LONDON'S PUBLIC

Promotion Tests Will

SCHOOLS CLOSE

ON FRIDAY NEXT

Started On Wednesday

Morning.

DISCUSS CHANGES

Suggest School Principals Se

Examinations in Each

Instance.

On Friday next all London's public schools close, and the teacher

and children will have an opportur

ty of getting some rest in this en

reasive near Departmental canalinations finish on Wednesday of nex week, and the promotion examinations, which last for three days, be

gin on Wednesday and close on Fri

day. These promotion tests are

general in all the schools, as the principals have the right to promote

their pupils on their record of wor for the year, and in some cases

principal might possibly promote

the children who were due for change in grade.

May Change Plan.

The custom in setting these ex aminations has been for the in spector's office to set all the papers

There is a suggestion that the prin

cipals of each school should

allowed to set the papers for the

own school, and this scheme may be put into effect next year. The idea is that in this way a greater respon-

sibility may be placed upon the in-dividual school principal, who is ex-pected to know more of each pupil's

Would Be Responsible.

In this case the principal would be responsible for the work of all the pupils in his school and for the work they would do in the next grade in the fall term. This innovation in the arrangement of the examinations has

the approval of the department of education, of the London inspecto

of schools, and of the principal

While there is no set date for any

closing exercises and no formal program for any festivities at the various schools, each principal is left to make any arrangement he likes in this way. In this very hot weather it is likely the schools will close with

the least possible fuss and formality and that on Friday next the children

will just disappear from their school haunts and streak for the nearest swimming pool and the shade of the

Raney Flays the Conservative

Leader at Meeting at

Arthur.

Special Cable to The Advertiser.

Arthur, June 23.—Hon. W. E.
Raney, attorney-general of Ontario.

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ISABEL ARMSTRONG'S LIFE IS RECORD OF SERVICE

ISABEL ARMSTRONG—HER STORY AND HER PURPOSE HAYDEN AGREES

A Long Record of Helping Other People—Her Record As a Journalist—a Real Canadian and a Real Worker.

to be found in the pages of past and country. When asked the following contemporary Canadian history. It year to join the staff of the Regina is a curious fact that practically all Leader, one of the most influential these names are those of men. Wo- newspapers in the west, she conman's place has been to occupy the sented to do so. less spectacular role of helpmate and In making her decision she was

self-sacrifice and energy have worked their part in nation building as pionfor Canada, there is one woman's eers.

Canada.

record of public service reveals quali- and children. ties of citizenship, humanity and or- The opportunity developed in less ganizing ability equalled by few men. than a year, through the first conven-She who so pluckily and capably car- tion called in the capital city of ries the torch of Liberalism in this Saskatchewan to consider the organicity has been associated perhaps with zation of farm women of the provmore activities making for the better. ince in clubs along the lines of the ment of London and Canada than any Women's Institute of Ontario.

which provides for better homes, her editor to devote a page a week mothers' allowances, a minimum in The Leader to the "Saskatchewan wage, equal education and kindred Home-makers Club," the name preclauses, crystallizes the life efforts of ferred to the "Institute." a courageous woman, who has fought the fight of progress with success. interests of home and community, Better homes is what Isabel Arm- appeared weekly at the top of her strong has striven for. It has been Home-makers' page, which became the definite goal toward which she the official organ for the Homehas conducted all her social and wel- makers' Club.

A journalist's life is one of contact with all classes. Buffeted here, extolled and complimented there, the hope, new courage, new inspiration newspaper woman's experience is of in the clubs or just through friendextraordinary variety. She knows ship and contact with the world be-what poverty and misery means, because she comes into direct associa- Homemakers' Page. One of the first tion with them. She understands the "better baby" contests in the Doappalling toll ignorance takes among minion, held in a little prairie crosscommunity. And, if she is of the largely due to letters and discussions conscientious type to which Miss in the columns of Miss Armstrong's Armstrong belongs, she emerges from page. her experience with a glad heart toward humanity and an eternal resolve ing a member of The Advertiser to help those whose weak shoulders staff. During the conflict she supercannot bear the burdens of misfortune vised the publicity given patriotic

And so it was inevitable that, with the Red Cross, I. O. D. E., Children's Miss Armstrong's wide social experi- Aid Society and child welfare were ence, her political platform should invaluable. She conducted a "conanbrace all measures looking toward sumers' league" column for many the happiness of those scarred and months which stressed the need for seared by the hand of fate.

An Honored Father.

