

TEN MILLION SPENT ON WORKS IN CITY

Twenty-Four Miles of Sidewalks Built in Eleven Months.

ACTIVE YEAR'S WORK

Decline to Make Further Connections for Sewers With the Township.

Reports presented to the final meeting of the year of the committee on works yesterday showed that the works department has had a most active year. Nearly 24 miles of sidewalks have been constructed in the last eleven months, against about nine miles in 1919. The mileage of sewers laid was about four, which was equal to the mileage of 1919, and the mileage of the pavements this year was three and one-half against about three-quarters of a mile last year. The total expenditure of the department this year was close to ten million, or nearly twice as much as last year.

Engineers Barber and Winne-Roberts waited on the committee and asked for connections for 21 sewers in the south-west section of the township which they would proceed at once to build. They were willing to hasten this work in order to provide labor for hundreds of men who are now out of employment.

Commissioner Harris repeated what he has stated before, that the city sewers are already over-taxed and that no more connections with the township can be recommended. Council some time ago went on record as being opposed to accepting any more sewage from the township.

The assessment commission will be asked to report on the cost of extending Langemark avenue to Rushmore Drive.

Changing Street Names. The result of the poll taken on Keele street showed that the residents on Keele south of Bloor were in favor of the proposal to change the name of the street to Parkside drive, while the residents on Keele north of Bloor objected to the change.

A deputation from the south end of the street urged the committee to recommend the change. Ald. Singer said the city had for years been changing names in order to bring continuous streets under one name, and it would be unwise to reverse this rule.

Ald. Blackburn suggested that the name south of Bloor be changed to Keele boulevard, and the deputation accepted this suggestion and the change will be recommended.

C. W. Kerr, representing land interests in North Toronto, asked the committee to deal with the contract, which he said the city had, calling for the construction of sewers at the expense of the city. When the town of North Toronto in 1911 wished to get an easement on the property of E. B. Stockdale and others, he agreed to build sewers in the property at the public expense in return for the easement.

The sidewalks and watermain were to be laid as local improvements and it was contended that the agreement was now binding on the city, but Commissioner Harris reported that there was some doubt about this. A compromise had been suggested, providing for the building of sewers on Bloor Hill avenue, St. Clement's avenue and Strathfield boulevard. The commissioner asked for the views of the committee on this proposed settlement. The committee decided to leave the matter over for two weeks.

Mr. Kerr said he believed his client, who was dissatisfied with the delay would out the sewer which now goes thru his property and leave a portion of the population without sewer connection.

A deputation from Ward Eight complained that water had been backed up on the property of R. Pew, bordering on the upper reaches of Simla's pond by the building of a culvert which was too small to carry away the water. The works commissioner was instructed to bring in a report.

A vote of thanks was moved by Alderman Hiltz and P. W. Johnston to the chairman, Ald. Berisall, for his efficient work as head of the committee during the year. Commissioner Harris and his staff were also commended for their excellent services to the corporation.

GOVERNMENT PAPER MILL.

Premier Drury will visit Kapuskasing on his way home from Winnipeg to look over the proposed townsite to be located there. The possibility of establishing a pulp and paper mill there by the government will also be inquired into.

COMB SAGE TEA INTO GRAY HAIR

Darkens Beautifully and Restores Its Natural Color and Lustre at Once.

Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea with sulphur and alcohol added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant. Mixing the Sage Tea and Sulphur recipe at home, though, is troublesome. An easier way is to get the ready-to-use preparation improved by the addition of other ingredients, a large bottle, at little cost, at drug stores, known as "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," thus avoiding a lot of fuss.

White gray, faded hair is not entirely, we all desire to retain our youthful appearance and attractiveness. By darkening your hair with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, no one can tell, because it does it so naturally, so evenly. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning all gray hairs have disappeared. After another application or two your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy, luxuriant and you appear years younger.

ORDER INVESTIGATION OF INGLENOOK FARM

It was decided at a special meeting of the board of control yesterday to order a judicial investigation of the charges which have been made in connection with the administration of Inglenook farm and detention home for Toronto boys.

Following rumors of irregularities, a motion was presented to council a week ago calling for the suspension of the social service commission, which has charge of this detention farm. W. H. Smith, chairman of the social service commission, and his son, B. H. Smith, in charge of the management of the farm.

