

HEAVY DEMAND FOR FARM HELP

Ninety Placed With Farmers During Month of March.

BY EMPLOYMENT BUREAU

Local Situation Improving Slowly—Still Some Unemployment.

During the month of March 90 men were placed on farms in this district by the local branch of the Government employment bureau. The placing of farm help was the greatest activity of the bureau during the month.

While the unemployment situation in the city is improving slowly there are still quite a number out of work here. J. C. Spencer, district superintendent, states that while the situation here is getting decidedly better than it was during the winter months, it will still be some time before all are back at work.

The demand for farm workers continues to be insistent and at the present time there are approximately 125 orders in the hands of the bureau officials for agricultural help. The demand is for the most part for experienced men and more and more orders are being received every day with the approach of the spring seeding. The wages offered range from \$25 to \$40 per month, and there is some demand for married men who are offered from \$400 to \$600 a year with free house, a quantity of food, and a few privileges such as a plot for garden purposes.

Mr. Spencer does not believe that there will be any extensive emigration of experienced men to the United Kingdom at the present time, in view of the favorable conditions under which the fully experienced farm workers are at present working in the United Kingdom. He believes that the effort should be directed toward attracting the farm bred and trained man, who has drifted to the cities, back to the farms instead of counting them as lost to agriculture.

There are three principal objections, Mr. Spencer states, why trained farm men prefer to live and work in the cities. In the first place they find the type of experienced farm hand does not as a rule find any difficulty in getting work in cities, which means that they must make a man contented and offset in a measure the picture show and other attractions of the town. Hours of employment present a third objection, while not as great as the first two must have a place in future consideration. Mr. Spencer stated that there should be definite hours of work.

SIX CASES SET DOWN FOR APRIL SITTING

Last Action Entered is Claim of \$800 for Breach of Contract in Auto Deal.

Six actions will be dealt with at the April ninth sitting of the county court, which opens at the courthouse before Judge Talbot Macbeth on Tuesday next. Thursday was the last day for setting down a small number of cases. The final case set down for hearing is brought by A. Roberts, florist, of Westminster Township, against E. E. Wilkinson, of this city, claiming \$800 damages for alleged breach of contract in the sale of an automobile by the defendant to the plaintiff. According to the statement of the latter, he purchased a car from Mr. Wilkinson in June last for \$800. He claims that there was a written agreement between himself and the defendant in which he agreed to sell the same car any time for the same amount of money providing the car was in good condition. There was to be no charge for the sale of the car, the plaintiff claims, provided another car purchased by him from the defendant. He charges that he placed the car at the disposal of the defendant to sell according to the terms of the contract in August last, but claims that the defendant has made no attempt to sell it.

The defendant declares that the car was not in good condition, and that he was thus absolved from any obligation under the contract. The defendant states that under the conditions the contract was impossible of performance.

POLICE INSTRUCTED ON NON-GLARE HEADLIGHTS

Demonstration Arranged By Motor Club Attended By Chief of Police and Thirty Constables.

Members of the city police force were given a practical demonstration and instructional talk on non-glare automobile headlights at the Hop Taxi garage yesterday afternoon by O. L. Johnson, a headlight lens expert, of Chicago. The demonstration was arranged by the London Motor Club and was attended by Chief Robert Birrell and 30 of his men.

The men were all shown how to judge when a headlight is glaring and how to adjust them to comply with the law. At the conclusion of the demonstration Mr. Johnson went to the police station and adjusted all the lights on the police cars in order that the police, too, might obey the law.

Violators of the new non-glare headlight law will be rigidly prosecuted from now on. The police believe that there is no excuse for non-compliance, as testing stations have been open in the city for several weeks.

BEWARE OF BRONCHITIS

Bronchitis is generally caused by neglecting a cold, or exposure to wet and inclement weather. It begins with a tightness across the chest, difficulty in breathing, and a wheezing sound comes from the lungs. There is a raising of phlegm, especially the first thing in the morning. This is at first white, but later becomes of a greenish or yellowish color and is occasionally streaked with blood.

