

Special County Council Committee Will Recommend 11-Mill Tax Rate

COUNTY COUNCIL OPENS MEETING

Bone of Contention Promises To Be Tax Rate—11 Mills Recommended.

WILL ASK GRANT

The county council session, which opened at the county buildings this afternoon at 2 o'clock, promises to be just as warm as the weather, if not more so. The bone of contention between the county daddies promises to be the tax rate, which a special committee will recommend as being placed at 11 mills, 2 mills more than last year.

Councillor Tom Elliott of West McGillivray, who provided most of the excitement at the January session by calling the councillors a bunch of rebels has not made good his threat of resigning, should the ratepayers of his township so desire, and he will likely be heard from before the week is far advanced.

Col. W. J. Brown and Arthur Little of the University of Western Ontario board of governors are inviting the council to visit Western and decide on the location of the memorial tablet to county soldiers who fell in the war.

The London P. U. C. is asking for a grant towards the upkeep of Springbank Park, but in view of the county's financial burdens, the grant, if it is made, will likely be a small one.

Wednesday afternoon the council will combine business with pleasure at Stratford. The members will inspect the House of Refuge and also attend the ceremonies in connection with the opening of a new wing to Stratford Hospital.

Warden C. C. Henry was in the chair when the council met at 2 o'clock.

W. S. BREWSTER TO ACT AT TRIAL OF HEWITT

Brantford Attorney Will Prosecute Charge Against Londoner.

Crown Attorney Albert M. Judd has received a telegram from the attorney-general, department of justice, that W. S. Brewster, K.C., of Brantford, will prosecute the criminal charge against Allan Hewitt at the county court sitting, which opens tomorrow at 1 o'clock before County Judge Talbot Macbeth.

In the ordinary course of events, Crown Attorney Judd would have been the case for the crown, but before he was appointed crown attorney, was retained by Mr. Hewitt to act for him. J. M. McEvoy, K.C., former partner of Mr. Judd, is taking the case for the defendant.

Hewitt is charged with breaking into a sealed railroad car at Stratford in April, 1923, and is also charged with receiving stolen goods. The grand jury in June, 1923, brought in a true bill against Hewitt, who was too ill to stand trial at that time and in December.

Mr. Judd will, however, prosecute against Hector Zwick, who is charged with procuring a young girl for immoral purposes. W. B. Henderson is defending Zwick, who has been tried by judge and jury, when he appeared before Magistrate Graydon several weeks ago.

MOTHER AND SON BETTER.

Mrs. William Dave and her son Allan, who were seriously injured last Tuesday in an automobile accident, are much better today. It was thought that Allan might have lapsed, but he was given injections to prevent it, if possible, and so far he has no infection. They are at the home of O. J. Little, where they were taken following the accident.

WILLIAM GOWER BETTER.

William Gower, who was injured last week at the C. N. R. carsheds, is reported this morning to be much better. Mr. Gower received several cuts on his legs and also wrenched his back when he fell through the sill of a car. He will be able to return to work in two weeks.

PARK IS FAST RESEMBLING PARADISE OF FLOWERLAND

Tulips Now at Their Best in Victoria—Over Forty Flower Beds.

65,000 PLANTS

Superintendent E. E. Graham Enthusiastic Over Prospects This Year.

June, month of house flies and screen doors, of straw hats and examinations, of picnics and mosquitoes, of roses and nuptials, but historic for its days of rarity, was ushered in on Sunday with an atmosphere fit for the king's taste. Even as May smiled at parting, so did folks smile at the coming of June.

Superintendent of Parks Ernest E. Graham had a contentment wreathed in smiles this morning. After a wearisome spring in getting over a hundred thousand new plants ready for the annual beautification scheme at Victoria Park and Springbank, fine weather was a sight for sore eyes.

At Victoria Park today tulips, which have reigned supreme among the flowers during May, were bidding a prolonged adieu. Wet weather has lengthened the season a good bit and the later varieties are still in good color and condition. There are tens of thousands of Dutch bulb plants in the flower beds in civic parks year by year, and the color schemes at Victoria have been pleasing to thousands of citizens who find the big acreage near the center of the city a refreshing "breathing place."

