BRIDE TELLS OF RESCUE FROM BURNING STEAMER

Mrs. Marshall Louch Writes of Night of Terror When Lenape Burned and All Her Wedding Gifts Were Lost—Trying Experiences in Lifeboat.

Graphically written and giving a realistic picture of terrible experiences encountered when the steamer Lenape, burned recently off the Atlantic coast, letters have been received from Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Louch by C. L. Welsh, father of Mrs. Louch, at Stratford, and by the parents of Mr. Louch, at 642 Princess avenue, this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Louch, a honeym on couple, lost all their belongings while en route to Florida when the steamer burned. The intimate story, told by one who went through the whole nerve-wracking experience, gives some idea of the troubles which the young couple met.

The aid of Senator Dr. J. P. Rankin and D. M. Wright, M.P. for Perth, requested by them, as they feel influence is needed to obtain restitution for the valuable luggage lost. The letter written by Mrs. Louch on Nov. 19 from Jacksonville, Fla., where the young couple are now staying, follows:

Dear Dad and Cora,—Just got through sending you a night wire. Got here at 4 o'clock p.m. by special train. There is an awful lot to tell you and lots to be explained. I'll tell you the whole story. We left New York at 2.30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. It was a lovely day, although quite a wind was blowing. We admired everything in New York harbor, watched our baggage go aboard, also 100 autos. When we were out of sight of the harbor everyone went inside and lounged around. Furnishings inside of the boat were very nice and comfortable. At 6 o'clock the call for dinner was sounded and everyone went happily into the lovely large dining-room. Little did we know that at that very time there was fire in the hold of the S.S. Lenape (pronounced Len-a-pe.) After eating we went up on deck and some time later retired to our stateroom.

"All Hands on Deck."

At five minutes to eleven we were awakened by four blasts of a weird whistle which meant "all hands on deck." We got up and opened the door. The halls were filled with members of the crew and colored men rushing around with lifebelts on. One woman across the hall was moaning, "My God, the ship is sinking." The engine stopped its pounding for five minutes. I'll never forget it. We got dressed thoroughly. I put on my warmest dress, my small blue hat and winter coat, then tied on the lifebelt and went out.

Everything was naturally rather panicky, as we thought we were going to be rushed out then but the seamen told us to keep cool, that they just wanted us all to be prepared. Smoke was by then pouring up into the decks, so we all went outside. Later they passed the word around that everything was safe, they had radioed and telegraphed around and had thirteen boats heading for us, but they had refused their help and were rushing on to Delaware Bay.

Stokers Are Overcome.

We were just opposite Atlantic City then but were rushed on past that. We were making seventeen knots an hour, and then men downstairs were feeding in the oil to give more steam and, dropping off like flies, rushed to the air, revived, and put back at it again. They sure worked hard. At about 3 o'clock things had quite calmed down, but we could feel an intense heat. We were told everything was safe, so several of us went into an outside stateroom and two of the party took off their lifebelts and we all sat down and rather joked about it all. We had gone into our room and packed our baggage and locked it in case the boat was saved, as we expected it would be. However, while we joked in this stateroom the order came: "Everyone into the lifeboats." Even then we thought it was just so that passengers would get ashore and the baggage could be saved. There were very weird experiences then. The great big darky cook, weighing about 300 pounds, got into our boat first, then Marshall threw me in, also two girls who were alone and were terrified. I told Marshall I would not go without him, so he got in with us and they let him stay to help row the lifeboat. No baggage was allowed in the boats. Even Marshall's new Paramount banjo, club bag and hat box were all locked in our stateroom. All open baggage was ransacked by the darkies, looking for liquor. Some of them got lots, too.

Boat Mismanaged.

