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LABOR SITUATION NOT EASED BY WEATHER

Farmers Are Asking for More Help, But Want Experienced Men.

The recent mild weather has not eased the unemployment situation in this city to any great extent, according to J. C. Spencer, superintendent of the local branch of the Ontario Government Employment Bureau. He stated that last week there were prospects that the city would take on a few more men this week, but so far no call has been received. Only a few men are employed on the excavation work on the new Collegiate Institute site, but by next week building operations are expected to be commenced, with the result that more men will be employed.

This week, the weather has been responsible for a decided increase in the demand for farm labor, but the majority of the farmers prefer experienced farmers.

In the opinion of R. A. Finn, district representative of the Ontario Agricultural Department, seeding in the country will be completed this week. A number of farmers finished this work last week, but work in the low-lying lands was delayed by the rains.

AGED WOMAN FINDS A HOME AT LAST

Mrs. Sarah Nelson Is Made Happy Through Efforts of Salvation Army.

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Through the efforts of the Salvation Army, a private home has been located for Mrs. Sarah Nelson, aged 84, who has been confined to the county jail for several days owing to the fact that she had no place else to go. She was, accordingly discharged this morning, and left with her new friends.

ORGANISTS' DEBATE

Resolved "That Musician Has No Time For Anything But His Music" Ends in Tie Vote.

A well-attended meeting of the Organists' Club was held last evening at the residence of the president, J. Parnell Morris. After the business of the evening Thomas G. Mitcheltree gave an interesting talk on Beethoven, with piano illustrations, which was much enjoyed by the members present.

This was followed by a debate on the resolution that a musician has no time for anything else but his music, the affirmative being led by F. Linforth Willgoose, and the negative by J. Parnell Morris. Each member present took part, and some very interesting points were made, the result being a tie. Light refreshments were served at the close of a most enjoyable evening.

Obituary

DEATH OF MRS. C. A. HODGES.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Hodges, 55 years old, wife of C. A. Hodges, 14 Johnston street, died Monday afternoon at Victoria Hospital. Besides her husband, she is survived by one daughter. The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon to Woodland Cemetery. Services will be conducted by Rev. E. Leslie Armitage of St. James' Anglican Church.

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FIREMEN CONTRIBUTE SPLENDIDLY TO THE WELFARE ASSOCIATION

Teams Will Report Progress At Dinner Wednesday Night.

"What shall I give, and on what terms?" is probably the most vexing problem confronting the citizens of London deeply interested in the Welfare Fund campaign. Profiting by experience gained in last year's drive, the Welfare Fund Association has sought to answer the question for everyone by a table of estimates posted in the inside of the cover of a booklet distributed by them throughout the city.

The table was prepared by a special committee, which considered carefully every angle of the problem as it faces each class of wage earners. For wage earners, including factory hands, clerks and laborers, the committee would suggest that a day's pay should be given. The payment of this amount could be spread, if it were so desired, over a period of several weeks. Foreman, salaried officials and minor executives with annual incomes of less than $3,000, should give, it is believed, from two days' pay to one per cent of their annual income, paid in twelve monthly installments.

It is suggested that people with incomes of $3,000 and more should give approximately the following minimum amounts based on percentages ranging from one per cent to three per cent of their total salary: on a $3,000 salary, $30; on $3,500, $40; $4,000, $50; $4,500, $60; $5,000, $75; $6,000, $100, $7,000, $140; $8,000, $180, and on $9,000, $270. These payments could be made in twelve monthly installments if so desired.

Special arrangements have been made by which anyone may designate to which of the fifteen societies he wishes his money to go if by perchance there are some on the list which he does not desire to help. This practice is not encouraged by the association, but it was believed that some provision should be made because in its opinion, many people used their prejudices as a means to sidetrack the whole issue. Although there was considerable cry last year on this ground, it was pointed out by the officials that only 600 out of the total of $127,000 was marked to go to special organizations.

