

## HEADQUARTERS OF C.N.R. TO BE NAMED IN 30 DAYS

Sir Henry Thornton Returns to Ottawa After Completing Western Trip—Continues Inquiry Into Cost and Feasibility of Electrification of Lines.

### SPECIAL COMMISSION WILL INVESTIGATE

Special to The Advertiser.  
Ottawa, Jan. 28.—Sir Henry Thornton, president of the National Railway System, on his return to Ottawa with several of his officials after an inspection trip through the Pacific coast, stated that he hoped to be able to make an announcement within thirty days as to where the headquarters of the National System will be. Beyond this, he would give no hint with regard to proposed improvements in what may be called the Toronto zone, extending from Cobourg on the east to the Niagara frontier.

He made to The Advertiser the important statement that he and his colleagues were going right ahead with the matter of inquiry into the cost and feasibility of electrification. "We propose to appoint a special commission," he answered, when asked what action was to be taken on this big work, "to inquire into the whole question of electrification, not only on what is known as the Toronto Eastern Railway, but through the Niagara frontier, and on other points where electrification may be considered advisable."

To Get Expert Opinions.  
Expert opinions will be secured by this commission, and a decision reached as soon as possible, as to what should be done to give the best possible service to that area.

"No announcement is yet ready, then, as to whether the report which has been prepared on the electrification of the Toronto Eastern will be approved," inquired The Advertiser. "We want to consider it in a broader way than that, by relating this proposition to electrification west of Toronto. You need have no doubt about our activity on that point," said Sir Henry quite definitely.

"We intend to give whatever improved service the commission, after careful study, can recommend." This is taken to mean that estimates of cost and of earnings, and a study of the density of population and the necessity for the service, and through traffic, will be made for the district from Toronto to St. Catharines. Reports have already been prepared on the electrification of the Toronto Eastern from a point on Queen Street, near the Don, to the Niagara Falls, and on the electrification of the Toronto Eastern from a point on Queen Street, near the Don, to the Niagara Falls, and on the electrification of the Toronto Eastern from a point on Queen Street, near the Don, to the Niagara Falls.

Returned to Ottawa.  
On the return they ran for forty-eight hours, continuously, over the Transcontinental as far east as Lac du Lac, Quebec. From there the party came back to Ottawa. Sir Henry brought with him a trunk full of reports presented by civic delegations, boards of trade, and agricultural associations, and improvements. He has now traveled over the coast from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and there are portions of the Grand Trunk in Ontario and in the United States still to be inspected.

May Lay Third Track.  
It is understood that the plan now in mind is to lay a third track so as to provide for fast local and inter-urban business, that a commission probably composed of some outside electrical experts, working in conjunction with traffic and operating officials of the National lines, will be named to examine the plan.

They will survey the whole scheme of things, and Sir Henry made it quite clear to The Advertiser that this commission would be set to work at an early date. Though the electrification will be studied and passed upon finally, as a whole, it is not understood that the completion of the Toronto Eastern would necessarily be delayed till the work west of Toronto was carried out.

Want Railway Completed.  
The significance of this was particularly emphasized by Sir Henry with regard to numerous requests made in Western Canada. He found a strong sentiment in a portion of the west favorable to the completion of the trunk line, and he was in order that grain may be shipped by that route to Europe. In the third analysis it was for parliament to see whether such a railway should be built, but in the meantime he was equipping himself with the information that could be collected in order to give opinions if they were wanted, or perhaps make recommendations.

MASONS AT STRATFORD  
INSTALL NEW OFFICERS  
Special to The Advertiser.  
Stratford, Jan. 28.—Officers of the Elks Chapter, No. 4, Royal Arch Masons, were installed this evening by Ex. Comp. W. G. Irwin and Ex. Comp. John Stevenson.

The following were the officers installed: Ex. Comp. D. M. Scott, Ex. Comp. Alex. Cameron, H. Comp. E. A. Robertson, J. Ex. Comp. John Stevenson, Ex. Comp. D. M. Scott, Ex. Comp. Alex. Cameron, H. Comp. E. A. Robertson, J. Ex. Comp. John Stevenson, Ex. Comp. D. M. Scott, Ex. Comp. Alex. Cameron, H. Comp. E. A. Robertson, J. Ex. Comp. John Stevenson.

RUTHVEN  
Special to The Advertiser.  
Ruthven, Jan. 28.—The many large fields which were sown in clover and fall wheat here have been covered so far all winter with a blanket of snow which has protected the roots. It is anticipated that both will be a bumper yield next season.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Johnstone of Winnipeg arrived here on Monday, and at present are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Smith. Mrs. Johnstone is a sister of Mr. Smith.

