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CAVE-INS ALONG ROADS TIE UP MOTOR TRAFFIC



WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Chicago attorney and real estate dealer, who inherited a million dollar estate from his foster child, William McCintock, the millionaire orphan, and who is now facing a charge of murdering his ward by inoculating him with typhus germs.

ACTION AGAINST HOSPITAL ENDS

\$5,000 Damage Suit of Sydney Moore Settled Out of Court.

The \$5,000 action of Sydney Moore against the Victoria hospital trustee board, London, has been settled out of court. G. N. Weekes, counsel for the plaintiff announced today. Mr. Weekes stated that he had been agreed between the parties not to announce the sum involved.

The plaintiff's son Robert, was in public ward at Victoria hospital in 1923 with a broken leg, which had healed when it was injured again by a patient alleged by the plaintiff to have been insane.

T. G. Meredith, K.C., acted for the hospital trustees.

Two actions over wills were postponed until the next court by Mr. Justice Lennox this morning on application of counsel owing to the illness of witnesses. They were actions of Brady against Brady and Granger against Oliver.

Four cases are yet to be tried at the present assizes.

SMOKING PRIVILEGE SEEN FOR PRISONERS

Judge Backs Jury Recommendation—Governor Dawson Not Against Plan.

The time may come when prisoners at the Middlesex county jail will sit in the exercise yard smoking and puff contentedly at corn-cob pipes and

the city of London and county of Middlesex. This delightful state of affairs, as far as the prisoners are concerned, may come if the Ontario government acts on the recommendations made by the Middlesex grand jury yesterday and which were approved by Mr. Justice Lennox, presiding judge at the assizes.

Interviewed this morning, Governor Byron Dawson declared that personally he would have no objection to smoking by the prisoners at stated times, such as after breakfast, dinner and supper.

"The regulations forbid smoking, and none of the prisoners are allowed tobacco except under the doctors' orders," said the governor. "While there is something to be said in favor of it, you must remember that the men are sent here as a punishment and if you gave them everything they wanted, there wouldn't be much punishment about it, would there?"

"If the law was changed, the smoking would have to be carried out under supervision in a central room or in the exercise yard. It would not do to allow the men to smoke in the cells."

Sheriff Graham said he hadn't thought about the matter very much and did not care to give any opinion at the present time. Such a law would mean a lot of extra work. The prisoners would all have to be given special pipes, and the smokers would have to be under supervision.

LAKE ERIE FISHERMEN TO MEET TOMORROW

A meeting of the advisory committee of the Lake Erie Fishermen's association will be held on Friday afternoon to elect delegates to meet representatives of the Fresh Water Fish Producers' association in Buffalo.

While there, the delegates will endeavor to reach an international agreement on closed season dates, maximum catches, and other questions now at issue.

President Harry Dromgole of the Lake Erie association ordered the meeting of the advisory committee Monday afternoon. It will be held in the Grand Central hotel, St. Thomas.

HORTICULTURISTS MEET.
The horticultural committee of the Western Fair, under the chairmanship of H. J. Childs, will meet at the Western Fair offices this afternoon to discuss changes in the prize list and building arrangements for 1925.

EAST MEETS WEST IN KITCHEN FRAGAS

Qualities of Oriental Praised by Magistrate on Reviewing Potato Hurling Episode.

Raising the status of the Oriental several degrees by paying warm tribute to his naturally peaceful disposition, Magistrate Graydon informed a local young man in court this morning that his cowardly assault on the diminutive chef of a Richmond street cafe would be atoned only upon the payment of \$10 or one week in jail. The fine was grudgingly settled.

The short skirmish between the east and the west was caused by one order of steak and a request for one match, was the finding of the disputes board, with the note for reparations shoved in the face of the Occidental.

To begin the narrative in its proper sequence, the young man started out from home, warmed by only one drink in the course of his travels for one match, was the finding of the disputes board, with the note for reparations shoved in the face of the Occidental.

