

UNIONISTS STILL FAR IN THE LEAD

Presbyterian Headquarters Announces Standing on the United Church Issue.

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Jan. 15.—From reports received by the church union bureau of information up to noon today, 676 Presbyterian congregations have decided to enter the United Church of Canada, while 155 have opposed the merger. Summary of the voting by provinces follows:

Province	For	Against
British Columbia	24	6
Alberta	40	6
Saskatchewan	28	11
Ontario	224	43
Quebec	43	19
Nova Scotia	51	12
Newfoundland	12	3

Totals: For, 676; Against, 155.

Calvin, Pembroke, Ont., For, 264; against, 49.

Chaplin, Ont., For, 48; against, 14.

Zion, Carleton Place, Ont., For, 148; against, 24.

Bishop's Mills, For, 25; against, 14.

Bethel, For, 122; against, 23.

| St. Paul's, Victoria, Harbor, For, 20; against, 86. |
| Knox, Mitchell, For, 87; against, 29. |
| St. Andrew's, White Lake, For, 35; against, 21. |
| Burnston, For, 48; against, 11. |
| Knox, Midland, For, 96; against, 29. |
| Chaudiere, For, 1; against, 45. |
| McNab Street Church, Hamilton, For, 51; against, 13. |
| St. Columba, Toronto, For, 709; against, 186. |
| Mount Dennis, For, 179; against, 199. |

S.O.S. CALL FOR BLINDS COMES FROM PRINCIPAL

Principal Reginald G. Fowler of the Empress public school is urging the central office of the board of education to equip the school with blinds as soon as possible.

Mr. Fowler has sent out S. O. S. calls for blinds, intimating that the children are almost blinded by the light which flows from the windows of the new school, as compared with the old building.

Mr. W. H. Robinson, supervisor of caretaking and repairs, is calling for tenders for the blinds, which will be a brown color to match the outside brickwork of the school and to be suitable for the purpose of using lanterns in the different rooms.

More than 100 blinds of all shapes and sizes will be needed at the Empress school. The windows of the steel sash are approximately 170 square feet in area in each room in the school.

EGERTON STREET CHURCH SHOWS GOOD PROGRESS

At the annual meeting of the Egerton street Baptist church last night the reports showed stability and a marked increase in almost every department of the church's activities. No extraordinary gains were made. The church did exceptionally well in the face of a year of economic depression.

A better year for 1925 is promised. The membership has increased to 397, an addition of 23 members during the year with two removals by death. The Sunday school enrollment and young people's classes, although not figured by unusual gains, showed improvement in the younger grades.

Total receipts from the congregation for upkeep and missions reached the sum of \$3,406.49, while the building fund raised \$12,000. The ladies' aid, \$372.10; the Sunday school, for all purposes, \$310.64; the choir contribution, \$186; and the communion fund committee received \$88.54.

HISTORICAL LECTURES TO BE GIVEN BY LIBRARIAN

The development of Canadian history and negro literature and art form some of the interesting lectures which are to be given by Prof. Fred Landon, M.A., librarian of the university, who will speak to London clubs in connection with the extension department program of Western.

Mr. Landon will deliver one address on Abraham Lincoln, one on the battle of Gettysburg, and a third on some of the literary and historical aspects of the negro. There are six lectures in all.

Two extra talks which will be given in series form are "On the history of the United States since the Civil War," and "On Slavery and the Civil War."

Two lectures, "John Brown of Harpers Ferry," and "The Abolitionist Movement," will be given separately.

MOTHERWELL PROTESTS EMBARGO ON POTATOES

Canadian Press Despatch. Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Hon. W. E. Motherwell, minister of agriculture, forwarded a cablegram at noon today to the high commissioner at London protesting against any proposed embargo being placed on the shipment of potatoes from Canada, and asking for further official information in the matter.

LICENSE INSPECTOR MARKS TWO YEARS IN CITY SERVICE

License Inspector Walter Bolton is today celebrating two years of service in London and Middlesex in the enforcement of the O. T. A.

During that time Inspector Bolton has established a fine record in the city and county.

O. T. A. offenders have paid a total of \$7,559 in fines during Inspector Bolton's tenure of office, while \$10,000 worth of "good" liquor has been seized by the inspector in raids that he has conducted.

