

ALL CITY DOINGS

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London's Evening Newspaper—"All The News That's Fit to Print."

BAPTIST YOUTH OF CITY HOLD ANNUAL RALLY

Many Hear Address by Toronto Speaker in Wortley Road Church.

CHURCH HISTORY RETOLD

Rev. M. Smith Recalls Stand of Leaders For Their Convictions.

Members of the Baptist Young People's Union in all the Baptist churches in the city, met in Wortley Road Baptist Church for their annual rally Monday night, taking the capacity of the church to its utmost. It seemed as if all the members of the various church organizations had turned out for the expressed purpose of carrying off the banner that was always awarded to the church having the largest number present. After a few minutes of excitement during the counting of the different church representatives, the banner was presented to Egerton Street Baptist Church, having an attendance of 253. Wortley Road came next with 227, then Maitland Street with 158, Adelaide Street with 141, Talbot Street with 123.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are: Honorary president, Frank Pearce; president, Miss P. Kennedy; vice-president, N. M. Miller; recording secretary, Miss Veda Detler; recording secretary, N. Post; treasurer, Miss L. Baskette.

Gives Inspiring Address.

A very powerful and inspiring address was given by Rev. M. Smith, Emmanuel Church Toronto, the subject being "Digging Wells."

"You all remember reading about the wells of Abraham, how they were looked upon in his day as representing great wealth. You all remember how after a time his enemies came and filled them in so that the little could not quench their thirst or the thirsty traveler refresh himself. And you will no doubt remember how after a time they were dug and made serviceable again. It is this re-digging that we are concerned with just now, and what I wish to impress on the young people is the necessity for them to dig where their forefathers dug, in the wells of prayer and the wells of righteousness."

The Young People's Society, said the speaker, was the training ground of the church, for it discovered the church workers, trained them and distributed them among the different activities of the church. The Young People's Society was constantly losing its members through adding valuable members to some other sphere of the work.

Outlines Baptist History.

Mr. Smith outlined the history of the Baptist Church from the time of its inception almost to the present day, giving many instances of men who had made it possible for the church to play such a prominent part in the religious life of the world. It was all done through men having conviction and knowing that that conviction was right, the courage to stick to it into effect, he said.

Rev. N. S. McKelvie of Wortley Road Baptist Church spoke for a short time, reminding the young people of the coming provincial convention in May, which is to be held in London this year.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Rev. A. C. Bingham for the splendid work that he has accomplished among the young people during his work in the city.

STATES GOVT. COULD AUTHORIZE DENTAL PROBE

It should not be required that the Trades and Labor council send a delegation to the next meeting of the London Board of Health to specify any particular instance in connection with its petition for an inspection of local dental parlors.

So declares Dr. Hugh A. Stevenson, M.L.A., who points out that the council has merely asked that a general inspection be held in the interests of public health.

Should the local health authorities not accede to the demand Dr. Stevenson explains that the provincial government, by the passage of an order-in-council, can make the same compulsory.

The board of health has already asked that the delegation from the trades council attend Wednesday's meeting.

Two bells of Seaton Parish church, Devon, England, are still and, though made in 1430.

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Robin Arrives in London; Heralds Coming of Spring

FLOODS of sunshine, and other evidences of spring-like weather, has led certain Londoners to believe that they have caught the song of the robin's return. Reports were current, in barber shops and other rendezvous, where tail tales are always to be found, Tuesday morning, that robins had been heard and even seen. There was a prevailing suspicion that if such were the case, the birds in question had never left for the south. Thursday, Monsieur Groundhog, so fable runs, shall come out of his hole and see, if all's well or not for the next six weeks. Until then no verdict can be given as to whether or not spring is here.

Town Topics.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Your fathers, where are they? And the prophets, do they live forever? But my words and my statutes which I commanded my servants the prophets, did they not take hold of your fathers?—Zachariah 1:5, 6.

AN engine of one catpower running all the time is more effective than a team of 40 horsepower, standing idle.—George William Curtis.

TOMORROW'S DOINGS.