One white man in our boat was so drunk he didn't know what he was doing. Ours was the second last boat to be lowered, and we had about 34 in it and only about six men to manage it—a member of the crew in charge, a man who had gone crazy, a drunken idiot who did everything wrong, a grinning negro, an elderly gentleman and Marshall. They couldn't get our boat lowered, one end was lowered a few feet, then the other end, then we bumped the side of the boat and thought we were going to upset any minute. Then they got us on the water from the second deck and couldn't get us unfastened from the ship. At that minute flames burst madly from the back of the ship. Everyone was quite calm. The passengers were wonderful

Push Away From Ship.

Finally they got the ropes cut and we pushed away from the burning ship, around the front of the ship to a waiting coastguard cutter, "Philadelphia." We rowed around, the drunken idiot pulling back towards the burning ship and Marshall pulling away from him. It was terrible. Finally by the light of strong flashlights from the coastguard boats, "Kickapoo" and "Seneca" we reached the "Philadelphia," were pulled on board and taken into the cabin, where hot coffee and sandwiches had been prepared for us. I couldn't eat so I watched through the port hole. The Lenape was a mass of flames. If it had not been so terrible we could have seen beauty in the sight of this large ship in flames at 4 o'clock in the morning. After we got crowded into this small boat, they brought in an old man, who had jumped overboard into the water. They gave him a stimulant which revived him a little.

Everyone was relating his and her experiences. There were so many old people on the boat and so many small children and babies in arms. One old, old lady saved a canary in a cage. We had to stay anchored to this spot out from land until 6:30 a.m. daylight, so we could get a deep place to land. Everyone was bright and laughing. We had to keep up for the sake of those who were so nervous. We were met at the dock by cars which rushed our little party of six up to the telegraph office, where we immediately wired you all. Then we were taken over to a church and given coffee and sandwiches and kept warm.

Right in the midst of all the sorrow of losing our baggage one woman, smoking her cigarette, yelled, "My God, my golf sticks were in the car." The people were ready to mob her right there, but just then the chief engineer came in and said, "If you men must smoke will you go outside and let the ladies have the fresh air, and that made her feel cheap enough. Later they told us one old man had been picked up out of the water at daylight. He had jumped over and got tangled in his lifebelt and was drowned.

Succumbed in Hospital.

We went upstairs to get warmed and while there the old man who had been picked up earlier came over to us and asked us to take off his shoes, so we did and he sat by the radiator. Poor old soul, we learned that he died in the Lewes, Delaware hospital later. The crowd all went outside, where moving picture men had arrived from New York, newspaper reporters with cameras had come by aeroplane from Philadelphia and took our pictures among the tombstones by the church. You'll see them in the Pathe news sometime. We all noticed that the crew of the boat had their baggage and yet they wouldn't allow the passengers to take one thing. However, about 11 o'clock we were taken to the Lewes station and by special train were taken to Wilmington, where there was a special Pullman and dining car waiting to take us here, to Jacksonville.

This morning when we woke up we were riding through South Carolina and later on through Georgia to Jacksonville, where we arrived at 4 o'clock. Most of the passengers went up to the Clyde line office to put in the petition formed on the train for investigation. However, there is a big investigation, which was fully explained to Marshall and me only, but we were asked not to mention it for a while. It sure is a real story though, and I'll tell you later.

Lost All Belongings.

Both our trunks, also club bag and hat box are gone. I haven't even a pair of gloves. All our lovely wedding presents, everything gone. I wish you could get in touch with Senator Rankin and D. M. Wright. We thought if they could take up our case as Canadian citizens with the government we would have a better chance of having our baggage made good, when it is taken up with the American government. The whole affair will be taken up with the government here, but they may put us back on our own values if not backed by our government. For Heaven's sake do all you can for us. All we have is one set of clothes, winter coats, one pair of shoes each. We could never explain it all to you, and when we think of our lovely wardrobe trunk full of Madiera linens, cottons, bedspread, my cut-work cloth and all my most precious things that people admired at my trousseau tea, are gone, burned to a frazzle, we nearly go crazy. We counted on being so happy with everything so nice, now we are happy without all our things. I hope some day, and by degrees, we can tell you what we went through. I forgot to tell you we saved a dirty old blanket from the boat to keep my feet warm in the lifeboat.