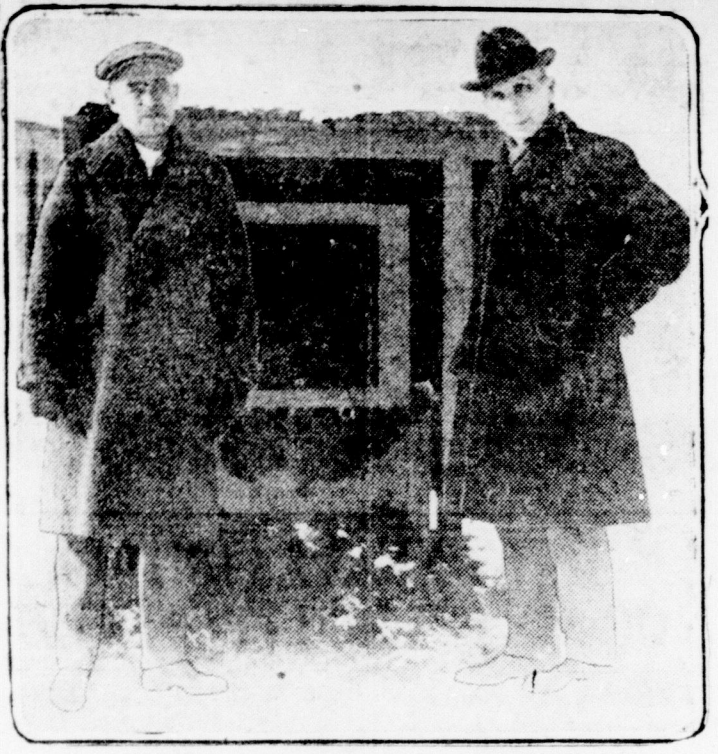
The license inspector has also assisted Cecil Webb of the inland revenue department in numerous raids for stills.

Inspector Bolton succeeded the late J. E. Keenleyside.

Y-KNOT CLUB PROGRAM

The members of the Y-Knot club have a full program for the Y. C. A. tomorrow night. Professor N. C. Hart will speak on botany. In addition to this treat there will be a series of games and a short session of Bible study.

At the business meeting preparations will be made for the next toboggan party, which will take place Monday night.



GETTING READY TO "SHOOT" THE ECLIPSE.

Scientists are now busy making preparations at Long's Corners on the Hamilton mountain to observe the eclipse of the sun on Saturday morning, Jan. 24. Left, Prof. C. A. Chant and Prof. R. K. Young of the department of astronomy, University of Toronto, at the end of the forty-five foot telescope.

LATE COL. ALBERT M. SMITH LEAVES ESTATE OF \$750,000

E. B. Smith Is Largest Beneficiary in the Will of Londoner.

BULK IN BONDS

E. B. Smith, brother of the late Col. Albert M. Smith, is the largest beneficiary of Col. Smith's estate, according to the will proved for probate at the courthouse yesterday afternoon by Fraser and Moore.

The total value of the estate is \$767,200. E. B. Smith receives 30 per cent, or \$230,160.

A sister, Mrs. Florence Alicia Lund of London, England, receives \$168,754; Mrs. Ella A. Travers of this city, who is another sister, is entitled to \$138,096; Capt. Walter Smith of London, brother, \$122,752; and Mrs. Minnie L. Wigg of Palm Beach, Florida, also a sister.

Col. Smith carried but \$700 life insurance. This was carried with the Commercial Travellers' Association.

The bulk of the estate is made up of bonds and debentures, which are valued at \$363,602.06; bank and other stocks worth \$148,742; and an interest in A. M. Smith & Co., valued at \$192,568.

Real estate, including Col. Smith's residence on Wortley road, and warehouse property, are valued at \$27,900. Cash in three banks totalled \$9,700.

E. B. Smith and Mrs. Travers are named as executors of the estate. The will was drawn up in Col. Smith's own handwriting on January 5, 1920, and was witnessed by J. P. Moore and Gertrude M. DuMaresq.

NEW ANGLICAN CHURCH ELECTS 1925 OFFICERS

Enthusiasm Marks Meeting in Church of the Resurrection.

The first vestry meeting of the Church of the Resurrection was held last night in the church to organize the church and the parish. The meeting was well attended and the members of the new congregation were full of enthusiasm for the work that is to be carried on in the year.

