

SENIOR NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS OF CITY MARK VICTORY OF PAARDEBURG

R. C. R. Sergeants Hold Regimental Smoker In Wolsley Barracks Mess—Fine Program By R. C. R. String Band.

Warrant officers and staff sergeants of the Royal Canadian Regiment entertained similar non-commissioned ranks of the Canadian Fusiliers (City of London Regiment) and of other city regiments at their mess at Wolsley Barracks on Saturday evening in celebration of the 25th anniversary of the victory of Paardeburg.

The entertainment took the form of a regimental "smoker," with the Royal Canadian Regiment's string band, under Sgt. Drummer Maule, furnishing a program of outstanding merit. Recitations, songs and special numbers by handmen furnished out the evening's good fellowship, which concluded, just before midnight, with the singing of the National Anthem by men who had pledged their devotion to the King's service on a score of battlefields and on three continents.

The only formal dinner of the evening was delivered by Warrant Officer Jack Wyatt, D. C. M., regimental sergeant-major of the R. C. R., who, on behalf of Lieut.-Col. Seeley-Smith, who is ill, welcomed the R. C. R. sergeants' guests to the regiment's headquarters station.

Captain V. Hodson, adjutant of the R. C. R., represented the officers' mess at the Paardeburg celebration.

MUSICAL PROGRAM.

Outstanding numbers by the string band were selections from the "Gondoliers," "Czarina," "Dorothy" and the "Follies Bergere" March.

Musicians J. Abbott gave two spirited xylophone numbers, "The Juggler" and "May Lilly," while Sgt. Drummer Maule delighted with a clarinet solo, entitled "Les Alcazars."

Sgt. Johnson, of the R. C. R., instrumental cadet, sang "The Rosary" and "Mother Macdore." Sgt. Hering led a tremendous chorus in singing, "Just Break the News to Mother."

This latter number is known to the civilian world as the national anthem of pacifists. There is a sob in every note, and each verse is designed to make the heart strings of the sentimental curl up and fall to pieces in the rust of their own tears. But the army does something to this song which changes it from a sentimental song into something excitingly funny. Sgt. Thomas Atkins loves his mother, but he doesn't go into hysterics about it; hence the subtle emphasis with which he sings about the tax-haired boy who dashes madly out for a fallen soldier and dies through two following verses.

Sergeants, in particular, know all about these dear lads who ruin scouting parties by laughing at this is the place, and whose trench activities bring artillery bombardments from an alert enemy. That is why "Just Break the News to Mother" goes over big with the regulars. The death of one of these heroic imbeciles, to slow music, is something to delight a veteran's heart, and they make the most of it.

Musician Tucker sang "I'll Sing These Songs of Araby" and "Friend of Mine."

W. J. White, M. C. (W. O. J.), of the R. C. R. instrumental cadet, told a Scotch dialect story with telling effect, Sgt. Hering, H. Adams sang a censored version of "Casey Jones," whose army record as a mule chafferer was told for the first time.

Bds. P. Doan sang "The King is Coming," and other numbers were contributed by Q. M. S. Bendle, of the Canadian Fusiliers; Sgt. Punch of the R. C. R., and by Sgt.-Major Whitfield, of the A. S. C.

GUESTS AND HOSTS.

Guests and hosts included: R. S. M. Ed. S. Walker, T. Neechi, C. M. S. M. H. Lee, F. Davis, C. S. M. C. Hestey, T. Ferguson, B. Johnston, C. Q. M. S. R. Lelich, W. Fleking, K. McMillan, James Hamilton, James Hiney, E. H. Baker, J. Gray, E. J. Burns, J. Hering, C. S. M. Smith, R. Q. M. S. Bendle, F. C. White, C. S. M. R. Dixon, C. Q. M. S. Manahp, D. Wilson, S. T.

CLAIMS ATHEISM DOES NOT EXIST

Rev. R. W. Hiles Says All Believe In Some God

AT ROBINSON MEMORIAL

Speaks On Doctrines of the United Church

That there is no such thing as a real agnostic or atheist was one of the assertions made by Rev. R. W. Hiles in his sermon at Robinson Memorial Church yesterday.

