

REPORTS SALE OF ABATTOIR TO DETROIT FIRM

Rumored That an American
Creamery Will Locate
in London East.

REFUSE TO NAME BUYER

Building Was Formerly Home
of Canadian Packing
Company.

There is every reason to believe that one of East London's familiar landmarks, the old abattoir, formerly the home of the Canadian Packing Company, has now been sold to Detroit capital. It is understood that the deal was finally consummated Saturday after several days' negotiations.

Questioned Monday morning as to the possible truth of the report that the building in question had been disposed of to a certain American creamery firm, John Greer, of the firm of A. B. Greer and Son, who are said to be the principal owners, replied: "Yes, I could say there was some truth in it."

Asked as to the identity of the purchasers, Mr. Greer explained that he was not in any position to make public any further particulars.

While it was definitely known that representatives of an outside firm, supposedly an endeavoring to secure a location in London, the officials of the Chamber of Commerce also declined to advance any information other than that they knew that such negotiations were in progress.

J. B. HAY RETURNS FROM CONFERENCE

Represented London at Chi-
cago Rally of 1,250
Kiwanians.

The international conference of the Kiwanis Clubs held in Chicago Friday and Saturday of last week was a very enthusiastic meeting. District governors and district trustees present from 27 districts, London district being represented by J. B. Hay. More than 1,250 members attending the conference were present at the banquet, which was held in the grill room of the Congress Hotel, and is said to have been the largest Kiwanis banquet ever held.

George Ross, financial commissioner of Toronto, was the speaker of the evening, and his subject was "Closer Relationship Between Canada and United States."

A large amount of legislation was discussed and adopted at the conference.

That the work of the London district Kiwanians is attracting attention abroad, may be judged by a letter just received by Hugh F. Murray, the district secretary-treasurer, from Chas. H. Russell, secretary of the Montreal Club, which reads as follows:

"Your monthly report for December was so fine, with all that account of the good work being done throughout the district, that we did not read it to our members until the meeting yesterday, when we had His Excellency Governor-General Lord Byng as our guest-speaker."

"We had invited all the Rotarians as guests of the club and arranged for pairing them with a Kiwanian who saw his man before the meeting to make sure that he would be there to sit with him. This mixed the two gangs in great shape, and all had a splendid time. There were nearly 600 present."

"Your report gave the governor-general and the Rotarians, as well as our members, some idea of the work that is being done by Kiwanis and received hearty applause."

"We have secured the assent of his excellency to become an honorary member of the Montreal Club."

STEAL WHEEL OFF CAR IN FRONT OF CHURCH

A spare wheel and tire on a Dodge motor car, owned by Miss Margaret Purdon, was stolen while the car was standing in front of St. Andrew's Church during the Sunday evening service. The number of the tire was 32349023P. The police were notified.

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Sir Adam Beck To Explain Financial Position of L. and P. S. Road

IT is expected that Sir Adam Beck will appear before the council meeting on Monday next and give a statement in regard to the finances of the London and Port Stanley Railway. Sir Adam contends that there has been much misrepresentation of facts in regard to the railway in the recent campaign for radicals in the Welland district.

Town Topics.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

For thus saith the Lord that created the heavens: God himself that formed the earth and made it; He hath established it: He created it not in vain: He formed it to be inhabited.—Isaiah 45:18.

No have stood its ground in this world if the man had not silenced the objection of the child.—Michelet.

TOMORROW'S DOINGS.

Tuesday.—Advertising Club and Chamber of Commerce hold joint banquet at Tecumseh House, 6.30 o'clock.

Board of Works meets at City Hall, 8 o'clock.

THE DIRECTORS of the London Chamber of Commerce gather in weekly session Tuesday at noon, Monday as usual.

William Skinner, Treasurer of St. George Lodge, A.F. & A.M., was presented with a loving cup on Saturday night. Mr. Skinner has been treasurer of the lodge for 52 years.

THE POLICE have been informed by depot ticket agent Bert Haynes of the G. T. R. that a suit case and some clothes were stolen from a locker in the station Sunday. The owner is not known.

