

YOUTH CHARGED WITH BURNING BARN

Oliver Wilcox Was Arrested On Complaint of Frank McNeill, of Ekfrid.

SEQUEL TO BAD BLAZE

Prisoner Brought to London and Remanded For a Week by Squire Chittick.

Oliver Cox, a Barnardo boy, aged 19 or 20, who was brought to this city yesterday afternoon on the farm of Frank McNeill, of Ekfrid, in the village of Middlemarch, was charged with burning the barn on the farm of his employer on Tuesday.

He was taken into custody by High Constable Hughes. The farm was owned by a St. Thomas lady, the loss to both the owner and occupant being very heavy.

McNeill lost practically all of his implements, a valuable mare, two cows, three calves, half a dozen pigs, and a large quantity of hay and grain.

The fire had burned considerable hay when discovered, and those who were on the scene were powerless to prevent the destruction of the buildings.

A NEW TRAIN ON GRAND TRUNK

Newspaper Special Will Leave Toronto at 2:45 in the Morning.

ANNOUNCEMENT IS MADE

Other Changes of Importance to London and the District Are in the List.

Montreal, April 27.—Announcement was made today at the Grand Trunk headquarters of a greatly improved train service on the Toronto and Hamilton line.

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ANGELIC YOUNG PEOPLE

A Social Evening Spent at St. Luke's Church.

The Anglican Young People's Association of St. Luke's Church, at Broughdale, held a very pleasant social evening, which was attended by nearly all the members.

NEW STREET LIGHTING POLES WILL BE PLACED NEXT WEEK

Water Commissioners Are Almost Ready to Go On With the Ornamental System On Business Streets.

The water commissioners will commence erecting their new street lighting poles on Dundas and Richmond streets next week.

RULES OF ROAD SHOULD BE OBSERVED

Citizens Appear to Favor Idea Put Forth by Mayor and City Engineer.

OILING THE CITY STREETS

Woodstock Has Purchased Five Carloads For the Purpose, and Will Make the Experiment.

The suggestion of Mayor Beattie and City Engineer Wright that London should adopt a code of rules governing street traffic, to be rigidly enforced by the police, is meeting with general approval, especially among automobilists.

While a strict watch is kept upon "speed" motorists, other persons are allowed to drive, even in the congested districts, in any manner they see fit.

Few pay any heed to the rules of the road, and as a result people frequently find themselves in serious predicaments from which they escape at times only by the greatest good fortune.

In every city of any size the rules are recognized and any person who neglects to conduct himself as he should is heavily fined. Even Chatham, where traffic is comparatively light, enforces its regulations.

The policeman at the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets should have power to stall north and south traffic, while east and west passes and vice versa, the automobilists claim, and in this manner the danger of collisions would be lessened considerably.

This year there will be a hundred or so more pleasure cars in London, as well as a number of taxicabs and commercial vehicles, and the problem has become one that requires attention.

"Pedestrians are also very careless in crossing streets and some of them would require a bodyguard in larger cities," said an auto dealer today. "They rarely look in either direction, and even when signalled by an approaching car proceed to cross the road, leaving drivers to care for their welfare."

The Speed Laws. "It appears that the speed laws are more rigidly enforced in London than in any other city of its size on the continent. The advent of taxicabs in the Forest City has lived matters considerably, but must not be allowed that if they are to be a paying proposition they must dispose of their work in short order. The taxis are usually in the hands of very competent men, and it is not surprising that they are able to expect that they run at twenty miles an hour, except in very congested streets. An autoist proceeding at that rate in a narrow street, by putting his watch on car proceeding possibly at ten miles an hour and certainly no more."

In Woodstock. Woodstock is now taking up the matter of oiling roads instead of paving them. Five carloads of oil have been purchased from Mr. G. E. Perry, of the British-American Oil Company, of this city. It is being calculated that this amount will do all the main streets of the entire city, with the exception of a few thoroughfares. It is claimed that a few thoroughfares, of this city, has found oiling much cheaper than paving, and in addition, the roads are wonderfully preserved by the treatment. Care must be taken, however, to avoid cheap oil, as this would cause damage to the motor tires coming in contact with them.

Use Good Oil. There are oils specially prepared for the purpose which accomplish the object for which they are intended without the disagreeable conditions accompanying the use of the crude material. The oil is applied by spraying, is odorless, sanitary and very effective.

In the Southern States, the oiling system has been used for years even on country highways, and as a result of the treatment some of the roads are as good as asphalt paving, and are never seriously affected by heavy traffic even after rainstorms.

706 MEN WILL GO TO CORONATION

Orders Have Been Received at Local Headquarters.

SEVEN DAYS OF DRILL

Men Will Be Trained Before They Embark For the Big Event in England.

