THE WEATHER:
SATURDAY—MILD.
SUNDAY—FAIR.

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CAMPAIGN IS LAUNCHED FOR THROUGH STREETS

TOWE SAYS THE BYLAW CANNOT BE ENFORCED

City Waiting for Final Approval From Toronto On Through Streets.

FAVOR MAIN STREETS

Hamilton and Windsor Only Ones at Present Using System.

While police authorities have, by the use of pamphlets, embarked upon an eduactional campaign with respect to the through street legislation just enacted in the city council, Chairman Towe of the traffic committee points out that there can be no immediate attempt to enforce this bylaw.

The city is waiting for the final approval of the provincial department of highways before they will be empowered to proceed but in the meanwhile the authorities are sending out explanatory notices, as a preliminary move in case the government does sanction the measure.

Ald. Towe states that it is his latest understanding that a bill is soon to receive the consideration of the legislature whereby the municipalities will be empowered to pass such legislation and make it effective at once without further consultation with the Toronto authorities. This power is not possessed at this moment, that is, so far as the through street proposals are concerned.

Nothing has yet been heard from the provincial department with respect to the proposition while the police authorities of Hamilton and Windsor submit favorable reports upon this system, however. These are the only two communities in the province where the system is in vogue.

There is a feeling amongst local citizens that Dundas and Richmond streets should be included as are the principal thoroughfares of Windsor.

SIXTY CITY MASONS ATTEND CEREMONY

Chatham Initiation Is Biggest Masonic Event Ever Held There.

Sixty members of St. John's Lodge, 209a, A., F. & A. M., journeyed to Chatham last night by special C. N. R. train, where they were the guests of the Chatham lodge at the conferring of degrees on Chatham candidates.

It was the largest Masonic gathering ever held in Chatham, and officials in charge found it necessary to hold the ceremony in the armories to accommodate all the visiting lodges.

The London lodge returned at 3:35 a.m., by special train.

ADVANCEMENT OF MUSIC PLAN IS GIVEN SUPPORT

The Canadian bureau for the advancement of music has asked permission, which has been gratend to hold essay contests among the school children with the object of stimulating interest in music. The school inspectors have given this permission, and the principals will announce the contests in the schools on condition that no school time will be alloted to this work. Any child writing such an essay must do so in his own time.

The Weather

FORECASTS.

Today—Light winds, and mostly cloudy.

Sunday—Fair and mild.

Pressure is high over the greater part of Canada and the Middle States, and low off the Atlantic coast and in the Southwest.

The weather is mild and for the most part cloudy throughout the Dominion.

Temperatures.

The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	54	36	Fair
Calgary	28	14	Snow
Winnipeg	42	18	Clear
Port Arthur	36	28	Fair
Sault Ste. Marie	46	34	Cloudy
Cochrane	40	30	Cloudy
Toronto	43	38	Cloudy
Kingston	44	34	Fair
Ottawa	44	30	Fair
Montreal	42	28	Clear
Quebec	36	28	Cloudy
St. John	40	28	Clear
Halifax	42	30	Snow

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 37; lowest, 29.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 37; lowest, 34.

Barometric Readings.

Friday—2 p.m.—29.08.
Today—8 a.m.—29.23.

MARBLES AND JACKS CONTESTS ARE OPEN

Complete rules and entry forms published today in The Advertiser's Free Contests for Boys and Girls. London's winners will compete with seven other cities for the championship of Canada. See Pages 10 and 11.

Today The Advertiser announces the opening of free contests in marbles and jacks for London boys and girls—marbles for boys and jacks for girls.

The Advertiser's contests are part of a great national tournament for boys and girls which is being conducted simultaneously in Halifax, Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton, Winnipeg, Calgary and Edmonton as well as in London.

The winners of The Advertiser's contests will be sent to Toronto to meet the winners of the other seven cities for the championships of all Canada.

Standard rules have been drawn up for contests in all cities, and these rules are published in full today on an inside page.

With the rules of play are published entry forms containing conditions of age limits.

Study these rules and conditions and then, if eligible, fill out your entry form and mail it to The Advertiser.

The Advertiser will give prizes at various stages of the contest for both boys and girls. There will be no entry fee or expenses of any kind in connection with the contests.

