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"SPORTING GREEN"
ON THE STREET AT 6:00
WITH LATE NEWS.

THREE CENTS.

HAYDEN AND DOUGLASS TO HEAD COMMITTEES Protection of Land Values Is Urged By Zone Planning

PROTECTION OF PROPERTY BY DEFINITE PLAN URGED

Chamber of Commerce Will
Work For Definite Zoning
of Districts.

BUSINESS, RESIDENTIAL
Find New Buildings Often Tend
to Lower Value of
Homes.

Definite steps toward zoning the business and residential section of London along the most modern and effective town planning lines are planned by the Chamber of Commerce as one of the main features of their 1924 program.

Although the council took practically no action in connection with recommendations for town planning made by the chamber last year, and endorsed by a vote of the ratepayers, it is expected that something concrete will develop this year.

It is pointed out that the need for zoning so the encroachment of business concerns on residential areas will be eliminated, has become one of the city's most vital needs.

For years the chamber has been working toward this end. London, they claim, has reached the stage where it is in danger of being spoiled if no attention is paid to the regulations of buildings, and the uses to which land may be profitably put.

They hope the council this year will appoint a thoroughly competent town planning commission so the danger, which is growing every day, may be nipped in the bud.

Gordon Philip, secretary of the chamber, referred to the laudable activities in this connection by Wat-erloo and Kitchener. There is a definite scheme of town planning has been drawn up, a bylaw framed and all arrangements made to institute a first-class system of zoning business and residential districts.

Points Out Inconvenience.
Mr. Philip pointed out the inconvenience and resultant ugliness of business concerns located in the heart of residential blocks. Property values are materially decreased through this disposition, and some-

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HALF OF TEACHERS GET MAXIMUM PAY

Inspector Makes Announce-
ment Following Revision
of Salaries.

The maximum salary has been reached by approximately 90 out of the 200 public school teachers of London, according to Chief Inspector V. K. Greer.

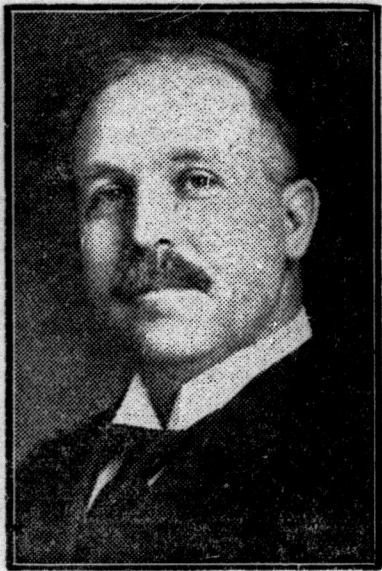
This statement comes following a revision of the salary list, which is done at the beginning of each year, when the increases to which teachers were entitled are made. The natural increase for teachers, both male and female, averages about \$100 per year up to a certain point. In the case of a teacher possessing a university degree, an extra \$100 over the maximum is allowed.

Mr. Greer also stated that while so many teachers were now receiving the maximum, there would never be a time when the whole staff would reach that point, as from year to year resignations necessitated the employment of new teachers who naturally started work at the minimum salary. He placed this number at 35 or 40.

PLANS DRAFTED FOR BOULEVARD

Engineer Near Reports Matter
Will Soon Be Submitted to
City Council.

COUNCILLORS PREPARE TO NAME COMMITTEES



LIEUT.-COL. WALTER J. BROWN,
executive secretary of the University
of Western Ontario who suffered a
nervous breakdown a week ago, and
is seriously ill at his home.

LONDON MOTOR SHOW ABANDONED

Effort Will Be Made To Enlarge
Exhibition at Western
Fair.

SEEK MORE SPACE

It has been definitely decided by automobile dealers that the annual London Motor Show, which has on other years been held in the armories in February, will not be held this winter.

S. Rowed, president of the London Motor Show announced this morning that although the show of last winter proved a great success, the completion of the manufacturers building of the Western Fair made it more beneficial to automobile manufacturers and dealers to hold the annual show in the summer time.

