

REMEMBER

Kent County Sisters Hurl Defiance At Governor of Jail

ALL PARTY LEADERS SUPPORT PETITION TO SECURE ACTION

Ferguson, Sinclair and Doherty Join Premier Greenfield of Alberta in Approving Advertiser's Campaign For Alberta Coal— Liberal, Conservative and Progressive Members Also Give Support.

LONDON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CO-OPERATES

Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, Premier of Ontario, has joined with Premier Greenfield of Alberta in approving and commending the petition for Alberta coal.

With the premier's statement, came similar expressions of support from W. E. N. Sinclair, leader of the Liberal party in Ontario; from Hon. Manning Doherty, leader of the Progressive party in Ontario; from the directors of the London Chamber of Commerce, and from members of the Ontario legislature, regardless of political affiliations.

FROM ALL POLITICAL PARTIES.

The latter include A. P. McWhenny, Kincaid, Liberal member for Bruce West; J. W. Frehorn, Progressive whip and member for East Middlesex; E. R. Wigle, Conservative member for Huron Center; Hon. Peter MacDermid, Conservative member for West Elgin; A. P. Teller, Liberal member for North Essex; J. G. Lethbridge, Progressive member for West Middlesex; and Malcolm Lang, Liberal member for Cochrane, formerly of Elgin County.

ONLY ONE VOICE OPPOSES.

These expressions of approval have all reached The Advertiser within the past 24 hours. Added to previous endorsements from the premier of Alberta, various municipal councils, chambers of commerce, clubs and newspapers, they indicate the growing strength of the campaign to secure action in the Alberta coal situation.

The only voice, in fact, which has thus far been raised to knock the campaign comes from the London Free Press.

No Party Politics.

Like the vast hydro-electric enterprises of this province, Eastern Canada's fuel problems, coupled with the struggle to keep Canadian dollars in Canada, are questions far removed from the realm of party politics.

The proposal to solve Ontario's fuel problem is for the careful and prompt consideration of all government, federal and provincial.

Yesterday, Premier Ferguson, the leaders of the Liberal and Progressive parties, and many Western Ontario members of the legislature, all these parties, in statements to a staff reporter of The Advertiser, endorsed this stand.

The impression was general among members of the legislature that the thousands of Ontario residents, whose signatures have been affixed to The Advertiser's petition, circulating from one end of this province to the other, will receive the hearty and ready co-operation of the Mackenzie King government at Ottawa.

Efforts of All Required. Premier Ferguson stated to The Advertiser that the fact should be well recognized that this endeavor calls for the concerted efforts of all the people agreeing most heartily with The Advertiser's position in that regard.

He described the petition as "a move in the right direction and one which should produce results." The premier stressed his belief that the more publicity of this nature given the Alberta coal question the more likely is there to be quick action. Public opinion, he said, could find a proper and effective medium in the petition.

The Liberal leader, W. E. N. Sinclair, commenting on the petition plan, recalled his remarks given in reply to the speech from the throne, when he urged that both provincial and federal governments should give immediate attention to problems of fuel and transportation. Anything directed to that end, stated Mr. Sinclair, please see Page 4, Column 6.

Additional Firemen Are Not Forthcoming So Declares Mayor Regardless of Opinions of Finance Committee.

No additional firemen to the department in 1924 is the final ultimatum from Mayor Warrige, regardless of what action or opinion to the contrary may emanate from the finance committee.

In the meeting of the committee inquiring from the Fire Underwriters' Association if there will be a discount in the event of an increase to the department, as requested by the chief, if such is forthcoming, the increase would likely be ordered, city authorities state.

Newsy Bits From Today's Classified Ads.

Brooch lost. Auto salesman wanted. Barber shop equipment for sale. Modern white brick house for sale. General maid wanted. Baby boy for adoption.



W. E. N. SINCLAIR, leader of the Liberal party in Ontario, who says that any move toward action in the fuel problem should receive unanimous support.

CAMFIELD FOUND GUILTY OF SLAYING

Jury Returns Verdict in Welland Murder Case After Hour and Half Deliberation.

