

INSPECTION SHOWS AMATEUR GARDENERS ARE DOING WONDERS

More Produce Grown Here
Than in Past 30 Years.

POTATOES ARE POPULAR
Nearly Every Citizen Has a
Big Patch of Fine
Spuds.

The first grand civic inspection of the vacant lot and community gardens of the city took place yesterday afternoon, representatives of the Women's Gardening Association being invited to participate.

The procession, which started from the city hall at 4 o'clock, included one automobile, driven by the chairman of the high cost of living committee, the council, Ald. Manness, and carrying as passengers Mrs. W. J. Hanna, Mrs. David Williams, president and first vice-president respectively of the Women's Gardening Association, and two representatives of the press.

His Worship Mayor Stevenson and Controller Shaw were not amongst those present though the pleasure of their company was not given up until fully an hour after the appointed time for starting, 3 o'clock, to wit, and several of the ladies who had assembled at 15 minutes to 3, in order not to be late, decided that owing to delay and lack of transportation facilities, they would not take in the event.

Splendid Results.

The one regret of those who made the tour, notwithstanding the heavy rain and some standing on city roads, was that the whole of the citizenship had not come along to see the splendid results of the greater production campaign, first taken up by the Women's Gardening Association, and vigorously prosecuted subsequently by Ald. Manness, chairman of the high cost of living committee of the city council, and his conferees.

In a two-hours' drive, it was only possible to visit about one-half of the civic vacant lots gardens and the community gardens of the Women's Gardening Association. All were found in splendid condition, crops flourishing, evidences of thorough cultivation, and scarcely a weed in sight—the answer to the pessimists that the amateur gardeners would tire of their job as soon as the seed was well planted.

Ald. Manness, to whom a generous share of the credit is due for the success of the vacant lots gardening movement, estimates that about 170 citizens are cultivating either vacant lot gardens, or the community gardens of the Women's Gardening Association. He is able to keep tabs on the progress of the former himself, and in the case of the latter, the planting and the staking out of plots, in addition, the interest aroused in the vacant lot and community gardens has infected the whole town.

"Not for thirty years, at least," said Ald. Manness, "have so many people been growing their own vegetables, and I don't think that for a long time they will again be willing to go back to buying them."

Many Potatoes.

There must be 150 acres more ground under cultivation in the city this year than in previous years. The potato supply grown in the city alone should amount to five or six carloads, which means a good deal. In addition, there are all the other vegetables which are being grown.

If potatoes are a reasonable price in London next winter, it isn't because of a failure in greater production. In each year the potatoes which occupied the major portion of the individual gardens, with corn, beans, turnips, carrots, parsnips, and peas, onions, radishes, lettuce, cucumbers, and even the festive pumpkin, not to mention other varieties of the vegetable kingdom making a brave showing.

The biggest showing was probably the magnificent stretch of gardens on the east side of Central Avenue, between Vauxhall Bridge, on Eglinton street, and the east side, where civic cultivation, divided into sixteen plots, every variety of vegetable practically was to be found growing there luxuriantly in the rich soil.

Well Cared For.

While each of these civic garden bore evidence of most intelligent care, and the kindly co-operation of Mother Nature, another, another, another garden is situated at the end of Cavendish street, West London. Away out north on Richmond street, Brookdale is a splendid garden worked by men who come all the way from the east end of Central Avenue, such is their interest. It was a happy fact in connection with the gardens that not a trace of vandalism was to be found at any turn.

East, west, north and south, the sightseeing car made its way, from West London over the Wharfedale bridge, away out to Elmwood avenue, thence to Belvedere avenue, where civic plots were admired; then along an impossible slippery clay road on the east side of Central Avenue, where the other turn was made away to the eastward, thriving gardens popping into view all along the way.

The last visit was made to some of the community gardens of the Women's Gardening Association, and it was a reason for pride on the part of the representatives present that these cultivated by women and girls, measured up to any of the gardens cultivated by

Activity on Rumanian Front



German official reports state that the commander of the army group of the Danube has observed preparations of Rumanian infantry in the southern part of the Danube Valley. The Rumanian reports state that the Germans have been making efforts of fraternization in the region of Baleschi (2), and that there is increased activity on the Lower Danube, near Galatz (3).

men, both in point of cleanliness and showing of vegetables.

