SUPPORT FOR BECK FUND TO REACH HALF MILLION

London Gives $78,100 to Sanatorium Endowment—Maguire Is Confident Provincial Objective Will Be Reached——Tributes Offered at City Banquet.

London has contributed $78,100 of the $400,000 already pledged in Ontario for the Beck memorial endowment fund for Queen Alexandra sanatorium.

This double announcement, together with that of a private subscription of $10,000 in London, was made at a city and provincial committee' campaign banquet held in Smallman & Ingram's dining-room last night.

It was further intimated by Ald. James McCormick and Commissioner T. W. McFarland, on behalf of the city council and the public utilities commission, respectively, that large donations to the fund will be forthcoming from these civic bodies.

Col. Ibbotson Leonard, D.S.O., chairman of the London drive, presided at the affair, at which positive assurance was given that Ontario will reach the original objective of $500,000 before the appeal is closed during the next few days.

Inspiring Addresses.

C. Alfred Maguire, Toronto, recently-appointed member of the hydro-electric power commission of Ontario, gave one of the most inspiring addresses yet heard in London since the inauguration of the endowment drive the beginning of last month.

John O'Connor, chairman of the Toronto drive, which now reaches nearly $200,000, considerably beyond its objective; Cyrus Keene, provincial organizer of the campaign, and the local division commanders also spoke during the evening.

"London is over its objective," declared Gerald F. Pearson, treasurer of the local campaign, "but that is thanks to a special, large subscription, the donor of which we are not permitted to name at the present time. We are not satisfied because the ordinary drive has not gone over, and our object is to have each of the team captains take a list of about 16 names for a further canvass, which, combined with 2,600 letters we have already sent out, we hope to bring the regular drive up to the mark, so that the city may reach $90,000 for the fund."

High-Grade Leadership.

"Up to Saturday night there was $358,580 definitely pledged to the Beck fund," began Mr. Keene, explaining the provincial situation, "but amounts that have come in since that time run the total up to $400,000 in round numbers. We still have about 112 towns and villages in the province which have had campaigns, but which have not yet reported any returns to our Toronto headquarters, and we still have a large number of cities and larger towns in which the campaign is still progressing, and there is no doubt whatever but that the $500,000 objective will be fully secured.

"The leadership in this campaign has been of the very highest grade in every community," affirmed Mr. Keene, touching upon some of the hight lights of the drive, "and that in itself is a splendid testimonial to the campaign It is a noteworthy fact that in Preston two board members of a tuberculosis hospital there have led the campaign in that town, holding the sound, broad-minded view that interest stimulated in the Beck campaign for Byron sanatorium is bound to reflect itself in greater interest in the future in the fight against the dread white plague everywhere throughout the province in the days and years to come."

Tribute to Sir Adam.

"We have not any too many men in public life today of the same spirit as the late Sir Adam Beck," began Mr. Maguire, "and to me this Beck endowment campaign is to show other public men that people do not forget and that they are willing and eager to honor the memory of a man who stood pre-eminently for public service. And I have found that to be true in this campaign, because I personally have secured handsome subscr ptions from men who always strongly opposed Sir Adam's policies.

"This Beck campaign is going to accomplish something else," pursued Mr. Maguire, "because it is going to place the responsibility for caring for indigent patients in institutions such as Byron sanatorium where it belongs, and that is upon the state. True, the state does today contribute something, but it is only 75 cents per day, and the municipallies $1.50 per day, a mere pittance.

"Sir Adam Beck saved Toronto $33,-000,000 since hydro went into the city," stated Mr. Maguire, who is an ex-mayor of the Queen City, "and that is merely a statement of fact. It is public service for which Sir Adam gave and sacrificed his very life. If we had not had a man of Beck's vision Ontario would be in a terrible position today. As it is, if we don't get more power, there is going to be a shortage next year. We need more power, and we must get it from somewhere, because we aren't now ourselves building any power units.

Sir Adam's Last Wish.

"This Beck endowment," continued Mr. Maguire, "is a peace memorial to a great man, Sir Adam Beck, but, as I have said, it is more than that, because it denotes recognition of public service."