Affidavits have been presented to the controllers alleging irregularities, and as a result an inquiry will be ordered at once. Mr. Smith had an interview with the board yesterday.

SHOULD DO WORK FOR CROWN ONLY

Police Court Interpreters Say Working for Both Sides is Unfair.

That official court interpreters should work for the crown only was the contention of three of that body in the case, this putting them in a difficult position before the public service commission, sitting at Osgoode Hall, yesterday. They also contended that interpreters were not paid enough for the work they do. As it stands now, the court interpreters work in both the interest of the crown and defence. They have to translate the prisoner's evidence for both sides of the case, thus putting them often in an uncomfortable position.

The three interpreters, Mrs. Grace Bagnato, Alex. Markowitz and Mr. Shontoff, admitted that they were sometimes used by the defence lawyers to go to the jail and interpret for them, and when crown officials asked for information along these lines it was their duty to disclose it. For their work, none admitted getting more than a living wage.

Mrs. Grace Bagnato admitted that the interpreters often obtained valuable information for the police. Commissioner Harris asked her if she thought that was fair to the prisoners, and while answering in the negative, Mrs. Bagnato stated that it was their duty as court officials to do so.

Mr. Gregory then wanted to know whether the prisoners knew that this was done. She stated she did not think they did. Shontoff, however, stated that he only gave information to the police in murder cases only, and then not until asked for it.

Asked by Inspector McKinney if he had disclosed confidential information to any detective, the interpreter stated she had no occasion to do it. He denied that he ever split with the lawyers as to money received.

"Do the lawyers divide with you?" asked the chairman, Mr. Bagnato. She replied: "No, I am only glad to get my fee."

Both witnesses and Court Interpreter Alex. Markowitz agreed that the interpreters should not go to the jail on outside work.

Mr. Markowitz denied absolutely that he had ever given confidential information to the detectives, and would refuse to give it to a detective if he were asked. He admitted that the same interpreter had acted in the same way for the crown and the defence. "It is not fair, to be because an interpreter should only interpret for one side," he said.

J. G. O'Donoghue pointed out that a system should be arranged for facilitating the securing of bail, especially in minor cases. The sergeant in the police station should be allowed to take the money, and all notices court reports should be taken down in shorthand to facilitate appeals.

James Simpson dealt with the remuneration of prisoners, which was not officially objected to by labor as long as they received the union rate of wages.

ORIENT CHAPTER MASONS EXEMPLIFY DEGREE

Orient Chapter, No. 79, R. A. M., held their regular convocation last night when the degree of the H. R. A. was exemplified under the direction of ex-Comp. J. F. Scuse, Z., assisted by ex-Comps. E. Wright and F. G. Russell.

The large number present was an indication of the interest that is being taken in Capital Masonry, and there is every reason to anticipate a very prosperous year for this chapter. Many of the past principals were there to help along the newly installed officers, including V. ex-Comp. S. P. Ward, ex-Comps. J. C. Bennett, R. J. Gaylord, D. S. McDougall, J. Poulton and D. Spedeman.

A most enjoyable time was spent at the banquet which followed the work where a good program had been arranged.

FURTHER HEARING OF ORFORD ALIMONY CASE

The hearing was resumed at Osgoode Hall yesterday before Justice Orde of the motion of Mrs. Lillian Grace Orford to recover \$600 a month alimony from her husband, Frederick Orford, a Toronto real estate broker.

Considerable time was devoted to an argument in which Peter Devito, K.C., counsel for Mrs. Orford, sought to examine into the conduct of Mr. Orford towards his wife from the time of their leaving America after their wedding till Mr. Orford left his wife in England and returned to Canada.

The hearing was again adjourned.

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TRUSTEE'S PLEA FOR SCHOOL ADJUNCTS

Thinks Gymnasium and Pool Must Come Sooner or Later.

"Sooner or later the gymnasium and swimming pool will have to come," said Edmund Gunn, chairman of the advisory commercial education committee, at the meeting yesterday afternoon.

Superintendent Dyson, of the board of education, said that the \$200,000 granted by the city council would cover the cost of the completion of the high school of commerce and finance so far as the class rooms were concerned. It might also cover the bare walls for a gymnasium. This was indicated by the recent tenders for other schools, which averaged \$15,000. The plans for the completion of the building called for ten class rooms.

Trustee Bell wanted the first work to be alterations in the auditorium required to render the gallery satisfactory. This, it was claimed by the chairman, could be taken from the maintenance account.

