THREE CENTS.

NEW COUNCIL LIKELY TO REFUSE BUS LI

One Is Killed and Twenty-five Injured In Theatre Panic

Are \$53,000 During Year

Waterworks Surplus of \$18,000 Will Not Go To City Council.

COVER 1924 DEFICIT

Cut in Operating Costs Caused Margin of Profit This Year.

Statements to be submitted by Manager E. V. Buchanan to the public util-Ities commission at the last regular 1925 meeting of that body tomorrow afternoon will indicate a surplus of \$18,000 in the waterworks department and a surplus of \$35,000 in the electrical department for the year just drawing

"The surplus from the electrical department will be utilized in the making of extensions to our system," remarked Mr. Buchanan this morning, "while the surplus in the waterworks department will go to making good a defleit of \$16,000 last year. The balance of about \$2,000 will hardly be sufficient, however, cover construction work done in addition to that for which debentures to the extent of \$99,000 were issued.

"The waterworks surplus can be chiefly accounted for by reductions in the third costs," observed Mr. Buchanan, "but, while the city council es our waterworks surpluses to re duce the tax rate, the commission has to assume full responsibility for any and deficits and thus the overdraft from last year is the first thing that has to be looked after." Little other business is to come up the first thing that has to

except the remarks of the various commissioners on the occasion of the last egular meeting of the year. Since there will be two changes in the member-ship of the commission next year, Philip Pocock, dean of the commission, and Mayor G. A. Wenige, being the two members to sever their connection, the speeches will be of more than ordinar;

Mayor-Elect J. M. Moore and John C. Doidge, vice-president of the London ncrete Machinery company, are the two new members of the commission, who with Jared Vining (chairman), T. W. McFarland and R. J. Webster, will LONDON GIRLS MAKE GOOD.

appeared in a dramatic production at

They studied the drama at Western uni-

Only 800 Purchase

Tuesday's Trade Hit L. S. R.

Back to Five-Cent Rate

Citizens of London are paying 5 cent

the seven for 25 cent tickets yesterday

"We withdrew the five for 25 cent

effect 322 people rode on the seven r 25 cent tickets and 21 on the 9 for

with the street railway in its

ON BOUNDARY QUESTION

bill ratifying the London Irish

Associated Press Despatch.

Dublin, Dec. 16.-The Free state ser

By this action possibility of a popular

nd the bill becomes operative immedi-

ate today endorsed a resolution adopte by the Dail Eireann last night declar

25 cent tickets, indicating that peop

tickets yesterday and sold nothing but

Today.

SETTLEMENT PLAN MEANS PROSPERITY

Immigration Official Enthusiastic About Empire Scheme Announced From Ottawa.

John Farrell, dominion immigration agent here, enthusiastically received the report this morning that a new Leonard Tait of the street railway URGES STATES TO FOLLOW empire settlement agreement had been reached, as a result of which substan- a result of the city council's action last tial reductions will be made in the night. fares of passengers from Great Britain

'This will be a big thing for Canada Western Ontario has plenty of land rying out for settlers and, apart from this, there is a phenomenal demand for farm labor throughout the counties this, there is a phenomenal demand for farm labor throughout the counties in the western part of the province tickets a great many refused to take Demands from farmers for help have been pouring into this office. There have never been so many requests better the part was entitled to a 5 cent fare, and they paid a cash fare rather than accept the tickets.

Ywhen passengers were handed their demended if existing control as to general law violation are to be improved."

He commended especially the Ontario provincial government for its means of dealing with the liquor problem.

"Last spring farmers were disappointed when they were unable to obtain hands, so they are taking on men at winter wages in order to have them on hand when the spring work them 5 cent fare."

the tickets.

"We appreciate this attitude of the public. They know that we can't pay the first steps towards amendment of the prohibition act, his bills for 2.75 per cent beer and removal of the public. on hand when the spring work starts. "As a result there is an unprece dented shortage of farm hands, and this agreement goes through we will be

"Up to this time our great difficulty were has been to get passage money for the type of Britishers we wanted. Many of them were fine, upstanding fellows, who were unable to raise funds to get over here. This agreement will put NO REFERENDUM NOW if the men did succeed in borrowing enough money to get over here and ge started, they were loaded heavily with result and their earnings for

"I have not been officially advised, of boundary agreement necessary to the itely of the new rates, we will be doing prospects for intensive settlement work stated by the government, were that it here. A new era of prosperity is dawn-would cost a large amount of more ing for this province and for Canada." and would delay for 90 days a measure

MERELY CANCELS DEBT.

were agreed. Associated Press Despatch.
Athens, Dec. 16.—Premier Pangalos made the statement to correspondents

P. U. Profits CONDITION IMPOSED BY L.S.R. MAY BE ACCEPTED

They Do Not Parallel Car Lines, Is Demanded. TIE-UP OTHERWISE

We Want To Serve Sections of City Not Getting Transportation," Says Bus Man.