Mr. Charles Eaton, who has been the guest of friends for a week, has returned to her home at West Lorne. Reeve William Clifford, who was a contestant for the warden's chair of Lambton county, was defeated by one vote.

Cut cutting opened up in full swing on Monday, and although it is only about 8 inches thick it is a fine quality.

## I SPED TO

EVERYBODY'S "spying!" Why not you, too? Keep your eyes open for news and win one dollar.

### It's news that is wanted; something you see, not a funny conversation or an old joke.

One dollar awaits "R. T. G." who can find the missing item today. A man leading a cow by a rope, crossing the railroad tracks. The man succeeded in crossing the tracks safely, but when he looked around all he had left was the rope, the cow having been struck and killed by a train. It's a good thing the cow wasn't leading the man. This actually happened—A. T. G.

A north belt car and an automobile came together, the car going east, the auto going west. The auto turned right around and an Ottawa car coming along, just slowed up in time. In about five minutes there were about a hundred at the scene of the near collision.—IN THE CAR.

Every morning a big burly tomat standing erect and, with his forepaws vigorously shaking the doorknob of a certain home on Princess avenue in order to gain admittance. He resorts to this trick several times a day when he wishes to enter, and as he was never taught to do it, he is considered a veritable puss-in-boots.—K. A.

A middle-aged woman, wearing a short, tight skirt and high Russian boots, sitting on the edge of a seat in a crowded car. She slid off the seat when she made a sharp turn at the street corner. It gave two gentlemen several minutes hard work trying to get her up. The crowd vainly tried to suppress their laughter until they found out that she had the wrong end of the stick.—A. T. G.

## Unitarians Only Ones to Indorse Unorthodox Doctrines of Grant

UNITARIANS.—(By Staff Reporter.)

New York, Jan. 28.—New York churchmen today were awaiting with keen interest the next move in the controversy between Bishop William T. Manning and Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, pastor of the Church of the Ascension. An announcement from Bishop Manning as to what action will be taken in the matter is expected at any time, though he declined to make any statement this morning.

An immense crowd, evidently hoping for a new sensation in the music discussed case, gathered at Dr. Grant's church yesterday. Dr. Grant, in his sermon, steered clear of the shoals of theological belief, but, refusing to resign or recant his previous pulpits utterances, he gave some side-lights on his stand and its contribution to the Unitarian cause.

Dr. Grant spoke of the current discontent, saying it was no time to wrangle over dogma. People today wanted to talk, he said, and were not getting it in the pulpits. He said he had informed the bishop that he would utter "talk down to his congregation."

Dr. Grant's position was made the subject of the sermons in many other churches. He was assailed by the "assailed him bitterly as 'usurper' and 'skeptic.'" There were one or two references of praise for his position uttered by Unitarian pastors, but the preachers of other denominations condemned him unanimously.

## MANY CURLERS ATTEND ST. THOMAS BONSPIEL WILL EXPLAIN METHOD USED IN MAKING PAPER

Competitors Gather at Granite Rink to Await Outcome of Draw.

Special to The Advertiser.  
St. Thomas, Jan. 28.—Early this afternoon, with entries for the big bonspiel nearly complete, the St. Thomas Granite curling rink, as aswarm with curlers from a wide territory, anxiously awaiting the draw and the opening of the first event at 2 p.m. Upwards of forty rinks will be in this afternoon's play. The first event, with the Just-Wright Shoe Challenge Trophy as the coveted prize, will, it is expected, take up the remainder of the day. The second event, for the Reo Challenge Trophy, and the third event for the Elgin Challenge Trophy, will not be concluded until late on Wednesday. Valuable individual prizes have been offered by the St. Thomas Granite Curling Club for the first four places in each event.

Secretary-Treasurer W. K. Cameron this morning was very optimistic over the bright promise of the 'spiel, and stated that entries already received had exceeded expectations. Further entries will be made before play begins, he said.

Following is a list of entries received up until noon today: W. N. Smith, Owen Sound; W. Edwards, St. Marys; H. R. Moffat, Owen Sound; W. A. Wilson, St. Marys; A. M. Crawford, Wingham; E. Small, Wingham; J. C. Telford, Owen Sound; G. R. Hall, Plattsville; J. E. English, Plattsville; W. Ament, Seaforth; Fred Allan, London; Thistles; R. McKenzie, Sarnia; E. S. Batchelor, Stratford; Dr. Ireland, Harrison; Dr. Wright, London; C. G. Smith, London; W. Hodgins, London; C. C. James, Brantford; W. J. Chandler, D. Emslie, E. P. Cash, R. E. Coffey, W. K. Cameron, W. V. Vair, R. M. Anderson, F. W. Sutherland, H. Plache, E. Butler, J. D. Loch, St. Catharines; Norman Keen, Thistles; Robt. T. McCulloch, London; Thistles; Brantford; Bright, Grenville, Petrolia.