Militia orders received in London today for the coronation contingent, which will sail from Quebec for England via the Empress of Ireland on the Express of Britain from Liverpool July 2.

The force will consist of 706 men of all ranks and officers, non-commissioned officers and men will be enlisted to the pay of the rank they hold in the militia, except that officers and non-commissioned officers will be paid at the permanent rates from their own unit.

The pay of the soldiers. All ranks, including permanent force, will also receive field allowances of the usual rates. These rates of pay will comprise all the different points of consideration, and will be paid on the date of departure for England. Officers and non-commissioned officers will be paid at the permanent rates from their own unit.

The same allowances will be granted to the seven days of drill and for three days at Quebec prior to embarkation on their journey to England. All members of the contingent will be concentrated for seven days of drill and for three days at Quebec prior to embarkation on their journey to England.

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Third Year Scholarship. The third year scholarship was won by Mr. James Monaghan, of Collingwood, in the class last year, and has kept well ahead of his classmates during 1910-11.

The second year prize is between Mr. E. Elliott, of St. Thomas, and Mr. Timothy Bowman, of London. They are running neck and neck for the prize, and as there is a complete list of papers still to be read in that year the award cannot be definitely made.

There is a great battle in the first year prize, six or seven students have still a chance to land the coveted honor, and the faculty will not know the result until late this evening.

AN EARTHQUAKE SHOCK FELT AT CLEVELAND

Seismograph Record Shows That Trouble Was Not Far Distant.

Cleveland, Ohio, April 28.—The seismograph at the University of Cleveland, Ohio, recorded an earthquake shock during the night, becoming more general on Saturday.

The weather depression is moving eastward, and the weather is becoming more moderate. The wind is from the west, and the temperature is rising.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Showers. Forecast—Moderate southeast to south winds, falling to moderate, with showers of rain or snow during the night, becoming more general on Saturday.



SGT. ROY ROBE. London, Ontario, who has been selected as a Representative of the Twenty-First Regiment on the Coronation Contingent.

MEDICAL EXAMS ALMOST FINISHED

Results May Be Announced by the Faculty This Evening.

WINNERS OF THE MEDALS

Gold Medal Goes to Cyril Inrie and Silver Medal to Archie Duncan, It Is Understood.

The medical examination results may be announced tonight, and there is considerable anxiety among the embryo physicians as to the outcome of the work.

It is said that Mr. Cyril Inrie will be the gold medalist in the final year, with Mr. Archie Duncan silver medalist.

This is the way these two have finished during the past four years, with few marks separating them at the final.

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GUILDHALL PLACES SEAL OF APPROVAL

"Democracy of England" Behind President Taft's Peace Movement.

A MOVEMENT GATHERING

Premier Asquith and Leader Balfour, With Other Dignitaries Were on the Platform.

[Canadian Press.] London, April 28.—What Premier Asquith described as "This Venerable Guildhall," whose seal of approval is a popular movement in London is really launched, witnessed today, a meeting for the adoption of resolutions pledging the city to the support of Anglo-American complete arbitration.

The lord mayor of London, in his scarlet robes, and with the mace in front of him, held the centre of a temporary stage. On his right was the Prime Minister, at his left, Former Premier Balfour, leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons; the Archbishop of Westminster, Lord Loreburn, the lord high chancellor; Lord Strathcona, high commissioner of Canada; Sir Joseph G. Ward, premier of New Zealand, and other notables. Over their heads the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes were entwined.

Mr. Asquith and Mr. Balfour spoke eloquently of the treaty declaring that it would mark a new era in civilization, but both pointedly disclaimed any peace pact between Great Britain and the United States providing for the submission of all differences to arbitration, would mean an alliance between the two countries.

Mr. Balfour warned his hearers, then, whom he said, none in the world felt more the burden of preparing for war, that the treaty would mean the immediate reduction of armaments.

Democracy of England. The meeting represented the democracy of England rather than the aristocracy. On the platform were the Bishop of Hereford, the Earl of Aberdeen, lord lieutenant of Ireland; Sir George H. Reid, high commissioner of New Zealand, and other notables. Premier Asquith said in part:

"The unique situation which we have met to recognize and welcome has not been organized or engineered by the apparatus of diplomacy. The seal which the President of the United States has cast on ground prepared to receive it. That which a few years ago, even a few months ago, might have been regarded as the dream of a visionary, is now a reality. It is the dawn of a new era in the history of the world."

After declaring that his decision applied no menace to the rest of mankind and did not provide for an Anglo-American alliance, the premier continued: "But we may hope and believe that other things will follow. It is not for us to dictate to the rest of the world, but if the United States and Great Britain related war, a step will be taken of immeasurable and important significance. In the onward progress of humanity."