On the first sign of bronchitis you should check it immediately by using Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, thereby prevent it becoming chronic and perhaps developing into some more serious trouble.

Mrs. Brice Culham, Sheffield, Ont., writes: "In December, 1919, I was very sick with bronchitis and had to stay in the house all winter. One day I saw Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup advertised, so I got a small bottle, which helped me very much. I then got a 60c size and it completely relieved me. I cannot praise 'Dr. Wood's' enough for what it did. Two of my neighbors are now using it for colds."

Don't accept a substitute for Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. The genuine is put up in a yellow wrapper; three pine trees the trade mark; price 35c and 60c, manufactured only by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont. —Adv.

EXECUTIVE WILL ASK SECRETARY TO REMAIN

G. W. V. A. Does Not Wish To Lose J. C. Cunliffe—Will Consider Westminster Investigation.

Strong efforts will be made by the members of the G. W. V. A. executive at their meeting to-night to have J. C. Cunliffe reconsider his decision to resign from the office of secretary of the local command. As soon as the news of his intentions were made public Mr. Cunliffe was besieged with a number of appeals to remain in office and it is doubtful if his resignation will be accepted to-night.

"If it is imperative in the interests of my health to secure a change of occupation," said the secretary to-day. "Too much indoor work has had a bad effect and I therefore feel that I cannot remain in my present position longer than another month."

"If there is any cause for the complaints which have been made, then we shall ferret out the truth and attempt to get satisfaction for those returned men who are affected," said the secretary. "It is a deplorable situation if it is right that men are 'left in the lurch' by the G. W. V. A. positions which London men are qualified to fill."

SPOUSE HURLS COFFEE-POT AT HUSBAND

Crockery and Tobacco Juice Resorted To In Family Feud.

"Jiggs vs. Maggie," might have been the mark of distinction written on a case which was aired in police court before Magistrate Graydon to-day, for almost everything in the line of crockery, which Maggie uses persistently on Jiggs, was hurled at the defendant husband, it was decided in evidence. The incident turned back on tobacco juice and fists as weapons of defense, it was stated. The case has been adjourned for a time for a settlement can be arranged.

Jiggs said that if his daughter told him again that a policeman would come and take him to jail, he would be forced to chastise her. She said it again and the chastisement followed. Several other things followed. Plates and crockery were hurled at Jiggs' head, but contrary to regular Jiggs' life the articles missed their aim. But it was not so with the coffee-pot. Previously giving forth apertizing odors at the breakfast table, the coffee-pot was a most harmless looking object. It was hurled at Maggie and filled with steaming liquid, it became as useful as a rolling pin and it crashed on the back of Jiggs' head like a pounder on a piece of tough steak.

The Jiggs as he sometimes does, came back. He came back with a square on Maggie's countenance with the accuracy of a skilled spitter artist. Safety was sought in flight, but the stream of liquid tobacco juice landed squarely on Maggie's countenance with the accuracy of a skilled spitter artist. Safety was sought in flight, but the stream of liquid tobacco juice landed squarely on Maggie's countenance with the accuracy of a skilled spitter artist.

22 CYCLISTS INCREASE POLICE COURT REVENUE

Roads in Such Bad Condition That Cement Strips For Pedestrians Proved Great Temptation.

Fine weather has been responsible for many citizens bringing out their bicycles, but the same fine weather has not banished the mud from the roads and as a result sidewalks have proved to be a great temptation for the cyclists. This was shown to-day by the police court docket. No less than 22 persons contributed \$5 each to Police Court Clerk John Moule for the privilege of using the cement strips meant for pedestrians only. A 23rd citizen protested his innocence and as there was no evidence to refute his statement he was allowed to go. He said he lost money by coming to court, also considerable time. The magistrate remarked that it might have been cheaper to pay the fine, but the citizen said he would rather have his record clear. "You're quite right," said Mr. Graydon.