A careful study of the street railway and bus situation today makes it more or less apparent that the 1926 city Will Not Treat With Britishcouncil will at its first meeting next Monday morning accede temporarily at least to the demand of the street railway company and force all buses off

the streets of London on Jan. 1. It is pointed out that the buses have been an asset to London transportation facilities, and it may be that the street railway if given exclusive rights will use buses in South London, Chelsea Green, Ealing and Knollwood Park dis-

"This is the way the thing looks to me right now," said one man in close touch with both buses and street railaldermen are in favor of cancelling bus licenses on Dec. 31 and making a 60-day up to Angora. agreement with the street railway for a

"At the end of that period. I look for a 10-year agreement at 5 cents. If at the end of 5 years the street railway decides it cannot operate on a 5-cent fare. they can put their cars in the barn. The city will then call in the railway board to operate the line for a month and you will have the same old situation that exists today."

All or Nothing.

Some of the aldermen are in favor of granting the buses a license providrailway officials, who insist that they must have a whole loaf or none at all.

"There are no districts where the buses can operate without hurting us," said one official. "They must cross our stain and included in Turkish territory. The Angora government was territory. The Angora government was also ready to conclude a mutual security pact of guarantees with Irak, but he buses can other concessions had been ignored by Great Britain and the league council. tracks somewhere and naturally would want to pick up passengers on either Dundas or Richmond streets. We have made our proposition and will stick to

A bylaw authorizing an agreement with the street railway to operate for 60 days on a 5-cent fare is being prepared by the city solicitor, and will be placed before the new council on Mon lay next. If it is decided to allow the Juses to continue, a separate resolution will be necessary.

'There are six aldermen in favor of Low Railway Fares allowing buses to operate on streets parallel to the street railway," said one member of the new council. "I have canvassed the situation pretty thor oughly and that is the way I find it. Personally, I am not prepared to say what will happen next Monday, but I don't see how we can get on without the street railway. At the same time I think the buses have proved a welcome fares today on the London street rail-way, but the 800 people who purchased the seven for 25 cent tickets yesterday the seven for 25 cent tickets yesterday

ONTARIO'S LIQUOR SYSTEM

Associated Press Despatch Washington, Dec. 16.—The United States should contest the bootleggers' methods as Canada is endeavoring to Seven for 25 cents and the limited methods as Canada is endeavoring to do, Senator Edge, New York, Republication of the control of the contro \$500 worth of tickets per day, but this amount was cut to between \$100 and before the United States senate that the "Volstead act is a failure and must be

t fare."

Tait said that on Monday, the per cent beer and removal of the restriction on the amount of liquor a

Turks Are Indignant Ousting of Motors, Even Where At Award

Representatives Declare Next Step Is Up To Angera Government.

DENY ALL CHARGES

Britain Accepts League

Associated Press Despatch Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 16.-There

"If what we read about Mosul is true," the spokesman continued, "it means that Turkey gets worse treatway. "However, anything may happen ment and less Mosul than she received before Monday. At the present time I under the Treaty of Sevres; in other believe that the majority of the 192% words we have gone backwards and the believe that the majority of the 192% problem government and neonle can furkish government and people scarcely be pleased. The word is nov

> "By the sworn act of our nationa ssembly, we are ready to waive our rights to Syria, Damascus and what has been known as Irak, but to Mosul as a natural and necessary part of the new Turkey.
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> "Even the league of nations commission of investigation, on which the

council bases its decision, recognizes that Mosul is juridically ours, and re-mains our until we renounce it." Turkey, he continued, was ready t help Irak by removing the customs bar-riers, but it was fantastic to assume that Turkey would be so generous as to ing they do not operate on streets where there are street car tracks. This does not meet with the approval of the street sovereignty and included in Turkish ity pact of guarantees with Irak, but he insisted that these and other conces-

> tain and the league council.
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> Asked if the council's decision would Continued on page 4, column 4.

> Will Not Permit Fighting Near Mukden-Send Korean Troops.

