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OVER 4,000 ENTER APPEAL FOR VOTE

Police Court Fines For Past Twelve Months Totalled $28,11

OVER HALF OBTAINED ON O. T. A. OFFENSES

Of 428 Convicted Under Liquor Act, Seven Were Guilty of Selling Intoxicants.

ALL CONVICTIONS FOR YEAR TOTALLED 1,698

ver 600 Motorists Proved Violators of Laws Governing Highway Traffic.

Fines collected in police court during the fiscal year from September 30, 1923, to September 30, 1924, amounted to no less than $28,117 on summary offenses and, with the addition of fines collected as alternative penalties in criminal prosecutions, the total is brought close to $30,000. Almost two-thirds of the total was made up of assessments imposed for various violations of the O. T. A., according to figures compiled by Police Court Clerk John Moule.

In the liquor category, those charged with having liquor in other than a private dwelling paid the overwhelming amount. In this class there were 86 convictions all told, of which 11 took the jail alternative. The remaining 75 paid into the police court treasury no less than $13,700.

The number of cases tried before the court during the fiscal year was 2,859 and 78 of these were criminal. Of the total number, 1,698 were convicted and pecuniary penalties or jail terms imposed. These figures are exclusive of the hearings held in cases in which the defendants chose trial by jury and which added appreciably to the amount of clerical work.

The number of convictions registered under the O. T. A. was 438. The great majority were persons convicted of being intoxicated and of the 342 against whom convictions were registered, 322 paid fines totaling $2,730. The remaining 40 were committed to jail.

SEVEN CONVICTED.

One of the most outstanding features of the statistics for the year is found in the fact that the number of persons convicted of selling liquor was small, while those caught with liquor in other than a private dwelling was comparatively large. Convictions for selling liquor numbered seven and a total of $1,600 was collected in fines from this source. Only one of the seven convicted took the jail alternative.

Other offenses against the O. T. A. were made up as follows: One conviction of drinking in a public place, for which a fine of $100 was collected; three convictions for illegal purchase of liquor, which brought in a total of $150, and one conviction for assisting to obtain liquor, which netted $50.

Inland revenue cases dealing with the illegal manufacture of liquor and beer, as well as cases involving unstamped cigarettes, brought six convictions and fines amounting to $650.

SPEEDING.

Motorists convicted in the city police court on charges of violating the Highway Traffic Act and the Motor Vehicle Act, which preceded it, numbered 669 and from this source the revenue derived was $4,812. Had the Highway Traffic Act been in force during the entire 12 months, this amount would be appreciably higher in view of the fact that under the latter ordinance the minimum fine for speeding was increased to $10, or double that of the Motor Vehicle Act. Speeders made up the

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THE WEATHER

FAIR AND WARMER.

FORECASTS.

Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay: Strong westerly winds; fair. Thursday: Southerly winds; mostly fair and somewhat warmer. Showers at night.

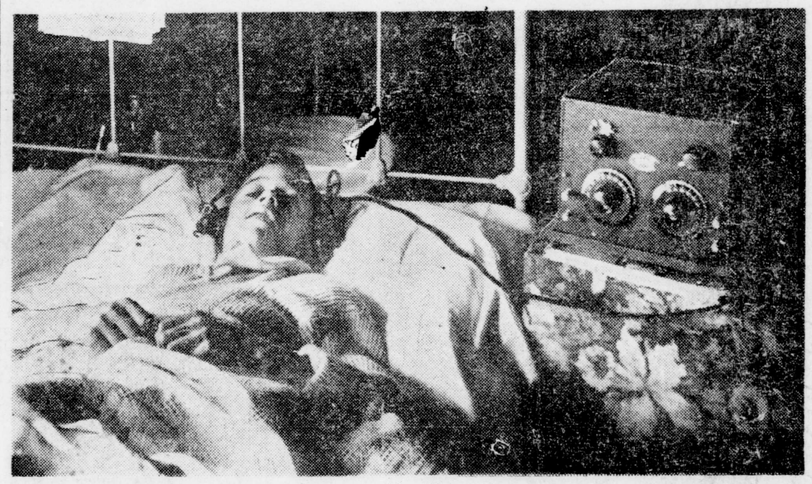
NOTES.