The address was the first of a series on "The Doctrines of the United Church," and dealt particularly with the first article on "God" in the basis of union.

Quoting the text of this first article, Rev. Hiles stated his belief in "the one, only living and true God," and added that everybody believes in a God. There was no real agnostic or atheist because the difference was merely in the kind of God one believed in.

The article of faith in the basis of union represented, according to Rev. Hiles, the combined doctrines of the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational churches. The definition of "God" in the first article had the approval of all three uniting denominations.

AGREE WITH DEMAND.

What we know as the Apostles' Creed was formulated at the end of the second century after the birth of Christ, stated Mr. Hiles. It was not actually formulated by the apostles, but was done so from what they had written. The present articles of faith represented the statement of the members of the church to-day, which comprised the statements of the apostles with the faith of the earlier churches. Their words were those of the apostles, with what present conditions demand.

The first article of the doctrine of the United Church, upon which Mr. Hiles' sermon was based, was "We believe in one only living and true God, a spirit, infinite, eternal and unchangeable, in His being and perfection, the Lord Almighty, who is love, most just in all His ways, most glorious in holiness, unsearchable in wisdom, plentiful in mercy, compassion, and abundant in goodness and truth. We worship Him in the unity of the Godhead and the mystery of the Holy Trinity, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, three persons of the same substance, equal in power and glory."

TO PASS PUPILS

OF YEAR RECORDS

Less Than Third Will Have To Write Entrance

High Records of Students Make Many Promotions Possible

Less than 33 per cent. of the pupils in London public schools will be required to write promotion examinations this year, according to a communication being sent to the principals by the Board of Education.

The large majority of students, including those in the entrance classes, will be passed on their year's record, which is partly based on periodical tests.

It is stipulated that where the pupil's attendance has been less than 80 per cent. he should not be promoted by the principal, but that if made on any one or more subjects of the examinations. The only exception to this rule is where there are exceptionally strong reasons for promotion. The pupil's aggregate percentage of marks in all subjects should be 60 per cent. and he should not be promoted unless the term's record and the teacher's and principal's estimate thoroughly justify the promotion.

The time-table for the June examinations has been set as follows: Arithmetic in morning and composition and spelling in afternoon. No students will know until June 25 whether they have passed on this year's record, except in the case of grade 7 pupils, who may be informed on the afternoon of June 24. This precaution is taken so that there may be a constant check on the students until the end of the term. Attendance is obligatory until the final day.

PROMOTION.

In evaluating the examination papers the principals are requested to appoint teachers to do this work and also to act as presiding officers. Where possible, the teachers of the grade who will reside are the teachers of the grade to which the student seeks promotion. All teachers shall be at the disposal of the principal to assist in the work of the school as he may direct until the closing on the afternoon of June 25. A maximum attendance of pupils is also sought until the closing day.

MISSING LAD LOCATED.

Seven-year-old Master Topholme, Eva street, who was reported on Saturday afternoon to be missing, was found in Lewis's Theater later in the evening. The lad left his home during the afternoon for the theater, and when he did not put in an appearance at supper time the matter was reported to the local police. Calls were put in at all the theaters, through which he was eventually found.

DEATH HAS MORE THAN ONE MEANING, SAYS REV. R. J. MURPHY

CITES FIVE APPLICATIONS

Does Not Always Mean Cessation of Life, Speaker Shows

Citing five applications of the word "death" as it appears in various chapters in the Bible, Rev. R. J. Murphy, at the evening service in the Wortley Road Baptist Church yesterday, took issue with those who claim that death has but one meaning and that extinction of life in the human being, Rev. Murphy's sermon was based upon the subject: "Millions Now Living Are Dead," and in the course of his remarks he voiced the deduction that death and life are conditions which may exist in the same person at the same time. He defined as eternal separation from God.

"We often see the subject announced, 'Millions Now Living Shall Never Die,' the underlying thought of which is that death as it is recorded in the Bible means invariably cessation of life, extinction of being, annihilation," observed the speaker. "This is not true to Bible teachings, as any student of Greek or Hebrew knows."

