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The Metropolitan Agreement.

This morning a deputation of North Toronto ratepayers will wait on the mayor at the city hall to direct his attention to the Metropolitan situation on Yonge street. After some years of waiting an agreement had, it was believed, been arrived at, whereby the city was to pay the Metropolitan Company \$500,000 for its rights on Yonge street inside the city limits. It had also agreed to convey package freight for the company in city cars by city service to the St. Lawrence market on certain terms. The city is having the agreement investigated by Mr. Tilley, K. C.

Mr. Herbert Lennox, K. C., who usually represents Metropolitan interests, has turned up demanding, on behalf of the county of York, certain indemnities from the city for its interest in the rights it leased in perpetuity to the Metropolitan.

As the city has bought these rights from the Metropolitan, whose title to them is held under this perpetual lease from the county of York, it would seem that the county should have recourse to the Metropolitan for any indemnification it lays claim to.

Sir William Hearst advises the city and the county to get together. The county has nothing to offer the city. It has given its rights to the Metropolitan, and if Sir William Hearst desired to do justice in the matter he would pass such legislation on the request of the city as might be necessary to ratify the agreement of the city has made with the Metropolitan for the purchase of those rights which the company obtained from the county. Obviously those rights cannot belong both to the county and the Metropolitan. The Metropolitan is not trying to sell the city something it has not got.

Why Sir William should not pass legislation at once ratifying the agreement and declaring that the county of York has no more claim to the portion of Yonge street covered by the agreement, it would perhaps require Mr. Lennox to say. But the ordinary citizen will look to Sir William to take such a course, and we believe the ratepayers of North Toronto would be well advised to direct their steps to Queen's Park when they have received the mayor's assurances of earnest consideration.

The Hydro Radial Vote.

The Hamilton Spectator thinks that the prejudices and antipathies of the voters on the radial bylaw were skillfully played upon. Which induces first the reflection that the three Hamilton papers must have been exceedingly unskillful in the way they played on the special set of prejudices and antipathies they took under their charges, and, secondly, an enquiry as to who was the creator of these prejudices and antipathies. If the Catalyst crowd had not created them they could not have been played upon by even the skillful.

The Spectator avows its explicit sympathy, but this must be taken in a Pickwickian sense. It was explicitly against public ownership of Hydro radials.

The Herald attributes all to Sir Adam Beck and his magnetic personality. For the rest everybody hoped for good from the proposals, and trusted, "to luck and Sir Adam Beck for the future." The Herald had no such faith in Hamilton or Ontario or Hydro radials and so it was against the bylaw. It is still dependent, and seems to foresee the decline and fall of D. P. and T. stock within the next fifty years.

The Times points out that without Ward Eight, where labor gave a large majority, the bylaw had a majority in the rest of the city, so that the general feeling all over the city was in favor of the bylaw.

Work is to be undertaken in carrying out the project just as rapidly as details can be arranged. Sir Adam Beck states that it will take two years to complete the construction, and the Toronto, Hamilton and Niagara route will be the first to be put on hand.

Citizens' Repatriation League.

Yesterday's meeting of the Citizens' Repatriation League at the board of trade, where General Gunn's admirable scheme into organized existence. The league becomes linked up with 300 other organizations in the city, and presents the most vital and effective agency yet devised for dealing with all the multifarious cases that arise in connection with the restoration of the returned soldier to civil life. Most of the previous machinery gets clogged with red tape when any attempt is made to operate it.

General Gunn takes a human, not an official view of his opportunities. His

account of some of the things that are done, and the methods of his department at the Electric Club last week brought a whole roomful of businessmen to their feet in pledge of their support of the aims of the league. The meeting of citizens at the board of trade yesterday was similarly impressed, and the able executive appointed ought to be able to secure the co-operation, not only of the general public, but also of those government departments whose duties coincide with the aims of the league.

In the league, the returned man may be assured of immediate and effective attention, not sympathy merely, but active effort toward the settlement of his difficulties. Soldiers' relatives and survivors will also find in the new agency a friend and helper, it embodies not only ready sympathy, but real power.

