

GENERAL HOSPITAL GETS MUCH PRAISE

Report Issued by Provincial Secretary Shows Inspector Favorably Impressed.

The department of the provincial secretary of Ontario has issued a report on the official government inspection of the Toronto General Hospital made by Dr. Helen MacMurchy, an assistant inspector of the department.

The report states that the financial receipts for the past year were \$737,113.85, and expenditure for maintenance was \$323,027.41. The government grant was \$23,270.81 and the town or city grant \$91,843.66. The number of patients in residence was 677; of this number 15 were on the free list and 662 on the paying list. There were 166 deaths recorded during the year and 1089 births registered. The hospital employs 226 men and 181 women. This number does not include the 270 nurses serving at the hospital. The visiting staff of doctors number about 175.

The report goes on to say the furnishings and the fire arrangements were found to be satisfactory and everything in perfect order. The records in all departments are well kept, says the report, and the quality of the food above criticism. Continuing, the report says:

Rapid Growth.
"To one who visits the hospital from time to time the first thing to be noted is probably the rapid growth of the departments—the X-ray, the venereal diseases clinic, the department of nursing, etc. The X-ray department, on account of its success and growing importance and the general development of X-ray work, is seriously overcrowded and urgently requires more accommodation."

The hospital authorities are coming to the conclusion that before long hospitals will have to meet changes in hours and organization, the most important of which is the eight-hour day. Perhaps the most important aspect of this matter is the pressing need for enlarged accommodation for the nursing staff, which shall not only be adequate for present needs, but capable of still further expansion in the near future because the need is going to arise.

After reviewing in a most favorable manner the various medical and surgical departments of the hospital, Dr. Helen MacMurchy concludes by stating: "A few suggestions were made, but the whole inspection was satisfactory, and it was a pleasure to see the residential buildings and houses, the private pavilion, the out-door departments, the emergency, the main hospital in the past, the kitchen, dining-rooms and the outlying buildings, such as the laundry, with all the staff at their posts and carrying on the work of this institution with commendable care and faithfulness."

MAYOR SAYS TAX RATE LIKELY THIRTY MILLS

Finance Commissioner Bradshaw informed the board of control yesterday that he would be able to announce the tax rate next Thursday. In connection with this, there has been a rumor current around the city hall the last few days that the tax rate would be not more than 27 mills. This prophecy, it is said, is based on revenue from the waterworks and other sources which have not apparently been taken into account as yet.

Mayor Church, when asked concerning this by The World yesterday, announced himself as very skeptical. "I don't see how it can be less than thirty mills," he said. "The estimates are away up, and the board of education are swamping us with expenditures."

Orient Chapter, Arch Masons, Holds Monthly Convocation

Orient Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, held their regular monthly convocation last night in Riverside Masonic Temple. The first principal Ex-Comp. D. S. L. MacDougall, presided and there was a good attendance of members. The degree of the H. R. A. was conferred by St. Andrew and St. John's Chapter, being represented by Ex-Comp. E. Lankin, Z; Ex-Comp. Oscar King, H, and other officers and members. The degree of the H. R. A. was conferred with full musical ritual by eastern district Masonic choir. The entertainment at the banquet table was given by Comp. R. Veitch and Bro. Thomas.

ARRESTED UNDER O.T.A.

M. Pastino, 11 Elm street, was fined \$300 and costs in police court yesterday morning for selling liquor and last night he was again arrested by Police Constable Rowe with O.T.A. Rowe arrested Pastino as he was walking along the street with a club bag containing 12 bottles of whiskey.

STEAMFITTERS PROGRESSING.

Steamfitters last night initiated 35 new members. This union is so expanding as to need the assembly hall for future meetings.

PUT CREAM IN NOSE AND STOP CATARRH

Tells How to Open Clogged Nostrils and End Head-Colds.

You feel fine in a few moments. Your head in hand and catarrh will be gone. Your clogged nostrils will open. The air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more sneezing, no more hawking, no more mucous discharges or dryness; no struggling for breath at night.

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MAYOR THREATENS TO LEAVE COUNCIL

Will Resign Rather Than Sign 37 Mill Tax Rate.

