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MALE PRINCIPALS AND ASSISTANTS TO RECEIVE INCREASES

Board of Education Adjusts Salary Schedule.

No increases in salaries were voted by the board of education at a special meeting yesterday afternoon, save for male principals of schools of twelve rooms and over, and male assistants. The others were refused.

The salaries of male principals in twelve-room schools and over will be from $1,400 to $2,000. It was formerly $1,300 to $1,800.

The male principals of seven to twelve room schools will be from $1,300 to $1,800. This is no change. The salaries of principals of from four to seven rooms will be $1,200 to $1,600. This was amended to make women eligible for positions as principals of these schools

The minimum salary of women teachers will be $550, an increase of $50. All teachers engaged in 1917 will receive $600, so that the change will make no difference. The maximum will be $900, the same as at present. The women asked for a minimum of $600, and a maximum of $1,200.

The salaries of male assistants of 12-room schools and over will be from $1,000 to $1,400. This is an increase of $200 in the maximum.

The male assistance in 12-room schools and over will be from $800 to $1,200. This is an increase of $200 in the maximum.

The increases will be at the rate of $50 per annum. Manual training rooms, domestic science rooms and swimming pools will be classed as rooms.

No change was made in the schedule of Collegiate Institute teachers.

There was little or no debate on the question. Trustee Rowe pointed out that there was no intention of increasing salaries. It was merely making an adjustment that should have been made some time ago. The male assistants' salaries were increased to keep desirable men in the employ of the board.

Middlesex Liberals Strongly Opposed to Provincial Election

Government's Failure to Make Good Its Promises Warmly Criticized.

MOUNT BRYDGES, Feb. 15.—At a well attended meeting of the Liberals of West Middlesex here this afternoon a resolution was passed unanimously that the Liberals of the district were not in favor of a provincial election at the present time, as it would divert attention from necessary winning-the-war work.

Rousing addresses were given by Archie McColg, M.P., of Chatham; Duncan Ross, M.P., of Strathroy, and J. C. Elliott, M.P.P., of Glencoe. The failure of the Government to make good on its pre-election pledges, the question of unfair manipulation of the soldiers' vote, war measures and greater production were discussed at some length. A feature of the meeting was the number of women present. All took the keenest interest in the speeches.

The speakers declared that had the Borden Government put one-half of the energy into voluntary recruiting measures that is being used now, conscription would never have been necessary.

Short addresses were given by Councilor Beach and John Brodie.

SUNDAY APPOINTMENTS.

Huron College appointments for Sunday are: St. James', London, Rev. Principal Waller, D.D.; Thedford, Rev. Prof. Wright, B.D.; St. Luke's, London, W. D. Davis; Epiphany, L. P. Hagger; St. Luke's Brantford, A. S. Mitchell; Eastwood, G. Vrooman; Chelsea Green, H. G. Crosby.

COUNCILLORS REGRET M. D. FRASER'S DEATH

At the regular meeting of the Westminster Township Council the following resolution, moved by J. S. Cousins and seconded by W. E. Grieve, carried unanimously:

"That we, the members and officials of the Westminster Township Council, having learned with the deepest regret of the death of our township solicitor, Mr. M. D. Fraser, K. C., wish to place on record our high esteem for him as a man of upright character. Being a native of this township, and for a great many years a leading ratepayer, he always took a deep interest in looking after the local affairs of the township that were placed in his hands. We will greatly miss his wise counsel and good advice, and we wish to extend our deep sympathy to his wife and family in the great loss they have sustained, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mrs. Fraser and family, signed by the reeve and clerk, and also embodied in the minutes of this council.

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Duty of Canada's Public Men Told by J. A. Sullivan.

J. A. Sullivan of Hamilton addressed the members of the Independent Labor party at the opening meeting of the association held in the trades and labor council rooms last night. Mr. Sullivan told of the work of the Independent Labor party in Canada, and stated that within the past six months the society had grown tremendously. In England and the United States, he alleged, the association has been flourishing for some years, but in Canada it is just in its infancy.

The speaker dwelt upon the necessity for the members of the party to abide by certain fundamental maxims in all their deliberations. He reprimanded those who allowed men in public office to become the people's masters rather than the people's servants.

"We leave too much to the politicians and do not look after our own important affairs. We elect men in the Government to be our servants, but if we do not watch them carefully they will become our masters," Mr. Sullivan said. "We have to rely on the younger members of this organization as the older ones have already fought for what we have now."

"We should be careful when we are voting, whether it is for a government or a school board, for one is just as important as another."

Mr. Sullivan added that the results of the election in Hamilton were most satisfactory. Practically every member of the Independent Labor party who ran was elected. He added that in Brantford the mayor and three aldermen are members of the I. L. P.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

A SOLDIER'S COMPLAINT.

To the Editor of The Advertiser:

I noticed in the papers of last Wednesday a report of the meeting of the board of health, in which the mayor questioned the right of the city in paying for soldiers at the Byron Sanatorium. Your report said that Dr. Hill stated that the city only paid part, while the Government paid the balance of the maintenance for the military patients at the sanatorium. Now, sir, all this is absolutely false. The Government pays every cent, and pays for more than we get in this institution; pays about treble for the soldier than what the city pays for the civilian patients. And if the city is paying anything for the keep of any soldier, whether overseas men or not, it is a direct imposition on the city. And further, it is time that there was some kind of an investigation re the management of this institution, either military or civil, as since the opening of this new building for the soldiers alone, conditions are absolutely rotten. Certain officials, both military and civilians, seem to think they are sent here and paid by the Government to make it unpleasant for the soldier. They don't trouble about whether we are kept warm or whether our food is satisfactory, etc., but busy themselves making all kinds of trouble, making rules to cause crime, i.e., stopping our friends or the lady societies who used to bring us little dainties to eat or a few cigarettes to smoke. All this is stopped now, while they serve us out with dry soda biscuits for our evening lunch. Our friends are now only admitted to visit us between 3 and 5 p.m., but as there are no cars running to Springbank between those hours, it practically amounts to a prohibition. There is an undercurrent of friction between everyone that makes co-operation impossible, and renders life here most unpleasant for all concerned, and I believe a real inquiry would do a lot of good for all and relieve the pressure of friction that has prevailed for some time past. If space permitted I could detail many other conditions that go to make this place like a prison camp (i.e., guards pacing up and down the hallways, etc.), instead of a comfortable, pleasant home of contentment which is so necessary in the treatment of this disease.

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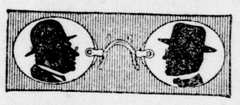

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