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"If the situation demands it and the city council will back me up, I will seize the coal at the custom house and the postoffice," said Local Fuel Controller McAllum this morning when asked what was done in regard to this coal.

He has reported to the provincial fuel administration that the furnaces in the buildings will burn bituminous coal satisfactorily. This opinion, he says, has been confirmed by one of the representatives of the fuel administration who was in the city recently to look into the situation. Mr. McAllum did not see the representative, but he is reported to have stated that the anthracite coal in the buildings in question would be available for the domestic consumers of London.

Up to the present time, however, all the action that has been taken in the matter by the provincial fuel administration has been the issuing of pamphlets instructing the people in the art of bituminous where possible.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

BURIED AT MOUNT PLEASANT.—The funeral of William J. Bradshaw, who died on Sunday from heart failure, was held this afternoon from the family residence, 69 High street, at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. W. J. Ashton conducted the services. Interment was made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

BURIED AT WOODLAND.—The funeral of Christina Anderson was held this afternoon from the family residence, 567 Dufferin avenue, at 2 o'clock. Interment was made in Woodland Cemetery. Rev. W. R. McIntosh conducted the services at the house and grave.

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THREE NAMES NOW MENTIONED FREELY FOR THE MAYORALTY

E. S. Little, Dr. R. W. Shaw and Dr. H. A. Stevenson.

Municipally the political pot is already starting to simmer. The fuel has been finely split and carefully laid for time, according to local prophets, and the fire was lit when Mayor C. R. Somerville announced his retirement from the municipal field last night. Three names have been mentioned as possible candidates. Controller E. S. Little has made no secret of the fact that he aspires to the chief executive's chair. It is rumored that Dr. H. A. Stevenson will be brought out by the Independent Labor party. Dr. R. W. Shaw has also been mentioned in city hall circles.

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LOCAL NEWS

GIFT OF APPLES.—The Protestant Orphans' Home wishes to acknowledge ten bags of apples from Keene Bros.

SUFFERED STROKE.—Mrs. C. L. Avery, 27 Wellington street, suffered a stroke this morning and is seriously ill.

W. O'TOOLE REPARATED.—Among those mentioned in official lists as having been repatriated after imprisonment in Germany is W. O'Toole of this city.

COAL PILE IGNITES.—The firemen made a run from the central station about 9 o'clock last night to the rear of the Queen's Hotel, where a coal pile had become ignited. The damage was slight.

MISS VANDEFLIER TO SPEAK.—Miss Vandeflier will address the Women's Canadian Club in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium at 5 o'clock tonight, illustrating scenes in Belgium and Holland by moving pictures.

FIRST EUCRE EVENING.—The first Eucra Club eucra of the year will be held tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in Hyman Hall. Excellent prizes have been provided and a large turnout is expected by the club executive.

THROUGH—HOWARD KENNEDY GOES of the Grand Trunk Railway System, this morning on route from Montreal to Chicago.

RED CROSS LODGE.—The Canadian Red Cross Society is erecting a new lodge at Carling Heights at a cost of \$2,500. It will be used in connection with the work of the society among the soldiers.

MORE VEGETABLES LEFT.—The vegetable stores are still holding out at the Market House, although there has been a steady run on supplies. The campaign was started. Vegetables will keep and had no effect on the only given out in cases of need.

COUNCIL IS MEETING.—It is expected that very little business will be done at the meeting of the city council, which is being held at the county buildings this morning at 11 o'clock. The finance committee met at 11 o'clock and reported and a report of the business done by this committee will be made at the regular session of the council.

ARRANGE RALLY.—Revs. James Mackay, W. J. Knox and R. A. Symington have been appointed a committee by the London Presbyterian Ministerial Club to arrange for the Presbyterian Sunday School rally in St. Andrew's Church on New Year's day.

MUST BE CAREFUL.—George Hutton was warned in police court today that he must be careful of his tobacco. The evidence was that he had been in the case before the court that Hutton had had an order from the tobacco dealer for a large quantity of cigarettes. Hutton promised to be very careful in the future, and was allowed to go.

