CHURCHES OF CITY OPPOSE EXTENSION OF POOL ROOMS

Resolutions Urging City Council to Rescind Its Recent Action Were Passed in Local Churches Yesterday

At a meeting of the men of St Andrews church held last night, at which Rev. M. Gordon presided, with Mr. G. R. Millard acting as Secretary, the following resolution was unanimously carried: —

Moved by M. A. Brandon, and seconded by Mr. John Anderson: That this meeting of the men of St. Andrews church regrets the recent action of the City Council, in rescinding the by-law limiting the number of pool rooms in our city to six, and asks for a reconsideration of the question and further requests that the number of pool rooms be left as it was, namely, six in number.

The following were appointed a delegation to present the matter fefore the City Council: Chairman, M. A. Brandon, J. J. Hurley, W. Wyllie, J. Howting, D. McEwen, G. Grierson, J. R. Sedgewick, Clark Johnson, J. Crawford, G. R. Millard, J. R. Willits, W. Mitchel, J. Urquhart.

Brant Avenue.

The following resolution was passed at Brant Avenue church last night:—

Moved by J. W. Harris, seconded by E. A. Hughes, and resolved, that the members of the congregation of Brant Avenue Methodist Church desire to express their strong disapproval of the action of the Brantford City Council in removing the limit hitherto existing in the number of pool and billiard licenses to be granted in the city.

At this critical time when everyone is being urged to economy, the tendency should be to decrease rather than to increase the number of places where money is spent on pleasure alone. No good or valid reason has been or can be shown to justify such increase. Many men are absent from the city, our population has not appreciably increased and there exists no reason why the present licensed places are not sufficient for the public needs. There has been no demand or agitation for a change, and no such radical measure should have been adopted without the fullest discussion, and without giving an opportunity for public opinion to express itself as to the merits of the proposed change. The haste with which the measure was put through would convey the impression that its sponsors were afraid of a full and free discussion.

We most earnestly protest against any change in the by-law previously existing and suggest that a strong deputation be appointed to present our views at the Council tomorrow evening.

Alexandra Church

The session of Alexandra Presbyterian Church, passed a resolution, at the close of the morning service yesterday, in which they express themselves as strongly opposed to the granting of more pool-room licenses. The session is composed of seventeen men.

Marlboro St. Church

At the close of the evening service at Marlboro street church last evening, the following resolution was unanimously carried by a standing vote: That we respectfully request the city council to rescind its recent action in regard to the poolrooms of the city and to restore the by-law limiting the number to six." Delegates were also appointed, together with representatives from other churches to lay the matter before the council at its next meeting.

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SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE MEETS

Promotion of Gardens and Cultivation of Waste Land Favored

A THRIFT CAMPAIGN

Is Also Approved, With Recommendation for Smaller Securities

A meeting of the executive committee of the Social Service League was held in the office of Mr. Frank Cockshutt, the President on Friday afternoon.

After the general business was disposed of, the President introduced the matter of the promotion of gardens and cultivation of back lots within the city and suburbs, along the lines of the plan followed by the Social Service League two years ago. A strong and unanimous resolution was passed to the effect that this plan should be carried out as early in the Spring this year as possible.

It was decided to write to the Agricultural Department of the Provincial Government and also to Toronto and other places where this scheme is being worked out, in order to obtain information as to the best method of making it as far reaching and effective as possible.

The matter of the present campaign for thrift was also discussed. The plan as announced by the Minister of Finance was highly commended. It was felt, however, that securities of smaller denomination with deferred payments, say $5 and $10 should be issued by the Department, and negotiated through responsible parties in addition to the Banks and Post Office Money Order Departments, in order that all classes of the people should have the opportunity of assisting the country at this time, and also to provide a reserve against the time of readjustment which will inevitably follow the declaration of peace.

A strong resolution to this effect was passed which also embodied the joining with other organizations within the city to bring before the city council the matter of having the City Council inaugurate at once a campaign for thrift locally. Announcements regarding the above will be made at a later date.

A copy of the above resolution has been sent to the Minister of Finance at Ottawa, asking for his advice in the matter, and any suggestions which he may have to give as to the conduct of the local campaign for Thrift.

