

ASKS INSURANCE AT HYDRO PLANT

City General Manager Wants Protection at Horton Street.

"Where are we going to stop?" asks General Manager E. V. Buchanan of the utilities commission, in discussing the question of insuring the commission against possible accidents and loss in the erection of the new building of Horton street.

Fifteen-ton transformers are being set up at considerable height. "If they were to fall and snuff out a couple of lives it might cost the commission around \$30,000," said Jared Vining, the chairman. Mr. Buchanan then said that he was approached also to insure the transformers. Mr. Vining asked if he thought it would be a paying proposition, and then Mr. Buchanan asked where were they going to stop.

The electrical department has a \$12,000 fund which has been created to take care of claims arising from accidents, etc.

Commissioner T. McFarlane expressed the opinion that there should be such a fund protecting the waterworks department also.

Mr. Buchanan stated that the city solicitor has held that profits from the water department could not be so diverted, ruling that all profits from the operation of the waterworks department must be turned over to the city council to reduce the tax rate.

The commission may, however, place a short term accident policy to cover the balance of the time necessary to complete the erection of the new Horton street plant.

NUMBER OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES FALLING OFF

Dr. Downham Reports City in Healthy Condition.

Dr. W. S. Downham, medical officer of health, states that the health of the city is particularly good for this time of year. Compared with the same period of other years, there is really a dearth of serious diseases.

At present two or three cases of chickenpox are being reported daily. The average of other years has been four. The same condition, the physician says, applies to diphtheria and scarlet fever. Diphtheria cases have fallen off until they are quite scarce. There are a few cases of scarlet fever being reported daily, but nothing like the number that might be expected. "Of course, these diseases break out suddenly, and come in waves, and one never knows when one of those waves is coming," said the M. O. H.

Obituaries

FUNERAL OF MRS. BURNS. The funeral of Miss Mary Burns, who died in St. Joseph's Hospital Thursday, will be held Saturday from the residence of her brother-in-law, Harry McKenna, 24 Dundas street. Services will be held in St. Mary's Church. Interment will be made at St. Peter's Cemetery.

MRS. M. E. WESTLAKE DIES. The death took place Friday morning of Martha E. Westlake, 64 years old, wife of W. R. Westlake of St. Johns-Township. The funeral will be held Monday. Interment will be made at St. John's Cemetery.

LIBRARY BOARD TO OPEN NEW BRANCH

Lack of Space Makes Third Building Necessary.

The new southeast branch of the public library will be opened in the Bourne Block, Hamilton road and Rectory street, towards the end of the month. The public library board last night gave their approval to plans for opening space in the reference department, and the matter will be taken up at once with the building inspector. The present reference room has become so crowded that its work is being seriously interfered with. One plan that finds favor is to add a gallery at one end of the reference room, and also to utilize a part of the general reading room above, connecting the two by a stairway.

The librarian's report showed a circulation of books during October of 25,386, an increase of nearly 5,000 over the circulation in October, 1920. There are over 21,000 people holding library cards in London at the present time.

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ROBERT WALLACE DIES SUDDENLY AT HIS HOME

Was One Time Manager of Local East End Plant.

The death took place on Thursday of Robert Wallace, 76 years old, at this residence, 646 Waterloo street. Mr. Wallace had been failing in health for the past year, but his death came as a shock to relatives and friends.

He was at one time manager of the Battle Creek Toasted Corn Flakes Company of this city. Retiring because of ill-health, he moved to Pasadena, California, and a short time ago returned to London.

Mr. Wallace was born in this city. He was a member of St. Paul's Cathedral.

He is survived by his widow and five sisters, Mr. H. G. Lindsay and Miss Margaret Wallace of Strathroy, Mrs. Edward Hillman of Salmon Arm, B.C., Mrs. Thomas T. Mortimore and Mrs. E. H. McDonald of this city.

ESTIMATES SHOW WORLD WHEAT CROP INCREASED

Washington, Nov. 4.—Total wheat production this year of the 29 leading wheat-growing countries of the world, excluding Russia, reached 2,852,825,000 bushels, or approximately 190,000,000 bushels more than in 1920, according to latest available estimates reported today by the department of agriculture. For next year's crop, the department reported generally favorable conditions throughout the northern hemisphere for winter wheat sowing. Seeding was said to be nearly completed in Canada, and all but the far west section of the United States, where it has been seriously delayed by drought.

Favorable growing conditions and increased acreage were said to promise a large crop for Australia. In Argentina spring planting was said to have been seriously delayed by insufficient moisture.