Quoting from verses in the Old and New Testaments, Mr. Murphy's five definitions of death included: Cessation of life in the physical body which befalls both man and animal; sleep as applied to the death of a Christian because he is destined to an awakening in the resurrection; the state of natural or unregenerate man as being still in his sins, destitute of the spirit of life and alienated from the life of God.

DEAD TO SIN.

Two other citations advanced by the speaker included death as applied to the believer, who is commonly said to have been "crucified with Christ," and therefore reckoned dead to sin, to the law and to the world; and the second death used to describe the eternal life of those who, dying in their sins and unbelief, are not written in the Lamb's Book of Life and who must die eternally.

"From the teachings of our Lord we find death means more than cessation of being," declared Mr. Murphy. "In Luke 9:50, God said, 'Let the dead bury their dead,' and if death there meant nothing more than extinction of being, those who lose their holiness and change to utter nonsense. How could a person whose life was extinct bury another whose life was extinct?"

"In St. John, 6:53, God said: 'Except ye eat flesh and drink blood there is no life in you.' The people to whom God was talking were full of life. In saying that living persons had no life in them our Lord proves that death has more than one meaning. So we can see that millions now living are dead."

Every unregenerate man although alive, physically is dead spiritually, the speaker declared further. There are millions of such in the world, he believed, who were spiritually dead. Their spiritual death he defined as separation from God and he voiced the corollary that hell is eternal separation from God.

Continuing, Mr. Murphy declared that it is possible for a dead sinner to pass out of death into life. This transition from death to life was brought about, he said, by the exercise of faith and by committing oneself to Christ. The speaker declared those who deny the existence of facts and asserted that although the sinner may put forth the claim that he is a Christian, the Bible's teachings are facts nevertheless.

"GAS" TAX OPPOSED BY LOCAL MOTORISTS

That License Fees Should Be Reduced, Feeling of Meeting Here.

That a three-cent per gallon tax on gasoline, in addition to the higher license fee would be an exorbitant tax, was the feeling of the mass meeting of London motorists on Saturday afternoon, when they met in the motor club to talk over the new tax which Premier Ferguson promised the delegation from the Ontario Motor League last week.

Commercial and urban users of motors and gasoline engines, under this levy, would pay an entirely disproportionate share of this tax while deriving little of the benefit in the way of better provincial roads, in the opinion of the meeting. Although the size of the gathering was small, the opposition to the suggested tax was intense. It was pointed out that there had been a bonded debt of over 50 millions caused by previous construction and upkeep, yet it was felt that the burden of this permanent construction should not be laid totally on the motorist.

However, it was decided that a resolution of protest, inscribed with the grounds of opposition of the local motorists to the three-cent tax, should be drawn up by the secretary of the local motor club and forwarded to the premier.

SAN SUB-STAFF HOLDS THIRD ANNUAL DANCE

Successful Function Held in Vocational Hall at Byron.

Members of the sub-staff of Queen Alexandra Sanatorium, by the permission of the medical superintendent, Dr. F. H. Fratten, held their third annual dance at the Vocational Hall on Friday evening. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and excellent music was provided by the Albion Orchestra, who were well known to radio fans. About 250 couples attended, among them being guests from Victoria Hospital, Ontario Hospital, the Red Cross Society and various other institutions. Refreshments were served and dancing kept up until the early hours, when special cars took the guests back to the city. The committee in charge of the arrangements was composed of: Charles McConnell, chairman; J. Keys and Miss Greening, host and hostess; Miss Brown, George Harris, N. Dickson, F. Hogg and J. Phipps.

CAR STOLEN HERE IS FOUND AT DORCHESTER

The car belonging to Dr. Freeman, of Springfield, Ont., that was reported stolen from in front of Victoria Hospital sometime between 6.35 and 7.40 on Saturday night, was found abandoned in Dorchester Village last night. One wheel of the car was smashed and apparently it had been left by the thieves. A valuable coonskin coat left in the car at the time of the theft was also recovered.