OTHER PEOPLE'S OPINIONS

The World will gladly print under this head letters written by our readers, dealing with current topics. As space is limited they must not be longer than 200 words and written on one side of the paper only.

MAIDS AND WAGES.

Editor World: Is it not time before this domestic union problem goes any further that mistresses rise and protest against the impossible high prices these domestics are laying down for themselves? Mistresses cannot and do not pay these charges. And the odds are too great, such as income tax, disincitation to work, and so on. In these times of exorbitant shopping prices that empty one's purse every time that household needs are ordered and paid for, where will the mistress have \$15 a week left to take to her domestic every week? It is hard enough for the qualified professional such as stenographers down town to get this money in their offices without being well worth it. It can't be done, that's all. Mistresses would be well advised when advertising to put down "union domestics not wanted." Let's see what a good week glad to come to you for \$5 a week up all found, and a comfortable home where every consideration will be shown her, for a good mistress will not grudge increases as far as she can, when she gets a suitable maid. Five dollars weekly is good pay for a girl who has no expenses nor responsibilities, to meet and all the comforts of a good home, which is not to be despised. Toronto, as usual, is trying to set the pace in highest prices but in this instance it has got to come down or else those maids must go without jobs. Common Sense.

A Line of Cheer Each Day of the Year

By John Kendrick Bangs.
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THE ANTIDOTE.

Talk of your joys, and not of your ills: Think of life's blessings and wondrous thrills. Look on the vistas of loveliness—Earth in its beautiful springtime dress: Light at the sun, and the heavens blue, Spread like a canopy over you. Cease on your woes and your cares to brood, Smilingly thinking on Gratitude—That is the surest high road from fear Up to the summits of peace and cheer.

