

ACCIDENTS CAN BE PREVENTED BY A LITTLE CARE

Duty of Everyone To Aid the Safety First Movement.

When we look in our dictionaries for a definition of the word "accident," we find that an accident is "an unexpected event, a mishap." Accidents today are not accidents in that generally-accepted meaning of the word. Accidents do not happen, they are caused, and caused largely by lack of care. Accidents are not "bound to happen," they are not the result of an established plan and can be prevented by the exercise of reasonable care and caution. The safety movement, like modern medicine, preaches prevention.

The pedestrian who crosses a busy thoroughfare, reading his daily paper, invites an injury. The motorist who drives recklessly and without consideration for others will some day injure someone. The street car man who forgets he is operating a powerful piece of machinery is almost sure to injure himself and others. The worker in the factory, who takes a chance around moving machinery, is almost sure to be hurt and the factory manager who fails to provide adequate safeguards for his machines and employees is exposing both to a serious risk.

Accident prevention is largely a habit of mind. Train your mind to "Think Safety."

TELLS HARD LUCK STORY IN COURT

Youth Short of Money Fears Wife Will Starve.

Unless some kind-hearted person comes to the assistance of a young man who was arrested Tuesday evening on a charge of drunkenness and sentenced to police court today, by advancing him \$3 to make up his fine of \$10, he will spend ten days in the county jail. He told a "hard luck" story to Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon, but as he was found to be drunk, the magistrate had no other course than to sentence him. He made a recommendation, however, that the police assist him as much as possible to secure a loan.

The youth pleaded not guilty, but his guilt was established when the evidence of P. C. Leo Chamberlain and Police Sergeant E. L. Loe was taken. The youth also admitted having taken some drinks from a six-ounce bottle of liquor which, he said, a doctor in Hamilton had given him for medicinal purposes.

Accused was almost in tears when he gave his evidence. He said that he was on his way back to Hamilton, where he had just secured a job after being out of work for six weeks. He had been suffering from the "flu," so the liquor had been prescribed. He was ill on the train, and came back shaky. It was on Clarence street, near the G. T. R. station he was arrested by Hamilton police.

He was anxious to go to Hamilton and go to work, and secure money to fix up a home for his wife and child. He said he had no money, and begged for time to raise the amount. The magistrate said he could not let him out, however, and he would starve if he was forced to spend ten days in jail.

P. C. Leo Chamberlain said that he saw the accused on Clarence street, south of the G. T. R. tracks. He staggered a little, and when he was asked to assist him to get to his home, he refused to do so.

Mr. F. W. Hunter Assumes Association With A. L. Oatman

F. W. Hunter has just returned from Toronto to renew his association with the undertaking business formerly conducted under the name of A. L. Oatman and Co., and which was later owned and directed by A. L. Oatman, with whom Mr. Hunter has been associated for some time.

Mr. Hunter has spent several months with one of Toronto's leading undertakers, establishing a reputation for himself as a reliable information regarding modern methods of the undertaking art.

Hunter will assist his associates in the city, and will wish for his success in the city, and will wish for his success in the city, and will wish for his success in the city.

Mashers Are Not All Boys Declare Young Reporters

News Sleuths Says Girls Followed Them Around For Half an Hour.

Two well-known and thoroughly respectable young newspapermen are authority for the statement that there are girls "mashers" who follow them up and down Dundas street last evening. They state that they were persistently followed by a number of young women who wanted to take them for a ride, and that they were not at all alarmed.

"The girls followed us around for at least half an hour," said one of the youths. "We were afraid every minute a policeman would stop us and accuse us of trying to seduce these girls. How about getting the police to arrest girls who molest boys in this manner?"

RABBITS PLENTIFUL

Cottontails Have Been Damaging Crops in Some Sections.

According to farmers, rabbits are unusually numerous this year, and quite a few are being killed as they have been causing damage to the crops. The season for shooting rabbits has begun, and from December 23 to January 2, cotton tail rabbits, however, may be killed in any manner at any time by the owner or tenant of land on which the animals cause damage.