WRIT FOR PROPERTY ISSUED.

A writ has been issued in the supreme court for Ontario by Marvin H. Ramsay against Jennie Ramsay, T. W. Scandrett action for the plaintiff. The claim is to recover possession of house and land on Dundas street.

A Pimply Face Is Unsightly

Miss C. C. M. Smart, South Battleford, Sask., writes:—"A while ago I was troubled with facial blemishes, especially pimples, and was really ashamed to go out with such a bad looking face.

I tried 2 or 3 different remedies, but they didn't help me any, so one day a friend, who had been troubled the same as I was, advised me to use

BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS.

After I had taken two bottles there wasn't a pimple of any kind left on my face, and I now have a clear, smooth and velvety complexion."

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No Need of Strong Medicines or Diet—Famous But Simple Old English Recipe Keeps Stomach in Fine Condition, Banishes After-Eating Distress.

If you are a victim of Stomach Troubles—Gas, Sourness, Pain or Bloating—you may have quick and certain relief by following this simple advice.

Don't take strong medicines, artificial digestants or pull down your system by following unnecessary starvation diets.

Never hurry your meal or overeat of anything, but within reason most folks may eat what they like—if they will keep their stomach sweet, clean and active and free from the souring acids that hinder or paralyze the work of digestion.

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OSWALD BROWN,
London boy, who is a candidate for Ontario boys' parliament.

BOY CANDIDATES TO MAKE APPEAL

Four Aspirants of Parliamentary Honors Will Address Meeting Tonight.

Two hundred or more boys will be present at the large mass meeting to be held in the Y. M. C. A. tonight, when the four local candidates for the provincial boys' parliament will submit their platforms to the youthful voters. An added feature of the gathering will be the presence of Edward H. Devitt, of Kitchener, an aspirant to the premiership of the older boys' parliament. He will address the boys and solicit the support of the London members who will attend the sessions in Toronto next month. W. H. Spearman, district returning officer, will be in charge of the meeting, and other prominent boy workers in the city will speak during the evening. Several musical numbers will also be offered on the program.

One of the popular candidates who will speak tonight is Oswald Brown, of the Olympic tuxis group at Knox church. For a number of years he has been deeply interested in the C. S. E. T. program and has been responsible for a great development in boys' work at his own church. At the present time he is serving as scriptor of his local group and owing to his natural endowments and executive ability he is a worthy candidate for the office which he seeks.

Mr. Brown has been conducting a vigorous campaign during the past few weeks, speaking to many of the local groups and churches. His ability as a public speaker and his four-fold character have obtained for him a very strong following among the boys who will cast their ballots on Saturday. That the boys' parliament give special consideration to the C. S. E. T. pioneer program, so that isolated boys may be given the opportunity to follow the four-fold program, is the initial plank in his platform.

He advocates active support to the League of Nations and the inauguration of a national C. S. E. T. paper. He would have the various groups cooperate with the young people's societies and the C. G. I. T. movement throughout the province. Lastly he suggests that parliament organize a vocational guidance committee in each constituency, to which any boy could go for information regarding the choice of his life's work.

J. D. ISAACS REPRESENTS CITY AT TOURIST MEET

Londoner Has Given Much Time and Thought to Highway Traffic.

J. D. Isaacs, who has been the representative of the London chamber of commerce on the Windsor-Niagara Highway Tourist Association and on the Tourist Association of Ontario, is representing London tomorrow at the annual meeting of the Tourist Association of Ontario being held in Toronto. London has had in Mr. Isaacs a representative who has given a great deal of time and thought to matters pertaining to the advancement of tourist trade for London.

HONORED AT LAST.

