

WILL NOT CUT CITY TEACHERS

School Board Takes Firm Stand On 10 Per Cent Slash.

PARED EIGHTH OF MILL

Salaries Paid Evening Instructors at "Tech" School, Subject to Quiz.

There will be no 10 per cent salary reduction instituted by the board of education. Such was the unanimous decision of the school trustees in special session Monday night. Incidentally the proposed estimates for 1922 were thoroughly considered again and reduced by \$7,028, or one-eighth of a mill, leaving now a total appropriation of \$321,554.93.

Upon the suggestion of Trustee Rev. A. B. Rice, chairman of No. 2 committee, the public school estimate for "repairs and renewals, painting, etc.," was reduced \$5,000. In addition to this the dental appropriation was cut \$1,000.

Technical school requirements were reduced \$2,100, of which \$500 was eliminated from the contemplated fuel account, and the remainder as a part of the architect's remuneration for plans and specifications of the suggested gymnasium, etc.

Salaries for night instructors at both the technical school and the collegiate institute were subject to a searching inquiry, and although Trustee Smith's motion that the same be reduced by \$1 a night, was defeated, the question was finally referred to the salary committee for an exhaustive report.

Wish to Co-operate.

In opening the session, Trustee Smith, chairman, expressed a wish to co-operate with Mayor Wilson in any feasible manner, but was unable to discern how any reduction in salaries could be undertaken.

While Trustee Rice's suggestion that \$5,000 be subtracted from the renewal estimate was approved, several other suggestions for reduction were frowned down. Trustee Silverwood declared, "According to the mayor, the big item to be considered is that of the salaries. These little piecemeal items we are talking about are neither here nor there in comparison."

Trustee Rice contended that the salaries were small enough as they were. Trustee Smith agreed, but held that the people little realized that.

"These teachers," declared Trustee Rice, "have been engaged at a low figure in past years, with the understanding that they were to be increased at the rate of \$100 a year until a certain maximum was reached. I believe that I am not honoring these agreements."

Trustee Silverwood asserted that the teachers were the poorest paid of all workers during the war, and should not now be the object of attack.

Introducing for discussion the question of salaries of teachers at the technical evening classes, Trustee Smith explained that certain questions had been raised on the outside concerning the same. He had heard, he said, that the attendance was not at all satisfactory in all branches.

Principal Beal held that the attendance was satisfactory, and explained that an instructor received \$5 an evening, duration of service being from about 7:15 to 9:15.

Had Heard Complaints.

Trustee Smith explained that he had also heard complaints relative to the fact that the principal received additional remuneration as supervisor of the evening classes. Principal Beal warned that if the present scale was reduced, the effect would be most undesirable. He claimed that he experienced the utmost difficulty at all times in obtaining sufficient instructors for night work.

Trustee Rowe questioned if day teachers were also employed in the evenings. He was informed that such was the case.

"As chairman, will Trustee Smith tolerate this?" queried Trustee Rowe. The chairman replied that he had just learnt that fact. While Trustee Rowe explained that he now favored the payment of a flat salary to Principal Beal, Trustee Silverwood questioned whether it was necessary for the latter to be on duty evenings. The principal replied that it was in a city like London.

As certain statements had been credited to Mayor Wilson, Trustee Silverwood questioned, "Where does the mayor get all his information from? He seems to have gone into the question pretty thoroughly. Where does he get it all? It looks as though someone was making the balls and he was firing them."

After considerable discussion, Trustee Smith urged that the salaries for night technical teachers be reduced from \$5 to \$4, but found no support.

Trustee Campbell took this opportunity to shoulder the blame for present conditions upon the educational department in Toronto. Principal Beal stated that as far as possible teachers were employed two nights a week. Chairman Smith contended otherwise, claiming that he had viewed the pay-roll and saw teachers down for 20 nights. He explained further that he had heard that the wood-carving class numbered two only.

Principal Denies Assertion.

This was denied by the principal, and Trustee Silverwood observed, "It seems to me, Chairman Smith, that you have a lot of information gathered from a lot of different sources."

Trustee Rowe questioned where pupils went after completing their course in wood-carving. The principal replied that they did not go anywhere. This was a cultural class he said, and most of the pupils were taking the work for recreation.

"At the expense of the ratepayers," remarked Trustee Rowe.

Little time was occupied in consideration of the proposed debenture issue. Trustee Udy moved that the purchase of a West London and a branch collegiate site be deferred

until 1923. No one essayed to second this motion.

Trustee Casselman's suggestion that the proposed Dakin street public school be eliminated, was the signal for a wild outburst of "Nos."

