LABOR COUNCIL FAVORS TRADING WITH RUSSIA

Resolution Expresses Opinion Such Commerce Would Relieve Unemployment Situation in Canada — Demand Resignation of Minister of Labor Because of Attitude in Shipbuilders' Dispute.

Advocacy of trade with Russia as a solution of the unemployment situation was embodied in a resolution, which was passed by the Trades and Labor Council at the Labor Temple last night.

The resolution was introduced on behalf of the Machinists' Union, who had previously passed this resolution.

It was asserted by Delegate Simpson that it would not take Canada twenty-four hours to open up trade with Russia if it rested with the working classes. It was held that Russia was the only government in the world which did not have the unemployment problem and where eryone was treated alike.

Demand Robertson's Resignation.

After heated criticism of the Dominion department of labor in its attitude toward the shipyards dispute in Toronto, a resolution, which had been introduced by the executive committee, asking for the resignation of Hon. Gideon Robertson, was carried as follows:

"Having regard to the importance of the fight being waged by the striking trades unionists and returned soldiers at the yards of the Dominion Shipbuilding Company, now being operated by the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company, for recognition of the union and prevailing rates of wages, thru which the federal government, thru its labor department, is committed, your executive committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

"That whereas, the federal government, thru the prime minister, Hon. Arthur Meighen, and Hon. C. C. Ballantine, minister of marine and fisheries, has refused to recognize the union or prevailing rate of wages at the yards of the Dominion Shipbuilding Company, now being operated by the Collingwood Shipbuilding Co. for the purpose of completing two government ships, and, whereas, the labor department's right to fix the rates of wages, thru its fair wage officers, has been overridden by the department of marine and fisheries, thus disregarding the statutory rights of the labor department in such an important matter as the fixing of wage rates.

"Therefore, be it resolved, that Hon. Gideon Robertson, vice-president of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, member of the federal senate, and minister of labor, be asked to resign his position as minister of labor in protest against the action of Premier Meighen and Hon. C. C. Bannantine in ignoring the fair wage schedules prepared by the labor department, and which should be recognized by the Collingwood Shipbuilding Co. and enforced by the labor department."

Dislike Elevation to Senate.

In urging the adoption of the resolution, the executive committee pointed out that when organized labor successfully obtained the recognition of the labor department as having equal status with the other departments of government, it was intended that the minister of labor should be duly elected a member of the house of commons and when holding cabinet rank, be entitled to the right to speak from the floor of the house of commons on matters effecting his department.

It was regretted, however, that Hon. Gideon Robertson, tho holding a trades union card, entirely ignored the principles underlying labor's fight for political democracy, and, while a member of the senate, an appointed body, accepted the position of minister of labor, without voice on the floor of the house. This in itself was considered sufficient reason for asking his resignation.

Delegate Simpson in advocating the passing of the resolution said that both the minister of labor and the postmaster-general, who recently laid off veterans from the Toronto postoffice, had been defeated at the polls and therefore did not represent the people.

Delegate Macdonald thought that the only result of Gideon Robertson resigning would be the appointment of another man who would take orders from the Union government.

It was contended by Delegate Todd that the object would then best be served by asking for the resignation of Premier Meighen, the responsible head of the government.

Shipbuilding Strike.

A further resolution was passed in which authority was given to call a special meeting of the Trades and Labor Council to extend aid to the striking shipbuilding workers and consider a sympathetic strike of all trades in the city against the attempt of the government to reduce the standard of living as consequent upon wage reductions.

A resolution, introduced by the Granite Workers' Union, was passed, requesting that the eight monuments to be erected, at a cost of $1,500,000, in France in memory of the Canadian dead be made in Canada, of Canadian materials, by Canadian workmen, and then shipped to France.

Demand Investigation.

A resolution was passed asking the attorney-general to investigate the charges that detectives of the Burns Detective Agency used blackmailing methods in the recent breach of the O.T.A. cases which occurred at the Arlington Hotel, and that the license of this detective agency be revoked if improper methods are found to have been employed.