Professor F. A. Sewell, of Huron college, is at present acting as rector of the new church and he appointed W. Sewell as the rector's warden, while Mr. Moulton was elected by the congregational members as the people's warden. A selected vestry was also appointed and includes the following: Mr. Fox, Capt. Fletcher, Mrs. Cartwright, Mrs. Wood, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Williams and Mr. Kimm. Mr. Sewell was also appointed superintendent of the Sunday school, and Mr. Clayton will act as organist of the church. Mr. Sewell will be the delegate to the Huron synod, and his substitute will be Mr. Moulton.

CITY SNOWPLOWS MAY BE USED IN THE COUNTY

The city snowplows may be used this winter for opening up county highways. Steps were taken today in this direction when county officials conferred with W. P. Near, city engineer, and Mayor Wenige, with a view to securing a demonstration of the plows at work. It was planned to have such a test on some of the outlying streets of the city today and on the Cumlin highway.

According to Mr. Near, it is possible to use the plows on any paved road. Dirt roads provide obstructions for the blades of the plows. One of these blades has already been broken and placed in the repair shop because of an obstruction on a concrete pavement.

CHICAGO WILL AGREE.

Special to The Advertiser. Washington, Jan. 15.—American armistice negotiators have been investigating the question of Chicago's withdrawal of water from the lakes, have about completed their study and are ready to advise the Senate. War Weeks on the maximum amount that Chicago can be allowed to divert. The Chicago representatives will reach Washington next Monday to lay their claims before Secretary Weeks. It is generally understood that the war secretary will allow Chicago to use somewhat less than the ten thousand cubic feet, which it has illegally been using for years, with the distinct understanding that the Chicago sanitary district will take prompt steps to build sewer disposal plants to take care of the sanitation question without delaying this construction over a period of years.

That Chicago seems ready to do this was indicated in statements made to President Coolidge by Representative William E. Hall of Illinois, who has introduced a bill to legalize the withdrawal of sufficient water to meet Chicago's desires. Hall conferred with President Coolidge and urged the administration to act back of the Chicago bill as a permanent measure to take the place of any temporary relief. Secretary Weeks may approve.

OPPOSE LEGISLATION.

Associated Press Despatch. Cleveland, Jan. 15.—Representatives of scores of cities on the United States and Canadian shores of the great lakes met here today to test against proposed legislation intended to legalize diversion of lake water at Chicago. Those attending the meeting include mayors, city

HUGHES IS GIVEN SECRET MISSION

Increased Fishery Exports to Britain Rumored as Plan of Major-General.

Canadian Press Despatch. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 15.—Gen. Garnet Hughes, son of the late Gen. Sam Hughes, former Canadian minister of militia, arrived here last night from England via New York. He had been in the United States for a few days, and he was here on a private mission. New York despatches quoting from an interview with Major Hughes on his arrival there a few days ago, stated that he was going to Nova Scotia to start a movement for increased fishery exports in order to increase the supply to Great Britain. He was quoted as saying, the fisheries have been suffering a slump for several years.

He was accompanied by Major Hugh Green, who was one of those responsible for supplying fish for troops overseas during the war. Major Hughes would in the American civil war. Martin was remanded for one week.

"With the great importing countries of dairy products such as Denmark, Australia, New Zealand and Russia increasing their exports, and by an absolutely strict adherence to a uniform standard, there is immediate need that Canadian producers adopt similar methods if they are to retain their hold on the market for the best quality of butter and cheese in Great Britain," he said. "There is no doubt in my mind that Canada can produce the best both in butter and in cheese, but the danger lies in the amount of stuff lower than number one grade, which destroys the reputation of the country as a producer. I think that the difficulty lies in the failure over here to realize the overseas situation."

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PUBLIC SPEAKING CLASS OF "Y" TO BE ORGANIZED

The organization meeting of the public speaking class of the Y. M. C. A. will be held on Monday night in the association building when former members will be present to take an active part in the work of starting the new series.

A full program for the future activities will be drawn up and officers will be elected. It was decided to reorganize after questionnaires had been sent out to the old members. The answers showed the popularity of the classes and they will start soon.

The classes will be held on the second and fourth Mondays. The evenings will be devoted to debates, mock trials, toasts and current events.

EVENING CLASS REPORT GIVEN BY INSPECTORS

While the departmental inspectors did not visit every class of the evening classes during their inspection last fall, figures given by them in their report indicate the division of those in attendance amongst the different classes.