Trustee Silverwood contended that "the board had been generous in its 'striking out,' and it was no time to overlook the purchase of suitable sites for the future."

Trustee Campbell came to the front at this juncture with a compromise. "Eliminate the collegiate site and retain West London," he suggested. This was greeted with scant sympathy.

Trustee Clark questioned if \$20,000 was not quite a large sum for West London, while Trustee Campbell desired to know why the Eleanor street site was set at \$10,000, when but \$5,000 was demanded by the owners. Nobody knew.

PLAN NEW TORONTO CLUB

Scottish Collegemen Appoint Londoner as Secretary.

A well-attended and enthusiastic meeting was recently held in the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, for the purpose of forming a Scottish Collegemen's Club.

The club hopes to purchase its own club house, where meetings and reunions can be held, and new fellows welcomed from the old country.

Further information can be obtained from the board of governors, Scottish Collegemen's Club, Suite 10, 1 Adelaide street east, Toronto.

Out-of-town Heriot Collegemen are requested to communicate with W. B. Macpherson, 554 English street, London.

MINE WORKERS MAKE REPLY

Halifax, N. S., March 21.—The Herald publishes today a telegram in which Secretary J. B. McLachlan of the United Mine Workers of America, District 26, is said to have addressed to Hon. James Murdock, minister of labor, in reply to the latter's protest against the manifesto of the miners' secretary urging the miners to reduce production.

Mr. McLachlan says in a manifesto he issued, he strongly advised the miners to cut down their production to a point where all profits of the British Empire Steel Corporation would vanish. This, he declares, is a method of retaliation for a highly unjust encroachment of the employers upon the wages of the workmen, and an invasion of their already too slender living.

Mr. McLachlan added that the miners have no wage agreement and will not pay dividends on "acres of idle junk, known as the steel works."

GERMAN NAMES NEW AMBASSADOR

Berlin, March 21.—Baron Ludwig Wiedfeldt has been appointed German ambassador to the United States.

Dr. Wiedfeldt will fill the post which has been vacant since February, 1917, when Count Johann Heinrich Von Bernstorff left Washington, prior to the declaration of a state of war between the United States and Germany.

Dr. Wiedfeldt is reputed to be one of the wealthiest Germans of the present day. He is an experienced diplomatist, having for years occupied important positions in the German Home Office.

SIDE LIGHTS AT OTTAWA

By JOHN J. McLELLAN, Advertiser Staff Correspondent.

HOUSE OF COMMONS, Ottawa, Ont., March 20.—Re-establishment of the wheat board within one month from today was one of the salient demands in the house of H. A. Stevens of Vancouver, former minister of trade and commerce in the Meighen government.

Coincidental with the words of Mr. Stevens comes the report of a statement made by the secretary of the Canadian Council of Agriculture, N. P. Lambert, who accompanied the deputations to Prime Minister King a few days ago. Mr. Lambert declares that "the government and the official opposition are each bending every effort to win the support of the Progressives."

After hearing what Mr. Stevens said today, the truth of the secretary of the Canadian Agriculture Council's statement wherein it concerns the official opposition is very evident. Mr. Stevens was so amenable in his declaration that the policy of himself and those sitting immediately around him in the house was for the voluntary wheat pool, yet at the same time he urged the re-establishing of the wheat board immediately.

Whenever he affirmed a desire to see the immediate re-establishment of the wheat board, he received what he was soliciting, applause from the Progressive benches. The Progressives, it was apparent, failed to recognize inconsistency in the fact of a party's being quite amenable in support of an action they did not in principle believe the advisability of.

REORGANIZATION OF THE MILITIA

and naval air service departments will, it is expected, reduce the estimates this year \$3,100,000.

This will bring the estimates for that department in the neighborhood of \$24,000,000 unless still further economies are to be introduced.

Last year's expenditures in the department amounted to \$27,000,000 approximately.

These expenditures can be said to aggregate the estimates, so that in all probability this year's estimates will approximate the above-mentioned sum.

WILLIAM J. MURPHY of Calgary East advanced in the house today the following novel scheme of national economy or credit reform.

He proposes that prices should be regulated and the real credit of the country be made available for the industries. He defined real credit with the definition of C. H. Douglas, a British economist. Real credit was, he said, the collective ability to produce and deliver goods as, when and where required.

He would regulate prices not by any arbitrary method, but by means of information secured from the bureau of statistics. The information obtained would bear on the ratio of the total national production to the total national consumption.