NEW CAPITALIZATION. Toronto, Nov. 4.—Authorized capital reported to the Monetary Times during panics whose incorporations were re-authorized have taken no steps to week ended Oct. 29, compared with \$12,376,600 for the previous week. The Dominion incorporations were \$4,450,000. Of the provincial charts Ontario furnished a capitalization of \$13,437,400. Quebec was next with \$488,000.

DOUBTS SHERIFF WILL APPOINT NEW JAILER

Waterworth Instructed to Act "Pending an Appointment."

Judging from the tone of a letter from A. N. Middleton, solicitor to the attorney-general of Ontario, and received by Deputy Sheriff B. F. Waterworth, the latter is of the opinion that the Toronto authorities intend to appoint the governor of the London jail or make a recommendation regarding the appointment.

The custom is for the sheriff of the county to appoint the governor, and have it ratified by the lieutenant-governor-in-council.

However, there is no sheriff in Middlesex County at present. Deputy Sheriff Waterworth only acting in that capacity. He is also in charge of the jail, "pending an appointment," he has been instructed.

This phrase, "pending an appointment," is the part of a letter he has received, that has led him to believe that the appointment of jailer may be made at Toronto.

CLAIMS ALL UNION MINERS ARE IDLE

Union Leader Declares Strike Order Unnecessary in Indiana.

Terre Haute, Ind., Nov. 4.—Every union miner in Indiana was idle today according to John Hessler, district president of the United Mine Workers of America. For this reason, he said, no formal strike order would be issued.

PLANS TO MAKE APPEAL. Indianapolis, Nov. 4.—An appeal to a higher court is planned as the next move of the United Mine Workers of America to save the "check-off" system. Counsel for the miners plan to appear before the circuit court of appeals at Chicago today to ask suspension of the temporary injunction granted by Judge A. B. Anderson in United States district court here, forbidding operators to check off miners' dues, and also ordering the union to cease its efforts to organize the West Virginia fields.

Indiana coal operators, who opposed the injunction, will take no part in the proceedings, having voted at a meeting at Terre Haute last night, not to join the miners' union in the appeal of the injunction. The operators also voted to obey the injunction issued by Judge Anderson.

While the union's attorneys prepared for court action there continued throughout the bituminous coal field sporadic strikes, apparently in protest against the injunction. Mines of the Indiana field were idle with a few exceptions. Operators said that out of approximately 30,000 union miners employed in the Indiana district, over 25,000 were on strike.

No general walkout of miners in other fields is looked for, however until the order discontinuing the use of the "check-off" system is put into effect by operators.

Reports from the Ohio field were that miners taking part in the protest strike in that district had been ordered back to work by district union officials, pending decision by the employers on whether to apply the order prohibiting the "check-off."

IN ORDER TO ACCOMMODATE Thanksgiving rush the G. T. R. will run an extra train ahead of the International Limited from Toronto Saturday night. The extra will arrive here at 8:48 and go through to Detroit.

DENIES CANADIANS SHIP U. S. BACON

Department of Agriculture Proves Claim of Dominion Porkers.

Ottawa, Nov. 4.—The joint two-day conference of representative Canadian hog producers and packers, called by the live stock branch of the department of agriculture to discuss measures which would tend to place the Canadian bacon industry on a sound basis, has come to a close.

The resolution embodying a proposal that a 10 per cent spread be given to the packers as a premium on select bacon, and that when any change was to take place in the spread of prices as between producers and packers, six months notice should be given.

There was considerable discussion regarding the grading of pork for export purposes. Several delegates of pork packing firms who have returned recently from the old country gave the lie to the idea prevalent in certain quarters that Canadian packers were securing bacon from the United States and exporting it to England as Canadian bacon.

The statement of the packers was supported by officials of the department of agriculture. It was pointed out that bacon purchased in the United States was stamped as being an American product, and that such an imposture could not be tried successfully on the discriminating English importers of bacon.

A resolution was submitted asking the government to provide for the inspection of bacon before it left Canadian shores. The action of the resolution was not pressed, it being pointed out that packers already had staffs of experts at the packing establishments to carry out the work of inspection.

Before the close of the conference the chairman, Dr. J. H. Grisdale, deputy minister of agriculture, announced that effect would be given on the 1st of May next to the resolution calling on the government to establish a standard of grading for hogs.