One of the finest gardens seen in the trip was a stretch away out on Eglinton street, where operations are carried on under the supervision of Mrs. Schlimm.

Are Doing Well.

Owing to the sandy nature of the soil, a little plot of ground on Ann street was considered by some planting experts quite hopeless in the planting time, but to the traditions of this season that anything stuck in the ground this year, even into the rain, some potatoes and other vegetables were looking quite jaunty in the rain.

Mrs. Gerling, president of the Women's Gardening Association, was especially proud of the results of the planting time, and the number of the Empress Avenue school, of girls of 11 and 14 years of age. Under the supervision of Mrs. George C. Gibbons and Mrs. George C. Gibbons the regular planting time, on property which had been loaned for the season, was left for inspection on Fairview street in West London, and, hand-capped by a very late start, the girls began their gardens with such vigor that they were obliged to give up, losing their time and seed. Another plot of rich soil was left for inspection on Fairview street in West London, and, hand-capped by a very late start, the girls began their gardens with such vigor that they were obliged to give up, losing their time and seed.

Conservation Campaign.

Now that the greater production campaign has met with such success, the Women's Gardening Association and city officials are turning their attention to a conservation campaign, with the slogan, "But all you can, and can all you can't, particularly, can."

To insure the use of most effective methods in canning fruit and vegetables, the Women's Gardening Association has arranged with the department of agriculture to send an expert to give a three-day course next week in canning fruits and vegetables. It will be held in the Lord Roberts school. It will be open to all members of the association. The membership fee for the season, placed at such a low figure in order that it will not be prohibitive to anyone really interested in attending.

In order to consider the advisability of extending the existing production idea, to include the members of the Women's Institutes of the surrounding country as well as the women of the city, Mayor Stevenson called a meeting of the council, representatives of the Women's Gardening Association, Women's Clubs, etc., at 7:30 o'clock last evening, following the tour of inspection of the gardens.

Make London Centre.

A proposition to make London a canning centre for the district, with suggestions regarding "community canning," instead of canning in the individual kitchen, volunteer work in this connection, and obtaining of supplies of canning materials, etc., for the Red Cross and soldiers' comforts, was presented by Mayor Stevenson, as contained in a letter from G. A. Putnam, superintendent of the Women's Institute branch of the department of agriculture.

It was felt that it was impossible to decide a question of a magnitude to affect the community and district at a small meeting, and it was decided that a letter from G. A. Putnam, superintendent of the department of agriculture, as a lecturer to be sent to explain the matter more fully.

When a date is fixed, an invitation will be extended to all the women of London who are interested in the Women's Institute of the surrounding country to attend.

ANTITOXIN SUPPLY ALWAYS ON HAND

Chairman C. R. Somerville of the board of health, in an interview yesterday, made it clear that the board always has a supply of anti-toxin on hand. Mayor Stevenson stated at the meeting the other day that he saw only three units at Victoria Hospital, and he drew the inference that this was the full supply.

"We have a certain number of units at the hospital for the accommodation of the medical men," he said. "It is probable that he saw only three units there. However, we had a sufficient supply for all reasonable occasions at the institute, and were well fortified in every way. It does harm to create the impression that we were short of the serum, when as a matter of fact we have a considerable amount on hand. We are looking after the health of the citizens, and are overlooking anything that will assist the citizens."

This should effectively check all rumors that the city had no adequate supply of anti-toxin.

HOW IS YOUR APPETITE?

Loss of appetite, during the summer months is a common trouble, and indicates that the digestive system is out of order. Lacking a healthy appetite many people—especially women—go too long without food, or eat sparingly, because food seems to distress them, and it is no wonder that they complain that the food is indigestible, and unable to stand the hot weather. This simply means that the digestive system is not doing its proper work, and that the nutriment that should come from the food is not being distributed to the various organs of the body. In other words the blood is growing thin and watery.

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FISH COMMISSION IS NAMED AS PART OF FOOD CONTROL PLAN

Ample Supply of Fresh
Water Fish at Reason-
able Prices Wanted.

OTTAWA, July 13.—Practical steps are being taken by Hon. W. J. Hanna, food controller, to relieve the food shortage of Great Britain and her allies, and to increase the food supplies of the Dominion.