A letter was read from Secretary J. Law, of the Winnipeg defence committee, in which he denies the charges made by Delegate Varley in The Labor Banner that the funds raised for the defence of the One Big Union officials had been misappropriated. The matter was tabled because of the absence of Delegate Varley.

GRANGERS ASK FREE IMPORTS OF CATTLE

Saskatchewan Convention Sees Danger in Imposing of Duty by Canada.

Moose Jaw, Sask., Feb. 3—Imposition of a duty by the Canadian government on cattle imported into the Dominion was opposed by the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association at the evening session. Delegates held that if the Canadian duty is withheld the threatened duty to be placed by the United States on cattle coming into that country from Canada may be delayed at least. Completion of the Hudson Bay route was urged.

Criticize Senate.

The senate came in for considerable criticism from delegates, during the discussion on a motion to have the province divided into senatorial districts. The resolution, which is aimed to secure proper provincial distribution of senate representation was passed.

G. F. Chipman, editor of The Grain Growers' Guide, outlined the work being done by that paper, and told of the boycott being engineered by G. M. Murray in Toronto against papers which support the new national policy of the Farmers' party. The convention pledged suport to apers suffering under the boycott.

KINGSTON OLD BOYS HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Kingston Old Boys' Association, held in the I.O.O.F. Hall, was a most enthusiastic affair, the hall being crowded with Kingston folk. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: President, J. C. Hardy; vice-presidents, Clarke Allen and C. W. Livingston; secretary, J. M. Sherlock; treasurer, John McLeod; auditors, J. Sands and Lt.-Col. J. Missie; Sir H. M. Pellatt and Major H. M. Mowat, M.P., are the honorary presidents, the latter taking the place of the late Mr. Justice Britton.

Want Hydro Commission To Take Over Railway

Chatham, Ont., Feb. 3.—The chamber of commerce of this city is actively interested in the proposal which has been put forth locally to petition the Ontario government to take over the Chatham, Wallaceburg and Lake Erie Railway line as a Hydro radial. At the last meeting of the county council a deputation of farmers from Dover asked that this step be taken and a committee was appointed to work in conjunction with the chamber of commerce to encourage the idea.

This committee has been working energetically and a petition is being prepared which will be signed by all of the municipalities of Kent and sent to the Hydro-Electric Commission and the government.

ASK SCHOOL BOARD FOR HIGHER PAY

Assistant Masters Present Case and Are Promised Careful Consideration.

A deputation of members of the Assistant Masters' Association waited upon the board of education at the regular meeting last night to request that some action be taken regarding an increase in salaries to assistant masters of the public schools. They did not consider they were getting a square deal when the maximum salary for an assistant master was placed at $2,500 per annum.

A promise was given that the matter would receive full consideration.

The chairman announced that during January 307 children had been taken from portable schools and basements and put into suitable classrooms.

Trustee Rev. H. A. Berlis made a slashing attack on the policy of building and equipping new manual training and domestic science classrooms. He did not ask that the classrooms and equipment in existence be discontinued and scrapped, but said that he was very much against spending any money to build new rooms or for new equipment when the lack of accommodation for the teaching of necessary subjects was so acute.

Trustees Douglas and Miller, on motion of Trustee Laxton, were appointed representatives of the board on the industrial school board.

Trustee Wemp's motion that all reports asked for by members of the board be considered private information until submitted to the board was carried.

The board carried the motion of Trustee Boulton that the advisory industrial committee be requested to permit the use of the old technical school building for public school purposes.

HASTINGS MINING MEN HOLD FIRST BANQUET

Belleville, Ont., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Under the auspices of the Hastings district branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, the first annual banquet was held at Hotel Quinte this evening. Lloyd Harris of Toronto (trade commissioner of Canada), G. Mackenzie or Montreal (secretary of mining and metallurgy) and E. G. Porter, K.C., M.P., were the principal speakers.

