O. H. and P., will hold a box social next Friday night in Alma Block for Victoria and May Queens, and their Oriental wives. A musical program will also be given.

Previous to this social the lodge will hold a meeting to make preparations for the spring ceremonial, of which they expect more than a 100 candidates will receive the degree of humbly on May 24. Information as to the plans made will be divulged at the social.

**PARLIAMENTARY SESSION OF "Y" HOLDS MEETING**

A meeting of the parliamentary session of the Y's Men's Club will be held tonight at the Y. M. C. A.

The leader of the government party, Harry Jackson, the leader of the opposition, Will Clark, and speaker of the house, E. J. Jenkins, will introduce three bills.

The first will be in regard to public entertainment, the second on the assimilation of immigrants in Canada, and the third regarding the organizing of church athletic associations in London.

**RESTING COMFORTABLY.**  
George Allen of 15 Queen's place, who suffered a fractured leg while doing carpentering work at Wolseley Barracks yesterday afternoon, was reported as resting comfortably by authorities at Victoria Hospital today, to which institution he was removed following the accident. Dr. Kenneth McLean is attending him.

## News From City Churches

**CENTENNIAL LEAGUE.**  
Oswald Currie presided over last night's meeting of Centennial Epworth League, when the citizenship committee were in charge. The topic "How Canada Is Governed," was taken by Ed. Tufts. Mr. J. C. C. read the Bible lesson. A sing-song, into which all members entered, was an enjoyable feature of the meeting.

**COLBORNE ST. LEAGUE.**  
Under the convener'ship of Frank Westbury, a "Citizenship" program of a very interesting nature was presented at last night's meeting of the Young People's League of the Colborne Street Methodist Church.

Addresses were given by two of the members, Miss Helen Barbour and Harold Tufts. Miss Barbour spoke generally on the subject of citizenship, and Mr. Tufts spoke of the part education plays in the managing of civic affairs. The program included also a violin solo by Miss Ruth Barbour, with piano accompaniment by Miss Debra Fort, and a reading by Miss Grace Wrath.

Russell Hicks was in charge of the devotional period, which brought the meeting to a close. During the social hour, which came afterwards, the young people greatly enjoyed an old-fashioned spelling match.

**KNOX W. M. S.**  
Last night's meeting of Knox Church Women's Missionary Society attracted a particularly large number of members. The program was presented by the Senior Gleaners' Association, an organization of young girls of the congregation, and of the main feature was given a missionary talk, which was given by Miss E. Dicks. Later in the evening a short business session of the W. M. S. was held, with Mrs. E. W. Temple, the president, in charge.

**SOUTHERN CONGREGATIONAL C. E.**  
"Winning Others for Christ" was the subject of a well-prepared paper read by Miss E. Perry. The regular meeting of the Christian Endeavor of the Southern Congregational Church. Other items on the program over which Miss E. Dicks presided were a sacred reading by Mrs. Rudland, and the Bible lesson period conducted by Miss R. Ruddick.

**"HAPPY HELPERS."**  
The young folks who belong to the "Happy Helpers" band of the Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church felt a glow of satisfaction following the concert which they presented so successfully last night.

but the second concert venture of the band, but under the direction of their leader, Mrs. M. E. Cree, they gave a most excellent performance, and at the conclusion received hearty congratulations from the older members of the congregation, who made up the interested audience.

The program was most successful, and the following were the soloists: Pearl Webb and Violet Gray, recitation; recitation, Margaret Mitchell; elocution and violin numbers, Ronald Bourne; piano selection, May Russell; vocal trio, Hazel Williams, Cora and Dorothy; piano selection, Violet Williams; violin selection, Doris Tinney; piano selection, Allen Purdy.

**FIRST METHODIST LEAGUE.**  
A "Citizenship" program, arranged by Mr. Ed. Harley, was presented at last night's meeting of the First Methodist Church. Mr. George Young, the president, was in charge, and the evening had as its main feature an excellent prepared paper, on the life of Paul Johnson, by Miss Irene Stewart, winner of the recent oratorical contest between the London and Stratford Normal schools. Piano solos by Miss Marjory Francis, songs by Mr. Frank Emery were very much enjoyed.