The several organizations, including the Kiwanis Club, the Rotary Club, the Catholic and Advertising Clubs, the Salvation Army and the Underwriters, were canvassing today. No report, however, will be made until Wednesday night, when a dinner will be given by Col. W. M. Gartshore, vice-president of the organization.

E. V. Buchanan reported splendid progress among the public utilities. He claimed that the firemen had shown the greatest enthusiasm, and that the police were well organized. The committees on the railways and in the hospitals have already started to work also.

LONDON BALL TEAM MAKES A RECORD.

The London Baseball Club has made a record by only losing two games during their training period, but that record is nothing to be compared with the record of Johnston's Jewelry for service, honest values and quality goods. If you would appreciate these qualities give them a call. Don't forget you get the same courteous treatment whether you buy or not, and it is no trouble to show you the goods. Johnston's Jewelry, "The store with a conscience," 412 Richmond, 3 doors north of Dundas. b

WHY THE CITY MISSION WAS NOT INCLUDED IN WELFARE CAMPAIGN FUND

Did Not Furnish Statement of Receipts and Disbursements Although Asked To Do So.

Superintendent A. Lewis of the City Mission announced yesterday that the mission was not included in the United Welfare Association campaign budget, and that he would have to appeal independently for support in the work of the mission this year.

Inquiry at the campaign headquarters elicited the information that the City Mission made application for inclusion in the budget and were asked to furnish a statement of receipts and disbursements covering one year, as all the benefiting organizations are required to do by the United Welfare Association constitution.

"This Mr. Lewis failed to do," said Gordon Philip, so that the Welfare Association cannot be blamed for refusing to break an important rule of the association, which reads as follows: 'All affiliated welfare organizations agree to submit last year's statement of receipts and disbursements, along with the budget for the ensuing year, when called upon by the budget committee to do so.'"

BOARD TO CONSIDER NEW UNION JACKS FOR CITY SCHOOLS

Ealing School Building Is Another Matter for Consideration.

When No. 2 committee of the board of education meets this afternoon, the question of the disposal of a building on the Ealing School site will be discussed. It is thought that the building, which has been used as a school, will be sold by auction.

A communication from the playgrounds committee of the public utilities commission requesting that the board allow it to use certain public school grounds for recreation purposes, but under supervision will be dealt with.

New flags for the public schools is another matter for the committee's pleasure. The flags now in use are, for the most part, tattered and torn, so that the purchase of new ones will probably be recommended.

CHANGES PROMISED FOR S. A. OFFICERS

Farewell Services in June — Many To Attend Summer Home.

A general change of a number of Salvation Army field officers in this district will take place during the week of June 20, Brigadier Alex. Crichton, local district commander, announced today. The farewell services of the officers who will be subject to changes will be held on June 26. Brigadier Crichton did not divulge the names of the officers who would receive new charges.

It is expected that immediately after the changes are announced the majority of the men will leave for the Salvation Army officers' summer home near Thedford, which was just recently purchased by the local command. Instructions on army work will be given and a splendid program of athletic training has been arranged.

City Briefs

BACK AT WORK.—Adjutant John Sharp, in charge of the Salvation Army Girls' Home at the corner of Clarence and York streets, who underwent a serious operation about a month ago in Victoria Hospital, returned to the hostel today.

HYATT AVENUE CHOIR.—On Friday evening, May 6, a banquet was tendered the Hyatt Avenue choir by Mr. Woodward, organist and choirmaster, after which the annual election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. W. Self; vice-president, Miss Verna Slyford; treasurer, Mr. Jackson; secretary, Miss Hutchinson.

FIVE BUILDING PERMITS. — On Monday five permits for building were issued by Building Inspector A. M. Piper, the total amount of work represented by them being $5,700. Three of the permits were for frame dwellings, one to cost $1,200 and two to cost $2,200 each. So far this month 32 permits representing $220,525 worth of construction have been issued.

FOUR APPLICATIONS.—Resignation of Miss M. A. Barrons as consumptive nurse is expected to be presented to the board of health at its regular meeting this afternoon. The only other business of any importance that will come to the board's attention is the appointment of a sanitary inspector. Four applications for this position are in the hands of the city clerk.