SCARLETT PLAINS CONCERT A DECIDED SUCCESS

The Scotch concert held in the district on Burns' night realized $50. There was a strong representation of local talent on the program. The attendance was over 300. The ladies of the district have decided upon having a birthday social next Monday week.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY BOARD OF TRADE

New Hamburg, Ont., Feb. 3.—The annual meeting of the New Hamburg board of trade was held in Library Hall on Feb. 2, and the following members elected for the ensuing year: President, G. H. Meyers; vice-president, Geo. H. Hahn; secretary, O. H. Becker; treasurer, W. P. L. Styler. The retiring president, Nicholas Wenzel, was elected honorary

YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBAN NEWS

LARGER SALARIES TO RURAL TEACHERS

Inspectors Make Important Recommendations to Council.

YORK COUNTY

Public school matters occupied York County council yesterday afternoon. The reports of Inspectors A. A. Jordan, C. W. Mulloy and A. L. Campbell, the latter covering both rural and urban schools, were received.

"Some school sections as they now exist should be discontinued," advised Inspector Jordan. "There are boards to which a uniform tax rate from the whole township might be better applied. A rearrangement might be done before bringing the act into force.

"Suburban sections might be grouped in larger units under boards of education. You have certain tracts of land with little population. A special grant should be made to those that add high school work.

"Incorporated villages should be put on the same basis as regards special grants made by the department to rural schools to encourage larger salaries.

"School attendance officers should be asked to report oftener to inspector and boards of trustees, and to devote their whole attention to their work.

"And that members of the legislature and councils devote some time thru the county this year on propaganda work."

Mr. Jordan gave comparisons of teachers' salaries in East York in 1916 and 1920, showing the increase was from 54 to 90 per cent. The highest salary paid a male teacher in 1916 was $1,450; in 1920, $2,400. A female teacher in 1915, $800, and in 1920, $1,550.

"In 1919 the special grant to rural schools was $250,000, and last year $400,000, over and above the regular grants. At the junior entrance examinations there had been 232 pupils writing, 210 being successful, a little more than 90 per cent. In 1916 the percentage was 63. "This increase reflects greatly upon the teachers," Inspector Jordan added.

"I believe the moving picture machine has before it a splendid place in the history of this county," the report continued, referring to its work in Birch Cliff School; trustees are giving more thought to education and accommodation than ever before, East York has spent one-half million on permanent improvements in 1920." The comparative figures given were: 1916, $242,063.62, and 1920, $833,018.85, an increase of $590,45.23.

Inspector C. W. Mulloy stated that the schools of North York had been maintained in a fair state of efficiency. There had been no new buildings, as the population was less than five years ago. In the towns the population is increased about 20 per cent., while in the townships there was a slight decrease.

"I do not like the reports from the continuation schools," said Mr. Mulloy, "they are not full enough."

"The ordinary amounts from legislature, county and township are sufficient to pay for the maintenance except in the case of the continuation schools situated like Sutton Village."

School Board Liberality.

"While the department has given grants encouraging the payments of larger salaries in rural schools," Inspector Mulloy continued, "the increase in urban schools has been only 2 per cent. on the cost of maintenance. The increase in the salaries of town teachers has been largely owing to the liberality of the school boards."

"Surely some consolidation of schools is severely needed," Inspector Mulloy declared, referring to four rural schools with an average of from 6 to 10 pupils. "But there was never more efficiency. The rural pupils at entrance are more successful than city pupils."

Ex-Warden J. M. Gardhouse, who is the newly-appointed member of the highways commission, reviewed the progress during the past year. "In Weston we are far from the mileage to which we are entitled, and the same can be said of York Country." He said he was going to try to have the roads taken over before other portions are built. An amendment of the good roads act was proposed by Reeve J. T. Stewart of Scarboro, and laid over until June.

A bylaw was passed for temporary loans for work under the highways improvement act for $440,000 for construction, making, with $60,000 for maintenance, half a million available. This is the same amount as last year.

The closing minutes of the session were marked by the presentation of a gold watch to R. W. Phillips, clerk of the county, yesterday being his birthday. The presentation was made by ex-Warden J. M. Gardhouse. Mr. Phillips has been about two years chief constable of the county, and was formerly deputy-reeve of King Township. He replied feelingly.