Osgoode Hall News

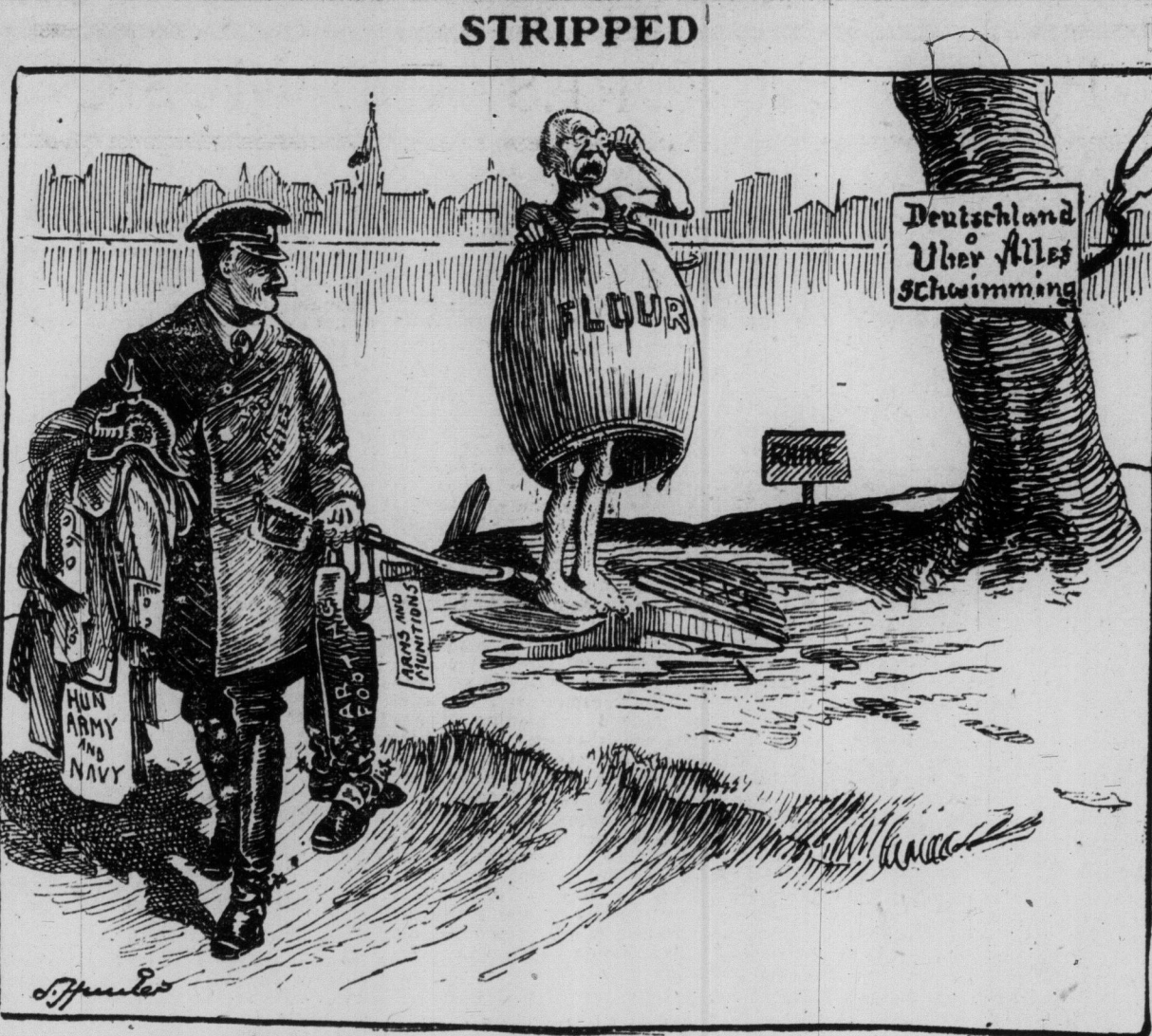
List of cases set down for hearing on Tuesday, March 18, at 11 a.m. Appellate Division.
Booth v. Ottawa Electric Railway.
Re Monarch Bank Simon's Case.
Re Monarch Bank Murphy's Case.
Ritchie v. Cunningham.
Heating Specialty Co. v. Weatherall.
Toronto Electric Co. v. Bolus.
Royal Bank v. Day.
Judge's Chambers will be held on Tuesday at 11 a.m. before Mr. Justice Logie.

SIX HUNDRED COLLECT FOR DESTITUTE JEWS

Tag Day, With \$60,000 Objective, Expected to Prove Big Success.

Enthusiasm and hope ran high at the headquarters of the campaign for the relief of the destitute in Palestine. Six hundred workers overran the city in the house to house campaign which the day inaugurated and results at the close of the day were more than encouraging. The objective for Canada is in all \$200,000, one third in cash, another third in clothes, and the remaining portion in food. Toronto's contribution is hoped to be \$50,000. Interest in the movement was shown by the cheques that came in from outside parts as well as the interest in the city itself. The time is considered very opportune as the Jewish people are celebrating the feast of Purim, kept in commemoration of the deliverance of the Hebrew people thru the intervention of Esther.

For campaign purposes the city has been divided into districts each under a captain with Mrs. Fred Armstrong as supervisor. Mrs. Allen, general supervisor for Canada, has expressed great confidence in Toronto, feeling assured that the city will live up to its established record for generosity. Those in charge of districts are: Major Windover, Messrs. Rice and Blankens, Messrs. Hansher and Singer, Messrs. Cohen and Levenston, Mr. Howarth, Mrs. McMillan, Max Wolfson, Lehrer and Kanon, Goldstein, Mr. Rogul, Mrs. Wolfson, Mrs. Goldstein, Mrs. Barrett, Mr. Taube, Mrs. Raz, Mrs. Yellies, Mrs. Greenfarb, Mrs. Kaplan, Messrs. Friedlander and Broder, Messrs. Kaufman and Taube, Mrs. Jacobs, Mrs. Speyer, Mrs. Wincup, Mrs. Abramowitz, Mrs. Levine, Mrs. A. McClelland, Mrs. Razuminsky, Mr. Plavick, Mrs. Halpert, Miss Rabin, and Mrs. Shapiro.