"The workingman everywhere in Ontario has comforts today," pointed out Mr. O'Connor, "that only the rich could have afforded 20 years ago. And all because Sir Adam Beck, instead of devoting his talents to the production of what might be termed phantom luxuries, gave his life to the development of hydro.

"Sir Adam, it seems to me," concluded Mr. O'Connor, "faced death in an agony of mind lest, after his death, the doors of Byron satatorium might have to close to patients who could not pay for their care, and it has been to prevent such a happening that I and hundreds of others have given of our time and resources for the Beck fund."

Help From the Council.

Speaking in place of Mayor-elect J. M. Moore, who was unable to be present, Ald. McCormick extended a cordial welcome to Mr. Maguire, Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Keene.

"I can assure you that the council will come to the rescue," said Ald. McCormick, "and that you can count on the council to help to the fullest extent."

J. J. McHale, A. E. Silverwood, T. W. McFarland, W. N. Manning, R. H. Dowler and Frank White, M.P., all spoke briefly, and the banquet was brought to a close with the understanding that the different division commanders and team captains will make a determined effort to clean up the local campaign within the ensuing week or ten days.

DUMBELLS BACK BETTER THAN EVER

Lucky Seven Greeted by Enthusiastic Audience On Return To Grand.

For seven years the Dumbells, with their fascinating annual revues, have captivated Canada, particularly London. But in Lucky Seven, their latest, presented at the Grand theatre last night for the second time this season, they reached a climax of success. The Dumbells, they are all so well known—Al. and Morley Plunkett, "Red" Newman, Ross Hamilton, Ben Allen, Pat Rafferty, Jock Holland and Glen Allen—pervade Lucky Seven with all their old-time lovable twists, and in it they attain a certain finesse of presentation lacking in their earlier performances.

A near-capacity audience greeted the Dumbells last night. They had applause for their former efforts, but the applause which met the finale was for talent and ability, crammed into a few short hours of worth-while entertainment.

Funny and human, the Dumbells company always was; only one thing it lacked in the first years following the war—smoothness of presentation. Now this weakness is altogether eradicated. There is a new-found professionalism, if it may be called, ascribable to snappiness of sequence, settings, orchestra, and a deeper knowledge of the public's taste. The Plunketts and their confreres have developed a new sense of when to do a thing and when it should be done; their settings are gorgeously displayed without sacrifice to aesthetic values and the band, under the guiding hand of Martin Fogg, displays more aplomb and dash than heretofore.

Changed For Better.

In four months Lucky Seven has undergone a noticeable change. It is a change for the better, of course, for Pat Rafferty, the little wonder—amusing, pathetic, with a voice that is a pleasure to hear—is given more work to do with sufficient opportunity to display his best.

"Marjorie" is more beautiful than ever with his remarkable effeminate taste for becoming costume. "Red" Newman will never lose his pep nor even his infectious laugh; Al. Plunkett sings as delightfully as ever; Glen Allen's dancing is as graceful as that of the leader of the ballet; Stan Bennett has not become Canadianized and his accent is still irresistible—what more could be desired?

Opening Good.

The opening was unusually well done, and the finale lagged not a bit. In between there was riotous mirth and moving color, which at times transformed the stage into a bower of beauty. There is an attractiveness to the Dumbells company which one cannot resist. It is a native organization which can sing, dance, play, and at the same time preach a deeper nationalism. Up the Hill, a patriotic scene of the second act, an allegorical tableau, had its lesson, one that every Canadian might take to heart, even though it was a trifle "preachy." But it was in Us Girls Must Have Our Fun that the outstanding hit of the whole program was made, a turn with a sense of the English high-class slapstick that many skits of a similar nature lack deplorably.

Lucky Seven will be shown at the Grand for only the first three days of this week.

AT THE THEATRES

CAPITOL THEATRE.

The King of Main Street.

Adolphe Menjou, starring in The King on Main Street, at the Capitol theatre for the first half of the week, appears in the finest role of his career. Menjou is a finished moving picture actor, but in this his latest picture he goes one step further, in that he captivates the interest and sympathies of all.

Second in interest to Menjou on the bill is the glimpse of London's traffic tower, the first of its kind in Canada, in the Pathe news revue. And what's more, on the tower in the film taken during the past summer is the banner announcing London's centennial celebration next year, and that advertising, together with Mayor G. A. Wenige prominent in the foreground, will go from coast to coast and put the city and the centennial on the map in a unique way.