WEDNESDAY—Oscar E. Fleming, president of the Canadian Deep Waterways Association addresses joint meeting of Canadian Club and Chamber of Commerce at Tecumseh House, 12:30 o'clock. City Finance Committee meets 8 o'clock. Trades and Labor Council meets at Labor Temple, 8 o'clock.

THIEVES ENTERED the home of Rev. T. S. Roy, Sunday, and stole among a number of other articles, the handsome club bag recently presented to him by the Kiwanis Club.

T. G. MEREDITH, city solicitor, is preparing the necessary bylaw to be presented to the city council for consideration Monday evening next, relative to the proposed public utilities expenditures for 1922.

MISS M. DOWNEY, an elderly woman of No. 2 Argyle street, sustained a broken hip as a result of a fall when she stumbled against an article of furniture in her own home Thursday last. Miss Downey was immediately removed to Victoria Hospital where owing to the seriousness of the injury, she will be obliged to remain for some weeks.

DR. R. R. MCLENNAN, of Toronto, director of a division of the provincial board of health, will address the Western Ontario Academy of Medicine on the prevention of certain diseases on Tuesday next at five p.m. The address, which will be illustrated by lantern slides, will be given in the auditorium of the Western University Medical School.

URGES LAYMEN TO ATTEND CONGRESS

Col. C. M. R. Graham Appeals For Support of Presbyterian Laymen's Convention.

At a meeting of the Presbyterian council in St. Andrew's Church, Monday evening, Col. C. M. R. Graham urged the support of the laymen in the Laymen's Convention to be held in St. Andrew's Church next Thursday.

The convention will commence with a luncheon prepared by the women of the churches throughout the city and will be followed by speakers from London and vicinity, whose subject will be the work of minimum stipend which, according to Col. Graham, a local paper declared was to be the subject.

A discussion will be held as to the various ways in which the minister may be benefited by the wholehearted support of the laymen. The object of the convention is to promote a "get-together spirit" among the churches, that the ideas of laymen of the church may compare with those of the laymen of another church. The luncheon will be free and Col. Graham pointed out there should be in addition to a good local attendance a large number of laymen from the surrounding district.

ELECT OFFICERS FOR W. O. R. SERGEANTS' MESS

The members of the W. O. R. Sergeants' Mess held a meeting in the armories Monday evening, and elected officers for the current year. It was decided that their first entertainment would be a euchre and smoker on Feb. 13. Although the members of the mess have held many entertainments, this is the first time that they have got under way as a going organization.

The officers elected were: C. S. M. Wilcox, president; John C. S. M. Bendie, secretary-treasurer. Those elected on the mess committee were: Sergt. J. Murray, D. C. M. Sergt. J. Kilty, C. Q. M. S. C. Smith. Regimental Sergeant Major E. Watt presided at the meeting.

FORMER COMMODORE DIES.

LONDON, Jan. 30.—Captain John Pritchard, former commodore of the Cunard Line, died yesterday. He was the commander of the Mauretania on that vessel's maiden voyage from Liverpool to New York in 1907. He started life at sea as a cabin boy.

URGES BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF CHILD MIND

Rev. Dr. Beattie Gives a Thoughtful Address Before Union Mothers' Club.

RESPECT AIR CASTLES

Declares All Beautiful Things Possible to Youth Through Imagination.

"Emerson has said: 'The chief want in life is some friend to make us do what we can.' Are you that kind of friend to your child?" was the question which Rev. William Beattie, D.D., C. M. S., put to the members of the Union Mothers' Club Monday evening in an awakening address on "Understanding the Child," delivered at the January meeting in the Lord Roberts School.

Two general principles were developed: (1) "Our surest guidance for our training of the child is by observing the child," and (2) "All progress is a process." Dr. Beattie urged, "not just that he is good in literature at school, which may be only something he has pigeon-holed into his mind. Know the whole child, the tendencies, interests of the boy or girl. Know what they are doing. Keep very close to them."