City News

WENT TO SARNIA.—J. C. Garden, Montreal, general superintendent of the car and motive power departments of the Grand Trunk Railway, passed through the city at noon to-day en route to Sarnia.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—R. A. Finn, district representative of the department of agriculture, will address the meeting of the London Horticultural Society on Monday evening. He will speak on farm foods and fertilizers.

COL. HESKETH RETURNS HOME.—Col. James Hesketh, veteran of the Northwest rebellion, South Africa and the late war, returned to Winnipeg to-day after a short visit in London. Col. Hesketh is one of the officials of the Winnipeg division of the C. P. R.

SPEAK TO JUNIOR FARMERS.—David Elliott, of the district office of the department of agriculture, will address a meeting of the Junior Farmers' Improvement Association at Wardsville to-night. The association was formed following the short course which was held there during the winter. Mr. Elliott's talk will be a general one, but he will explain the advantages of competition, which is carried on by the department.

SUING FOR \$405.—William F. Guest, through his solicitor, T. W. Scandrett, has issued a writ in the county court against Earl Guest, to recover the sum of \$405, which he claims as money paid for the plaintiff on March 30 last in discharge of the balance of a certain note for \$1,205 by the defendant to a local bank. The plaintiff claims that he joined as maker of the promissory note for the purpose of guaranteeing payment of same, and when the note came due on Wednesday last was obliged to pay \$405.

ANTI-BOLSHEVICKI AND VLADIVOSTOK POLICE ENGAGE IN FIGHTING

TOKIO, April 1.—Anti-Bolshevik troops, commanded by Gen. Kappel, armed with four machine guns, opened an engagement with the Russian army in Vladivostok yesterday morning, says a dispatch received from that city to-day.

Fighting was said to be in progress and the city was in confusion. The Japanese garrison in Vladivostok has announced its neutrality. It is said, however, that the Russian forces, who have seized Nikolai, a city two miles southwest of Vladivostok.

DUKE AND DUCHESS IN WEST.—BRANDON, Man., April 1.—The Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, on their farewell visit to the West, arrived here this morning and remained for two hours. Following a reception and a short drive around the city, the party left for Regina.

GLASS CLUBS AS NATION BUILDERS

Rotarians and Kiwanians Have Same Ideals.

SAYS W. R. YENDALL

Firt Duty Is To Generate Public Spirit.

"Rotary and Kiwanis as Nation Builders" was the subject of an address given by W. R. Yendall, president of the Rotary Club, before the members of the Kiwanis Club at their weekly meeting held in the Commercial House at noon to-day. "There are three camps in which men may place themselves. The first camp is the 'rotary' camp, the second camp is composed of the fellows who pass the buck and the third class is the builders, who have visions of the perfect and are willing to work for it," said the speaker.

Mr. Yendall stated that it is only amongst the highest civilized nations of the world that the spirit of progress exists. The principles of the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs are similar and they are both nation builders who are out for the betterment of the world. The speaker stated that the public spirit which has been built up by the merchants and manufacturers of the British Isles who have rendered service to the public and have lived up to the contracts made by them.

"There is work in the community to be done and one of the first duties is the generating of public spirit. This is the thing which is making London. Cities are known to outsiders by public spirit which exists in the municipality," said the speaker.

Representatives of the St. Thomas Rotary Club and also a number of prominent Ingersoll businessmen were present at the luncheon.

It was announced that the Kiwanis Club convention will be held in Cleveland in June and as many local delegates as possible were urged to attend the convention.

Dr. Seale Holmes, Dr. O. L. Cunningham and J. Taylor were appointed to attend a conference to be held in the Y. M. C. A. for the purpose of discussing ways and means of combating venereal diseases.

ACCEPT AWARD OF ARBITRATORS

City Will Pay 65 Per Cent. of County Jail Maintenance.