Harry Carter, the Capitol singing usher, is back on the job again, much to the delight of the theatre's patrons, and this week he sings, Brown Eyes, Why Are You Blue? The bill also includes the Pathe review, a comedy, Andy Gump's Stump Speech, and the Capitol Little Symphony orchestra.

Assisting Menjou in the feature picture, which is based upon The King, the stage play by Leo Ditrichstein, are Bessie Love and Greta Nissen. The scenes of the story, and it is rarely that such a wide range occurs in one picture, are laid in the mythical kingdom of Molvania, in Paris, a small American town, in New York and at Coney Island. And then, too, there are technicolor process pieces at the beginning and close of the picture, representing a gorgeous dress review of the Molvanian troops, that are indeed a treat.

Certainly the picture, with Menjou at his admirable best, is a delightful one and for a pleasant evening should not be missed.

LOEW'S THEATRE

Lovers in Quarantine.

The metamorphosis of the awkward, clownish, silly young sister into a really charming young person, the object being to win the heart of her sister's lover, gives a new angle to a familiar plot in Lovers in Quarantine, featuring Bebe Daniels, showing at Loew's the first three days of this week. The picture, while much more entertaining than the average, in no way excels the rest of the bill. The three vaudeville acts are all headliners, and it is a treat to see three such turns on the one bill. Pathe news and a Spat Family comedy complete the show. The Spats get into a merry mixup in a mythical kingdom, attempting to set up a Ford for the monarch, a rather novel plot for a comedy, which serves well its purpose to create laughter.

The real fun in the feature begins when Miss Daniels goes to the ship to elope with her elder sister's fiance, said sister being securely locked in a closet at home. Her chagrin when she finds that he regards her as a mere child, not to be tolerated, soon turns to a real desire to show him that she can act the lady when it suits her purpose. The ending proves beyond a doubt that the old familiar saying that clothes make the man is even more applicable to the fair sex. The scenes when the unmarried pair are put in the bridal cottage on the quarantine island form a rather daring but really exciting climax to the picture.

Charlie Rogers & Company in an amusing skit, The Ice Man, provide quite the best act of its kind seen here for a long time. The pantomime art of the small fellow is equalled by the acting of the big chap, and the two are set off by a young lady, who is good to look upon, Harvey, Harvey and Grace have a mixture of blackface comedy and music. The gags are new. The first act, Wilson and Gorman Sister, a Chinese magical act, featuring the golden butterfly illusion, more than deserved the plaudits they won yesterday.

FIREMEN HELPING CHRISTMAS CHEER

Books and Toys Are Repaired Preparatory To Visit of Santa Claus.

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Dec. 14.—Fire Chief Mitrella and his staff are busy repairing toys and binding books to be distributed among the poor of the city on Christmas day. One table is loaded down with books, the majority of them in excellent condition, while another part of the room forms a regular Santa Claus workshop, with cradles, trains, rocking horses and a hundred and one other things to please the childish mind.

A children's benefit dance will be staged in the Masonic Temple on Thursday evening of this week. The well-known Acadian orchestra will supply the music.

Rev. Capt. N. H. Macgillivray, former pastor of Knox Presbyterian church, city, and now of Owen Sound, was a visitor in the city over the week-end. He is recovering from a nervous breakdown.

C. St. Clair Leitch, K.C., has received word that the hearing of the seven Presbyterian churches in Elgin county, making application before the church property commission for a decision on properties held in dispute by uniting and nonconcurring churches in the district, will be held after the New Year.

A valuable horse belonging to E. Douglas, coal merchant, showed his antipathy for the St. Thomas street railway system today, when it ran away and crashed head-on into a bob-car on the Wilson avenue bridge. The animal broke its jaw and was destroyed by the humane society officer, Dr. McCall. The motorman on the street car, seeing that he could not avert a crash with the runaway steed, deserted his post for the rear of the car—and safety.