"Remember that the boy is growing. He is not today what he was yesterday. Today is built on the foundation of yesterday, and the superstructure of tomorrow on today."

Emphasizing the importance of training, "If the child is allowed natural growth and that alone, nature will produce wild growth," said the speaker, "it is our part to supply the light, warmth, sights and sounds which will develop out of the natural, the mature and beautiful."

"Thank God, education is no longer regarded as the pigeon-holing of information in the minds of children! It is the training of human life; that is our task."

Physical Training Needed. In the training of human life, the speaker gave a place of prominence to the training of the body by the supervision of food and exercise, seeing that the growing boy and girl get enough sleep and exercise.

"These are commonplace things," perhaps, said Dr. Beattie, "but they are indispensable to full development to the highest possibilities. Too many children are sleeping with the windows closed at night when they need good, fresh air. Every boy and girl under 12 years should be in bed at 8:30 o'clock at night to get enough sleep. You say it can't be done? If it can't be done in the homes, have a care that your children are falling to get the advantages that organizations are offering to the underprivileged."

In connection with the training of the mind, the speaker stressed the point that the supremely important faculty to develop is that of discrimination between what the mind should retain and assimilate for its strengthening, and reject as harmful. The lowest forms of animal life, he mentioned, in the instinctive reaching out for food, assimilating that which is needed, and rejecting what is useless, teach lessons with regard to the mind.

The factor of example in training was next emphasized. The father stands to the little child as God until the mind is sufficiently developed to transfer the idea to a supreme being.

Fidelity Menaces. In conclusion, the speaker urged, "with relation to every sacred thing, try to suppress the flippancy of the age." "Permit no flippancy with regard to the holy day or the house of prayer. Sometimes even the teaching in the Sunday school has a tendency to flippancy of tone responsible. However, and much to be regretted, is a certain type of movie that presents family life always as a sort of burlesque. Teach your children to realize that life holds bigness and beauty of which they have not yet dreamed; teach them to value the sacred things of life."

A word of admonition was spoken with regard to respecting the castles in the air of the boys and girls, because "all beautiful things are possible through imagination. Our castles are still in the air. We have some of life before us. They have all of life."

John Rose, president of the London Union Mothers' Club, presided, and among the important business brought up was a communication from the board of education, asking that all requests from individual mothers' clubs be submitted to the school board through the union mothers' club, and that all requests for supplies and improvements for schools from individual clubs be submitted through the union club not later than Feb. 15, early enough to be included in this year's estimates.

Comply With Request.

Trustee (Mrs.) John I. A. Hunt, who was a visitor at the meeting, stated that this method had been adopted in Windsor, saving the time of the school board and strengthening the individual clubs in their requests through the backing of the federation.

It was unanimously decided to comply with the request of the board.

The Hale Street Mothers' Club raised the point that the club had planned to send a deputation to wait on the next meeting of the board of education with regard to the building of a new school in the district. What action should be taken in order to get the matter, felt to be supremely important, before the board, before the estimates for the year were struck.

Since the question was not one of "supplies" it was decided that the Hale Street Club should proceed as originally planned.

Expect Board To Approve New West London School Building

Shall West London tax-payers witness the construction of a new public school in 1922? The next move in that direction will occur at the next regular meeting of the board of education when the trustees will be asked to grant their approval to the proposal to secure options on certain sites in that district.

As the tract occupied by the Empress avenue school will hardly be adequate for a modern 17-room school, as desired, an inspection of West London has ensued with the result that two likely locations were picked out.

While practically all the members of the board have as individuals at some time or another expressed their opinion that West London needs a new school in the worst way, they have not as a board officially taken such action. This also will be done it is expected, at the next gathering.

PIPER PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO BIGAMY CHARGE

Denial of Accusation Obliges Crown To Bring Witnesses To City.

WIFE LAYS INFORMATION

Claims Husband Was Previously Married to Girl in Windsor.