> Associated Press Despatch Tokio, Dec. 16.—Government spokes-men today stated that troops had left Korea for Mukden, Manchurian capital and that additional forces would leave tomorrow, after which no fighting would permitted within six miles of the

It was stated that both Marshal Chang Tso Lin, dictator of Manchuria, geant Last held up his hands as a sig- time in years. and General Kuo Sung-Lin, his former Henchman, and now his principal adversary in the factional fighting in progress in Manchuria, would be notified

A passing motorist placed his car at Henchman, and now his principal adversary in the factional fighting in progress in Manchuria, would be notified by the Japanese that this order must be obeyed.

A passing motorist placed his car at the disposal of the police, and then started a 55-mile-an-hour chase from one end of the city to another.

BRITISH HOUSE PROROGUES ON MONDAY FOR HOLIDAY

Associated Press Despatch. London, Dec. 16.—The British parlia ment will be prorogued for the holiday season next Monday. The new session starts early in February.

ITALIAN QUEEN MOTHER ILL. Turin, Italy, Dec. 16 .- Queen Mothe Marguerta is suffering from an attack of grippe with fever. The royal mother recently celebrated her 74th birthday

Nurses Use New Tunnel



SUBTERRANEAN PASSAGE AT VICTORIA.

A subterranean passageway now stretches from one extremity to the other of the group of buildings comprising Victoria hospital. The new tunnel, built under the corridors of the hospital at a cost of \$12,000, facilitates transportation, offers direct communication from one building to the other, gives easy access to every department, and provides a means of utilizing a central heating system. Completion of the tunnel this week means the general elevation of the hospital to a higher standard of efficiency. The cement passageway was built at some difficulty, workmen having to penetrate and rebuild heavy brick walls. The nurses of the institution use the tunnel for their trips to and from the nurses' nurses of the institution use the tunnel for their trips to and from the nurses home and hospital. Plans for the new nurses' home call for the building of an arm of the tunnel to go under Ottaway avenue and establish direct communication among every hospital building. Patients will be wheeled from one

Loses Race and License In Mile-a-Minute Chase

Citizen's Car, Piloted by Cops, Romps Home Victor in Nocturnal Classic.

DRUNK'S TIRE BLOWS

Charles Scafe Forced To Quit -Aftermath in Court Today.

A wild ride through city streets and into the country last night in an attempt to evade pursuing policemen who had requisitioned a citizen's motor car to give chase, cost Charles Scafe, 22 years old suspension of his driver's license for one month and \$25 and osts after conviction in police court this morning on a reckless driving

Scafe might have been able to beat the police in the auto race had not the front tire of his car gone flat and spun from its position on the wheel. He was forced to come to a standstill, and while investigating the cause of the mishap, the pursuing motor drew along-side and the officers stepped out to place him under arrest.

Officer Misses Injury.

When Sergeant Percy Last and Constable William Snell walked towards Scafe's car early this morning, attracted by voices and the roaring motor, the car was quickly thrown in gear. Sernal to stop, but Scafe, swerving to

The two racing motors flew along Queen's avenue to London East. The chase led to Hamilton road and from twice cut-off the pursuing motor car, the officers said in court this morning. the officers saw.

He swerved directly in their path in the country and turned back to race into the city again. An occupant of the car. John Kerridge, 21 years old, the car. John Kerridge, 21 years old, said Mrs. Rhinelander had never been said Mrs. Rhinelander had never been said from the car.

Both men had been drinking, Sergt. Last told the magistrate. Kerridge was decidedly under the influence of liquor. Denies Speeding Charge.

Scafe denied he had been speeding and said he was unaware of being followed by the police during the course of the ride. The statement by Sergean miles an hour to catch up, was a gross exaggeration. He declared the engine his car was so feeble that it couldn't drive at a faster rate than 30 miles an

Kerridge also denied he was drunk, but he was convicted under the O. T. A., and fined \$10 and costs.

FIVE MEN ARE KILLED IN EXPLOSION IN MINE

Associated Press Despatch Seattle, Wn., Dec. 16.—Five miners were killed, and a sixth was severely burned in an explosion, Monday, at the Wilkon Coal and Coke Company, 3 miles southeast of Tacoma, it was revealed in a despatch last night,

BRITISH PAY 92 MILLIONS ON UNITED STATES DEBT

British war debt.

IN WILD RUSH OF CROWD Four Hundred in Theatre Are

BOY CRUSHED TO DEATH

Thrown Into Panic As Film Burns.

MANY ARE INJURED

Crowd Rushes For Door, Crushing and Trampling Despite Pleadings.

Montmagny, Que., Dec. 16 .- A panic esulting in the death of one person and the serious injury of some twenty five others, was caused in the local noving-picture house last night, when the film which was being shown caught

A litle boy was crushed to death in the wild stampede for the door, and a number of men and women were more or less seriously injured. The fire did not spread, and the in

erior of the theatre was only slightly damaged. There were some four hundred people in the theatre at the time of the occurrence.