"CHURCHIANITY" REVIVED BY OPPONENTS OF UNION, REV. DR. CHOWN DECLARES

MORE RAIN, LESS SNOW IN FEBRUARY OF 1925

February of this year, was much more summery than the shortest month of 1924. This year there was much less snow and considerably more rain, while in February, 1924, both the lowest and highest temperatures were lower. For February of 1925 the figures recorded at the local observatory were: Rain-fall, 1.55 inches; snowfall, 7 1/2 inches; highest temperature, 50 above on the 8th, and the lowest four below on the 3rd. For February, 1924, the list ran: Rain, .68 inches; snow, 23 inches; maximum temperature, 40 above on the 27th; minimum, 12 below on the 24th.

WOULD DEVELOP SPHERE OF HOME

Rev. H. B. Storey Urges Homes As Christian Foundation

ADDRESSES EASTERN STAR

Ruth Chapter Attends Southern Congregational

That women gained the most by the introduction of Christianity into the world was the opinion expressed by Rev. H. B. Storey, conducting special services for the Ruth Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star in the Southern Congregational Church last night.

The church was filled to capacity with representatives, while the choir consisted of 25 members of the order under the direction of Miss Ella Henderson. Miss B. Davies officiated as soloist.

Referring to the journey of the wise men to Bethlehem, guided by the Eastern Star, the pastor stated: "The people then looked upon astrology as a means of Providence, but to-day they have ceased to believe in astrological destiny. Most liberal-minded people today do not hold with the theory of destiny ruled and controlled by the stars. The star is a symbol of guidance only."

"The Order of the Eastern Star was organized in the United States in 1850 by Robert Morris. It is based upon five biblical characters: Adam, the daughter of Jephtha; Ruth; Hester; Martha and the elect lady to whom John addressed the second epistle. What we know as the fifth of the Old Testament. She typifies sacrifice, Ruth is symbolic of devotion; Esther, courage; Martha, faith, and the elect lady, grace."

AGE OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS.

This is the age of women's rights. Though the home is the ideal sphere, the place where she shows up to best advantage, it is not possible under the present organization of society for all to have homes. I am in favor of higher education for women, of the opening of professions, despite the fact that a modern essayist has declared that commercial pursuits tend to make a woman mannish and detracts materially from her feminine charm.

"Women owe more to Christianity than men. Hitherto they were but chattels and vassals of men. Woman was Christ's friend on earth. His chief mourner in death and His comforter at the resurrection. If the day ever comes when the funeral of the fittest is substituted for the faith of Christ on earth it is the women who will pay most."

"I repeat that woman's natural sphere is the home, and exhort you to lay carefully the foundation of the home for the promotion of Christianity in the world at large."

DEATH OF MRS. COLLINS

The death occurred on Friday of Mrs. Myrtle Gladys Collins, wife of Arthur Collins, at her home in Talbotville, at the age of 32 years. She is survived by her husband; one son, William, at home; her sister, Mrs. Joseph Harris, Windsor; two brothers, Fred and Harry Leavens, of this city, and by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Leavens, of this city.

CONTINUE TEESWATER FOUNDRY.

TEESWATER, Feb. 28.—W. J. and J. H. Brown, formerly of East Luther, are two members of an organization formed to carry on the Teeswater Furnace and Foundry Company, capitalized at \$30,000.

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Even the run-down and skinny grown-ups, who ought to take cod liver oil, because it really is the greatest vitamin food and builder of healthy flesh in the world, will feel extremely joyful when they read this welcome news.

Of course, doctors have been prescribing cod liver oil in tablets under another name for several years, but it is only late that one can walk into a drug store and get a box of these flesh-producing tablets just as easy as a bottle of cough syrup.

This run-down, anemic men, women and children who need to grow strong and take on flesh are advised to get a box of McCoy's Cod Liver Oil Compound Tablets, and if you don't gain five pounds in 30 days just get your money back.

One woman gained fifteen pounds in five weeks, according to her own doctor—another ten pounds in three weeks. A very sickly child aged 9, twelve pounds in seven months, and now plays with other children and has a good appetite.

Just ask for McCoy's Cod Liver Oil Compound Tablets at all Standard Drug Stores, London, St. Thomas and Stratford, or any good druggist will tell you that they are wonderful flesh and health builders. Only 60 cents for 40 tablets, and don't forget that they are wonder workers for feeble old folks.

