

## LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

## CROPS RUINED.

Contrary to expectations of three weeks ago that only 40 per cent. of the fall wheat had been killed by late frosts, eminent farmers of the county claim that not 10 per cent. of the expected harvest would be grown. The crop will not even pay for the seed.

## WINNING STREAK.

St. Basil's continued their string of unbroken victories last night, defeating St. Mary's 20-12, at Greenwood Park; battering St. Basil's, M. Batty and F. Rowen; St. Mary's, J. McMan and M. Kelly. The game is St. Basil's fourth win of the season, without a loss.

## KNITTING TEA.

The home of Mrs. W. F. Cockshutt, 172 Chatham street, was the scene of an enjoyable knitting tea yesterday afternoon, the last of the season, given under the auspices of Dufferin Rifles Chapter, L.O.D.E. A large number of ladies were in attendance and the event proved one of the most successful of the season.

## DELEGATES ELECTED.

At the Synod of Huron convention in London this week the following Brantford men were elected as delegates to the General and Provincial Synod and as members of the executive committee of the Diocese of Huron: General Synod—Clerical, Rev. J. B. Fotheringham; Lay, W. F. Cockshutt, M.P. Provincial Synod—Clerical, Rev. J. B. Fotheringham; Lay, W. F. Cockshutt, M.P. Executive Committee—Clerical, Rev. J. B. Fotheringham; Lay, W. F. Cockshutt, M.P. Dr. G. C. McKenzie, Lay, W. F. Cockshutt, M.P. Dr. C. E. Jennings, Dr. G. C. McKenzie, Rev. C. E. Jennings; Lay, W. F. Cockshutt, M.P. Dr. E. Morrison; substitute, A. K. Bunnell.

## JEWELLERS TO PROTEST.

The jewelry trade of Ontario will protest vigorously against the imposition of the tax proposed in the budget. The tax will be imposed on the stocks on hand of manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers, as of April 30, 1918, and an excise tax on all goods manufactured on and from May 1, also on all goods imported into Canada on and from May 1. The secretary of the Jewellers' Branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, says: "The jewellers will pay their share of revenue, be it excise or tariff. They recognize that taxes have to be imposed, and that luxuries, not only jewellery but many other lines, should share in this impost. But to be just to the jewelry interests this tax should either be on the final sale or on such goods which are imported or manufactured after this date. It is only right that before this tax is finally imposed that the trade interests should be heard and a fair adjustment made."

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## TOLL ROAD QUESTION

Yesterday afternoon a special meeting of the Brant County Council was held to discuss the estimates for the expenditure on the County highways for this year. The toll roads' question was also brought forward.

Road Superintendent McVicar's estimate of expenditure to be made on the County roads' system was: Road Construction . . . \$11,040.00 Bridge Construction . . . 5,000.00 Machinery . . . 2,700.00 Superintendence . . . 2,300.00 Maintenance and repair, 13,135.00 Making a total estimated expenditure of \$35,175.00.

Superintendent McVicar's estimate shows: The \$30.00 maintenance \$12,135.00, culverts \$600, bridges \$5,000.00; construction, \$4,850.00; salary and office expenditure \$2,300.00; crusher, \$2500; engine, \$700; repairs, \$500; suburban road \$15,500.

By-law No 360 authorizing the expenditure of \$35,175.00 on the County highways was passed unanimously.

Deputy Reeve R. W. Greenwood reported on the toll roads' question, giving the situation up to date. He believed the city council had changed their attitude in this regard, and they are to again consider the matter next Monday.

Representatives were present from the Brantford-Paris toll-road. They believed that they should have a decided answer as at present the future of the road hung in the balance. Representatives were necessary and if the company were to put these on now and make the sale later at the price now asked, money would be lost.

The special committee assured the representatives that immediate action in the matter would be taken. A special meeting of the council will be held next week to make a final decision in the matter.

## WATER PUMPED.

The total amount of water pumped at the waterworks pumping station during the month of April was 100,504,432 gallons, the daily average being 3,350,148 gallons. For the corresponding month last year 80,454,226 gallons were pumped with a daily average of 2,681,900 gallons.

## KITH AND KIN.

A very pleasant meeting was held by the Terrace Hill Kith and Kin at the home of Mrs. J. Borthwick on Thursday afternoon. The usual business routine was gone through and Red Cross work given out by Mrs. Eathly, president. After the meeting was brought to a close with the singing of the women's anthem, tea and cakes were handed round by the hostess, assisted by Mesdames Dunsdon and Borthwick and a social hour was spent. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Wallis, 17 House avenue.

## FACTORY PLANS.

A very enthusiastic meeting was held in the Y.M.C.A. last night by the representatives of the different factories of the city. It was decided to go ahead with a series of picnics this summer which would be started by a big field day on May 24 at agricultural park. The day would be devoted to the Brant Sanatorium, save for a small sum to be used as a sinking fund to perpetuate the movement. An industrial parade will be organized if possible for May 24, ten days having already been guaranteed. A meeting is called for Monday to organize and make the different committees. Those in charge of the movement are working hard to put it across with a rush that will guarantee its success, and it is planned to offer the citizens of Brantford something on May 24 that will keep them in the city for the holiday.

## PARKS BOARD.

At the meeting of the Parks Board last night all the members were present for the first time this year. Messrs. F. Grob, F. Cockshutt, J. Kerr, M. Borthwick, E. Ryerson, T. Quinlan and W. Glover. The Public School Cadet Corps were granted the use of Recreation Park for the inspection which takes place on Tuesday, May 14th. Permission was granted the Manufacturers' Baseball League to use Agricultural Park on May 18th, proceeds for patriotic purposes. The Board of Governors of the General Hospital have made the request that the Parks Board undertake the care of the hospital grounds. A separate account will be kept of the expenditures on these grounds and will be rendered the Hospital Board at the close of the year. The report of the Grounds Committee was unanimously adopted.

## WEDDING BELLS.

At the home of the bride's parents, Tillsonburg, on Thursday last, April 25th, by the Rev. P. H. Loney, Cadet H. Smart, of the city of Brantford, now at the military school of Aldershot, was united in marriage to Miss Mary Matilda Soper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Soper. After a dainty lunch the bride and groom left on the 1.11 M.C.R. for Toronto and posted east. The Liberal joins in congratulations and best wishes.—Tillsonburg Liberal.

## MERCHANTS.

may obtain Wednesday afternoon closing cards at The Courier Office. 15c each, two for 25c.

Kitchen's Overalls and Smocks, Saturday only \$1.35, at Lazarus', 62 Colborne St.

Final action on important legislation, extending the selective draft act, is expected at Washington, and new army measures are to be launched.

## LAW STUDENTS ENLIST.

## By Courier Learned Wire

Montreal, May 2.—In the course of an address before the law students of Laval University, who have passed their third year written examinations, Sir Horace Archambault, chief justice of the court of appeals, told the young men that as they were anxious to get away to the front, and that a goodly number had gone already, the faculty would regard the oral examinations as having been passed. Sir Horace reminded the boys that the eyes of the world were on French-Canada and he was sure that no one would have reason to blush for any of the men he saw here. Cheers for the King and for Sir Horace were given with a will as the students rushed off to the barracks.

## CAMBRIC SHIRTS 75c TO-MORROW AT LAZARUS', 62 COLBORNE ST.

## BODY FOUND IN LAKE.