FOREST SOCIETY ENJOYS PROGRAM AT CAMLACHIE  
Special to The Advertiser.  
Camlachie, Jan. 28.—The members of the Build Better Society entertained about 25 of the members of the Young People's Society of Forest at Friday evening, in the L. O. O. F. hall.

An enjoyable evening was spent by those in attendance. Following a dainty lunch the "Tattle" was read by Miss Bessie McFarlane.

Milk Bottles Grow Fewer and Fewer, So Police Arrest Pair of Early Birds  
"The early bird not only gets the worm but also the cream, and leaves the blue milk for the rest of the folks."—Nemo.

Last week the good people of Pall Mall street noticed that every day in some dog-gone way their milk bottles were getting fewer and fewer, and so they complained to the police.

In the smug hours of Saturday morn the guardians of the law took Oswald Harrison and William Hetherington under their wing when they found these two men in the vicinity whence the complaint originated. They were suspected of lifting the lives can be informed of his plight.

above-mentioned containers of lactated fluid, but that was no evidence to this effect.

This morning in police court, Hetherington stated that he had gone to Pall Mall street to borrow a pad for a horse-collar. He said he had a sick wife at home, and on this ground the magistrate released him on a suspended sentence.

Harrison declared he was in that locality in search of a friend of his by the name of Biggar, but little credence was given to his assertion by the police. He said his family lived in Windsor, where he was remanded for a week until his relatives can be informed of his plight.

## CITY 'CLEAN UP' SESSION POSTPONED BY MAYOR

Chief Magistrate Selects Thursday for Special Meeting of Councillors.

Mayor Wenige announced this morning that it has been found impossible to stage a special "clean-up" session of the city council tonight, as anticipated. He sets Thursday next as an appropriate date, all other things being equal.

It was proposed that all members of the council would equip themselves with all necessary data in connection with the operation of every department at the city hall. This has been impossible on short notice. The councillors will meet, however, Tuesday night for a few minutes to approve of the change in the Western University debentures, from 5 per cent to 5 per cent. The session is calculated to last but a few minutes only, as the mayor gives assurance that nothing else will be considered.

Meeting directly afterwards, the members of the board of works will receive and consider the recommendations concerning the city engineer's department, as submitted by the special "investigation" group headed by Ald. Leonard Douglas.

At the foot of Colborne street, near Victoria Hospital, nine strange birds, nearly as large as a robin, but with longer legs. They were of a dark slate color, with white feathers in their tail and wings, a small white spot on the breast, and a little tuft of white feathers on top of their heads. They were busy picking at some ashes. Becoming frightened at a passing car, they started to fly, one taking the lead, the rest following in pairs, but making an almost perfect V. Flying very low, only a few feet from the snow, they crossed the river and out of sight. I am told these birds pass through here about this time each year, but are very rarely seen near the city.—WHAT'S THEIR NAME?

## FLAG AT HALF MAST AS TRIBUTE TO HERO

City Undertakes Official Recognition of Sergeant Richardson's Passing.

The Union Jack flies at half-mast over the city hall, a mark of tribute to the Empire's oldest recipient of the Victoria Cross, Sergeant George Richardson, who passed away last night at Westminster Hospital.

The departed warrior will be buried in Toronto, with all honor due a soldier who won his country's most coveted award 64 years ago. Burial takes place tomorrow in Toronto, and Sergeant Richardson goes to his reward as he desired—an Orangeman.

Accompanied by a detachment of the Royal Canadian Regiment, members of the Great War Veterans and other veteran organizations of the city escorted the casket late this afternoon to the Grand Trunk depot for George Logan & Sons' undertaking parlors, for transportation to Toronto on the 4:30 train.

Approaching the city hall this morning, Advertiser representatives learned that Londoners had undertaken no official recognition of the passing in their midst of one of the Empire's heroes.

The question was taken up with Mayor Wenige, who immediately directed the city clerk to issue orders that the flag be placed at half-mast, "it is the least that can be done," his worship stated.

## TELLS YOUNG PEOPLE SECRET OF HAPPINESS

Following God Is Only Recipe, Says Commissioner Sowton.