**EMPRESS AVENUE LEAGUE.**  
"Holding the Dykes," a very fine address, which had as its theme the observance of the Lord's Day in Canada was given at last night's meeting of the Empress Avenue Epworth League by Mr. Sylvester Parsons. A "Citizenship" program was presented with Mr. Jack Smetzer presiding. Allan Goodman read the Bible lesson. The program also included numbers by a quartet, composed of Misses George Rossier, Charlie Robinson, Jack Smetzer, and Leslie Lucas. The league members are arranging a games tournament to last the month of April, and the losers will be provided a supper for the remainder of the contestants.

**HARVEST REAPERS.**  
The Harvest Reapers' Mission Band of the Empress Avenue Methodist Church held its regular meeting yesterday afternoon. Mrs. McLean, the leader, gave two short addresses, the one on "The Young Christian," and the other a missionary talk, in which was emphasized the need of Christian work in the Canadian northwest.

**RIDOUT ST. LEAGUE.**  
At an executive meeting, following the regular session of the Epworth League of Ridout Street Methodist Church last night, Rev. J. A. Agnew announced the winner in a recent "Better Meetings" campaign held by the league members. Archie Rainer and his team, who presented the "Citizenship" program were victorious, and as a result will be feted next Monday evening at a social to be arranged by the three losing teams.

An address appropriate to the Lenten season was given at last night's meeting by Rev. Mr. Cooper. The president, M. Muma, was in charge.

**SERVICE BAND.**  
The Service Band of the First Presbyterian Church met last night at the home of Mrs. E. Fysh, John street. The members completed a bale of twenty-two nightgowns, which they are to present to the Grenfell Mission Station.

**MARION KEITH CLUB.**  
A tour of the world by means of short travel-talks on the various mission fields was the clever program

## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK IS GIVEN IMPETUS

Splendid Concert Held in St. Andrew's Hall Under the Board's Auspices.

### TEACHERS PRAISED

Children's work in the Sunday schools of the city received a splendid impetus last night as the result of a concert given in St. Andrew's Hall under the auspices of the Children's Work Board. Artists of distinction contributed to a program, which had its proper balance in an especially large audience, which showed appreciation in proportion to its numbers.

Each contribution was most enthusiastically received, and the entire program one of the most successful presented locally this season. During a ten-minute intermission, Rev. F. W. K. Harris, director of religious education at St. Andrew's Church, explained the work which is being carried on by the Children's Work Board.

Teacher training courses are established and the board directs an amount of keen study toward selecting the most efficient methods of teaching and those which will appeal most strongly and lastingly to the childish mind.

One important feature of the work is the Daily Vacation Bible School, in which small children are led to utilize a part of their long summer's day in receiving a little of the ground work of Bible study, and which was carried on most successfully last summer by Miss Mayne Young, secretary of the board, Miss Young and other workers were warmly congratulated by Mr. Harris, who suggested also that the church-going public to a request for efficient attention to this all important phase of Sunday school work, the development of the small child.

The program was arranged by Mrs. Grant-Harris and Mrs. Frank Smith. Mrs. G. Wood-Hayward, whose name appeared on the program, was unfortunately unable to appear, but her place was filled most acceptably by Miss Donna Simcox.

Other soloists were Miss K. Gibson, Miss E. Zuz, Ed. Webster and Percy King, all of whom were forced to succumb to a request for encores. F. Taylor's cornet solos were a delightful feature of the program. "The Lost Chord" proving an especially strong number. Readings by Miss Gwendolyn Anthistle, an artist who is sure always of a warm welcome, met with their usual popularity. Mrs. Grant-Harris' orchestra opened and closed the program, playing first "Norfolk Folk Dance," and concluding with a Children's Suite for Strings.

At the conclusion those who contributed to the success of the concert, were entertained at supper by the members of the board.

## TWENTY-FOUR TO TRY FINAL MEDICAL TESTS

Students of Western Busy Preparing For the Coming Examinations.

At the University of Western Ontario, students are working hard now not far distant final examinations which will in some cases finish a year and in others complete a course.

At the graduating class, faculty of medicine, twenty-four candidates will write, an increase of one over last year. All are returned soldiers with the exception of two students, Mr. Bond, a returned missionary, and a young woman, Miss Braithwaite.

The graduation of this class and that of next summer's will see the end of the five-year course. Six full years are now required to complete the course.

## No. 1 Reminder

—Halt! Who goes there!  
—Famine and Want and Care!  
—Sound the alarm! All good soldiers in the Cause of Help-One-Another at attention!  
—Rout the besiegers who strive to break in!

Give and Give Gladly to the Welfare Fund.

## United Welfare Fund Campaign

MARCH 31 TO APRIL 5.  
Fourteen Campaigns in One.