

## WARD ABOLITION SOUGHT BY SMITH

Alderman Would Also Reduce City Council in London.

### INTRODUCES MOTION

Ald. Edwin Smith's motion that the city solicitor be instructed to prepare a bylaw providing for the reduction of the city council from twelve members to eight, and for the extension of the term of office for each alderman from one to two years for submission to the electorate for a vote, made last night to the finance committee, was referred to the full council to deal with at its next meeting in July.

Included in this request to the city solicitor by the committee for inclusion in the bylaw was abolition of the ward system of electing the aldermen. The proposal was not discussed by members last night.

Ald. Smith also asked that in event of the people being in favor of this change, application be made to the legislature to make the changes valid and give the city a permanent consent.

Backed By Chamber.  
A letter was read from the secretary of the London Chamber of Commerce, suggesting a change of from twelve to four aldermen, each of whom would serve a two-year term, and a mayor who would serve one year. Abolition of the ward system of election was urged in this letter also.

A request by Dr. A. O. Jeffray, chairman of the library board, for the granting of the issue of debentures for \$5,500 for the purchase of a building in London South to house a branch of the public library was recommended to the council. Dr. Jeffray explained that the library board had estimated the cost of the building at \$5,500, and that it would be cheaper to buy the property than to rent a house. The interest on the debentures would be met from the library estimates. The bonds are for a twenty-year term.

Mayor Wenke demanded that some action be taken by the committee in the matter of the registry office, and was assured by Chairman Douglass that there was a prospective buyer in view. Ald. Douglass also stated that it had already been assessed by this official at \$3,000. He promised that a tender for the building would be before the committee at its next meeting.

### On Town Planning.

A delegation from the London Chamber of Commerce, headed by Jared Winning, asked the committee what could be done in the way of finishing the Thomas Adams town-planning plan of the city in view of a cable lately received by him to the effect that he would complete the original contract for the original sum plus \$500 expenses. His original contract called for an allowance of \$500 for expenses, and there was some doubt as to whether this cable meant an additional \$500 or merely the fulfillment of the agreement with the city. Mr. Winning told the committee that the secretary of the chamber would get in touch with Mr. Adams during the week-end and find out his intention.

Chief Clerk Atkin reported the service truck at headquarters again out of action owing to a breakdown, and Thomas Terry, who at the request of the chief had inspected the truck, advised the committee that the motor in the engine was not capable of running the truck at a greater speed than 17 miles an hour without burning oil. He advised the installation of a new differential on the rear axle that would allow a speed of 27 miles an hour without danger to the committee. The cost will be \$200.

On the recommendation of Chairman Douglass, a letter will be sent to Ottawa asking the federal government is prepared to do in meeting the cost of removing the level crossing danger in the city.

### Call For Tenders.

New tenders will be called for the printing of the city index. The fire chief was given permission to carry out repairs to the furnaces in numbers 2, 3, 4 and 5 fire halls. The market clerk was instructed to rent the new stalls in the east side market sheds at \$20 a stall as soon as possible.

A letter from Frank White, M.P., stated that he had interviewed several members on the position of the city in the new redistribution plans and that the interests of the city would not be sacrificed. In answer to a request of the committee, stated that constables were paid a witness fee of 50 cents. The total witness fees paid to constables in 1923 had been \$400 divided among 50 men. The same amount had been paid as witness fees to pure food and O. T. A. inspectors in 1923. The constables had to go without sleep after coming off their night shifts in order to attend morning police courts.

Lights will be installed immediately in the new east side market shed. The claim of Gordon Wright for remission of his fine incurred for failing to comply with the city plumb-bowling was paid. It was decided that all booths selling soft drinks should pay a business tax, and it was felt that the license which at present costs \$1 was too small. It will probably be raised.

Alderman John Anderson informed the building inspector that the new fittings in the comfort station on the market square were not properly installed.

### CITY OF TORONTO APPEAL IS NOW BEING HEARD

Canadian Press Despatch.  
London, June 26.—Argument in the appeals of the city of Toronto and the Toronto Street Railway Company against the award of the board of arbitration in connection with the acquisition of the company's property by the Toronto transportation commission was adjourned this afternoon until tomorrow morning.



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who introduced a motion at a meeting of the finance committee of the city council last night calling for a reduction in the size of the council and for abolition of the ward system.