A special committee, national in scope, has been appointed to deal with the Canadian fish problem. Its first business will be a report on the feasibility of providing an ample supply of fresh water fish at reasonable prices to the consumers of Central Canada, while giving legitimate returns to the fishermen.

The subject will be carefully considered and plans fully matured before action is taken. If the committee, if the committee is further aided in its work it may be necessary to add to its numbers. The members of the committee are Mr. G. Frank Beer and R. Y. Eaton of Toronto, and J. S. Ties of Port Arthur.

No Meatless Days.

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**EIGHT SEWING MACHINES
ADDED TO PRIZE LIST OF
ADVERTISER'S CONTEST**

Contest Manager Takes Up the Suggestion of One of the
Candidates in Purchasing Prizes—Standing Will Be
Announced Tuesday—Candidates Want Extra Votes
Extended.

**SPORTS PROGRAM
WILL BE FEATURE
AT GROCERS' PICNIC**

Arrangements for the annual grocers' picnic on Wednesday next calls for one of the best sports programs ever carried out by the local merchants. One of the ever present features will be the baby show. A number of novel sports features will also be introduced in the program, and a baseball battle royal between the north and south grocers will be pulled off. This is one of the annual events that features the yearly picnic.

The grand end of the program has as its feature the Marconi band, under the direction of Professor Fenuta. Scotch and Irish dancing for handsome prizes will also be staged.

All grocers stores in the city will be closed for the entire day on Wednesday in order that the grocers, their clerks, families and friends can properly enjoy this annual outing.

**FOUR AUTOS CRASH
ON STREET CORNER**

An automobile collision, in which four cars figured, at the corner of Maitland and King streets about 6:30 o'clock last evening had a unusual feature that nobody was to blame. S. Harris in his Ford car had just passed the McLaughlin car of Alfred Talbot, standing in front of the residence of the owner. Immediately behind J. L. Elsie was coming in his Ford car, and at the same time something over ten miles an hour. Not noticing that Mr. Talbot was starting up his car until he was almost upon him, Mr. Elsie turned out to the left.

At this instant a Ford car, driven by a colored chauffeur, and driven by a colored chauffeur, saw the approaching car for the first time just as he turned to pass a sudden stop, his own car skidded to the south side of the street and came to a side-on collision with the runabout, as the three cars were abreast. It was estimated that the only damage suffered was by the runabout, which was dented in front and the axle was slightly bent. Nevertheless, the car was able to go back for repairs under its own motive power.

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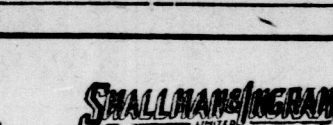
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THE WEATHER

MOSTLY FAIR AND WARM.



Artistic Lace-Edge Marquisesettes and Voiles

Exceptional Values, Too---40c to 75c Yard

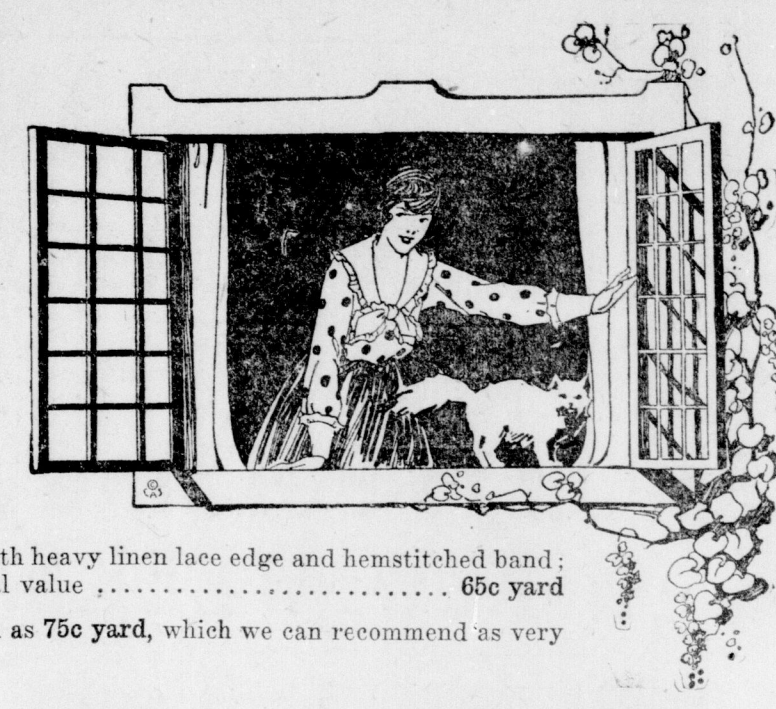
These lace-edge curtain materials, marquisesettes and voiles, are very special, in fact almost old values, as in most cases they are purchases of more than a year ago, and prices are quite different now, and the difference is all in your favor while these stocks last. For neat, artistic window draperies for living-room, bedroom, library or den, there is nothing more suitable or more attractive—and these are of the higher grade materials, so much superior in quality than can be obtained today at the price. We would advise to anticipate your needs for fall and winter season. Make your selection now and save money.