Philadelphia.—For saving lives during a windstorm 34 years ago, when he was a Philadelphia policeman, Theodore H. Tweston, proctor at Cornell, has just been awarded a gold medal.

THE MOUNT ROBSON ROUTE ACROSS CANADA.

The delights of a trip across Canada never date in memory, the interest never wanes, and the ecstasy of one day's travel through the Canadian Rockies is an experience of a lifetime. The route of The Continental Limited which runs daily between Montreal and Vancouver, with direct connection at Toronto, via The National, traverses the beautiful lake country of Northern Ontario, and passes through some of the most fertile lands and prosperous cities of the great Prairie Provinces. A night's run from Edmonton and you are in Jasper National Park and the glorious Canadian Rockies, embracing some of the finest mountain scenery in the world; then on to the Pacific Coast through an everchanging panorama of magnificent and stupendous scenic effects. The Canadian National line through the mountains skirts Canada's highest peaks at the easiest gradient and lowest altitude of any transcontinental route, the highest point reached in crossing the "Great Divide" being 3,712 feet. You will consult your own interests if you make your next trip west by the Canadian National way. You have the choice of various routes, eastbound or westbound; you also have the option of making the journey in a splendid tourist car at minimum cost, or, if taste dictates, the more luxurious standard sleeping cars or compartment-library-observation cars are at your disposal. All-steel equipment and Canadian National character service insure maximum of travel comfort.

Any Canadian National Agent will be glad to help you plan your trip.

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Plan of Picking City Mayor From Council Not Popular

Giving the position of mayor to the alderman heading the poll, as suggested by Mayor Jutten of Hamilton, would not be a popular move in London, in the opinion of City Clerk Sam Baker.

"There is a prejudice against it, but I don't see why there should be," said Mr. Baker. "The mayor in English cities is always taken from the council and it works out very well.

"However, we are so close to the United States, where they are elected directly, that we want to do the same thing. There is no question that a man should not be mayor unless he has had experience.

"We have never had an inexperienced mayor in London who doesn't admit he would have done better in the first few months of his regime if he only had had experience in the work.

"They tried it out in Guelph, but went back to the old system once more. I feel that we are influenced by United States methods. In London a mayor has no more power than the ordinary alderman, but in practice he really represents the city council between sessions."

OLD BALL TEAMS MAY MEET AGAIN

City Treasurer Bell Suggests a Game Between Pastime and Knox Nines.

City Treasurer James S. Bell has come forward with a suggestion for the centennial celebration next year that will undoubtedly be hailed with much enthusiasm by the old-time baseball fans of London. He suggests a baseball game between the Pastimes and Knox church ball teams of 25 years ago.

"I noticed in The Advertiser's 25 years ago today column where the Pastimes had defeated Knox church for the city championship," said Mr Bell. "I used to play on the old Pastimes and on making inquiries I find that every member of the two teams with the exception of Jack O'Dell is still alive and will probably be home for the celebration. An effort could be made to make sure they would come.

"George Gibson played for Knox church in that game, but of course I was more familiar with the Pastimes 'Fat' Early pitched us to victory that day and Bill Carrothers caught behind the bat. Other members of the team were 'Sammy' Lee, 'Torch' Carroll, 'Skin' Phillips and 'Major' Hosie. Bill Haddon, who used to captain the champion Riversides and still takes a very active interest in sports, might be induced to play in the game. At any rate Bill would make a good umpire. We could have a whale of a good time and I think the old-time fans as well as the younger ones would be interested."

ARTS MEN SHUT OUT FROM ATHLETIC PLACE

Friendly Rivalry of Faculties Strained to Limit by Appointment.

The friendly rivalry which for years has marked the relations between the University of Western Ontario college of arts and the medical school has been strained to the limit in the past few days. Ill-feeling originated at a special meeting of the athletic directorate on Tuesday evening, which was to decide the manager of this year's senior basketball team. This appointment is considered a highly desirable one among the students, and as the medical school has had a monopoly of managerial appointments in the past few years the arts representatives fought hard to have an arts man. Harold Newell, appointed rather than Ted Dundas, the meds candidate.

