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DESERTERS SENT TO JAIL BY MAGISTRATE

Their Cases Will Be Considered.

ONE FINED HAD EXCUSE

But Court Is Not Inclined To Do the Same For All.

After fining one deserter, Harvey W. Hagen of Kitchener, $250, Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon declared that he had no intention of creating a precedent in the matter of fining these young men who had evaded military service in the hour of the country's trial, and remanded Eugene Steffner, Louis Ebberlin and Antony Dettinger, all of St. Agatha, and Charles Frank and William Halter of Kitchener, to jail until he further considers their cases.

In the case of Hagen, representations were made that he never received the letter cancelling his exemption granted by the Government. As for the others no excuses were offered. They had simply ignored the cancellation of their exemptions and stuck to the dear old farm.

Way to Their Hearts.

"I think that possibly your worship could touch the hearts of these men through their pockets," said Gordon H. Tennant, counsel for the St. Agatha trio.

"I don't know about that," replied the magistrate. Perhaps I established a dangerous precedent when I fined those men the other day. However, I do not necessarily have to follow it. These men have all pleaded guilty, and I'm going to remand them to jail for a week. Other men who have committed no more serious crime than they have, have had to go to Kingston for two years. I will not allow any bail."

LOCAL NEWS

SUNDAY SCHOOL BANQUET.—A banquet was given the teachers and officers of the Egerton Street Baptist Sunday school on Tuesday evening. Sunday school work was discussed and a social hour spent afterwards.

STENOGRAPHER RESIGNS.—Mrs. H. G. Link, stenographr in the office of Police Court Clerk John Moule, has sent in her resignation to the council. It will be considered by No. 1 Committee this afternoon.

ON FORTY-HOUR WEEK. — Commencing this week, the G. T. R. carshops employees will work 40 hours a week. The hours will be from 8 to 5, city time, for five days a week. There will be no work on Saturdays, for a while at least.

THROWN FROM RIG.—Geo. Hobbs, a farmer residing near Thorndale, was thrown from his rig this morning, sustaining a nasty cut above the eye. He was hurried to Victoria Hospital, where he was attended by Dr. W. J. Stevenson.

TWO GRASS FIRES.—Sparks, it is supposed from passing Grand Trunk engines, gave the firemen two runs this morning to grass fires. The first one at 10 o'clock, was on Beaconsfield avenue, and the second at 12:10, on Highbury avenue.

GOES TO CONDUCTING STAFF.—Lieut.-Col. H. L. Milligan, D.S.O., O.C., the 1st Detachment, C. G. R., has been appointed to the permanent conducting staff, with effect from March 29. Major F. G. Stanbury, O.C., the 1st Depot Battalion, W. O. R., will assume command of the C. G. R. detachment in addition to his other duties.

NO HARM DONE.—Mrs. Martha Collins of the Aged People's Home was taken to Victoria Hospital last night. It was thought that her leg had been fractured when she accidentally tripped and fell. However, an examination at the hospital proved Mrs. Collins' fears groundless and she returned to the institution today.

DR. SHOEBOTHAM BACK.—Dr. W. M. Shoebotham, 620 Richmond street, returned to London yesterday after a long visit to California. During his sojourn in the South he visited many wonderful fruit districts, and witnessed interesting sights among the large fruit ranches in California. He was delighted with the climate and the people, and returns to the city much invigorated by the trip.

GOES TO TORONTO.—A deputation consisting of Vice-President John Bridge, Director Dr. E. E. Braithwaite, John Cottam, chairman of the housing committee of the London Chamber of Commerce, goes to Toronto to wait upon the provincial secretary in regard to an amendment to the provincial town-planning act. The London deputation will be associated with deputations from Brantford, Windsor, St. Thomas, Hamilton, Guelph and Niagara Falls on the same errand.

