

SAYS CHANGES NEEDED IN VICTORIA HOSPITAL

Western Fair Board Decides On 25-Cent Fare Every Day

BUSINESS HEAD FOR HOSPITAL IS URGED IN REPORT

Prof. Brittain Says Reorganization of Administrative Departments Is Necessary.

ASKS PRESS HELP

Particularly Requests That Co-operation of Newspapers Be Secured in Effecting an Improvement.

Under the present conditions a general reorganization of Victoria Hospital is necessary, Dr. Horace Brittain, director of the Canadian Citizens' Research Institute, declares in his report of his recent investigation at the hospital, which was handed by him to the members of the hospital trust on Sunday.

"For this organization work a capable administrator is required," the report adds. "In this work, the co-operation of the newspapers should be encouraged. Constructive and fair criticisms would greatly assist in the efficient development of the reorganization, because if the hospital is to operate to the best advantage it must have the confidence and support of the public."

Dr. Brittain recommends that the hospital trust be responsible for questions of policy.

The trouble in the past, Dr. Brittain says, has been the lack of a simple and definite line of responsibility and authority. This has resulted in friction between the various department heads, and a lack of the co-operation so necessary in such an institution.

The report, summarized, deals with the subject under the following heads:

1. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION.

The trustee board is in general control of the hospital policies. This board is made up as follows:

Two members elected from the City of London.

The mayor of the City of London.

One member representing the County of Middlesex.

The general superintendent of the hospital acts as secretary to the above board.

The trustee board, in medical policies, is to a great extent guided by the hospital advisory committee.

This committee consists of the chiefs of the various departments as follows:

Chief of Medicine.

Chief Eye-Ear-Nose-Throat.

Chief Department Gynaecology and Obstetrics.

Chief Department Surgery.

Chief X-Ray Department.

The hospital general superintendent is responsible to the hospital trust for the administration of the institution. Correspondence and reports to the board.

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INQUEST IS ORDERED IN BRANTFORD DEATH

Coroner's Jury Will Meet May 2 To Investigate Death of Arthur Dawson.

Special to The Advertiser.

Brantford, April 23.—The engineer of the train which crashed into an automobile here Saturday afternoon, killing four-year-old Arthur Dawson, stated this morning that he did not see the motorist until the train was practically on top of it, but that he immediately jammed on the emergency brakes and brought the train to a standstill within a very short distance. He stated that both bell and whistle were sounding as the train approached the crossing.

Coroner Fissette ordered an inquest in the death of the boy, and the jury after viewing the remains this morning adjourned until May 2 at 8 p.m.

"Up from the Death Cell"

—is one of the most remarkable stories ever written. It is a true account of some of the deepest moments in human experience, of the emotions of a man condemned to die, of a triumph to better things. It is written by the man himself.

"Up From the Death Cell"

begins exclusively in The Advertiser on Wednesday, and no newspaper has ever been able to offer its readers a more enthralling or more thought-provoking feature.



FLORAL TRIBUTES TO GLORIOUS DEAD.

Here are the commemorative wreaths which the Very Rev. Dean Tucker placed on the choir stalls during the Ypres commemoration service held in St. Paul's Cathedral yesterday, and attended by all the troops in the city, together with the veterans and members of the medical and nursing staffs. The wreaths, which are in memory of "Our Glorious Dead," will remain in the cathedral under the shadow of the regimental colors until the return of the "day." They and their bearers were photographed by The Advertiser photographer in front of the city hall building on Dundas street.

Brittain Report Suggests Several Important Changes In Management of Hospital

Rearrangement of Buildings, Wards and Offices, Installation of Adequate Accounting System and Change in Method of Fee Collection Is Urged.

Appended to his report of Victoria Hospital's requirements, Professor Brittain submits the following summary of recommendations. He advises a rearrangement of the buildings and staff duties, as well as a change in the method of dealing with pay patients.

1. That the chief of the medical advisory board be recognized as the advisor to the general superintendent in all medical organization.

2. That the chief resident be responsible for all medical detail.

3. That the general manager, under the authority of the hospital trust, lay down definite lines of authority.

4. That the hospital trust assume responsibility for questions of policy.

5. That the general superintendent be responsible for the administration of all executive work.

6. That the dismissing or hiring of all sub-officials be by department heads, but subject to the approval of the general superintendent.