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TO NAME CANDIDATE IN EAST MIDDLESEX

Conservatives Call Convention For March 28; Prospects Are Bright

The East Middlesex Liberal-Conservative Association executive at an enthusiastic meeting on Saturday night set March 28 as the date for the selection of a candidate to carry the blue colors to a win at the next Dominion election. From the reports submitted it was apparent that the time is ripe for the naming of a candidate, with the assurance of a whole-hearted support throughout the riding.

The officers stated that a pronounced growth in Conservative sentiment is evident and they expressed the conviction that a Conservative victory in East Middlesex was never more certain.

The organization of a club in the East London for East Middlesex is now under way and an opening will be held next Friday at the East End town hall. All Conservatives of the city are expected to attend an invitation to be in attendance.

March 28 falls on Saturday and the association is expected a record crowd to be on hand for this occasion.

FOR CAKE.

An excellent cake icing is made by mixing powdered sugar and butter with maple syrup instead of milk or water.

TWO CHIMNEY BLAZES GIVE FIREMEN RUNS

The local fire department received two calls on Saturday to extinguish chimney fires. The first came at about 4 o'clock from 280 Wellington street. Damage was slight, chemicals only being used.

The second call came from 17 Grand avenue, the residence of Col. Coles. The damage, as was the case with the other call, was slight.

The entire output of some British golf ball factories is being exported to Canada and the United States, on account of the increasing popularity of the game.

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BODY IS FOUND IN EMPTY HOUSE

Mystery Surrounds Death of River Rouge Builder

FEAR HE WAS MURDERED

Roll of Bills Missing When His Body Discovered

DETROIT, March 1.—(Special)—Mystery, probably the black cloak of murder, surrounds the death of Daniel Broughton, 69 years old, wealthy River Rouge contractor, whose body was found to-day after an all-night search in the basement of a new and unoccupied house at 29 Terri avenue, River Rouge.

The body was found at the bottom of the cellar stairs. He had been robbed, and physicians say death was due to a fractured skull.

Broughton was well known in the district, where he was engaged in the construction of houses, and a child who knew the contractor told the police she saw Broughton enter the house on Saturday afternoon in company with a roughly dressed man.

When he failed to arrive at his home, 29 Terri avenue, last night, search was instituted by his son, Lester, who informed the police of his father's disappearance.

Following discovery of the body the police learned that Broughton made the acquaintance of the man who was seen to enter unattended houses with him later, in a neighborhood grocery store, and that the stranger saw a roll of bills that Broughton took from his pocket when he made a purchase. When the body was found the money, amounting to about \$100, was gone.

PERMITS OF \$25,525 ISSUED IN FEBRUARY

Building permits totaling \$25,525 were issued at the office of the city building inspector during the month of February, according to a report prepared by Assistant Building Inspector O'Connor. In all, 22 permits were taken out. Of these permits, six were for residences to be erected, at an aggregate cost of \$18,800. There have been 40 permits issued since the first of the year, calling for a total expenditure of \$75,785.

Permits issued in February last year, totaled 35, and represented an aggregate expenditure of \$61,670, while the total for the first two months of that year was \$8, and the aggregate cost of construction was \$297,070, but that included one school.

FRENCH SIGN TRADE PACT WITH GERMANY

PARIS, Feb. 28.—A commercial modus Vivendi between France and Germany was signed this afternoon by Minister of Commerce Raynaldy, representing France, and Dr. Trendelenburg, head of the German trade delegation.

The temporary trade agreement, whereby each country gets the benefit of reduced tariffs on specially selected articles on a progressive sliding scale, will continue in force for nine months. It will then give way to a permanent commercial treaty, which will be based on the new French tariff.

MUNITIONS EXPLODE; TURK REBELS KILLED

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 1.—One hundred rebels and 60 of the townspeople were killed to-day in the explosion of a munitions depot at Kharpur, Turkish Armenia, where the town was being pillaged by rebels.

The Angora Assembly has voted a credit for partial mobilization to combat the Turkish rebels.

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