ROUTINE BUSINESS.—Unless something unforeseen happens, only routine business will be dealt with by No. 2 committee of the city council when it meets at 8 o'clock this evening. A deputation of citizens is expected to be present in connection with the opening of Woodman avenue. There is also likely to be a number of petitions regarding local improvements.

NOT A MERCHANT.—As the result of an action brought into the supreme court of Quebec, it has been determined that a tailor is a manufacturer, and not a merchant. However, the city assessment department in London regard tailors as retailers, and not as manufacturers. The tax on retailers here is 25 per cent and on manufacturers 65 per cent, so that a tailor in London is not so tax-burdened as his fellow-tradesmen in Quebec.

WESTERN FAIR MEETING.—A meeting of the grounds and buildings committee of the Western Fair Association was held today, and plans for rearranging the cattle and sheep barns, and the storage building were considered. A sub-committee composed of Messrs. Moore, Hayman, Saunders, McCormick and Robinson, was formed, and will likely draw up plans to make these buildings larger.

STILL INVESTIGATING. — Loaded with baled hay and destined for Leamington, a box-car set out at Appin by reason of a hot-box, caused the provincial and railroad officers to visit the latter village Monday. It was suspected that concealed among the fodder would be found nourishment of a loquid nature, and it is not improbable that something interesting will be disclosed shortly. The officers upon their return ti the city intimated that investigations are still proceeding.

BOLSHEVIKI ARE BADLY DEFEATED BY SIBERIANS

Copenhagen, May 10.—Russian newspapers have published a wireless dispatch to the Bolshevik general staff, reporting that soviet troops have suffered a defeat of some consequence during fighting against rebellious Siberian peasant armies, says a Helsingfors special received here. The Siberian peasants are said to have received reinforcements of regular soldiers from the disbanded armies formerly commanded by the late Admiral Kolchak.

CHARGES PRONOUNCED BASELESS.

Peoria, Ill., May 10.—Charges against the grain exchanges of the United States are in the main baseless and have resulted from a prejudiced condition which has been created among the farmers through dissemination of false doctrines, Joseph P. Griffin, president of the Chicago Board of Trade, said today in an address before the Illinois Grain Dealers' Association. Mr. Griffin declared that some farmers' organizations had become so prejudiced that they sought to paralyze the entire marketing system of the country without providing any substitute. He asserted that the exchanges were controlled entirely by the law of supply and demand.

Three Cheers! Romeo Comes To the Surface

Bug Policeman of Springbank Reservoir Greets Friends Saturday.

Romeo is again on the job. This will be welcome news to the hundreds of citizens who, during the summer, make pilgrimages to Springbank hill and in the course of their visits walk around the outside of the old Springbank reservoir, hoping to catch a glimpse of the famous black bass, who this year attains his 25th birthday.

The fish when last measured some five years ago was twenty-one and a half inches long, and when quite a little "shiner" was christened "Romeo" and given his daily rations of angleworms.

It is rumored that Harry McCann, who has charge of Springbank hill and who acts as valet-in-chief to Romeo, has worn out several pairs of shoes and three pairs of eye-glasses looking for his friend. In fact, he confided to the writer two weeks ago that he was greatly worried about the black bass and was afraid that he had passed beyond.

However, last Saturday afternoon the pride of the reservoir decided to rise from the depths and give the folks a treat. W. R. Yendall, who is a great friend of Romeo, discovered him as he wiggled gracefully along the northeast corner of the big pond, and the glad news was soon common property.

"Romeo may be a 'poor fish,'" said Mr. McCann, "but he is a great old pal. He is always ready for his meals, and I'm glad to provide for him. I'm keeping an eye on the girls' styles, and I'll soon have the beautiful Hazel, Romeo's decoy duck companion, all painted up for the season. She will have her usual red lips, and be just as sweet as ever.

"A lot of people think that Romeo is just a newspaper myth, but seeing is believing, and I tell them that anything they read in The Advertiser they can depend upon as being correct.