The annual London Motor Show, which was instituted several years ago proved to be one of the best in the motor world. The show was recognized as the second largest of its kind in Canada, London being the center of automobile distribution for this part of Ontario.

With the announcement that the motor show would in future be held at the Western Fair, automobile dealers said this morning that every effort would be made to gain additional space in the manufacturers building and from now on a great deal of their time would be devoted to making the summer show one of the best Londoners have ever seen.

It was pointed out that by holding the show in the summer a larger representation of automobiles could be secured, the manufacturers being generally more interested in summer shows. A motor show at that season would stimulate trade at a dull period.

Providing the summer show meets with success, efforts will be made by automobile dealers to interest the Western Fair board in erecting a special automobile building.

MERCURY MAKES NEW LOW MARK

"Four Above" Recorded Last
Night as Winter Gets
Firm Hold.

Winter secured a firmer grip on London last night when the thermometer dropped 29 degrees and hovered around the zero point.

The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 33 degrees above zero at noon. Toward evening the mercury column descended slowly and finally halted at 4 degrees above, the lowest it has been this winter. The highest and lowest temperatures for the past twelve hours previous to this morning were: Highest, 9 above, and lowest, 4 above.

MANY PERSONS EVADING STATUTE LABOR TAX

Students of the University of Western Ontario are not the only persons to evade the statute labor tax, according to Charles Turner, city tax collector. Scores of them leave the city for the United States and other places before the city has had an opportunity to collect, he relates.

And the same seems to be true generally he finds: there is a continual exodus of young Canadians for the States year after year.

PARISIANS ALARMED AS SEINE OVERFLOWS

Dougllass and Hayden Conceded
Chairmanship of Two
Bodies.

FORECAST MEMBERS

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Representative to Board
of Health.

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Board of works—Hayden (chairman), Greer, Towe, Shaw, Warren and Walsh.

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Two of the present members are likely to be re-appointed, both non-councillors, S. R. Seabrook and Charles Mitchell. The latter is slated as the 1924 chairman.

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The municipal procedure bylaw compels the appointment of one alderman from each ward to each of the two standing committees and one alderman from the northern and southerly sections of the city.

PUBLIC SCHOOL HEATING MORE THAN SATISFACTORY

The heating in all the public schools is this year more than satisfactory, according to Superintendent of Works, Captain Robinson, under whose jurisdiction this work comes. The fuel supplied is of first-class quality, and in all buildings there has been a uniformity of temperature. No complaints have been received from any of the schools.

Historic Old Timepiece At Courthouse Strikes

Chimes Out Eleven o'Clock For
First Time in Many
Years.

LATEST MYSTERY

Sat Silently On Wall, Then
Suddenly Peals in Silvery
Tones.

There is another mystery at the courthouse. It is just as mystifying as any of the happenings ever recorded in the ancient structure. In fact it is more so to the members of the staff in the office of the clerk of the court.

Many years ago when the oldest inhabitant of London was still in his swaddling clothes, a magnificent clock was hung in the clerk's office with all due ceremony. The old time-maker was young and skittish in those days and still proudly bears the scars of the day one of the jail prisoners placed the timepiece on the wall under the watchful eyes of a turnkey.

"Lull-a-bell" is the name scratched on the ticking collection of works done with a hairpin, so some humor says. The old lady has clicked away year and year out and has never "yipped a squeak" until today.

"One-two-three-four-five-six-seven-eight-nine-ten-eleven!"

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WILLIAM MARTIN.
Supporters of William Martin urge
his appointment to the L. and P. S.
commission. He served four years
in that capacity.

NEW POST MAY GO TO ALD. TOWE

Appointment of "Traffic Com-
missioner" Likely To Be Con-
sidered at Early Date.

IMPORTANT DUTIES

Would Act as "Go Between"
For Council and Police
Department.

The elimination of the city council special "traffic committee" and the inauguration of the post of "traffic commissioner" is urged for the consideration of the 1924 city council.

In fact the question has been considered seriously by interested parties and Ald. Allan Towe is favorably mentioned for the appointment in the event that the proposal is carried through.

While this will be his first year in the council, Ald. Towe has been very interested in traffic laws and affairs generally and during the latter half of 1923 was appointed by the city council to his traffic committee.