Says Canada Can Absorb 200,000 Settlers a Year

To Go On the Land—Hon. Charles Stewart Announces Plans For Vigorous Immigration Policy Covering the U. S., Great Britain and Europe.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—"Plans are under way for carrying out of a vigorous immigration policy—covering the United States, the British Isles and European countries—and Canada can absorb 200,000 agrarian settlers per annum," declared Hon. Charles Stewart, acting minister of immigration, interviewed here today. This is taken to mean that the dominion government will aim to bring in 200,000 settlers during the next year.

Mr. Stewart, while stating that the complete immigration policy would not be made public until the parliament meets, intimated that railway and steamship companies would co-operate both in the Old Country and on the continent, and that officials of the immigration department will interest themselves in securing United States settlers.

The government's aim, he said, was to settle 90 per cent of the newcomers on the land, as compared with 25 per cent so settled in the days of heavy immigration.

Speaking of the coming session of parliament, Mr. Stewart said the question of adjustment of land values in the case of soldier settlers would be considered, and that the question of Alberta's natural resources would be further dealt with.

Mr. Stewart left for Ottawa this morning.

ORIGINAL TREATIES ARE GIVEN LEAGUE

Chamberlain Hails New Peace Era at Impressive Ceremony in Geneva.

Associated Press Despatch.

Geneva, Dec. 14.—The formal depositing of the original copies of the Locarno treaties with the league of nations was the occasion for an impressive ceremony at today's meeting of the league council. Speakers referred to the growing authority of the league's principles and declared that the covenant had inspired the Locarno accords.

Officially handing over the documents to Sir Eric Drummond, the secretary-general, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that the signatory powers had entered a new phase of international relations which would guarantee between them. He said these nations had undertaken to avoid carefully anything which would in any way be a menace to others and that this would help to stabilize the peace of the world.

M. Paul Boncour, the French representative, read a message from Premier Briand, in which M. Briand said that the Locarno treaties, which are linked with the league, indicate the growing strength of the league, the vigilant attentions of whose council constitutes the best guarantee against war.

BAPTISTS CALL REV. W. RAITHBY

Petrolia Pastor Sought To Fill Vacancy in Ingersoll Church.

Special to The Advertiser.

Ingersoll, Dec. 14.—On behalf of the congregation of the Baptist church, a call has been extended to Rev. William Raithby of Petrolia. He was heard at both services on Sunday. The pastorate has been vacant for several weeks, owing to the resignation of Rev. Donald MacIntyre. Rev. Raithby's reply has not yet been received.

The funeral of Mrs. Robert MacMillan was held today from the residence of her brother-in-law, B. A. MacMillan, to the Roman Catholic cemetery. At the church of the Sacred Heart, requiem mass was celebrated by the Rev. Fr. Fuerth.

Successful pupils of Ingersoll schools tonight received their prizes for meritorious standing during the year. The presentations were interesting features of the annual commencement exercises, held in the town hall under the auspices of the board of education. Col. T. R. Mayberry, chairman of the prize committee of the board, presided. The attendance was large.

FIGHT AGAINST TARIFF BEGUN AT WASHINGTON

Democratic Congressman Demands Downward Revision of Customs Schedule.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The tariff fight threatened by Representative Hull, Democrat, of Tennessee, was put under way today in the house, when the former chairman of the Democratic national committee introduced a resolution calling for a downward revision of duties.

It was set forth in the resolution that "it was the sense of congress that the existing high tariff rates should be immediately revised downward to a level of moderate rates for revenue."

INCOME TAX SLASHES PASSED BY U. S. HOUSE

Single Persons Exempted To $1,500, Married Persons To $3,500.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 14. — The sweeping reductions in income taxes proposed in the revenue bill were approved today by the house.

The new rates provide for a cut in the maximum surtax from 40 to 20 per cent, and for reductions in all the normal taxes.

Overwhelming support of the non-partisan bill drafted by the ways and means committee developed during the first day of consideration of amendments by the house. Half a dozen proposed changes were swept aside.

The most serious fight came on the proposal of Representative Rainey of Illinois, a Democratic member of the committee, to increase the maximum surtax rate to 25 per cent. It was rejected after a sharp three hours' debate, 196 to 117.

A large attendance participated in the five hours' discussion of the bill today, during which its most vital provisions were disposed of. Adjournment was taken when the provision to increase personal exemption from $1,000 to $1,500 for single persons, and from $2,500 to $3,500 for married persons, was reached. Several amendments are pending on this provision.