The week-end visit of Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton to London proved a successful one. The party arrived on the G. T. R. at noon Saturday. In the evening there was a young people's entertainment at No. 1 Citadel, presided over by the commissioner.

There was a splendid program, in which the city corps took part, and also the lifesaving troop from St. Thomas.

There were three sessions on Sunday, at the first of which Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton gave a brilliant address on "What Shall I Do With My Life?" drawing on many experiences from his own life in the army, and from that of many other officers. He showed that unless the dictates and laws of God were adhered to, there could be no real happiness in this world.

In this service, Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton were supported by Lieut.-Col. A. B. Perry, the editor of the War Cry; Brigadier and Mrs. Creighton, Staff Capt. and Mrs. Penfold, and many of the field officers of the district.

About two hundred young people and officers of the various outside corps attended, filling the citadel, and their lives to God at the close of the service.

## DELAY HOSPITAL OPENING WAITING FOR EQUIPMENT

"We are compelled to wait for the equipment," Mayor Wenige explained today, referring to the delay in connection with the opening of the Children's Hospital.

As promised, his worship instituted inquiry in this respect at a meeting of the house committee of the city hospital yesterday afternoon. "I found it was impossible to proceed," he reported, "as this necessary equipment has not arrived. We have no idea when it will reach the city, and in the meanwhile we can only endeavor to speed up delivery."

The children's institution was formally opened last October.

## It Doesn't Matter What Church You Go To.

Investments are what we are all after this year, and it doesn't matter what church you go to a perfect blue white diamond will cost you less from John A. Nash, Jeweller, 132 Dundas street, "where you will eventually buy."—Advt.

## LABOR PARTY TO PUSH ORGANIZATION WORK

There will be an open meeting under the auspices of the London Trades and Labor Council for the purpose of furthering their organization work. This meeting will be held on Thursday, February 1, in the Labor Temple, 288 Dundas street, at 8 p.m. A large attendance is desired.

## Describes Outer Chamber of Tomb of Ancient King

Room, Hewn Out of Solid Rock, Contains Wooden Statue of Tut-Ankh-Amen—Door Smashed by Thieves in Search of Loot.

Special to The Advertiser.  
Luxor, Egypt, Jan. 28.—Lord Carnarvon arrived here today to make preparations for opening the inner tomb of Tut-Ankh-Amen, ruler of Egypt 3,400 years ago. In this inner tomb the mummies of Tut-Ankh-Amen and his queen are expected to be found, together with many objects of tremendous archaeological interest.

Thousands of tourists, many of them from America, are crowding into the valley of Kings to see the articles being removed from the ancient tomb.

By ARTHUR WEIGALL.  
Special Cable to The Advertiser.  
Luxor, Egypt, Jan. 28.—I do not think there has been any description of the inside of the tomb of Pharaoh Tut-Ankh-Amen since space to move about it has been obtained by the removal of many piled-up articles of furniture which made the original views so confusing. I went down into it this morning, and now that the air is set, so to speak, for the opening of the inner chamber, where the mummy or mummies is expected to be found, it will be as well to record my impressions.

One descends a steep flight of rock-cut steps, and walks down a square sloping passage, neatly hewn out of limestone. Suddenly, at the end, one steps down into the middle of a long, narrow chamber running at right angles to the entrance. This chamber is, I suppose, about 25 feet long, 12 feet broad, and 9 feet high, and is now illuminated by two glaring electric lamps attached to the bare wall on either side of the entrance.

Pink Plaster.  
The north wall, on the right as one enters, is covered with smooth, pink plaster. This is evidently a built partition, whereas the other walls are more or less white, and seem to be the original surface. In this wall there is a blocked-up doorway, leading to the burial chamber. This doorway is smeared over with grey cement, on which are many impressions and large seals of Tut-Ankh-Amen and the necropolis of the priests, all cut into the cement with a sharp tool.

It looks as though the chamber extended beyond the wall; that one end of this same chamber has been partitioned off for the actual burial purposes. On either side of the blocked-up doorway is a wooden statue of the king, the body and limbs painted black, and the head, dress, skirt, sandals, and so forth.

MRS. KATHLEEN TOPPING.  
The funeral will take place on Wednesday at 2 o'clock in Woodland Cemetery of Kathleen Topping of Aylmer, who died in the hospital at Byron on Sunday. She is survived by her father, Abram Ellsworth of Aylmer, and by her husband, George E. Topping of Byron.

MRS. MARY LING.  
The death occurred on Sunday in Victoria Hospital of Mary Ling of 555 William street. The funeral will take place from the parlors of G. E. Logan tomorrow at 2 o'clock to Woodland Cemetery. Mrs. Ling is survived by her husband, Henry B. Ling, of this city, and was in his 48th year.