ACADIA LODGE No. 550, held a banquet immediately after the close of regular ritual work of the lodge Saturday. The Rev. Richard J. Bowen was the speaker and the guest of honor at the dinner.

WALTER NOYES, 46 Euclid avenue, had a buffalo robe stolen from his car while it was parked near the corner of Elizabeth and Eglar streets from 8 till 11 p. m. Saturday night. The theft was reported to the police.

THE OFFICIALS of the Victoria Home for Incurables, announce that W. E. Kelly has recently made and donated to that institution backrests, which has added much to the comfort of the patients at the home. He has also secured lantern slides and will give an entertainment as soon as can be arranged.

BRIGADIER CRICHTON of the local Salvation Army Headquarters, who was in charge of services in Chatham over the week-end, was taken suddenly ill with bronchitis and ordered to his home here. Brigadier Crichton was to have proceeded from Chatham to Dresden and Wallaceburg to conduct services there on Monday and Tuesday.

A SCOTCH CONCERT was held recently at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, under the direction of Miss Irvine, organist, and the choir of the church. Rev. Mr. McKillop, B. A., also gave a very interesting talk on "Burns." Pipe-Major Russell gave a few bagpipe selections. Mr. Rossiter, "daddy" of the choir, was in the chair. The proceeds of the evening will provide music for the choir.

SIMON MITCHELTREE, charged with driving a motor delivery truck recklessly and negligently, pleaded guilty in police court Monday morning and was assessed \$25 and costs. "These delivery truck drivers have no regard for the speed laws," declared Chief Robert Birrell. "Complaints are coming in all the time regarding the way these chauffeurs speed around corners and we are determined to bring as many as possible to justice."

THE EXECUTIVE of the Western Ontario Bible Society, which met Friday afternoon in the I. M. C. A. hall, has arranged for Dr. Pidgeon to deliver an address in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Tuesday, Feb. 7. Dr. Pidgeon will speak of the great work carried on by the world-wide Bible Society. The Bible Society distributed Bibles printed in 545 languages and the demand far exceeds the supply. Especially in European countries the unprecedented demand is taxing the capacity of the society to the utmost.

THE WEEKLY RECITAL of the pupils of the London Institute of Musical Art was held on Saturday afternoon last. The pupils contributing to the program were as follows: Grace Bayley, Mildred Carmichael, Jack Nash, Frances Gibson, Helen Milroy, Edna Creighton, Lucy Hardie, Virginia Dyer, Joan Isaac, Edith Brown, Helen McCormick, Harold Gray, Marjorie Watson, Alma Carrothers, Gladys Binks, Eleanor Ferguson, Eleanor Scanlon, Elsie Currie, Helen Kerwin, and May Attrill. The teachers represented were: Misses Jennie Steele, Irene Burns, Edith Irvine, Minnie Raymond, Albert Terry, Hazel Taylor, Laura Kirkwood, Eva Smith, Mrs. A. D. Jordan, Mrs. Nello McHardy-Smith, and O. Leo Herbert.

DISTINGUISHED MEDICO TO SPEAK IN LONDON

Dr. Carlless, a member of the board of directors of the King's Hospital, London, England, who is a visitor in this city, will address the members of the medical profession of London in the auditorium of the new medical school, Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

GARDENERS OF DISTRICT HEAR TALK ON SEEDS

F. G. Fuller Addresses London
Branch of Ontario Veget-
table Growers.

DISCUSS FAIR JUDGING

Members Want Exhibitors'
Names Obscured Until
Awards Are Made.

A profitable meeting of the London Branch of the Ontario Vegetable Growers' Association was held in the local Department of Agriculture Saturday evening.

A resolution was passed deploring the fact that a movement was on foot to withdraw the exhibits of the field crop competition at the Western Fair, this with a lengthy discussion both at this and the previous meeting gave delegates to the annual meeting of the central organization plenty of material for discussion.

Discuss Judging.