In the heat of the argument words flowed freely and accusations of lack of school spirit and of stirring up ill-feeling were hurled from one to the other. The arts representatives claimed that as arts college is much the larger body and as they have not been favored with an appointment for some time that it was in the interests of the welfare of athletics at Western that their candidate be chosen.

The meds, on the other hand, claimed that they have the most players on the teams and refused to heed their opponents arguments. When the final vote was taken, Mr. Dundas was elected.

The college of arts was greatly handicapped as their two representatives, who are supposed to be appointed by the assembly before the beginning of the term, had not been appointed till shortly before the meeting, and when it was discovered that this procedure was unconstitutional their representatives were ruled ineligible. In order to gain admittance to the directorate it is understood that a petition by the arts students will be necessary.

Much discussion concerning the hectic meeting of the directorate was heard among the arts students this morning, and although a general feeling of resentment that the medical school should get all the honors prevails they would greatly dislike to be the cause of ill-feeling between them and the medical students.

The matter of the proposed outdoor skating rink for the college of arts was laid over till the next meeting and arrangements will be made with the arena so that the university hockey team can begin their practice there.

Members of the athletic directorate are: N. C. Hart, president; Major Gordon Ingram, honorary president; Dr. G. A. Smith, secretary-treasurer; Dr. L. Pritchett, medical faculty representative; A. Fuerth, Brescia hall representative; S. H. Brownlee, Huron college representative; M. B. Walker and W. Priddle, meds representatives.

DEMAND FOR FARM HELP.

Six experienced farm hands arrived in the city this morning with jobs awaiting them on farms in the vicinity of London. According to John M. Farrell, immigration agent of the dominion government here, a goodly number of experienced farm hands will be arriving here weekly, there being a good demand for this type of labor.

COUNTY SCHOOLS VISITED.

R. A. Finn of the London office of the Ontario department of agriculture and Inspector Thomson are out inspecting the public schools of the county with a view to furthering agricultural work among the schools.

COMMITTEE MAY SEE FIREWORKS

Ald. Bottrill Refuses To Predict, But Mayor Will Be Well Armed.

Despite the fact that Ald. Harry Bottrill has called a special meeting of No. 2 committee for 5:15 this afternoon to discuss the absolute closing of the Ridout street bridge, he simply "can't say a thing about it."

Ald. Bottrill closed the bridge to traffic Tuesday noon and inconvenienced several hundred motorists and it is expected that he will endeavor to justify his action before the members of the committee of which he is chairman, this afternoon.

In the opinion of civic authorities, Ald. Bottrill didn't have any jurisdiction in the matter and neither has his committee. The aldermen don't agree with their chairman and there is likely to be some caustic and pointed comment on the now famous stand that the London West alderman made at the bridge on Tuesday.

"How about the meeting this afternoon? What do you intend to do? What action do you think you can take?" Ald. Bottrill was asked.

"I couldn't tell you a thing about it," he replied. "I see the paper says the mayor won't be there. It won't make any difference whether he's there or not. I don't even know if all the committee will be present. However, I think they will. If they aren't, I'll tell you all about it anyway."

"Do you think you had the power to close the bridge?"

"You'll know all about it later," promised Ald. Bottrill.

Mayor Wenige stated that he would do his best to be present at the meeting and if he arrives, there will be more fireworks than are usually seen at the Western Fair. His worship will come to the meeting armed with legal information as to the powers of Ald. Bottrill or any other alderman as far as closing bridges are concerned.

"I won't say anything for the time being, but I am making inquiries as to the status of aldermen in such matters," declared the mayor. "We will have a showdown, that one thing sure."

Ald. Bottrill noted the fact that legal steps might be take agaist ihm for closing the bridge without authority. He wouldn't express any opinion, but intimated that he wouldn't be surprised if the whole affair ended up in police court. He was prepared to stand by his action and that was all there was to it.