MEETING HELD THURSDAY

Audit of Books To Be Made By Treasurer.

London will accept the award of the arbitrators on county buildings' maintenance and upkeep costs. This decision was reached at a meeting of an ad hoc committee which met in the chambers of city solicitor yesterday afternoon.

Altho there at first fearful that the matter had not been fairly treated in the city solicitor and John G. Richter of the City of London, who represented both the city and county, it was reported to-day.

The award makes the city responsible for 65 per cent. of repair costs, 85 per cent. of maintenance charges, and for 75 per cent. of all other charges. City representation on the board of county building supervisors will probably be arrived at by agreement.

City Treasurer Bell and Mr. Richter will make an audit of county buildings over a period of years and report thereon to the City Council before the award is finally adopted.

OBITUARY

FUNERAL AT ST. MARYS.—The body of Miss Annie Bain, age 63, who died at St. Joseph's Hospital on Thursday morning, was forwarded to St. Marys in the afternoon. The funeral will be held there on Saturday. Deceased had resided on James street, St. Marys, for many years. She is survived by two brothers, Donald, of St. Marys, and James, of Windsor; also one sister, Miss Wilhelmina Bain, of St. Marys.

DIED AT SANATORIUM.—Glen Litzmore, second son of Philip and Katie Litzmore of London Township, died on Thursday at the Byron Sanatorium. Deceased was 21 years of age and had served with the Canadian forces in France. He will be buried with military honors on Saturday, the funeral to take place from G. E. Logan's funeral parlors at 3:30 o'clock to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. A service will be conducted at 3 o'clock.

DIED AT PORTLAND.—The death occurred suddenly at Portland, Oregon, Thursday of Mrs. Elizabeth Donaghy, widow of Andrew Donaghy, who formerly resided at 98 Wilson avenue, London. She is survived by three daughters and a son, Mrs. A. J. Wilkins, Mrs. T. Fearon, London, and Mrs. W. R. Putnam and Gordon Donaghy, of Portland, Oregon. The body is being brought to London for burial.

TOWBOATMEN PROTEST AGAINST WAGE CUT

NEW YORK, April 1.—A strike of employees aboard coastwise towboats became effective to-day following failure of Fred G. Davis, federal commissioner of navigation, to bring about an agreement between the New England Barge and Towboat Association and representatives of the union involved.

The towboat men were called out by their leaders in protest against wage reductions ranging from \$35 to \$50 a month, placed in effect on March 1. About 80 towboats, on which 1,500 men are employed, will be affected, it is said.

BROTHERHOOD BANQUET

About 150 Attend Annual Event Held in St. Asin Street Methodist Church.

About 150 members of the Men's Brotherhood, of Asin street Methodist church, and their friends attended the annual banquet of the association, held in the basement of the church last night. The gathering was addressed by Rev. G. A. Leichter, pastor of Adelaide street Baptist church, who gave a short but interesting address on "What the Church Means to Men."

A short musical program brought to a close a delightful event.

TO PROBE VIOLATIONS OF GENEVA CONVENTION.—GENEVA, March 31.—An inquiry into infractions of the Geneva convention during the war was voted unanimously at the session of the international conference of the Red Cross to-day. For this purpose a special commission will be appointed. The action was taken on the proposal of the Canadian delegate, R. G. Bennett.

ASK PLEBISCITE ON NEW PROVINCE PLAN

People Affected By B. C. Proposal Appeal to Government.

PRINCE RUPERT, B. C., April 1.—A plebiscite of the people affected on the question of establishing a new northern province of the Dominion, consisting of Northern British Columbia and the Yukon Territory, is asked of the Federal Government in a resolution unanimously adopted by a mass meeting of citizens here last night. The feeling of the meeting was that the North is rich enough in natural resources, and has a sufficiently large population to administer its own affairs. It was asserted that the desire of the people generally in the North was strong for a separate province.

CANADIAN SQUADRON SOON TO LEAVE WEST

Starts On Long Trip Back To Halifax On April 12.