Rabbits are not to be shot until after the first of November, and longer for their sport, however, as they will be seen by the following extract from the Ontario game laws:

"No fawn, marten, mink or raccoon shall be hunted, or taken or killed or put in possession of any person between the 15th day of April and 1st day of November following."

In this connection it might be pointed out that there is a royalty to be paid by the taker of any of the fur-bearing animals that are captured in Ontario. For instance there is \$1 on each red fox; 25 cents on each mink; 5 cents on each skunk, and 5 cents on weasel.

CO-OPERATION PLANS WILL BE DISCUSSED BY MINHNICK PROPERTY PURCHASERS BY W. C. A. FOR INCURABLES' HOME

Speakers To Explain the Plan To District Congressmen.

Before the 1st of December, Rev. Mr. Byrnes, secretary of Presbyterian Mission, and Rev. Mr. Brown of the Methodist Mission Board will visit London to discuss the plan of a co-operation scheme which is planned by the Methodists and Presbyterians in London.

At a meeting of the co-operation committee held yesterday, the members were of the opinion that the plan was being carried out. The plan was to build a new home for incurables, and the members of the committee were of the opinion that the plan was being carried out.

The idea of co-operation between the Methodists and Presbyterians is not a new one, and has been carried out with great success, not only in this province but in various parts of the Dominion.

The scheme does not necessitate the members of either church becoming members of the other. The plan is to build a new home for incurables, and the members of the committee were of the opinion that the plan was being carried out.

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Evidence of London's Growth Given by Expansion of Two Large Institutions—Women's Christian Association Pays \$27,000 For House and Five Acres in South London—Y. W. C. A. Buys "Lenmore," Old Fraser Property, For \$20,000.

Evidence of expansion in London may be seen in the branching out into larger quarters of various local institutions. Lately among these is the Victoria Home for Incurables, the Women's Christian Association under whose supervision this institution comes having just completed a deal purchasing the old Minhnick home on Grand avenue for the sum of \$27,500.

Another purchase has been made by the Y. W. C. A. of a house, which has been known as "Lenmore," since their occupation, the price paid being \$20,000.

Room For Growth. For some time past the present Victoria Home for Incurables has been overcrowded for the needs of the institution, many patients having to be turned away because of lack of accommodation. Some time ago the erection of a new building in the north of the city adjacent to the Aged People's Home, was considered, however, when the association found such an altogether suitable location in London South and the building partly ready for occupation, the deal was made and the north-end project abandoned.

The Minhnick property is on the south side of Grand avenue and comprises five acres of land. The house itself will be admirably suited to the purpose for which it has been bought when a foundation has been made to the back of it, and there is plenty of land to add still more as the work grows in the years to come. It is possible that the new home will be ready for occupation next spring or summer.

One very interesting feature in connection with the purchase of this property is that fact that after the deal had been made and the W. C. A. had agreed to pay \$27,500 for the property, Miss G. A. Minhnick, the owner, made a donation to the Women's Christian Association of \$3,500.

The Y. W. C. A. in purchasing "Lenmore" on King street, has definitely determined to stay there for the present time, and will build a large addition to the back for a gymnasium, swimming pool and recreation room as soon as possible. The Y. W. C. A. Board of Directors set their names to the deal at a special meeting held on Saturday last and the deal is completed today.

In addition to the building the present furnishings are included in the price which is supposed to be an exceptionally reasonable figure, in view of the fact that the assessment is much higher than the market value of the property. The purchase, the Wellington street home has been mortgaged to different loan companies. The Y. W. C. A. has on hand \$5,000 and the W. C. A. has agreed to pay \$2,000. The deal was made on the basis of a condition that the time of the taking out of the lease on the building. This option expires today.

Citizens Paying Last Installment Of Their Taxes

More Than Two Million Dollars Received by City Treasurer.

Payments of the third installment of city taxes already are being received by the city treasury. All of them are due by October 15. This is the first time in the history of the city that the council's successful effort in striking the tax rate two weeks earlier than usual. In spite of this fact, the city treasurer is confident that the whole installment will be paid promptly.

No notices are sent out for the second and third installments. Many citizens pay all their taxes in one installment, leaving a comparatively small amount to be collected. Those who pay in installments are informed at the beginning of the year when these payments will be due.