"I can sleep at nights now knowing that good old Romeo is on the job and will gather in any stray bugs that may happen to meet a watery grave in the reservoir," concluded Mr. McCann.

CITY CLERK BAKER DELIVERS ADDRESSES AT B. M. E. CHURCH

All creeds and colors are treated alike by City Clerk S. Baker in the matter of favoring them with an address. On Sunday he spoke to an interested gathering at the B. M. E. Church on the subject of "Brotherhood." He explained thoroughly the rights of citizenship to the colored residents of London.

A few Sunday's previous he spoke in the Jewish Synagogue, telling the members of the congregation that he preferred the orthodox Jew to the American Jew. During the meeting a Jewish visitor from Chicago wished to speak on "Socialism," but was declared out of order by the chairman.

MEMBERS ASKED NOT TO PERMIT PEOPLE TO PAY THEIR TAXES

British Government's Decision Is Condemned by Press.

London, May 10.—The British Government's decision to exempt members of parliament from income tax on their sessional allowances, and also to allow them traveling expenses to their homes and constituencies, admittedly goes beyond what the select committee on the question of members' indemnities recommended in their report.

Commenting on the government's decision, the Morning Post, organ of the unbending Tories, declares it involves a principle and tendency repugnant to the best traditions of public life in England, and urges the members, for shame's sake, to think twice before agreeing to the government's measure and voting themselves relief from the burdens which the government has to impose upon other people.

The Daily Mail, the Northcliffe organ, declares that if the members of parliament had been alive to their duty, curbed the extravagance of the government and stopped public waste, they might also have developed sufficient personal sense of economy to be able to pay their taxes and railway fares, and not pass their obligations on to others.

Some of the papers recall that the sessional allowances to members were originally introduced about ten years ago, without the definite opinion of the country being taken on the question.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, May 10.—Closing prices today were:

British 5 per cent loan	87⅜
British 4½ per cent loan	80
Consols, for money	47⅛
Atchison, com.	104
Baltimore & Ohio	51
Canadian Pacific	145
Chesapeake & Ohio	81
Chicago Great Western	10
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	36
De Beers	12¼
Erie, 1st pfd.	27
Grand Trunk	4⅜
Illinois Central	115
Louisville & Nashville	126
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	4
New York Central	90
Norfolk & Western	123½
Ontario & Western	24
Pennsylvania Railway	44
Rand Mines	2¼
Reading Railway	36
Southern Railway	23
Southern Pacific	87½
Union Pacific	131
United States Steel	103

BUTTER AND EGGS.

Chicago, May 10.—Butter—Prices unchanged.

Eggs—Unchanged; receipts, 49,109 cases.

LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, May 10.—Cattle—Receipts, 8,000; beef steers, stockers and feeders strong to 15c higher; early top on heavy steers, $9 15, and on prime long yearlings, $9 50; bulk of beef steers, $7 75@8 75; butcher stock and bulls steady to strong; bulk of fat she stock, $5 75@7; bulls largely $5 75@6 50; calves weak; bulk of veal calves, $8@8 75.

Hogs—Receipts, 20,000; lights and mediums fairly active, steady to 10c lower, others slow to 10c to 15c lower than yesterday's average; top, $9, bulk at $8 40@8 85; pigs mostly 10c to 15c lower; bulk of desirable 100 to 120-lb pigs, $8@8 40.

Sheep—Receipts, 17,000; mostly steady, spots 25c up; wooled lambs, top, $11 85, bulk at $11@11 50; shorn, top, $11 to city butchers, $10 75 to packers, bulk at $10@10 75; choice California springs up to $12 75; shorn yearlings, $8 35; shorn wethers, $7 40; shorn ewes, $7 per cwt.

LOAN BYLAW APPROVED.

PRESTON, May 9.—The bylaw voted on today for a loan to the H. W. Steel Shank Manufacturing Company, carried by a large majority in favor of the loan.

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grounds for divorce. So long as we are united in our opposition I doubt if any government will defy the united Christian sentiment of the province. But we must be watchful. In this, as in all else, eternal vigilance is the price of safety."