Canadian Press Despatch. Welland, Feb. 27.—After having been out for one and a half hours the jury filed in at noon today and announced that they found William Albert Camfield guilty of murder of Albert Steinmiller, who was found burned to death on Christmas morning.

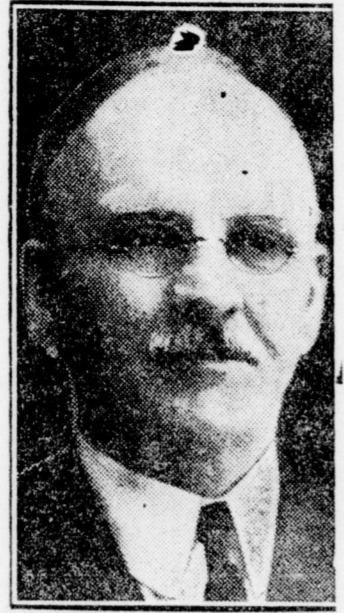
The address of Justice Smith to the jury this morning, instructing them as to their duties in the case, lasted 45 minutes.

It is expected that sentence will be passed on Camfield tomorrow.

COUNCIL DISCUSSING WELFARE'S EXTRA MILL

Not a Popular Topic With the Mayor and City Fathers.

Whether the proposal to provide one mill in the tax rate for the welfare drive, will receive further consideration at the hands of those in charge of city finances, is debatable. The question has been "merely set aside" temporarily, city authorities say while Mayor Warrige and his colleagues appear loath to discuss the question at any great length.



SUPPORTS COAL PETITION. Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, premier of Ontario, has joined Premier Greenfield of Alberta, in approving The Advertiser's petition for Alberta coal.

HEALTH OFFICER SEES NO DANGER

Only One Case of Smallpox, and Patient Expected To Recover.

Reassuring reports regarding the smallpox situation come from the local officer of public health, Dr. Walter Downingham. Only one case exists in the city and as that has been closely confined no danger of infection is apparent.

The lone case is that of a man who is being cared for in his private home by his wife. The latter had smallpox on a previous occasion and is immune to the disease. As soon as the disease was properly diagnosed a visitor who stayed with the couple was vaccinated, and Dr. Downingham declared this person received the toxin in time to prevent contraction of the malady.

The township is looking after four cases isolated in the past house. These are all of a month's duration and are said to be progressing nicely.

The single case in London is typical, Dr. Downingham said, "with small danger of resulting fatally. There is no need for the slightest alarm."

STREET CLEANING COSTS IN GENERAL TAX RATE

While the board of works has recommended the adoption of the suggestion to charge in the general tax rate all street cleaning expenses, the city engineer reminds that final approval from the city council is yet forthcoming.

BOY STARTS FIRE. The fire department responded to an alarm sent in from 5 Elias street, the home of E. P. Norton and John Corbin, this morning where a small boy had set fire to the flooring. The blaze was extinguished with a little loss through water.

New Contest Offer To Aid Candidates Secure Votes

Contestants Are Urged To Watch New Announcement, Which Will Appear Soon.

FINDS SELLING EASY

With the winners of the \$500 preliminary contest to be announced in a few days, candidates are pushing ahead now with their eyes on one of the eleven big prizes to be distributed at the end of the campaign. Everybody is enthusiastic with the receipt given The Advertiser. Many are capitalizing that feeling by pointing out the excellent service rendered by The Advertiser as a news medium.

EDUCATION ESTIMATES ARE PLACED AT \$935,000

Decrease of \$71,000 From Tentative Figures of November Noted.

SURPLUSES ARE NOTED

Final Consideration of Estimates Will Be Held by Board Thursday.

Final estimates of the board of education will be approximately \$935,000 for the year 1924, a decrease of \$71,000 from the tentative estimates of \$1,006,000 submitted last November.

Although all the estimates for the year are not yet completed, those of the Technical School remaining to be dealt with, these figures are as close as it is possible to estimate at present.