Manager G. T. Harkness of St. Lawrence Market, representing the city property commissioners, appealed to the council this morning for co-operation in inducing producers to attend the market. The matter was referred to the property committee.

NEW TORONTO TAXES SHOW BIG INCREASE

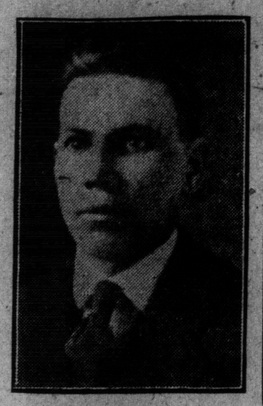
Unemployment Partly Blamed for Advance—Work on Sewers Started.

Mayor Lovejoy announced yesterday that there would be an increase of five mills this year in the tax rate for general purposes, the new rate being 25 mills. The school rate has not yet been estimated, but it will probably be higher than last year's, owing to the larger amount asked for maintenance. The chief reasons for the increased tax rate are given as the unemployment situation, the erection of the new school, and the increase by about $5000 of the school maintenance account. The outlay in actual money for general purposes this year will run close to $10,000.

Work was commenced yesterday morning on the Fourteenth street sewer, which will be done by hand labor, notwithstanding that this will make it more expensive, the idea being to make the work go further in the relief of the local unemployment.

SWANSEA OLD RESIDENT IS LAID TO REST

The funeral took place Wednesday of an old and respected resident of Swansea in the person of William Smith of 20 Park road, who succumbed to pneumonia on Monday in his 80th year. He was born at Pickering, the son of Matthew Smith, one of the pioneer farmers in that district, and spent many years farming in King Township, removing to Swansea some twenty-seven years ago. He was an active member of Morningside Presbyterian Church, of which he was on the board of managers. For several years he superintended road work for the township.



DENNIS McCARTHY,
Secretary of the York Township Amalgamated Ratepayers' Association.

BADGES GIVEN TO BOY SCOUTS

Rousing Welcome for Scoutmaster Norrie, Long Absent Thru Illness.

NORTH TORONTO

Scoutmaster W. Norrie, who has recovered after having been seriously ill for a long time, last night inspected the 23rd troop of Boy Scouts as well as the 15th Toronto Wolf Cubs, and was accorded a rousing welcome by the boys. Following the inspection he presented a King's scout badge to Patrol Leader Chapman, together with the gold cord, and proficiency badges to the following scouts: W. Mitchell, A. Barnes, C. Cobb, H. Reid and W. Bevan. The following badges were also presented to the Wolf Cubs: house orderly badges to H. Salt, E. Avery, B. Robbins, S. Oliver, J. Peabody, as well as the artists' badge; E. Henson, H. Peabody, as well as a second star; R. Cummings as well as the first star; M. Saunders, as well as a team badge and athlete's badge. These were the first badges received by the Wolf Cubs since Mr. Carter took over the troop.

Scoutmaster Norrie is leaving today for a rest at Arnprior, and the troop will be in charge of Senior Assistant Scoutmaster C. Hinchcliffe during his absence. Tonight a special meeting of the various officers will be held to make the final arrangements for the concert to be given by the troop some time in April.

A successful social was given last evening by the Mission Circle of the Eglinton Methodist Church in the church room, presided over by Miss Withrow, the president, when a large number of members and their friends were present. The feature of the evening was an interesting address given by Mrs. Chitty of the Woman's Missionary Society. A musical program was rendered by several of the members and refreshments were served.

At last night's meeting of Northview Lodge, I.O.O.F., No. 403, in the Orange Hall, a fraternal visit was paid by Bro. W. J. Jackson, D.D.G.M., of the Metropolitan division, No. 32, including Richmond Hill, Aurora, Newmarket, etc., who addressed the meeting. The chair was taken by G. Newman, N.G.

The regular meeting of the girls' club of the Eglinton Presbyterian Church was held last night in the club room with a fair attendance. The meeting was presided over by Miss Kelsh, president, and an interesting paper was read by Mrs. Bond on the life of Mary Sleason.