Trustee Bell said that there was a danger of too much centralizing which might delay the erection of the branch high school in the east end.

The committee agreed to instruct W. W. Pearce, business administrator, to approve plans for the ten-room addition also to take the steps to acquire the land required for the necessary extension of the site.

INCREASE IN TRAFFIC ON CIVIC CAR LINES

Traffic has increased steadily on the civic car lines. The first eleven months of this year show the following increases in the number of passengers carried: Gerrard, 30.2 per cent.; Danforth, 26.3 per cent.; St. Clair, 19 per cent.; Lansdowne, 26.4 per cent.; and Bloor, 25.9 per cent.

The passengers carried in eleven months of 1919 totaled 23,587,271, against 22,244,826 this year. The average number of men employed on the civic lines in 1919 was 229, while the average now is 245. The civic railways now have 70 cars in use, 25 one-man safety cars having been added since last fall. The truckage has been increased by the building of a double track on the Bloor line between Queen and Runnymede road, which was opened on October 20.

The details were laid before the works committee yesterday by Commissioner Harris.

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MAYOR USES BIG GUNS ON HUGHES

Reports Used to Show City Cannot Afford School "Frills."

Mayor Church has delivered a broadside in the general direction of J. L. Hughes, former inspector of Toronto schools. In support of his contention that the board of education is wasteful and that the city can't afford the proposed heavy school building program, his worship has caused to be compiled numerous reports. These include reports by Thomas Bradshaw, former commissioner of finance, comparing the school accommodation in Toronto and in United States cities, a list of school sites and school buildings amounting to nearly \$3,500,000 granted by the city council since September, 1919, a statement of the money, land and province on public, technical and high schools, and other exhibits.

Mayor's Letter. In a letter to The World accompanying this mass of information, the mayor says in part:

"While mistakes may have been made in the past on both sides, there has been for the past thirty years a continual dispute between the school board and the city council, the latter body being responsible to the taxpayers for the size of the tax rate.

"No building was done during the war practically all the while the content, owing to the high cost of money, land and materials, and the rate of exchange.

"I have always been in favor of paying liberal salaries to the teachers, and improved working conditions which have not always been satisfactory in the past.

"As Mr. Bradshaw says, 'If one department of the city is to get the bulk of the money, there will be no money left for the other services, such as railways, sewers, water, police and fire protection, and other civic services.'

"You will note from the annual budget that the city collects twenty-five million dollars from all sources, nineteen millions of which is what is known as 'uncontrollable expenditure,' over which the city council has no control, such as the board of education, and other matters. The controllable, under the city council, only amounts to ten millions, and they have to offset this with ten million dollars otherwise than from taxation.

"We are faced with the heaviest commitments in the history of the city. Many people are out of work, and our tax rate is high. We will drive industry from the city, notwithstanding the fact that we now have an abundance of power in sight, if our tax rate is to remain as it is. We are at the parting of the ways in this connection.

"Dr. Hughes has written a letter saying that the board asked for four millions this year. This is wrong, as Mr. Bradshaw's letter sets out. This amount was to be spread over a number of years, and the board agreed to accept \$1,280,000 for this year, and made the arrangement with Mr. Bradshaw. Since that time they have got a million dollars extra capital in July of this year, and \$424,000 in October for increased accommodation.

"Calls for Survey. A survey was made of the properties they have in the county. There are three schools in the county, namely, Kitchener, Glenholme and Humberwood, built by the board of education, and there have been a farm as well west of Lambton Mills, and have other vacant lots in the county and the city not built on.

"The city council has given them, and the regulation number in them. The city council did not place the children in portables. They have been there for over fifteen years. The board of education themselves are responsible for this policy and waste of money.

"When J. L. Hughes was inspector he did not hesitate himself to crowd 100 or 125 into one room, which was deplorable.

"Better business management, more efficiency, the completion of the three-quarter million dollar program which the city council has given them, and a little economy and a spirit of co-operation by the board of education with the civic authorities will produce results, instead of the present ill-advvised publicity campaign by a section of the board of education, who desire to 'spend money like water.'

ROTARY CLUB MEMBERS GIVE CHRISTMAS CHEER

As the result of a rousing appeal by Charles D. Gordon, at yesterday's luncheon at the King Edward Hotel, the Rotary Club decided to undertake to carry "Christmas cheer" to from 300 to 500 needy families this year.