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MRS. ELIZA HARDY.  
The funeral took place yesterday at Mount Pleasant Cemetery of Mrs. Eliza Hardy of 101 Forward avenue, who died on Friday. Mrs. Hardy was 72 years of age. She is survived by her husband, George Hardy, and by her daughter, Gertrude Hardy of 465 English street, will be held from G. E. Logan's funeral parlors tomorrow at 2:30. The interment will take place in Woodland Cemetery.

MRS. SUSANNAH HUGHES.  
The death took place yesterday at her residence of Mrs. Susannah Hughes-Owens, in her 73rd year. The deceased, whose maiden name was Owens, was born in Ireland, the daughter of Geo. Owens of Belfast. She is survived by her husband, Richard T. Hughes. The funeral will take place today from G. E. Logan's parlors at 1:30 to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

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covered in gold leaf, which looks very burnished in the glare of the electric lights, but which is undoubtedly of great value.

These two figures face inward from two corners of the room, and therefore they are not in the way of the opening of the doorway between them, but presumably they will be removed before that operation begins.

Mysterious North Wall.  
It is with difficulty that one turns one's eyes away from the mysterious north wall which holds behind it a 3,000 years old secret, but at length one gives attention to the west wall, facing the entrance. Here, somewhat to the left is an ancient sealed door, but a large jagged hole has been made in the lower part by an ancient robber. Through this aperture one obtains a dim view of the mass of funeral furniture, as yet untouched.

Two of the three golden ceremonial coffins still stand there, but a third has been removed, as I described recently. They are great, tall, heavy affairs, these coffins. One has the sides fashioned into representations of elongated lions, and the other hippopotami. They are not beautiful or high art, in spite of their intrinsic value, but look like the pantomime props, or stage sets.

I remember in the smashed-up tomb of Horemheb, one of Tut-Ankh-Amen's successors, we found both hippopotami and lion heads carved in wood. These were somewhat of a puzzle to us at the time, but it is now clear that they were the remains of the king's chariots, and one must suppose that they formed some part of the funeral ceremonies of that ancient time.

Three Chariots.  
Next one turns to the south end, and here in a heap are the bodies of three chariots, which will be most difficult to move without damage, owing to the manner in which they were tumbled into the corner by the ancient thieves. A few odds and ends of the chariots are still remaining in the tomb, and one's eye turns back once more to that sealed doorway, wondering whether three chariots could climb back into it, listening in darkness as we move about in this outer chamber, or whether the Tut-Ankh-Amen rests there in solitary glory.

I think he must be in a stone sarcophagus, for I have examined the stone and found it to be of a reddish-brown color, and it is useless to speculate, and one can only turn away and climb back into the dazzling sunlight of the valley of the kings, where daily crowds of sightseers gather, feeling again the mystery of the Tut-Ankh-Amen burial with the beginnings of earthly civilization.

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## KNOX CHURCH, MITCHELL ENDS SPLENDID YEAR

Women's Missionary Society Leads Auxiliaries in Stratford Presbytery.

Special to The Advertiser.  
Mitchell, Jan. 28.—At the annual meeting of Knox Church congregation, at which Dr. A. J. Brown presided, the reports for the year evidenced progress in the various departments.

The Women's Missionary Society excelled all past records, ranking first in the Stratford Presbytery, in which there are 31 auxiliaries.

The treasurer, John Rankin, presented his 25th financial report, which was the best in the history of the congregation.

Total receipts were \$4,647.40. A deficit of \$564 was paid, and there is a balance on hand of \$304.82. The salary of Miss Black, the church organist, was increased by \$100.

At the close of the meeting the pastor, Rev. J. W. Gordon, was presented with \$100 in cash by members of the congregation.

WESTERN UNIVERSITY extension lectures will be continued this week, when Professor N. C. Hart will speak at the public library on Thursday evening on "The Growth of Nature." The lecture will be illustrated.

The following Thursday, Feb. 8, Professor Gordon Wood will speak at the library building on "Canada's Trade Relations with the West." On Tuesday, Feb. 13, at the Collegiate Institute auditorium, Monsieur Firmin Rou, assistant director of the National Bureau of French Universities and High Schools, will lecture in French on "La vie intellectuelle en France."

This lecture is being given under the auspices of the university extension division of Western University and the London branch of the Alliance Francaise. On Thursday, Feb. 22, at the public library, Lieut.-Col. W. J. Brown will lecture on "The Growth of the British Empire."

A new series will be announced for the month of March.

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