THE PROMOTER'S WIFE

By JANE PHELPS.

Barbara Lunches at the Club With Neil—and Blanche.

CHAPTER XXXV.

Everything I did seemed so futile at this time—every move I made, without result. I was apparently happy and contented—really was, most of the time. But underneath was ever a current of anxiety, a fear of something, I knew not what.

Weeks passed and I never again questioned Neil. We had been very quiet save on the fourth anniversary of our marriage, when we had given a large dinner and reception. But it had gone off wonderfully well, and there had been nothing in Neil's manner to cause me worry. He had even been extremely temperate in his drinking with the guests, and had shown Blanche Orton—who was, of course, invited—no more attention than he had the others.

Neil was, however, with me less than he had ever been since we had been married. When I spoke of it, he said he was getting later and later for dinner when he came home, and of how often he remained out, he invariably pleaded business, and told me to go to the theatre or something—not to sit alone.

One morning at breakfast he had been out very late the night before. "Come down" town to the club to luncheon with me today if you like, Bab."

I was delighted. It was a real treat for me to lunch at one of the business men's clubs, and the Neil often lunched there. He seemed asked me.

I dressed very carefully. I wanted Neil to be proud of me. But in spite of my delight at his invitation, I was a little peeved, and more than a little disappointed when he came to greet me to see that Blanche Orton was there also.

"I thought you two could shop or go to a matinee after lunch," he said nonchalantly, although he flushed a little. I had not wanted her, I could not help wondering just why Neil had asked me to come down when she was to be there, but I had learned to accept the unexpected where Neil was concerned.

Blanche looked lovely, as usual, quite putting me in the shade. Ordinary women, those of no particular individuality of coloring and features, cannot hope to cope with the unusual few who, like Blanche Orton, attracted because they are so different.

Both Neil and Blanche drank cocktails, each of them two, although I frowned at Neil. This was one thing I held against Blanche: Neil always drank when with her.

Neil was plainly preoccupied thru lunch and both Mrs. Orton and I teased him about it.

"You shouldn't invite ladies if you are not going to be entertaining," she pointed.

The waiter had seemed to know Blanche. Was she accustomed to lunch here—with Neil? Had he been seeing her very much more than I dreamed? The thought was a painful one and I tried to dismiss it. If he had, what did it all portend? I could not try even to think it out there with her sitting opposite me.

But it was with inexplicable relief that I saw Mr. Frederick make his way toward us. I had not known he was in town. Neil had not mentioned seeing him. He was very cordial, and accepted with alacrity when Neil asked him if he wouldn't lunch with us.

Neil however was still so quiet that Blanche rallied him upon it, declaring he must be bored with her society, and finally she turned her attention to Mr. Frederick, saying that he at least might appreciate her.

I imagined she acted as she did to please Neil. But it did not worry me as did his own actions. It was not usual for him to be so quiet and abstracted—especially when Blanche Orton was around.

Tomorrow—Barbara Refuses to go to a Matinee With Blanche.

HOPE FOR RADIAL.

Citizens of Stouffville are greatly encouraged by the result of the Hydro vote at Hamilton. Bylaws allowing for electric power and a radial line for the town have been passed for years, and the townspeople are now more hopefully waiting for the line.

MANY DEPUTATIONS APPROACH COUNCIL

York Township Business Necessitates Another Meeting to Complete.

York Township council met in the council chambers yesterday afternoon; Reeve Fred Miller presided. A number of deputations occupied the attention of the members to the exclusion of routine business and another meeting will be called during the week to complete the work on the order paper.

Mr. Bell, trustee of Toronto Board of Education, asked permission of the council to lay a drain from Kitsoner school to the city limits, the work to be done at the expense of the city. He said that the drain could be laid in the ditch to prevent breaking up the roadway. The township engineer was instructed to go over the sector in question and to report.

Deputy Reeve MacDonald said that the city was anxious to use the street without giving the township the use of the proposed drain.

