

# WATERLOO NEWS RECORD

**NOTICE**  
As no streets will be sprinkled except those paved those wishing to have their streets oiled are requested to present petitions to the undersigned not later than Monday March 31st, 1919.

M. H. Stroh,  
Chairman Board of Works  
Box 271—Waterloo, 27.

Lenten Services will be held on Wednesday evening at 7:45 in St. John's Church, Waterloo.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Leroy Stahl (nee Hilda Currie) are visitors at the home of Mrs. J. Chas. Mueller for a few days prior to leaving for Chicago where they will make their future home.

Mr. Robt. Bosfield of Detroit is visiting friends in town for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Stevens of London have returned home after spending several days with friends in town.

Mr. J. Sutton of Hamilton was a business visitor in town yesterday.

Mr. A. Adams of Toronto was a visitor in town yesterday on business.

Owing to lack of suitable ice the visit of the local curlers to Galt last evening had to be called off. The calling off of games this season has been the general rule very few games having been played.

## Board Visits Cemetery

The Park Board paid a visit to the cemetery yesterday afternoon for the purpose of looking over the ground and getting an early start on some of the improvements contemplated the coming summer. It was found a number of trees will have to be removed to make way for the opening up of lots according to the plan and as some are in a bad state of preservation a number will be cut down at once. With the limited means at the Board's disposal all improvements cannot be made in one year but a good start has been made and every attention possible will be given the cemetery the coming year.

It is rumored that the W.M.S. Band have secured the services of Prof. Thiel of New York to act as conductor the coming season. He is expected to arrive and take charge any day.

## RE-OILING STREETS

A citizen writes as follows:  
"The oiling of the streets is not only a nuisance but a terrible menace to the health of the people. Water is the most healthy and thoroughly disinfects the street, but not so with oil, all the diseased germs and filth accumulate and remain on the surface, and cannot do the work like the rain (water) provided by nature. The use of gas oil in such quantities is a slow poisoning of the system as soon as complications set in the pulse and temperature get beyond the control of the physician. The Waterloo citizens should get in line with those cities in the United States which will not allow the use of oil on the street under any circumstances. These cities noticed the sickness increased 25 per cent, particularly heart and stomach troubles. It stands to reason when the laws of health are interfered with and this is what is being done when oil is used for laying the dust on the street, the result after some years will be disastrous. I know of different parties in Waterloo who were sick and every time the street received another coat-of-oil, they had a relapse and had to close the doors and windows to protect the patient from the odor of oil. Water should be used all the year round on the streets; it is the best weapon against disease and an outbreak of an epidemic. After the street is sprinkled with water and dried by the sun, the street is thoroughly disinfected making the dust perfectly harmless. Pure air is essential for the maintenance of the health of the people, and therefore the use of oil on the streets should be stopped at once."

## RE-NUMBERING HOUSES

Perhaps it would be a good plan to shelve the numbering of houses another year, as everything is going back to pre-war prices and in the

meantime make an effort to get the free-delivery service. Being so near the city of Kitchener places Waterloo in a different position than other municipalities. This is now the second time Waterloo is being numbered the reason for it is obvious.  
A taxpayer.

## The Mayor's Message To Hamilton People

Re the Hydro Electric Railway By-Law Co.  
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## More Cars Necessary For Street Railway

Commission Looks About For Cars  
The number of street cars in use on the city's line will soon be increased, at least during certain hours of the day. The Street Railway Commissioners are considering the proposal to secure more cars and to use them whenever necessary. Acting on the instructions of the Commission, Chairman George Lippert, Sr., and Superintendent V. S. McIntyre left to-day for Ottawa to inspect two Edmonton cars which are available in that town.

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## Conscription System May Get Knock-Out

War Council Plans To Scale Down Armaments  
STIFF TERMS TO BE IMPOSED ON LATE ENEMY  
PARIS, March 11, (Fred S. Ferguson).—With military terms adopted and rapid progress being made toward the completion of other provisions, it was learned to-day that the preliminary Peace treaty may be ready to present to Germany by March 20. From the greatest war nation in the world it will be reduced to a military status lower than that of her smallest neighbor. She will be impotent even before Switzerland. The conscription system will be knocked out by a twelve years' enlistment requirement for the army which, it is understood, will be reduced to 100,000 men. What army she has, consequently, will be purely professional.

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## Chief Engineer

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"True, but that's a big proposition. It would require at least a year from fall before it would be finished if you started work right away. What I propose could be carried out very easily, and with little delay," Mr. Walker said.  
Mr. Gies: "It's too bad we didn't have this proposition that is proposed here this evening three years ago."  
Mr. Walker: "Such a proposition was made over two years ago."  
Mr. Breithaupt remarked that the late Commissioner H. J. Bowman, who as is known was an able engineer who devoted years of attention and study to the local waterworks, had always maintained that an air compressor was the most expensive item of operating apparatus.  
Mr. Walker said that great improvements in air lift apparatus had been made in recent years and that the view referred to was not one derived from practical experience.  
Replying to Chairman Breithaupt who asked Mr. Walker how he reconciled his idea of operating the wells twenty-four hours and the past opinion that this would make the wells bonedry, Mr. Walker said they could be pumped fifteen hours and enough water would be used to keep the system from drawing up water again all the water from what he called a water pocket.  
The Chairman referring to the Engineer's suggestion that another rockwell could be sunk called the harden's water. "That is what we want to avoid," he remarked.  
"Yes, that's the kind of water we want to avoid," Commissioner R. Gorton remarked.  
Mr. P. Gies said:  
"Any one who has a few fanatics in town who want that. The newspapers are to blame to some extent. The Telegraph is bad. Both papers don't know what they're talking about. As soon as a few people heard we were using lake water again they thought they were poisoned. If they'd get the facts before saying something it would be all right."  
Mr. Gies stated that recently he had a man come to his foundry to have some work done necessitated by the effect of the hard water that was being used. "I told him that's what you wanted. And when I explained it to him of course he took a different view of the proposition."  
Permission in 1917  
Superintendent H. Hymmen then read a criticism of the water commission and himself from the Daily Telegraph following the resumption of the use of lake water. "They talk as if it is I who does the analyzing. And at that, the test not made by us showed the water pure," the Superintendent said. "Injecting into his reading of the criticism he read the following communication received in 1917 by the Water Commission which he stated was the last notice received from the Board of Health."  
Kitchener, Jan. 16, 1917.  
"The Kitchener Board of Health hereby gives permission to the Kitchener Water Commission to use chlorinated lake water until further notice."  
Signed,  
Dr. McGillivray.

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