

THE WEATHER:
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WEDNESDAY—MILD.

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DRURY SAYS U.F.O. WILL STAGE "COME BACK" Nervy Wardsville Robbers Lunch In Victim's Store

NEW HYDRO LINES MAY BE BROUGHT TO LONDON

Manager Buchanan Thinks Prospects Good for Tapping in On New Air Line.

SHORTER AND BETTER

Additional Supply Will Also Offer Greater Resistance to Winter Storms.

Possibilities of London being tapped in on a new hydro air line are good, according to General Manager E. V. Buchanan.

Mr. Buchanan stated that some time ago it was proposed to erect a new air line direct from Chippewa development to St. Thomas following a line much nearer the lake shore than the present ones. This would be a shorter line and would run through Aylmer, Tillsonburg and Waterloo.

In addition to furnishing another line of supply to London, the proposed line will have a decided advantage over the others in point of resistance to the winter storms of rain, snow and sleet, such as the disrupted service through Western Ontario in March, 1922. This is because the line would run through lower country and in a sheltered district where storms would not play much havoc.

No definite date for construction of the line has been decided on although it is felt that it may be begun in the new year.

ONTARIO HOSPITAL X-RAY PLANT READY

Dr. Robinson Expects to Use It for First Time the Last of the Week.

The new X-ray apparatus, which has been installed in the Ontario Hospital is now practically ready for operation. Dr. Robinson said this morning. The X-ray machine has been procured from a Guelph institution and installed in the local hospital. It will be used for taking photographs and treatment of certain cases of cancer. It is expected it will be in operation by the end of the week.

BOARD IS BREAKING EVEN ON ALEXANDER WORK

The board of education is breaking even on the work of removing the double glazing at the Alexandra School, according to Capt. W. Robinson, superintendent of works. Capt. Robinson stated that the value of the glass salvaged equalled the cost of the labor, and that, therefore, it was not costing the board a cent extra to do the work. The glass can be used for replacement purposes or in new buildings, he added.

TO LECTURE ON SEWING.

An invitation will be sent to Miss Robertson of the College of Education staff, Department of Education Toronto, a specialist in household science work, to visit London in the near future and give a series of addresses to the local household science teachers on sewing in the public schools. There will be no cost to the local board as the department will pay her expenses.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.
Fresh northwest and west winds; fair and comparatively mild today and on Wednesday.

Temperatures.		
The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:		
Stations.	High.	Low.
Calgary	42	18
Winnipeg	32	18
Port Arthur	38	20
Perry Sound	38	24
Toronto	42	32
Kingston	42	30
Ottawa	38	28
Montreal	38	28
Quebec	32	26
St. John	24	18
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Halifax	42	38

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 47; lowest, 32. The official temperatures for the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 38; lowest, 28. Barometric Readings.
Sunday—8 p.m.—29.51.
Monday—8 a.m.—29.61.

E. C. DRURY THINKS U.F.O. WILL 'COME BACK' STRONG

Former Provincial Premier Discredits Opinions Expressed by Hon. H. Ferguson.

BIG CONVENTION OPENS

Morristones and Druryites Are in Best of Trim for Anticipated "Hot Time."

Special to The Advertiser By a Staff Reporter.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—In his address here at the tenth annual session of the shareholders of the U. F. O. Co-operative Company, Col. Z. Fraser, president, delivered a solemn warning to "commercial, manufacturing and financial concerns" that to remedy conditions they must render service. He said there was a great opportunity for governments to come to the assistance of manufacturers by teaching them how to overcome their production costs and to conduct their business on sound lines, consistent with economy and good business administration.

Two factors will be met with in the reform which must be overcome, he warned, namely, urban municipal estate statutes, both of which bear heavily on the producing populations. Excessive wages and profits must be extricated and excessive real estate taxes and rentals have to be met, as this all means increased cost for the butcher, grocer, and all classes who supply the foodstuffs, clothing, etc., to maintain our population. No barber can give you a ten-cent shave who pays a thousand-dollar rental yearly for a two or three chair room shop, or about what three hundred acres of land will rent for in the country, and he is to pay his rent. This factor is staring every business man and urban laborer in the face today, which will require courage and ability to overcome.

PREDICTS U. F. O. RETURN.

Special to The Advertiser By a Staff Reporter.
Toronto, Dec. 11.—It looks like a hot old time in Massey Hall tomorrow, when the United Farmers of Ontario convene for their tenth annual caucus.

The Druryites and the Morristones, gathering here since last night from scattered sections throughout the province, make no attempt to disguise their feelings, and the general indication is that there will be a turn to Page 4, Column 7.