If the board of education continues to be naughty, and will not agree to a cut in their 1920 estimates of more than ten million dollars, a dreadful calamity may befall the City of Toronto, in the form of a resignation from the city council of His Worship Mayor Church. At least that was the threat which his worship made yesterday morning at the board of control meeting, when the educational estimates were under consideration.

"I don't intend to sign the tax rate," said the chief magistrate. "If you are going to have a tax rate of 37 or 40 mills it will be necessary to have a by-election for mayor. I will not take the responsibility."

Another momentous decision reached by the board was that of agreeing to the mayor's suggestion to apply to the weekly courts for a (friendly) suit to determine if the city has the right to cut the estimates of the board of education. The city will seek a full interpretation of the statutes from 1891 to date. Included in the information sought from the weekly court will be that of whether the province has any right to dictate as to how many pupils shall be accommodated in public school classrooms.

The only attempted cuts made by the board were on capital account and maintenance. The original total as presented for this was \$4,905,020, and from this the controllers slashed away \$4,041,680. The original total for building account and maintenance was \$10,185,837, and from this a total cut of \$4,241,680 was made. With regard to the building account, \$863,300 was sanctioned in 1919, and added to that is \$435,000 for this year, so that in 1920 a total of \$1,298,300 will have to be raised by taxation.

Mostly for Salaries.
When the maintenance account came up, a general cut of \$200,000 was made from the total of \$5,282,867, leaving a balance of \$5,082,867. According to W. W. Pearce, general manager of the board of education, seventy-five per cent. of the money requested for maintenance was for salaries.

The mayor then opened up a fusillade on the school board for continuing to transact business with contractors whose names had been adversely mentioned in reports of investigations concerning the board.

"Any contractor doing business with the board will do so according to plans and specifications," said Mr. Pearce. "I am not responsible for the past. I am responsible for the future. There were men on the board's payroll that should have been discharged years ago. Mr. Pearce denied all knowledge of this, saying that not one man mentioned adversely in the judges' reports was in the employ of the board of education at the present time."

The controllers refused to approve of the increase in superannuation allowances from \$32,455 to \$43,513 for former public school employees, and from \$2652 to \$5027 for former collegiate employees.

WRONG IMPRESSION, SAYS FALCONER

University Made No Request to Rockefeller Foundation, Says President.

Sir Robert Falconer sends the following letter in regard to Toronto University relations with the trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation:

"To the Editor of The World:
"By the authority of the board of governors I write to correct, if possible, a wrong impression that has been created by the publication of unauthorized extracts from a report made to the faculty of medicine of the University of Toronto concerning the development of that faculty. The report was prepared for the use of the faculty, and had not yet been laid before the board of governors. It outlined what the faculty of medicine regards as being a desirable policy to be attained within a reasonable period, and it was drawn up in order that the faculty might be able to present as fully-considered a view as possible of the situation of this faculty when Dr. Vincent and Dr. Pearce, the representatives of the Rockefeller Foundation, would visit the university."

Not Unmindful of Others.

"Dr. Vincent had announced to the dean of the faculty of medicine that Mr. Rockefeller had written to the trustees of the foundation that he would be glad if they would offer \$500,000 for the development of medical education in the Dominion of Canada, and, in view of this offer, he, with another representative of the foundation, would visit this university and others of the Dominion. The University of Toronto has presented no request whatever to the trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation, nor was the report intended to be so interpreted. It is a matter for deep regret that an impression may have been made that this university has been so unmindful of the needs of the rest of the Dominion as to seem to wish to secure an undue share of the gift which, unsolicited by the Dominion or by this university, has been generously offered by the trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation."

"Yours sincerely,
"R. A. Falconer,
"President."

MARCH IN ALGONQUIN PARK

The bracing atmosphere, the attractive winter sports, the novelty of fishing through the ice, the indoor pleasures enjoyed at the "Highway Inn" by a game of bridge or just lounging before the open fireplace, wipe the cobwebs from the tired brain and give rest and recuperation to those who need them. March is a good month need there, and early application for rooms should be made as accommodation is limited. Ask any Grand Trunk Agent for descriptive booklet or write N. T. Clarke, Highland Inn, Algonquin Park Station, Ont.