Lack of Candidates.

The bishop drew attention to the lack of candidates for the ministry, not only in the Anglican denomination, but in every denomination. "The scarcity is being considered seriously by all who have at heart the well-being of the church and of the community," he declared. "It will be found that not one but many causes are contributory to it. In the first place the lucrative positions and easy money obtainable in business by young men lure away many before they think seriously of their life work. Young men are eager to get into positions where they will in the quickest way become more or less independent and where the prizes are large. The ministry does not offer speedy promotion or large prizes. Then hitherto the stipends have been wholly inadequate. There is too great a disproportion between the outlay and the return. All this counts very much at the age of eighteen, the time when young men generally decide what they are going to be, and when they are not perhaps as spiritually minded as they become later on.

"And when later on in life they think of the ministry, having given hostages to fortune, while they might not mind a poor living for themselves, they shrink from involving their wives and children in straitened circumstances. Again those whom we would first expect to enter the ministry, the sons of the clergy are too often repelled from it from experience of the struggle at home.

An Indirect Cause.

"Then there is another indirect cause which perhaps contributes to the scarcity. People are coming more and more to realize the sacredness of the legitimate work as a service of God, just as truly in their worldly avocations as we are serving Him in the ministry. That is quite true when done as unto the Lord, and we would rejoice indeed if this conception of work became universal if all work were regarded as a service to God. How widely this excuse operates it is hard to know, but there is no doubt that some who formerly entered the ministry in order to devote their whole life to God, refrain now from doing so because they feel they can devote their whole life to Him while engaged in ordinary work.

"As regards these causes, let it be acknowledged that the ministry never has and probably never will as a rule offer speedy promotion, quick returns or large financial prizes. The church can never compete with the world in these respects."

Church Unity.

An interesting outline of the procedure and business of the Lambeth Conference, attended by the bishop last year, was given. The importance of church unity overshadowed everything else at the conference, the bishop said. "Thoughtful men have recognized that the great nations of the east cannot be converted by a divided Christendom. Thus recognizing the urgency of the times, and that God was calling us now as never before to go forward, we entered on our labors with fear and trembling, and in humble dependence on God that he would guide us in the right way, and we believe that he answered our prayers, and with the result that we issued the appeal for Christian unity. This unity is not visible in the world today. We are organized into different groups, more or less antagonistic to one another. The causes of our division lie in the part, and were largely political, and in most cases due to causes which have long since passed away," said the bishop.

"We do not desire the elimination of all difference; we do not desire uniformity, but rather a dwelling together in love, though we differ. Cannot the gifts and graces, vindicated separately, be preserved without separation. Can we not agree to differ and yet dwell together as brothers in a visible and common household. We do not expect any communion to abandon any truth or principle for which it has contended in the past. We want each communion to bring to the re-united church all the excellencies which it has worked out in its separate existence. The re-united church will, therefore, be richer and far grander than any present single communion. The time has gone by, I hope, when any communion can think that the whole of Christendom is to become converted to itself. At least that is not wha we are seeking. But we look to the time when communions which have lived apart for centuries, often as bitter opponents, will at last perceive that after all they are brothers and will be content to live side by side in the one church, each making a contribution which only itself could give to the fullness of the church's witness.

"I have spoken hitherto of variety and necessity for variety. On the other hand, there is a degree of variety that destroys unity, at all events, visible unity. So the conference assumed that in the reunited church, four notes would universally be allowed: the Scriptures would universally be recognized as God's revelation of himself, and the creed commonly called the Nicene as the sufficient statement of the Christian faith. The divine institute, sacraments of baptism and the holy communion, as expressing for all the corporate life of the whole fellowship in and with Christ. The first three of the above four will probably be readily acknowledged by most of the reformed communions. The appeal marks a turning point in the approaches to unioy. The Anglican Church has shown what it is prepared to do for the sake of putting an end to the divisions. It is now for others to say what they will do."