The pronounced trough of low pressure which was along the Atlantic coast yesterday has disappeared and the barometer is now lowest in Northern Quebec. Rain has been general over the Lower Lakes, St. Lawrence Valley and western portion of the Maritime Provinces. Unsettled conditions are again setting in over the Western Provinces.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Highest Yesterday.	Lowest During Night.
Prince Rupert...	48	62	46
Victoria	52	64	50
Kamloops	54	68	52
Calgary	36	68	36
Edmonton	44	66	42
Prince Albert...	50	74	48
Winnipeg	38	66	38
S. S. Marie	44	46	40
LONDON	40	45	37
Toronto	43	46	38
Kingston	42	48	40
Ottawa	40	48	38
Montreal	46	54	44
Quebec	46	56	46
St. John N. B ..	56	54	38
Halifax	64	62	54
St. Johns, Nfld...	48	76	48
Detroit	42	50	38
New York	48	70	46

Heard Church Services From Free Press Station



The Free Press Photo.

CLIME ROBINSON, 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Robinson, who resides just outside the city limits on Egerton street, heard the services of the Dundas Center Methodist Church that were broadcast from The Free Press station, CJGC, on Sunday. This is the first church service that Clime has heard for years, as for the past five years he has been confined to his bed. His radio set is his one big means of entertainment and he states that the concerts from The Free Press are just great. In spite of the fact that he is confronted with many years within the walls of his little room, he never complains, but is always bright and cheery.

$650,000 PAY ROLL FOR CITY SCHOOLS

Checks Totaling $64,330 Sent Out Last Month To School Board Employees.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TOTAL DOUBLE COLLEGIATES

Based on the amounts paid for September, London's bill for school salaries will total $650,000 for the current school year. For the month just ended checks totaling $64,330.35 were sent out to teachers and caretakers in both primary and secondary schools, and to the various officers on the permanent pay roll of the Board of Education.

Salaries for the public schools are almost twice as much as the combined total of the three collegiates and the Technical School. The checks sent out to the public schools for the month total $41,499, and the balance is divided between the secondary schools and the administrative staff. The latter would amount to about $2,000 a month, so that the Technical School and the Collegiate staffs would receive approximately $20,800.

TEN MONTHS IN YEAR.

The great majority of persons on the pay roll are employed for only 10 months in the year so that the total salary outlay for the year is 10 times $64,330 or $643,300. This is further augmented, however, by two months salaries paid to the administrative staffs and to the caretakers of the various schools.

The principal officers employed by the Board of Education apart from the teachers and janitors are the two public school inspectors, the secretary of the board, the school architect, the attendance officer and stenographers engaged in these offices. Their payments for the summer months would bring the yearly total up to about $650,000.

The total expenditure is slightly higher than last year, due to the automatic increases in salary paid to the teachers and to advances made in the remuneration of other officials.

WOMAN STOPS TEAM OF UNCONTROLLED HORSES

Exhibition of Nerve on Richmond Street Wins Admiration of Pedestrians.

People walking up Richmond street to-day were amazed to see a well-dressed woman step from the sidewalk and stop a pair of driverless horses just as they were beginning to break into a run.

Of course, the horses were not actually running, but it is a rare woman who would step up to a pair of powerful draft horses and by grasping them by the bit, bring them to a complete stop. The driver had left them standing while he dropped into a neighboring hotel for a glass of temperance beer, and the team, perhaps also in search of refreshment, had started up the street on the half trot when the lady brought them to a standstill.

ZANNI AT SHANGHAI.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 1.—(United Press.)—Major Pedro Zanni, Argentine world flyer, arrived here at 3 p. m. to-day after a five-hour flight from Foo Chow.

Prince Arthur May Be Named Next Viceroy

Special Cable To Free Press.

LONDON, Oct. 1.—The forthcoming visit of Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught to India has brought the suggestion that the vice-royalty of that empire may be offered to the prince. India has been asking for some time that a member of the royal family should be sent to India as the next vice-royalty, and the Aga-Khan, head of all Mohomedans, has stated that such an appointment would lift the vice-royalty out of party politics. The name of the Duke of York has been suggested also, but his appointment is unlikely.

POLICE BAFFLED IN BARNED SEARCH

Confident, However, That Londoner Will Be Found.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Oct. 1. — Confident that Frank Barned, of London, Ont., will be captured alive in the near future and the mystery of his disappearance thereby solved, police of this city continue to follow up every available clue that might bring about his arrest. Barned is charged with the murder of Smylie Muirhead, 35 years old, who was killed when Barned ran him down while he was walking with Mrs. Muirhead and Mrs. Barned.