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B—A silk pullover, shirred at the waist, with full skirt, round neck, detachable collar, long sleeves, fastened on shoulders, fancy turned-back cuffs, collar and cuff of contrasting shade; also sleeveless.

C is one of the many styles in silk sweater coats, but a particularly charming one, with a very distinctive touch in the matter of fringe which trims the sailor collar and sash ends. Fancy pockets. The collar is Tuxedo in style and the sash is buckled.

D shows another pretty model, with a new vestee front; the collar is in the becoming shawl shape; the sash is smartly and fastens with button at each side; the collar, vest and edge of cuff are of contrasting shade.

E—A very popular style; it has the full Tuxedo front and collar; the belt fastens underneath the front and the pockets are patch. This model is in solid colors.

In the collection of coats are the following shades: Black and White, Green and Fawn, Green and Yellow, Copen., Rose, Gold, Dresden, Brown, White, Navy, Reseda, Lemon, Purple, Corn, Burgundy; also smart two-tone effects. Sizes range from 36 to 42, but are not complete in each particular shade or style.

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Heads of System Gathering at Toronto for Reunion Tonight.

Six hundred C.P.R. officials will sit down to dinner tonight at the King Edward Hotel. These 600 men are the responsible heads of the railway and guide its affairs from Halifax to Vancouver. The occasion is the "officials' fourth annual banquet, and is the first to be held outside Montreal since the inauguration of the event. The officials of the line are coming from almost everywhere. A special train, carrying all the western men, arrived yesterday afternoon; a second special, with the eastern section, is due this morning. An advance guard of the officials in the persons of J. W. H. Snell, G.P.A. Montreal; A.B. Calder, A.G.P.A.; F. R. Purry, general agent, New York, and Frank Fox, publicity agent, arrived yesterday and helped to perfect the arrangements for the gathering.

The chairman of the dinner will be Sir George McLaren Brown, general European manager of the C.P.R., and he will propose the toast of "Our Guests," to which the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario will respond, and in his turn will propose "The Company," to which President Edward W. Beatty will reply.

Toast List.
Other toasts on the list are: "Vice-Presidents and Officers," which will be proposed by Hon. Harry Mills, minister of mines. Grant Hall of Winnipeg will respond. "The Employees" will have Mayor Church as proposer, and W. G. Chester, chairman of the Employees' Co-operative Board, will respond. Vice-President Central; Dr. Harry Beatty, chief surgeon of the C.P.R.; Col. J. S. Dennis; Charles Murphy, general manager of western lines; W. N. Tilley, His Worship Mayor Church, Grant Hall, Hon. Lionel Clarke, Sir George McLaren Brown, President Beatty, Hon. Harry Mills, W. R. MacInnes, vice-president; W. G. Chester, A. D. MacTavish, F. L. Wanklyn, general executive assistant; W. S. Stout, president of the Dominion Express; Comptroller of the C.P.R. R. J. Leslie, and Treasurer H. E. Suckling.

FIFTEEN-MINUTE PARKING.

The committee of certain bodies interested in motor traffic and the police officials held a further conference in Chief Registrar's office yesterday afternoon regarding the framing of new traffic regulations. Some of the men favored increasing the parking time from 15 to 30 minutes on the downtown streets. The majority present were opposed to this and it is likely that the 15-minute time will be asked to be made lawful by the board of commissioners at their next meeting. As to the handling of traffic on the busy streets, nothing definite was decided upon and this matter will be taken up again by the committee.

DEAD INFANT FOUND.
The body of a newly-born child was found in a lane in the rear of 623 East Queen street yesterday afternoon. The police were notified and they removed the body to the morgue.

BARGAIN TOO TEMPTING.

A pair of ladies' shoes hanging outside of an East Queen street store, with a "were six dollars, but are two dollars" sign on them, are said to have proved too much of a temptation for Annie Warren and she lifted them from the nail and put them on her arm. She was seen doing this, and Detective Black of East Dundas street station placed her under arrest charged with theft.

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