Regarding the exhibits at the Western Fair, it was agreed unanimously that the names of the exhibitors be obscured during the judging. Some did not favor the idea of having exhibitors in the building at this time. These questions, with others, will be taken up with the fair board at the annual meeting.

F. G. Fuller gave a very interesting address on "Seeds from the Grower's Standpoint," pointing out that first class seeds were not a commercial grower wanted, rather than cheap seeds. G. H. Poole, Eli Davis and F. G. Fuller discussed seed testing, pointing out the advantage of buying sufficient seed one year to test for next year's crop, thus keeping crop up to standard.

The association is growing every year and it is the purpose of the executive to keep before the new members the best type of vegetables, and at each meeting an effort is made to have the younger vegetable growers do practical judging. On Saturday night, parsley, onions and early potatoes were judged, and Wm. Pratt an extensive exhibitor, gave a demonstration in judging and showed the others where they had "fallen down." Orders were taken for baskets and fertilizers, which are considerably cheaper this year than formerly.

About thirty-five members were present, as well as several women and other visitors.

ACADEMY HEARS FAMOUS SURGEON

Dr. Albert Carlless Speaks in
Medical School Audi-
torium.

Members of the Western Ontario Academy of Medicine are being honored Monday by the presence of a distinguished visitor, and a leader in the medical profession, Albert Carlless, C.B.E., M.B., M.S. (London), F.R.C.S., medical director of Barnardo Homes, who is on a short stay in this district.

Dr. Carlless, who is consulting surgeon to the Eastern command of the British army, emeritus professor of surgery to King's College, London, consulting surgeon to King's College Hospital, formerly examiner in surgery to the universities of Glasgow, London, Manchester, Liverpool and Leeds, and to the Royal Army Medical Corps, including Western Ontario Academy of Medicine in the auditorium of Western University Medical School Friday afternoon.

He based his remarks on a surgical topic, and as Dr. Carlless is the author of a surgical text book, which is used extensively in medical schools of Canada, including Western University, his presence has evinced great interest on the part of physicians of London and vicinity. It is understood that Dr. Carlless, who was in Canada about one year ago in connection with his duties as director of Barnardo Homes, has returned to Western Ontario on a similar mission.

WILL ORGANIZE AUTO MECHANICS OF LONDON

Harry Kerwin, of Toronto, a member of the eastern executive of the International Machineists' Union, and president of the Ontario branch of the Canadian Labor Party, will be a visitor in London labor circles this week.

In addition to addressing open meetings of rail employees he will address a mass meeting in the Labor Temple Thursday night, at which an attempt will be made to unionize the automobile mechanics of the city.

The latter are those men who are employed in the garages as well as those in the respective automobile plants in the city.

EXPECT CARDINALS TO BE LATE FOR ELECTION

On board the steamship La Lorraine, by wireless, Jan. 30.—Stormy weather is being encountered and it is expected the voyage to Havre will last more than nine days, thus making it improbable that Cardinal Doherty of Philadelphia and Cardinal Beugin of Quebec, who are on their way to Rome for the conclave, will reach their destination before the election for the new pope is completed.

Yesterday's weather was extremely violent, preventing the cardinals from celebrating mass. The cabins of Cardinal Doherty and his secretary were flooded.

Many Londoners Enjoy Sunday Skating at Coves and in Parks

Manager Buchanan Declares Nothing Can Be Done
To Prevent Use of Rinks On Sundays.

Sunday skaters on the coves could be counted in tens in pre-war days. Now they are counted by the hundreds. All day Sunday the large sheet of ice black with skaters, from the small boy of 10 summers to the older chap with grey-streaked hair.

During the afternoon numerous "flappers" swung merrily along the banks in their galoshes, later to don their skates and swing up and down the glassy stretch of ice. The day was simply ideal for outdoor skating, and even although it was the Sabbath, many could not resist the temptation to enjoy a whirl or two on the famous coves. Automobiles were lined up on both sides of the Pipe Line road, many of the people making this their starting point.