The search began yesterday across the Niagara River on the American side is being continued, but so far without material result. This search was instituted following receipt of information from an American resident that he had seen a man resembling Barned making his way into the United States from the lower arch bridge.

Meanwhile police are completely baffled. The most striking phase of the case is that no person on the Canadian side of the river saw Barned after he abandoned his automobile six blocks away from the scene of the crime and more than two blocks from the edge of the gorge. It is this feature of the case that makes the mystery so difficult to solve.

VICTIM'S MOTHER IS SUING HODGES

Sue Alleged Driver of Death Car For $2,000.

Wm. R. Hodges, who will face a charge of manslaughter at the fall assizes and is now out on $10,000 bail, is the defendant in a $2,000 writ brought against him by Lucy Knott, parent of John Edwin Knott, deceased, Hodges car being alleged as the one which struck the boy on the Pipe Line road in August.

The plaintiff is the mother of the boy. Her claim was entered in the county court by her solicitors, Menzies & Cluff, is for $2,000, for the death of said John Knott from injuries received through the reckless and negligent driving of a motor car on or about the 6th day of August, A. D. 1924, on the Pipe Line road, in the County of Middlesex.

Hodges was apprehended at his home on the night of the accident by police and lodged in jail, charged with being the driver of the car that struck Knott. At his preliminary hearing before Squire Hawkshaw, he elected trial by judge and jury. Since that time the police have uncovered several important witnesses.

COUNTY VILLAGE MENACED BY FIRE

Garage and Two Autos Destroyed At Bryanston, With Loss of $4,000.

CITY FORCE ANSWERS EARLY MORNING CALL

Damage estimated at $4,000 was caused by fire early to-day which broke out in a garage in the Village of Bryanston and completely destroyed the building along with two automobiles under repairs at the time. Assistance was asked for and given by the London fire department, Fire Chief Aitken and a company of men making the trip with the pumper of the central station.

Nothing but the rain of yesterday and the strenuous efforts of the villagers saved two large general stores, comprising the principal blocks of the village, from destruction. The sparks failed to take hold in the water-soaked roofs and in an effort to prevent the blaze from spreading, a bucket brigade was formed by residents of Bryanston. Even under these combined circumstances, the village was seriously threatened with a disastrous fire.

The call for assistance was received here just before 3 o'clock this morning. Mayor Wenige agreed to send the pumping apparatus and a company of firemen. The trip of 12 miles was made in less than half an hour despite the fact that the route is over rough roads.

When the London fire fighters arrived upon the scene the garage in which the blaze originated, was a smouldering heap of ashes and the efforts of the firemen was devoted along the same lines as those of the villagers, mainly to keep the fire from spreading. After the danger was passed the local men returned to London. Fire Chief Aitken accompanied the brigade and took charge of operations.

Fortunately for the village there was no gasoline tank in the proximity of the garage. The nearest gas receptacle was situated on a corner in front of a general store, some distance away. It was never menaced.

The fire was first noticed by a resident of the village only after it had gained considerable headway and beyond the control of the vilage fire brigade. The alarm was given and other vilagers were quickly aroused from their slumbers to assist in carrying buckets of water for the protection of the adjoining buildings.

The origin of the blaze is unknown. The loss is understood to be covered by insurance.

JUDGE CAVERLY IN CHICAGO HOSPITAL

CHICAGO, Oct. 1.—Judge John R. Caverly, who sentenced Nathan Leopold, jr., and Richard Loeb, confessed kidnappers-slayers of Robert Franks, to life imprisonment, has been a closely-guarded patient in a hospital here since the close of the case, says to-day's Chicago Tribune.

Although Mrs. Caverly denies that the judge is sick and says she has been going to the hospital to visit friends, the newspaper says he is believed to be suffering from a nervous breakdown, the aftermath of the wearisome weeks of the hearing in which his was the sole responsibility of deciding the fate of the slayers.

OTTAWA MAN KILLS WIFE, TWO CHILDREN

J. B. Pirie, Despondent Because of Unemployment, Commits Triple Murder.

WALKS INTO POLICE STATION, CONFESSES

How Wife and Little Girls Were Slain Has Not Been Learned.