CONCERT NEXT SUNDAY.—A concert will be held in the Majestic Theatre next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. The program will include a variety of musical numbers. Major C. R. Somerville has been appointed chairman. Major C. R. Somerville has been appointed chairman. Major C. R. Somerville has been appointed chairman.

LEFT HERE IN 1914, AND RETURNS HOME AT LAST

Sergt. G. M. Benton of 615 Talbot street, among the soldiers who arrived in the city today at a special train, left in 1914 for Bermuda. He was home on a short leave from the front, and he was now returning to his home in London.

TELLS DYSPEPTICS WHAT TO EAT

Avoid indigestion, Sour Acid Stomach, Heartburn, Gas on Stomach, Etc.

Indigestion and practically all forms of stomach trouble, say medical authorities, are due nine times out of ten to an excess of hydrochloric acid in the stomach. "Chronic acid stomach" is the exceedingly dangerous and suffering condition which can go on for a long time, often disagreeable diet, and food that disagrees with them, that irritates the stomach and leads to excess acid secretion or they can eat as they please in reason and make it a practice to counteract the effect of the harmful acid and prevent the formation of gas, the use of a little Disrupted Magnesia at their meals.

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SUGGESTS EXPORT BUREAU AND EXPERT LINGUISTS TO HELP CITY BUILD SOUTH AMERICAN TRADE

Ray Lawson Says at Present PROBLEM OF HOUSING Australia and South Africa Are Best Markets—Does Not Expect An. Depression Following End of War.

"I did think some time ago that there would be a possibility of trade depression at the close of the war, but I have changed my mind," said Ray Lawson, director of the London Chamber of Commerce, today. "Things are shaping up in such a way that export trade should be able to take care of the national debt and also provide employment for a large extent of people released from overseas and people returning from the front. During the war, export has been held up through lack of transportation facilities, but shipments are being made so rapidly that there is every reason for optimism so far as conditions controlled by shipping are concerned."

Looking to Exports.—"In our business, we are devoting our attention to shaping up for export trade. We are planning to have our London plant look after the Chamber of Commerce, today. "So far as I can see, the best markets for London-made goods at the present time are Australia and South Africa. The difficulty in regard to the United States is that of the language barrier. While translators are being managed to a certain extent, the difficulty would be the establishment of an export bureau where expert linguists might be employed not only to translate letters received in foreign languages, but to reply in the same tongue. All the foreign commercial correspondence for the city could be handled through such a bureau. It would undoubtedly be one of the most important first aids to export trade that could be established here."

For the future welfare of the city and Dominion, I believe it will be necessary to maintain the present high price of wages. At the same time, I do not anticipate a rapid decline in the price of goods. If we could acquire an increasing efficiency in the production of goods, the standard of living would be improved. With reduced cost of the necessities of life and the cost of the wages paid, the laboring man would be in a position to maintain a better standard of living than ever before, and to make better provision for his family and the future. At this would tend to raise the standard of the community life and to promote the prosperity and growth of the city."

One thing Mr. Lawson thinks should be tackled immediately, and that is the housing problem. It is up to the municipality to go after it in a business-like way," he says. "A way taken at the present time to help raise the standard of living for the returned soldiers and their families."

LOTS OF COAL, BUT BADLY DISTRIBUTED, SAYS E. H. RUSSELL

Blames Fuel Administration For Conditions Here.

In connection with the fuel situation in London, E. H. Russell, chairman of the board of health, says that there is more coal in London now than there was at any time in the past. He says that the coal is badly distributed, and that the fuel administration is to blame for the conditions here.

Has Suspensions.—Mr. Russell says that the fuel administration has suspended the operation of the board of health, and that the board of health is now in a position to take action against the fuel administration.