Fill out your entry form today and take the first step toward the championships.

UNIONISTS SAY CANVASS WAS NOT PROPER VOTE

HORATIO BOTTOMLEY,
former British M. P. and now serving a seven-year sentence for fraud, whose freedom is now being sought. It isn't likely the home secretary will interfere with the sentence.

Point Out Congregations Will Have Opportunity To Act Later.

TORONTO NOTIFIED

Members of Presbyterian Church Association Pleased With Result.

Local representatives of the Presbyterian Church Association of Canada are pleased over the result of a canvass made of the congregation of New St. James' Presbyterian Church within the past two weeks, which they receive as an emphatic declaration that the congregation are against union by a vote of 608 to 83.

Notification of this is to be sent to the headquarters of the association in Toronto, and will be reported to parliament as an evidence that the bill for organic union is not presented with the sole support of the Presbyterian Church.

Leading unionists, however, do not regard with any seriousness the result of the canvass.

"No vote was taken whatever," a unionist said this morning. "It was merely a canvass undertaken among the congregation by a number of the women. The result has not standing at all as an official vote of a congregation. When the bill is passed, each congregation will have the opportunity to vote to either remain with union or withdraw. Until then, however, no vote which is taken can be considered official. In any event, the canvass could not properly be called a vote of the congregation, as it was made without the official approval of the church session."

EDINBURGH MAY CHANGE FAMOUS PRINCESS ST.

Boulevard Scheme Would Cost $250,000—Many Are Apprehensive.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, March 22.—Edinburgh has under consideration the ambitious scheme of making a boulevard in its famous Princess street at a cost of $250,000. Many Scotsmen, however, are apprehensive of the wisdom of such a course, remembering how in London what was once a naturally beautiful roadway leading to Buckingham Palace was atrociously "improved" out of all resemblance of its former state.

FORCE UNDER STRENGTH, DECLARES CHIEF AITKEN

Although estimates are being prepared for the addition of ten men to the fire department at a cost of $10,000, this will not bring the force up to the required number, declared Chief Aitken today. Just when these men will be taken on the chief does not know, but in his opinion it cannot come to soon.

GUEST IN LONDON.

R. H. Fish, general superintendent of the C. N. R., was a guest in London last night, arriving here from Toronto on his way to Windsor. This morning he left on the early train for the border city.

QUEER "HIP" RULING PUZZLE TO PRISONER

Harry Carried Bottle For Half a Block—$200 or Three Months.

For carrying a bottle of whiskey in his hip pocket just half a block, Henry Martin, a cook, must pay $200 and costs or go to jail for three months.

In court this morning Martin did not know whether to plead guilty or not guilty. He could not understand how a man's hip pocket could be termed a public place, the charge against him being that of having liquor in other than a private dwelling.

"I was taking the bottle to a friend's place," Martin said.

The court expressed regret at having to impose the minimum fine, stating that offenders persisted in ignoring warning after warning when they knew that the penalty was so great.

Chief Birrell said he thought Martin had appeared in court before with a few companions years ago, but the prisoner denied that he had ever before seen the inside of London's hall of justice.

REV. F. FRANK NORRIS,
better known as "The Texas Whirlwind," complains that women are trespassing upon all the sinful prerogatives which formerly belonged to man alone.

APPELLATION OF 'PINHEAD' AROUSES THE MAYOR

Wenige Not Inclined To Believe Sir Adam Beck Made Statement.

WILL SEEK REPLY

Will Direct Question at Meeting of Port Stanley Railway Commission.

The inaugural session of the London and Port Stanley Railway Commission has been set for Monday at 11 a.m., Sir Adam Beck announces.

And Mayor Wenige states that the first order of business will be a question, directed by him to Sir Adam Beck, to wit: "Did Sir Adam Beck give as his public opinion that Mayor Wenige was a pin-head."

"When the meeting opens I shall beg leave to ask Sir Adam a question," Mayor Wenige states. "I will then ask him if he stated, as has been reported in the Free Press, that I was a pin-head. All I want is a direct answer, 'yes' or 'no.'

"As a matter of fact, I do not credit Sir Adam with that statement. I regard him as too much of a gentleman and a parliamentarian to lend himself to such comment. In any event, I feel that I should assure myself on this score.