OTTAWA, Oct. 1—Despondent because of his inability to provide for his family on account of unemployment, John Buchanan Pirie, aged 40, formerly employed by a local gas and light company as bookkeeper, last night murdered his wife and two children, Kathleen, aged 7, and Joan, aged 6, in the rooming-house at which they were living, at 32 Grove street.

"I have killed my wife and two children," Pirie announced when he walked into the police station at 8.25 this morning. "I intended committing suicide when I realized what I had done—" and he ended with a gesture of despair, according to Sergt. John Cunningham, who was on desk duty.

FEARED LEAVING THEM.

In a letter found on Pirie's person Pirie said that he preferred killing his wife and daughters to doing away with himself and leaving them unprovided for and unprotected to face the world.

Inspector Emile Joliat, when told of the man's statement, sent two detectives to the house, which is owned by Mrs. Edward Gorman. Breaking down the back door, they were confronted by Mrs. Gorman. She did not know of anything, but when the detectives went into the Pirie bedroom they found Mrs. Pirie and two girls dead in bed. It is not known how they were slain. Mrs. Pirie had a bruise which had bled profusely on the side of her head, but the skull was not fractured. The two children had no marks on them. The medical authorities are inclined to think that some kind of poison was used.

Coroner Dr. J. E. Craig and Dr. C. J. McPherson were called in by the detectives. They verified the fact that Mrs. Pirie and the children were dead, but were at a loss to determine the cause of their death pending a post-mortem which will be held this afternoon.

According to Mrs. Gorman the Piries had been rooming with her since last June and had been a very quiet family. Pirie had always been good to his family, she said, and Mrs. Pirie and the children were very popular in the neighborhood. The landlady said she could not understand the cause of the tragedy, as the couple were most affectionate towards each other; but she added that they were three months behind with their rent and it seemed to worry Pirie exceedingly. Although she

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GARNER CASE GOES TO JURY

Both Accused Men Deny Charges of Desecration.

SARNIA, Oct. 1—The trial of George Garner and Roma C. Garner for alleged desecration of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church here on August 13, was nearing completion at the Lambton fall assizes here this afternoon. Taking of testimony concluded at noon and A. Weir, K. C., began his address to the jury followed by Col. E. S. Wigle, K. C., crown counsel. After the charge by Justice H. E. Ruse, the case went to the jury.

George Garner, one of the defendants, was in the stand to-day and was followed by his brother, Roma C. Garner. The evidence did not disclose any new feature except that Roma C. Garner was the author of a song mentioning the Ku Klux Klan. George Garner described his two visits to the church. The first visit being to "see and pray" and the second for the purpose of learning first hand, if the church was sprinkled with holy water or consecrated after the visit of Protestants, a proceeding which he said was usual with the Roman Catholic Church, after Protestants stepped inside the church while in the building. He did not believe that the hosts used by the priests changed after consecration but were still only bread and water. He denied point blank that he or his brother disturbed anything in the church.

Roma C. Garner's evidence was much the same as his brother's. He claimed to have got inspiration from God to write his songs. He had truth within his heart and this too came from God. He said he was bitterly against any acts such as theft from the church. He did not believe in purgatory, he said, and "ate meat on Friday or any other day he could get it." A verdict was expected late to-night.

Only 570 of 1,063 Who Appealed In Ward Two See Reviewing Officer

Necessity of Reporting To County Judge In Plebiscite Appeals Daunts Many—May Add Only 2,000 Throughout the City.

While there were 1,063 appeals from ward two for names to be added to the voters' lists for the O. T. A. plebiscite only a few more than one-half that number, 570, took the trouble to appear at the judge's sittings to follow up their appeals. Of course those who did not appear at the sitting will not have a vote in the plebiscite. If this percentage is maintained in wards three and four there will be considerably less than 2,000 names added to the list in the city.

The eastern portion of ward two, that section lying east of the river, apparently is more interested than the western section. There were 400 names added from the former section, while only 170 were placed on the lists from the western half of the ward.

SYNOD DIVIDES ON QUESTION OF PENSION REVENUE

Lower House Amendment To Church Canon Lost On Bishops' Nonconcurrence.

ASK UNIFORM PENSION FOR ALL CLERGYMEN

Lower House Member Would Put Retired Bishops and Rectors On Equality.