The theatre is an upstairs hall. When flash of flame darted from the moving evening. picture machine, a panic ensued and verybody rushed for the doors. A few ool heads in the audience endeavored o calm the people, but were not successful. In the rush, the little lad was rushed, while many of the people njured, sustained their hurts by being ammed against the walls, or being

LOCARNO AND LEAGUE DISTRUSTED BY SOVIET

Tchitcherin Thinks World Affairs Cannot Proceed Without Russian Aid.

Associated Press Despatch. Paris Dec. 16 .- George Tchitcherin, ormer commissar of soviets, who reently arrived in Paris after visiting Warsaw, Berlin, Geneva and other cen-

Continued distrust of the league of acc nations, lack of confidence in the Lo-carno pact, readiness to discuss the esumption of political relations with and have been replaced by regulars. the United States opposition to secur-ty negotiations in advance of general the "A Special" constabulary mem bers have ceased duty at Clogher head disarmament, and confidence that the existing hostility to the soviet republics will lose its force little by little.

Recent events M. Tabital view. Recent events, M. Tchitcherin de-clared, have shown the immense im-portance of the union of soviets in inernational politics and commerce "The general settlement of interna-tional affairs is impossible without us,"

WEIGHS MORE THAN TON

Associated Press Despatch. London, Dec. 16 .- Making a Christ has cake each year bigger than the baker of Clapham, 71 years old. nore than a ton, portions of which are peing sent to many parts of the world. The ingredients for this cake, the preparation of which required two months, include ten cases of currants, 75 pounds of sugar, 275 pounds of flour, 75 pounds of butter, 220 lemons 2,500 ggs, 150 pounds of candy peel, 30 quarts

ounds of citron and eight boxes of

TAKE UP DEBT QUESTION

RUSSIA AND FRANCE WILL

Associated Press Despatch

Paris Dec. 16.—French and Russi lelegations will soon meet in Paris

resume negotiations for settlement of

the Russian debt to France, it was an-

Associated Press Despatch. Jerusalem, Dec. 15.—The French u

artillery, machine guns and aeroplanes

in repulsing a Druse attack last night in the Chagour quarter of Damascus,

doing great damage, despatches re-

lowed three hours of debate on the re

Old London Councillors Decide

TO REPEL DRUSE ATTACK

Almost simultaneously with her re-

mitted to the monthly meeting of the house of industry here this afternoon it was stated that an investigation int the circumstances of 277 new familie who had applied to the institution fo relief during November revealed that between them they possessed 47 telephones. 38 pianos, five organs, 88 gramophones, three motor cars, two motor trucks and one motorcycle.

Associated Press Despatch.

FRANCES ROURKE dangerously injured when struck by a ar driven by Walter Flynn at Wilson

STRIKING POLICE

Irish Constables Post Armed Guards To Hold Seized Barracks.

Associated Press Despatch. Belfast, Ireland, Dec. 16 .- Armed sentries, posted by the striking "A Special" constabulary, today patrolled the entrances to the Princess Dock Barracks, sternly warning strangers away. Strict sobriety is being maintained among the 300 men there, who are seemingly taking the strike more seri-ously than the other sections of the constabulary throughout the northern

inder the London boundary agreement to disband them immediately, are manding a bonus of £200 each, free ters, took occasion yesterday to express income tax. The government yesterday his sentiments on certain world affairs, offered two months' leave on full pay, These sentiments may be outlined about and transportation home,

at the Princes dock declared it un-The "A Special" constabulary men

At Enniskillen, also in County Fermanagh, the barracks gates were closed today and a visiting officer was re-fused admittance. All conferences in Tyrone between the striking constabulary and higher officials are being conducted at Dungannon, in the eastern

DETROIT WOMAN SLAIN, BLOODY AXE ONLY CLUE

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 16 .- A bloody axe one of the year before, has been the hobby for 30 years of S. F. Stevens a Marie C. Mullen, 55, real estate dealer, obby for 30 years of S. F. Stevens, a is the clue on which police are working is the clue on which police are working saker of Clapham, 71 years old. This to solve her murder last night. Her body, with several wounds in the head, was found lying face down on an asb pile in the furnace room of the base-ment of her home. Charles Fitzpatrick, negro janitor,

who reported discovering the body, is being detained. Police believe robbery was the motive for the slaying. DIES PROTESTING.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 16.—Still protesting his innocence and declaring that he did not get a "square deal" from the ce, Daniel Genese went to his death murder of State Trooper Robert Coyle

The Weather

FORECASTS. Fresh west and nostly cloudy and noderately and Thursday. Stations.