When it was announced that the tentative estimates called for more than a million dollars, members of the board and officials stated that they might possibly cut it down to slightly under that amount, but no hope was expressed that it would come down \$70,000. This has been possible only through the greatest scrutiny and careful consideration, every item that could possibly be pared having had some taken off.

INCOME EXEMPTIONS DON'T HELP LABORERS

McBrien Bill Asking Higher Exemptions Denounced by Assessment Commissioner.

The McBrien bill, calling for increased income exemptions, just passed its second reading of the Ontario legislature is vigorously condemned by City Assessment Commissioner Harry Bennett.

"In my opinion this legislation will tend to help the man with lots of money," the commissioner stated, "and I will certainly advise the city council against moral support in that direction, should they consider it at all. As I see it the suggested exemptions would not help the workingmen."

The McBrien bill, introduced by the Toronto member of that name, on the government side of the legislature seeks the elevation of exemption to include married persons, income of \$2,700.



COMMEMORATING FAMOUS VICTORY. Ceremony was in observance of the 24th anniversary of the Battle of Paardeburg, Feb. 27, 1900. Previous to the ceremony the Royal Canadian Regiment was inspected by the general in the armories. Inset shows standard-bearer carrying the R. C. R. colors presented to the second special service battalion, R. C. R., by King Edward VII after their return from South Africa.

LOCKJAW VICTIM LEAVES HOSPITAL

Clinton Hodgins Cured by Frequent Injections of Anti-Tetanic Serum.

Frequent injections of anti-tetanic serum, a method of combating lockjaw used during the war, proved successful in the case of Clinton Hodgins, 16-year-old youth, of Clarendon, who contracted the dread disease when he became infected from gun pellets after he was accidentally shot a month ago.

The boy was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital two weeks after the shooting accident occurred. Yesterday his physician, Dr. W. J. Stevenson, pronounced him cured of the malady and he left the hospital for his home.

When young Hodgins was brought to St. Joseph's Hospital physicians held little hope for his recovery. Seldom do victims of lockjaw recover, Dr. Stevenson said, and the boy was only kept alive during the first week of his illness by frequent food injections when his jaw became rigid and firmly set.

The anti-tetanic serum injection was used on the lad, and due to his strong constitution he rapidly responded to the treatment.

CITY MARKET BYLAWS TO BE DISCUSSED

Finance Committee and City Organizations Will Consider Revision of Laws.

When members of the finance committee again consider the proposed revision of city market bylaws they will invite the co-operation of all interested bodies, it was stated today. It has been suggested that the following organizations send delegates to confer with the committee: The agricultural section of the chamber of commerce, the Retail Grocers' Association, the market gardeners.

Building Inspector Piper expects to have his plan of the addition to the butter and egg shed ready for approval at tonight's session of the committee.

FIFTY EMBRYO FIREMEN APPLY FOR JOBS ON FORCE

More than fifty men have made application to Chief John Aitken of the London fire department, within the past ten days for positions on the force as firemen.

Since the finance committee voted in favor of an additional nine men to the fire department on Monday evening a steady stream of young men have called at Chief Aitken's office applying for work. According to Chief Aitken the men are all of an exceptionally fine type and in the majority of cases look as if they could capably take up a position as fireman.

RADMORE SISTERS ARE COMMITTED TO JAIL

Romney Women Charged With Cruelty to Animals and Insanity.

SCENE IN COURTROOM Jail Governor Declares They Refuse To Discard Clothes Worn For Years.

Canadian Press Despatch. Chatham, Feb. 27.—Lynella Radmore and her sister Mary of Romney Township were remanded to jail for one week when they appeared in police court this morning on a charge of cruelty to animals. They will also be examined as to their sanity.

The sisters with their aged mother were brought to the city about midnight last night after several hours' ride in bob-sleighs and motor car. High Constable Petegs and staff, accompanied by Captain Woolley, Salvation Army officer, went out to the Radmore farm near Port Alma yesterday and after considerable persuasion succeeded in getting the women into a sleigh. They drove as far as Buxton, where the party was transferred to a motor car for the trip into the city.