SETTLERS FROM BRITAIN FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA

200,000 Acres To Be Placed at Their Disposal.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 4.—One thousand families will come to British Columbia from the British Isles to settle in the Stuart Lake country, in the northern part of the province as a result of action just taken by a committee of the British House of Commons on a proposal by Hon. J. D. Pattinson, secretary of lands, while he was in London, it was announced today.

The area to be settled consists of 200,000 acres under reserve north of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. Mr. Pattinson placed before Alfred Bigland, head of the committee, a plan for the formation of a non-profit-making organization, offering sale of the lands to the area at a classified price, and promised that every dollar obtained for the land would be spent on schools and roads.

HOSPITAL CORNER-STONE UNVEILED

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drums, the playing of the Last Post by the R. C. R. Bugle Band. The address of Col. Cockshutt, followed, after which the dedicating prayer was offered by Col. (Rev.) William Beattie, D.D., C.M.G., and the hymn was sung, "O, God, Our Help in Ages Past."

Presents Silver Trowel. Mrs. F. J. Greenaway presented a silver trowel to his honor on behalf of the executive of the War Memorial committee, and with this he sealed the stone. In the inclosure were placed copies of the London newspapers of the day, the records in connection with the building of the hospital, coins of the year, pennies of the Royal Arch Masons. A number of N. O. A. men and nursing sisters of the C. E. F. were present in uniform by special permission of General Panet.

Special invitations to attend had been extended to the Army and Navy Veterans, G. W. V. A., 142nd Battalion Club, 33rd Comrades' Club and the Grand Army of United Veterans.

Following the ceremonies, his honor witnessed the march past of the R. C. R. from a saluting base on the north side of Ottawa avenue.

Previous to leaving for Toronto, the Lieutenant-governor, Mrs. Cockshutt and staff were the guests for afternoon tea of Lieut.-Col. Gartschore and Mrs. Gartschore in the nurses' residence.

Lieut.-Governor Cockshutt Addresses Clubs at Noon

Members of the Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions' Clubs combined with the Canadian Club at a noon-day luncheon Friday to greet Lieut.-Gov. Harry Cockshutt, lieutenant-governor of Ontario, and Dr. L. Barker of the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

Bishop Williams, in introducing the lieutenant-governor, spoke of him as a captain of industry, a true patriot, a good citizen, and a good man. "I did not come to make a speech," said Col. Cockshutt, in addressing the assembly, which completely filled the dining-room of the Tecumseh Hotel, "but I want to thank you for your kindly welcome."

"We are living in times of stress," continued the lieutenant-governor. "There is an election near at hand, and everyone seems to be laying the blame at the other fellow's door for the turmoil. But when you get down to the seat of all the trouble you will find, I think, that it is the Kaiser of Germany, and not the mayor and councillors who are to blame."

Urges Use of Ballot. Col. Cockshutt stated that it was up to every person to exercise his or her ballot, and that they should not wait for politicians to send a carriage to carry them to the polls.

"We are democratic in this country and do things for ourselves," he said. He made a strong plea for the development of Ontario's natural resources. "Let us take up our burdens. Let us stop complaining and continually harping on hardships. It is up to us to act."

"I have been appointed lieutenant-governor, although not a citizen of Toronto. The position belongs to Ontario and not to Toronto, and God helping me I will make the lieutenant-governorship one for Ontario, and not of one city. I don't know whether I can perform the duties satisfactorily, but if I can do so of office with as little friction as I have experienced so far, I will be thankful."

Dr. Barker, who was introduced by Dr. F. W. Hughes, president of the W. O. A. Academy of Medicine, stated that he was born a Canadian and was glad that there were lots of Canadians in the

United States and former Americans in Canada, as the interchange did much to promote good feelings between the two countries.

Lloyd George Needed. In speaking of the need of nations in Washington, Dr. Barker said that there was little chance of a formal alliance between Great Britain, France and the United States.

"We all hope that Lloyd George is coming," said Mr. Barker, amid applause. "The world needs him in Washington. We believe that in Lloyd George you have one of the greatest statesmen the world has ever produced and we hope that his advice will be obtainable."

"If the peoples of the nations get to know each other better as a result of the conference, much will have been gained to us. We can feel sure that the Anglo-Saxons will do their duty to the rest of the world."

A resolution of condolence was passed to the family of the late School Inspector C. B. Edwards, by the Canadian Club. B. C. McCann, in proposing the resolution, spoke of the wonderful work and enthusiasm which Mr. Edwards had brought to the Canadian Club. He had been elected president of the club in 1909-10.