Cosgrave's Plan Balks De Valera

Will Prevent Taking of Referendum To Ratify Boundary Pact.

Associated Press Despatch.

Dublin, Dec. 14.—President Cosgrave, head of the Free State government, will present a motion in the Dail Eireann tomorrow, declaring that the bill recently passed ratifying the London agreement on the Irish boundary is necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace and safety. This motion, if adopted by both houses, will prevent the taking of the referendum demanded by Eamonn de Valera, the Republican leader.

MRS. J. S. PUTHERBOUGH HURT IN MOTOR SMASH

Auto Struck by Coupe at Queen's and Clarence—Cars Damaged.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Putherbough, 149 Mill street, escaped serious injury last night, when the car in which they were driving was struck by a light coupe, and turned over at the corner of Queen's avenue and Clarence street.

Mr. Putherbough was proceeding west on Queen's avenue. The other car, which was going north on Clarence street, hit the rear end of Mr. Putherbough's car, causing it to slew around with such force that the rear wheels broke under the strain, and the car turned over on its side. Broken glass, and wheels, and the top broken, were the main damages done to the Putherbough car. The other car had a broken bumper.

Mrs. Putherbough suffered from bruises on her arm and leg, and minor cuts.

CAMPAIGN TO ORGANIZE C. N. R. SHOP CRAFTS

C. B. R. E. To Undertake Membership Drive in London Division.

Plans for a membership drive to be held during the next two months in an endeavor to organize all the employees of the C. N. R. who are covered by its schedule, were discussed last night by the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees, who met in the I. O. F. hall last night. Efforts will be made to reach all classes of men, which include freight-shed men, station employees, all clerical workers, and laborers.

Plans for a big mass meeting of railway workers in January were laid, and an effort will be made to have A. R. Mosher of Ottawa, president of the association, address the gathering. The meeting will be an appeal for organization of all railway workers dealing with the classes covered by the schedule.

Notorious Crook Once More Free

"Bum" Rogers Escapes While Being Taken To Sing Sing For 22 Years.

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, Dec. 14.—John A. (Bum) Rogers, notorious crook, knocked down his guard and escaped from a New York Central train this afternoon as he was being taken to Sing Sing to serve 22 years for possessing firearms and for violation of parole.

Rogers persuaded the prison keeper in charge of him to unlock his handcuffs so he could go into a lavatory. When the handcuffs had been unlocked the prisoner knocked the guard down with them. He then ran to the crowded station platform and disappeared.

U. F. O. AND PROGRESSIVES WILL HOLD CONFERENCE

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Arrangements have been made for a conference between the U.F.O. political committee and a committee representing the Progressive party, with a view to bringing the two organizations closer together. The U.F.O. committee is made up of the following: W. A. Amos, president of the U.F.O.; Carl Jones, Elgin county; Harold McKechnie, vice-president of the U.F.Y.P.O.; Mrs. Myle Oper, president U.F.W.O.; Mrs. R. Wyman, of Thessalon, and Mrs. J. S. Amos.

A second duty of the U. F. O. political committee will be to co-ordinate the political activities of the various constituencies.

BLIZZARDS IN ROCKIES STOP U. S. AIR MAIL

Middle West in Grip of Storms—Snow Several Feet Deep.

Associated Press Despatch.

Chicago, Dec. 14. — Blizzards and snowstorms virtually stopped the air mail in the Rocky Mountain district, and railroads brought out their snow-plows in Colorado and Wyoming today, while colder weather overspread sections of the middle west.

Snowdrifts in some western towns western towns piled up several feet in the streets. At Laramie, Wyoming, the snowfall was reported as ten inches; Cheyenne had fourteen inches, and Denver five inches.

The temperature dropped to zero in Leadville, Colo., and was expected to fall to five degrees above zero in northern Iowa tonight.

JOSEPH RUSSEL DIES, PROMINENT IN POLITICS

Was Once Conservative Member in Federal and Provincial Houses.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Joseph E. Russell, former Independent Conservative member of parliament for East Toronto and former member of the Ontario legislature for Riverdale, died here today after a long illness, in his 58th year.

