COUNTY POLITICIANS SEE WARDENSHIP FIGHT

ANNUAL SESSION OF TORY PARTY WILL BE LIVELY

Considerable Opposition Promised Cameron Wilson for Presidency.

COMES AFTER FRIDAY

Everything is not as it should be at Tory headquarters, according to reports "direct from the feed-box." The "boys" are warming up for their annual session, election of officers and what not.

The camp is split in many sec tions. There are those who would who is again regent of the Loch Lore-elect J. Cameron Wilson to the mond Chapter, I. O. D. E., having presidency of the association. Then again there are others who would oust him without further ceremony. The initial session of the year

should tell which group retains the balance of power, that is, if President Wilson seeks another term and if, in that event, he is opposed. That opposition will certainly as-sert itself is the announcement from the "irreconcilables," who declare in vigorous manner that "it is time for

a change."

But the warring factions have affected a state of armed truce until after Friday night. There's a party on at headquarters that night. All "big guns" will be on hand from Ottawa and other centers, and the boys are requested not to "cut up." It would leave a bad impression. After Friday night, however, the struggle will break out again with renewed impetus. The annual meetng of the association will be held before many days have elapsed, one of the officials states, when sweeping changes will be proposed, not only in the personnel of the officials, but in

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MRS. JAMES HENDRY.

been returned by acclamation at a

District Road Conditions

Be Transformed, Says

C. E. Bernard.

ONTARIO BENEFITS

oming year will see road conditions

Mr. Bernard asserted.

formation for tourists.

IS SUED BY ACTOR

Andrew Devere Charges Con-

tract For Engagement

Was Broken.

Andrew Devere, who was under contract to present an act of vaude-

amount called for in the contract from Mr. Stewart or from the Gus Sun Company of New York, with whom he has a vaudeville contract, and under whose direction he came

in bond, and that he had not time to get them as he had to go to a

doctor to have a wound on his necl

late in getting back to the Patricia Theatre, and when he told Mr.

Stewart that he was ready for the rehearsal was told he needn't come

Mr. Stewart states that Devere was

late for his rehearsal and did not

live up to his contract.

On account of this delay he was

All But Six Members of Old Council Were Returned Yesterday.

TORIES ARE ACTIVE

That the policy pursued by War-den William Ross and his councillors of Middlesex was amply approved by the voters is demonstrated by the fact that all the 1923 members of the county council have ben returned to office with the exception of six.

The new men chosen by the voters are: Messrs Jones of Nissouri: Butder of London Township (acclamation); McNeil Ailsa Craig; Brow of

There were eleven new faces in There were eleven new faces in the council when Warden Ross took over the reins of office in 1923.

"I have been following county affairs for a number of years," stated one county politician today, "and I never saw the council come back to nower with so few new members. power with so few new members.
The people must have approved of
the manner in which affairs were conducted last year.

See Merry Scramble.

When the council meets in two week's time there will be a merry scramble for the wardenship, with at least five Conservatives wielding battle axes. Three U. F. O. supporters are all casting anxious glances at the warden's chair while the Liberals will be represented by Allan MacPherson, reeve of Glencoe, who has already received two acclamations to the county council. If Mr. MacPherson can gain the support of the reeves of the surrounding town-When the council meets in two the reeves of the surrounding town-ships, he will likely be elected war-den without a great deal of opposi-The year 1924 will inaugurate a tion, according to those in new era in motoring for Ontario, touch with the situation.

C. C. Henry, Metcalfe; A. L. Mc-Dougall, Caradoc; and J. N. Sulli-van of Adelaide are the three U. F. according to word received from Toronto by the London Motor Club this morning. This year will be particularly notable for establishing a new record for incoming tourists. E. Bernard, president of the club, said.

According to Mr. Bernard, the ording to Mr. Bernard, the to him.

Choice of Tories.

n the vicinity of London transformed, George Lewis, A. Holman, Tom Elliott, Dick Reycraft and Dave Caland the new conditions will result in a big increase in American tourist vert are the dyed-in-the-wool Tories who will wave the blue banner over traffic.
"For the first time the Ontario the county council in an endeavor to Motor League can point with pride to the condition of Ontario's roads." secure office. If these men can come to a working agreement, there is a "The geographical position of Ontario makes it an entering wedge for American traffic. The shortest route for Americans motoring from one part of their country to another is through Ontario. It is 100 miles shorter from Detroit to Buffalo through Ontario than through the fairly good chance of a Tory being shorter from Detroit to Buffalo all Tory strongholds if one of their through Ontario than through the pets isn't handed the warden plum.