7. That more administrative responsibility be placed on the various sub-heads of the nursing department.

8. That temporary arrangements be made for the housing of some of the nurses in the new Children's Hospital.

9. That certain additional recommendations made for the accommodation for nurses be considered.

10. That the eastern and western sections of buildings be connected by a closed corridor.

11. That all utensils be sterilized.

12. That all utensils used in the various contagious wards be of a distinctive coloring.

13. That the dietitian be responsible for the preparation of all food.

14. That the equipment in the laundry be rearranged.

15. That the laundry be operated directly by the hospital.

16. That fire drills, etc., be carried out at regular intervals.

17. That the trust consider the installation of a "light" signal system.

18. That the hospital take over the administration of the entire heating plant, etc.

19. That the buildings, wards, etc., be rearranged.

20. That certain recommendations be made regarding the purchasing procedure of the hospital be adopted.

21. That the purchasing agent's office be located where the diet kitchen now is.

22. That an adequate accounting system be installed.

23. That arrangements be made with the city treasurer that all accounting data connected with the hospital be retained at the hospital.

24. That an imprest system of petty cash be instituted.

25. That the system of receiving, distributing and storing of supplies be adopted.

26. That the system of internal distribution and record-keeping of all supplies recommended be adopted.

27. That all pay-patients pay a week in advance, or else have their accounts guaranteed.

28. That all patients be admitted through a regular admitting department, etc.

29. That no patients be allowed to leave the hospital until their accounts are paid by the accountant.

30. That a schedule of rates be drawn up, printed and mailed to all physicians.

31. That the X-ray operator be paid a stated salary, etc.

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YESTERDAY'S PARADE LEAVING ST. PAUL'S

The Advertiser staff photographer took this picture of the troops leaving St. Paul's Cathedral after the Ypres Commemoration on Sunday afternoon. They can be seen reforming in their original order of march and preparing to go to Victoria Park, where they marched past the South African monument, and General King took the salute. The photographer has caught the killed pipers of the Western Ontario Regiment, whose skirling pipes fitted in with the rainy weather, and seemed much more appropriate under the circumstances than the brass bands. The crowds were very much larger than can be seen in the photograph, as most of the people at this time were in the cathedral grounds behind the man with the camera.

OPENING TODAY IN SECOND ROUND SPELLING MATCH

Interest Growing in The Advertiser's Great City-Wide Contest.

SCHOOL VS. SCHOOL

Competition for Handsome Prizes More Keen as Contest Proceeds.

The second round of The Advertiser's big spelling match opened in the schools of the city this morning. This week the ten best spellers in Grades 5, 6, 7 and 8, in each of the five groups, will be selected by a written test.

The successful candidates will be eligible for the third round, which will be to determine the ten best spellers in each of the four grades for the whole city. Those who are eliminated this week will be given certificates of merit.

Today The Advertiser gives the list of best spellers chosen in the Central Group and more pictures of other winners. You will find the lists and pictures on Page Two.

Results of the second round will be coming in soon. Watch for the names and for more pictures of the champion spellers, because from all these names will come the city champions who are to win the gold watches, strings of pearls and bracelets, which The Advertiser is offering as prizes.

SEE PAGE 2 FOR TODAY'S SPELLING WINNERS.

SASKATOON BACHELOR SHOOTS SELF TO DEATH

Was Attached to Headquarters Staff of Provincial Police.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Saskatoon, April 23.—Corp. Alfred Addison, aged 26, a bachelor, attached to headquarters staff of the Saskatchewan division of the Saskatchewan provincial police, shot himself through the head and died yesterday in his room at the barracks.

VESSELS COLLIDE TODAY OFF THE PACIFIC COAST

Associated Press Despatch.

Seattle, April 23.—The steamer La Parisina collided with the barkentine Mary Winkelman at about 2:30 o'clock this morning off Slip Point. The Mary Winkelman is reported to be leaking. The United States ship Snohomish has gone to her assistance.

LEGISLATURE TO HOLD SESSIONS IN MORNING

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, April 23.—Tomorrow the Legislature will start holding morning sessions in the attempt to get through its work by May 4, when the premier will recommend dissolution. The premier will not be in the house this afternoon. It is quite likely that the blue sky law will be debated today.

INJURED ATHLETES BETTER.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Hamilton, April 23.—E. Evans and Herbert Lambert, the soccer players, and Dick and Mrs. Dawson, who were injured in the level crossing accident at Brantford Saturday, are all doing nicely and will recover.

STREET RAILWAY CONDUCTOR AND POSTMAN MOST COURTEOUS



GENTLEMEN—BOTH OF THEM.