News Briefs

MARRIES THIRD TIME.

New York.—Mrs. Alexander Dallas Pratt, whose first husband was John Barrymore, the actor, has married her third husband, Leon Orlowski of Warsaw, an attache at the Polish legation at Washington.

SELLS HOME FOR $7,000,000.

New York.—Mrs. Alice C. Vanderbilt was granted permission by the supreme court to sell her Fifth avenue mansion for $7,000,000, "since the property is no longer a suitable place for a residence." Mrs. Vanderbilt was made a life tenant of the house by her husband's will.

STEALS FOR COLD CASH.

New York.—Investigation of an iceman's ability to send his wife to Florida for the winter and to maintain an expensive apartment with a maid and a car attached, on $36 a week, led to the discovery that while he had twenty customers registered with the ice company he had 130 customers on his own private route, supplying them with ice at the company's expense and pocketing the proceeds.

BANDIT GET FIFTEEN YEARS.

New York.—Walter Aldridge of Niagara Falls, was sentenced to fifteen years in the penitentiary after two Bronx druggists had identified him as the holdup man.

$2,750 TO WEAR HOSE.

New York.—Because of scarred legs which she suffered in an automobile accident, and which prevented her from appearing at bathing beaches without stockings, Miss Eleanor Wrinkler was awarded $2,750 in her suit against George A. Colgan, son of the state boxing commissioner, who, she charged, was responsible for the accident.

USUAL ADVANCE POLL ARRANGED FOR ELECTION

The usual municipal advance poll for railway employees and commercial travellers who will be out of the city on election day, Dec. 7, has been arranged by City Clerk Baker for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 3, 4 and 5.

The polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and will be held in the city hall.

ELEVATOR COMPANY SUES.

Buchner and Ramsay have issued a writ in county court on behalf of the Boharm Elevator company of Moose Jaw, Sask., against T. H. Griffith of the city.

The claim is against the defendant as the maker of a promissory note for $681.25, dated Feb. 8, 1920, on which the interest is now $352.81, the total claim being for the sum of $1,034.06.

SUES FOR $500 NOTE.

A county court writ has been issued by Florence Marian Luscombe against Ernest R. Dennis, Spencer & Braund for the plaintiff claim $502.06 as the balance owing on a promissory note made by defendant in favor of James Luscombe, dated Sept. 30, 1924. The note was made for $500, with interest at 7 per cent.

BECK FUND TEAMS ARE "DIGGING IN"

Secretary Pearson Reports Success So Far in Appeal For $75,000.

Encouraged by the figures reported at last night's meeting of team workers in the Beck memorial endowment fund campaign, workers who have voluntarily enlisted in the effort to raise London's quota of $75,000 went out again this morning with renewed vigor, confident that the objective set would be in sight before the final meeting tomorrow evening.

Figures given at last night's meeting revealed that a total of $37,852 or more than 50 per cent of the required amount had already been raised.

Twenty-seven teams of canvassers were hard at work this morning in many sections of the city, calling upon citizens whom they had not been able to see in time for last night's meeting. While it was impossible to ascertain just what degree of success they were meeting, indications are that the response has been generous and that the final report banquet tomorrow night will reveal a large portion of the hoped-for amount realized.

As in all campaigns of the kind, there will still be a number of prospective subscribers not reached who will have to be seen later, but even with this factor taken into consideration, officials of the campaign committee are optimistic in their belief that the amount actually raised by tomorrow night will be sufficient to insure the complete success of the campaign.

Gerald F. Pearson, secretary-treasurer of the campaign, stated today that there were no outstanding features to report. "The teams are all out this morning and working hard," he commented. "We are not saying much but just digging in." The continued fine weather is proving a big help to the canvassers in covering the ground allotted them.