Right About. The chef's story turned the whole fracas around. It was he who had been hit and he convincingly showed the court a cut forehead. The young man's fist did it to make his swear words more impressive, the Chinese man said. The dishwasher was a neutral, but through an interpreter he further blackened the conduct of the one who ordered the steak.

Constables Glidden and Ayers also championed the chef. They entered the cafe last night, they said, to find a chef with a bleeding forehead and arrested the young man as the invader in chief. As far as frying pan missiles were concerned there were no signs of potato shrapnel when they entered the establishment.

The court concluded that, for the most part the stories of the western chef and the eastern customer were pure fabrications. Both had lied, and offended justice must be given an apology in the form of a \$10 bill or a week in jail.

Youth Annoyed.
A youth of 16, with the build of a young Hercules, took offense at remarks made about his not working and beat his father into submission last night. Chief Birrell told the court the prisoner arose to answer a charge of vagrancy.

His son has not worked for two years, the father told in his turn, and last week attacked his mother. "Why do you behave like this?" the court wanted to know.

No answer. "How would you like six months in the reformatory?"

No answer. He was remanded for a week to give the magistrate an opportunity of deciding the best way to deal with the miscreant.

A South London citizen paid \$100 out of court for illegally purchasing liquor, not wishing to contest the charge.

CANADIAN OFFICIAL LAUDS WEMBLEY EXHIBITION

The Wembley exhibition last year was an "unqualified success," in the opinion of J. S. McKinnon, Canadian director of industrial exhibits, who will be in London within a few days. In reviewing the great imperial exhibition, Mr. McKinnon says: "The full effect of Wembley will not be felt for years to come, and it may be that just as we still speak of the great exhibition of 1851, so half a century hence, posterity will still be talking of the great empire exhibition of 1924. It is possible, however, to state without fear of contradiction that the British Empire exhibition was an unqualified success. It is possible too, to prove this by considering the extent to which it fulfilled its primary purposes."

**O. A. C. EGG SETTINGS
ARE IN RECORD DEMAND**

London market should be flooded with eggs next winter if the Canadian farmer who is raising O. A. C. bred-to-lay barred rocks have successful hatches.

A. A. Finn of the department of agriculture reports an abnormal request for settings this spring, over 300 dozen eggs having already been ordered from the breeding stations.

Mr. Finn states that eggs are available at 65 cents a dozen, the cheapest price in years. Orders should be sent to the department of agriculture office, Home Bank building.

SIR ADAM IMPROVING.
Special to The Advertiser. Sir Adam Beck spent a most restful day and night at John Hopkins' hospital and condition is regarded as satisfactory.



GUESTS OF LIONS.
Vincent Lopez, Jun., and his orchestra will be guests at the Lions' club banquet in the Tecumseh house tonight. The Lopez concert orchestra has attracted great interest during its stay at the Capitol theatre this week.



METHODIST CHURCH CELEBRATES 100 YEARS OF VICTORY.

For two nights the First Methodist church was filled when the pageant "One Hundred Years of Victory" was given by the young people of the various city churches. The pageant tells in a dramatic form the story of a century of development of the missionary work of the church, and is being shown in connection with

the centenary celebrations of 1924-1925. It will be given in the larger centers of the province, and has already been played on the Pacific coast and in the western provinces. Here are some of the more important characters in the story: Left to right, front row—Liu Des Ruh, Hugh Scratch; John Knox, N. G. Kinsman; Spirit of Methodist, Raby Finlay; John Wesley, Nelson Roulston; Barbara Heck, Rowena Wade; Captain Webb, Douglas Gray; Second row—Spirit of Service, Mildred Krons; Centenary Spirit, Elsie McLeod; Philip Embury, Kenneth Ashby; an angel, Annie Birrell; an angel, Martha Windover; Rev. Din-

JUDGMENT HELD IN \$1,030 ACTION

Returned Soldier's Plight Wins Sympathy of Judge Lennox.

Judgment was reserved by Mr. Justice Lennox this morning in the \$1,030 mortgage action of Roberta Walker against Arthur Quinton, a returned soldier. Miss Walker was holding the mortgage in trust for J. W. G. Winnet, according to the evidence.