It is probable that the bishop will appoint a new archdeacon in the diocese to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Venerable Archdeacon McKenzie of Brantford, who died a year ago. Rev. R. J. M. Perkins was re-elected honorary clerical secretary of the diocese, and R. E. Davis was re-elected honorary lay secretary. Instead of the usual clerical breakfast a luncheon was held this morning at Smallman & Ingram's. Rev. G. Q. Warner gave a paper on "Spiritualism," and Rev. G. B. Sage and Rev. D. W. Collins ledt the discussion.

The synod continues in session this evening and on Wednesday.

NEW MATRON OF S. A. HOSPITAL IS IN CITY

Commandant Margaret Adams, formerly of Toronto, arrived in the city on Monday to become matron of Bethesda Hospital. Commandant Adams, previous to coming here, was in charge of the Salvation Army Bellevue Women's Industrial Home in Toronto. She has been associated with work amongst girls for a number of years.

Miss Marshall, who was in charge of the home here previously, has retired.

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SEVERAL KILLED IN CLASH AT POLITICAL MEETING IN ROME

Rome, May 10.—Several persons were killed and eleven were injured in a fight between Nationalists and Socialists at Castelvetronto, near Palermo, Sicily, on Sunday. The encounter occurred at a political meeting. Elsewhere in Italy meetings held in connection with the electoral campaign now in progress were marked by only a few minor disorders.

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LIBERALS SUSPECT

pretty well on record as to their fiscal leanings.

BIG REDUCTION IN TAXATION ON BEER

Ottawa, May 10.—(Canadian Press).—Beer is an article on which the net result of the new budget is to bring about a material reduction in taxation. The old luxury taxes on this beverage have been wiped out, and there has been no change in the customs duty upon it. The customs duty on beer is contained in articles 146 and 147 of the tariff, which are not affected by the budget. Under these items the tax on ale, beer, porter and stout when imported in bottles, is 42 cents per gallon; when imported in casks the duty is 30c per gallon.

Toronto Star: "Just in order to convey a hint or two that would mean much to the observant, and gratify the expectant, the budget of yesterday mends and tightens the tariff here and there, and the Government gives the winks and nods which suggest that if given a chance after the general election there will be a general revision of the tariff that will be satisfactory to the protectionists. . .

"But taking it altogether, the job of facing the revenue needs of the country has been postponed until a more convenient season."

The Brantford Expositor:

The finance minister had evidently framed the tariff to produce revenue on the lines of least resistance and has retreated from the position announced some time ago of a radical increase in the customs duties. This may be due to the desire to see what the United States Congress will finally do and partly also to the feeling that at the present stage the Government has no mandate from the people on the tariff issue.

LAMENTAPLE CONDITION.

Le Canada, Montreal: Sir Henry Drayton has revealed a lamentable condition in our federal finances, the worst, perhaps, in the Dominion's history. With a deficit of $200,000,000, Canada has been conducted by the Meighen Government to the doors of bankruptcy. This deficit has been caused by the follies and extravagances of the war measures of the Borden-Meighen administration, scandals without number, and the excessive profits realized on Government contracts by friends of the party in power. Above all, there is the loss through the National Railways policy, a creation of Mr. Meighen. It is for the electors of Yamaska (where a by-election is now being fought) to say if they are satisfied with the situation.

MERELY "MARKED TIME."

Halifax Chronicle: In the present budget the minister of finance has done little more than "mark time," and in that respect the expected has happened. The Government has no mandate and no moral authority to effect sweeping changes during the present session, and whatever may have influenced the minister to withhold his hand, his decision in that regard is commendable.

TIED UP TRAFFIC. — Two freight cars attached to train 499 tied up traffic on both main lines of the G. T. R. for more than four hours this morning when they were derailed west of Paris. The accident happened at 3 a.m., and although the Hamilton auxiliary was called immediately to the scene the tracks were not cleared until 7:30 o'clock. Eastbound passenger train No. 20 was detaured by way of Stratford. The "Flying Post," otherwise known as the "paper train," was also detoured.

APPOINTMENTS ARE BEING DELAYED BY GOVT. COMMISSION

Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries Testifies.