A Warning to Auto-Speeders

Reckless driving of automobiles and other motor-driven vehicles on the city streets has lately increased to such an alarming extent that hardly a day passes without the lives of occupants of the cars or pedestrians becoming endangered. Speaking on the question Chief Slemin, referring more particularly to the congested parts of the city streets, stated that the matter had become so serious that it would simply have to be discontinued. Chauffeurs and private owners, he stated, were breaking the law in this respect and were taking great risks to life and property. Acting on his motto of "Prevention is better than cure," the Chief has notified garage owners to warn their drivers to be more careful of the speed they travel and has issued instructions to his men to keep a sharp look out, all offenders to be brought before the magistrate. In this way he hopes to have the practice stopped before some bad accident with serious injury or perhaps loss of life occurs.

BUY YOUR STAMPS.

A rural mail carrier has asked for the publication of the following clipping:

Warning is given to all rural mail box holders that instructions have been received from the post office inspector to the rural mail carriers that they are not to put stamps on letters for the senders.

That they must leave all letters in the boxes that have no stamps on.

That they must leave all money in the boxes that is intended to pay for a letter being sent without a stamp.

Be sure and keep a supply of stamps on hand and don't put the carrier in the position of incurring your displeasure by refusing your unstamped letter. His instructions are that he must, and he will hereafter.

All carriers have stamps to sell on their routes and the public must provide themselves with stamps.

These orders are explicit and the rural mail route carrier must follow their instructions or stand a chance of dismissal. Don't blame him if he leaves your letter in the box, when not stamped, the fault is yours.

SPLENDID MUSICAL EVENT.

A record house is assured for the Schubert Choir Concert on Thursday evening at the Grand Opera House. Get your seats at Boles Drug Store.

Alaska Indians, alarmed at the invasion of railways and the ever-increasing activities of the white man, have petitioned for a reservation.

Humors come to the surface in the spring as in no other season. They don't run themselves all off that way, however, but mostly remain in the system. Hood's Sarsaparilla removes them, wards off danger, makes good health sure.

NEWS OF NORFOLK

Coal Shortage in Simcoe Brings About Serious Results

OTHER NEWS ITEMS

C. W. Sanderson Will in Court; Sequel to Auto Deal

(From our own Correspondent)

Simcoe, Feb. 16.—The annual meeting of the public library board is being held this evening at the residence office of the secretary, H. F. Cook, B.A., owing to the fact that through lack of gas it has been necessary to close the library and drain off the water from the heating system. But this is a small item compared with the demoralization of the public and high schools whose teachers have had opportunity for not more than perhaps fifty percent. efficiency in the pursuit of class work on account of insufficient heating of the school rooms. In other words the whole teaching staff of the municipality have been, through no fault of their own, prevented from rendering service in their various capacities. That the advancement of education among the student body has been seriously handicapped directly and indirectly is at once admitted and it appears quite probable that the schools will not be dependent upon natural gas for the heating purposes next winter, be the assurances of the company what they may during the summer.

The Y. M. C. A. Canvas.

Collectors spent the afternoon and evening collecting the Y. M. C. A. envelopes distributed on Wednesday and late this evening the work is far from being completed. Many workers were delayed because the envelopes were not ready as requested when they called. Some homes had no one at home when the workers reached them. All such parties should deliver their envelopes to any member of the working force or to the secretary of the fund, Mr. H. F. Cook, at once. The canvas has been extended beyond the town limits to suburban districts.

A Strange Case.

One citizen, who perhaps more than most others, has profitted by war business, and from whom a considerable donation might have been expected, stated when called on that he was already contributing to the same cause monthly, having been called upon a short time ago by a representative. Enquiry elicits the information that several who have been contributing to this fund have this year already doubled their subscriptions. It is preferred that all such should go through a common channel in order that the town may get credit for it.

Lorne Robins Killed

Mrs. James K. Robins, seen to-day at her home on West Robinson St., is slow to believe that her son, Pte. Lorne Robins, reported to-day as killed in action, is really dead. The advice ran, "previously reported missing, now reported killed in action on Sept. 25th last. In fact, this is the third wire received from the war office regarding him.

Young Roberts, then 18, and a feeder in the Litho. press rooms here enlisted in August, 1915 at Niagara for home guard work. Another brother was rejected. He signed up with the 76th and was successively transferred to the 37th and 3rd. He is the fourth son. Two are in munitions work in Hamilton and one an invalid at home.

What Simconians Read

The report of the librarian of the public library anent the reading for the year, gives the following:—

Fiction. 13,927; juvenile, 2,191; history, 356; biography, 81; travel, 259; literature, 172; fine arts, 33; useful arts, 80; natural science, 56; sociology, 70; religion, 90; philosophy, 5. Total, 17,320.

Of a total of $416 spent for new books, only $115 was invested in fiction. The former officers were re-elected and the same organization committees.

