...OJECT TO CUT ...IN PARK ESTIMATES

...pecial Meeting Held Yesterday With View to Having Items Reinserted.

REDUCTION IN RATES

Toronto Electric Light Adopts New Schedule, But Hydro is Cheaper.

When the board of control came to deal with the parks estimates it made a cut of $134,000 from the total of $831,000. As a result of this heavy cut, the parks committee held a special meeting yesterday with a view to having some of the items reinserted. A considerable portion of the cut was for labor only, and it was felt the board should be asked to reinsert at least a portion of the amount cut out for labor expenditure. Ald. Yeomans moved that items totaling $25,380 be reinserted, the motion being carried.

Electrical Reduction.

Another reduction in charges for electric current is to be made by the Toronto Electric Light Company, and another attraction added in the way of giving 60 watt tungsten lamps free to all customers. A 60 watt lamp has evidently been adopted as the standard, as it is larger than those used by the average householder, and will make for a greater use of current, and it is difficult to say whether the reduction of rates using 60 watt lamps will make the monthly bill any less, altho the consumer may get greater efficiency.

The new rates are as follows: First 4 k.w.h. at 5c, second 4 at 3c and any over at 1½c, less the usual discount of 10 per cent. This new rate is higher than the hydro rate, even with the floor space charge added.

Says Privilege Abused.

Dr. C. K. Clarke, superintendent of the General Hospital, says there is much abuse of the hospital orders which the city issues free, supposedly to those who are unable to pay. Rich foreigners, according to the doctor, are the greatest offenders. It costs $2.20 a day to keep patients at the hospital and only $1.16 is contributed by the city and government, the hospital having to make up the difference.

Smith's Value Less.

The arbitration regarding the Watson property on the east side of the Humber River was continued before Official Arbitrator P. H. Drayton yesterday. F. H. Smith, a witness for the city, valued the property at $59,390. His valuation is much less than that of some of the others and is based on the value of adjacent properties.

Death Rate Higher.

Toronto's death rate for February climbed up to 12.3 per thousand, as against 10.1 per thousand for the same month last year. This is a good record, however, as last year the death rate in February was the lowest in the city's history, and this year's is lower than any other year. The deaths during the month totaled 472.

FINANCES OF FRANCE STEADILY IMPROVE

February Budget Materially Better Than That for January.

Canadian Press Despatch.

PARIS, March 10, 10.55 p.m.—The official journal will publish tomorrow details of government revenues received from indirect taxes and monopolies, which show a reduction for February, 1915, compared with February, 1914, of 64,000,000 francs ($13,200,000), which is an improvement over January, 1915, when the reduction was 97,000,000 francs ($19,400,000), as compared with January, 1914.

The largest reductions were in property registration fees, stamp taxes, customs, posts, telegraphs and telephones. The minister of finance observes in the statement that there has been a steady improvement month by month since the war began in government revenues.

DEATH WAS RESULT OF NATURAL CAUSES

Seven Month Old Josephine Cole Received Scant Attention When Ill With Cold.

That "seven months old Josephine Cole came to her death March 2, at 318 Richmond street from natural causes" was the verdict of the jury under Coroner W. H. Butts at the morgue last night.

Evidence showed that the child had been suffering from a severe cold for three weeks. No doctor had been called and the only medicine given had been a bottle of cough mixture.

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SUSPEND FOR YEAR GRANT TO FIREMEN

Investigation Being Held May Be Responsible for Action of Government.

CLAUSE THROWN OUT

Commissioner Loses Right to Cut Trees Without Owners' Consent.

The fate of the firehall investigation may be blamed for the suspension for the year of the special city grant to the superannuation fund. This was the point on which the private bills committee of the legislature balked yesterday when the city was seeking the right to contribute $4000 per year for 35 years to the firemen's fund.

Corporation Counsel Geary argued that this help would prevent threatened bankruptcy, but Hon. I. B. Lucas claimed that he had a petition from some who were not included. George Gooderham thought that the subscribers did not pay enough, and after some bickering the whole clause was held over for the year.

Almost an Accident.

Almost by accident the clause giving the city parks commissioner the right to remove trees on boulevards without the owner's or resident's consent, was lost. It was explained that they had the city's aesthetic interests at heart, but members felt that the next commissioner might not be so discreet. Provincial instances were quoted to show it unwise. A last show of hands threw the clause out after the city thought it was won.