United States. This means that going United States. This means that going our way the trip can be made comfortably in one day while driving through the United States it means through the United States it means the points. Port **COMMENCES WORK** Huron, for example, the advantage is doubled, the distance being cut in

The Ontario Motor League, according to Mr. Bernard, at headquarters in Toronto and through all affili- Rev. F. W. K. Harris, Presiated clubs will, this coming year, be busier than ever before furnishing dent, Tells of the Coming road guides and general in-Convention.

> The Mentor's Club opened a series f meetings last night at the Y. M.
> A. The club will meet for super the first Monday of each month for the next three months. Dr. George Ingham spoke on the obysical work, and pointed out the

importance of having a physically fit body. Rev. F. W. K. Harris, presi-dent of the club, was in charge of the meeting and announced the com-ing convention of the London Religious Education Council, particularly the meeting for Jan. 22, when the boy workers of the city will get to-gether. W. H. Spearman, secretary of the Boys' Work Board, explained the weekly report forms which are being used this year by the C. S. E. ville at the Patricia Theatre on the first three days of this week, and who was prevented by W. L. Stewart, the manager, from showing is taking civil action to recover \$125, the

T. groups.
The following Mentor's were present: Archie Ramer, Wingfoots; Ross Schott, Argonauts; Cameron Wilson, Arrows; Harold Newell, Pilots; J. Douglas Woollatt, Alerts; George Winder, Live Wires; Allan Kay, Pointers: George Bere, Pirates: Mor ley McGregor, Sioux; Hiles Templin, Onwegoes; Frank Adams, Gordons; W. Priddle, Midgets; Dr. George Ingham, Fred Warren and W. H.

'RADIANTFIRE" WARMS MANY PEDESTRIANS

City Gas Company's Entrance Was Rendevouz For People During Zero Weather.

The tremendous heat produced by the Radiantfire gas heater was em-phasized by the fact that the one "He was supposed to be here at installed in the doorway of the City 10:30 on Monday morning for the Gas Company, corner Dundas and rehearsal, and I could not get him Clarence streets, caused many pebefore 12:30. That's the reason why I destrians to stop on Saturday and told him he needn't come back to the theatre," was the only comment the "warm up." The Radiantfire is conmanager had to make.

Mr. Devere has been advised by his lawyers to attend both the matinees and evening performances, and at the close of his contract time to ask for his money in the usual

STRINGED INSTRUMENTS TO REPLACE SAXAPHONES

Rat Attacks

munity, where the child's parents live, said that many rats of un-

usual size have infested the neighborhood since subway ex-cavations had been started

The baby was bitten on face

'DEAD STOP" LAW

Mayor Will Propose Traffic

Regulation in Inaugural

Address.

EFFECTIVE IN DETROIT

Has the municipality of Londor

This is the leading question from

motorists following the announce-

coming from the provincial legisla-ture, there are others who claim that the municipality possesses the power to pass an enforce such legis-lation under the "regulation of traf-fo" statutes.

fic" statutes.

The "dead stop" legislation has

been effetcive for several months past in Detroit and is said to be

meeting with success. t will be re-collected that the cities of Hamilton

and Windsor also adepted simila

measures after gruelling contests, during which the press of both cities

were credited with the successful

passage of the bylaws. Whether the regulation would be advisable and

"Of course when a street is called a "through" street it does not mean

that a motorist on that street has

wait and watch his turn the same as

IMPROVING, SAYS BELL

in Bonds For Favorable

Opportunity.

other directions.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN CLUB.

Among the interesting addresses romised to the Women's Canadian

Club in the near future will be that

of the Hon. Arthur Meighen, leader of the Conservative party in the fed-

eral house, who will address the club on Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock in the Central Collegiate auditorium,

absolue right of way. He has

FINANCIAL MARKETS

the authority to enforce a "dead stop"

dress?

Leader of Chicago Orchestra Sees Downfall of Jazz During Year.

WILL PASS IN 1924

Believes Waltz Will Return in All Its Glory-Plus New

Stringed instruments will replace saxaphones and jazz will suffer the same fate as the tango and Dr. Cook. The waitz will become the vogue again, with a few incorporated steps to distinguish it from the old and frenzied one-steppers will be as passe as the hobble skirt and padded aboutders.

shoulders,
These views were expressed by
Johannes Muller, leader of the Chicago Little Harmony Orchestra, who
is here seeking a few good musicians
for special performances by an augmented orchestra. Mr. Muller, at the
Tecumseh House, where he stayed
last night, outlined his opinions on
iazz. Parkhill; McCallum of Caradoc, and Johnston of Westminster (acclama-**AUTHORITY TO USE**

"Jazz will never survive 1924," he said, "but it's passing should not be hailed with too much pleasure. Musicians must remember that but for jazz they would not be making the big money they are now. Since 1915 the number of players in orchestras has increased 100 per cent. A good violinist, flute player or saxaphone artist gets as high as \$80 a week in the United States.