Simcoe, Feb. 19.—From our own correspondent) — There died this morning at 70 Norfolk street South, Philip Bender Park, aged 87 years, 3 months, 6 days. Interment will take place at Cultus, on Wednesday. Mr. Park had come from Delhi recently with his son, Wm. H., who is in the employ of the Sovereign Mitt and Glove company.

There died at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. G. Winters, on King street, on Friday evening, Mrs. Maria Monckler, aged 83. The funeral to Oakwood cemetery, was held yesterday afternoon.

Rev. Jno. McLaughlan, of Hamilton, preached at St. Paul's yesterday.

Rev. and Mrs. P. Nicol have gone to Exeter to spend a couple of months with the Sharp family there.

"Dubbs" Cooms is showing signs of Western fever and will very likely go West as soon as his discharge comes through. He enlisted from the West and expects his discharge as medically unfit for further service, to come through presently.

We are prevented from giving our readers a third letter from Pte. Clarence Messecar, this time a description of trenches and dugouts and real war, and in the same cheery and optimistic tone of the two other letters. Little "Billie" mentioned in the letters—and hardly three years old—got hold of it, and finished it. "Billie" answers, "Where's papa?" with. "away fightin' the Germans."

H. S. Literary Club Sent Many to France.

Some five years or so ago a Literary Club was organized at the high school here, and it turns out that all but one of the boys connected with the executive for several sessions, are over the sea in khaki. The one at home was physically unfit. Letters from some of these, to members of the staff, show a high appreciation for the work of the school, the opportunities afforded by the society and the loss sustained by the departure of Mr. Hagan. One writer remarks that he little dreamed when in his literature class, he ran across the words, that so soon so many of the boys would be overseas endeavoring to establish the parliament of men and federation of the world.

One passage regarding the make-up of the army runs, "All walks of life, the college professor, doctor, lawyers and engineers, blacksmiths, nobles and lords, all thrown in a bunch with criminals, robbers and what not. Surely Kitchener's mob is some body of men."—This from Clarence Ward.

The Colours Safe.

The work of placing the colors of the former 133rd in place in the County Court House was completed last week after much delay and with much effort to get the scaffolding out for the opening of the sessions to-morrow. R. E. Gauton had charge of the work. The draping of the flag was entrusted to Mr. Roy VanPatter of the H. S. Falls Co.

Band Instruments Coming Home.

Word has been received here that the band instruments, new and on loan from Mr. John Sutton, are returning and that the county equipment taken overseas and all the chattels and funds have been signed over to the trustees of the former battalion here. In fact, the trustees are the only remnants of the organization now intact.

High Court Cases.

The three civil cases which comprise the slate for the sessions commencing here tomorrow are:

Longstreet vs Sanderson, an action to test the validity of the will of the late Chas. W. Sanderson, reeve of Houghton, who died on Oct. 25th. last, the principals are a sister and the widow of the testator.

Peacock vs. L. E. & N. R. R., an action for unstated damages brought by Fred Peacock against the Railway for injuries sustained and damages to his auto, when struck by a trolley car at the Cherry Valley crossing last summer shortly after traffic opened on the electric road.

Maudeville vs. Evans, a suit preferred by James R. Maudeville against J. E. Evans, of Nanticoke, for damages for alleged misrepresentation in a deal for a second hand automobile. T. J. Agar for the plaintiff in the first two cases. Kelly and Porter for the plaintiff and E. Reid for defendant in the third case.

The canvass for Y. M. C. A. war funds, which was to close on Saturday night, will it has been announced through the churches, be continued today and tomorrow in order that the captains may complete the work. There was a hitch in the campaign owing to a shortage of campaign literature. The collections up to Saturday night amounted to $1630. As usual here the announcement of the total is not expected for another week. The committee contemplates meeting early next week to wind up the campaign.

No Flag at Armories.

On enquiry as to why there is no tricolor over the armories here we learned that the two flags worn out there during the 133rd campaign, were both gifts of private citizens, and we are informed that the department has not yet supplied a flag for the building.

Miss Rhea Clark has returned from Hamilton and is this morning in the office of Slaght, Slaght and Agar. Miss Clark was stenographer at Kelley and Porter's office for over four years and is a very proficient stenographer.

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Misses Sport Suits of all wool Manish serge, belt all around, ending with sash at front side, pleat in front separating below belt with pocket between detachable silk collar, also piping on button holes of mustard silk, Special $30.00

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The new Guthrie Presbyterian Church (Alvinston) had a narrow escape from being burned on a recent Sunday. The congregation had just assembled but were dismissed.