It is felt now that more satisfaction could be derived through the services of a traffic commissioner also a member of the council, than with a continuance of such an unwieldy body as a traffic committee of nine or 10 members as was the case in 1923.

The commissioner would act as an official go-between the council and the police department and he would personally take up with the police authorities any recommendations from the council. And on the other hand he could report direct to his committee the viewpoint and recommendations from the department.

The commissioner would of necessity be a member of the board of works.

WHISKEY "TIP" IS FALSE ALARM

Telegrams Herald Two Car-
loads—Yes, For the City
Dispensary.

Two railroad telegrams containing the exciting information that the carloads of whiskey were on their way from Toronto, and notifying the C. N. R. chief constable to be on the lookout for them, were rushed to the quarters this morning. They were picked up on the street by a citizen.

The young informant thought he was on the way to fame by placing the information before the proper authorities. It turned out, however, that the liquor mentioned in the telegrams was for the local dispensary and arrived in the city last October in plenty of time for the Christmas rush.

REGIMENT MEMBERS COME BACK FROM HOLIDAYS

Members of the Royal Canadian Regiment are now all back from the week's furlough granted for the Christmas and New Year's period. This month they will be engaged in preparing to move into their new quarters at Wolsely Barracks.

According to Lieut.-Col. Hill, D.S.C., officer commanding the regiment, the old Tecumseh Barracks will probably be sold. They will be dismantled in a week or two and all military equipment will be taken out.

MAY SUCCEED GOVIN.

Hon. Ernest Lapointe, who will in all likelihood be appointed minister of justice to succeed Sir Lomer Gouin, who tendered his resignation yesterday owing to ill-health.

Licker, Licker All Around, Bottle In a Bedroom Found But Cop Refused To Drink

Consequently "Pat From Kitch-
ener" Contributes Two "Merry
Men" For Generosity.

FILLED TO OVERFLOWING

Escorted Officer to Room, Then
Officer Took Over Escorting
Duties.

"You must have been blind drunk" declared Magistrate Graydon this morning, after "Pat from Kitchener" told him he had met a uniformed police constable in the Belvedere Hotel and asked him up to his room to have a drink.

"Not at all," was Patrick's polite reply, which would lead to the belief that the prisoner was either straying from the paths of truth or was the most unsuspecting and truthful soul within the confines of the British Empire.

"Experience costs money," according to industrial magnates, and the Hon. Pat will now subscribe heartily to this undoubted truth. He was forced to part with every cent he had, and \$13 borrowed money in order to pay his \$200 fine for having liquor in a place other than a private dwelling.

Pat's case certainly promises to be the outstanding O. T. A. jewel in Chief Ibbrell's crown for 1924.

The prisoner was a perfect gentleman in every sense of the word. He was polite, personified, even going so far as to thank the magistrate for imposing the \$200 fine. "I beg your pardon" was one of his best phrases.

"I wouldn't say I am, and I wouldn't say I am not guilty," spoke up the prisoner when asked by the court if he was guilty.

Constable Lox was then called to the box, and as he unfolded his story, every eye in the court was turned on the lonely gentlemanly figure in the prisoner's box.

"I met the defendant at 1:20 this morning in the Belvedere Hotel," said the constable. "I was standing at the foot of the stairs when he came down and said: 'Hello, officer. I said 'Good night (it was good night for Pat).'"

"Will you have a drink?" he asked me, and I said 'No, but would you go up to his room with him.' 'Sure, come on up with me; I'll treat you right,' the accused said, so I went up with him. He went over to the dresser, leaned down and produced a bottle of whiskey and a glass.

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CIVIC SERVICE IS PLANNED SUNDAY

Rev. R. J. McCormick Arranges
"Better London"
Night.

There will be a "Better London Service" at the Hyatt Avenue Methodist Church on Sunday evening, Jan. 12. The pastor, Rev. R. J. McCormick, has completed arrangements with the mayor and members of the city council and city hall officials, whereby they are to take part in a service which will have civic improvement as its keynote. Mayor Wenige has also agreed to give an address.