Resolution Adopted. Mr. Asquith said the following resolution: "That this meeting of citizens of London assembled in the Guildhall, cordially welcomes the proposal of the United States in favor of a general treaty of arbitration between that country and the British Empire, and pledges its support to the principles of such a treaty as saving the highest interests of the two nations, and as tending to promote the peace of the world."

The resolution was received with tremendous applause which continued until Mr. Balfour rose to second it.

Mr. Balfour Speaks. The Opposition leader said that Anglo-American arbitration was never further at this moment than ever before in history.

Mr. Balfour added that he was most optimistic regarding the prospects of the treaty, but he warned his hearers that they should not mix up the question of the morality of war and the question of avoiding it with the question of reducing the burdens of armaments. Reducing would have a great significance in all parts of the world which the treaty between English speaking peoples could not lessen, but the determination of these communities in joining to set an example to the world at large would not only make for certain peace between them but would mark a landmark epoch in the progress of civilization.

Other Speakers. The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Archbishop of Westminster, Lord Loreburn, the lord high chancellor, and Rev. Frederick Brotherton Meyer, minister of Regent's Park Chapel, who spoke for the Free Churches, seconded the resolution. Premier Ward, of New Zealand, also spoke in support of the resolution, received an enthusiastic reception. Lord Aschurst, lord rector of Standerford, and Lord Rothschild, who were unable to be present, tendered their regrets.

King Solomon Lodge "At Home." The annual "At Home" of King Solomon Lodge, No. 278, A. F. and A. M., was held last evening in the Masonic Temple. There was a good attendance of the members of the craft and their friends. Dancing and cards were indulged in until midnight after which refreshments were served. War, Bro. Wedderburn welcomed the guests in a brief speech.

RESULTS OF THE EASTER EXAMS.

Standing of the Students of the Middle School of Collegiate Institute.

POINTERS FOR PUPILS

Results For the Other Classes in the Lower School Will Appear Later.

The results of the Easter examinations of the middle school of the London Collegiate Institute are given below. Students who have taken a good standing on these examinations ought to have a fairly good chance of passing the departmental examinations, which begin on June 28.

Students who have not obtained a good standing ought to have little reason to believe that they would be successful on the departmental examinations, on which a higher standard is being required year by year.

The majority of students who have spent only one year in the middle school can hardly hope to pass the departmental examinations, which are really intended for a two years' course in the middle school. The subjects appearing after the name of the candidates are the subjects in which the student has failed to write at all, or failed to obtain the required minimum. The results for the other classes in the lower school will appear later.

Teachers.—Honors, 75 per cent.—N. Clarke 75.7 per cent, M. Nichol 75.5. Pass, 40 per cent in each subject, and 60 per cent on total.—C. Durin 70.8 per cent, E. Lane 68.6, A. Lane 66.6, L. Bice 62.5, F. Fortner 61.

Failed in one subject.—P. Swanwick 60.7 (ancient history). Failed on total 58 per cent.—Mamie Robson.

Failed on total and one subject.—B. Finch 57.5 (composition), A. Elliot 57.2 (ancient history), L. McLeish 55.9 (physics), L. Mill 52.9 (chemistry). Failed on total and two subjects.—J. Clement 51.1 (composition, ancient history), B. Hardie 50.3 (geometry, ancient history), J. Nicol 48.2 (physics, ancient history), V. Kaiser 43.9 (algebra, physics).

Failed on total and four subjects.—A. Argo 44.6 (algebra, geometry, physics, chemistry), M. Urquhart 38.1 (algebra, geometry, physics, chemistry), R. McQuiggin 36.1 (ancient history, algebra, physics and chemistry).

Failed on total and five subjects.—P. Campbell 33.3 (ancient history, British history, geometry, physics and chemistry). Failed on total and six subjects.—E. Cameron 28 (ancient history, British history, algebra, geometry, physics and physics), M. Thompson 28.1 (all subjects).

Middle V. Matriculation 69 per cent in each subject and 50 per cent on total. Pass—M. Ross 75, B. Fraser 68, E. Parsons.

Failed in one subject.—R. Dale 65 (algebra), A. Irwin 64 (British history), G. Wood 62 (ancient history, physics and physics), M. Thompson 58.7 (geometry), L. McLean 57.5 (Latin authors).

Failed in two subjects.—A. Robins. Continued on Page Eleven.

PARKHILL MAN KILLED IN YARDS AT TUNNEL

Mangled Body of John Dodds Was Found This Morning.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Sarnia, April 28.—The dead body of Harry Dodds, aged 23, son of Grand Trunk Ruggsman John Dodds, of Parkhill, was found in the tunnel yards here this morning. The right leg had been cut off. It is supposed that young Dodds had lain in the yards most of the night and bled to death. He had been engaged in painting one of the Southern Railway cars, and had only finished yesterday. His father arrived here today and took the remains home. No inquest will be held.