In the evening the open-air rink at Victoria Park was crowded with skaters, and Thames Park rink was no exception to the rule. Some church-going people wondered why these bold youths were not arrested by the police. Chief Robert Birrell stated that he had no authority to arrest people for skating on Sunday.

LONDONERS TO MAKE VISIT TO WEST INDIES

Local Businessmen Will Study
Conditions in Southern
Country.

PLAN TRADE EXPANSION

Gordon Philip Reports Ar-
rangements Have Been
Completed.

Under consideration for several weeks' past, the proposed trip of Canadian businessmen to the islands of the West Indies is now assured, Gordon Philip, managing secretary of the London Chamber of Commerce, announced on Monday.

Several local persons have already expressed a desire to accompany this party that leaves to study Central America and the countries to be visited.

Manager Philip was informed Monday morning that arrangements are practically complete. The Londoners and others from Western Ontario must arrange to be at Halifax in time to leave on a Canadian Mercantile Marine boat Feb. 15.

The first stop will be Nassau, Bahamas, Feb. 17, where Kingston, Jamaica, will be reached on the 25th. Transferring to the Megantic the Canadians will journey to Central America and thence down to Port Au Prince, arriving at the latter place March 7.

Authorities of the various countries and islands will meet the visitors and side-trips will be arranged. The return journey will be made by way of St. John, N. B.

COURT OF REVISION WILL SIT TUESDAY

Expected That Large Number
of Local Improvement Ap-
peals Will Be Heard.

The court of revision will sit on Tuesday at the city hall, when there will be quite an amount of business to be handled, a number of matters having been hanging fire for some time, which are to be cleaned up. A number of new appeals in regard to business assessment have been entered and these will also be heard.

The important appeals have to do with local assessment by-laws for the past year. It is expected that there will be a good number of appeals of this order. Many of the local improvement by-laws, in fact the majority, were put through on a two-thirds vote of the council. The result is that there is a more or less wholesale kicking against some of the work.

The Piccadilly street pavement may come to the fore again. When the residents kicked against the alleged faulty workmanship on this pavement, the council told them to appeal to the court of revision and that they might reasonably expect that their payments on the pavement might be delayed for a year to see if the prediction of the engineer, that the pavement would knit together with traffic, comes true.

URGE BROADENING OUT OF I. L. P. MOVEMENT

Hamilton, Jan. 29.—The local and district branches of the I. L. P. met on Saturday and decided to organize a Labor representation committee. The feeling of the meeting was that the I. L. P. movement did not go far enough and should broaden out. Efforts will be made to link up all I. L. P. branches, trades unions and U. F. O. organizations in Ontario.

Ten British monarchs have used the king's state barge, now 230 years old. Eighty-six thousand French soldiers contracted tuberculosis during the war.

REUNION NIGHT AT "Y" REVIVES OLD MEMORIES

Londoners From South of
England Renew Associa-
tions With the Old Land.

INDULGE IN SINGSONG

Y. M. C. A. Officials Plan To
Hold County Reunions
in Near Future.

Between two and three hundred Londoners, who formerly resided in the southern parts of England gathered at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday night, to enjoy fond recollections of the places of their nativity that were brought forth in the South of England reunion, held by the Y. authorities.

In conjunction with the reunion, a concert was given and a musical program of some length. Of the views a large number illustrated picturesque Warwick, others Cornish scenery, and some pictures of the Kentish downs.

The selections on the musical program included a considerable number that would bring the men of South England reminiscences of the old land, such as "My Girl's a Yorkshire Girl," "She Is My Daisy," "March of the Men of Harlech," "It Is the Navy," and "Sussex by the Sea."

A sing-song under the leadership of R. P. Liddle of the Y. opened the program. The following participated in the concert: Mr. J. Burdock, concertina solos; Miss P. Burdock, dances; Mr. Tom Jones, comic numbers; Mr. J. Sullivan, old English numbers on the concertina; Miss Doris Yull, readings; Mr. G. Gill, readings; Miss Jarvis, two humorous songs. H. Edwards was the pianist and W. J. Bugler, musical director.