### PHONOFILM STILL AROUSES INTEREST

Large Audiences Laud Talking Picture Shown At the Majestic Daily.

The newly-invented "Phonofilm" continues to be shown to interested Londoners at the Majestic Theatre. The Phonofilm is the most advanced step yet taken by science toward combining actual recording of sound with moving pictures, and has been made possible by an invention of Prof. Lee De Forest, which enables the sound of the human voice to be recorded simultaneously with the taking of a motion picture of the person talking, and then the production of the two as a "talking picture." Shown free of charge, for the first time in London, the picture has interested and continues to interest a great many people. It is shown three times daily.

### FLINT SIX TO BE MADE IN CANADIAN FACTORY

General Manager Returns With Announcement on New Arrangements.

R. H. Mulch, general manager of the Durant Motors of Canada, Limited, on his return from Flint, Michigan, makes the interesting announcement that he is perfecting arrangements for the commencement of construction of the Flint Six in a few weeks at the Leaside plant of Durant Motors of Canada, Limited.

### ATTENDANCE BOARD IS PLACED IN SCHOOL

Contains Names of Principal and Teachers on Movable Blocks.

An innovation this week at Chesley Avenue Public School is expected to make a strong appeal to educationists. The attendance board, which contains the names of the principal and all the teachers, and by means of movable blocks, shows when they are absent and fees paid to the school. The board will be placed just inside the front entrance, on the wall of the main corridor. It was constructed by Manual Training Instructor R. Shortall.

### BURSARY AWARDED WESTERN GRADUATE

First Recognition of University Made by Industrial Research Council.

The honorary advisory council for scientific and industrial research in Canada has recognized the science departments of the University of Western Ontario for the first time in awarding a bursary to one of the university's graduates. The winner of this bursary is Kenneth Thomson, who graduated with the degree of bachelor of arts in 1923 and was a member of the industrial research council.

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## Old Sol In Merry Battle Breaks Down Shieks' Spirit

There are no statistics to show just what Rodolph Valentino, eminent screen Beau Brummel, does with his locks in the summer time. At any rate, shiekdom in London has not yet found a method, air cooled or otherwise, of keeping their craniums cool in June, and retain their half-foot pompadour.

Barbers report that the long-haired side-whiskered lads are flocking in by the dozen to divest themselves of winter crops. The snip, snip, snip of barber's shears as they carry out "rinses" for men these afternoons is much like the experience with the fairer sex, getting their first "hobs."

In the olden days the back woodsman used to let their hair grow like this during the winter, and come out for a hair cut and shave in the spring. It's the same old world, one Dundas street tonsorial artist explained.

Barbering these days eats up the talcum powder. Everybody is under frequent and short hair cuts. Whiskers seem to have added impetus in the warm spell, too, and grow like wildfire on some poor males. However, bright sunny mornings, do not make towards laziness and chin-sold is practiced at home more often in the summer than in other seasons. Barbers, therefore, do not announce any unprecedented rush for mid-morning shaves.

### TWO LADS WITH POLICE RECORDS ARE FINED

Toronto Youths Caught Stealing Ride on C. P. R.—Murphy Discharged.

John Carr, alias Harold Wadham, and Percy Johnston, two youths from Toronto, caught stealing a ride on the C. P. R. last week, were each fined \$10 or five days in jail by Magistrate Graydon today. A companion, Charles E. Murphy, who was apprehended with a revolver on his person, was discharged because he had no police record.

Both Carr and Johnston appeared in Toronto court on charges of stealing automobiles, and Carr was also in court in Owen Sound on a charge of breaking and entering. Both boys are in the custody of their parents.

"Carr gave us his wrong name last week," stated Chief Birrell. Johnston has been convicted before. He was in the Ontario Reformatory in 1923. There is nothing against Murphy.

### NATIONAL JEALOUSIES ARE DEEPLY DEPLORED

World Sunday Schools Convention Passing Resolution Seeking Unity.

Glasgow, June 27.—The World Sunday School Association convention has adopted a resolution declaring that the delegates "viewed with profound concern long-continued national jealousies and racial antagonisms and called upon the Sunday schools throughout the world to promote the coming of that kingdom which alone can procure peace on earth and good will toward men."

Resolutions were also adopted favoring total abstinence and complete prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors; endorsing the work of the Near East relief and urging support of the rule Sunday, December 7, and urging inclusion of courses in Sunday school work in the curriculum of schools preparing for the clergy.

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