"I feel it my duty as a representative of the electors. It could only be taken as a reflection upon them, that they did not know their business if they elected a pin-head. That is, if Sir Adam did say so.

"If he didn't, all well and good. If he acknowledges that he did, I shall promptly call him a gentleman and a parlimentarian."

The Port Stanley commissioners assemble Monday for their first regular session of the year. One tour of inspection was held several weeks ago, but no formal gathering has been staged. The illness of various members has halted all efforts toward a recent gathering, Sir Adam Beck explained last night, but he has called a session for Monday, with the understanding that they will all be in attendance.

Mayor Wenige states that he has another question to ask the administration: Were there any changes in the pay roll during 1923 other than those authorized by the commission? The mayor understands that there were, and if so, he desires the particulars of the same.

It is expected that Sir Adam will be returned as chairman for 1924, a post that has been his consistently since the electrification of the road.

PILOT OF SPRINGBANK "LINER" GETS PRESENT

'Honest John' Ashton Receives Three Pipes—But Oh, What Pipes.

Ex-Ald. John Ashton, the hero of many famous trips on "Old 27," has been made the recipient of three pipes that are so strong they can walk by themselves, according to Superintendent Harry Humeston of the London Street Railway.

The genial ex-alderman who yanked the bell rope and collected fares on the Springbank liner for years and years received the pipes this week, wrapped in a shoe box and tied with yards of pink baby ribbon. A card was inclosed stating that the pipes were a present from his numerous female admirers on the Springbank line and expresses the hope that with the coming of spring he would once more take over his duties on the Springbank line.

Careful inquiry, however, brings to light the fact that the pipes have been lying around the car barns for three years and that one well-known practical joker decided to give "Honest John" a treat and a present.

SEVERAL ARE INJURED IN HAMBURG COLLISION

Associated Press Despatch.

Berlin, March 22.—Several persons have been injured in a collision between the police and communist demonstrators at Hamburg, say despatches received here today. The trouble arose when the police endeavored to prevent the communists from marching to the center of the city.

REPORT ON CREAMERIES DISCLOSES LOOSE METHODS

Canadian Press Despatch.

Regina, Sask., March 22.—In a report which disclosed "loose business methods on the part of the company and serious weakness in the direction and management," the executive committee on agriculture recommended to the legislature yesterday that the Saskatchewan Co - operative Creameries, Limited, can be made to operate successfully by developing business in the districts surrounding existing plants.

JEAN CAMPBELL,
daughter of Bryden Campbell, chairman of the board of education this year, won the girls' gol medal yesteryear, won the girls' gold medal yesterheld in the Central Collegiate, open to all first and second year students.

SEEK FREEDOM FOR BOTTOMLEY

Home Secretary Not Expected To Interfere With Seven-Year Sentence.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, March 22.—The home secretary will be asked in the House of Commons next week if, in view of Horatio Bottomley's "valuable services in recruiting propaganda," he will release the prisoner or probably reduce the sentence of seven years. Bottomley, a former M. P., was convicted of defrauding the shareholders of the Victory Bond Club, which he organized early in the war.

It is said to be hardly likely that the home secretary will interfere with the sentence, at least for the present. Bottomley has served less than two years of his sentence so far. He has already caused the dismissal of at least one prisoner warder for inducing him to smuggle out of the prison articles for a newspaper.

Plans For Picnic Are Beginning

Utilities Receives Request For Reservation at Springbank.

This spring weather has had its effect on the would-be merrymakers in the open spaces, for the public utilities commission, which looks after the picnic grounds at Springbank, received the first request of the season for a reservation for a picnic date yesterday. The baseball diamond and the grounds were asked for. Hope springs eternal in the human breast.

ROAD PLANS AFFECTING CITY WILL BE DELAYED

Thomas Adams' Suggestions Regarding City Entries Not Possible.

CHANGES MADE

Middlesex County Highways Program Has Been Greatly Altered.

Road planning operations for the County of Middlesex, as regards entries into the city of London, are submitted by Thomas Adams, town planning expert, are not likely to be carried out now or in the future, according to county officials, who mentioned the matter in connection with the two-mile paving program this spring for the Hyde Park highway.