FORTNIGHTLY PAY BILL WAS KILLED

Senate Railway Committee Threw Out the Measure.

Ottawa, April 28.—The bill requiring the railways to pay fortnightly wages to their employees was killed by the Senate railway committee this morning, 16 to 3.

PETITION AGAINST NE TEMERE DECREE

All Churches Will Be Asked to Take Part in Campaign.

APPEAL TO THE PREMIER

Want Legislation Passed Which Will Effectively Prevent Operation of the Decree All Through Canada.

Montreal, April 27.—It is announced in Montreal that all the Methodist churches in the Dominion will be asked to pass upon the resolution adopted by the general conference committee of the Methodist Church of Canada, denouncing the "Ne Temere" decree.

The western conferences will be asked at the end of May, and the eastern ones, as usual, early in June. The protests of these conferences will be sent to the respective provincial governments. Meanwhile a scheme for combined action is under way. A uniform petition is in course of preparation, which will be submitted to every Anglican and Presbyterian synod and Methodist conference, and to the Baptist and "Congregational" general meetings, with the purpose of having it forwarded to every individual Protestant church in Canada.

At least one million signatures are expected and these will be sent to Sir Wilfrid Laurier with the request that he bring in legislation which will effectively prevent the operation of the decree in Canada.

Eminent legal authorities who have been consulted give it as their opinion that the canon law is part of the civil law of Quebec, so that the judge was forced to act as he did in the case of the Hebert marriage.

MINORIN A BARROOM

Local Hotelman Was Fined by P. M. Graydon.

Thomas Oke, of the Hotel Cecil, was fined \$2 and \$26 costs at the police court this morning for breaking the license law by allowing a minor, William Leitch, of 24 Dundas street, to be in his barroom. Leitch was fined \$2 and \$18 costs for going in when he knew he had no business to, and was given a severe lecture by the court for the trouble he had caused.

Five citizens who expected on the sidewalks were each fined \$1 and \$2 costs. The case against a local bread firm, involving the use of the word "buns," was enlarged until Monday next, when all the cases which are now pending will be gone into.

BOARD OF TRADE

Ontario Engineer of Roads Will Deliver an Address.

The annual meeting of the board of trade will be held this evening in the board rooms. The election of officers will take place, but there will be no contest. President Dr. Harry T. Reason was the only candidate nominated at the meeting a month ago, and he will be officially elected this evening.

In addition an address will be delivered by Mr. W. McMechan, engineer of roads for the Province of Ontario. Many matters of importance will be taken up and a large attendance of the members is anticipated.

LONDON SOAP WORKS HAS CHANGED HANDS

Mr. J. H. McMechan Has Sold Out to Hamilton Man.

Mr. J. H. McMechan, proprietor of the London soap works, has disposed of the business to Mr. E. J. Phillips, of Hamilton.

The factory will not be removed from London, but will be enlarged, and the output doubled. Many more hands will be employed, and it is expected that the business will be carried on rapidly. Mr. McMechan will retain the fertilizing business.

PRESIDENT HAYS NOT COMING FOR SOME TIME

Mr. Charles M. Hays, president of the Grand Trunk, is not expected in the city for some time yet. There is a rumor in circulation yesterday that he would be here on Monday next. However, Mr. Hays has not arrived from the annual meeting in England, and as there is a large amount of business to be transacted in Montreal before he starts on his tour of inspection of the system, it is not likely that he will arrive in London for some time, probably a week or two.

Mayor Beattie has not received word that Mr. Hays intends taking up the question of track elevation or kindred matters. The company are so busy with improvements at Toronto and Montreal that it is not considered at all probable that London's turn will come for a year or two, probably not then.

MYSTERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST AN OTTAWA CABINET MINISTER

Toronto Telegram Implies That Someone Has Been Grafting—A Photograph of an Alleged Bank Deposit

[Canadian Press.] Toronto, Ont., April 28.—The Evening Telegram points a sensational story today which charges a cabinet minister with graft. Nearly a page of the paper is occupied with the story, which carefully eliminates names. Photographs are reproduced of a letter from Sir Wilfrid Laurier's private secretary, province of Ontario, which shows deposits of \$20,000 in one bank and another of \$19,350. The moral of the story apparently is: "Where did the money come from?"

The Telegram asserts that the accused of the cabinet minister had his information before Sir Wilfrid Laurier in a number of interviews, and the Premier refused to take any action. Sir Wilfrid's reply is said to have been: "He is my colleague and denies the charge."

It is either the newspaper or the man who makes the charge will come into the open and give the name of the person accused, steps will be taken by the Prime Minister and the accused minister to see that the whole matter is thoroughly ventilated in public.