The meeting of the North Toronto branch of the G.A.U.V. called for last night in the town hall failed to materialize. At 8.30 not a single member had put in an appearance, when the caretaker put the lights out and locked up the room.

ISLINGTON DEMANDS ERECTION OF POLES

Islington residents are to attend next meeting of York Township council to protest against the discontinuance of the work of placing power and light poles at certain points asked for by the citizens. Some time ago a number of poles were placed on Bloor street, near Schaefer, but, altho several petitions asking for additional poles have been sent by local residents, nothing has been done by the council.

FAIRBANK AND G.W.V.A. ADDS NEW MEMBERS

Nine new members were initiated at the recent meeting of the Fairbank G.W.V.A., when W. R. Caswell occupied the chair. Donations were received toward the cost of decorations of the new club house (portable building) to the amount of $100.

Residents in S.S. No. 34 (north of Belt Line) are presenting a petition, requesting that the dividing line between their section and Fairbank will be Macdougall avenue, which is one mile and a quarter north of Eglinton avenue. This new boundary will mean that Fairbank will have another mile of territory included in S.S. No. 15 and residents north of Macdougall avenue (mostly farmers) will have no share in Fairbank's schools or taxes.

YORK COUNTY TRIBUTE TO CROWN ATTORNEY

At the annual meeting of the York County Law Association Wednesday, a unanimous tribute of appreciation was passed to J. S. Corley for his 15 years of faithful public service as crown attorney. Geo. C. Campbell was elected president, I. S. Fairty vice-president, Mr. McCallum and T. H. Barton secretary and treasurer, respectively. To the board of trustees were added the names of J. P. McGregor, W. K. Murphy and Fletcher Kerr. A committee will interview the attorney-general with respect to a redraft of the mechanics' lien act.

OUTSIDE FIRMS SHOULD BE TAXED

War Veterans Think Home Industries Are Unfairly Discriminated Against.

EARLSCOURT

A well-attended meeting of the Earlscourt G.W.V.A. was held at Earlscourt Public School last night, J. Sykes presiding. A satisfactory report on the recent New Year's treat was delivered, and Comrade James reported that he had dealt with three distress cases.

A motion was passed endorsing the resolution of the Electrical Trades Society, calling upon the government to pass legislation compelling outside firms to pay taxes the same as Canadian firms. One example quoted was that of the American firm now working on the new station.

The association endorsed the resolution of General Mercer, by which the government should advance money to the returned man at a rate of 5 per cent. to assist him in purchasing a home.

The branch also decided to send a telegram to the provincial command, R. B. Maxwell, voicing their thanks that went to the South African conference on his own expense.

Final arrangements were made for a concert to be held Sunday evening at Allen's St. Clair Theatre, at which special addresses will be given and music rendered by selected artists.

I.O.G.T. Hope of Earlscourt Lodge held the annual election of officers Wednesday evening at Creber's Hall, when the following were appointed for 1921: P. Anderson, chief templar; W. S. Taylor, past chief templar; Sister M. Spence, vice-templar; B. Blackwood, chaplain; Bert Robinson, secretary; Sister P. Dorgie, assistant secretary; J. McDwen, treasurer; Mrs. McMartin, financial secretary; W. Dargie, marshal; M. McDonald, deputy marshal; George Mitchell, sentinel, and B. Rugg, guard.

After a discussion of general business the yearly report was submitted, which proved satisfactory.

A most successful concert was given to a capacity audience, many of whom were ladies, at Kenwood Hall last evening under the auspices of the Citizens' Liberty League, Earlscourt branch. Several selections were rendered by the Citizens' Liberty League brass band and acceptable contributions given by other artists.

T. L. Cantelon, general secretary, gave a short sketch on the league's progress since its inauguration two years ago, and Alf. Cleworth of the Earlscourt branch, outlined the work accomplished by the branch.

Ratepayers from the northern part of Earlscourt and South Fairbank assembled in a large body to form a new and vigorous ratepayers' association. The meeting, which was well attended, was held in the United Brethren Church on Bloem avenue, with C. T. Lacey and F. G. Rice, officials pro tem, presiding.