LAMBETH SCHOOL WILL SEEK GRANT

Will Ask Government for \$800 Grant, Which Was Cut Off This Year.

Every effort will be made by trustees of the Lambeth continuation school to obtain the \$800 Ontario government grant which was cut off this year because the school did not meet the requirements of the government.

The position of the trustees was explained by Trustee Nelson Blythe to the county councilors last week, and T. G. Turnbull, one of the councilors, advised Mr. Blythe to put the case before the government. An informal gathering was held at the county court buildings today between the trustees and Reeve John Cousins, the upshot being that steps will be taken to interview Dr. Merchant of the educational department, and the \$800 last week by the county council.

MANY HEAR APPEAL OF COOLIDGE BY RADIO

President Asks for Money Toward Proposed Harding Memorial.

Londoners with long range radio sets listened with interest last night to an address given by President Coolidge appealing to the American people to give money to the proposed Harding Memorial, which, he said, would cost in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000. President Coolidge's message was broadcasted from five different radio stations, and many Londoners reported they could hear the president speaking quite clearly. According to the president's speech last night he will again speak to the American people via radio about the Harding Memorial next week.

M. V. A. OFFENDERS FINED.

Although there were not many motor vehicle cases in police court today, the city was richer by \$25 after Police Court Clerk Moulde was through collecting fines.

METHODIST MINISTERS CONFIDENT OF UNION

Oppose Idea of New Vote, as Suggested at Meeting of Presbyterian Antis.

MAJORITY MUST RULE

Do Not Believe Government Will Thwart General Desire by Throwing Out Bill.

Prominent Methodist ministers of London feel that the Presbyterian anti-unionists, who, at a meeting held in the Masonic Temple last night, urged that a new vote be taken among the Presbyterian congregations, and expressed the opinion that the Dominion government would throw out the proposed bill, are exceeding their authority, and that they are disregarding the wishes of the majority of the people.

Rev. Geo. T. Watts, Wellington Street Methodist Church, who was reported to have said that the Methodist contemplated forming an organization against church union, would not express an opinion. Rev. John Garbutt, Dundas Street Methodist Church, declared he had faith that the government would not throw out the bill, stating he could not see how or why the government should thwart the wish of the Presbyterian majority as well as others. He had confidence that the union would go through.

Rev. R. J. McCormick, Hyatt Avenue Methodist Church, said it would be strange if the minority, as represented by the anti-unionists, could over-ride the wishes of the assembly. He declared the minority had no right to say what the majority should do. There was always a certain amount of opposition to large movements such as the proposed union. The majority should rule, and if the anti-unionists wanted to continue the Presbyterian Church they should be allowed to do so, but should not be able to block the wishes of the majority.

Rev. J. A. Agnew, Ridout Street Methodist Church, said he did not see how the anti-unionists could speak for the Dominion government. He recognized that there was considerable opposition, but said he was sure the union would go through as planned. In his opinion, to halt it now would be retarding the wheels of Christianity and progress.

Rev. J. P. Chapman, Empress Avenue Methodist Church, said as far as he could see it was a very foolish declaration, as the vote in the Presbyterian congregations had been overwhelmingly for union, being about 80 per cent. He could not see how the government could do anything but recognize the wishes of the majority.

BRICKWORK OF TECHNICAL ADDITION NOW FINISHED

Schools Architect L. E. Carrothers this morning announced that the brickwork at the new Technical School addition was completed, and that the interior was now being proceeded with rapidly. The addition, which contains six rooms, is now completely closed in and will be finally completed by Jan. 3, when school opens after the Christmas holidays.

NAMES TURIN BISHOP.

Rome, Dec. 11.—Pope Pius today appointed Mgr. Giuseppe Gamba, Bishop of Novara, to be archbishop of Turin.

COURT RILED OVER ACTION MOTORIST

Leslie Judges, Windsor, Ignores Summonses to Appear.

Leslie Judges will be haled before the judge right smartly if he persists in ignoring summonses to police court. "Les" failed to comply with all the terms of the motor vehicle act some weeks ago and has not deigned to either pay his fine or come to court and fight it out before Magistrate Graydon.

"I have written the chief constable that a warrant will be issued for the man's arrest if he doesn't do something in the matter," stated Chief Birrell this morning when the magistrate asked for the reason of Mr. Judges' absence who resides in Windsor. The case was adjourned another week to give Mr. Judge one more chance of appearing in court.

TALKS OF HOME BANK.

U. A. Buchner, prominent Londoner, and executive member of the Home Bank Depositors' Association, who says that the blame for the failure is now generally laid on two former finance ministers of Conservative governments.

Lovely Children Everywhere



FROM ST. THOMAS AND LONDON.