Of the total of 653 in the classes actually inspected, the division was as follows: Cooking, 37; millinery, 22; embroidery, 25; dressmaking, 102; bookbinding, 10; shorthand, 10; English and arithmetic, 10; English for new Canadians, 24; shorthand writing, 27; advertising and salesmanship, 12; industrial chemistry, 11; automobile repairs, 18; cabinet making, 14; applied electricity, 16; electric wiring, 10; machine shop practice, 28; plumbing, 15; printing, 12; and carpentry and joinery, 12.

There are more than 800 persons participating in the evening classes at the technical school at the present time.

WILL GIVE CONCERT.

A concert will be given by the members of the leaders corps of the Y. M. C. A. for the soldier patients of the Westminster hospital on Thursday night. The concert will be given by the "Boys" with heavy music of hair. E. Webster and L. Adams will sing. Miss Harris, educationist, will also entertain. Following the concert, an oyster supper will be given.

GO TO KOMOKA.

R. A. Jones, of E. Andrews of the Middlesex branch of the department of agriculture are both in Komoka today lecturing short course courses in agriculture. The course concludes at the end of the month.

ISSUE WRIT.

T. Dexter & Son have issued a writ of habeas corpus for a lady charged with breaking and entering the home of Mrs. Ensign, Manor Park, on Jan. 10, was discharged. The writ was issued by the County Magistrate, Bowditch, this morning, owing to insufficient evidence.

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FALSE ALARM.

Fire Chief Atkinson's motor trucks used up a little gasoline and oil this morning responding to a false alarm. It was turned in at 10 o'clock. The house of Harry Boss, 903 Maitland street, was reported as being on fire by a peestrian.

CHIMNEY FIRE.

A chimney fire at the Chicago laundry of Lee Jung, near Talbot and Piddington streets, at 11:29 last night, was extinguished by chemicals with practically no damage, the fire department reports.

SECOND SERIES.

The second series of the Y. M. C. A. bowling league starts at Mitchell's alleys tonight at 7 o'clock, when the Young Men No. 1 team will play the Leaders Corps and the Junior Businessmen meet the Men's club. Young Men No. 2 will also meet the seniors. The bowling will continue until Feb. 12. There will be a day-off between the winners of the first and second series on Feb. 12.

UNIFORMITY LACK LOWERS CANADIAN BUTTER PRESTIGE

William Secures Education Only Amateur Burglar Gets Water and Useless Money.

Special to The Advertiser. Hamilton, Jan. 14.—"A boogier," William Martin is a failure. He admitted it in police court today when he pleaded guilty to entering the home of two prominent citizens, James Crooks, 50 West avenue south, and Col. William Butler, Main street east.

At the residence of Mr. Crooks, Martin stole a case, which he mistook for something else. It turned out to be a safe.

At Col. Butler's residence, Martin seized a large sheaf of bills. These bills were Confederate money, issued when the great martyr was president. Col. Butler came to the police when he found the money in his house. Martin was remanded for one week.

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POLISH LETTER BOXES NEW LEAGUE TANGLE

Offending Postal Equipment Brings Storm of Protest From Danzig.

Free City of Danzig, Dec. 15.—The league of nations is faced by a difficult problem in the newly-established postal system in the free city of Danzig which threatens to rank with the Vilna and Memel situations as a crisis for the league.

M. S. Macdonnell, high commissioner of the league for Danzig, advised the Danzig senate yesterday that the league of nations is faced by a difficult problem in the newly-established postal system in the free city of Danzig which threatens to rank with the Vilna and Memel situations as a crisis for the league.

COLD WAVE GRIPS BRAKES. TRAIN HELD HOUR AND HALF

Because the brake would not release owing to the cold weather, a train held at Port Stanley for an hour and a half. The train was held at Port Stanley for an hour and a half. The train was held at Port Stanley for an hour and a half.

JAIL BOYS TRIMMED BY BARBER PRISONER

There were a number of "close shaves" at the county jail yesterday. It was learned that one of the prisoners had formerly been an expert barber.

Governor Dawson trotted out all the "boys" with heavy music of hair. E. Webster and L. Adams will sing. Miss Harris, educationist, will also entertain. Following the concert, an oyster supper will be given.