High

Winnipeg Port Arthur ... Montreal 18

Cloudy LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest temperatures ecorded in London during the 24 hours The official temperatures for the 12

Cloudy 44 Clear Cloudy

nours previous to 8 a.m. today were The sun rises at 7:45 a.m. and sets

Associated Press Despatch. London, Dec. 16.—A decline of 4,256 breece, by the decision of the council by the league of nations must pay to be the league of nations must pay to lead to be the league of nations must pay to lead to be the league of nations must pay to lead to be the league of nations must pay to lead to be the league of nations must pay to lead to be the league of nations must pay to lead to be leader of unemployed in Great by of key leading of the league of nations must pay to lead to lead

dirst of the two days lower fares were physician may prescribe. LONDON GIRLS IN ROLES AT **NEW YORK'S LITTLE THEATRE**

Blanche Tancock and Shirley White Appear in Professional Drama and Win Praise of Gotham Critics For Their Ability.

Presentation of numerous plays at me cature of Miss Tancock appearing in well-known New York's Little Play-house at No. 107 West 58th street, by

Both Miss White and Miss Tancock
Republicans and the official Laborites.

White and Miss Tancock
starred in amateur theatricals of the
city two years ago, playing in the annual play of the University of Western
Ontario and several productions of the
London Drama League.

Both Miss White and Miss Tancock
White herself has directed several presentations, and in a forthcoming production at the Little Playhouse, she is
to be given the leading role.

The World describes the play in

London Drama League.

Evidence of their success in New which Miss Tancock is featured and which Miss Tancock is featured their dramatic talent.

The World carries a two column carito be recommended."

Miss White, who is the daughter of players of the American Laboratory theatre, marks the appearance of two London girls, Miss Shirley White and Miss Blanche Tancock, as leads in professional drama.

Both Miss White and Miss Tancock
Both Miss White and Miss Tancock
Both Miss White and Miss Tancock
White herself has directed several ways.

British Money To End Slavery Associated Press Despatch.

Rangoon, Burma, Dec. 16.-It oped that slavery and human sacriice will be abolished by a British expedition now on its way to th Hukwang valley in Burma. Owners will be offered generous prices to free all slaves by April. In Naga, chiefs will be impressed with the Indian government's abhorrence of human sacrifices and of its deter mination to eradicate the practic y making it impossible to

TO STAY ALL WINTER

U. S. Authorities Move To Stamp Out Smuggling and Rum-Running.

Associated Press Despatch. Washington, Dec. 16 .- As a further step against smuggling generally, and rum running in particular, all coas guard stations on the Great Lakes have SINGLE CHRISTMAS CAKE been ordered to remain open through out the winter. It will be the first

MRS. RHINELANDER STAYS CLOSE TO NEW YORK HOME

Associated Press Despatch. New Rochelle, N. Y., Dec. 16.-While reports from Florida said the K. K. K. was out to prevent Mrs. Alice Jones the city limits into the county. Scafe Rhinelander from coming there to rest after her victory in the recent annul-

turn, attorneys for her husband en

phatically denied reports that he had returned to his quadroon wife. **RELIEF SEEKERS POSSESS** LUXURIES IN TORONTO

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 15 .- In a report sub

FRENCH USE ARTILLERY

Famous Waterloo Bridge To Go,

London, Dec. 16.—To the sorrow of all art lovers, London is to lose its unable to agree, but recommended that either the existing structure be rebuilt Associated Press Despatch.
London, Eng., Dec. 16.—The British government yesterday transferred to the United States more than \$22,000,000, representing a half year's interest and contribution toward payment of the British war debt.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Eng., Dec. 16.—The British government yesterday by the decision of the government yesterday by the decision of the London county council to build a new contribution toward payment of the British war debt.

Associated Press Despatch.
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Associated Press Despatch.
The fate of the structure was sealed yesterday by the decision of the Waterloo bridge was finally decided on was finally decided on trophe must rest on the government. A new bridge was finally decided on waterloo bridge was finally decided on at a cost of more than £1,000,000, and has been described as one of the finest in the world. It rests upon nine arches.

British war debt.

The official temperatures for the existing structure be rebuilt or complete responsibility for a catas.

The sun rises at 7:45 a.m. waterloo bridge was finally decided on at a cost of more than £1,000,000, and has been described as one of the finest in the world. It rests upon nine arches.