Mr. Lacey discussed sewerage, local improvements, transportation and school sections, and after considerable argurment, the members decided to call the association the "Hatherley Road and District Ratepayers" and to meet every first and third Thursday of the month, the next meeting to be for election of officers.

A heated discussion was carried on regarding the transferring of the children from one school to another and the matter of school accommodation.

"This matter," said one member, "is becoming more serious all the time. The Memorial and John Wilcox schools will soon be overcrowded."

It was the opinion of Mr. Lacey that the city should be compelled to educate the children, as the city was building its schools on county property.

"All the school boards," he said, "should be amalgamated into one in the whole county of York."

Trustee W. Birch also voiced his approval of the principle of equalization of school taxes.

"If we don't get equalization," he said, "half the people will be forced to leave the district on account of heavy taxation."

"That we assist the school board in the matter of bringing the equalization of taxes to a head," was an important resolution passed, and matters regarding the streets, lights and sewerage were also discussed.

The hall of St. David's Presbyterian Church was tastefully decorated and full of merriment last evening on the occasion of the annual brotherhood banquet of the church.

M. A. Sorsoleil was the principal speaker, and congratulated the brotherhood on their progress and friendly spirit.

Other speakers were presidents from local brotherhoods and Rev. C. A. Mustard.

A delightful program of music and singing was carried out, over which A. Huntley presided. All arrangements in connection with the preparations for the banquet were made by the ladies of the church.

Rev. E. C. and Mrs. Hunter of Earlscourt Central Methodist Church entertained the ushers of the church and their wives at 125 Westmount avenue last evening, when a delightful program of music and games was enjoyed by all.

Members of north end of Ward Six Liberal-Conservative Association will meet at the corner of Dufferin and St. Clair avenue at 7.30 on Saturday night, to attend the meeting of the South York Liberal-Conservative Association at North Toronto, to hear Hon. Hugh Guthrie, minister of militia, speak.

CALEDONIA RATEPAYERS PROTEST BAD LIGHTING

A resolution, strongly condemning the extension of any street car line on a local improvement basis, was unanimously passed at last night's meeting of the Caledonia Ratepayers' Association at Hughes School.

It was the version of one ratepayer that such an act should be considered as a bylaw and put before the people. Considerable complaint was raised, owing to the deplorable lighting conditions on McRoberts avenue, there being an absence of lights on that street from Innis to the city limits.

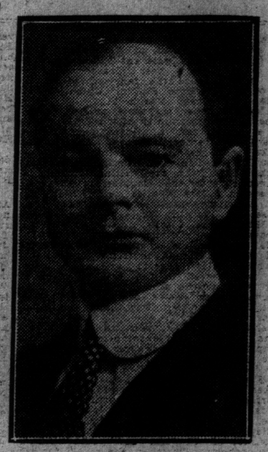
A communication from Dr. C. J. Hastings regarding the establishment of a neighborhood clinic in the district was heartily endorsed and a letter was sent offering the medical officer of health any assistance required. Dr. ec. McIntosh occupied the chair.

PORT CREDIT MAGISTRATE CONSIDERS SALARY BASIS

Magistrate G. W. Gordon of Port Credit has announced that he had given consideration to the suggestion of Chairman G. H. Gooderham that he should handle the cases of highway speeders on a salary basis, instead of on the fee system, but that he had not yet decided to make the change. During last year Magistrate Gordon tried 150 cases against motorists in Port Credit court.

AIRPLANE PILOT KILLED.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 3.—K. M. Stewart, Chicago, pilot in the Minneapolis-Chicago air mail service, was killed today when his plane fell three miles south of Mendota near here. George V. Samson of Minneapolis, the mechanician, was injured.



ALEXANDER MacGREGOR, K.C.,
President Amalgamated Association of York Township Ratepayers.

LARGE DWELLING GUTTED BY FIRE

Cause Unknown, as House Unoccupied—Soccer Club Organized—Other News.