Over 40 Flower Beds.

At Victoria Park there are over 40 flower beds, set among the lovely walks that have been laid out among the Canadian maples and other native trees. With the trees now in full leaf, the tulips at their best, and June flowers coming along, late but with much promise, the park is the way to becoming a paradise of flowerland.

Here there are 65,000 plants, outside of the bulbous early season varieties, being planted this year by the corps of skilled gardeners in the parks department. Early tulips have come and gone and beds are now being prepared for later blooming flowers.

Of the later tulips there is a good assortment, mostly from new bulbs, of good strength of growth with stems over two feet in height, while the smaller shoots show good contrast. There is plenty of color, and the shading is remarkably good. Delight of horticulturists are the all-season flower beds, of which there are several at Victoria. There are blooms in these big gardens all the year round. There is a strong background of bushes and tiny plants, and more luxuriant and stronger ones are in good condition. The frost has done little damage except to early tulips, and even that was slight.

Pansies Beautiful.

Pansies have been set out in an amazing range of color combinations. Some beds of smaller plants take painstaking care in planting as there are thousands of plants to be set out.

French lilacs, set out a few years, are reaching good proportions already and are flowering this week. There are bushes of both natural and white flowers, and they all appear fresh and sturdy. Roses are on their way, and so are flags and a wealth of smaller plants.

PAY LAST TRIBUTE.

Masonic and G. W. A. organizations combined forces on Saturday afternoon to pay their last respects to the late Sergt. John Hall, who was buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery at Grand Bend, where he owned extensive properties.

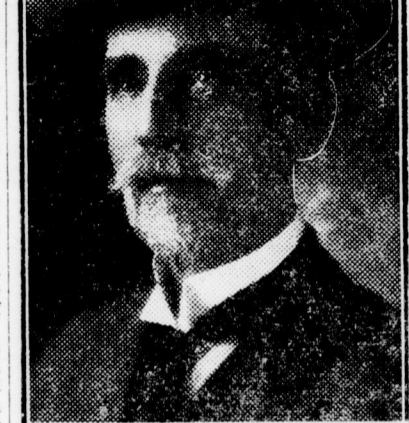
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DRURY TO SPEAK AT POND MILLS

Grange and U. F. O. Arrange Great Celebration—Prominent Farmers To Attend.

LARGE PROGRAM



GEORGE HEAMAN, well-known Londoner and former manufacturer, who died Sunday at Victoria Hospital.

GEORGE HEAMAN DIES IN HOSPITAL

Well-Known Manufacturer and Resident of London Passes Away.

George Heaman, a well-known former manufacturer and long a resident of this city, died early yesterday morning at Victoria Hospital.

Born in Devon, England, Mr. Heaman spent his boyhood days in the homeland, but when quite a young man came to Canada a short time after his brother William, who had settled in London. He was also greatly impressed with the potential possibilities of Western Ontario, and decided to let the Forest City decide his fate.

That his choice of London gave back returns a hundredfold is borne out by events which featured Mr. Heaman's later life, and which carried his name from coast to coast as the exemplification of progress, stiveness and business integrity. Shortly after settling here Mr. Heaman launched out in a very small way in the wagon manufacturing business. Reverses came and many disappointments, too, but the aggressive young executive was not to be daunted, and he pushed on, ever retaining the reins of his firm.

Taking for his guide the theory that the world seeks he who has a specialty to offer, Mr. Heaman conceived the idea of concentrating on the manufacture of one product. He chose watering carts. The field he entered was not crowded, but every ounce of effort and energy was poured into it, and the conservative townsmen were averse to artifices that would usurp the right of the heavens to supply the roads with moisture. After convincing district inhabitants that his machine was a worthy one, Mr. Heaman lost no time in displaying his product in other centers. His endeavors took him from coast to coast, and for a major part of 50 years he has made his home in London. He has supplied watering carts to the military and villages from the Atlantic to the Pacific seaboard.