PRISONER IS DISMISSED FOR LACK OF EVIDENCE

Richard James of Westminster (now residing at 1000 St. George street) was charged with breaking and entering the home of Mrs. Ensign, Manor Park, on Jan. 10, was discharged. The writ was issued by the County Magistrate, Bowditch, this morning, owing to insufficient evidence.

MAJOR WENIG.

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SECRETARY TO U.S. PRESIDENT QUILTS

C. Bascom Slemm Quits to Resume His Extensive Business Activities.

Associated Press Despatch. Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—C. Bascom Slemm will retire March 4, not having been succeeded by Representative Everett Sanders of Indiana.

The decision of Mr. Slemm, who has been secretary to Mr. Coolidge since he entered the White House, became known today after he had returned from a trip to New York.

Representative Sanders will retire from the house March 4, not having been a candidate for re-election. He was director of the Republican national committee's speakers' bureau during the presidential campaign, and is a member of the house steering committee.

Mr. Slemm's decision to retire was due to several factors, including a desire to return to the direction of his extensive business interests.

CHEVROLET DEALERS HOLDING CONVENTION

Methods of Manufacture and Sales Policies are Generally Discussed.

A convention of the dealers of Chevrolet Company of the London Chevrolet Company, Ltd., and the Chevrolet Motor Company of Canada, Ltd., opened the session by remarking that the farmers are more prosperous today than for many years. Industry is showing new signs of life. The outlook for 1925 is very bright.

Mr. McIntyre, member of the head office staff in Oshawa, demonstrated the various parts of the motor chassis. He told of the research work being done, how cars are driven day and night over all classes of roads for tens of thousands of miles. Cars are put over varying degrees of grades and sharp turns in a miniature country of roads. In this way the cars are tested to find weak points which are immediately reconstructed to last as long as the rest of the chassis.

Those attending the convention adjourned to luncheon at the Tecumseh house. Further details about the methods of merchandizing and service were gone into this afternoon.

The meeting today is one of a series being held throughout Canada. About 50 dealers were present.

MAGISTRATE SEEKS JUMP OF \$1,500 IN SALARY

Police Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon is seeking an increase in salary of \$1,500. He has been given to members of the City Council by the City Council. The magistrate is now receiving \$4,000 for part time services, but would give up his work in connection with the county court in order to devote more to the city's services.

Mayor Wenig has informed city aldermen that the increased salary to Mr. Graydon is one of the matters which should be considered in the estimates this year. With the juvenile court judgeship awaiting a solution, it is likely that the matter of joining the two departments may be considered.

WILLIAM MCBRIDE.

The funeral of William McBride, who died on Tuesday in Queen Alexandra Sanatorium after a long illness, will be held tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. McBride, who was 32 years of age, was the husband of Elta McBride, and only son of the late James D. and Miss McBride of Shields, Ontario.

The funeral which will be strictly private, will be held from the residence, 470 Lorne street, at 1 o'clock, and will take place in Woodland cemetery.

CHECK ACCOUNTS.

The Middlesex high school auditing committee, composed of Reece Allan McDougall, Carleton, and Reginald C. Hodgins, London township, are in session at the county building today, checking up the accounts submitted. They are being assisted by County Clerk John Stuart.

JOHN PRYER.

The funeral of John Pryer, who died in Detroit, was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence of his sister, Mrs. Frank Budd, 110 Christie street.

Mr. Pryer formerly resided in London and his sudden demise came as a severe shock to his many friends of the city and district.

Interment took place in Woodland cemetery.

WINS SILVER TROPHY.

A team from Woodstock district won the silver trophy of the Dairyman's Association of Western Ontario for the best score in cheese judging at the convention yesterday.

The winning team was: J. P. Baskett, S. Baskett and E. D. McKenzie, and their mark was 92 out of a possible 100.

Stratford district won the cup in 1924.

FOUR TEAMS ENTERED VESTRY.

Four teams were entered yesterday from the different instruction groups of the Western Ontario inspectors. Second in the standing was a team from Listowel group, composed of A. Gray, T. O'Flynn, and T. H. Snyder, with a score of 87.

Results in the individual judging competitions are: Cheese, 1. Garne, 2. F. A. Thompson, London; Butter, 1. H. F. Newman, Guelph; 2. Leslie Burrows, Sutton; 3. T. E. Corkey, Hawke's Bay; Cream grading, 1. Peter Carnahan, Weland; 2. W. A. Coleman, 3. Kitchener; 4. John Grant, Harrison.

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