Mr. Russell, who was a prominent brick manufacturer, was born in Toronto and was educated at the public school and a business college. He was elected to the house of commons for East Toronto in the general election of 1908 as an Independent Conservative, but was defeated in 1911. He was elected to the legislature in 1914, defeating W. W. Hiltz and Thomas Black, but did not seek renomination in 1919 because of failing health.

Mr. Russell had a large farm on the Kingston road at Birchcliff, Toronto, and was noted all over the continent as an authority on dogs, poultry and pigeons. He is survived by his widow, one son and three daughters.

N. ONTARIO PROGRESSIVES PREPARE FOR ELECTION

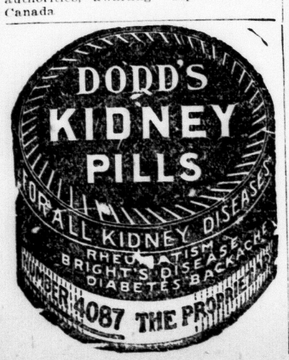
Canadian Press Despatch.

Beaverton, Ont. Dec. 14.—J. W. Widdifield was unanimously tendered the Progressive nomination for North Ontario at the next provincial election at a party convention here this afternoon. Mr. Widdifield is the present member for the constituency. T. W. Bell was nominated by the Conservatives to contest the riding, and Liberals will meet on Dec. 17 to name a candidate.

ESCAPED ROBBER CAUGHT.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Ed. Bayly, K.C., deputy attorney-general, has received word that Gordon Simpson, wanted here for bank robbery, and for escaping from Portsmouth penitentiary, is now being held by United States immigration authorities, awaiting deportation to Canada.



GRAHAM DECLINES COMMENT ON ALL-AMERICAN ROUTE

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The suggestion contained in Washington despatches that construction of an all-American water route from the Great Lakes to the Atlantic in preference to the St. Lawrence route was favored in certain quarters, was pointed out to Mr. Graham today. The minister declined to comment, saying that as chairman of the Canadian national advisory committee he preferred to wait until all the facts were before him before making any statement in regard to the St. Lawrence project.

MAN WOUNDED AS SHOTS END DRINKING PARTY

Canadian Press Despatch.

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—Three shots ended a party in a Manitoba wood camp, 35 miles southeast of Winnipeg, Sunday, and today, Mike Ryan is in the General Hospital here with a bullet wound in the groin, and Alexander Daignault, proprietor of the camp, is in jail at Sprague, Man. Daignault, who declares Ryan became quarrelsome after "many drinks," told the police he shot in self defence. He fired two "warning" shots, and was forced to "aim true" the third time, when Ryan threatened him. Ryan is in a serious condition.

Mine Project To Cost $24,000,000

Flin Flon Tract in Manitoba Bought by Harry Payne Whitney and Associates.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—The Manitoba Free Press, in a front-page article this afternoon, states:

"Twenty-four million dollars is involved in the purchase and subsequent development of the Flin Flon copper mine in northern Manitoba.

"The purchase price of the property is $4,500,000, of which the Mining Corporation of Canada gets $3,000,000 and a 10 per cent interest. H. P. Whitney and associates of New York are the purchasers."

The Flin Flon mine is located 118 miles from The Pas, Man., to the north west of the boundary line of Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and, according to the Free Press, the taking over of the mine will involve the construction of a railway, as an estimated cost of more than $2,000,000, and the construction of a town.

ST. MARYS YOUNG MAN CHARGED IN LIQUOR THEFT

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Marys, Dec. 14.—A local young man, who has been in trouble previously and was out on suspended sentence on a burglary charge, was arraigned before Police Magistrate Butcher here this afternoon on a charge of breaking into the drug store of E. M. Crosthwaite on Sunday morning and stealing two bottles of prescription liquor. He was remanded one week, and allowed out on $1,000 bail.

SANDWICH BACKS BRIDGE

Endorses Project by 20—1 Vote—Woman On School Board.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Windsor, Dec. 14.—The bridge plebiscite in Sandwich, taken for the purpose of determining whether or not the border municipalities favor Joseph A. Bower's scheme for building a bridge across the Detroit river, carried by nearly 20 to 1 tonight. Te final figures were 1,566 to 103. In a very light vote, the following were elected to the council: A. G. Hutchinson, 904; Engene Breault, 860; Ernest Thrasher, 848; C. E. Wadge, 842; W. P. Harvie, 711; C. T. Smith, 696.