Served As Councillor.

Always more or less a student of municipal government, Mr. Heaman was a well-known figure in the political life of the borough of East London some 25 years ago. He served the district well as a councillor for three years and last year as deputy reeve, and when East London was brought into the city proper Mr. Heaman took his seat on the larger body, where he remained for three or four terms.

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Special to The Advertiser. Middlemarch, June 2.—E. C. Drury, former premier of Ontario, is billed as the leading speaker at a monster celebration commemorating the 50th anniversary of the first Dominion Grange when the memory of those men who organized the first Dominion Grange will be honored.

Mr. Drury, along with other noted workers in political and fraternal Agriarian movements, will help to round out the program which marks the semi-centennial of the start of the Dominion Grange in London. Members of the East Middlesex U. F. O. and Grange have also secured J. C. Leavelle, M.L.A., whose parents were among the founders of the Grange 50 years ago, and who has occupied the positions of master and secretary.

W. L. Smith, present lecturer of the Dominion Grange, editor of the Weekly Sun, when it was the official organ of the Grange; W. L. Fisher, Burlington, one of the oldest past masters living; A. J. Hodgins, M.P., and J. Freeborn, M.L.A., will both be included in the list to give addresses. President A. S. Angus, Palmerston, of the provincial executive of the U. F. O., and Howard Bertram, Middlemarch, master of the Dominion Grange, will also address the gathering.

Became Reality.

In the Grange rooms at London on June 2 and 3 of 1874 the first Dominion Grange became a reality. From all parts of Canada came delegates, numbering 25. Only two of the founders are still living, the two Miss Weld, member of the family of William Weld, founder of The Farmers' Advocate, and one of the first officers who did much through the press for the then young organization. Miss Weld was elected to an office at the first meeting.

The Grange is the only farmers' fraternity in the world. It owes its origin to investigation of conditions in the south following the Civil War in 1865. The United States Grange was sent by a commission to Washington to report on conditions in the southern states, and the idea was conceived that a similar body would help to cement the states better. He enthused William Saunders, the noted agriculturist, and a few others, and a ritual was worked out, all bearing on farm life.

Women's Equal Rights.

Kelly's niece, Miss Carrie Hall, of Gagetown, suggested that women be given equal rights, and the Grange is believed to have been the first organization to stand out for the franchise for women.

In 1872 the first Grange in Canada was organized at Stanstead, Quebec, and there were four delegates from that province to the annual meeting, held in Toronto on Sept. 22, 1874, with T. W. Hill of Ridgeville, Welland, as master.

It is interesting to note that former Premier Drury, who will be at Pond Mills tomorrow, is one of the early officers of the Grange, and Mr. Drury was himself a master of the Grange at one time. A monster gathering for the farmers picnic is expected.

Obituary

MRS. JAMES McLAUGHLIN. Annie McLaughlin, wife of James McLaughlin, died in St. Joseph's Hospital on Saturday.

She is survived by her husband and three children, Thomas, John and Gloria.

Funeral services will be held from her residence, 165 Cavendish street, Tuesday morning at 8:30. Requiem high mass will be sung at St. Peter's Cathedral at 9 o'clock. Interment will be made in St. Peter's Cemetery.

WILLIAM F. BELL.

William F. Bell, 165 Wharncliffe road, died at his residence on Saturday. Mr. Bell was a former resident of Delaware Township and had lived in London a short while.

He is survived by his wife and one daughter, Mrs. E. A. Anderson of Rock Island, Illinois, and two granddaughters, Evelyn and Louise. His endeavors took him from coast to coast, and for a major part of 50 years he has made his home in London. He has supplied watering carts to the military and villages from the Atlantic to the Pacific seaboard.

JOHN ROY DENGATE.

The funeral of John Roy Dengate will be held from the Harrison funeral home on Wednesday morning. Mr. Dengate, who lived in White Oak, died in Victoria Hospital this morning.

