

MAYOR BECOMES QUITE ECONOMICAL

Hotly Objects to Issue of Debentures for Park Purchases.

REBUKES COMMISSIONER

Claims Brass Band Methods Used When Desirable Property is Required.

The mayor yesterday took a seat with the parks and exhibition committee and appeared in the role of the advocate of economy. He incidentally had an interesting wordy war with Parks Commissioner Chambers and despite the heat of the argument at times the commissioner stood well to his guns. The commissioner presented to the committee a long letter asking for authority for the issue of debentures to the amount of \$650,000 for the purpose of park lands in the city, including the Royce property in Bariswood, the athletic field on Greenwood avenue, the decorated square at Avenue Road and St. Clair avenue, and Willowdale park for athletic purposes and the purchase of a city nursery ground for the propagation of trees, shrubs, etc. for the city parks. The commissioner explained that the law allowed debentures to the extent of one mill to be issued for park purposes and in the event of the debentures not being issued the money not expended in any one year the money may be used in any subsequent year.

No Time for Purchasing. The commissioner had hardly finished his explanation when the mayor rose and said that the present was no time for purchasing parks and some which had been bought were nothing but brick yards. The question of a city nursery was another matter altogether but the question of park extensions and new parks could well be held over. It was time to put on the brakes and money spending. For the commissioner to ask for such a big sum at the present time was wrong and so far as he was concerned it would not be provided. Besides he contended, the city could not sell bonds at the present time to advantage. This should be an off year in the purchase of parks and to acquire them as the commissioner had done, by brass band methods was wrong. The city should purchase in the same way as a private owner and get value for their money—they had not done so in the past.

At the present time, declared the mayor, Commissioner Bradshaw was in the States trying to get money for the city as next year they had some very big sums to pay. He suggested the matter of the parks be left over for a year or so.

No Brass Band Methods. The commissioner in his reply to the mayor said the committee could not sit back and buy grounds without money and what had already been negotiated must be paid for. He knew Mr. Bradshaw was sympathetic to his scheme and the issue of debentures to pay for what had already been passed by council. He objected to the statement that he used brass band methods in his purchases and said the parks were not always right in all he stated.

The mayor jumping to his feet declared hotly: "I do not intend to be talked to by any head of a department. If the way you are going on now is a sample of the manner in which the parks are purchased the sooner the parks act is put into effect the better."

The commissioner remarked that the mayor had signed many hundreds of bylaws similar to the one he was proposing.

The mayor, thumping the table with his fist, "It's none of your business if I have, you are only the head of a department. The housing committee, by using business methods, could purchase land for half the price the city would have to pay for the same plot. Send the whole report to Mr. Bradshaw," said the mayor in no too good a mood, "and have no half way methods about it. The whole scheme is faked so as to get the money."

The commissioner objected to the mayor's expressions, "Half faked and brass band methods."

The chairman here came in and poured oil on the troubled waters by asking the mayor if Mr. Bradshaw agreed to issue debentures for the

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U. V. L. APPROACHES BOARD OF CONTROL

Request for Grant of \$10,000 Must Be Put in Writing.

The United Veterans' League, thru their president, J. H. Flynn, appeared before the board of control yesterday to ask for a grant of \$10,000 for carrying on the charitable work of the organization and the establishment of clubs. Mr. Flynn claimed his society had a membership of 7,000, and they wanted funds for the betterment of the returned men. He declared the G. W. V. A. had been given \$10,000 and he wanted the same treatment.

STUDENTS FINED FOR SCRAP

The students' administrative council of the university, which is the governing body of student activity, has imposed a fine of \$200 on the medical students of first and second year, who participated in the unauthorized scrap last Friday morning.

DR. CHAS. E. TREBLE DIES IN HARNESS

Prominent X-Ray Specialist Falls Dead While at Work.

Dr. Charles E. Treble, X-ray specialist at Grace and Wellesley Hospitals, fell down suddenly to the floor while engaged in the X-ray department of the Grace Hospital yesterday morning, and died from heart failure in a few moments. The only person present at the time of his death was a nurse.

INQUEST ADJOURNED

Reason for Mary Graham's Death Re-quired Further Witnesses.

In order to hear the evidence of William Langley, an eye-witness who is at present in Quebec, Dr. J. W. Elliott last night adjourned the inquest into the death of Mary Graham, who was killed by a car on Church street last night. Dr. Elliott, the coroner, said that the case was a very serious one and that the witnesses who were called to the inquest were of great importance.

GOVERNMENT MUST BUILD VIADUCT, THINKS COUNSEL

Mayor Church believes that the taking over of the G.T.R. by the government will in no way affect the construction of the railway viaduct along the waterfront.

Corporation Counsel Geary takes the same view. The railway act, he thinks, will govern the matter and the agreement will have to be assumed by the government.

Another view is that the viaduct is more likely to be built by the government than by the G.T.R., who are short of money. But on the other hand, it is pointed out the government is in a better position to decline to carry out the agreement than a private firm would be.

UNIVERSITY BRIEFS

The fair ones in attendance at 'Varsity are going to turn out in full strength on Saturday and root for the home team at the stadium. The women students' administrative council have made application for reservation for 500 tickets, and these will be distributed to the ladies in the various colleges and faculties.

WANT MORE SWITCHES

City Officials Decidedly Suspicious of York Radial Application to Board.