Stanley Piper pleaded not guilty to the charge of bigamy when he appeared in police court Tuesday. The charge was preferred by his wife, formerly Alice Dobson, Monday, and he was arrested at his boarding house Monday afternoon by city detectives and lodged in jail. His wife alleges that he married a Miss Laura Laureux on March 20, 1913, in Windsor, the marriage ceremony being performed by Rev. W. J. Sneegrove of Windsor.

The marriage to Miss Dobson took place in London on March 30, 1917. It is alleged that he married Miss Laureux prior to going overseas with the C. M. R. Upon his return he married Miss Dobson.

Crown attorney J. E. McKillop, K.C., stated that if Piper did not change his plea it would be necessary to obtain witnesses. These would have to be obtained from a distance and there would be considerable expense attached. The case was adjourned one week and if in the meantime Piper changes his plea, the case will be heard.

Piper asked the Crown Attorney if he would be permitted to obtain witnesses.

"Certainly, if you want to," replied the crown attorney.

Piper made a statement to the detectives when he was brought to the station which will have an important bearing on the case.

NAMES STAFF TO MAKE CITY ASSESSMENT

Commissioner Grant's Workers to Commence Valuation of London Wednesday.

RECEIVE INSTRUCTIONS

Messrs. Burwell and Barr Are Already at Work in West London.

Seven assessors for general work and three for special effect makes up the force of Assessment Commissioner S. Grant for 1922. Wednesday morning a start on the new assessment will be made.

Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock a conference of all the assessors and assessors' clerks was held, at which final instructions for the expeditious carrying out of the work were given.

With the exception of In London West, the new Richter scheme is working in the whole city, and it will be under this system that this year's assessment will be made. Two assessors, Messrs. Burwell and Barr, are now making a house appraisal of London West, and when this is complete the usual assessment will be gone on with.

Mr. Grant announced the personnel of his force as follows: M. O'Sullivan, to assess principally the important business section, court of revision, general office work; Neil Coughlin, 241 Pall Mall street, clerk.

H. J. Bennett, assessor, as inspector of beats, registry office returns, checker and general office work.

A. S. Glass, assessor on income section, checker, and general office work.

A. E. Burwell, assessor: John Murray, 909 Colborne street, clerk; W. T. Peel, assessor: Fred Young, 83 Briscoe street, clerk; A. T. Black, assessor; W. F. Steele, 192 William street, clerk; A. B. Barr, assessor; W. B. McMurray, 1245 King street, clerk; W. G. Francis, assessor; John C. Holland, 25 Ardavan Place, clerk; W. J. Gray, assessor; E. E. Misner, 129 Sydenham street, clerk; E. G. Nightingale, assessor; Christopher Pink, 345 Hamilton road, clerk.

board, before the estimates for the year were struck.

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The program was announced for the educational campaign of the end of February.

Much enjoyed features were by Mrs. Chapman and Miss Godwin.

COAL RING DOES NOT EXIST HERE, STATES DEALER

Consumers Are Strongly Advised to Purchase in Summer.

WOULD HELP CUT COST

London Fuel Merchant Explains How Prices Are Set.

The charge, freely made in Toronto papers, that a coal ring exists among the retail dealers and that prices are fixed, does not apply to London, according to Charles Martin of the Martin Coal Company. He points out that there is a range of 50 cents between prices here, it being possible to get standard-sized coal from some dealers at \$16 while others charge \$16.50. Mr. Martin says that the local dealers all fix their own prices.

Toronto reports cite the retail price at \$13 in Buffalo as an evidence that the Toronto price is too high. But when London merchants were asked how this compared with the Buffalo price, it was found that the Buffalo merchants were actually selling coal at a higher rate than the London merchants. For, if the \$13 Buffalo price is added \$1.55 exchange and \$1.65 freight expense, the resultant price is \$16.20, 20 cents higher than the London quotation of \$16 a ton.

Coal laid down in London is costing the dealers about \$12.25 to \$13.50 today, and to this must be added unloading charges and the numerous other incidental expenses before it reached the consumer.