MRS. M. J. McILVENNA.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Jane McIlvenna, who died on Saturday morning, was held from her residence, 518 Grosvenor street, this afternoon, to Webster's Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, Robert, two daughters, Elizabeth and Mrs. W. Shoebottom. Mrs. Shoebottom's daughter, Shirley, made her home with her grandparents.

The Rev. James McEwen of New St. James Church conducted the services.

Church News

EVER-READY MISSION BAND.

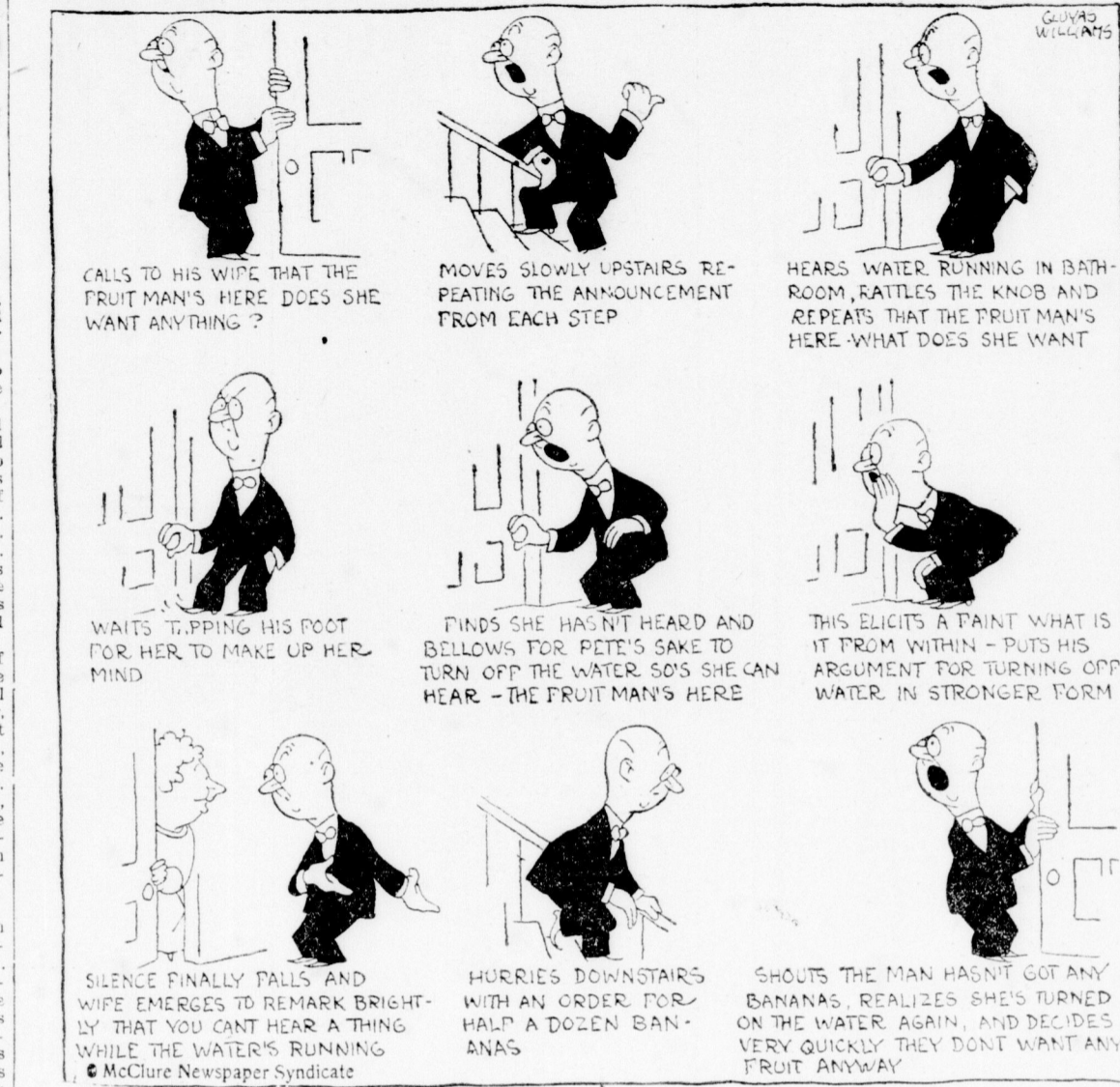
The Ever-Ready Mission Band of First Methodist Church held a jolly picnic Saturday afternoon in Victoria Park. Thirty young guests enjoyed the happy program.

