

Local News

SPEAKS AT CONVENTION

Ex-Ald. Geo. A. Ward left today for Scranton, Pa., where he will represent the local Typographical Union at the International Convention to be held in next week.

WATER RATES

The secretary of the water commissioners has completed the making out of the bills of water rates. The date set for payment is Sept. 1st.

GOOD FOR ROADS

The rain which fell last evening came as a Godsend to motorists. All the leading roads into the city had become so dusty that traffic was almost unsafe.

STILL ILL

Miss Dorothy Lane, daughter of W. H. Lane, Dalhousie street, who was taken to the hospital Friday morning last, is still in a very critical condition.

WALKED OUT

Owing to the extreme heat during the last few days, the employees of many of the foundries in the city have left their work.

BOYS THROWING STONES

Considerable trouble is being occasioned by the motorists on the Brantford Municipal Railway by boys throwing stones between the rails on Palmerston avenue. The stones catch on the fenders of the cars and necessitate the stopping of the car to remove them.

TUSOCK MOTHS

The tussock moth is making heavy inroads on the shade and fruit trees of the city. If a determined effort is made now, the pest may be stamped out, for it is very easy to locate the fluffy cocoons which hide the worm before it emerges to commence its devouring career.

RAIN FELL

After having missed the city and passed over the southern districts for two successive nights, and having showed prospects of showers for several hours, the elusive rain drops materialized last evening shortly before nine o'clock, and the gardens of Brantford received beneficial showers.

NEW BLIGHT

Many of Brantford's war gardeners report that a new species of blight or stem rot is evident on the late potatoes. The disease takes effect on the stocks about an inch above the ground, and so far no remedy has been found. Bordeaux mixture, the usual remedy for blights has apparently no effect on it.

GOES BACK OVERSEAS

Captain T. P. Best of the Y.M.C.A., formerly of this city, announced this morning that he is to leave for overseas on Saturday. He will stop in England for a short while, and then will proceed to France to inspect the Y huts at the front, and carry a message of good cheer to the boys in the trenches. This will be the captain's second trip to the war zone, having returned from his first visit about fifteen months ago.

PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

There were eight city patients in the Brantford General Hospital during the month of July. They were kept at a cost of \$105.

WANT MONEY

A letter has been received by H. F. Leonard, City Clerk, from the Secretary of the Children's Aid Society asking for \$400 of the grant made the society by the City Council.

IS IMPROVING

Jack McKelvey, of the local semi-pro baseball team, who sprained his ankle in Hamilton last week, is progressing favorably and he may soon be back to his place on the team.

DAMAGE CLAIM

Mr. J. W. McEwen, acting on behalf of Mr. Arthur Hays, has written the city with reference to damage sustained when his delivery truck was driven over the bank at the southern end of Brock street. There is no protection for the public at this bank. A damage claim of \$175 will be made against the city.

UNEXPECTED DIFFICULTY

Further examination has shown that the steel in the Nurses' Home is not sufficient to carry the third storey which the members of the W. H. A. proposed to have placed therein. The question of adding a wing to the structure will now probably be considered.

CITY LEAGUE BALL

When the Cordage meet Verity's in the city league, to-morrow afternoon they will be out to take a fall out of the league leaders at all costs and a lively encounter is promised. The Cordage club has been making headway of late, and is bent on hitting the ceiling before the end of the season. Verity's are still holding tight to first place. Pratt and Letchworth will meet the Motor Trucks in the other game of the afternoon.

SAILORS' WEEK

Ontario is asked to contribute \$1,000,000 towards the maintenance of the dependents of the men of the Merchant Marine, and to aid the merchant sailors that are prisoners of war in Germany. This sum is the Province's contribution towards the fund to be raised by the Navy Leagues in the British Empire throughout the world. All over the Dominion the people will be asked to assist in the campaign to be known as Sailors' Week, which will be held from September 1st to 7th, inclusive.

A FALLING-OFF

Ontario birth rate is showing the effects of war. The returns made to the registrar-general's department for 1917 show that during the year there were but 82,666 births, compared with 96,255 in 1914. The records also support the common belief that during war times more males are born than females, while last year in the cities and towns 15,982 males were born to 14,913 females, or about 1,069 males to 1,000 females. There has been a steady falling off in the number of marriages during the war. Last year there were but 21,493, compared with 26,998 in 1913. The absence of so many healthy young men at the front might have been expected to increase the death rate among the people at home. Instead of an increase, however, there has been a decrease. There were 33,268 deaths in 1917, compared with 34,317 in 1913.