LONDON TEACHERS WILL RESUME CONVENTION

Address by Prof. Spencely Will Feature Meeting at the Central Collegiate.

Having spent the first day of its annual convention on a trip to Detroit to see the schools there, the London teachers' institute will meet in Empress public school tonight and at Central collegiate institute all day tomorrow, for the second day of the convention.

Prof. J. A. Spencely, M.A., University of Western Ontario, will give the chief address at tonight's meeting, on the subject of Robinson Crusoe, which will be illustrated with lantern slides.

The program, over which J. R. Littleproud, Simcoe street school, president of the institute, will preside, includes the following: Opening exercises conducted by Ven. Archdeacon G. B. Sage, D.D., St. George's Anglican church; voice exercises and selection, Lord Roberts' choir; solo, A Little Coon's Prayer, Miss Rosa Tuck; solo, Come to the Fair, Miss Eleanor Kerr, and lullaby, Lord Roberts' choir.

The features of the morning session tomorrow will be Mr. Littleproud's address as president and the election of officers.

ORANGE GRAND LODGE PLANS UNDER WAY

Details For Local Convention in March in Hands of County Lodge.

Arrangements are now under way for the staging of the annual grand lodge of Western Ontario Orangemen to take place here in the second week of March. At the same time that the Grand lodge meets the ladies' Orange lodge and the Black Knights will also hold a convention and the local organization expect that from eight hundred to a thousand will attend the different meetings.

The county L. O. L. of East Middlesex are in charge of the local arrangements, headed by the County Master, Dr. J. F. Bean.

The arrangements have not been completed as yet, but the event will be one of the most outstanding held by the Orangemen for a long time.

REV. A. G. WHITE,
of Minneapolis, son-in-law of H. Frank Whetter of London, who has been appointed dean of the Anglican cathedral at Duluth.

BRITISH LION LODGE MARKS ANNIVERSARY

S. F. Lawrason Is Chief Speaker at 38th Birthday of Body.

The British Lion lodge, No. 53, of the Sons of England, celebrated their 38th anniversary in the Forester's hall last night. After the annual banquet, a splendid program, featuring some of London's best talent, was presented. Over two hundred members and their families attended the gathering.

Following community singing, the chairman, Fred Chappell, district deputy, welcomed the visitors and introduced the speakers. One of the features of the evening was the presentation of the past district jewel to E. W. Moore. The presentation was made by E. W. Trump, past district deputy of St. Thomas.

S. F. Lawrason, chairman of the board of education and a member of the lodge, was the principal speaker of the evening. "The Sons of England are filling a place in the destiny of Canada," he said, "and that place can only be filled by British-born people with British traditions.

Mr. Lawrason spoke on the "British Flag," and told of what the Union Jack stands for. "Wherever the flag flies safety and freedom goes with it, and not so of any other nation. The British, who are the backbone of the league of nations, have been instrumental in having the Germans enter the league."

Addresses were also given by Ald. Ed. Smith, who stated that he was greatly interested in the Lion lodge, as his father was the first chartered member. He thought that the Sons of England should have a lodge room for themselves. Frank White, M.P., also spoke briefly on the work of the lodge, and said that owing to his work he was unable to get to lodge as much as he liked.

The program included many musical numbers. Piano solos were given by Miss F. Moore and Miss E. Wood. The audience were sent into riotous laughter by the comic songs of H. Watkins. C. Burnett delighted the audience with a solo, Until. Others who took part in the program are: M. Gee, who played on his concertina; a reading by Miss M. A. McNichol, violin solo by Miss R. Claridge, and a monologue by Bro. Almond.

J. M. Moore was welcomed as a guest and promised support in his present municipal contest for the centennial year.

"As one of those who attended the old frame school on Trafalgar street, well known to all Londoners of the older generation as the 'nine knot hole school,' I am a Londoner, born and bred, having London's best interests very close at heart," said Mr. Moore.