MUCH BUILDING IN PROSPECT.—Six permits, totalling $12,950, were taken out at the office of Building Inspector A. M. Piper today. In addition the Hillcrest Housing Company is planning the erection of 50 houses, at an estimated cost of $2,000 to $3,000 each during the season. Inquiry as to the permits was made this morning. Work will soon commence. John Willis is erecting four dwellings on Adelaide street, at a cost of $2,100 each, and W. J. Blackie is building a $4,500 residence on Victoria street.

ENJOYABLE CONCERT.—The Abigail Becker Chapter, I. O. D. E., gave an enjoyable concert in the Soldiers' Club rooms on Dundas street Tuesday evening. Little Miss Isobal Graham sang several Scottish selections and afterwards danced a number of Scottish dances. The little girl proved quite a favorite with the soldiers. Another feature of the program was the musical numbers given by the Kileau Club, on ukaleles, the members being attired in Hawaiian costume. Mrs. Brown and Mr. Harris also contributed to the program.

GIVEN WATCH AND CHAIN. — A pleasing little ceremony took place in the office of the postoffice inspector, Col. C. E. H. Fisher, on Monday, when Louis Johnston, who has resigned his position on the staff to return to the railway mail service branch of the postoffice department, with headquarters at Hamilton, was presented with a handsome watch and chain. Making the presentation, Col. Fisher spoke in terms of high praise of Mr. Johnston's faithful and efficient service, voicing the regret of the fellow-members of the inspector's department over the fact that he is leaving. Mr. Johnston has been a popular member of the inspector's staff for the past seven or eight years.

CITY SOLICITOR WHO GIVES WHOLE TIME THE LATEST DEMAND

Ald. Drake Points Objections to Present Plan.

For some time there has been a movement in city hall circles towards the employment of a city solicitor who shall have his office in the city hall and devote all his time to the business of the city. Ald. G. B. Drake will make a motion to this effect at the meeting of No. 1 committee this afternoon. He points out that the city could secure a good solicitor for $4,000 a year, which is only $500 more than the city is paying now on an average for legal advice.

His objection to the present system is the fact that any question that needs legal light must be laid over until the committee can consult the city solicitor. Ald. Drake proposes that the new solicitor should be at all the meetings of the council and the committees, thus he always could be reached easily.

Ald. O. G. Keene thinks that the new solicitor should be made an assistant city clerk, and thus relieve City Clerk S. Baker of some of his too numerous duties.

Ald. Drake does not favor this. He is of the opinion that the city solicitor should not be saddled with any other than legal duties in connection with the city.

MILITARY HOSPITAL PATIENTS COMPLAIN; INQUIRY IS ORDERED

Declare Food and Other Things Unsatisfactory.

A number of N. C. O.'s of No. 1 C. A. S. C. Service Company have complained that while they were patients in the London Military Convalescent Hospital the food supplied to them was very unsatisfactory, and that in other respects they were not well treated. Brig.-Gen. L. W. Shannon has ordered that a court of inquiry, with Capt. E. R. Shuttleworth, 1st Battalion, C. G. R., as president, shall investigate the complaints.

Gen. Shannon also has ordered an investigation by court of inquiry into injuries sustained by Pte. James Bennett, now of the C. G. R., while doing physical drill as a member of the 142nd Battalion in April, 1916.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

DIED AT CRUMLIN.

Mrs. Harry Clarkson died on Monday at her home at Crumlin in her 21st year. She is survived zy her husband and one child, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Fournier, three brothers—George and John Fournier of this city, and Louis in England, and three sisters—Mrs. James Harp, Mrs. Henry Andrews and Mrs. J. B. Welsby, all of this city. The funeral will be held from her late residence on Thursday to Otterville Cemetery.

ENTERTAINED COMMITTEE. — George F. Lewis, deputy fire marshal of Ontario, entertained the fire prevention committee of the London Chamber of Commerce, of which H. F. Skey is chairman, at supper last night at the Tecumseh House at 6:30 o'clock. Mr. Lewis will address the membership luncheon of the chamber of commerce at noon today.

CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS. — The older employed boys' club called the Adanacs, held a social evening last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Butterworth, Hamilton road. The officers for the ensuing year were elected: Walter Roberts, president; Frank Shaw, vice-president; Karl Bamford, treasurer, and Ben Butterworth, secretary. Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Robinson were also present. Mr. Robinson is mentor of the club. The club meets every Tuesday evening at the Y. M. C. A. and takes up the C. S. E. T. work.

TEACHERS MUST REPORT TOTAL WHIPPINGS GIVEN

One School Trustee Thinks Pupils Should Strike in Defence.

A WARM DISCUSSION

Collegiate Women Teachers Placed on Basis of Equality With Men.

WHAT THE BOARD DID.

Empowered the chairman to take the necessary action towards holding a suitable celebration in the schools on the signing of peace.

Placed the women teachers of the collegiate institute on a par with the men in the question of salaries, giving the women a $100 increase for this year in addition to the one given last fall.

Referred the question of allowing dancing in the gymnasium at the collegiate back to No. 3 committee.

Referred the question of the sale of thrift stamps back to No. 1 committee for further consideration, and to No. 3 committee.

Adopted the recommendation of No. 1 committee that the arrangements that are in existence between the separate and public school board in reference to partnership assessments be continued.

Approved of the reopening of the household science room at Talbot street school, which has been closed on account of the fuel conditions.

Accepted the resignation of J. Ferguson of the collegiate, to take effect on the 1st of May.

Referred the request of Principal McKone for a reconsideration of his salary to No. 1 committee.

Passed a resolution making it compulsory for all teachers and principals to keep records of the corporal punishments inflicted on the kiddies, and the offences for which they are punished.

The question of examinations and tests was left with No. 1 committee and Inspector C. B. Edwards for a report as to the advisability of decreasing the number of these.

Laid over the question of the appointment of a special salary committee until next meeting.

Exploded a Bomb.

Somewhat of a bombshell was projected into the meeting when Mrs. Ronald Harris made a motion to the effect that all teachers should be compelled to keep a record of the punishments administered to the kiddies. She pointed out that she was speaking generally, and had no specific case in mind when she brought up the question. It would not do any harm where the teacher was not unduly severe, but it would serve as a check when one was inclined to wield the rod too frequently, she thought.

Principal H. T. Mooney, of the collegiate institute, stated that he had adopted this.

Thomas Rowe questioned the wisdom of the motion. He did not think the principals and teachers should be thus burdened by compelling them to keep a record of the punishments given. "The most beloved principal we have is he who goes around with the strap up his sleeve, and does not hesitate to use it when occasion demands," said he. "We will do a far greater evil than we think if we dabble in these details."

Some Novel Ideas.

Mrs. Harris explained that she was not averse to corporal punishment, but she simply wished a check to prevent undue severe punishments.

Said Trustee Smith in reply to Trustee Rowe: "I do not object to punishment properly administered, but I will say in reference to the principal who carries a strap up his sleeve that he is like a snake in the grass, ready to strike without any warning. To this method of punishment I emphatically object, and I often think it would be a good thing if the kiddies so punished would strike back in defence."

Trustee Rowe submitted that this discussion was not in the best interests of education. He also resented the reference to the principal with the strap up his sleeve, as made by Trustee Smith. "He should not be subjected to the insinuation that he is a reptile," said Trustee Rowe. "I only wish that I could live the exemplary life that he has lived for these many years."

The board expressed its favor of the motion by a vote of five to three.

Push Thrift Stamps.

G. M. Reid and Major Gordon Ingram addressed the board urging the necessity and patriotism of taking some action towards pushing the sale of thrift stamps in the schools. They suggested that the board should provide a sufficient sum for the purchase of a supply which could be available for sale in the schools.

The board decided that the committees should hold a conference with these two men, when some definite plan could be formulated, and a report made to the board later.

The recommendation of No. 3 committee, which was adopted, that the women teachers in the collegiate be granted an increase of $100 this year in addition to their recent increases brought forth little discussion.