It is the first time a service of this kind has been attempted in the city, and it is expected to draw a large attendance as well as proving a splendid inspiration to the congregation.

There will be a special musical service in accompaniment.

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MAYOR ASKS LOCAL LAW ASSOCIATION PICK OFFICIAL

Believes System of Appointing
Crown Attorney Should
Be Changed.

PLACED IN POSITION

Present Situation Involving
Member Could Be Over-
come by Plan.

The appointment of a crown attorney for London, at any time, should be a question for initial consideration by the local law association, Mayor George Wenige announced today.

His worship claims that he has arrived at this conclusion after his recent consultations with Attorney-General W. F. Nickle. As a matter of fact, he relates that the head of Ontario's legal department intimated as much.

"The appointment to this important post nearly always tends to place the member for London in a very difficult position," Mayor Wenige stated. "The member for London is very likely to be placed in that position that for fear of creating dissension within the party fold or antagonizing one element in the party, he hesitates to recommend to the government the appointment of any particular solicitor for the post of crown attorney. I am not attaching any blame in any way upon the member for London, whoever he may be at any time. The system places him in that position."

"This would certainly alleviate the situation, and the member for London would be able to go to the attorney-general with a recommendation that would find favor with the members of the local profession and no doubt with the public at large."

FAVOR RESIDENCES FOR ALL STUDENTS

Western University Officials Are
Expected To Include Item
in Program.

Although not officially announced, a campaign to secure money for the erection of University of Western Ontario dormitories will be the next item on the building program of the college.

The aim of the board of governors is to have resident accommodation sufficient for all out of town students on the new campus by the end of 1925.

Such residences are considered the greatest need of the university. Officials realize that the present is a bad time to solicit money for their construction, but as soon as the proper time arrives a campaign will be inaugurated with this end in view.

"Residences for students form an important part of university life," Dean Sherwood Fox of the college of arts, said today. "They help to make a distinct university spirit. We appreciate the need for dormitories, and something of, course, will be done in this regard."

"When money for the residences is secured, they will be located right on the new university grounds. The project is not being lost sight of by any means, but we do not feel that the present is the logical time to get the money."

CITY INTERESTS WELL PROTECTED

Treasurer Bell Does Not Believe
Representation at Sharehold-
ers' Meeting Necessary.

It will not be necessary for the city to send a representative to the meeting of the Ruggles shareholders, City Treasurer Bell states. The interests of the municipality will be totally safeguarded, he believes.

The city is seeking about \$3,700, the 1923 and 1922 land taxes upon the property of the company. As the Ruggles Company is situated in the "annexed districts" the city has petitioned for additional school taxes, about \$1,700.

In common with other industries in that section the company disputes this claim, however, but no judgment in this matter has yet been handed down by Mr. Justice Kelly, who heard the test case against the McCormick Manufacturing Company.

NEAR ADVISES PURCHASE OF SLEIGHS FOR GARBAGE

The recommendation of the purchase of seven sleighs for the four-wheel garbage wagons has been made to the city council by City Engineer Near. It is estimated that the cost of this additional equipment would be saved in two years, as the practice of the past has been to rent sleighs as they were needed, and also shoulder expense incurred through repairs.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.
Moderate westerly and northerly winds; fair and colder tonight and on Saturday.
The disturbance which was over Ontario and the Middle States yesterday has passed to Newfoundland, and the pressure is now higher over the greater part of the continent.
Temperatures.
The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:
Stations. High. Low. Weather.
Victoria 34 30 Cloudy
Quebec 32 18 Clear
Winnipeg 10 -23 Clear
Port Arthur -18 Fair
Sault Ste. Marie, 20 -4 Cloudy
Toronto 23 12 Clear
Kingston 36 16 Fair
Ottawa 30 8 Snow
Montreal 32 10 Clear
Quebec 32 14 Fair
Father Point, 18 12 Cloudy
St. John 44 22 Fair
Halifax 30 30 Fair
Minus means below zero.
LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 33; lowest, 14.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 9; lowest, 4.
Barometric Readings.
Thursday—8 p.m., 29.42.
Today—8 a.m., 29.56.