From an esthetic point of view, however, jazz is a menace, Mr. Muller said. It is merely harmonious senti-mentality.

"Jazz is like the moving pictures,"

added Muller. "It does not require one to think. I believe the influence of such music is responsible for much of the unrest and lack of modesty in the younger generation. It breeds contempt for the established conventions."

Curiously, the most refined dancing is to be found in New York, Muller said. Towns like London were more said. Towns like London were more said. Towns like London were more flagrant in their disregard for the principles of good dancing than any others.

ment in The Advertiser yesterday. Opinion seems sharply divided in this regard. While there are those who submit that sanciton must beforth-

dancing circles. The Huppa-Huppa, Muller said, would not get a hold on the public this year, if at all, but the latest Parisian creations, such as the "rolling log" and others would doubtless invade London.

"I think you will see a revival of popular songs of the same type as those made famous by Gilbert and Sullivan. They will be popular, but still retain the classical air. The public is surfeited with freak com-positions."

H. ALLISTER WILL HEAD

Installation of Local Officers to

H. Allister will be installed as president of the London Lodge, No. 23, Theatrical Mutual Association by grand officers on Jan. 20, owing to the fact that the London delegation missed the general installation at Hamilton on Sunday through the snowstorm delaying rail traffic.

Other officers who will be installed at the same time are E. James, first vice-president; Dave Rehder, second vice-president; J. A. Cleve, recording vice-president; J. A. Cleve, recording secretary; H. B. Floyd, treasurer; G. R. Courtney, financial secretary; A. McLeish, marshal; J. Moran, chap-lain; Tommy Moran, segeant-at-arms; S. Snyder, J. Sanders, J. Moran, trustees; D. Rehder, F. Hornsby, auditors.

'Y" PHYSICAL CLASSES

Series of Supper Parties Are Arranged by "Y" for the Month of January.

The physical education department of the Y.W.C.A. is arranging to hold a series of class banquets, beginning Monday i night, Jan. 14, with the Monday's night, Jan. 14, with the Senior 'Teen age gym class. This will be followed by another supper party on the night of Jan. 21, when the guests will be the members of the Business Girls' Class. On Jan. 28, the dancing classes will dine at the "Y," King street, and on Feb. 4, the Beginners' Gym Class will be entertained.

The object of these supper parties is to bring the class members into closer touch with each other and to talk over the work for the year, with Edith Wynne-Pryce, the phy-

MAY QUEEN REBEKAHS. MAY QUEEN REBEKAHS.
At a meeting of the May Queen Rebekahs held last night plans were made for the installation of officers on Jan. 21, and an invitation to attend was extended to Victoria Lodge of this city. The members of May Queen Lodge have accepted an invitation to attend the public installation of the Orientals in Alma, Block on Friday night of this week. A special meeting of the May Queen Lodge is being called for Tuesday, Jan. 15, when five or six candidates will be initiated. Mrs. T. R. Waugh, the outgoing noble grand, was in the chair.

DENIES REPORTS Sleeping Child

Major Murphy Declares Debt Incurred Maintaining High Schools.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Jan. 8.—Adele Quattrocchi, 3-months-old daughter of an east side tailor, is in Bellevue Hospital today in a critical condition after having been attacked by a rat while sleeping in her crib last night.

Residents of the east side community, where the child's parents ELECTED AS CHAIRMAN

Major A. H. Murphy was last night elected chairman of the separate school board for 1924, when that body met for the first time this year. In his inaugural address Major Murphy outlined Catholic education in this city, both in the primary and secondschools, and cited several instan ces whereby Catholics, whose chil-dren are attending a Catholic secondary school, are exempt from paying taxes to the support of non-Catholic

Pupils attending the Catholic high chools of this city total 160, which ncludes St. Angela's College and the Christian Brothers School.

In regard to statements that the financial position of the separate school board was not good, Major Murphy said that it was incorrect when the debt existing on separate school property had accumulated in the last three years due to the maintaining of Catholic high schools in this city. He gave figures to prove his position.