Trustee Rowe said that in all the time he had been on the board he had heard a lot about maximum salaries, but he had never met one that could be so classed. "We are running wild in this question," said he. He warned the board of the dangers of one class of teacher asking increases because certain others had received it.

Pupils Would Dance.

There was some discussion in reference to the application of the students of the collegiate that they be allowed to hold dances in the gymnasium. No. 3 committee recommended that this be refused.

H. Hayman thought that the gymn should be open to the scholars for social dances.

Trustee Smith agreed with him in this.

Trustee W. J. Tillmann pointed out that the committee gathered from the letter that the students desired to hold weekly dances. This would interfere too much with the work.

Mrs. A. T. Edwards thought that the dancing might better be done in the gymn under proper supervision than in public halls. She had heard that the students had to hold a dance in Hyman Hall not long ago.

Trustee A. A. Langford thought it better to let them go to Hyman Hall.

Some one suggested that Principal Mooney be heard on the subject.

Trustee Rowe queried as to whether Mr. Mooney had ever danced.

Principal Is There.

Principal Mooney made it clear that he had danced, and he could still dance, and that he hoped to dance again. He knew all the dances from the round and square ones to the turkey trot.

Mrs. David Williams queried in sotto voce if he knew the Jazz dance. This was passed by. While he did not want to stand in the way of amusement for the young men and women at the collegiate, he would hesitate to undertake the responsibility for supervision of the dancing in the gymnasium.

Mrs. Harris questioned whether it would be possible to properly supervise the dancing allowed in the gymnasium.

Trustee Hayman, seconded by Mrs. Harris, wanted the board to sanction the dancing on special occasions under proper supervision at the gymnasium. The board decided, however, that the whole question should be referred back to No. 3 committee for another report.

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Bathing in Thames on March Morning a Serious Offence

Even Rescue of Constable From Hanging Does Not Save Boys.

'Twas the first swim of the season and it didn't bring summer any more than the first robin brought a steadfast spring. It did, however, bring a session in the police court, and the wrath of a March Morn group of boys upon the head of a heartless and graceless "cop."

One of the methods of education adopted in the technical high school classes over at the Technical and Art School is that of taking classes to visit various industries. It was one of those fine, deceptively sunny days last week that a joyful young mob, accompanied by a teacher, wended its way to Hunt's mill, down on the banks of the Thames, to see how the wheels went round and what happened then.

The mill wasn't quite ready to be "at home" when the class arrived, so the lads were left to their own devices for a time.

Ah! a Swim.

Teacher got out of sight, and someone said something about swimming, and that was enough for an unbearably hot day in March. Gleefully the boys prepared to shed their winter raiment and Arctic region flannels for a cooling, refreshing dip.

Just then, a joy-killer, in the shape of a policeman hove in sight. He had chosen that inopportune moment to be crossing the traction bridge at the foot of Richmond street, and, of course, his eagle eye lighted on the boys.

"And he wasn't on duty, either," said one of the boys indignantly.

Got Hung Up.

In any case, the cop, from the boys' points of view, forgot all the rules of the game. He started to descend into their midst and that involved dropping a considerable distance from the bridge.

He evidently miscalculated the distance, because he hung there in a perilous position.

Perhaps he was just coming to join in the first swim of summer after all. In any case, one couldn't leave a fellow creature hanging big and dry like that. One of the boys, like a real good Samaritan, dashed to the rescue.

Ungrateful Constable.

Did the "cop" recommend the boy for the Humane Society Medal? Did he acclaim him "My hero?" And did he wave his arm and say: "Let it be as if I had never discovered you!"?

He did not, according to a member of the party. The "gink" reported to the "proper authorities," and a band of knights of the rueful countenance appeared in police court yesterday morning to answer to a charge preferred against them of being so rash as to utilize spare moments in taking a Saturday bath in mid-week by playing March Morn.