"The solution for the present coal prices," said Mr. Martin, "is for people to realize that the coal business is not a seasonal business, but one that must be carried on the year around. If they realize this, and act upon it, the overhead of the coal dealer will be materially reduced, and the price of coal correspondingly."

To make his point clear, he said that at the start of a year a dealer might have to borrow \$10,000 to buy coal. If he got a quick turnover, the interest on the loan would be negligible. If, however, he had to pay interest on five or six thousand for the year, it would add materially to the cost of the coal when it ultimately reached the consumer.

Coal buying during the summer, instead of waiting for the winter, is one of the solutions of the present coal cost, says Mr. Martin.

DONATES \$50 TO WEDDING FUND

The Lord Roberts Chapter, I. O. D. E., Makes Contribution to Princess Mary Gift Appeal.

It was decided at the meeting of the Lord Roberts Chapter, I. O. D. E., held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. J. Reid, Queen's avenue, to give \$50 towards the Princess Mary gift room at the Sick Children's Hospital. Acting upon the appeal made by Miss Bertha Smith, the chapter is going to make little garments for poor and needy children. During her address, in which she told of the great demand for clothing of this nature, Miss Smith displayed the patterns of various layettes. A bridge will be held at the home of Mrs. John Weid, 8100 street, Wednesday, Feb. 8, under the auspices of the chapter. The history of the Lord Roberts Chapter, as it will appear in the Echoes Magazine, was read by Mrs. Arthur Smith. It was the annual meeting of the chapter, and the following officers were unanimously re-elected: Honorary regents, Mrs. E. B. Smith, Mrs. J. S. Niven, Mrs. Jeffery Hale; vice-regents, Mrs. T. H. Smallman, Mrs. James Duffield, Mrs. A. A. Alexander, Mrs. David Williams; second vice-regent, Mrs. George A. Routledge; secretary, Mrs. W. S. Westland; treasurer, Mrs. E. W. Scattered; assistant secretary, Mrs. A. D. Jordan; educational secretary, Miss Macklin; Echoes secretary, Mrs. Robert Reid; Mrs. Sherlock, Mrs. James Wilson, Mrs. E. A. Mitchell, Mrs. T. Gilean, Mrs. Charles T. Glass, Mrs. John Weid, Mrs. Meyer, Mrs. W. J. Robinson and Mrs. A. H. Smith.

A resolution of sympathy was passed to the family of the late Miss Bullen.

COL. BROWN TO EXPLAIN IMMIGRATION QUESTION

It is understood that Lieut.-Col. Brown of Western University will represent the London Chamber of Commerce at the regular session of the trades and labor council Wednesday night.

He will explain the attitude of the chamber relative to the suggestion emanating from that quarter, that retain the services in London of a man throughout the year to supervise the disposition of farm laborers in Western Ontario.

This move has been to date opposed by the trades council as a body, and the Chamber of Commerce has expressed the contention that the question has been entirely misunderstood.

Obituaries

MRS. K. HARRISON.

The death took place at lot 23, concession 2, Caradoc Township, Monday, of Mrs. Katherine Harrison, 70 years old. Besides her husband, Mrs. Harrison is survived by one son, residing in the Northwest.

PHILADELPHIA PROBE ORDERED

Philadelphia, Jan. 31.—Inspection of all theatres and buildings in which public gatherings are held was ordered for Philadelphia today by Major J. Hampton Moore.

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Cowal, Ontario Baby Shows He Is Excellently Developed.



CLARENCE MCPHAIL CAMPBELL.

"HERE is another laddie to join the list of those who claim physical perfection," writes in Mrs. Arch. M. Campbell of Cowal, Ontario, proud mother of eleven months' old baby Clarence McPhail Campbell, who weighs 27 pounds. Baby Campbell is 32 inches tall, measures 19 inches about the head, 20 inches about the chest and 20 inches about the abdomen. He can stretch his little arms from finger tip to finger tip so that they will measure 29 inches, his arm being 12 inches long.

CITY SCHOOLS TO BEGIN BIBLE STUDY

Pupils Will Memorize Selected Passages of Scripture.