Ottawa, May 10.—Correspondence from various sources was before the special committee on bill 122, amending the civil service act, when it met this morning. Many of these were complaints of civil servants against rulings in the service. The letters were tabled and the committee decided to go with its hearing of witnesses. The committee also decided to present a motion asking permission to meet while the House is sitting in order to finish its work.

The committee will meet again at 8.30 tonight.

Alex. Johnston, deputy minister of marine and fisheries for the past eleven years, was called. He said the deputy ministers of justice and interior departments had exactly represented his views. The operations of the commission, while beneficial in regard to clerical help in Ottawa, caused delay in other appointments. The bill should be enlarged to include some further classes of employees. He suggested that light housekeepers and engineers of fog alarms be added to the classes taken from under the commission.

CIRCULATION MANAGERS TO SEE MIMIC BATTLE

Columbus, Ga., May 10.—Circulation managers of Canada and the United States will occupy trenches tomorrow night at Camp Benning, during a night battle which will be staged for their entertainment in connection with the 23rd annual convention of the International Circulation Managers' Association. The convention will open tomorrow and continue through Thursday. Various questions involving newspaper circulation will be discussed. W. L. Argue of Toronto, Ont., is president of the association.

SUN'S RAYS SHINING ON PAPER RESULTS IN SERIOUS BLAZE

Ottawa, May 10.—Paper lying too close against windows, and becoming ignited by the powerful rays of the sun, is blamed for a fire at Al Florence's paper warehouse here late yesterday, causing damage estimated at $25,000. The fireproof structure of the building prevented serious spread of the flames.

ADVOCATES REGULAR EMPIRE CONFERENCES

Edmonton, May 10.—Empire conferences will have to be held at intervals, if they are going to be continued, declared Premier Massey of New Zealand in addressing the Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs at luncheon here yesterday. Dominion premiers, he said, would find it impossible to leave their home lands every year in order to be present at a conference in London.

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LONDON MERCHANTS

Ingram, of Smallman & Ingram. "It will save some trouble, of course, to do away with the business profits tax, but I have not looked into the matter sufficiently to estimate how it will work out in detail."

J. Hickey, manager for Grafton & Co., said that the new adjustment of taxation would not affect the local branch of the firm to any extent as no manufacturing was carried on in London. "It certainly looks as if it would be easier for the retailers," said Mr. Hickey.

Mr. E. J. Cossey, manager for Gray's, Limited, was of a similar opinion, stating that on the whole the new arrangement seemed quite satisfactory.

"I do not think that the new budget will entail any hardship either on the individual customer or on the firm," said John A. Nash, the jeweler. "I think it is a very fair arrangement and will save considerable trouble. Of course, our luxury tax was removed at the end of last year."

Regarding the price of liquor as affected by the $10 per gallon tax, F. N. Turville, the manager of the local Government dispensary, pointed out that undoubtedly this would increase the cost to the consumer, but just how far he had not had time to figure out. "Of course, our head office and bonded warehouses are at Toronto," said Mr. Turville, "and all increase in rates will have to be adjusted there. I have as yet received no official instructions in regard to the matter."

In connection with the amendment relating to the valuation for customs purposes of foreign currencies, it was somewhat difficult to secure a definite opinion. It is proposed that no reduction in excess of 50 per cent of the standard value will be allowed, no matter what the exchange rate is, in countries where the value of money has depreciated to a great extent, such as in Germany or Russia. The advantage would, of course, be greatly in favor of Canada, but, of course, as a prominent businessman pointed out, "We do not have much to do with these countries."

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Magistrate Lectures Three Juveniles in Court Today.

Chief of Police Robert Birrell wished to warn again those youngsters who play with firecrackers in the streets, thereby exposing themselves to the additional risk of being run down by automobiles and other vehicles. Three such youths were tendered a private lecture by Deputy Magistrate Bartlett this morning, and the chief desires that this should act as a warning to others.

"We do not like to continue bringing children up here," he declared, "but we must make an attempt to safeguard their interests as well as those of the drivers of automobiles and other conveyances."

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