

ST. GEORGE'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HAD A GOOD YEAR

Is Making Great Progress in the Community.

Reports submitted at the 29th annual congregational meeting of St. George's Presbyterian Church on Wednesday evening, showed that the church was making great progress in the community. The meeting was very largely attended, and Rev. John H. H. pastor of the church for several years, presided.

The financial report showed that \$1,450 was raised for congregational purposes during the year. The congregation and various organizations of the church also raised \$25 for missions and other benevolent purposes. A special vote of appreciation was extended to the congregation of the New St. James's Presbyterian Church for the kindly interest it had taken in the affairs of St. George's congregation during the past year. A vote of thanks was also extended to Miss Ella Angus, of the choir, for the valuable work she had accomplished during the year, and also to those who had assisted the congregation of the church.

A Western Ontario Housing Association Is Now Projected

Local Commission Thinks Co-ordination of Work of the Municipal Commissions Would Effect Added Efficiency and Economy.

A Western Ontario housing association to co-ordinate the work of the separate municipal housing commissions was projected at a meeting of the local commission last night. City Clerk Baker will communicate with other cities, where housing commissions are in existence to determine their views on this matter.

Chairman E. R. Dennis said he believed the new Provincial Government had an open mind on housing matters and would welcome any practical suggestions from the municipalities on the matter. He thought an association formed of the existing housing commissions of the district would lend strength to any plans proposed and would help in the development of legislation for housing purposes.

Another phase of such an action might be co-operative buying. He thought materials could be purchased much more cheaply if bought for all municipalities at once. The experience of each commission would be available for all the others as well.

In all probability a convention will be arranged here. The other municipalities will be asked to send representatives. Steps will be taken at this meeting to form a permanent association.

James Govan of the provincial secretary's department and Alfred V. Hall, landscape architect for the provincial commission, attended last night's meeting. They looked over the plans of the commission on the Pine Lawn project, and recommended that the commission proceed with the plan, as approved by J. A. Ellis of the Bureau of Municipal Affairs.

Land Surveyor Wanted. Accordingly the commission decided to secure the services of a land surveyor to prepare the preliminary plans.

The chairman and Commissioner Victor Jackson were appointed as a committee to interview applicants for this appointment. "Until this preliminary work is done no definite building plans can be made, but the commission intends to proceed with as many houses as possible, as soon as building can be done. As many as 40 houses may be built this year."

To carry out this work the commission will likely ask the Government to extend its departmental aid by about \$200,000.

Mr. Govan was pleased with the work already done here. He declared the buildings already erected to be of a much better construction than in many other cities.

BROWNSVILLE SETS GREAT EXAMPLE IN FORWARD MOVEMENT

'Disobeyers' by Offering Money Before Requested.

LEFT FOR CONFERENCE

London District Given Head Over All Other Methodist Circuits.

"Disobedience" on the part of Brownsville (South Oxford) Methodists in raising their quota in January has given London conference a start over all other parts of Canadian Methodism in the National Forward Movement campaign. The conference total is \$550,000, and the national total \$1,000,000.

In both churches on the Brownsville circuit, laymen stood up during service one Sunday, without collusion, and said that the people were ready to give at once. Returned soldiers were promised next in the offerings which were received at the church on a Monday.

The Brownsville story is being used all over Canada in anticipation of the February 9-14 drive of the churches. Methodism, with 400,000 members, is counted on for an average of \$10 per person. Ontario's quota is \$2,800,000.

The Toronto conference has been assigned \$1,100,000, and Hamilton \$800,000. Hamilton has the inspiration of a minister whose average salary for 25 years has been \$800 a year who is now \$300 of his present \$1,200 annual salary. One Bradford layman, according to the Christian Guardian, has had \$1,000 ready for the Methodist enterprise for the past three months.

Brook, Saskatchewan, has the honor of being the first Methodist appointment in the United States to surpass its objective. Brook "went over" in November. That province is to raise \$200,000 for Methodism.

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SIGNALERS' ASSOCIATION OF CITY NAMES OFFICERS

Capt. Butler Is President, and Capt. May Secretary.