Commencing next week, the pupils of the city schools will be memorizing Bible passages as selected by a committee of the London Teachers' Institute. Following the suggestion by members of the latter body last October, an expression of opinion was sought from the provincial department in Toronto, and the local authorities were advised that no opposition need be expected in that quarter.

Since that time a committee of the Institute has been engaged in a selection of what they consider an appropriate Bible course, the same to be approved by Senior School Inspector V. K. Gear. The latter stated Tuesday that the course was practically completed, and copies of the same would soon be distributed to the teachers.

The committee suggests to the latter that there be six memory passages for each grade, with an additional list of passages divided into senior and junior divisions, from which the teacher may select for further study.

It is pointed out further to the teacher that the pupil should be able to quote the source of the passage learnt by verse and book. The committee was unanimous also in its opinion that no prizes or awards be given for the memorization of scripture. The teachers will keep a record throughout, however, and at the end of each term a signed statement will be forwarded home, showing the standing made by the pupil.

Reference to the provisions of the school act, as will be found on page two of the teachers' daily register, emphasize the fact that no child, whose parents or guardian enters a formal objection, can be compelled to participate in the course, and may be excused from the class during that period.

MAYOR PREPARES FOR CONFERENCE

Will Present Plan to Spending Bodies at Early Date.

Mayor J. C. Wilson is now busy preparing the agenda for his conference of the heads of the various civic spending bodies, and when he is ready he will immediately announce the date for the gathering. He expects that the date set will be some time next week.

The mayor is not as yet ready to outline his proposals which he intends to lay before the meeting, but it is understood that he will outline a definite and concrete plan of procedure, and then let any definite proposals that might be suggested present themselves as they occur.

In the meantime the mayor has been doing a considerable amount of "missionary work" among the various officials interested, and he says that he has received much encouragement. He believes that his proposals for co-ordination and co-operation have been sympathetically received and has great hopes that a real benefit and saving to the city will be the outcome.

The mayor's scheme is really akin to a civic manager scheme, and he believes that in time, with co-operation, the affairs of the city can be brought to the stage whereby a great saving will be effected and a much better service given by all departments.

SUICIDES AT 84.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Mrs. Helen Knickerbocker, 84, widow of Henry Knickerbocker, millionaire paper manufacturer, committed suicide tonight, according to Medical Examiner Cassassa, by jumping from the eleventh floor of her apartment.

PRESBYTERIAN COUNCIL WILL AID CHURCHES

Promises Assistance to Chelsea Green and Chalmers Congregations.

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

Members Decide On Effort to Redeem Forward Movement Pledges.

Special effort is to be made by the London Presbyterian Council to redeem the pledges made when the Forward Movement Campaign was at its height two years ago. At its highest point, the campaign was a strong resolution was passed to the effect that during the next three months every effort be made to realize the \$78,000 which has been subscribed. Only \$58,000 of this will remain with Toronto headquarters. It is understood that the remaining \$20,000 will be spent to the best advantage of London churches which are badly in need of extension and repairs.

The question of giving aid to Knollwood Park Church was one of the foremost raised. It was decided to pay \$252 toward the minister's stipend and assume the interest of the mortgage on that church.

A delegate from Chelsea Green pleaded the cause of his church, and it was agreed that owing to the uphill work of the managers in keeping the church finances up to the requisite sum, the council would assume to pay \$4 of the preacher's stipend per week.

St. Paul's Church, West London, put in a plea for a new Sunday school, the present school, about 29 by 20 feet in size, being considered wholly inadequate for the 130 pupils who regularly attended.

A delegate from Chalmers Church declared that his church stood badly in need of repairs as any church in the city. It was decided that the churches be assessed in the usual manner to cover the expenditures which will arise from these obvious needs.

A survey committee was appointed to investigate and see in what direction various churches could be most helped.

The report of the nominating committee, which was unanimously accepted, suggested the following men for office: President, Rev. W. R. McIntosh; first vice-president, Lieut.-Col. C. R. Graham; secretary-treasurer, E. K. Coleman.

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