The clause allowing the city to inspect all water taps to prevent leakage waste, charging a small fee therefor, was passed without contention.

J. A. Ellis of Ottawa was allowed to practice as a barrister after certain examinations were taken. The case was passed as exceptional, altho the Law Society was unwilling.

PREMIER RECEIVED HYDRO DEPUTATION

Government Not in Position to Legislate for Radial Railways.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, March 10.—Premier Borden and Hon. Frank Cochrane received the Ontario Hydro-Radial Union deputation, introduced by A. C. Macdonell. Sir Adam Beck, Mayor Church and J. W. Lyon, presented the request of the deputation for a federal subsidy and appealed for fair play for the municipalities.

Sir Adam said the people were heartily in sympathy with the hydro-radial project. He thought it was a sound principle that the municipalities should pay the loss, if any. The day of steam railway feeders was a day of the past and no one would admit that a steam branch would pay. They took into consideration the general scheme of a radial system for the province.

They did not wish to validate the hydro-electric radial bylaws passed by the people and they did not wish to spend a large amount of money in preparing specifications. If the subsidies were not obtained it was likely to cause a great deal of dissatisfaction.

The premier stated that so far as any legislation for the purpose set forth at the present session was concerned, conditions would not permit the government to bring it in, no matter how warmly toward the project they might feel. The government was asked to make a declaration of its future policy. So far as that was concerned he would submit to his colleagues what had been urged.

STATEMENTS ARE NOT BORNE OUT BY FACTS

Dr. Hastings, M.O.H., Replies to Complaint Regarding Pasteurized Milk at Board Meeting.

At a meeting of the board of health Dr. Hastings was asked to prepare his report for the board of control regarding the complaint made by Dr. J. B. Fraser that pasteurized milk was responsible for double the number of deaths among babies in Toronto.

Dr. Hastings said that Dr. Fraser has sent a pamphlet to dairymen, doctors and even the newspapers, and tried to get a sub-committee of the board of trade to take up his complaints. "In each case they have done me the courtesy to communicate with me," he said, and I have been able to show them that his statements were not borne out by facts.

He also said that the bulletin issued last July gave a complete reply to Dr. Fraser's statements.

ELECTION IN PORTUGAL TO END PRESENT CRISIS

Democratic Congress Will Consider Proposal in Few Days.

Canadian Press Despatch.

PARIS, March 10, 4.45 p.m.—A despatch to The Temps from Lisbon says the Democratic congress will meet March 14 to consider means for ending the present crisis, which arose with the inauguration of the "Republic of Northern Portugal," under the presidency of Gen. Antonio Barreto.

"It will be proposed," the correspondent says, "that an attempt be made to overthrow the government by a new election."

TRAIN OFF TRACK.

C. N. R. train from aPrry Sound, due in Toronto at 5.20 p.m., did not arrive yesterday until 9.45. It ran off the track near Beaverton, thus causing the delay. No damage was done and no one was hurt.

SIGNALERS BUSY AT VARIOUS POINTS

Weather Perfect for Good Heliographic Work and Good Practice Resulted.

WILL TAKE COMMAND

Major McCordick to Assume Charge of Thirty-Fifth Battalion.

Exhibition camp was visited yesterday by 1050 men of the third contingent. They form the 35th Battalion of the new regiment. On reaching the grounds the men were inspected by Lieut.-Col. Elliott. Major McCordick, at present second in command of the 19th Battalion, will take over command of the regiment.

Yesterday was a busy day for the signalers. From early morning until late at night they were at work sending messages from various parts of the city. The weather was perfect for the heliograph and some excellent work was done. During the afternoon messages were sent from Scarboro Bluffs to the Royal Bank Buildings and from there to the camp and to Long Branch, a distance of about 20 miles. Capt. Dunn, D.S.O., was in charge.

No. 3 Company, 19th Battalion, marched to the O.R.A. ranges at Long Branch, to replace the company which went on Tuesday.

Long Distance Rides.

The Divisional Cyclist Corps has been engaged in a number of long distance route rides. Yesterday 200 rode out to Islington and thru the downtown section of the city. This corps are particularly useful on account of the quiet manner in which they get from place to place.

