

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

## TOWNSHIP POPULATION

The population of the township of Brantford, gathered from the assessment returns up to the 6th of June, is 7,739.

## LIBRARY CLOSED

On Monday next, August the 6th, Civic Holiday, both the circulation department and the reading rooms of the public library will be closed to the public.

## BACK ON DUTY

Mr. George Mosley, physical director of the Y. M. C. A. returned to duty this morning after a couple of weeks vacation.

## RENOVATING OFFICES

The offices of County Clerk A. E. Watts and County Court Clerk W. A. Hillnake, at the Court House, are being renovated according to instructions given at the last meeting of the county council.

## FROSTBITE.

Word has been received in the city that Pte. F. J. Smith, 146 Wellington St., formerly of Ham and North Co. Ltd., has for the past eleven weeks been in Edinburgh Hospital, suffering from frostbite, contracted in France. He has had the misfortune to lose the big toe on his right foot, it being amputated a few weeks ago. Pte. Smith went overseas with the 12th, and was later drafted to the 4th battalion. He expects shortly to be moved to Epsom convalescent home.

## GADSBY INJURED.

Frank Gadsby, former Canadian League ballplayer with the St. Thomas team, who is also well known as a hockey player, was injured rather seriously at Port Stanley last night, when he dived from the stand in front of the Casino. He struck headfirst on the sand and was unconscious for some time afterward.

## SOUVENIR FROM FRONT.

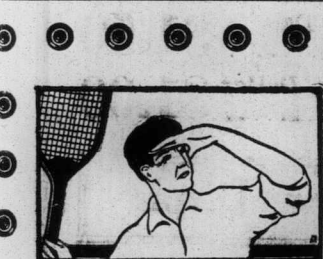
A unique and interesting souvenir has been received by Mr. Henry Havel, of the customs department from his son, Pte. Hawley, who is now at the front. It is a German officer's automatic repeating Waffel-Fabrik fauser pistol that will sight at from fifty to one thousand yards and will shoot to kill at that distance.

## WIN THE WAR

Mr. Wilfrid Scruton, is representing the Brantford "A. R." club at the "Win-the-War" convention being held in Toronto to-day. Several other Brantfordites have left to attend the meeting.

## COMING HOME.

A letter from Ottawa has been received by Mr. J. W. Patte of this city informing him that his son, Sergt. George Patte had left England for Canada, and could be expected to arrive in Brantford within ten or twelve days.



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## COUNTY ROADS

Work on the Scotland section of the county roads system was finished this afternoon by the men working under the direction of county roads superintendent A. J. McVicar. The Onondaga road will be the next to receive attention.

## WESLEY PICNIC.

About six hundred excursionists left for Port Dover this morning on the Wesley Sunday school picnic, and thus escaped from the heat to be near the cool breeze from off the lake.

## CUSTOMS

The Customs returns at Brantford port still continue to show a tremendous advance. For the month of July the receipts were \$86,815.63, as compared with \$51,380.89 in July, 1916. Increase, \$35,434.72.

## LOTS OF WATER.

There was an average of 1,000,000 gallons per day more water pumped at the waterworks during July of this year than was the case for the corresponding month of 1916. For the month of July 1917, 109,240,115 gallons were pumped, a daily average of 3,523,874 as compared with 78,239,956 gallons for July of 1916 a daily average of 2,525,870.

## LIBRARY BOARD

Routine business chiefly was transacted at the meeting of the finance and management committee of the public library board, held in the library yesterday afternoon. A number of applications for the vacancy on the staff were received, but no action was taken regarding an appointment, which will be further considered at a future meeting of the committee.

## SOFTBALL

The first of a series of three games to decide the championship of the Sunday school softball league, was played at Agricultural Park last evening, and turned out to be a closely fought and bitterly contested game. The West Brants were finally defeated by a score of 12-10 by the Eagle Place Dodgers. The decisions of Umpire L. Whittaker did not always meet with the approval of the players, but his work was on the whole satisfactory. The next game will be played on Thursday evening at Tutela Park.

## VITAL STATISTICS.

The vital statistics of the city for the month of July are as follows: Births, 65; Marriages, 21; deaths, 22; Causes of death, still born 1; Heart Failure 2; Asthenia 1; drowning 2; Arterio Sclerosis 1; Pneumonia 1; Premature Birth 1; Whooping Cough 1; Unknown 1; Erysipelas 1; Senility 1; Stroke 2; Old Age 2; Exhaustion 2; Peritonitis 1; Respiratory Failure 1; Effusion base of brain 1.

## ALLEN IS MISSED.

Regarding the departure of Joe Allen from the Sarnia Imperials to come free to play with the Dominion Steel Products, a dispatch from Sarnia this morning says, "The baseball game scheduled to take place at the local diamond last night was defeated by the Tigers by the Imperials 11 to 4. The Imperials will drop out of the league for the season. With the departure of Allen, their peerless southpaw, the Imperials seem to have lost heart, losing several games since Allen went away. With Allen here the Imperials won all their games, and appeared to have the Free Press trophy clinched. The oil men have been playing rather indifferent ball in their last few starts, having considerable trouble in securing a box performer."

## A RESCUE

Another drowning fatality was narrowly averted yesterday afternoon not far from the scene of Monday afternoon's accident. Pauline Day, an eleven year old girl who resides at Echo Place, was bathing in the waters of the canal, near the Canada Glue Company factory, yesterday afternoon and ventured too far from the shore, out into the deeper waters of the stream, where she was soon out of her depth. The girl was unable to swim and had gone down for the second time when Fred Waring, a youth who happened to be near, dived after her, and after heroic efforts, was successful in bringing her to shore.