Manager Wilson of the York Radial Railways said yesterday, in reference to the application of the Metropolitan to the Ontario Railway Board of additional switching facilities, that the company was proposing to furnish a four-minute service in the whole of North Toronto, instead of the present eight-minute service. They only had four switches at present, and now they wanted both longer and more switches to make the new service complete. He had no doubt their request would be granted by the Ontario Railway Board.

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ENNDEAVOR SOCIETIES' FALL RALLY

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SUE FOR RECOVERY OF THEIR ESTATES

Prince of Waldeck and Duke of Coburg-Gotha Had Their Property Confiscated.

Cassel, Germany, Oct. 5.—Two Germans, formerly of the nobility, who have been deprived by the new regime of the greater part of their estates, have been obliged to sue the new governments for restoration or reimbursement. They are the Prince of Waldeck and Pyrmont and the Duke of Coburg-Gotha.

The former principality of Waldeck and Pyrmont is now a part of the Diet in Prussia, where the prince owned before the revolution two castles and a vast domain of forest. After vainly offering to buy these from him, the Diet confiscated all the prince's property, promising to pay him what the courts should determine to be a fair price.

By one stroke of the pen the commissioners who now rule the new free state of Gotha, confiscated the estate of the Duke of Coburg-Gotha, estimated to be worth 65,000,000 marks, and this without offer of reimbursement. The commissioners, who were Spartacists, took forcible possession of the ducal buildings, estates and bank accounts and, in 24 hours, the duke was stripped of everything he owned.

The other portion of the duchy, Coburg-Gotha, has reached a financial agreement with the duke. Both prince and duke have sued the new governments. In the case of the duke, the court, which sits in Gotha, has obtained a legal ruling from government attorneys that confiscation without remuneration is illegal, so that the duke is likely to recover his money or be paid for his property. After all, life for dukes, princes and other nobility in Germany today is unhappy.

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In Spite of Damage Everywhere Else, It Did Some Good.

Early morning arrivals at the Yonge and King street corner yesterday caught the full benefits of the 50 to 60 miles an hour gale. Flying hats, both male and female varieties, were as numerous as the owners who were either clinging to telephone posts or struggling with all their might to keep on their legs. The strength of the wind was the greatest for many years and it seemed to be a good friend to the hat stores, succeeded in putting out of business numerous telephone and telegraph lines. The harbor presented quite an Atlantic appearance, the waves running eight or nine feet high. All work on the river front was a standstill, the piers and docks being places where it was impossible to work without taking a risk of life. Towards midday the wind calmed down somewhat, but there are still many unclaimed hats to be found in quiet corners around Yonge and King streets.

WINTER'S SUPPLY OF COAL ON FIRE

Two Hundred Tons Burn Spontaneously in Williamson School.

The Williamson road school at Kew Beach obtained a nice supply of coal some two hundred tons of it—so that the teachers and the children would be kept nice and warm during the winter months. The coal, however, hated being idle and from as yet some unexplained cause, set itself on fire three days ago. With the exception of the caretaker, no one was in the school house at the time the fire broke out. So there was no panic and nothing was endangered except the building and the school books.

CHATHAM UTILITIES COMMISSION Express Confidence in Beck

Chatham, Oct. 28.—Confidence in Sir Adam Beck in his work in the interests of Hydro development and a request that he continue to further the interests of the people of the province of Ontario in electric enterprises now under way or in prospect, was expressed in a resolution passed today by the Chatham Public Utilities Commission. Representatives of the commission and the city council will attend the special meeting in Toronto tomorrow, which has been called for the purpose of discussing Sir Adam's position as a result of the present political situation.

FIRE LOSS OF ABOUT \$25,000 When Penetang Mill Burns

Penetanguishene, Ont., Oct. 28.—Fire broke out in the saw mill of the McArthur Co., shortly after noon. The mill, which was a two-story building, was totally destroyed and a loss of about \$25,000, partly covered by insurance. This was built about 35 years ago by the late D. J. Mitchell.

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Discuss Possibility of Prince

Being Eligible for U.F.O.

Calgary, Alberta, October 28.—The

possibility of the Prince of Wales be-

ing eligible for membership in the

United Farmers of Alberta, having

recently purchased a farm in the

province, is being discussed here. The

question came up at the meeting of

the Dominion Labor party last night

in connection with the indorsement

of the U.F.A. candidate in Cochrane. It

was pointed out that the Farmers' or-

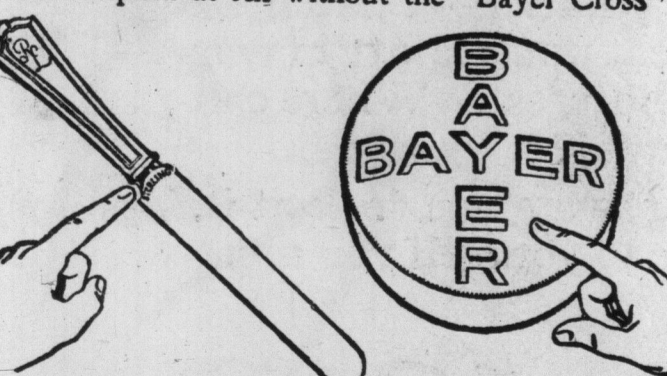
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