Dr. Hugh Stevenson delivered a brief address to the gathering. It was announced during the reunion that it will be the policy of the Y. to hold smaller reunions frequently in the future, each reunion being for some county in England, thus one night will be Lancashire night, one Yorkshire. These reunions will be especially for newly-arrived immigrants from England.

PAY TRIBUTE TO HARRIET PRIDDIS

London and Middlesex Histor-
ical Society Tender Sym-
pathy to Relatives.

At a recent meeting of the London and Middlesex Historical Society a resolution of sympathy was tendered the friends of the late Miss Harriet Priddis of this city, founder of the society and one of its most ardent workers.

The resolution, moved by Henry Macklin and seconded by Dr. Woolverton, read as follows: "At this, the first meeting of the London and Middlesex Historical Society following the death of Miss Priddis, which occurred in the first week of the year. Many of our members have lost a warm friend and the society its actual founder."

"She was for many years one of its most active members, having contributed papers, which were published in its transactions—the Proudfoot papers, and the papers on the streets of London, being alone sufficient to cause the name of Harriet Priddis to be remembered by students of London history. The society mourns her loss and feels grateful for what she has done for it."

DIES AT MOOREFIELD.
Mitchell, Jan. 29.—Mrs. Wm. Colquhoun, sister of Messrs Thomas and John Pridham, of this town, died at her home in Moorefield on Friday. She was 64 years old. Mrs. Colquhoun was born in Fullerton Township, a few miles north of Mitchell, and was well known here.

CORRECTION IN HYDRO ADVER- TISEMENT.

In Monday morning's issue, an announcement of the Hydro Shop stated that a McClary 3-Burner Electric Range would be installed complete for only \$3 down. This price should have been \$15 down.

DIAMOND MINED IN BRITISH GUIANA LARGEST YET

What is believed to be the largest ever found in the Western Hemisphere is the diamond brought to New York, Jan. 10, 1922, by Professor W. J. Lavarre. Its weight is not officially announced as yet. So states the Mail and Empire. Diamonds win, hearts especially Blue. White Perfect Diamonds sold at J. A. Nash, My Jeweler's "Success Jewelry" sale, 182 Dundas street, "where you will eventually buy."

On a general inspection of the Grand Trunk Railroad system, G. Howard Kelly, president and W. D. Robb, vice-president of that corporation will stop in London Wednesday February 1. Although both officials have passed through the city at different times within the past few months, a considerable length of time has elapsed since they conducted any great inspection.

A complete survey of the local yards, freight sheds, round-house, car-shops and offices is scheduled.

Invite London Business- men To British Fair

LONDON business firms have been invited through the local Chamber of Commerce to send trade representatives to the British Industrial Fair, in London and Birmingham, February 27 to March 10. Exhibits have been selected to cover the entire range of British industrial production. The London fair is held under the auspices of the British department of overseas trade. The Birmingham exhibit is the result of municipal enterprise with the support of the government. It is expected that local firms will be represented.

WILL OPEN NEW HYDRO STATION

Mayor Wilson To Officiate at
Inauguration of Trans-
former Depot.

Ready for use and heralded as one of the finest examples of modern installations on the continent, the new hydro electric transformer station, corner Cabell street and Kitchener avenue, East London, will be officially opened on Saturday afternoon next.

It is proposed at this moment that the formal ceremonies will be attended by Mayor Cameron J. Wilson, members of the Public Utilities Commission, the city council and all other civic officials as well as any of the general public who desire to attend.

But little remains to be accomplished, hydro officials reported on Monday morning, and although considerable time must yet be employed in a general clean up of the new premises it is expected that the proposed ceremonial will be enacted without a hitch.

When the new station is placed in regular service it will supply electricity to the entire section of the city lying east of Colborne street, while that portion west of Colborne street will be supplied as previously, from the Horton street station, although the East London station will be the controlling hydro centre for London.