Considerable satisfaction is being felt among the medical men of the contingent at the seeming wiping out of meningitis. It is now ten days since the last case was discovered, and from late reports most of those at present in the hospital are progressing very favorably, altho Private Lockhart's condition is still considered serious.

It is expected that a large number of the men who have been isolated at the old General Hospital will be returned to the camp very shortly. Over 200 men were examined during the week and no further cases or suspects located.

Military Funeral.

With full military honors the body of Private Frank Isaacs was taken from the General Hospital to the Union Station yesterday morning. The remains were taken to Brantford, where interment will be made.

Two aliens with the second contingent have made application to be naturalized. These will not come before the court of general sessions before May, unless some special action is taken. The two men are Vincent Rosau, 20th Battalion, "D" Company, and Joseph B. Shutz, 4th Canadian Rifles.

Mrs. Currie, wife of Lieut.-Col. J. A. Currie, has received another message from her husband, saying "All's well." The cable was despatched from a place near Calais.

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Specials today: Baked Oysters in shell, Casino Fricassee of Chicken (New England style), Ham Steak Saute a la Romaine. 27-31 King street west. 28 Melinda street.

FRENCH CIVILIANS ARE EXPELLED BY GERMANS

Thirty Thousand Old People and Children Being Driven Out.

Canadian Press Despatch.

GENEVA, via Paris, March 10, 3 p.m.—Thirty thousand civilian inhabitants of French territory occupied by the Germans are being expelled thru Switzerland in lots of 500. The first thousand passed thru Geneva yesterday. They were chiefly from Lille and Maubeuge and consisted of very old people and children under ten years. Some of the French children say they had often gone near the fighting line to get food. The exiles were sent across the French frontier by the Swiss authorities.

SESSION OF HOUSE TO CONTINUE UNTIL MAY

Hopes of Prorogation at Easter Have Been Chilled.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, March 10.—There is absolutely no chance of the house session ending at Easter, as some had expected. An arrangement was come to between the party whips today whereby the vote on the amendment to the budget, proposed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, will be taken on Tuesday next. It is regarded as hardly possible now that parliament will prorogue before May.

Stomach Troubles Due to Acidity

SO SAYS EMINENT SPECIALIST.

So-called stomach troubles, such as indigestion, wind and stomach-ache are in probably nine cases out of ten simply evidence that fermentation is taking place in the food contents of the stomach, causing the formation of gas and acids. Wind distends the stomach and causes that full, oppressive feeling sometimes known as heartburn, while the acid irritates and inflames the delicate lining of the stomach. The trouble lies entirely in the fermenting food. Such fermentation is unnatural, and acid formation is not only unnatural but may involve most serious consequences if not corrected. To stop or prevent fermentation of the food contents of the stomach and to neutralize the acid and render it bland and harmless, a teaspoonful of bisurated magnesia, probably the best and most effective corrector of acid stomach known, should be taken in a quarter of a glass of hot or cold water immediately after eating, or whenever wind or acidity is felt. This stops the fermentation and neutralizes the acidity in a few moments. Fermentation, wind and acidity are dangerous and unnecessary. Stop or prevent them by the use of a proper antacid, such as bisurated magnesia, which can be obtained from any druggist, and thus enable the stomach to do its work properly without being hindered by poisonous gas and dangerous acids.—M. F. P.

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Methodist Church at North Bay Crowded When Session Opened.

BILINGUAL QUESTION

English Language Only Must Be Taught in Schools, Says Grand Master.

By a Staff Reporter.

NORTH BAY, Ont., March 10.—The Methodist Church was filled today when Grand Master Dr. J. J. Williams of Listowel called the 56th session of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario West to order for business. The master gave a stirring address, which covered the year's work and the bilingual school question.

"We accept the charge," he said, "that we are openly opposed to bilingual schools and we intend to continue our opposition with renewed determination, believing, as we do, that bilingual schools are not for the best interests of a united province, nor yet in the best interests of the children of French-Canadian parentage. The battle is on; the fight is now in progress and the members of this grand lodge must take their stand, collectively and individually, in the great struggle of keeping this province English. This can only be done by having the English language, and it alone, taught in the public and separate schools of the province."

Faith in Members.