MACLEAN'S EDITOR SPEAKS TO KIWANIANS ON FRIDAY

I. Vernon MacKenzie, editor of MacLean's Magazine, will be speaker at the weekly Kiwanis luncheon held at the Tecumseh house tomorrow at noon. This being book week, the Kiwanians are assured that there will be a real message for them from Mr. MacKenzie.

In the Kiwanis weekly announcement it is announced that "Tom" Roy, well-known Kiwanian and the originator of the under-privilidged boys' work of the London Kiwanis club, will be the guest of honor at the Kiwanis ladies' night and boys' Christmas tree to be held on Dec. 17. Every Kiwanian is keeping this date open in anticipation of the biggest time yet.

COCKSHUTT VISIT OFF TILL JANUARY

Period of Royal Mourning Delays Inspection by Lieutenant-Governor at Western.

Following the policy of all government officials in the matter of cancellation of functions during the period of mourning for the late Queen-Mother Alexandra, Lieutenant-Governor Harry Cockshutt has cancelled his official visit to the university of Western Ontario until the end of January or the first of February.

The lieutenant-governor was to have visited the "U." in his official capacity as visitor on Dec. 3. With him was to have been G. Howard Ferguson, minister of education and premier of Ontario, and possibly W. L. Mackenzie King, premier of Canada, and other government officials.

The duty of the official visitor consists of making a survey of the work of the university, and so keep the government in practical connection with it. According to Col. W. J. Brown executive secretary of the "U," plans were being drawn up to facilitate the inspection of the work, and all possible assistance was to have been given to aid him in receiving exact information in the short time he would have been here.

The lieutenant-governor would have been taken to the institute of public health, there to discuss as many problems of the work as possible in the limited time; to the medical school, where he could inspect the students at their work. In the afternoon, the party was to have gone over the university college of arts.

SEIZURE OF STEERS BASIS OF LAWSUIT

John W. Hobbs Asks For Return of Animals or $170 Be Paid.

An action has been set down for trial in county court involving four steers alleged to have been sold to John W. Hobbs, West Nissouri farmer, by one of the defendants in the action, John S. Smibert, a farmer of the same township.

The plaintiff says that in March of the present year he purchased four steers from John Smibert, which were delivered to him. For these animals Hobbs claims to have paid $170.

On April 8, 1925, the two other defendants, Richard and Robert Smibert, brothers of John Smibert and both of London township, accompanied by a bailiff, one Billings of St. Marys, took the steers by force from the plaintiff. The defendants refused to return the steers to the plaintiff.

Robert and Richard Smibert claim to have partly owned the steers and say that they had not given John Smibert any authority to dispose of them.

The plaintiff claims either the return of the steers or else the $170 he paid for them, along with damages for their unlawful detention. Jarvis & Vining are appearing for the plaintiff.

BIG PROGRAM PLANNED FOR ST. ANDREW'S BANQUET

The St. Andrew's society of this city has planned a reunion banquet for Tuesday, Dec. 1. The society has sent invitations to sisters societies throughout Canada and United States and they are expecting a large assembly of representatives in company with their wives and friends to celebrate the night in true Scottish fashion.

The program will include the presentation of a banner to the society by W. J. Pretty; an address by Rev. Malcolm McArthur of Knox United church; a toast to "Brithers the World Over" by Dr. D. H. Stevenson. Representatives from the Sons of Scotland, lady members of the Sons of Scotland, St. George's society and the Irish Benevolent society will be in attendance to reply to the society's toast on their behalf. W. C. Noble will be acting toastmaster.

DEATH OF MISS ROBINSON.

The death of Miss Jennie Robinson in her seventy-fifth year occurred last night in Victoria hospital. Mrs. Robinson has no survivors. The body was forwarded from Logan's undertaking parlors today at noon to L[illegible] where the funeral will take place [illegible] the C. Murdy funeral parlors on F[illegible]y afternoon. Interment will take place at the Nursery cemetery, McGillivray.