ASSOCIATE MEMBER QUESTION PUT UP TO WAR VETERANS

G.W.V.A. Will Take Mail Vote on Question.

The G. W. V. A. held its general meeting Tuesday night in the basement of the Masonic Temple. Much discussion took place over the associate and active membership question. A committee was appointed to draft a pamphlet to send to all members of the London command, over 1,000 in number. As there were only about 200 members present it was decided that the question be laid over, as many of the members had different views on the matter. The problem is one regarding accepting members who have not seen active service. Many thought that this was an injustice to men who through no fault of their own had been unable to get to the firing line. The questions on the pamphlet will ask an opinion on the immediate admission of men who saw service in England and in Canada, or on holding this matter over for six months or a year till more of the boys are home. The committee appointed is composed of Messrs. Greenless, McLean, Pocock, Marsh, McGuire, Moore, Stevens and Foster.

A resolution was passed condemning the action the civil authorities have taken in offering men employment as laborers at the pay of 30 cents per hour, as other cities are paying as much as 50 per cent more in wages to laborers. This resolution is being sent to the authorities.

Delegates were elected to attend the provincial convention at Windsor on May 14, 15 and 16, in the interests of the London command. The elected active members selected as delegates are Messrs. Ingram, Cunliffe, Ball, Green and Young. The list of waiting delegates, in case anything turns up which would stop any of the other delegates from attending the convention, is composed of Messrs. Greenless, Moore and Watt.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. Thomas Smallman, for the use of property, which is situated near Wolseley Barracks, for the purpose of gardening for returned soldiers.

Col. W. G. Coles gave an outline on what the delegates for the Windsor convention will take up in the way of business. The London command, it was stated, is now 1,010 strong, and has as good a showing as any city its size in Canada.

DESERTER FINED $250

William Roth of New Hamburg Thought He Had Leave.

William Roth of New Hamburg pleaded guilty to deserting from the W. O. R. last May and was fined $250 in police court today by Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon.

Gordon H. Tennant, counsel for Roth, stated that his client was under the impression that he had been granted farm leave. He was a farmer and cheesemaker, and largely signed petitions had been received from the neighborhood asking that Roth be granted leave. He had applied for leave and was granted ten days.

Major John Hirsch of the military police thought that the ends of justice would be met by a fine, which was accordingly imposed by the court.

"I'm not guilty, positively no, and I'll go to jail in protest," declared the drunk who was found guilty Tuesday morning by Mr. Graydon of having looked too long and lovingly on the flowing bowl."

"I'm just the same as yesterday, and I wasn't drunk then," he continued.

"I convicted you yesterday, and apparently you aren't in any better shape to day. You're not fit to go out today, either."

"Well, I'll go to jail, then; but mind you, I'm protesting," said Mr. Drunk as he was led away by the constable.

The 18-year-old youth, who pleaded guilty a week ago to stealing jewelry from his aunt and cousins valued at $75, was allowed to go on suspended sentence. Restitution has been made, and his aunt did not wish to further press the charge.

The boy's brother promised that he would look after the youth, and after a short lecture, when the error of his ways was pointed out by the the court, he was allowed to go.

RIMOUSKI HARBOR CLEAR.

Quebec, April 2.—For the first time in 70 years the harbor of Rimouski, down the gulf, has cleared of ice at this date.

ACCEPT NEW SALARIES SCALE.

Quebec, April 2.—The Protestant board of school commissioners of the city of Quebec has accepted the increased scale of salaries submitted by the Association of Protestant Women Teachers. The scale was based on that passed in Montreal.

C.E.F. HAD LARGE U.S.A. MEMBERSHIP

Men Living Across Border Came in Numbers.

REPORT SAYS 102,000

Dispersal Station Statistics Give Force To This Statement.

A Detroiter who returned recently from overseas and was dispersed in London, stated to The Advertiser that he had been approached by officials of an organization which had been formed in the United States for the purpose of establishing in that country an affiliated branch of the Canadian G. W. V. A.