LIUT. CECIL MCCANN ON WAY TO ENGLAND; WAS GERMAN PRISONER

Cecil McCann's son, Flight-Lieut. Cecil McCann, who has been a prisoner in Germany since April, is now on his way to England. Last night Mr. McCann received a cable from his son, a Norwegian Christiania, dated December 2. It reads: "Aboard ship for England. Feeling fine. Since being taken a prisoner while flying along the west front, Lieut. McCann has been in a prison camp at Grannau, in Prussia, which is an old-fashioned castle. Lieut. McCann was one of those chosen to go over with a special draft of officers, which went overseas after the battalion and left. He was transferred to the Canadian Machine Gun Corps on arriving in England, and was qualified as an officer. He was later transferred to the Royal Air Force, and was in training in Wiltshire. In March, 1918, Lieut. McCann was ordered to cover the retreat of the Allied armies. It was then that the young aviator was with the 84th Squadron, was taken prisoner. He was captured by the Germans, and has been sent to five prison camps."

CITY MAY PRESENT SILK FLAG TO LANSING, MICH.

There is a movement on foot in the city to present a silk flag to the city of Lansing, Michigan. Jack J. W. Felt, mayor of Lansing, has received this morning from the city of London a letter from the city of London, dated December 2. It reads: "Aboard ship for England. Feeling fine. Since being taken a prisoner while flying along the west front, Lieut. McCann has been in a prison camp at Grannau, in Prussia, which is an old-fashioned castle. Lieut. McCann was one of those chosen to go over with a special draft of officers, which went overseas after the battalion and left. He was transferred to the Canadian Machine Gun Corps on arriving in England, and was qualified as an officer. He was later transferred to the Royal Air Force, and was in training in Wiltshire. In March, 1918, Lieut. McCann was ordered to cover the retreat of the Allied armies. It was then that the young aviator was with the 84th Squadron, was taken prisoner. He was captured by the Germans, and has been sent to five prison camps."

SAN QUENTIN, CAL. DEC. 2.—A telegram asking President Wilson to "state exactly what you mean by commutation of the death sentence" before he leaves for the peace conference, was sent the president by Thomas Mooney from the state prison here today.



Ray Lawson.

INSPIRATION OF WAR HAS BROUGHT FORTH MAGNIFICENT POETRY

John M. Gunn Gives a Fine Lecture on This Subject.

Rupert Brooke, Alan Heeger and Bernard Shaw, all of whom have laid down their lives in the war, leaving the world a precious legacy of verse, were the three poets to whom special reference was made last night by John M. Gunn, B.A., in a brilliant lecture on "War Poetry," delivered in St. Andrew's Hall under the auspices of the Senior Girls' Club.

Recalling Ruskin's statement in "The Crown of Wild Olive" that all great art has its inspiration in war, he essayed that art inspiration never accompanied wars of selfishness and aggression, but only wars fought for a noble and righteous cause.

Mr. Gunn held that the vast amount of poetry inspired by the great world war was a reflection of the noble and righteous cause.

A Contrast.—In spirit drawn to the contrast between the war poetry of the men of letters and that of the men of action, Mr. Gunn emphasized the sad side of the war, and the endurance, loneliness and bereavement at the front.

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Speeded Car at 37 Miles to Avoid Being Struck by Street Car

Original Excuse or Fact Did Not Pass With Magistrate.

Cold hard cash to the amount of \$104 was paid into police court today by 31 Londoners who insisted on speeding their autos under the noses of various police constables and for leaving their cars in the cool of the evening minutes within 20 feet of a hydrant, been fined a little money maker for the city, the said bylaw was fined \$2. Charles Ivey \$3, George Philip, A. Wolf, T. C. Fleming and J. Hunt, \$5.

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of the poets of the war," said Mr. Gunn, "one thing is clear, and that is that this world offers great problems to be solved. His closing words were in the words of Robert W. Service, a challenge to 'carry on.'"

Moving a vote of thanks to Mr. Gunn, no one in London more competent to deal with such a subject as that of poetry, no one in the city with a finer and more discriminating taste for the best of the lecturer's unusually keen sense of humor, which flashed even through a lecture dealing with a subject, of necessity, associated with sadness.

Tendering the vote of thanks, the chairman, A. G. Calder, complimented Mr. Gunn on his memory and his ability for illustration.

A feature of the program which added to the enjoyment of the evening was a solo by Miss Annie Clark.

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