The minister of finance, acting on the information secured from the Dominion statistician, would issue an order to reduce the manufacture of goods. If the total national production was twice as much as the national consumption, as is the case in Canada, the price of Canadian

goods to the Canadian consumer would be half the cost of production. The difference between the cost and the price would be made up to the retailer by a draft on the national credit.

The advantage of this system over the present is that, while the present system tends to inflate, this proposal would deflate.

It is understood that the system is receiving considerable attention in England, but it is generally considered to be frowned on as impractical by the banks.

The member from Calgary East declared that the present opposition was nothing but a crude burlesque. This was rather a frank admission on the part of the Laborite, but Mr. Irvine has tended to qualify the statement by saying that his reference was to all opposition connected with the party system.

IT was refreshing to hear today the character of the speech of the former minister of trade and commerce, H. H. Stevens. After hearing the meaningless utterances of Sir Henry Drayton last week the words of the member from Center Vancouver were appreciated. He confined himself to issues and problems and refrained from personalities.

Accompanying the speech of Sir Henry was a satiric smile and considerable sarcasm, and in contrast Mr. Stevens departed himself with considerable grace of manner.

CONGRATULATES JURY ON CLEAN COURT CALENDAR

Chief Justice Meredith Refers to Murrell Brothers in Address at Spring Assizes.

In addressing the grand jury at the opening of the spring assizes at the court house Monday afternoon, Chief Justice R. M. Meredith drew attention to the fact that there were no criminal cases to come before the jury, a very satisfactory state of affairs.

The only blot on this happy condition was that there had been a serious crime committed in the county not so long ago, and that those charged were not present to be put on trial. Through laxity these men were fugitives from justice, but the chief justice hoped that at some time they would be tried for the crime.

"When this has been done we may congratulate ourselves with greater pleasure on the state of criminal law in this county," declared his lordship, who had reference to the escape of the Murrell brothers, Sydney and William, from the county jail early last September. They were to be put on trial with H. J. Williams, charged with the murder of Russell Campbell at Melbourne last summer.

Members of the grand jury are J. M. Rose (foreman), Wesley Baker, Norman Bodan, Marshall Box, A. T. Carrothers, Charles Crummen, Alex. Dewar, Thos. Elliott, Ed. Fraecligh, H. Hayman, C. R. Willy and John Strahan.

Before the first case started it was stated that the action of Cole vs. the Gore District Insurance Company had been settled out of court.

The action of the Starr Company of Canada against the Berliner Gramophone Company was postponed till the next non-jury sittings.

SOVIET DENIES DECREE ISSUED

RIGA, March 18.—Russian soviet officials here denied today that a decree has been issued in Moscow opening free export and import trade with Russia, as was reported in Moscow advices yesterday, quoting the soviet organ Izvestia.

"ALL'S FAIR IN LOVE AND WAR" PLEASES

Romantic Comedy Film Starring May Collins Well Received at Grand Theatre.

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A well-balanced program commenced the week at the Grand Theatre Monday evening.

An Egyptian bracelet, reputed to bring both bad and good luck under certain romantic circumstances, caused a great deal of comic woe in the Goldwyn picture, "All's Fair in Love and War," which formed the feature of the bill.

May Collins as Natalie, the bride who has lost her husband by reason of the bracelet's supposedly malignant influence, is genuinely funny in her attempt at amateur vamping to regain her husband.

Miss Collins makes the most of her opportunities to display some very artistic exhibitions of hysterics. What the play lacks in swift action is more than made up for by the star's well simulated display of temper.

Retains Winsomeness.

The best of it is that throughout the picture, even in its most ludicrous moments, Miss Collins never loses a whit of her winsome prettiness. The plot lacks, depth, but as a burlesque of the scenic art of vamping it is hilariously funny.

Clever features mark the vaudeville offerings. Lew Palmer, billed as a "versatile mimic comedian," presents realistic imitations of various animals, which were well received. His mimicry of two cats howling drew repeated bursts of laughter from the audience.

Wilbur and Dawson present an old cycling act under a new setting which lent an air of comedy. The fair member of the couple is capable of extremely clever stunts which are a decided acquisition to the turn.

Gwen and Clarke are effective in a burlesque of rural life, while Sims and Jamison Trio flavored their turn with some original swift-change artist work. Soft-shoe dancing was also a clever feature of their act.

Are Clever Jugglers.

The best vaudeville turns were saved until the last. Leon and Adelaide, billed in "A Comedy Juggling Novelty," have the comedy, the juggling and the novelty. The setting is good, the patter clever, and the juggling of an extremely novel and clever nature. Even the most hardened of vaudeville critics would enjoy the dexterous work of this pair.