He said that this official told him that statistics obtained from Ottawa showed that no less than one hundred and two thousand men who were living in the United States at the time enlisted in the Canadian Expeditionary Force, and that of this number about 87 per cent were of British birth.

The Advertiser has not been able to establish the correctness or otherwise of these figures. Some evidence in support, however, is found in the fact that, as an average, about 34 per cent of the returned men who come to this district for dispersal claim United States points as their homes. For instance, 102 men off the steamer Regina were discharged at the dispersal station at Tecumseh Barracks last night, and 31 of them came from the United States.

This shows an even greater proportion than the Ottawa statistics are said to show, but the fact that Western Ontario drew a larger proportion of recruits from across the border than any other military district would indicate that some reduction would have to be made in order to secure an estimate of the figures for the whole of Canada.

DOUBTS UTILITY OF NEW ASSESSMENTS

Commissioner Does Not Expect Much Relief Therefrom.

While Assessment Commissioner Stephen Grant has not given the amendments to the assessment act much thought, he is inclined to think that it will not lighten the burden of the low-priced dwellings by a great deal. He points out that the assessment as it now stands would not be reduced by 50 per cent on any, as under the present act the houses are not assessed at full value in many cases.

According to the act now in force, the value of the house is arrived at by taking the full value of the land and deducting this from the total value of the house and land. Thus the difference between the two is recognized as the value of the house. In many instances the house may be assessed for a great deal less than its full value.

Will Increase Assessment.

That the general assessment would be increased by the act as amended is the opinion of Mr. Grant. He instances a house that is assessed for $5,300, and the lot at $6,700, which is up for sale at $20,000. The house could not be built for the price which is asked for the house and lot. Under the new assessment, if it is adopted by the city, the total assessment of this house would be in the neighborhood of $26,700, or more than double the present assessment.

Thus the increase in the assessment would be practically unchanged would reap a certain benefit in reduced taxes.

Would Help Some.

Some of the lower-priced houses would be reduced a certain amount, but it is unlikely that in any case there would be a reduction of 50 per cent on the present assessment. In the case of property which is assessed at $1,800 now, with the lot assessed at $675, the assessment on the house is only $1,125.

It is estimated that it would cost $2,000 to erect the house. Thus under the proposed act the total assessment on this property would be reduced to $1,675, taking 50 per cent of the house and full value for the lot. In addition to this reduction would be the reduction in the rate of taxation brought about by the increased assessment on the higher-priced houses.

According to the assessment commissioner the ones who will receive the most benefit from the changes in the assessment act are those who have an income from investments and whose total incomes do not exceed $1,500 from all sources. Under the present act all income from investments is assessed where the total income is above $600, whereas under the proposed amendments the total income must be $1,500 before the income from investments can be taxed.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

Chicago, April 2.

Corn—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	$1 53½	$1 58¼	$1 52½	$1 57⅛
July	1 41¼	1 46¼	1 41¼	1 45¾
Sept.	1 35	1 38½	1 35	1 37⅜
Oats—				
May	66⅝	68	65½	67½
July	65	66¾	65	66¼
Sept.	61½	63⅜	61½	63

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Reported by Edward Cronyn & Co.]

Toronto, April 2.