Isabel Armstrong's interest in hu- fant lives. manity was, in reality, awakened at the age of six years, when her father, problem by Miss Armstrong in subthe late James Armstrong, M.P., of stantial measure paved the way for Westminster Township, discussed the a child welfare exhibit in London politics and social conditions of the As convener of the publicity comday with his little daughter. It may mittee she was largely instrumental be that her instinct for welfare was in making the exhibit the success it inherited also from her grandfather, proved. Duncan McCall, an eloquent preacher and missionary, known widely throughout Ontario in pioneer days. In an environment in which great names and big questions were constantly the subject of conversation, Isabel Armstrong learned to know the problems with which this country was

After graduating from the Brantford Ladies' College, winning a gold medal for proficiency, she attended Western University for a time. Her interests in those days were divided about equally between consideration of social welfare problems and music. Both attracted her strongly, but through force of circumstances music claimed her attention almost ex clusively for a few years. When she became a newspaper reporter, however, her opportunities for social welfare were multiplied, and the flame has been burning with undying

brightness ever since. It was Herbert McBean Johnston editor of the Echo, who discovered Miss Armstrong. Mr. Johnston is among the first two or three literary lights ever produced by this city, and it was he who, reading a humorous sketch written by Miss Armstrong. recognized her ability and offered her a position on the staff of the Echo.

Later she became a member of the Free Press, subsequently returning to the Echo. One of her first special articles was in connection with the Children's Aid Society, and through publicity work she became a valued and almost indispensable figure in all local social welfare activities. While on the Echo she inaugurated the churches and charities department of

To Regina in 1909. A trip to the Canadian west in 1909 awakened her to the unlimited

The result has been that largely influenced by information few women are historically identified which had come to her with regard with the progress and expansion of to the isolated prairie homes, the lonely lot of thousands of prairie On the list of trail blazers, whose home-makers, courageously playing

name, however, which stands in the She had delved into statistics and discovered the ratio of insanity and It is that of Isabel C. Armstrong, breakdowns among prairie house local Liberal candidate for the On- wives extraordinarily high as comtario legislative assembly, and one of pared with more fortunate old Onthe best-known newspaper women in tario. When she went west, therefore, it was with the definite idea of ser-A glance of Miss Armstrong's vice to prairie homes, prairie women

As her share in the movement, Miss Miss Armstrong's political platform, Armstrong obtained the consent of

The motto chosen, "To promote th

Letters poured daily into her waifs and neglected babes of the ing village in Saskatchewan, was

> In 1914 she returned east, becomworks in the city. Her services to thrift, not only of money, foods and materials, but also of adult and in

The intensive publicity given the

In the course of her newspaper career, Miss Armstrong was assigned to every "beat," every variety of reportorial experience it is the lot of newspaper workers to be given. And in all her assignments she became impressed with the importance of two great community obligationsconfronted at a singularly early age. life and the necessity for providing all ranks of humanity with adequate wages and healthy, happy living con-

> For, at that time it was found that the neglect of the duties of citizenship was a far more ruthless agency Turn to Page 19, Columns 3 and 4.

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AS ANDY



who is offering her services to London on Monday to advocate legislation for the protection and improvement of London's community interests. The accompanying article gives the story of her activities-a record of neighborliness-made-effective, and below is the detail of her platform.

The Armstrong Platform

I. Better Homes—

-by advocating and supporting:

- (a) Mothers' allowances.
- (b) Workmen's compensation.
- (c) Minimum wage.
- (d) Old age insurance. (e) Equal education.

(f) Adequate care of the feeble-minded.

and all kindred measures based on Liberal principles of fair play, equal opportunity and conservation of life.

II. Efficient Prohibition—

(a) By strengthening the O. T. A.

(b) By its impartial and clean enforcement. -on the ground that strict prohibition is in the interests of the health, happiness and economic welfare of the chil-

dren and the homes of Ontario. III. Protection of Public Ownership-

(a) By retaining non-partisan control of all public utilities, including hydro-electric. (b) By preserving the principle that no paid

-on the ground that any public utility, such as hydro, on which depend our vital necessities and conveniences, including light for our hospital operating rooms, power for our factories, and saving of labor for our housewives, should be kept free from manipulation by any party candi-

servant of the people should engage in

IV. Economy in Government—

- (a) By fair and open public tender on all government contracts.
- (b) By protection and proper development of Ontario's timber wealth, mines and other natural resources.
- (c) By preventing return to party patronage.

V. Wider Educational Opportunity-By securing every possible provincial aid for

the Western University.

-in order that every ambitious boy and girl in London may enjoy the advantages of higher education at a minimum cost and without leaving home.