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GRASS FIRE

A small grass fire along the sides of the road on St. Paul's Ave., took the firemen on a long run yesterday evening. They made a quick run and the fire extinguished with the aid of chemicals.

BUILDING PERMIT

At the City Engineer's department yesterday a building permit was issued to Edward J. Hunt for the erection of a frame garage at \$2 Waterloo St., estimated to cost \$85.

ON LAST LEAVE

Flight Lieut. Harry Waddington of Beamsville Aviation Camp, is in the city for a few days' last leave before going overseas. He has been in the air service since last March and expects to leave for overseas next week.

FIRE LOSS

The Monetary Times' estimate of Canada's fire loss during July, 1918, is \$3,369,684, compared with the June loss of \$2,082,824 and \$1,101,734 for July, 1917. The following is the estimate of the July losses: Fires exceeding \$10,000, \$2,859,500; small fires reported, \$70,660; estimate for unreported fires, \$439,524.

WOUNDED IN KNEE

Mr. C. Gress, 343 Colborne St., received a telegram to-day announcing that his brother, Elmer Gress has been admitted to hospital with a wound in the knee, sustained on July 30th. He left here with the 125th and has been at the front for over a year. His many friends will hope for a speedy recovery.

ORDER IN COUNCIL UPHOLD

The judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada establishing the validity of the order-in-council of April 20, cancelling exemptions, has been issued in pamphlet form, accompanied by a statement of reasons by the Chief Justice. In closing his remarks, Sir Charles says: "Our legislators were no doubt impressed in the hour of peril with the conviction that the safety of the country is the supreme law against which no other law can prevail."

TROOPS LAND SAFELY

It is officially announced through the chief press censor that the following troops have arrived in the United Kingdom: Artillery draft No. 15, Petawawa; Engineering training depot draft No. 86, Brockville; Infantry draft No. 78, Niagara; S. A. draft No. 93, Petawawa; Infantry drafts 80, 2nd Battalion, Ottawa; No. 93, Quebec Regiment; part No. 89, 2nd Quebec Regiment; draft No. 91 and 92 C. O.T.C. M.D., No. 4 and 5, Montreal and Quebec; V.A.D. nurses, Toronto; nursing sisters returning; surgeon probationers, naval service.

FOOTBALL

Brantford United Footballers go to Toronto to-morrow to play Toronto Scottish, the chief result of the Shamrock cup at Dunlop field. The locals' line-up: Goal, J. McGrattan; backs, F. Burns, W. Holland, Capt.; halves, F. Westacott, H. Tilley, S. Perrin; forwards, W. Vipond, Charlton, G. Holland, J. Richardson, Tony Johnston; reserve, Walter Smith. Toronto Scots are the only unbeaten team in the league, but the Brantford men are out to take their measure, and the game should prove a hummer.

MOTORISTS IN TROUBLE

Unrelentless warfare against speeders and other refractory motorists is being waged by Chief Slemin and his staff. In the police court this morning a lengthy list of automobile cases occupied the attention of Magistrate Livingstone. Judson A. Baker pleaded guilty to driving without lights, and was fined a fine and a toll gate on the Cockshutt road, pleading that he could not see the gate. He was fined \$5.00 and ordered to pay costs totalling \$24.80. R. P. Cusden, W. F. Patterson, Frank Harold and F. G. Richardson, \$2.10 each for driving without lights, and Charles Bezzant, H. C. Lindsay, T. H. Brown, H. Smith, M. P. Brown and George McHugh \$13.10 each for speeding. A charge against P. Smitus was adjourned.

BIG CYCLING MEET

The cycling and motorcycling events in connection with the celebration of the Industrial Recreation League on Labor Day, will be in charge of the Brantford Bicycle Dealers' Association. This association has the co-operation of all dealers in Canada and the events on August 31st will constitute one of the finest programs of its kind ever put on in Canada. Hundreds of dollars' worth of prizes are to be given away. The fastest professional motorcyclists in Canada will be here. The following committee are in charge of the bicycle sports: F. H. Gott, E. T. McCubbin, C. J. Mitchell, L. Isaacs, A. F. Wiles and Geo. Mosley. There will be a general meeting of the league Monday evening at the Y.M.C.A. Efforts are being made to have a squadron of planes from Beamsville to give an exhibition over the grounds.