"I have sufficient faith," continued Dr. Wiliams, "in the representatives of the people of this fair province—providing the decision of the privy council does not prevent them—that they will stand by the regulations as set out by the department of education. There must not be any retrenchment or special favors granted that are not now provided for in the British North America Act. Our stand is firm and our motto true, 'No surrender,' and the English language we will maintain."

The grand secretary reported that 22 lodges had been organized during the year and 5069 of an increase in membership.

The Dominion Parliament was largely represented, Major-General Sam Hughes, M.W. Bro. Morphy, Perth; Bro. Best, Dufferin; Bro. Boys, Simcoe; Bro. Arthurs, Parry Sound, and Bro. Wallace, Centre York, being present. The meeting adjourned while the High School Cadets gave an exhibition of drill for the benefit of the brethren. General Hughes afterwards inspected them.

Meeting in Opera House.

In the evening 700 members formed a parade at the church and marched to the big open meeting at the opera house, which was addressed by the following speakers: Major-General Sam Hughes, E. M. Morphy, Listowel; E. T. Essery, London; Canon Walsh, Brampton; H. C. Hocken, Toronto; Richard Blain, M.P., Brampton, and J. J. Williams, M.D., Woodstock.

The adjourned meeting of the Royal Black Scarlet was held in the morning, the following officers being installed: Canon William Walsh, Brampton; D.G.M., W. Weir, Windsor; Assistant D.G.M., H. S. Miller, Severn Bridge; grand chaplain, Rev. Dr. Knowles, St. Thomas; grand recorder, E. Fennell, Toronto; D. registrar, W. M. Clark, Hamilton; treasurer, W. Cook, J.P., Meaford; deputy treasurer, W. B. Walker, Toronto; grand lecturer, H. N. Ellis, Toronto; lecturer, Joseph Murray, London, and W. J. Armstrong, New Liskeard.

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MEXICAN SITUATION IS LESS DISTURBING

U.S. Note Has Partially Cleared Air—No More Warships Sent.

Canadian Press Despatch.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Secretary Bryan announced tonight that the food situation in Mexico City was still very serious and that the forces of General Obregon appeared not to have evacuated the city as yet, tho this was expected at any moment.

Sir Cecil Spring Rice, the British ambassador, brought to the department a copy of a telegram received from Thomas Hohler, charge d'affaires of the British Legation in Mexico City, declaring that the American note, a copy of which had been presented to General Obragon simultaneously with its delivery to General Carranza, had produced a good effect on the situation. The charge pointed out, however, the necessity at all times of keeping a line of railway and telegrahpic communication open between Mexico City and Vera Cruz.

No more warships were ordered to Mexican waters today and none will be sent pending further developments in the situation.

VILLA IS BELLICOSE IN ATTITUDE TO U. S.

Bandit Chief Says He Will Join Carranza Against Invaders.

Canadian Press Despatch.

EL PASO, March 10.—General Villa in a statement received today from Torreon to the Associated Press, declared that in event of intervention of foreign troops to subdue the Carranza forces he and all other Mexicans would unite against the invaders.

He denied recent interviews in American newspapers, which he said had just been called to his attention, in which he was quoted as saying that he would not oppose armed intervention on the part of several powers "to reduce Carranza to orders provided that he would be made commander of such a move.

COMMUNICATION LINES AN IMPORTANT BRANCH

Lt.-Col. Galloway Tells of Bearing on Success or Failure of an Army.

An interesting talk on "Lines of Communication" and their great bearing on the failure and success of an army, was delivered by Lieut.-Col. Galloway before the Toronto Military Training Association at Jarvis Street Collegiate Institute last night.

Col. Galloway has had considerable experience in this class of work.

A large number of members of the association were present and a keen interest taken in the speaker's remarks.

The association has arranged for several other addresses from prominent military men.

LEADS NEW REFORM.

Clarence Gilbert Hoag of Philadelphia will address the members of the legislature Thursday afternoon at 2. He is secretary of the Proportional Representation League of America.

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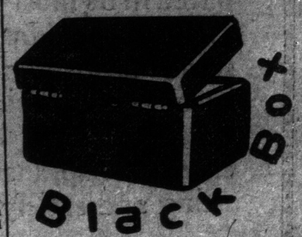

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