The band, which was composed of young men and women, and went back later to the basement of the church where a picnic supper was served. The prizes for regular attendance, since Easter, were presented to the following children: Ada Clark, Edith Brown, Nora Gaud, Elizabeth Harvey, Rhoda Harvey, Josephine Pratt, Eleanor Reid, Myrthe Rowe, Eleanor and Louise Stevens and Madeline Williams.

The prize winners in the races were as follows: Ronald Vincent, Eleanor Harvey, Garfield Newman, Nora Gaud, Eleanor Reid and Evelyn Barrett. Mrs. A. J. Stevens, superintendent, was in charge of the arrangements, assisted by Miss Rhea Mossop and Miss Eleanor Hornby. This was the final meeting of the class for this season.

The World At Its Worst. Running Water

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



"TECH" PRINTING PLANT TO COST ABOUT \$8,000

Fifteen Tenders To Be Considered Tonight—Department Approves Plans.

Principal H. B. Beal of the Technical High School, and Trustee J. B. Wright were in Toronto on Saturday conferring with the department of education regarding the outlay on the new printing plant which will be opened at the "Tech" in September. It was stated today that the department had approved of the expenditure and plans would go ahead without a hitch.

From fifteen tenders which have been received by the advisory technical committee, contract for the installing of the new printing plant will be awarded tonight. The committee meets at the Technical School to choose one of the tenders submitted.

While a sub-committee meeting was held last week to discuss the tenders no official recommendations have been made public. It is stated in some circles that the expenditure on the printing plant will be around \$8,000.

PARENTS WILL RECEIVE REGISTRATION FORMS

New Plan Will Facilitate the Forming of Classes in High Schools.

Forms upon which students will register their intention of entering classes in London's secondary educational institutions in September, will be in the hands of all interested parents on Tuesday, and registration is expected to open with a rush on Tuesday evening.

Principals of all four schools, Central C. I., the Collegiates in London, East and South London, and the Technical High School, will be in their offices on Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock and again on Thursday evening. Registration will be continued next week.

With the distribution of the new forms tomorrow morning the committee in charge of this work expects useful simplification in arranging new classes in the Technical High School and the collegiates.

BOYS' COUNCIL ELECTIONS PROMISES REAL CONTEST

The boys' council elections will take place June 15-22, and a lively interest is being displayed by the youthful aspirants to the offices of boys' mayor and councillors. G. Upshaw, for mayor, has issued his platform, which supports an extension of the C.S.E.T. building, in doing work in the churches where there is no organization at the present time. The candidate also wants to see all boys wearing the C.S.E.T. pin and would sponsor a C.S.E.T. Sunday.

Cecil Kemp, who runs against him, also favors a C.S.E.T. Sunday, and extension of the work of the body in other churches. He promises a stronger co-operation between the C. S. E. T. groups of the city.

The councillors running are: Hiles Timplin, of Knox; Willard Gray, of Knox; Stanley Ashby, of Knox; Ben Foulkes, of Wellington; Martin New St. James; Hugh Scratch, Dundas Centre; Charlie Gladman, St. Andrew's; Allan Johnson, St. Andrew's; Doug Henderson, Colborne; Lincoln Orchard, Askin Street.

WEEK-END REFRESHMENTS. Three Saturday-to-Monday drunks were assessed \$10 and costs in police court today. Two fines were paid before court opened.

Liner Forced Back To Port

Associated Press Despatch. Plymouth, Eng., June 2.—The Cunard liner Ausonia, with 355 passengers, which left Plymouth last night for Cherbourg and London, is returning here in consequence of a breakdown to her machinery. The Cherbourg passengers were transferred to the Lancastrian.