MIMICO

The handsome dwelling house just south of stop 18 on the Lake Shore road, owned by Major D. N. Matheson, who had just recently purchased it, and was preparing to move in, was completely gutted by fire in the early hours of yesterday morning. Today only the walls of this fine property are left. There was no one in the house at the time of the outbreak, the origin of which is so far unknown. The alarm was turned in too late for the firemen of Cowan avenue station to do more than save an adjoining property from being destroyed. Major Matheson has for some time been residing at the King Edward Hotel.

The proposed football club for Mimico has become an accomplished fact, and it has Louis J. West, ex-mayor, as its president. It has been organized under the name of Mimico F. C., and it is intended to seek entry to the 4th division, Toronto and District League. The club has many excellent exponents of the soccer code, many of them from the old country, and it is intended to open a campaign next week to increase the membership.

At a regular convocation of Mimico Chapter, R.A.M., No. 215, three candidates were initiated. Among those present were Rt. Ex-Comp. H. T. Smith, grand scribe E. and ex-Comp. J. Cleland, first principal of York Chapter.

The matter of a memorial to the late rector and the boys of Christ Church, Mimico, who fell in the war, has been referred to a special committee, who will report to the congregation within a month.

OFFICIALS SHOULD SELL VACANT CITY LOTS

Ossington-Oakwood Ratepayers Object to Real Estate Men Getting Commission.

"That this association go on record as being opposed to the idea of city lots being sold by real estate agents instead of by the assessment department, which latter method would save three and a half per cent. to the purchaser," was a resolution passed unanimously by the Ossington-Oakwood Ratepayers' Association executive committee at their meeting, held at the home of L. L. Jarvis, 30 Somerset avenue. A strong declaration was made against any increase of salaries for aldermen and controllers at the present time, when so many citizens were out of employment.

C. A. Ellis protested against introducing a German-made film into Canada.

OAKWOOD LADIES ORGANIZE NEW CLUB

A new association has been formed known as the Oakwood Ladies' Community Club, organized for social and educational purposes. Public topics will be discussed and prominent speakers from time to time will deliver appropriate lectures. The betterment of child welfare in the home and school will also be a feature.

Officers elected for the year are: Mrs. R. Dillon, president; Mrs. W. Hodgson, vice-president; Mrs. E. Pipe, secretary, and Mrs. E. Cooper, treasurer.

The first business meeting was held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of the president, 10 Conway avenue, Oakwood, when it was decided to include members from all over the city. After considerable discussion, it was decided to hold social and business meetings on alternate Tuesday afternoons from 2 o'clock to 4.30.

Altho only recently organized, the membership is already too large for house meetings and efforts are being made to establish permanent club rooms in the district. Arrangements were also made for the club's first social, in the form of a euchre and dance to be held on Saturday evening at Oakwood Hall.

WEST TORONTO LODGES GET MORE MEMBERS

Moose Lodge, No. 87, of West Toronto, initiated 16 candidates last night at their quarters on West Dundas st. J. G. Jackson, dictator, being in the chair.

Reports on the out-of-work relief program showed the situation was decidedly improved.

Worcester Lodge, No. 47, S. O. E., held their regular meeting last night in St. James Hall, West Toronto, Bro. H. Moore, vice-president, being in charge, assisted by J. Templeton, deputy. There were three initiations.

Worcester, No. 23, juvenile branch, S. O. E., have decided to hold their next meeting Tuesday.

LIVE STOCK MEN ELECT OFFICERS

Enthusiastic Members Enjoy Fine Banquet and Remember Charities.

The annual meeting of the Toronto Live Stock Exchange held in the Pompeian Room of the King Edward Hotel last night, was one of the best-attended and enthusiastic in the career of that organization. All the leading live stock commission houses and traders were well represented.

A feature was the splendid address given by C. Gordon, the federal live stock representative at the Union Yards, and at the close he was accorded generous applause.

Officers Elected.