An approximate figure was given

in which it showed that the cost of maintaining these schools was \$6,-160.92. Presents Statement.

Major Murphy presented the fol-

traffic bylaw as will be proposed by our children after they have passed the entrance examination. "This position is identical with the stand taken by the bishops of On-tario and the Catholic educational council, a body organized to safeguard and protect the rights and pri-vileges of Roman Catholic separate school supporters in the province.
"The educational act of 1863 recog nized separate schools which had existed in Upper Canada for many years. Separate school supporters were exempted from taxation for the

support of other schools. The schools existing at this time were common schools and grammar schools. "A mass of evidence has been col-ected and compiled which proves conclusively that these old common schools taught not only fifth form work, that is, first and second high school work, but prepared students

There are men still living who taught what may now be termed ma-

do away with amny street corner ac-cidents." shall prejudicially affect any right or ton streets, I would suggest making persons have through streets," said Mr. Bernard, at the union.

Present Position.

"Our position today is simply this, we are entitled by law to separate schools with a jurisdiction similar to that of the old common schools, in other words entitled to educate our children in our own separate schools from the primary grade to the high school forms leading to university "If there were any deviation on

our part from this position it is pos-sible to conceive that departmental regulations might be enforced limit-ing the scope of the work done by the separate schools and broadening out the curriculum of the high schools. In this manner the rights City Treasurer Holds \$500,000 schools. In this manner the rights and privileges of separate schools might be curtailed and restricted.

"A further question arises, are separate schools performing high school work an advantage and from our standpoint are those described." City Treasurer Bell, as well as several local bond dealers, report that the financial markets are rapidly imwork an advantage and from our standpoint are they desirable? I shall refer to one phase of the question only. The following is a statement of the number of children taking high school work at the present time.

London, St. Angelas Lower treasurer has a substantial block of city debentures yet to be sold, aggregatin gapout \$500,000—and he would encounter no difficulty in disposing of these if he wishes to do

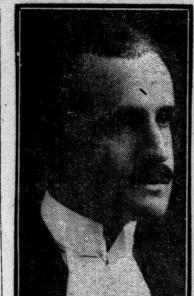
so. In fact, this morning an offer was made to him, but he chooses to wait for even better proposals which are not far distant, he believes. The dealers report that there is Brothers' Lower School 51 Matriculation 23

The dealers report that there is active bidding for the few bonds remaining on the market, now that the last Ontario issue has been "cleaned up" and it is fully expected that the big issues in sight will go chiefly to the United States. This development, will help locally, the treasurer states. **BOOSTER CLUB INAUGURAL** "The Bishop of Peterboro was in-

strumental in establishing a separate high school in that city. There are now two hundred and thirty-seven children attending the school, and in addition twenty-five or thirty Catholic children attending the public collegists nursuing a commercial WILL TAKE PLACE SOON The inaugural session of the 100,-00 population boosters' club will held until after the initial gathering of the city council, Mayor Wenige announced. This organiza-tion, if formed, will in no way re-flect upon the efforts of the Rotary, collegiate pursuing a commercial course. Prior to the establishment of this school the average number of Catholic children attending high school was between forty and fifty. Kiwanis and other social bodies, it is stressed at the city hall, but would embark upon worthy endeavors in Incorrect Statements.

"Certain incorrect and misleading statements have been made regarding the financial position of the financial position of the beard to the effect that the debt existing on the separate school properties was about \$70,000, and this debt had been accumulated in the last three years and due almost entirely to the first, second and third year high school work being done in the separate schools of this city. The total indebtedness of the school board as of Dec. 31, 1923, was \$72,300, and this is made up as follows:

\$74,300 \$74,300 The following expenditures



HEADS SCHOOL BOARD. Major Albert H. Murphy, who was last night elected chairman of the Separate School board.

made prior to 1919: Cost of erecting St. Michael's School, exclusive of purchase price of land and equipment \$21,000 Sacred Heart School, purchase

Total\$50,000
The following disbursements were made on capital account since 1921: St. Joseph's School, cost of

construction and purchase price of land\$27,082 00 St. John's School, cost of 17,796 51 5,055 91 School 1,400 00

lowing statement:

"For the benefit of the new members of the board I wish briefly to state the position of the board in the past with regard to the education of the board in the past with regard to the education of the board in the past with regard to the education of the board in the past with regard to the education of the months of the past with regard to the education of the past with regard to the past with regard to the education of the past with regard to the past with regard to the education of the past with regard to the past with regard t \$51.334 42 "Thus making a grand total of disbursements on capital account of the moneys disbursed since 1919 had nothing whatever to do with high school education. The school in Lon-lon West and an addition to St. don West and an addition to St John's School were absolutely essential to meet the growing needs of the school population. It is unnecessary to point out the necessity for the im provements undertaken during 1923.'