The question of what shall be done with the revenue from the General Synod Pension Fund, brought up during the consideration of a revised canon dealing with the fund at a joint session of the two houses of the 10th General Synod of the Church of England in Canada this morning, found the two houses at loggerheads. The result was a nonconcurring vote on the part of the House of Bishops, which turned down an amendment to the revised canon, which had been passed by the lower house, and the passing of the initial plan outlined in the canon to the effect that if the revenue from the fund be in excess to the amount required for expenditures of the year in question the amount is to be added to the capital of the General Synod and invested as such by the board of finance.

The clause of the canon dealing with this matter was made the subject of the amendment by Principal Vance, of Vancouver, who moved that the revnue, in excess of the amount required for the expenses, should be made into a contingent fund, which could be drawn from in "leaner years," when the income was not so great.

The amendment was vigorously opposed by the Bishop of Montreal, who presented the revised canon, who declared that the addition of this excess to the capital of the synod would aid in the prevention of decreased annuities to superannuated clergy and widows and orphans of clergy.

VOTE SQUASHED.

The expressions of opinion from the floor of the lower house were decidedly in favor of the amendment, while that from the upper house was to the contrary. A vote of the houses separately was called by the primate, the lower house voting 77 to 47 in favor of the amendment. The upper house, however, favored the motion only to the extent of four votes and the nonconcurrence of the upper house squashed the amendment.

Immediately following the vote, when the consideration of the revised canon

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APPROVE $89,595 OF NEW BUILDING

First Day of October Makes Auspicious Start.

Construction activities have taken a decided jump in the last few days, according to reports from Building Inspector Piper's office. And the general opinion is that building construction will continue to improve all throughout this month. It is further predicted that next year will be the largest year this city has ever seen in building construction.

Since the closing of the September building records yesterday nine building permits, aggregating $89,595, have been issued by Inspector Piper. In those is included the permit for the remodeling of the old Advertiser building on Dundas street, for J. A. Smallman, at a cost of $68,000. John Hayman & Sons have the contract, while Watt & Blackwell are the architects in charge. The building will be converted into stores on the ground floor and offices on the other floors.

In addition to that the fact that six permits for the construction of residences have been taken out since yesterday is taken as a sure indication of the upward trend of construction generally. F. Goring is building three $3,500 residences, one on Gordon stret, one on Grosvenor street and one on Windsor avenue. F. Deeley is erecting a dwelling on Highbury avenue at a cost of $4,400. J. C. Fletcher is building one on Oxford street east to cost $3,200 and W. J. Anthistle is building one on Grosvenor stret at a cost of $3,200.

Dean Ill

DEAN SHERWOOD FOX, of the University College of Arts, University of Western Ontario, who is confined to his home through illness.

NEW MAGISTRATE FOR MIDDLESEX

Jurisdiction Over the Whole County.

SWORN IN OFFICE TO-DAY

Frederick Zatse, of Parkhill, was added to-day to the list of magistrates whose jurisdiction extends over the whole or part of Middlesex County. Magistrate Zatse received his appointment to the office a short time ago from Attorney-General Nickle and he was sworn in to-day by Crown Attorney A. M. Judd.

The jurisdiction of Magistrate Zatse will extend over the whole of the county, but his duties will mainly be confined to the western portion. He will be required to travel from place to place, and in order that cases may be tried by him at an appointed time it is likely that a circuit of schedules will be established.

Magistrate Zatse is the only appointee to such an office in Middlesex County [illegible] to receive a definite salary, [illegible] Magistrate Graydon, who is [illegible] for the City of London as [illegible] County. In this fact is seen [illegible] provincial authorities to [illegible] the method of paying [illegible] on the basis of fees. Several magistrates now in office are remunerated by fees collected from the various cases they handle.

MUSICIAN FOUND DEAD IN CHAIR

Mrs. Emma Isaac Succumbs After Two Months' Illness.

Mrs. Emma Isaac, well-known in the city through her musical career, died last night at her late residence, 778 Colborne street. Mrs. Isaac had been seriously ill for the past two months, but at the time of her death was considered to be recovering. She was found dead, seated in a chair with an open book on her lap, which she had been reading. The cause was heart failure.

Mrs. Isaac was the daughter of the late James Penn, bandmaster of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers, and was herself an accomplished musician. At the age of 16 she held the position of the first organist of the old Pall Mall Methodist Church, of this city, and since that time had been active in all musical circles, having been soprano soloist of numerous church in the city. She was also connected with the W. M. S. and Ladies' Aid Society of Colborne Street Methodist Church, where she was a member.