CITY HALL DELAY HAS 'FUNNY' LOOK

Thinks, With Labor Aldermen, There May Be Ethiopian in the Underbrush.

MAYOR TALKS FIGHT

Alleges There Is Hair-Splitting in Attempt To Hold Up City Hall.

Ald. Edmund Hayden, member of the board of works, is another coun cillor, who conscientiously believes that "there is something behind" all this persistent opposition by five aldermen to the proposed construction of a new city hall on the McCor mick site this summer.

"There is certainly something be hind it all," Ald. Hayden asserted "People are surely not blind in this city. They can read between the I don't know whether Ald. Judd intends to run for mayor next year or not, but it is certainly a fact that all three Ward 2 aldermen are opposing this measure tooth and

"Now, there is Ald. William 'Vilson who is strongly opposed to any hall on the McCormick site, and who with Ald. Judd threatens injunction proceedings if we start. I understand corner of Clarence street and Queen's

"Of course, everyone should be aware of the fact that Ald. John T. May is opposing the McCormick site because he wants it on the corner o Didout and King streets. And Ald. Douglass has referred at one time to the "V" site, Central avenue and Richmond street, as a likely location suggested by some people.
"I don't know why Ald. John Greer should be opposing the hall, unless he is merely supporting Ald. Judd."

Suited, Says Drake. Ald. Gordon Drake contends today that ex-Mayor Wilson and every member of the 1922 city council. in-cluding Ald. Judd, May and Douglass. had agreed that if the people voted last December not to build on the Spencer site, that the McCormick land would automatically become the

"There is absolutely no use of then trying to argue anything else." Ald.
Drake declared, confidently. "Ex-Ald.
Oscar Cunningham will tell you the
same. He was there when the question was threshed out, and everyone including Cameron Wilson, under-stood it that way. Col. Coles was present at that meeting, and he will

be able to say the same. While Ald William Wilson has voiced willingness to test out the city hall issue with Mayor Wenige at a posal with any degree of serious-

ness.
"I challenged any one of the five "I challenged any one of the live who opposed us to a special election throughout the city," the mayor stated today. "I do not propose to fight it out in one ward alone. This is a question that concerns the entire electorate, not Ward Two alone. four wards to be considered, as Ald. Wilson should realize. Mayor Talks Fight.

"I am ready any old time to resign and contest the mayoralty with Ald. Wilson, if he will run in the city at large, and will tender a marked check to cover the expenses of the election when he loses.
"Cameron Wilson, ex-mayor, is en-

titled to his own personal opinion at to where the new city hall shall be and when it shall be placed there. He has no business telling others what to do about it, particularly members of the city council. So declared Mayor Wenige today commenting upon the rumor that the convince a certain element in the city council to delay construction of

proposed new administration offices until 1924, upon the chance that Ald. Judd will then be mayor. Mayor Wenige criticizes the obv-ious attempt to "split hairs" on the city hall question. "At some time or other," he said, "Cameron Wilson, it he was old enough at the time voted as a ratepayer to place the hall on the Federal Square or the McCormick site. What difference does it make what name you attach does it make what hame you attach to the property in question as long as you know the southeast corner of Dundas and Wellington streets is meant?"

ance Act is the best law on the station of the property in question as long tute beeks. It has benefitted the workness of the property in question as long tute beeks. It has benefitted the workness of the property in question as long tute beeks. It has benefitted the workness of the property in question as long tute beeks. It has benefitted the workness of the property in question as long tute beeks. It has benefitted the workness of the property in question as long tute beeks. It has benefitted the workness of the property in question as long tute beeks. It has benefitted the workness of the property in question as long tute beeks. It has benefitted the workness of the property in question as long tute beeks. It has benefitted the workness of the property in question to it.

WHY BECK IS WRONG

Sir Adam Beck, because of the position which he has taken, should be refused by the voters of London on Mon-

The fundamental objection to Sir Adam's plea for election has been outlined on the front page of this editionthe principle of public ownership.

There are additional reasons which militate against his present campaign and these may be enumerated as follows: BECK IS AN AUTOCRAT.

As an autocrat he is disregarding parliament's resolution of over twenty years' standing (the Garrow resolution of 1897) that paid public servants should not take part in political campaigns.

As an autocrat he has used public money against the instructions of parliament, an example of which is the sworn evidence taken by the Gregory commission last February, by which Sir Adam was declared to have ordered the spending of \$11,000 from hydro funds for propaganda and campaign purposes.

BECK IS "SINGLE TRACK."