AT 50c YARD—Our best quality mercerized voile, with linen torchon lace edges, one inch wide, hemstitched band, in ivory or ecru. Special value 50c yard

AT 45c YARD—Our best quality mercerized marquissette with cluny lace edge, one inch wide, hemstitched band, in ivory or ecru. Special value 45c yard

AT 65c YARD—Lace-edged mercerized voile, best quality, with heavy linen lace edge and hemstitched band; these laces are almost unobtainable, in ivory or ecru. Special value 65c yard

Other lines at different prices, as low as 40c yard and as high as 75c yard, which we can recommend as very special values also.



Half-Price Wall Papers

Clearing of past seasons' patterns, many of these bought at before-war prices. All to clear next week at half regular price.

BEDROOM PAPERS, plain and stripe papers with cut-out borders to match, all colors. From 8c roll and up

KITCHEN PAPERS—Tan, grey and brown colors, all have borders to match 8c roll up

VARNISH TILES—For kitchen and bathroom use, in grey, tan and blue colors, a limited quantity only 15c roll

DINING, HALL, LIVING-ROOM PAPERS—Plain grass cloths, blends, basket weaves, etc., with cut-out borders or straps to match, also a choice selection of tapestry patterns and two-tone stripes. All half-price next week 10c roll and up

PARLOR PAPERS—Two-tone silks, in floral and stripe styles, with cut-out decorations 12½c roll and up

SILK-FIBRE PAPERS, 20 inches wide, in green, tan, browns and yellow colors 15c roll

PAINTS—NEXT WEEK PRICES.

Ready-Mixed for outside or inside use, Half-gallon, \$1.50; Quart, 75c; Pint 40c

Lacquerette, color varnish. Half-Pints, 19c; Pints, 39c; Quarts 78c

Enamel, cream, ivory or white. Pints, 60c; Quarts \$1.10

WALLPAPER AND PAINTS, THIRD FLOOR.



Made-in-Canada Kitchen Cabinets at \$15.00 to \$38.00
Kitchen Cabinet Tables at \$7.50
Kitchen Tables at \$3.50 to \$4.50
Gurney Foundry Gas Ranges at \$10.50 to \$36.50
Gurney Foundry Coal and Wood Ranges at \$23.50 to \$60.00
Dinner Sets in China and Porcelain, in stock patterns, at, per set \$18.00 to \$60.00
Hot Point Electric Irons and Toasters at \$4.50, \$5.50
Bake Boards at 30c to 50c
Wash Boards, glass rub at 60c; with zinc rub at 35c
Clothes Baskets at 30c to \$1.25

BASEMENT.

AFTERNOON TEA SPECIALS.
Head Lettuce with Mayonnaise Dressing, Home-Made Bread and Butter, Cup of Tea or Coffee 35c
Cantaloupe and Ice Cream 25c

**GERMANS SHOOTING
BELGIAN WOMEN ON
FLIMSIEST PRETEXTS**

But This Is Not Worst Treatment Accorded.

**CATHOLIC CENTRE LEADER
STRICKEN AT MEETING**

AMSTERDAM, July 13.—At the meeting of the Catholic Centre party in Berlin today, Dr. Peter Spang, the chairman, was taken suddenly ill, according to a Berlin telegram. The meeting adjourned at once.

IMPROVING ROADS.

DORCHESTER, July 13.—Miss Alberta George has been secured as teacher for the Routledge school. Rev. C. W. Rivers is in St. Thomas this week attending the summer school, of which he is secretary.

Dorems of cords of gravel have been placed on the main street and on the road leading to the station. The sidewalk has also been laid on Main street north of the station.