A Larry Semon film, "The Sportsman," and a Bruce Seanie, "The Castaway," completed the bill.

STEAMER ARRIVALS.

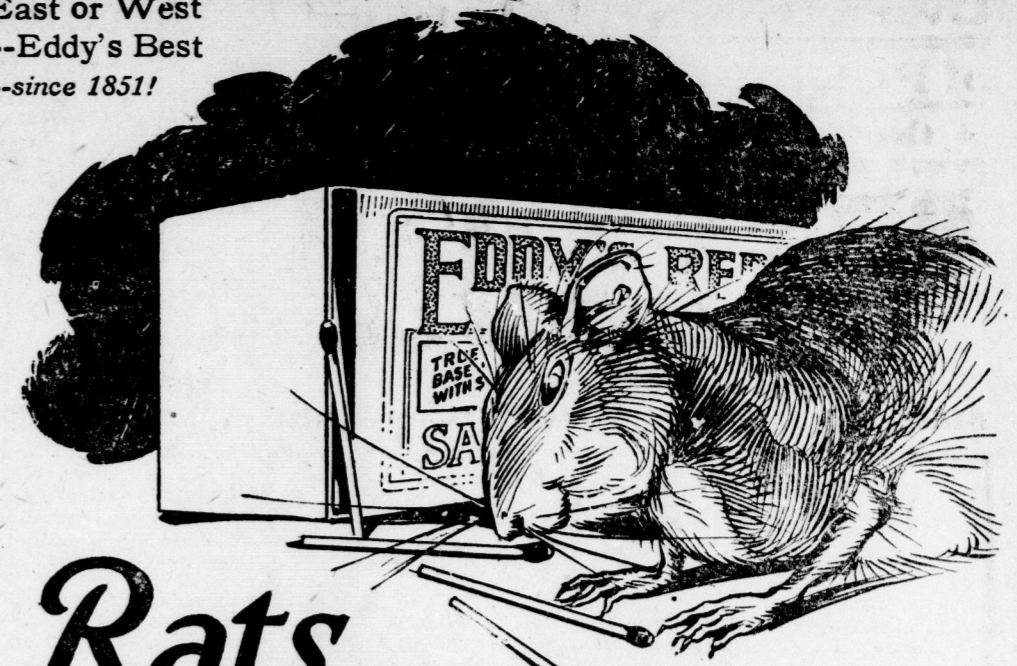
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QUEENSTOWN, March 19.—Cameroon, New York.

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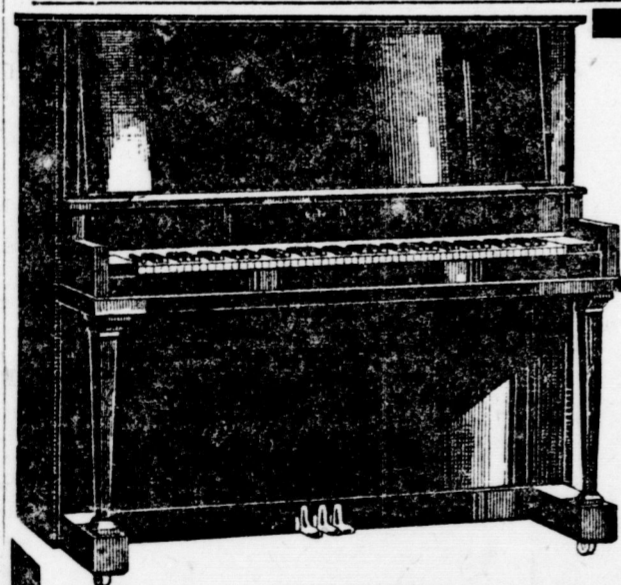
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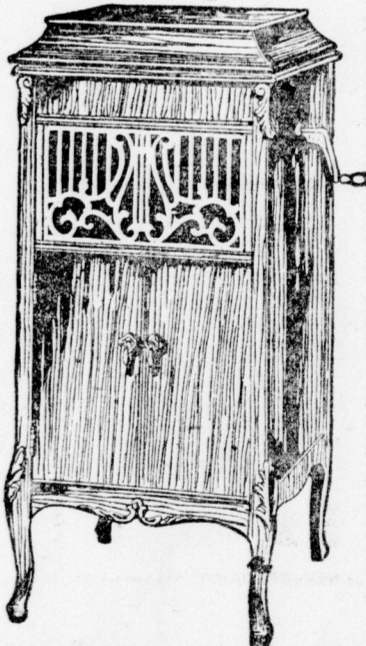
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