Deceased is survived by her husband, John Isaac, of 778 Colborne street; one son, John S. Isaac of the local post office department; one daughter Mrs. A. Gould, of Edmonton; two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Fortner and Mrs. C. Reynolds, of this city, and one brother, James Penn, of South Bend, Ind.

The funeral will be held from her late residence on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Services will be conducted by Rev. U. J. Ureh, of Colborne Street Methodist Church, and interment will be made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

EXPECT[illegible] 2,000 WI[illegible] GET NAM[illegible] ON LIS[illegible]

Applicants Must Appear [illegible] son Before Judge Judd [illegible] Have Appeal Approve[illegible]

WARD FOUR LEADS WIT[illegible] 1,400 FILING APPLICA[illegible]

Ward Four Appeals To B[illegible] On Friday and Saturda[illegible] Seventy Allowed To.[illegible]

Appeals to the number of 4[illegible] been entered by citizens of [illegible] whose names are not on the [illegible] lists, to enable them to vote [illegible] O. T. A. plebiscite. This in[illegible] estimate of 1,400 in ward four [illegible] of 806 in ward three, 1,056 [illegible] two and 963 in ward one. But [illegible] expected that more than one [illegible] those applicants will take the [illegible] to attend the judge's sittings [illegible] to have their names placed on [illegible] The fact that an appeal has [illegible] tered does not entitle one [illegible] That appeal must be approv[illegible] Judge Judd and the applican[illegible] appear in person to press that [illegible]

WARD THREE APPEALS.

Ward three appeals are bei[illegible] by Judge Judd to-day and t[illegible] Appeals from the section of th[illegible] lying between Wellington and [illegible] streets are being considered [illegible] Seventy were allowed at the [illegible] sitting. A larger number wer[illegible] at the afternoon sitting, comme[illegible] 3 o'clock, and it is expected [illegible] more will appear at the eve[illegible] ting commencing at 7 o'cloc[illegible] the evening sittings have b[illegible] tised for 7.30, they are ope[illegible] in order to take care of all th[illegible]

The appeals from the section [illegible] three lying east of Adelaide st[illegible] cepting the annexed section [illegible] heard by Judge Judd to-morro[illegible]

Ward four appeals will be co[illegible] on Friday and Saturday. Fri[illegible] be devoted to the hearing of[illegible] from the section of ward four [illegible] tween Wellington and Adelaide [illegible] while the appeals from the sect[illegible] of Adlaide street will be heard [illegible] urday.

THE LAST DAY.

To-day is the last day for the [illegible] ing of appeals from the anne[illegible] tion of the city and this closes [illegible] peals from the city as a wh[illegible] appeals from the annex are be[illegible] celved in the city clerk's office [illegible] and they will be received u[illegible] o'clock this evening. None will [illegible] cepted after that hour.

FRESHMAN CLAS[illegible] NAMES OFFIC[illegible]

Nominations For Arts '28 [illegible] Election On Saturday[illegible]

The keenest class election in [illegible] tory of the University of Wes[illegible] tario has passed the nominati[illegible] and on Saturday the first o[illegible] Arts '28 will be chosen by their [illegible] men class mates, who number [illegible] towards 200.

There are four candidates in [illegible] for the office of president, two [illegible] vice-presidency, two seek elec[illegible] secretary and three are willing [illegible] responsibility of the treasurer's [illegible]

The nominations entered are [illegible] low:

For president: Travis Chapm[illegible] liam McCulley, Charles Fo[illegible] Wilfred Farley.

For vice-president: Florer[illegible] ner and Muriel Lindsay.

For secretary: Jean Bu[illegible] Dorothy McNeice.

For treasurer: Frank [illegible] Bice and Ken Thompson.

For representative to [illegible] Society: Jim McKenna, [illegible] and Hartley Upshall.

For the students' coun[illegible] Cella Little and Harold [illegible]

Scrutineer: Athol M[illegible] Wilson, and Fred Barn[illegible] officer.

WOMAN BF[illegible] HAL[illegible]

Falling off a [illegible] suance of her li[illegible] to-day, Mrs. A[illegible] land street, bro[illegible] dozen places. Mr[illegible] to Victoria Hos[illegible] was set and tre[illegible] Dr. W. J. Stey[illegible]

The injured [illegible] distance to [illegible] truded in th[illegible] it will be [illegible] jured me[illegible] mended.

Mrs. [illegible] former [illegible]