A well-attended meeting of ex-signallers was held in the G. W. V. A. rooms on Wednesday evening, and some important business was transacted. Capt. Chester Butler was elected president, and Capt. H. T. May secretary. The association is composed of ex-signallers of the Canadian military and naval forces. The next meeting will take the form of a smoker and card party in the near future.

The members of the association are increasing in number, and now comprise ex-signallers of all sorts of units; infantry, predominates, but there are various other units represented, from the R. F. C. to anti-aircraft batteries. The association should appeal to all who were employed on communications overseas, and operators, linemen, railway runners and even pigeon men come equally under the title of signal service.

Any ex-signallers are invited to attend the smoker on Wednesday week, and should get into touch with the officials of the association, as a very successful evening is anticipated.

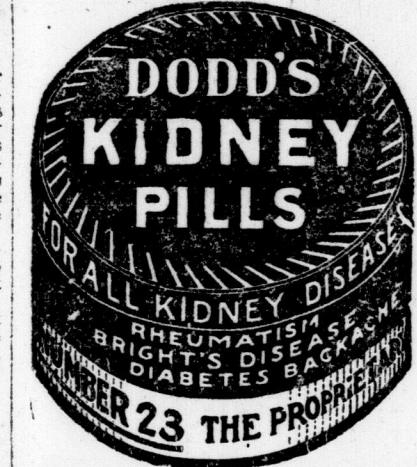
OUTSIDE LABORERS HAVE FORMED AN ORGANIZATION

To Be Called "Hedcarriers' and Laborers' Union."

Men engaged as outside laborers were successfully organized by H. Wray, A. F. of L. organizer, at 380 Richmond street, on Tuesday night. An application for the charter already has been sent to the international headquarters. More than 25 members were secured as a nucleus for a very strong organization. The new union is to be known as the "Hedcarriers' and Laborers' Union." All men who do outside labor are eligible for membership.

SKILLED HELP SHORT IN CITY, BRADSTREET'S SAYS

London reports to Bradstreet's that the industries of this city and district are experiencing active...



age of skilled help. The comparatively small surplus of labor is confined mostly to unskilled workers. The building trades are less active during the severe weather, but there are enough building projects already assured for 1920 to make this year a banner one in London's history.

Increasing attention is being paid to export, and numerous manufacturers have decided to exhibit their wares at the forthcoming Canadian show in London, England. Country trade is brisk, subject to the usual drawbacks caused by severe weather and copious snowfalls.

Country produce, especially butter and eggs, are selling in a firm market. Potatoes have advanced recently. City retail trade is quite satisfactory, and good reports are given by travelers operating in Western Ontario. Collections are satisfactory.

Inspector George W. Burgess of the Humane Society is making preparations for an inspection trip around the districts in the vicinity of London. One of the first places that he will visit will be Komoka.

Numerous reports have been received by him of people mistreating their animals. He is making the trip to verify the reports.

People are said to be leaving horses out in the cold, with very little to eat, if anything, and he is determined to put a stop to this practice. Animals suffer as much as human beings under these conditions, he points out.

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A HOMEMADE GREY HAIR REMEDY

You Can Make at Home a Better Grey Hair Remedy Than You Can Buy.

Grey, streaked or faded hair is not only unbecoming, but unnecessary. Anyone can prepare a simple mixture at home that will darken grey hair, and make it soft and glossy. To a half-pint of water, add 1 ounce of bay rum, a small box of Oris Compound and 4 ounces of glycerine.

These ingredients can be bought at any drug store at very little cost, or the druggist will put it up for you. Apply to the hair twice a week until the desired shade is obtained. This will make a grey-haired person look twenty years younger. It is easy to use, does not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy and does not rub off.

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Prospective purchasers of a phonograph will act wisely by taking advantage of this offer, as these prices are not only sound, but represent a positive saving of from 10 to 30 per cent over present prices. We have been advised that during February all phonograph prices will be advanced about 20 per cent.