"The more I've heard of this case, the less I like it," commented the judge in summing up. "It would be unfortunate for this man, a cripple, should he lose what little he had when he had a lawyer advising him."

"It seems to me a most cruel proceeding all through against this man. Mr. Cluff has done what he could for him, and so will I. I am going to take the matter into serious consideration and see if the plaintiff can go on with the action. I won't decide it very soon, but I won't have an opportunity."

"I don't recall Mr. Winnet personally, but no doubt I would know him if I saw him. I know he is head of a reputable firm, and if he thinks it over, would be disposed to give these people a release."

"It appeared at first that there was no answer to it, but now I think there is. Judgment reserved," concluded the court.

According to the evidence, Mr. Winnet, acting for Quinton, purchased some property for him in Lucan, placing a mortgage for \$900 on the property. Later Quinton transferred his Lucan property for land in London and understood that he was released from the mortgage when he took over the London property. The man who took over the Lucan premises has not kept up his interest and principal, and the plaintiff was suing for the amount of the mortgage, plus the interest.

George Morehead, appearing for the plaintiff, stated that it was impossible to have Mr. Winnet present in court as he was in Honolulu.

Howard Cluff, of Menzies and Cluff, acted for Mr. Quinton.

FOUR CHANGES ASKED IN FISH, GAME LAWS

Western Ontario Protective Association Appeals to the Ontario Government.

Four points which are expected to have an important bearing on the preserving of the wild life of Canada will be placed before the government at a conference in the parliament buildings, Toronto, tomorrow.

L. B. Long, president of the Western Ontario Fish and Game Protective Association, together with J. I. A. Hunt, chairman of the executive board, and the honorary president, William Smith, will attend. The Western Ontario boards of trade will also be represented.

Gun licenses, fishing nets, the restocking of lakes and streams with fish, and the value of fingerlings or small hatchery fish will be taken up. The association will suggest that the carrying of gun to the prohibited between March and September 1, except by permit for trout shooting only.

To allow the use of small snail nets for taking minnows for bait for a one dollar license fee.

Permission will be asked granting the department of agriculture, hatcheries of water for the stocking of local streams; to place pike on the game fish list with an open season June 16 to November 30, the same as bass is at present.

The placing of tiny bass and trout fingerlings in local waters has been a matter of controversy. It is the opinion of the association that the millions of little fish which have been placed in local waters have not survived to any extent.

"The sun fish and others simply gobble the little ones up," said Mr. Long today. "They do have a chance. The association can not see that there has been an appreciable benefit. It looks like a waste of time and money putting in such small fish."

"Home" Child Criticism Should Lay On Dominion Bondfield Emphasizes

Selection Agents Blamed For Undesirable Immigrant Boys and Girls.

10,000 Homeless In North Tokio

Tokio, March 19.—Ten thousand persons were homeless, 3,000 injured, 20 missing and 2,000 houses were destroyed in the conflagration which swept over Northern Tokio last night, a police check of the situation revealed.

A barracks is being constructed to house the homeless, and a subscription list headed by the emperor is providing immediate relief funds.

MOVE TO RECOGNIZE GARBAGE COLLECTORS

Aldermen Will Seek to Have Organization Regarded as Trades Union.

According to reports in council circles, certain aldermen will seek official recognition for the city garbage collectors union. Just when and how this question will be introduced is not stated.

"There is no reason why the garbage men would not be recognized as a trades union," the mayor stated today. "They have been organized for several years, and I am aware of no move by the council to discredit them."

Conditions in the garbage department are not to be fairly satisfied, plus the athletic side of the factory with fair wages and hours existing. There is much praise given the efficiency of the department and to the work of Superintendent Dodd.

M'CORMICK'S "SUNSHINE" MAKES APPEARANCE AGAIN

M'Cormick's "Sunshine" appears again today in a combined February and March number. The sport pages of the magazine at this time of the year are devoted to football, in which the currying of gamblers is being built up a victorious team for this summer, and to bowling, in which the company has six teams which play off their games in the National alleys.