OBITUARY

Mr. Edwin Lamb passed away yesterday at the hospital. He had attained the age of 78 and had been a resident of the city for 38 years, making his home at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Charles Maxwell, 69 Ontario St., since the death of his wife who predeceased him some time ago. He leaves to mourn his loss one son Edwin, of England and two daughters, Mrs. Maxwell, and Mr. Julier, England.

CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER

In Connection With Goodwin's Death Near Cumberland, B. C.
Victoria, Aug. 8.—Dan Campbell, Provincial Police Constable, was today committed for trial on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Albert Goodwin, alleged draft evader, shot near Cumberland, B. C., while he is alleged to have been resisting arrest.

PERSONAL

Miss Helen Patterson, Richardson street, and Miss Mary Holmes, Hamilton, are visiting relatives in Detroit.

Mrs. S. Dunnean and daughter, Elsie of Stratford, are the guests of Mrs. Dunnean's sister, Mrs. W. B. Patterson, North Park street.

Mrs. Geo. A. Ward and Mrs. John Jewell will be visitors at the big Typographical Convention to be held in Scranton next week, leaving to-day for that city.

Mr. F. W. Fox, of the Press Bureau, Canadian Pacific Railway, Montreal, was a visitor in the city this morning.

Mrs. John Oliver and family of Windsor are visiting Mrs. A. C. Ludlow, 105 Murray St. Miss Hazel of Hamilton is also visiting there.

Miss J. Legget is spending a few weeks at Port Dover.

TAX AUTOMOBILES

Horsepower Impost to be Imposed—Levy on Leased Wires

Washington, Aug. 9.—Tax of 10 per cent on amounts paid for leased telephones and telegraph wires, including Press Association and brokerage circuits; a horsepower tax on automobile owners; and a doubling of the tobacco taxes of the present law, instead of the high range of rates previously adopted, were written into the \$2,000,000,000 revenue bill to-day by the house ways and means committee.

Regular \$1.25 negligee shirts, going at \$1.00, at Whitlock's.

SUAÑEZ IS INAUGURATED

Bogota, Colombia, Aug. 9.—Marcelo Suárez was inaugurated President of Colombia yesterday with imposing ceremonies. The British Mission, headed by Sir Maurice de Bunsen, which is visiting South American countries, will arrive here to-day. It is reported that there is an increasingly favorable sentiment toward the allies throughout Colombia.

There are indications, according to the Alberta Department of Agriculture, that the most hopeful crop forecasts do not total up to more than enough wheat for next spring's seeding.

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Ladies' House Dresses, in plain chambrays, made in bungalow and belted housedress style, with pipings of contrasting materials to match. Colors of red, navy, mauve, sand, pink and blue. Specially priced at only \$1.89

Specials From Our Staple Section for Saturday

- Two pieces 5-4 White Sheeting, free from dressing. Regular price \$1.00 per yard. Special Sale Price 85c
- Two pieces 8-4 Unbleached Sheeting; extra good quality. Regular value 75c per yard. Special Sale Price 65c
- Two pieces 18-inch All Linen Towelling, with red border. Regular value 35c per yard. Special Sale Price, per yard 25c
- Ten pieces Striped Flannellet, 36 inches wide. Regular value 35c per yard. Special Sale Price, per yard 30c
- 36-inch White Cotton, extra heavy for sheets and pillow cases. Regular value 35c per yard. Special Sale Price, per yard 25c

Vacation Hosiery Specially Priced

- Ladies' Fine Silk Lisle Hose, double sole, high spiced heel and toe, in black and white. Special at 60c per pair
- Ladies' Fine Boot Silk Hose, in black and white, high spiced heel and toe; Queen quality. On sale 60c at per pair
- Children's Ribbed Cotton Hose, Saturday Sale Price, per pair 50c 25c, 35c and

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Five Hundred Yards of very fancy and extra fine quality Washing Voile, will go Saturday. Patterns and effects too numerous to mention. Come and see them. 38 inches wide. From 75c up to \$1.25 per yard. Saturday, while they last, at per yard 37c

Very fine quality Jacquard Silk, in dainty shades of rose, Copen, fawn, tuscan, resida, pink, etc.; dainty design effects with satin stripes. Special Price, per yard 95c

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