Mrs. H. Lee urged the necessity of an adequate water supply on Lavina avenue, Swansea, and the council proposed to give the matter immediate attention.

A. Underwood and P. Tomlinson, of the City Estates of Canada, asked that hydraulic valves be provided for the water works installed by the imperial munitions board at Armour Heights as the city would supply the water. The present supply will be cut off if the equipment is not provided.

Complaints were received that men, other than township residents, were given preference on municipal work. The reeve instructed the engineer to notify contractors that the council wished township men to be given first consideration. A communication from W. H. Murphy, contractor for work on Earlescourt avenue, advised that he employed local men who applied for work. The letter added that in the case of an Italian bricklayer cited in the complaint, the man was employed because recent experience with local men had been far from satisfactory.

The water works superintendent reported that 825 services had been put in operation and 240 meters installed.

An offer from the munition board of five hose at 60 cents per foot was accepted and the council decided to purchase the stock and supply Mount Dennis with 1,000 feet for fire protection.

A resolution was passed instructing the clerk to write the Ontario government requesting information regarding the proposed housing scheme. This action was the result of a letter received from the Ontario Co-operative Building Society asking the intention of the council in the matter. The reeve is acting as agent for 10 lot-holders in the township who wish to take advantage of the scheme; their applications will be for \$25,000.

Several deputations waited on the council regarding the deplorable condition of certain streets and roads in the township particularly in the Danforth Park district. The council will go over the sector and will do everything possible to effect the necessary improvements.

The township engineer was instructed to advertise for tenders for the installation of a new water main on Spadina avenue.

Unfinished business will be taken up at a special meeting to be held later in the week.

Editor of Entomologist to Speak on Insect Control

Prof. E. M. Walker, F.R.S.C., will speak at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, 22 College street, Thursday, March 20, at 8.15 p.m., his subject being "Some Injurious Insects and Their Control by Birds." The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Canadian Society for the Protection of Birds.

ABSENTEE GETS A YEAR.

Frederick Whittaker, an absentee from the Ontario Engineers, was sentenced to one year in the Ontario Reformatory.

COLORED PORTER REMANDED.

John Slater, colored C. P. R. porter, charged in police court yesterday morning with the theft of three diamond rings valued at \$1000, was remanded until the 21st.

IDA WANTS CO-OPERATION

By IDA L. WESTER.

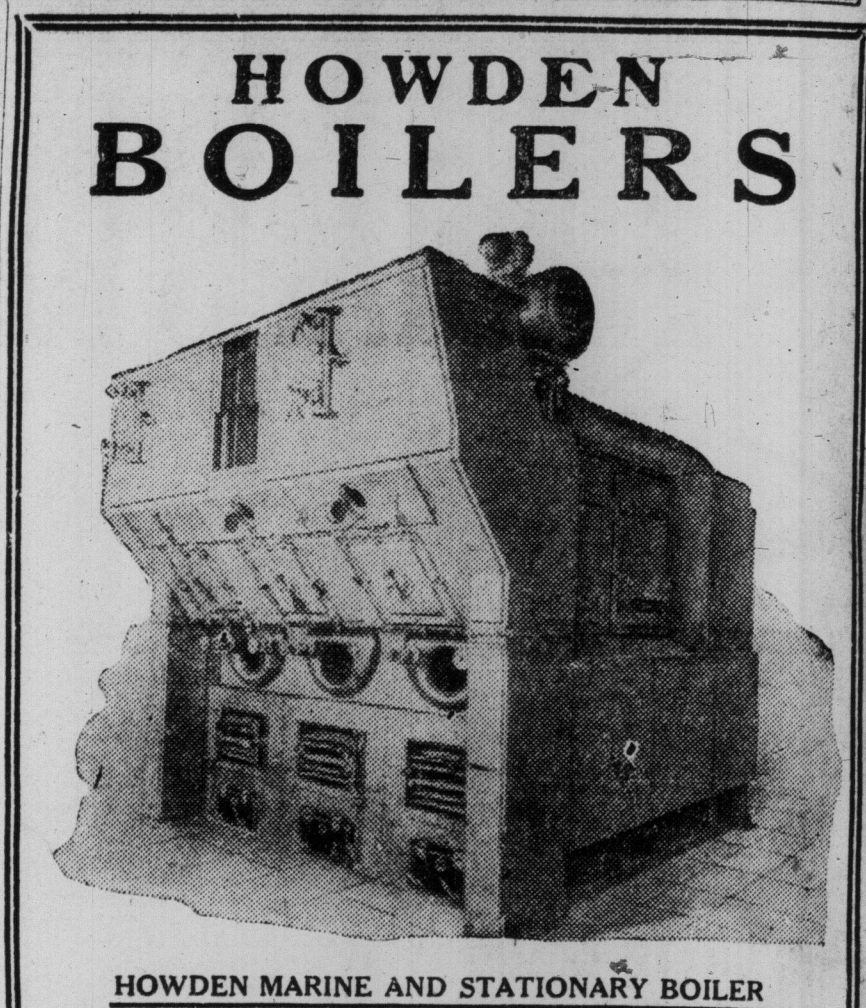
On Sunday we mentioned the fact that Controller Robbins had suggested the planting of trees as a memorial to the Toronto soldiers who died in action. He explained that this could be done at a very small cost to the city, and that personally he was of the opinion that it would be a very great success.