Harry Coursey is looked to as the leader of a successful ball team for 1925, and the athletic side of the company is evidently due for a spring impetus in a few weeks. It is interesting to note that the old-time dinner concerts in the dining-room may come back once more. There is even the prospect of a number of future Dempseys and Piroos being discovered when the company starts its boxing club this year.

The present standing of the bowling team is given as: Won, Lost, Insklingers 17, 10; Neverdis 15, 12; Black Jacks 13, 14; Hoodoes 13, 14; Woodpeckers 11, 16; Nonisdis 6, 21.

ST. THOMAS SPORTSMEN MOVE TO PROTECT GAME

Sportsmen of St. Thomas are organizing on behalf of the protection of wild animals, birds and fish of Western Ontario.

President L. B. Long of the Western Ontario fish and game protective association, said today that the St. Thomas men will hold a meeting tomorrow night. It is expected that the result will be an affiliation with the Western Ontario fish and game protective association.

It is the aim of that body to have chapters in every town in Western Ontario. Organization is being carried on in several districts now. Delegates from London will attend the meeting at St. Thomas.

RAILWAY FAILS TO GET NOTICE

Ultimatum to Company From Council Not Yet Returned to Clerk.

No haste is shown in municipal circles to deliver the city council's order to the London Street Railway Company, ordering the transportation people to revert to the old rate of fares.

The council's order, made on Monday night, has not yet been mailed to the company. A draft of the McKay-McCormick resolution was sent by the city clerk to the city solicitor on Tuesday morning. The revamped resolution has not yet been returned to the clerk.

"I have heard nothing from the city solicitor since the resolution was sent to him," City Clerk Baker said at noon. "He might send the order directly to the company, instead of returning it to me."

Information of the probable course in this regard could not be obtained at Mr. Meredith's office. He could not be reached by telephone this afternoon.

There has been a three-day delay in forwarding the council's order, aldermen do not appear impatient. "We may as well have this ultimatum properly served," they explain, and are quite satisfied that the delay is not undue.

TRUST COMPANY FREED ON LIABILITY CHARGE

Appeal of Home Bank Liquidator Is Dismissed at Toronto.

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, March 18.—That the National Trust Company is not personally liable for \$5,000, the amount of double liability upon 50 shares of the Home Bank held in trust for Sister Mary Evangelista (O'Connor) is the decision of Mr. Justice Rose, who has dismissed with costs the appeal of the liquidator of the Home Bank.

The decision of Charles Garrow, K.C., master of the supreme court, was that the shares were left by the will of Morris J. J. Garrow, who died in 1907, the income to be paid during her life to Sister Mary Evangelista, in Texas, and after her death the shares were to go to designated charities.

The liquidator contended that the National Trust was personally liable because the bank had not followed the instructions required by the bank act, how the shares were held. Mr. Justice Ross holds this contention is not established.

BALD-HEADED EAGLE SHOT BY PORT DOVER RESIDENT

Recently while hunting for crows in the vicinity of his residence, Leonard Powell of Port Dover saw a pair of bald-headed eagles soaring through the air.

Mr. Powell, who is a crack shot, was successful in shooting one of the birds, which measures 7 feet 4 inches from tip to tip of its wings. The dead bird is apparently of last season's brood, and Mr. Powell intends to mount the eagle.

The records show that the average age at which these women had been brought to Canada was 11½ years, and the committee asks very pertinently how did they slip through the selection sieves in Great Britain and how did they elude the vigilance of the port doctors on this side?

"Why should Toronto have to support these defective women and their certainly defective offspring?" it asks. This is the "backwash" of child immigration, and the committee is careful to say that it is the exception, not the rule for these young immigrants to be immoral and mentally defective.

Some of the recommendations of this committee are:

1. No immigrant child to be allowed to enter the country who has not been subjected to three tests, i.e., tuberculosis, Wassermann, and a psychiatric test.