NORDBHEIMERS

227 DUNDAS STREET. TWO DOORS WEST OF MAJESTIC.

TO INTERVIEW CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ABOUT PLAYGROUNDS

C. of C. and Social Service Joint Committee Will Make Recommendations.

At a joint meeting of the playground committees of the Social Service Council and Chamber of Commerce, held in the Chamber of Commerce last night, yesterday afternoon, Chairman Morley Adams, Rev. J. A. Stuart, Mr. Reimer and Mrs. G. M. Smith, of the Mothers' Club, were appointed as a deputation to interview the city council committee of the city council regarding the expenditure of the \$20,000 voted by the citizens on January first for public playgrounds.

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DIAMONDS AT HALF PRICE

\$25.00, 1 only, Lady's Ring, modified tiffany setting, 14-karat solid gold. \$12.50

\$150.00, 1 only, Lady's 3-Stone Diamond Ring, 14-karat solid gold setting. \$75.00

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\$8.00, 1 only, Diamond Ring. \$4.00

\$50.00, 1 only, Single-stone Diamond Ring, modified tiffany setting, 14-karat solid gold. \$25.00

\$75.00, 1 only, lady's single-diamond, modified tiffany setting, 14-karat solid gold. \$37.50

\$8.00, 10-Karat Solid Gold Brooch, set with diamonds. \$4.00

\$60.00, 2 only, Ladies' Single-Stone Diamonds, tiffany set, 14-karat solid gold. \$30.00

\$200.00 Pendant, 14-karat, white gold, set with large sapphire and 10 diamonds. \$100.00

\$150.00 Lavalier, platinum, set with 25 diamonds. \$75.00

\$60.00 Pendant, 14-karat white gold, three diamonds. \$30.00

\$100.00 Turquoise and Diamond-Set Brooch. \$50.00

\$5.50, 10-Karat Solid Gold Brooch, set with diamonds. \$2.75

\$6.50, 10-Karat Solid Gold Brooch, set with diamonds. \$3.25

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\$18.00, 1 only, 16-size, 15-jewel, Nickel case, commercial standard movement. \$9.00

Clearing At Half Price

Paragon China, Gold Band China, With Black Greek Key

\$1.50, 5 only, Bread and Butter Plates. 75c each

\$2.00, 12 only, Tea Plates. \$1.00 each

\$2.50, 22 only, Breakfast Plates. \$1.25 each

\$3.25, 12 Dessert Plates. \$1.65

\$4.25, 12 only, Dinner Plates. \$2.15

\$4.00, 2 only, Cake Plates, square. \$2.00 each

\$6.00, 2 only, Small Platters, \$3.00 each

\$10.00, 1 only, Medium Platter. \$5.00

\$12.00, 1 only, Larger Platter. \$6.00

\$2.00, 12 only, After-Dinner Coffee Cups. \$1.00 each

\$2.50, 9 only, Chocolate Cups. \$1.25 each

\$2.25, 25 only, Tea Cups and Saucers. \$1.15 each

\$3.00, 6 only, Bouillon Cups. \$1.50 each

\$5.00, 2 Small Coffeepots. \$2.50 each

\$7.00, 7 pairs Creams and Sugars. \$3.50 pair

\$4.50, 1 only, Pitcher. \$2.25

Cut Glass At Half Price

75c, 1 only, Cream Pitcher, floral. 40c

50c pair Salt Dips. 40c pair

\$2.00 Floral Bonbon Dishes, with handle. \$1.00

\$2.00 Cologne Bottle. \$1.00

\$2.00 Vases, floral. \$1.00

\$2.25 Cream Pitcher, floral. \$1.15

\$3.50 Bonbon Dishes. \$1.75

\$5.00 Bonbon Dishes, floral with handle. \$2.50

\$5.00 Tall Comports, floral. \$2.50

\$6.50 Vases, star cut. \$3.25

\$7.00 Vase, tulip design. \$3.50

\$8.00 Water Sets, floral. \$4.00

\$9.00 Water Sets, floral. \$4.50

\$9.00 Rose Bowl, floral. \$4.50

\$18.00 Rose Bowl, floral. \$9.00

\$10.00 Cream and Sugar, floral. \$5.00 pair

\$15.00 Berry Bowl. \$7.50

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