Mr. Gordon mentioned a number of instances where the need of assistance in making the holiday a time of joy and gladness was great and urged a personal effort on the part of each member to see that such help was not lacking.

CORONER IS SURE BARNES WILL APPEAR

"Just as sure as the sun will rise in the morning, I think Harry Barnes will come into the witness box here and tell his own story," said Coroner W. A. Young at the morgue last night. "I will adjourn this inquest for a whole year if necessary to get this man back."

It will be remembered that Barnes is the man who was alleged to have driven the auto that ran Harry Rossiter down on the Hamilton highway last fall. After the last inquest had adjourned because Barnes did not appear, a bench warrant was issued, but apparently it had not been served. Barnes is supposed to be in the United States and is out on bail until next March, when he will appear at the assizes on a charge of manslaughter.

Coroner Young adjourned the inquest Dec. 23.

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WILL MAKE REPORT ON HARBOR CONTRACT

A statement will be given out by the harbor commission reporting the facts in connection with the issue of the big harbor contract to the Canadian Stewart Company in 1913, pertaining to which certain insinuations have been afloat. Col. Boyd Magee, who is suing the Canadian Stewart Company for \$100,000, alleges that he was promised this sum in return for services rendered in obtaining the contract for the company from the city, and Con. Cameron the other day moved for a full statement from the harbor board of the whole transaction.

It is understood the statement will contain the minutes of all meetings held at which this contract was dealt with from the time tenders were called for down to the signing of the contract six months later, and that it will be shown that every step was carried out in a regular manner. It will also be stated that the commissioners are entirely in the dark as to what the services were to which Mr. Magee referred. They know nothing other than what they have seen in the newspapers.

BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED

The city architect's department issued the following building permits yesterday: Ald. W. W. Hiltz, for three

PAIRS OF SEMI-DETACHED BRICK AND STUCCO DWELLINGS

two pairs of semi-detached brick and stucco dwellings, two pairs at 41, 43, 45, and 47 Fielding avenue, to cost \$12,000; and one pair on the west side of Moberley avenue, near Merrill avenue, to cost \$5,900; a pair of semi-detached brick and stucco dwellings will be built by Patrick Rossiter at 69 and 71 Broadview avenue, costing about \$6,800; at an estimated cost of \$8,000 a frame church will be put up by a Roman Catholic congregation on the northeast corner of Giesbount and Giesbount avenues.

BIBLE STUDY CLASS

A large audience last night attended the Bible study class being conducted by A. W. R. Newell in the gospel which Rev. Oswald J. Smith is the pastor. Mr. Newell, who is conducting a series of talks upon the "Mysteries revealed to the Church of God," spoke last night upon the "Mystery of Babylon," which he declared to be the hope of the church, and the "Mystery of Iniquity," the plan of Satan to get the world to cast off the worship of God.

WIDOWS TO GET PENSIONS

Following a meeting of the mothers' allowance board yesterday, Rev. P. Bryce, chairman, announced that 800 cases have now been passed upon. All widows will receive pensions.

EIGHT CHILDREN SHARE IN MOTHER'S ESTATE

The property at 715 Bathurst st., valued at \$7,500, cash \$16,874, a Ford car, auto truck and stock-in-trade, \$960 and \$4,440 in other personal estate, make up the estate of Mrs. Maria Eliza Topping widow of Chas. Topping, who died Oct. 23. She bequeathed \$3,000 and her household goods to her daughter, Violet, \$200 to her son Charles, the business she carried on in St. Lawrence Market under the name of Charles Topping, to her sons Albert and Arthur, and the residue to her children Emily, Violet, Charles, William, Edward, Albert, May and Arthur.

Forty shares Brazilian valued at \$2,050, make up the Ontario estate of Emily Louisa Wright, who died at Southsea, Hants, Eng., Sept. 11, 1919, leaving her \$19,942 estate to her sister, Miss Clara Wright, in England.

MANY SPEEDERS FINED

Fifty cases of speeding and otherwise fracturing the motor traffic by-laws, came before Magistrate Cohen in the afternoon police court yesterday. With three exceptions all pleaded guilty and promptly paid their fines and costs.

My "Snug Harbor" Cigarette

Enjoy them to-day

PLAYER'S NAVY CUT CIGARETTES