ARRANGE ALUMNI CONGRESS IN CITY

Members of Ontario Agricul-
tural College To Gather
On February 10.

Arrangements are being completed for a convention of the alumni of the Ontario Agricultural College. The opening session will be held on the afternoon of the 10th with a banquet at the Tecumseh House in the evening. The following day another business session will be held.

An effort is being made to bring one or two prominent speakers from outside points. It is hoped that either Sir Joseph Flavelle or Sir Thomas White will accede to the request.

It is proposed that each alternative convention hereafter will be held in Toronto with Western and Eastern Ontario following. As the Alumni of Western Ontario have already an organization and have fostered the movement from its inception, London has been selected for the first annual provincial gathering.

The building permits are starting to issue a little more rapidly than was the case during the first two weeks of the year. Two residential permits are among the latest issued which makes the total 32 permits, value \$40,190. L. Camp, 599 Mainland, will spend 3,000 remodeling his dwelling and putting a new verandah on it. W. J. Smith will spend a like amount on a new frame and stucco dwelling on Emery street. Smith Furniture Co., Dundas street, will remodel their store at a cost of \$250 and Dr. Tennant will reshingle a cottage, 258 Wellington street, cost \$175.

BUSINESSMEN AND FARMERS GET TOGETHER

Agricultural Section of Lon-
don Chamber of Commerce
Outcome of Meeting.

TO STUDY PROBLEMS

Middlesex Farmers Take Lead
in Effort To Solve Rural
and Urban Troubles.

With a view toward greater cooperation between the citizens of London and the residents of the neighboring rural districts, an agricultural section of the chamber of commerce was instituted at a general mass meeting of Middlesex farmers in the Tecumseh House on Saturday afternoon last.

There ensued but little opposition to the move, but one or two of the gathering being seemingly a trifle skeptical, their voice was lost in the majority of the farmers who obviously were only too willing that some definite step be taken to facilitate the better consideration of those problems arising from time to time that affect urban and rural district alike.

The proceedings on Saturday were opened with addresses by Col. Brown of the Western University, Gordon Philip, managing secretary of the chamber of commerce, and Watson H. Porter, whose interest in the agricultural movement is well known throughout Western Ontario.

Farmers and the C. of C. A suggestion by one of the visitors that the directors of the C. of C. throw open their association to admit the farmers of the county on an equal footing with the local members was first discussed, but it was reasoned that for the present at least a farmers' section would suffice.

Election of officers for 1922 and preliminary organization featured the afternoon. Although he was quite willing that a chairman residing in the country should be chosen, Watson H. Porter was ultimately elected without opposition. To that post, Harry Shore and Jas. Wheaton declining in his favor. The vice-chairmen for the year are James H. Wheaton of Thornedale and J. Walmer of Metcalfe. Messrs. Craig, Shore and Bogue were also nominated, but subsequently withdrew.

George Bogue was the unanimous choice as secretary, while the executive committee of seven was also elected by acclamation. The latter were: W. J. Ellis, London Township; Charles M. MacFie, Appin; Lyman Chapman, Lobo; Lewis Craig, Belmont; Harry Shore, Byram; D. M. Munro, Iderton; and N. Sanderson of Byron. Edward Douglas of Iderton and Richard Fitzgerald were also nominated, but withdrew.

CHOOSE MOULD AS LABOR HEAD

Election of officers for 1922 and general routine business claimed the attention of the London members of the Independent Labor party in general session in the Labor Temple Sunday afternoon.

Resolutions to be presented at the Canadian Labor party convention in Stratford Feb. 24 were outlined and considered. Ald. Henry B. Ashplant, and Fred White were appointed as delegates to represent the local party at the conference.

The officers for the ensuing year are: Honorary president, Dr. Hugh A. Stevenson, M.L.A. for London; president, Arthur Mould; first vice-president, Dan Menzies; second vice-president, Ald. John Ashton; third vice-president, Ald. Watkinson; fourth vice-president, Ald. Henry B. Ashplant; secretary, J. F. Thomson; financial secretary, Fred White.

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