Here is J. C. Seelhoff, street railway conductor on the North Belt car No. 100, who won the Kiwanis Club prize through The Advertiser for the most courteous official in London. He was caught by The Advertiser photographer shaking hands with M. J. Rourke, letter carrier No. 7 of the London Postoffice, who came second in the contest.

Jake Seelhoff, Conductor of North Belt Car, Wins First Prize as Most Courteous Public Official, With Michael J. Rourke, Letter-Carrier, Second—Frank Grey First Man To Nominate Winner.

Jake Seelhoff, popular street car conductor, has been named as London's most courteous public official by general vote in The Advertiser's courtesy contest, which closed Saturday at midnight.

Mr. Seelhoff wins the prize offered by the Kiwanis Club, which will be presented to him at the Kiwanis Club luncheon next Friday.

The Advertiser's prize to the man first nominating the winner is won by Frank Grey, whose ballot for Mr. Seelhoff was marked at 3:45 on the afternoon the contest opened.

Second in the contest stands Michael J. Rourke, and in third place is Mayor Wenige. On Saturday morning the three were closely bunched in the voting, but during Saturday Mr. Seelhoff pulled away to a commanding lead and finally topped the list with a margin of nearly 100 votes over the second man.

Mr. Rourke and Mayor Wenige made a close race of it for second place, and less than ten votes separated them in the final totals.

The other nominees, all of whom received considerable support, include Mr. Currie, postman; Sam Baker, Rev. Mr. Watts, E. V. Buchanan, Oliver Ellwood, Judge Macbeth, Ald. Colbert, Thomas Nickle, T. G. Meredith, Fred Landon, Alderman Judd, Dr. Hugh Stevenson and "Uncle Bill" Moore.

Victory a Surprise.

During his ten years of service with the London Street Railway, Conductor Seelhoff has convinced himself that courtesy is one of the greatest assets, if not the greatest, that a public official can have.

He was surprised indeed when appointing and informed that the citizen-morning had picked him as the city's most courteous public official.

"Why, I never expected it at all," he exclaimed. "I didn't even know that the contest had closed. I was under the impression that it would finish Wednesday night."

Mr. Seelhoff is a native of London, Ontario, and has been in the employ of the London office 19 years this July. He takes the mail to the downtown business houses.

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OTHER CITIZENS TELL OF SUCCESS OF ALBERTA COAL

Advertiser Sample Burned Well, Is Tenor of Reports.

SECOND CAR HERE

Fuel Engineer Pratt Will Return To Explain Qualities of Alberta Fuel.

Two weeks ago The Advertiser was fortunate in bringing to London the first shipment of coal from Alberta mines. This shipment has since been tested and distributed in Advertiser trucks to one hundred London homes. It is followed this morning by another carload of western fuel. This later shipment will also be tested and analyzed and a certain amount will be distributed to householders from Buchanan's coal yards. The Advertiser is not undertaking further distribution, but consumers who missed the first tests may now be able to obtain a supply by telephoning direct to Buchanan's offices.

Arrangements are being made by which the public may be able to see this morning's supply burning in the basement of Smallman & Ingram's store. This is through the courtesy and co-operation of Smallman & Ingram's and the McClary Company, the latter organization supplying the furnaces.

Mr. Pratt to Return.

G. R. Pratt, provincial fuel engineer of Alberta, who came to London last week under the direction of his provincial department, left on Friday night for Ottawa. He told The Advertiser on departure that he expected to return to London this week to be of further service to the public in explaining the fuel of his province.

Mr. Pratt expressed appreciation of the enterprise of the McClary Company, who have co-operated with the Alberta government in supplying demonstration furnaces throughout the country.

Interest in the Alberta coal continues in spite of the warmer weather and reports from householders who have burned supplies from The Advertiser's shipment last week invariably expressed satisfaction and increased interest.

The following reports were received this morning:

Wm. Gates, 280 Talbot Street.

"To give the sample of Alberta coal a thorough test the furnace was emptied and a fresh fire started on a cold day, when the thermometer registered seven degrees of frost, accompanied by a biting northwest wind. The results are highly satisfactory, since we enjoyed a maximum of comfort at a minimum of trouble. The house was never warmer throughout the winter; there was always a clear fire, and best of all, there were no tinkers, slate, or anything to make roasters with. The fire had burned itself out only the day before yesterday."

"With American coal, such as one we bought, say nine tons, and had seven tons of this in the way of clinders, slate, slag, etc."

"Canadian coal for the Canadians should henceforth be our slogan."

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