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Boys Prospectors At Pre-War Prices

(Not all sizes.)

Tan Grain Prospectors, 11, 12 and 13 \$3.50
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Tan Elk Prospectors, 2, 3 and 4 \$5.00
Tan Chums for Boys \$6.00 and \$7.50

While several extensive additions to the public school system are now under way, and one has been completed, overcrowding is still presenting a serious problem, according to School Inspector, C. B. Edwards. Several public school principals have reported to him the need of additional accommodation.

The opening of Knowlwood school and the bringing of the Quebec street school again into use has for the present relieved the pressure at Boyle street school, but it will only be a question of a very short time when additions to the school will be rendered necessary by the increased population. At Chisley avenue school an enrollment of 571 is reported, while there is a proposed accommodation for about 560. This means that there are at least 110 pupils, enough for three classes for whom there is no proper accommodation.

Filed to Capacity. The school has a very good room filled to capacity, and a class of 30 Grade 1 pupils is now attending only one half of the room. When the 30 new homes now nearing completion in that district are occupied the congestion in the school may become really serious.

The whole matter will be considered by No. 1 committee of the board at an early meeting.

In regard to conditions at Alexandra and Lord Roberts schools, where high school pupils are being accommodated, Mr. Edwards stated that he and the junior inspector, V. K. Greer, both are of the opinion that the requirements of education and the health of the pupils will be met in the best manner possible under existing arrangements.

Trustee Edwin Smith questioned his points out that public school pupils have to arrive at school at 8 a.m. to complete their studies in the forenoon. He thinks this is too early for the smaller boys and girls. Mr. Edwards replies to this that the principals have instructions to permit the smaller children to come at a later hour if thought necessary.

Enrollment, 3,058. The total enrollment in the public schools for September was 3,058, and the average daily attendance was 7,197. Last year in September the enrollment was 3,024 and the average attendance 7,193. In addition to the usual enrollment this year there was an increase of 34 in the fifth class at Victoria school, and 68 on the roll at Knowlwood school, making the total enrollment 3,058, an increase of 132 over September, 1919.

Despite crowded conditions the health of pupils and teachers has been excellent. Four cases of chickenpox, two of whooping cough and five miscellaneous ailments are all that were reported during the month. Only six and a half days were lost through the illness of teachers. This in a staff of 220 proves that the health of the members is excellent.

Collegiate attendance shows a decrease. During September there were 1,600 pupils on the roll with an average attendance of 1,000, compared to a roll of 1,154 and an average attendance of 1,044 last year.

At the Technical School 166 pupils have been enrolled in night classes, and 820 in the evening classes of the beginning of the year when these payments will be due.

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GAS CASE GROWS MORE COMPLICATED

Townships Ready For Injunction If Supply Is Cut Off.

Papers are prepared on behalf of the municipalities of Dorchester, Huron and Kent for the issuing of an injunction against the Southern Gas Company and J. A. Barons, should the company undertake to shut off the gas supply from its consumers, J. M. McVoy stated today.

McVoy said that he had not yet definitely moved to shut off the gas, the injunction, of course, cannot very well be issued until the company has been notified of its intention of shutting off the gas.

Also representing the city of Chatham, J. M. McVoy is working in conjunction with the city solicitor of Chatham, as any decision to shut off the gas supply will affect the municipalities.

It is possible that the city of Chatham may be allowed to shut off the gas supply, but the municipalities are not prepared to accept the actual issuance of injunctions.

WANT CHILDREN TO SAVE MORE MONEY

Matter Is Being Taken Up By Board of Education.

Because bank deposits of London school children are considerably below the average for Canada, local representatives of the Penny Bank are anxious to take steps to create a greater interest in the movement. They have outlined a plan which No. 1 committee of the board of education will consider at its next meeting.

If this is approved, letters will be sent to the parents inviting them to come with their children to the bank on some specified day. They will then be shown the various services and the system, and principles of banking will be explained to them. This is the first time that the board of education has taken such steps to encourage children to save.

QUEBEC LOANS ROAD ROLLERS TO ONTARIO

Declines To Make Charge For Their Use.