For school board, Miss Gauthier headed the polls. J. A. McKeown and Arthur Osborne, were also elected. Those defeated were W. H. Doidge, W. E. Elliott and John V. Barr.

The hospital bylaw carried by 835 to 218.

ASK WASHINGTON'S AID.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 14.—Representative Bloom (Democrat, New York) announced last night that he would introduce a resolution in the house this morning requesting President Coolidge to urge representatives of the operators and miners to renew negotiations looking to a resumption of anthracite production.

IRISH BENEVOLENT SOCIETY GIVES $50 TO BECK FUND

A total of $310 was donated to various charities for their Christmas funds by the Irish Benevolent society at their meeting last night in the Tecumseh hotel.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 with the president, Charles B. Finney, in the chair, and was adjourned at 9 o'clock. The details of the donations follow: Sir Adam Beck fund $50; Protestant orphanage, $50; Mount St. Joseph, $50; house of providence, $25; aged people's home, $25; children's aid society, $20; and $10 to each of the following: Ladies' aid of Byron sanatorium, Salvation Army fund, Victorian Order of Nurses, Free Press Santa Claus fund, War Memorial children's hospital, St. Vincent de Paul society in each of the following parishes, St. Mary's, St. Peter's, St. Martin's and St. Michael's.

LATE GRASS FIRE GIVES DEPARTMENT A RUN

A large grass fire at 6 o'clock last night caused the local fire department a run to the vicinity of the C. N. R. roundhouse. It was the first time in years, according to the firemen at the central station, that they have ever been called upon to extinguish a grass fire this late in the year. Captain Scott regards it as most unique in the records of the local department.

U. S. INCOME TAX CUT.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 14.—The house today approved the normal and surtax income rates contained in the next tax bill.

Reduction in surtax rates from a maximum of 40 to a maximum of 20 per cent was approved after a three-hour fight. The normal income rates were accepted without challenge.

DRIVER IMPROVING.

David Field, driver of the car in which Orville Smith met his death on the Pipe Line road last Friday afternoon, is still confined to Victoria hospital. Although the injury to his hip is not serious, he is still suffering somewhat from delirium as the result of the shaking-up which he received. Hospital authorities stated last night that he had spent a restful day, and that he would be removed to his home in a few days.

APPEAL OF SPOTTON WILL BE HEARD TODAY

Mr. Justice Orde To Hear Plea Against North Huron Decision.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 14. — Application has been made at Osgoode Hall here on behalf of George Spotton, Conservative candidate in the North Huron federal election, for leave to appeal against the decision of Mr. Justice Wright, directing Judge Lewis of the county of Huron, who conducted a recount of the votes and declared Mr. Spotton elected over J. W. King, Progressive candidate, to continue the recount and include ballots with counterfoils attached which he had thrown out. The inclusion of these ballots would give Mr. King a majority and elect him as member for the constituency.

The application will be heard by Mr. Justice Orde tomorrow afternoon.

INDIAN YOUTH TAKEN TO SARNIA FOR TRIAL

High Constable Whiting and Detective William Byerley of Sarnia left London yesterday, taking with them Isaac Ireland, 17-year-old Indian boy, arrested for the Sarnia police on the Muncey reservation. Ireland faces charges of stealing bicycles in the St. Clair river city. He has been attending school on the Muncey reserve.

Death of Mrs. Stephen Leacock In Liverpool Nursing Home

Associated Press Despatch.

Liverpool, England, Dec. 14.—Mrs. Beatrice Leacock, wife of Stephen Butler Leacock, noted Canadian humorist and writer, and head of the department of political economy at McGill University, Montreal, died in a nursing home here today. Professor Leacock and her mother, Mrs. R. B. Hamilton, of Toronto, were with her when she died.

Mrs. Leacock was brought to Liverpool from Canada about three weeks ago, following an ineffectual operation for cancer, in the hope that a cure might be found in the new lead treatment recently discovered by Dr. William Blair Bell, professor of obstetrics and gynaecology at the University of Liverpool. Unfortunately her illness had advanced to such a stage before her arrival in Liverpool as to render it impossible for her to respond to the treatment.