"The members have lost a warm, personal friend," said Mr. McCann, "and the city of London an educator of great ability. He was a man among men." The resolution was seconded by Rev. J. G. Stuebe.

Major Hume Cronyn, M. P., president of the Canadian Club, presided at the luncheon.

DECLINES NOMINATION, SAYS MANITOBA PAPER

Winnipeg, Nov. 4.—Dr. J. Rocan, nominated early this week by the Manitoba Liberals, under J. A. Knott, in the federal constituency of Macdonald, has declined the nomination, according to the Free Press.

A. L. Hall, president of the Brandon Liberal Association, last night wired the Free Press requesting the nomination of F. C. Cox as a Liberal candidate in Brandon. Mr. Cox was also a Knott nominee.

JUGO-SLAVIA'S KING TO TAKE OATH OF OFFICE

Belgrade, Nov. 4.—King Alexander will take the oath of office as a ruler of Jugo-Slavia tomorrow. Since his final here he has assumed active direction of affairs. Reports that there is a probability of a change in the occupant of the Jugo-Slav throne was regarded in this city as absolutely unfounded. "The king will stay in Paris of King Alexander, following the death of his father, the late King Peter, was the subject of much comment."

LAWYER LOSES FEE CASE IN COURT

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hue, when Donohue asked him what was said when Graham's order was presented.

Detective Down stated that on Oct. 6, Graham had admitted to him that the money in his possession had been obtained fraudulently from the bank. Part of the money consisted of three millions \$5 bank bills. The teller had given Graham ten \$5 bills on the day previous to the one of his arrest.

"I made an order of restitution on application of the crown," testified Deputy Magistrate Bartlett, who added that it was a verbal one.

"Was I there?" asked Donohue. "I don't know whether you were or not," was the reply.

Crown Attorney J. B. McKillop, K.C., stated that he had asked for an order of restitution after sentence had been meted out.

Was Three in One. Then Donohue, who was both plaintiff, counsel and witness, re-entered the box and stated: "I wasn't present when any order was made."

"A prisoner has a right to assign money to you if it is his own, but not if it belongs to other people," ruled Judge Judd. "I think it has been proved that it was Graham's money. The money found on the prisoner was the property of Molsens Bank."

"I have no right to review any order made by the deputy magistrate, any more than I have to review one made by my brother judge, the senior county and court judge. I doubt if you had any right to sue the chief. The action is dismissed with costs."

"Let me then give out a written statement, including his judgment and his reasons for giving it."

And so ended the fight of Mr. Donohue to get his fees.

The legal and police officials departed and the division court pursued the even tenor of its way.

The courthouse is still standing, the police department is still running, and not even a ripple of sensation that was expected to develop was in evidence.

BUYS FLATS FOR CITY PLAYGROUNDS

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half the windows on children visiting the park while it was under the supervision of the playgrounds department. As far as the commission can figure, only 34 windows might have been broken in this way, and a close check is going to be made before the bill is paid.

Suggests Collecting Quarterly. The provincial hydro body has suggested that London should fall in line with other centers and send out its electric bills quarterly instead of monthly.

Secretary Ellwood says that the receipts from private consumers total over \$12,000 monthly. If collected quarterly the commission would lose the use of \$25,000 for two months. He also pointed out that if the quarterly billing period was such a success, why did the Bell Telephone Company and the City Gas Company pass it up. The commission will stand by the present system.

E. Post, a Manor Park resident, in cutting down a tree, let it fall on the commission's power line. It wrecked three poles and tore the lines down for a block on the east side. The cost of repairing the damage was \$34.70.

Manager Buchanan said that residents cutting trees or trimming them are continuously causing heavy damage to the lines of the commission. Let us put the whole power system of the city out for half an hour one day recently.

Commissioner McFarland said people should understand that they cannot cut trees, but that the city will do it for them if they send in word.

The contract form for supplying water service is to be changed to make it a stronger lien on the property where the service is supplied, and on the suggestion of Chairman Vining all such contracts will be registered in future. The chairman said that the contract as it exists today, without registration, was practically useless.

CITY NEWS in BRIEF

MRS. CHARLES IVEY will be unable to give her recital at the Institute of Musical Art this evening owing to critical illness in the family.

J. C. GARDEN, general superintendent of motive power on the G. T. R., with headquarters in Montreal, passed through London Friday morning en route to Detroit.

THREE C. P. R. OFFICIALS, A. D. MacTier, vice-president, A. Price, general manager, and R. McKillop, superintendent, of the local division, passed through the city Friday morning en route from Detroit to Guelph on a special business trip.

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