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**MARKET FEES.**  
Market Clerk McCauley's report for the month of July has been submitted to the city clerk and shows that during the month \$365.63 in fees was collected.

## PARK BAPTIST PICNIC

The annual picnic of the members of the Park Baptist Sunday School and their friends, was held at Mohawk Park this afternoon.

## ON DUTY.

Mr. G. H. Williamson, the new general secretary of the local Y. M. C. A. assumed his duties there this morning, and is busily engaged in familiarizing himself with the details of the work here.

## RELIEF REPORT.

During the month of July four families received assistance from Relief Officer William Glover, the expenditure involved amounting to \$18.05 made up as follows, 1/2 ton coal \$3.80; provisions \$6.00; and one railway ticket \$8.25.

## MILITARY MEDAL.

Mrs. Geo. Symington of 135 Drummond street, this city, is the proud possessor of a Military Medal, won by her son, Pte. Wm. H. Symington and sent home by him. Pte. Symington has served two and a half years on the fighting line, and secured his medal for bravery. He has won, also, a record for efficiency and bravery on the field.

## NEW PLAYERS.

Manager Henry of the Motor Trucks' team of the city league left last week for London, where he succeeded in signing up three good players, a catcher, a third baseman and an outfielder, who have reported and will figure in Saturday's game. Catcher Rupp has left the city and will be replaced on the team by the catcher secured from London.

## LEAGUE PICNIC.

The annual picnic of the Epworth League of Colborne Street Church was held on Monday afternoon at Mohawk Park, where a most enjoyable time was experienced by all those who attended. The social arrangements which were of the best, were under the direction of Miss M. Elvidge.

## WATER COMMISSIONERS.

A meeting of the water commissioners was held in the City Hall yesterday afternoon, when a quantity of routine business was cleared up and a few accounts passed. Some communications from Lee and Lee, engineers, Montreal regarding the water supply were received and details regarding the new booster pump building were also considered.

## BASEBALL.

A meeting of the executive of the city baseball league was held in the Y. M. C. A. last evening when arrangements were made for the games that are to be played on Civic Holiday. The advisability of declaring the Dominion Steel Products the winners of the first series and immediately commencing another series was discussed, but no definite action was taken in the matter, the meeting being adjourned until Thursday night.

## BUMPING THE BARBERS.

Many complaints were heard on the street to-day regarding the action of the local barbers in raising the fee for hair amputation from twenty-five to thirty-five cents. Frequent were the threats made by the masculine gender to cut their own hair. The barbers give as their reason for advancing the price, that soaps have advanced over one hundred per cent and are still on the increase, and that toilet waters, razors and other accessories have increased proportionately.

## PLAYING SAINTS.

There was no Wednesday afternoon baseball game at Agricultural Park this afternoon as the Dominion Steel Products are playing a return game in St. Thomas where they hope to make up for the severe defeat that was suffered by them when the aggregation captained by Dusty Bullock paid a visit to the city a few weeks ago.

## SMASHUP.

Two large cars, one a Studebaker and the other a McLaughlin, were proceeding at a fairly good speed up West Street early this afternoon and when they arrived at the corner of Terrace Hill street, the Studebaker driver was unable to make the turn and the car crashed into the ditch, and when finally brought to a stop was upon the sidewalk. The wheels were badly damaged but otherwise the automobile was uninjured. Mr. Ernie Monte of the Brant theatre, who was sitting with the driver, the front seat, jumped when he saw an accident impending, and thus escaped a shaking up.

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## HENDERSON'S MISSION TO PARIS IS UNKNOWN

British Parliament Roused By Journey of Minister To French Capital In Company With Pacifists; Strange Change of Heart

By Courier Leased Wire

London, Aug. 1.—The fact that a member of the cabinet, Arthur Henderson, minister without portfolio in the war council, had gone on a mission to Paris with the pacifist, Ramsay MacDonald, M.P., George James Wardle, chairman of the Labor party in the House of Commons, and Russian delegates aroused great irritation among the members of parliament, and seems to threaten trouble in the government. The purpose of the journey is to confer with French Socialists in regard to a proposed conference of allied Socialists at London and the subsequent international conference at Stockholm.

The crux of the matter lies in the fact that Mr. Henderson, since his return from Petrograd, reversed his attitude on the question of the British Labor party and Socialists meeting the German representatives at Stockholm, and now advises them to rescind the former resolution against joining the conference with enemy delegates. Mr. Henderson has not publicly explained his change of views, but it is known to be the result of his visit to Russia. It is stated that the heads of the Labor party officially accepted his advice, which nevertheless seemed to have caused a crisis in the party which

is now unanimous in its support of Mr. Henderson.

The government has been closely questioned in the House of Commons in the past few days on the subject of Mr. Henderson's mission to Paris, and the admission by Ramsay MacDonald, M.P., of the exchequer, that it was settled without the government's knowledge, and that the government was ignorant of what he was doing in Paris, has increased the general irritation. Lobby correspondents say that the war cabinet, of which Mr. Henderson is still presumably a member, although his place was taken by George V. Barnes, while he was in Russia, is gravely embarrassed by the turn events have taken.

Mr. Henderson's fellow members of the Labor party in the ministry, who are as ignorant as the members of the war cabinet, of Mr. Henderson's move, met in the House of Commons last evening to discuss the extraordinary situation, but decided to await his return before acting. According to the lobby correspondents, however, it was at the same time resolved not to support Mr. Henderson. The affair has aroused considerable feeling because of the association of a member of the inner cabinet with Mr. MacDonald, and was to be raised in the House of Commons to-day as a matter of urgency.

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