RELEASED STRIKERS SUE FOR $100,000

Seamen's Union Officers, Ordered Deported, Ask Damages From Govt.

Associated Press Despatch.

Sydney, Australia, Dec. 14.—Tom Walsh and Jacob Johannsen, president and secretary, respectively, of the Australian Seamen's Union, whose appeal against the government's order of deportation was upheld last week by the high court, have brought suit against the government and Premier Bruce for £20,000 each.

Their wives also have filed suits asking £5,000 each for the "loss of their husband's services." Mrs. Walsh formerly was Miss Adela Pankhurst, youngest daughter of Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the noted militant suffragist leader.

Walsh and Johannsen were arrested on Nov. 20, under an order from the deportation board after they had been prominently associated with the present unofficial strike of British seamen. They were released December 11, when the high court upheld their appeal.

LUTHERAN PASTOR LEAVES STRATFORD CHURCH POST

Special to The Advertiser.

Stratford, Dec. 14.—Rev. O. C. D. Klaehn, D.D., has resigned from Zion Lutheran church here to go to Montreal. He will preach his farewell sermon on Sunday, December 27. The new pastor, Rev. F. M. Gruhn, of Hamilton, will preach his initial sermon on Sunday, January 3.

MANDAMUS TO COMPEL ADMITTANCE REFUSED

U. S. Supreme Court Fails To Remove Bar From Lovers' Path.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 14.—Marcus Gruber of New York was today denied permission by the supreme court to file a petition for mandamus to compel United States Consul General Halstead at Montreal to visa a passport for Rose Porter, so she may enter this country as a visitor. The court held that it was without original jurisdiction to consider the application.

Miss Porter only recently arrived from Russia, and wishing to visit Gruber, a relative, made application to enter this country. It was unsuccessful, and the case was taken to the supreme court.

Today's action by the supreme tribunal leaves another means of procedure open through the federal district court.

FREIGHTER BARLUM FOUND IN SHELTER AT BETE GRIES

Associated Press Despatch.

Houghton, Mich., Dec. 14.—Driven to cover by heavy season, lashed by a strong northwest wind, the freighter Thomas Barlum, of the Barlum Steamship Company, 48 hours overdue in Fort William, for the last two days has been sheltering in the Bete Gries harbor, according to advices received tonight from the Eagle harbor coastguard station.

The ship is reported to have left her haven at Bete Gries this morning at 5 o'clock.

INSURANCE RATES MOUNT WITH QUALITY OF FORCE

Special to The Advertiser.

Glencoe, Dec. 14.—The town council had a warm session tonight with the matter of fire insurance on municipal building supplying the heat. Some of the councillors feel that with the splendid fire-fighting force which Glencoe boasts, rates ought to be considerably lower. Reeve Alex MacPherson presided. It was the last meeting of the present council, and lasted until early in the morning.

Work has again been commenced on the provincial highway at Strathbourne, the ditching machines being in operation today. The work had been held up by the frost.

$85,000 FOR TOWN HALL

Goderich Ratepayers Asked to Approve Money Bylaw.

Special to The Advertiser.

Goderich, Dec. 14.—The town council has decided to place the question of the erection of a new town hall and municipal building to the ratepayers at the coming election. A bylaw has been drawn up to cover the debentures to the extent of $85,000. Plans for the four-story building have been submitted by architects of Toronto. The rear of the building on Newgate street will hold the fire department and firemen's quarters. On the top floor an auditorium is provided for.

The proposition was voted on last year as a referendum, when the people voted in favor of going on with the town hall project, but the present bylaw is required to permit the money to be raised.

MILK PRICE RISES

Three Distributors Announce Advance to Twelve Cents Per Quart in City.

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Dec. 14.—The Natural Pure Milk association, Yarmouth Dairy and St. Thomas City Dairy, representing the bulk of the milk distributors in the city, announce an advance in the price of the commodity to six cents a pint and twelve cents a quart.

Is Your Child Thin and Weak?

Cod Liver Extract in Sugar-Coated Tablets Puts on Flesh and Builds Them Up.

In just a few days—quicker than you ever dreamed of—these wonderful health building, flesh creating tablets called McCoy's Cod Liver Extract Tablets will start to help any thin, underweight little one.

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