Had the controller so desired, he might have gone farther, and said that it would be one of the most humane things ever thought up in the city hall. But as he did not make the remark, we are now doing so. The planting of trees, which would bear a nameplate suitably inscribed, that is, the man's name and battalion number, etc., would be the something which would show future generations that the fellows who "paid" in this war were not overlooked.

For months we have been hearing first this one and then that one yapping away about what the men did, and how grateful we all should be, and how their actions will remain green in the memories of the citizens.

It would not be an expensive monument, but it would be such a glorious one that surely the thought will not be crushed before it becomes a reality. Can we not get together and form a union or something equally as strong, and fight this thing thru, if necessary? Certainly Controller Robbins should put it on the calendar for the next city council meeting. Dozens of less worthy subjects have been discussed for hours by the members.

That sort of talk is, of course, merely the public man's refuge. He uses that to get him applause when all else fails, and no one knows this better than the returned man himself. He knows that as the years roll along the growing generation will gradually begin to look upon the war with Germany as we look upon one of the Indian wars.



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DR. MACMURCHY SPEAKS ON CHILD WELFARE

Child welfare was the subject of an address given yesterday afternoon by Dr. Helen MacMurphy before the members of the American Women's Club. During the 19th century, said the speaker, infant mortality in England had remained about the same, but during the reign of King Edward, people began to take an interest in the subject.

The mortality of children in a community is rated according to the number of births. In Canada the proportion is 100 deaths to every 1000 births. In England the rate is a little lower on an average, and in some places, according to locality, there is a good deal of difference. In New Zealand, the deaths are only 50 in 1000.

Among the causes given by the speaker for a high death rate among infants, were poor housing, the occupation of the father, venereal disease of parents, and the manner in which the child is fed. "I would not allow anyone to vote who does not know that the essential thing for an infant is that it be nursed by the mother," said Dr. MacMurphy. That housing conditions in Toronto are in many cases not conducive to child welfare was pointed out by the speaker, who said there are at least a hundred families living each in a single room. A movement for research with the object of bettering conditions is being inaugurated.

Mrs. A. E. Bryant presided at the meeting, and a musical program was given by Miss Winnifred Henderson and Miss Dorothy Oxley.

At the End of the Day



The above drawing by Sam Hunter, of The Toronto World, appeared in The World on the second day after the death of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Sam Hunter is acknowledged the master cartoonist of Canada, and the above is one of his finest works.

The World has had hundreds of requests for copies of this drawing, and to meet them we have had a few proofs of larger size printed on good paper suitable for framing.

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