PARK DEMANDS WATER RATE CUT

Unjust Treatment Charged by Members of Manor Park Workers' Club.

Complaining that they are not justly treated by the public utilities commission in the assessment of a \$1 service charge per month, the water consumers of the Manor Park workers' club have addressed a letter to the commission.

They contend that the new service charge is not in accordance with their agreement with the commission, and state that they are compelled to withhold the new service charge until the legality of the charge is established.

Manager E. V. Buchanan, this morning disagreed with the contention of the club, and pointed out that the agreement signed by the residents of Highland Park and Manor Park was an iron-clad one.

Mr. Buchanan commented upon the agreement and its three clauses, to the effect that, being non-residents of the city, they were consumers supplied by the commission had to pay the whole cost of installation of water mains, etc.; that they had agreed to pay double the city rate, whatever they might be, and that the commission had the power at any time to cut off the service without any reason being given for doing so.

Consideration will be given the communication by the commission at its regular meeting this afternoon.

The letter, signed by E. Hickson, secretary of the club, is as follows: "At a meeting of the Manor Park workers' club, whose members are users of water, was read such a letter as follows: 'We write you in respect to the new service charge that this hydro commission have placed on water users in this locality.'

"May we point out to you that the services on Highland and Manor parks have been paid for by us and not the city. We are not allowed \$50 to \$75 each in equity. We cannot, therefore, see how you can impose such a charge."

"Further, may we point out, we are already paying double the price for water compared with residents in the city. Under the old system we paid \$2.68 a month, and were allowed 800 cubic feet of water. We find some people are still using this quantity and are paying \$3.92 under the new system, or \$1.24 more."

"Thus, we contend, is not in accordance with our agreement. Therefore, we are compelled to withhold the new service charge, and have so closed our members until such time as its legality is established, or that a satisfactory agreement is arrived at."

ROAR OF OLD MARCH DISFIGURES TRAINS

Butter and Egg Rattler Arrives on Time With Coat of Ice.

March, month of the roaring lion, flung such a gale across Western Ontario this morning that all trains entered the city sheathed in an Arctic mantle of snow and ice.

Down from the frozen north came the Huron and Bruce glittering like a moving iceberg. The ice hung thick over engine, baggage cars and coaches. The steps were piled high with sleet.

Despite the driving wind and sleet, the "butter and egg" special left Wingham at 6:55 and arrived here on time at 10:57. Conductor A. L. McDonald, who has been in charge of the famous train for four years, said today that the storm was one of the most severe in years. It was preceded by a heavy rain along the line.

Other trains on the C. N. R. brought in the tale of winter's might in the bay cloaks. The Stratford train carried a thousand icicles drooping from the coach tops, while an inch and more of snow showed the cars as white as Christmas cake icing.

The morning train from Toronto and the noon train from the west also carried the marks of winter's last struggles.

In spite of the heavy weather, the C. N. R. maintained schedule and reported no loss from damage by the wind. No telegraph or railway telephone lines suffered.

JACK ROBERTS ARRESTED FOR ST. THOMAS POLICE

Jack Roberts, 33 years old, was arrested here last night by Detective Thomas Bolton for St. Thomas police on a nominal charge of vagrancy. Police of that city are also holding David Pelky on a similar charge.

Both are suspects in connection with the L. and P. S. station robbery at St. Thomas on Monday night.

Tobacco was stolen from St. Thomas this morning by William Hammersley, special L. and P. S. R. constable. He will appear with Pelky in St. Thomas court on Tuesday to explain their actions in that city on Monday night, when \$20 was stolen from the station cash box.

ASSISTANT ENGINEER WANTED AT WELLAND

J. C. Spencer, of the local government employment bureau, Carleton street, reports receiving a letter from the secretary of the civil service commission stating that applications are being received for the position of assistant structural engineer on the Welland ship canal at a salary of \$275 per month.

Applications must be filed by March 23, and forms may be obtained at the office of Mr. Spencer, who believes that there are a number of men in the London district who are qualified to hold the position.