	Asked.	Bid.		Asked.	Bid.
Ames, p	..	76	P Rico..	35	30
A Sugar	25¼	24½	Paper, p	90	..
do pfd.	77½	77¼	Quebec..	22	21
Barcel..	9⅞	9¾	Rior, p..	97	95
Brazilian	53¼	52⅞	Rogers..		27
B C Fish	49	46	do pfd.	76	65
Burt, c..	90	..	Russell..	76	75
do pfd.	..	95	do pfd.	..	81
C Bread.	20	19½	Sawyer..	11	7
do pfd.	84	82	do pfd.	35	25
C Car...	31½	30½	SWheat	130	127
do pfd.	89	88	Spanish.	20	19½
Cement.	65	64¼	do pfd.	82	81
do pfd.	..	99	Stl Can..	65	64
C S L...	44	43½	do pfd.	94½	93¾
do pfd.	78¼	77¼	Tooke...	26	24
CGElec.	104	103½	do pfd.	78	76
C Loco..	62½	61½	T Paper.	76	73
C Salt..	..	135	Tor Ry.	46	44
C Dairy.	55	52	Tucketts	28½	28
do pfd.		90	do pfd.	83	82½
Coniaz.	255	245	Tw City.	49	47½
C Smelt.	27¼	26⅞	Win Ry.	50	48
Con Gas.	150	..	Banks—		
Canners.	37	35	Com'rce	205	204
do pfd.	83½	82½	Dom ...	208½	..
Dome..	1300	1250	Hamil'n	186	185
DSteel,p.	98	96	Imperial.	205½	204
DSteelC.	61¾	61¼	Merch ..	192½	191
Dom Tel ..		85	Montr'l	211	..
Duluth..	33	31	Royal ..	209	208¾
LWoods	167	..	Stand ..	209½	209¼
Mackay.	75	72	Toronto	200½	200
do pfd.	..	65	Union,..	..	160
Leaf, p.	102	101	Loans, etc.—		
Monarch	..	57	C Land.	143	..
do pfd.	86	84	C Perm.	170	169½
N S Car	12	10	H Prov.	..	138
do pfd.	50	45	H & E..	..	207
do Vt.	8½	7	20% pd.	..	198
NSSteel.	51	49	do new	..	106
P Burt..	30	28	20% pd.	..	99
do pfd.	..	75	L Bank.	..	140
Penmans	..	91	OntLoan	..	155
do pfd.	..	90	20% pd.	..	145
			T Mort..	..	132

OILS.

London, April 2.—Calcutta Linseed—Afloat, £23 15s.

Linseed Oil—Raw, 58s.

Sperm Oil—£54.

Petroleum—American refined, 1s 4½d; Spirits, 1s 5½d.

Turpentine—Spirits, 95s; French, 105s.

Rosin—American strained, 40s; type G, 40s 6d.

Liverpool, April 2.—Tallow—Australian (in London), 72s.

Turpentine Spirits—125s.

Rosin—Common, 64s 6d.

Petroleum—Refined, 1s 6⅝d.

Linseed Oil—62s.

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35682 Head Over Heels, Medley, Fox trot. ..... J. C. Smith's Orch.
I'm Always Chasing Rainbows..... J. C. Smith's Orch.
18521 The Girl Behind the Gun, One Step ..... J. C. Smith's Orch.
Rockin' the Boat, Fox Trot..... J. C. Smith's Orch.
70119 There's Somebody Waiting for Me. ..... Lauder
45158 Serenade (Pierse) 'Cello, Fernard Pollain
The Butterfly (La Papillon), 'Cello ..... Fernard Pollain

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Charge Dismissed, But Magistrate Flays Defendant

Men of This Character Should Be Taken Out On the Market and Flogged."

The case of Roy Ashton, charged by the Children's Aid Society with corrupting children, was dismissed by Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon in police court this morning, the evidence not being considered sufficient to permit of a conviction.

The woman in the case, a soldier's wife, whose husband is still overseas after three years' campaigning, admitted to Secretary W. E. Kelly of the C. A. S. that Ashton was the father of her 6-months' old baby. This she denied in court today.

Ashton, according to Mr. Kelly, admitted last week that he was the father of the baby, and didn't know what he was going to do. He told Mr. Kelly that he was going to stay and face the soldier husband when he returned.

No evidence was offered to show that any immorality had taken place before the two young children of the soldier's wife.

"The way the act stands, I cannot convict in this case," stated the court.

"I think the section should be amended," interjected Crown Attorney J. B. McKillop.