Mr. Adams proposed diagonal cuts from Glendale and the Wellington road to Richmond street on the south, and from the road between the third and fourth concessions of London Township on the west. The Lambeth highway precludes the Glendale program, and the new Hyde Park highway will put the "tin hat" on the western proposition.

Mr. Adams proposed a road from the city limits on Grosvenor street, London West, diagonally through the second and third concessions of London Township to the road allowance between the third and fourth concessions, emerging at lot 21. The road would cut off two curves in the present highway and save three-quarters of a mile in length.

CUNARD LINER GOES AGROUND

Carmania Is Refloated After Sticking in Mud at Mouth of Mersey.

Associated Press Despatch.

Liverpool, March 22.—The Cunarder Carmania, making a trial trip from the Clyde to this port as a converted oil burner with invited guests aboard, went aground at the mouth of the Mersey this morning. Tugs were sent to her assistance and she was refloated with the high tide and docked safely.

The liner is scheduled to enter the Canadian service from Liverpool.

RETURNS FROM MEETING.

C. G. Bowker, general manager of the C. N. R. for the central region, passed through London early today in his private car en route from Sarnia to Toronto. Mr. Bowker was returning from a get-together meeting of the locomotive department, held in that city on Friday.

Fifty Candidates Close With Only 10 Days To Go

Less Than a Million Votes Separate First Half Hundred.

NECK AND NECK

Guessing Contest Closes Thursday—Coupons Must Be in by Night.

Ten more days to go and the greatest contest of its kind ever held in these parts will be over. Ten more days to win the biggest cash value prizes ever offered.

With fifty or more candidates not less than a million votes apart the race has developed into an extraordinary close affair. Everything depends on what candidates accomplish the next ten days. Those who are a trifle behind may win by a big final spurt involving a few dozen subscriptions. And, if enthusiasm and hard work is any indication, the leaders will have to look to their laurels, for candidates less than a million votes in the rear are gaining at a sensational clip.

The ultimate winners, of course, will be those who work tooth and nail this week and next. Keeping everlastingly at it without recess is the secret of achievement in this contest. So far, one candidate has been progressing about as fast as the other. It remains for someone to forge ahead suddenly by the exercise of extra energy, and annex the grand $2,000 award.

All guessing coupons on the highest number of votes that the highest candidate will have in the Contest must be sent in to the Contest Office not later than next Thursday night. The prize for the successful person is $500 in cash or a Ford Touring Car.

MRS. ALLAN M. SMITH,
of Delhi, who is making a splendid run in the race for one of The Advertiser's eleven prize automobiles.

THREE BIG LINERS BRINGING IMMIGRANTS TO CANADA

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, March 22.—With over two thousand passengers destined for various parts of Canada, three large liners are expected to dock at Halifax about next Friday. The passengers include a number of domestic servants coming to Ontario and a party of Irish farm laborers.

CAMPBELL CALDER,
son of Alexander G. Calder, of 693 Talbot street, is the winner of the boys' gold medal in the Junior Oratorical Contest held yesterday in the Central Collegiate.

"SLIM" WILLIAMS LEADS JAIL CHOIR

Prisoners Taught Several Songs of "Slim's" Own Composition.

"Slim" Williams who is hoping for a reprieve from the death sentence meted out by Mr. Justice Lennox in February, has branched out as a regular choir leader. Some 14 prisoners are serving terms at the jail at present, and Williams is moulding the gang into a splendid collection of song birds.

Each night after lockup, the evening program commences under the leadership of Slim who suggests the songs. Williams possesses a wonderfully fine tenor voice, and he has the prisoners so well trained that their efforts are a musical treat.

Friday night brought forth the best concert on record. Williams has taught the men several songs of his own composition including "Good-bye Broadway" which was written and composed in his cell at Kingston penitentiary.

WELFARE PLANS PLEASE CITY FINANCIAL MEN

Division of Drive Meets in C. of C. To Draw Up Complete Plans.

The financial division of the United Welfare drive met at the chamber of commerce last night and made arrangements for the completion of the work in its division. The plans which were approved are similar to those already adopted by the other divisions and consist of the selection of a committee in each institution to take charge of the work.