The annual election of officers resulted as follows: O. W. Atwell, of Jos. Atwell & Sons, president; A. W. Talbot (Wm. Davies Co.), vice-president, with the following board of directors: George Rountree, (The Harris Abattoir); A. Y. Hall, (Corbett & Hall); W. H. Shields, (J. B. Shields & Son); W. J. Neely, (The Canadian Packing Co.), and Harry McCrea.

The board of arbitration is: Fred Armstrong, (Sparkhall & Armstrong); Thomas Halligan, (McDonald & Halligan); A. B. Quinn, (Quinn & Hisey.)

Auditors elected were: Russell B. Kinnear and Alan Peterman.

Charities Remembered.

On motion of Mr. Curdy and Fred Baillie the sum of $100 was given to the Orthopedic Hospital for the treatment of deformed children, and $100 to the Western Hospital.

Officers Are Popular.

"Ollie" Atwell, who was re-elected for a second term to the position of president of the Toronto Live Stock Exchange, is one of the most popular men on the exchange.

"Art" Talbot, the newly-elected vice-president, is the popular buyer for the William Davies Co.

Other members present were Geo. Cook, Alex. Levack, N. J. Simpson, "Bert" McDonald, Sam Hisey, Fred Baillie, "Charlie" Zeagman, Chris Waugh, Fred Williams, T. J. Corbett, Jos. Wilson, R. J. Cook, John Cook, George Tucker, Harry Harris, W. B. Levack, Jas. Rountree, Wm. McConvey, John Burns, John Black, "Eddie" Parsons, George Sparkhall and others.

Secretary Re-elected.

Fred Maybee who has given excellent service as secretary-treasurer of the Toronto Live Stock Exchange during the year, was unanimously re-elected and the honorarium placed at $250.

MORE PATTERN-MAKERS SWELL STRIKERS' RANKS

Pattern-makers affected by the 10 per cent. wage reduction at the Canadian Allis-Chalmers plant walked out on strike yesterday.

While the pattern-makers employed by this firm are small in number, they are being augmented by pattern-makers in other plants where the 10 per cent. wage reduction of the Allis-Chalmers plant is being followed.

Other plants affected are the Dominion and the Morrison Brass Foundries, none of which firms had pattern-makers walk out yesterday.

EVERGREEN TREES MARK DANGER AREAS ON BAY

The ice on the bay is unsafe for traffic of any kind, the superintendent of the life saving services announces, except the area north of the harbor headwall from George street to Bay street. Evergreen trees have been placed in the ice by the life saving service to mark out th danger areas.

FIELDING CORRECTS REPORT OF SPEECH

States He Did Not Engage in Personalities in His Peterboro Address.

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—(By Canadian Press).—Hon. W. S. Fielding tonight gave out the following statement in regard to the report of his speech at Peterboro, as carried by the Canadian Press:

"Please allow me to say that the necessarily brief report in the press today of my remarks at the Liberal meeting in Peterboro last night is in part erroneous, inasmuch as it attributed to me language that I did not use. I quote particularly the following passage from the report:

"'This man Meighen who is attempting to scare the manufacturers into the government camp with the bogey of free trade, is the same person who sent Sir George Foster down to Washington to make a "manly appeal" that the Fordney bill be withdrawn.'

"This report would certainly convey an impression that I had indulged in offensive personalities, which I hope is not my custom when engaged in political debate."

ARCLEN F. BLAKELEY IS CALLED BY DEATH

Belleville, Ont., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Arclen F. Blakeley passed away here this afternoon from an attack of pneumonia. He was 38 years of age, and was district manager for the Canada Life Assurance Company for Hastings, Prince Edward and Frontenac Counties. Mr. Blakeley was a member of Moira Lodge, A.F. & A.M., and Moira Chapter, and in religion, a Methodist. At a recent meeting of the Belleville branch of the Life Underwriters' Association he was elected president.

NEW TORONTO MOOSE HAS BIG MEMBERSHIP

New Toronto Moose Lodge had attained a membership of 256, and is now the largest fraternal organization in the west. The campaign for members under Secretary Wm. Riddell, of West Toronto, has just reached their time limit, 202 being added, and 34 applications filed. Wm. Scully is dictator.