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The Service That Counts

You hear and read a lot these days about "Service," and we have not neglected, in the conduct of your store, that type of service which means rather the comfort and luxury of easy buying. Our salespeople are taught that your wish is their law, and that promptness and courtesy mean efficiency on their part. After all, the real service comes in the weeks and months after your purchase has been sent home. It is the service rendered by the goods rather than by the one who sells them to you. And while not neglecting the personal service, the real, lasting, worthwhile success of this business has been built on good service, on the value of what you get for what you pay, on the quality that not only satisfies your good taste when you buy, but keeps on satisfying your good judgment after you have bought.

Tried and Tested Utensils

In the Basement

For your household and kitchen equipment the most ingenious and cleverly thought out inventions to simplify and shorten the continuous everyday routine in the home, particularly in the kitchen. A visit to the Basement will prove profitable as well as educational. We will be glad to show and demonstrate the many new and interesting inventions.

Clothes Line Props, 9½ feet long, at 20c
Curtain Stretchers at \$1.35 to \$2.75
Ironing Boards at 50c, 60c and 65c
Wash Tubs, galvanized, at \$1.20, \$1.75 and \$2.00
Fibre Wash Tubs at \$1.30, \$1.50 and \$2.00
Wash Boilers at \$1.75 and \$2.00
Rolling Pins, wood at 15c, glass at 35c
Corn Brooms at 50c to 85c
Also a full line of Enamelware and Wear-Ever Aluminum Cooking Utensils.
Oversea Boxes at 15c

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AFTERNOON TEA SPECIALS.
Strawberries with Cream 15c
Bacon and Egg Toast, Cup of Tea or Coffee 25c

Snapshots From Home

Give cheer to the boys in camp by sending them pictures from home. Photographs of the home folks and home things will do them a lot of good. Snapshots are easily obtained by means of our inexpensive

**ERAMOS GIRL TO GO
TO FOREIGN MISSIONS**

Designated for Service in India by Guelph Presbytery on Friday.

QUELPH, Ont., July 13.—An interesting ceremony was held today in Barris Hill Church, Eramosa, when Miss Janet Brydon was designated for work in the foreign mission field. Miss Brydon is the first foreign missionary to go from the Eramosa church. Her brother, Rev. Robt. Brydon, B. A., is the only minister who has gone from the congregation. Two sisters are serving as Red Cross nurses.

The designation service was in charge of Guelph Presbytery, and was presided over by Rev. McLaughlin, of Eramosa. The sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Craw of Eramosa and the congregation was addressed by Rev. Mr. Hunter of Alma. Rev. Dr. E. P. McKay of Toronto, secretary of foreign missions, gave an appropriate address to the designate, who leaves on August 1, and sails for India August 16. Two of her fellow-students at the deaconess school were present, Miss McGee of Toronto, and Mrs. Mithener of Guelph.

Mrs. Osborne of Guelph, on behalf of the Guelph Presbytery, presented the designate, who leaves on August 1, and sails for India August 16. Two of her fellow-students at the deaconess school were present, Miss McGee of Toronto, and Mrs. Mithener of Guelph.

FINED FOR OBSTRUCTION.

Listowel Hotel Man Mulcted for Obstructing Search by Constables.

LISTOWEL, July 13.—Joseph Boehmer, proprietor of the Queen's Hotel, was fined \$5 and costs by Magistrate Tebbin today for obstructing the search made in connection with the search made on June 16, as a result of which Boehmer was previously fined \$100 and costs. His bartender, William Arnold, was also fined.

LAMBETH.

LAMBETH, July 13.—Walter Lumsden of Hamilton is visiting his uncle, Rev. Walter Rigby.

Lieut.-Col. Somerville of London has purchased the farm formerly owned by J. Asker.

All Warner of Toronto was a visitor with Mr. and Mrs. Carly on Tuesday. Rev. D. and Mrs. Williams of Burney have been the guests of Mrs. E. J. Williams this week.

Mrs. Stoneman of Toronto is the guest of Mrs. Ed Robinson.

NOMINATION BLANK

GOOD FOR 5,000 VOTES

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PRIZE CONTEST DEPARTMENT OF THE ADVERTISER:
Dundas Street, London,
Gentlemen,—I hereby nominate as a candidate in your Automobile Prize Contest:

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