The men present, who represented practically all of the financial institutions in the city, were much pleased with the thorough manner in which the plans for the drive are being made and the careful consideration which is being given to the basis on which the contributions of clerks and executives will be asked. The representatives of the institutions will meet again on Wednesday, at which time supplies for the work and final instructions will be given.

DRAKE WARNS MARKET RENTALS TO BE BOOSTED

Some 50 Per Cent Increases Coming, Says Member of No. 1 Committee.

Market rentals must be boosted this year, in some instances as much as 50 per cent, Ald. Drake, member of No. 1 committee, warned today.

Ald. Drake recalls that certain increases were noted last year, but considers that these were inadequate and of a minor nature.

"The rents will have to go up a great deal higher than they now are," he stated. "Probably as much as 50 per cent in certain cases."

Directly the tax rate is struck the members of the finance committee will tackle the proposed revision of the market bylaws, including the suggestion to upset the mayor's famous "huckster bylaw."

COST NOT HEAVY.

While no figures of the actual cost of clearing snow off the C. N. R. tracks in this division are available, Superintendent Charles Forrester states that although it will be in advance of previous years the road did not consider that it was enormous.

Except for two bad storms on this division during the winter we were very fortunate and are not complaining in the least.

THOUSANDS WALK WHEN STRIKE HITS OLD LONDON

Services on Trams and Busses Was Discontinued At Midnight.

GOVERNMENT SCORED

Critics Claim Labor Regime Lacks Will To Enforce a Settlement.

Associated Press Despatch.

London, March 22.—Several thousands of London's early workers were compelled to take unaccustomed walking exercise in consequence of stoppage of the tramway and omnibus service. The shutdown was caused by a strike of the tramway employees for higher wages and a sympathetic walkout by the omnibusmen.

The first sufferers were hundreds of night workers employed by the newspapers, hotels and central markets, who depend on trams to reach their homes as the railroads here shut down soon after midnight for some hours. These workers had to walk long distances to their suburban homes or wait the tardy resumption of the rail services.

The biggest tramway system affected is that run by the London County Council, which has 163 miles of track, but several privately owned systems are also involved, and these are spread over a very wide area, serving districts far beyond the immediate suburbs.

About 3,500 omnibuses are tied up, depriving not only London itself, but many rural and semi-rural areas of cheap transportation, as many of the bus routes extend to places 20 to 30 miles outside the city.

It is estimated that the trams and buses together carry nearly 7,000,000 persons daily, and although this total includes many sightseers and others who have alternative railway routes there are thousands, especially among the poorer workers, who depend absolutely on the cheaper road transit and otherwise must walk. The employing companies today issued figures purporting to show that the state of their business precludes granting the demanded increase in wages, while the strikers' leaders claim they are able to prove that the contrary is the case.

The government is subjected to some adverse criticism in the press for its inability to prevent recurring strikes, and many of the public evidently belive that the Labor administration has power, but lacks the will to exercise it.

DOUGLASS CONFIDENT OF L.S.R. PLAN SUCCESS

Finance Chairman Sure Clause in City of London Bill Will Pass.

While concentrated opposition is anticipated and even assured, Chairman Douglass of the city council finance committee, is confident that the street railway clause of the City of London bill will meet with the approval of the Ontario Legislature Tuesday next.

"I cannot understand why there should be any opposition," he stated. "It was passed by a majority of the city council, and while Ald. Greer has promised to oppose certain portions of the bill I fail to see how he can justify that attitude in his position as chairman of the board of works."

Chairman Douglass warns that 90 per cent of the city's 1924 paving program will be tied up if the bill is defeated; at least, that portion devoted toward the street railway situation.

INSPECTORS PLAN AID FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN

The school inspectors in the city are asking the principals of the schools to give them a list of the names of all crippled children and their addresses. There has never been an accurate list of this kind in London, and it will give the inspectors an idea of the number of such children, their location, and help them in any special classes that may be devised in future for these handicapped boys and girls in the city schools.

Newsy Bits From Today's Classified Ads.

Agents wanted.

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100-acre farm to let.

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House or bungalow wanted.

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Lady's navy suit for sale.

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Glasses lost.