'ST. GEORGE' PRESENTED BY PLAYERS' WORKSHOP

Old-Time Story Played Out by Clever Group at Wolfe Street Studio.

Following the custom of the past desirable in a community the size of London is now debatable.

Mayor Wenige's proposal meets with the aproval of E. Bernard, section (1), retary of the London Motor Club.

"It is a good idea," Mr. Bernard said this morning. "I think it would do away with ampy street corper acasisation of the provinces, subject, however, to certain provisoes. Section 93, subsection (1), nothing in any such law was made up of the players who so three years the Players' Workshop was made up of the players who so his 32-mill proposals, but he feels privilege with respect to denomina- successfully presented "The Masque that the mayor's suggestion to have "Dundas, Richmond, and Welling- tional schools which any class of of All Souls" at the central collegiate some weeks ago.

"Thus the privileges and rights conferred by the act of 1863 were preserved and confirmed.

The costumes worn by the masqued players were delightfully original and effective, and the old story of St. effective, and the old story of St. George and his historical dragon was received with enthusiasm. The cast included: Margaret Griffith as St. George: Violet Burgess as a Turkish knight; Chariotte Lackie as King of Egypt; Ena Thirsk as Father Christmas; Leona Kirkwood as the Dragon; Ruth Tanner as the Noble Doctor; Alice Harding as Beelzebub. Other interesting little skits were given, after which supper was

PLANS CAMP SCENES.

At a supper meeting of the Oren-laga Club held last evening at "Lenmore" plans were discussed for the presentation of camp scenes, which Edith Gibberd presided over the meeting.

SAME COUNCIL IN '25 POSSIBLE **MAYOR ASSERTS**

Urges Acclamation For Aldermen If Tax Rate Is 32 Mills.

TARGET TO SHOOT AT

Twelve aldermen for re-election by acclamation next December.

While not incorporated in his inaugural address, this is a request from Mayor Wenige. And such a development is pos-

sible. His Worship declares: all the 1924 aldermen have to do is to strike the tax rate at 32 mills. The 1923 mark was 34.7.

"The members of the present counril could be returned by acclamation, just as sure as fate," Mayor Wenige stated, "if they reduce the tax rate to 32 mills, or even lower.

"That is just what the people of this city are waiting for, to see if their new council is going to lower the rate to any appreciable degre and if it is done in 1924, they will grasp the opportunity and say, 'you are the fellows we want in for another term.'

"In my opinion, the 1924 council will go back with little or no opposition, if they adopt a strict policy of economic retrenchment. And it can be done. Just do it. That's all." Target to Shoot At.

While reluctant to take a definite stand for a 32-mill tax rate before they have viewed the estimates from the various departments, many members of the city council believe that there is no harm in setting up a target to shoot at.

The mayor is seeking 32 mills, but he would be satisfied with even less than that, he relates. with the exception of Ald. Douglass. none would adopt a definite stand

Ald. John Greer is perfectly willing o have a 30-mill tax rate if such is possible, but that is a question to be determined yet, he says. While he is villing to keep the rate as low as reasonably possible, he is re-fraining from any public predictions until after the estimates have been finally considered

Edmund Hayden appears just a trifle skeptical. He extends hope that the mayor "will get the rate down to 32 mills," and acknowledges that the same would be a note-worthy achievement, but questions whether it would be either possible

or advisible. Not Tie Up Works. "We should certainly not move to tie up the works," he reminded, halt the machinery, just to get a mill rate, if it is going to mean any unjustified sacrifices.

Ald. Allan Towe doesn't know just business. "It will serve as a gu post in any event," he says, "and it is a good suggestion to have some-thing upon which to base our contemplated expenditures."

Ald. Gordon Drake reminds that there was considerable talk during the latter part of 1923 about a 30mill tax rate. He would certainly like to note a 32-mill rate in 1924, but his opinion is frank that he doesn't know how it is going to be done, in view of the many annual expenditures—unavoidable and absolutely out of the control of the

"But I can't see it yet." But Ald. Leonard Douglass is just as enthusiastic as the mayor, however, claiming that a 32-mill rate can be established if the majority of the aldermen uphold their pre-election resentation of camp scenes, which to be held early in the year. Miss state: If a person has \$1.50 to spend, no more should be spent no matter how much credit may be available.



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