OTTAWA, April 1.—(Canadian Press Dispatch.)—On April 12 the Canadian naval squadron, consisting of the cruiser Aurora and the destroyers Patriot and Patrician, will leave Esquimaux, B. C., on the first leg of its 6,000-mile voyage to Halifax, where it will arrive on May 31. It is the intention that the squadron will alternate between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of Canada.

SOLVES MYSTERY OF BLOOD-STAINED CARS

BELFAST, April 1.—Mystery of the two blood-stained motor cars found by a police patrol on Wednesday night at a garage near Ballybally, County Monaghan, was explained to-day when it was discovered the vehicles played a part in the most sensational coup thus far engineered by Sinn Feiners in South Ulster.

Last evening an important Sinn Fein prisoner, Matthew Fitzpatrick, who was being treated in the Monaghan infirmary, was removed by friends to a small car, which was driven to a garage near Ballybally. The car was found with blood stains on the seats and floor, and the bodies of the two men who were in the car were found nearby.

A search of the grounds was made and the two bags dropped by the men were found not far from where Harper dropped. They contained about three dozen bottles of whisky and rum, stolen from a residence in the vicinity.

ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR CIVIL SERVICE PLANNED

TORONTO, March 31.—The Legislature at late to-night on the supplementary estimates, making very fair progress. During the discussion Premier Drury intimated that some time in the future a civil service advisory council would be established for the purpose of directing appointments to the civil service of the provinces. Details of the scheme had not been worked out as yet.

He said that the council would be expected to place the schools in villages and small towns more nearly on the same footing as rural schools in the city. As financial assistance is concerned, he admitted that the former were at a disadvantage compared with rural schools. He said they could not offer such salaries.

The barracks were defended by the head constable, two sergeants and 19 constables, and all have been accounted for. Head constable and eight privates were wounded during the fight.

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Master Tailored Clothes at Lower Prices MEN!

You have a right to expect more for your money this spring—more at Dowlers' than elsewhere. Owning and operating our own stores we eliminate high rents. Four-store output gives us an immense buying advantage. Result?—Values that will win your approval.

The principle of our tailoring and custom tailoring is identical, except that in the former you put up the money and then wait for the verdict; in the latter, more modern way, you get the verdict immediately.

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OFFICER SHOT BY FLEEING THUGS

Police Constable Harper, of Toronto, Is Wounded.

BOOTS LEFT BEHIND

Bags of Whisky Dropped After Revolver Fight.

TORONTO, April 1.—In a running gun battle with two thugs among the trees in the grounds of St. Joseph's Convent, at 4 o'clock this morning, Police Constable James Harper was shot down by one of the men, the bullet lodging in the thigh. He was shortly afterward admitted to St. Michael's Hospital, where his condition is favorable.

A telephone message was received by Sgt. Tucker shortly before 4 o'clock this morning to the effect that two suspicious characters were seen on St. Albans' street. Sgt. Tucker went to the door of the station and found P. C. Harper and P. C. Skinner, both acting plain clothesmen, just alighting from a police car, preparing to go on duty.

As they proceeded on their way they spotted the men. Each of the thugs was carrying a bag on his back, and as they noticed the police automobile approaching, they attempted to escape custody, running into the grounds of St. Joseph's Convent. The thugs dropped their revolvers and fell into positions behind two trees and commenced to rain shots at Harper and Skinner as they entered the gate. Unconscious of the shots the officers proceeded on their way, and when about 10 feet from one of the men Harper was dropped to the ground with a bullet in the thigh. Both officers had already fired several shots at the thugs and it is believed at least one of the bullets took effect, although the men escaped. As they made good their escape, after shooting the officer, the men were forced to abandon their "boodle." Skinner immediately went to the aid of Harper and the two bags dropped by the thugs were found not far from where Harper dropped. They contained about three dozen bottles of whisky and rum, stolen from a residence in the vicinity.

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