"Conviction is not warranted," continued Mr. Graydon. "I have never heard of a more terrible, contemptible and horrible spectacle, but the evidence does not go to say that any immoral acts were committed in front of the children who are 5 and 6 years old."

"Men of this character should be taken out on the market and flogged. No punishment is too severe to mete out to a class of man that will take advantage of soldiers' wives. However, I feel obliged to dismiss the matter as the act stands at present."

NOTES OF INTEREST FROM CITY HALL

DOES HE FEAR IT?

Some of Inspector C. B. Edwards' friends are wondering if he fears the spread of Bolshevism among the school kiddies of London, and if that was the reason he asked the press to make but little mention of the discussion on the question of corporal punishment which took place at a recent meeting of the board.

WANTS TO SEE REPORT.

Arthur Beal, 359 Central avenue, whose son John was injured at Lord Roberts school last fall, has asked the board of education for a copy of the report which Inspector C. B. Edwards presented at the time compensation was refused him. Thomas Rowe had no objection to Mr. Beal being shown the copy, but he thought that the board should not allow him to take it away from the offices. No. 1 committee will deal with the question.

COMMITTEES TO DECIDE.

The request of the boys' department of Talbot Street Sunday School for the use of Tecumseh school grounds on two evenings a week was referred by the board of education to Nos. 2 and 3 committees.

WATER NUISANCE.

John L. McLean claims that water is flowing on his property from the grounds of Lord Roberts school and he asks that the board of education remedy this. It was referred to No. 2 committee for consideration.

WORK STILL TOO HEAVY.

The subject most dear to the heart of every child, homework, was again discussed at a recent meeting of the board of education. Edwin Smith asked if the amount given the kiddies had been cut down lately. Inspector C. B. Edwards replied that it had. W. N. Manning gave a list of the homework which had been given a child in the sixth grade on March 14. He thought that, judging by the amount given then the teachers were not falling in line with the wish of the board. Inspector Edwards will send another reminder to the various principals that homework is to be reduced.

NO "KEEPING IN."

In connection with the retention of children after 4, W. N. Manning says that if a teacher cannot earn his or her money during the regular hours, the board should fire that one and engage one who can. He objects to kiddies being kept after hours for any reason whatever.

Women's Press Club Brings Back Flight Lt. B. Robinson

Only Canadian Officer to Escape From Germany Will Speak Here April 14.

Flight-Lieut. Beverley Robinson, the now famous war lecturer, created so much enthusiasm, when he spoke here a few weeks ago, that the public insisted on a return engagement. Those who heard him before want to hear the end of the thrilling story of his escape from Germany, and still others want an opportunity of listening to perhaps the most absorbing Canadian lecture which the war has produced. To give the public this opportunity, the Women's Press Club, a new organization has undertaken to bring him back to the city on Monday, April 14, to speak in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium.

The story of Lieut. Robinson, who spent 2½ years in nine German prison camps, finally to escape, reads like romance. And not only has the speaker an abundance of the most interesting material, but his enthusiasm and ability as a platform speaker carry his audience with him in a most extraordinary way, and humorous touches all the way through add greatly to the effect of his story.

Lieut. Robinson is a typical Canadian and his story touches a cord of sympathy in the heart of every Canadian father and mother who has sent a son to the war. To him has been given the peculiar ability of giving definite color to what all have experienced. He is grandson of the late Sir John Beverley Robinson, chief justice of Upper Canada, and a nephew of the late Hon. John Beverley Robinson, at one time lieutenant-governor of Ontario.

CALL FOR ANNUAL MEETING.

Topeka, Kan., April 2.—A call for the annual meeting of the association of government labor officials of the United States and Canada was issued here today by Miss Lena Bresette, secretary of the organization. The meeting will be held in Madison, Wis., June 2, 3, 4. Invitations have been sent to every labor commissioner, factory inspector and other officials having anything to do with the enforcement of labor laws in the United States, it was stated.

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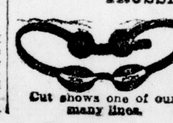

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