Sir Adam Beck has only one interest—the growth and control of power, both hydro power and personal power. On other issues of the day he is either silent or evasive. London needs something better than that. London needs a real London representative who is interested in London's community interests and the problems which London must meet during the next few years. Sir Adam is not one of us -his mind is in Toronto.

BECK'S ELECTION MEANS TROUBLE.

If Sir Adam is elected on Monday, his position in parliament will be shaky and the position of hydro impossible. Should there be a Conservative government Sir Adam would be taken into the Conservative cabinet and hydro would at once become subject to the orders of Mr. Ferguson, an enemy of public ownership since the days of Whitney and Hearst.

Should there be a Liberal or a Farmer government, Sir Adam would be forced to sit in opposition. It would be impossible for the chairman of the hydro commission to sit in opposition to the government of the province. Sir Adam would be obliged to resign the chairmanship and hydro would be without its leader.

EXPECT BRITAIN TO ACT **ROB TORONTO STORE** OF FORTY FUR COATS

Burglars Take Goods of the Intervention May Take Place Bucher Company Valued

Toronto, June 23.-Jimmying open the front door of the Bucher Fur special election in Ward Two, his worship declines to consider this pro-2:55 this morning, burglars stole about forty fur coats of an estimated about by the impending seizure by away in six minutes, at 2:55. The police station at London and Mark-ham streets that the burglary was taking place.

interested in anything other than fur coats, for according to Mr. William Bucher, who lives in the York Apart-

States Ontario Warned

By Defeat In Manitoba

Toronto Star Declares Prohibition Has Benefited Workmen,

Homes, Women and General Business.

Canadian Fress Despatch.
Toronto, June 23.—The Star, commenting on the liquor plebiscite in Manitoba states:
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"Prohibition has been killed in retained the O. T. A. so far as a anitoba. Therein a lesson is taught popular measure. It is only in the

Manitoba. Therein a lesson is taught popular measure. It is only in the to Ontario. The Ontario Temper towns and cities that there is much

ance Act is the best law on the sta-tute beeks. It has benefitted the "The electors cannot afford to sup-

ON U. S. LIQUOR LAW

Within Next Twenty-

Four Hours.

at \$10,000.

Special to The Advertis Washington, June 23 .- The British government may intervene or make known its attitude within the next

made by the British embassy here is that up to the present that gov- came here last night, and although Apparently the burglars were not ernment has taken no action on the he is to speak once again before elecever, it is indicated in the manner not noticed that any other garments problem is under the closest scrutiny He stated that he estimated his both by the embassy here and the

question. At the same time, how-tion day delivered what might be termed a final blow to his political arch-enemy and bug-bear, Hon. G. ments directly above his store, he has of diplomats at the embassy that the Howard Ferguson. He declared forcefully that Mr.

Ferguson's charges against him were false in every letter, word and line, total loss, if the coats were not re-covered, would be about \$10,000, which was fully covered by insurance. home government in London, and that Great Britain's attitude may be added that a man who spoke of the provincial police as Mr. Ferguson had done, was not fit to be the prenier of the province.

mier of the province.

The meeting was well attended despite the warmth of the night, and in addition to Mr. Raney, J. Clarke, secretary of the U. F. O. in East Wellington, and R. N. McArthur, the government candidate in West Wellington, also spoke. The last night of the campaign will see the attorney-general in Kenilworth for his final speech, and he will return after. final speech, and he will return after the meeting to Toronto, where he will

DENY CURZON QUITTING. IN FAVOR OF EARL GREY

Reginald McKenna Invited To Be Chancellor of the Exchequer.

By HENRY SOMERVILLE.
Special Cable to The London Advertiser
by a Staff Correspondent. Copyright.
London, June 23.—The foreign office denies the rumor that Curzon is
resigning in favor of Viscount Grey
of Falloden, despite the invitation to
Reginald McKenna to be chancellor
of the exchequer. of the exchequer.

The time has not yet come when the greatest Liberal leaders are willing to become Conservatives, nor ing to become Conservatives, nor would the Conservative party approve of giving the highest offices to ex-Liberals. McKenna's appointment has met with strong objection, because it was feared that McKenna as a freetrader will be opposed to imperial preference, to which a large Con-servative section has attached great importance. At this stage it is impossible to be sure either of Mc-Kenna's or Baldwin's attitude to im-

U. S. SEEKS TO CURTAIL USE OF PLANES IN WAR

Special to The Advertiser.
Washington, June 23.—The United States Government is preparing submit to the Senate a treaty wi the other powers containing drast regulations to curtail the horrors the use of aeroplanes in time of wa it was learned today.

THE GUMPS-OH, THAT MAN! HIS IDEA OF A HAPPY HOME WOULD