SEIPEL'S CONDITION IS CONSIDERED CRITICAL

Austrian Chancellor May Not Survive Wounds Inflicted by Communist.

Associated Press Despatch. Vienna, June 2.—The Austrian chancellor, Dr. Ignaz Seipel, is in a serious condition with a bullet in his lung following an attack upon him yesterday by a young factory worker, Karl Jaworek.

A bulletin issued by the chancellor's doctors this morning said he had passed a quiet night, that his general state was satisfactory and that a surgical operation would not be necessary. The chancellor was shot as he stepped from a train at the southern terminal on his return from Wiener Neustadt. Jaworek fired three shots, one of which went wide, one grazed the skin, and the third penetrated the lung. The assailant then attempted suicide, wounding himself seriously.

The Socialist newspaper Morgen says a letter of confession was found at Jaworek's home. In this he declared that, having embezzled money from the factory where he had been employed and fearing discovery, he had decided to take his life and was determined to take with him the chancellor, whom he declared had done so much to the detriment of Austria's workers.

POLICE RECOVER CAR.

The motor car of Dr. F. R. Cleaz, Dundas street, which was stolen Saturday night from in front of Burrows' garage on York street, was recovered by the police, a short time later at the corner of Dufferin avenue and Richmond street, the detective department reported today.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

DIED.

DURST—At 125 Piccadilly St. London, Sunday night June 1, 1924, Mary Durst, relict of the late Adam Durst, and mother of Mrs. John Digross, Mrs. J. S. Cummings, Mrs. R. S. Decker, George and Robert Durst.

Funeral (private) Tuesday, June 3.

STYLES IN GLASSES.

Would you wear a hat you knew to be years out of date? Of course you wouldn't!

Why insist then on wearing glasses that are out of style? Are not your eye glasses of just as much importance to your appearance?

Eye glasses obtained from F. Steele, London's Leading Optometrist, possess Loew's and Allen's Theatres, will be up to the minute in style, as well as scientific construction.

F. Steele has 19 years' experience in eye examination and spectacle fitting, and is assisted by a qualified refractician.

NOTICE OF TAXES SHOULD BE KEPT

Assessment Commissioner Points Out Importance of First Notices.

PROCEDURE IS TOLD

The importance of retaining one's assessment notice until the tax notice comes alone is emphasized by Assessment Commissioner Bennett, who points out that many people destroy the assessment notice at the time it is received and that when the tax notice comes along they have forgotten all about the assessment on which their taxes are based and then proceed to ask that changes be made by the commissioner, the tax collector, which is out of the question.

"Any complaints as to the assessment should be made," says the commissioner, "to the court of revision on the date named on the back of the assessment notice for each ward. This is the only place constituted by law to receive these complaints. There is, of course, the final appeal to the county judge, which may be made after the court of revision has registered a decision in favor of the assessment."

Statement First.

"When the assessment notice is sent to a house it is simply the statement of the department, showing why certain taxes are asked from the head of the house. Its importance is not generally recognized or appreciated by many people for the taxes are not due until the tax notice is received, yet the assessment notice shows the reason for the taxes is the more important of the two. It should not be lost or destroyed.

"The essential work in a city which is carried on by the assessment department is shown in a report issued at the last convention in Toronto of Municipal Assessors of Ontario, which says in part: 'In every province the equalization of taxation depends largely on the work of the assessor. The subsequent right of appeal are for the satisfaction of the ratepayer, who feels that he is being made liable for more than his share of the general burden. In Ontario, 88 per cent of the total taxation is levied on land and buildings which should be assessed at actual value.'

cause of Unrest.

"The evasion of the assessment law is the cause of a growing feeling of unrest in these days of high taxation. The people's municipal representation do not most immediately assume the responsibility placed upon them by the appointment of an assessor, which sometimes turns upon the question of assessor. The assessor is a job hunter, or to