In court this morning the women were dressed in sacks, with outer garments crudely fashioned from heavy overall material. Instead of rubber boots and socks for stockings the women had on mackinaw sacks and rubbers. They both wore a Please see Page 4, Column 2.

MONUMENT TO BECK IS URGED BY CITIZEN

Suggests Federal Square Be Made Into a Public Park.

A letter declaring that London will want to erect a monument to Sir Adam Beck some time between the present and shortly after his death, to either himself or his achievements, and suggesting that the Federal Square be used for the purpose, was received by General Manager E. V. Buchanan of the utilities commission this morning.

The writer states that as it does not seem possible to sell the property, and as there is no possibility of its being used for the erection of a new city hall, it might better be turned into a park for the enjoyment of the city as a whole. With the suggestion of a park is made the remark of a monument to Sir Adam. In addition to his suggestions, the writer says he would like to see the work started in the near future.

WINDSOR READY TO AID IN CAMPAIGN FOR COAL

Windsor stands ready to aid in the fight for Alberta coal, Mayor Wilson stated to The Advertiser last night. The mayor explained that it had been the intention to send a delegate to the coal conference here, but the proposal was abandoned by reason of the sudden smallpox epidemic.

FRACTURES WRIST. Miss Cora Beattie, 38 Marley Place, fractured her wrist in a fall on an icy sidewalk yesterday afternoon.

REGIMENT PAYSHONOR TO MEMORY OF VICTORY

Colors Trooped at Armories on 24th Anniversary of Paardeburg.

CHAPLAIN SPEAKS

Brig.-General King Inspects the Men With Other Officers.

To the air of martial music throngs of citizens witnessed the trooping of Royal Canadian Regiment colors in the Armories at 11:45 this morning in honor of the 24th anniversary of the battle of Paardeburg.

The regiment carried off the ceremonial with all the military precision for which it is noted. Brig.-Gen. King, officer commanding No. 1 Military District, inspected the men in company with other officers. Following this, an inspirational address by Rev. J. F. Tucker of Toronto, former regimental chaplain, was given. Capt. Tucker referred to the victory which the battalion, celebrated, not so much as a military triumph as testimony to the valor and faith of those who made that victory possible.

He outlined the history of the Royal Canadian Regiment, declaring that no other military organization in Canada had reason to be so proud of its record. He spoke of the function of the permanent militia as the final resort in the operation of Canadian law.

"Your profession," he said, "is one to be admired. In spite of periods during which members of the regiment may smart from military discipline, the training and traditions involved make the highest type of manhood."

Capt. Tucker added that in time of peace the Royal Canadian Regiment represented a force whose purpose was to perpetuate the elements of liberty and toleration in the British Empire through enforcement of law. Every time, he said, that a telephone receiver is taken down, it is a memorial to the inventor. Similarly, a celebration of this kind was in the form of a memorial to those whose devotion had made the British Empire possible.

The former chaplain's address concluded with cheers from the gallery of civilians, and the regiment marched off to the soldiers' monument at Victoria Park, there to lay a wreath in memory of men who had fallen in the Boer war.

Members of local patriotic societies were present at the ceremonial. The official trophies for the colors was that given the second special service battalion, R. C. R., by King Edward VII on their return from South Africa to Canada.

REPORTS ON BUILDING SHOW BIG INCREASES

Last Year's Figures For Same Period Are Exceeded by \$88,000.

The 1924 building report provides a stern rebuke for the charter members of the "Ruin Society." Last year's figures, according to statistics available from Building Inspector A. M. Piper have already been exceeded by about \$88,000. Permits have been granted since Jan. 1 for work estimated at \$294,465, as contrasted with \$206,000 for the corresponding period of 1923.

The Weather

FORECASTS. Fair today and on Thursday; not much change in temperature. Pressure is high over the Western States and Great Lakes, while the southern disturbance has moved out to the Middle Atlantic coast. The weather has been fine throughout the Dominion.

Table with columns: Station, High, Low, Weather. Rows include Victoria, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, S. S. Marie, Cochrane, Toronto, Kingston, Montreal, Quebec, St. John, Halifax.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 34; lowest, -6. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 23; lowest, 2.