Here are two more of The Advertiser's Lovely Children. On the left is Mary Blanche Conley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Conley, 52 Hiawatha street, St. Thomas. On the right is Winnifred Blossom Norman, daughter of Mr. Alfred Norman, 1118 Trafalgar street, London.

TOMORROW ENDS SEARCH FOR LOVELIEST CHILD

Last Photographs Must Be Mailed or Brought to Advertiser on Wednesday.

RESULTS NEXT WEEK

Search Ends in Big Children's Party on Dec. 22—Santa Claus Will Give Prizes.

The Advertiser's search for the Loveliest Child in London and the western counties closes tomorrow. Photographs which are mailed on Wednesday or which are brought to The Advertiser office before midnight on Wednesday will be eligible. Later photographs, however, cannot be received, because all the Loveliest Children will be given to the judges on Thursday for preliminary examination. The complete list of names will be given in Saturday's Advertiser, and the results should be ready early next week.

The search for the Loveliest Child has been one of the most interesting undertakings in the Advertiser's experience. The number of really splendid children is amazing—not merely beautiful, but wholesome, sturdy, intelligent children. Every one of them is appealing. Everyone of them is lovely and lovable. The judges are faced by a very difficult task indeed, and the selections will probably require several days.

The search for the Loveliest Child culminates in the big Children's Party which will be held at the request of Santa Claus himself in the morning of Saturday, Dec. 22. Santa Claus has told The Advertiser that he will send personal invitations to all the Loveliest Children in a few days. Santa Claus will be there himself, of course, and he will present The Advertiser's prizes to the four Loveliest Children whom the judges choose.

Prizes will be: FOR LITTLE GIRLS: Choice of solid gold wrist watch from the firm of John A. Nash or one of the Doll Lady's wonderful dolls. FOR LITTLE BOYS: Solid gold watch.

The Loveliest Child of all will have his or her portrait painted by J. P. Hunt, well-known London artist, and this portrait will be presented to the city of London as the official record of Western Ontario's Loveliest Child.

All the girls and boys in London are invited to come to the party. And reservations will be made for the children from the orphanages, homes and hospitals.

ENTIRE RAILWAY TO HONOR PASSING

C. P. R. to Lower All Flags in Respect for Late Baron Shaughnessy.

Word was received this morning by the local division of the Canadian Pacific Railway from head offices in Montreal that all flags on C. P. R. property are to be lowered to half mast in respect for the Rt. Hon. Baron Shaughnessy, chairman of the board of directors of the C. P. R., who died in Montreal last night. A note of regret will be sent by the divisional officials to the surviving relatives.

It is expected that, on the day of the funeral, all C.P.R. trains will stand by for a two-minute period.

ROBBERS IN WARDSVILLE LUNCHEON ON THE BOOTY

Grocery, Butcher Store and Postoffice Entered Early This Morning.

LITTLE CASH STOLEN

Officers from London Sent for and Now at Work on Case.

One of the most daring robberies in the history of the village of Wardsville was pulled off at four o'clock this morning, when the stores of James McIntyre and Clifford Davis and the postoffice were entered by thieves who arrived at and escaped from the village by motor car.

At four o'clock this morning the garage man at Wardsville heard a motor car humming along the street, but paid no particular attention to it, thinking it was one of the villagers returning home.

Later in the morning, however, it was found that the general store of Mr. McIntyre had been entered and \$7 in change taken from the till. The thieves were apparently hungry after their motor ride and spread a feast fit for a king on the bread counter of the store.

Although the lunch was more or less picnic style, sheeting was torn from a bolt on the shelf and spread on the counter. Then came a generous supply of biscuits, cheese, olives, pickles, sardines, canned salmon, etc., from Mr. McIntyre's stock, and the thieves gorged themselves to capacity at the expense of the proprietor. Digestion was aided by a large supply of chocolates which took the place of regulation after-dinner mints. The robbers helped themselves liberally to chocolates and just about cleaned up the store's supply.

The next visit was to the butcher shop of Clifford Davis, where \$5 was taken from the till. The odd roast and pork chop may have been taken from the shop, but the proprietor is not sure.

The postoffice drawers were all ransacked, but nothing is missing, according to the postmaster. The village is upset today over the affair and welcomed the arrival this morning of Provincial Constable T. Y. Stratton and License Inspector Walter Bolton of London, who are investigating the robberies.

HIRAM MUSSON, CHINESE MISSIONARY, COMES HERE

Hiram Musson, who has been engaged in missionary work for the Talbot Street Baptist Church in China for the past fifteen years, arrived in the city Sunday afternoon. He will be in London until February.

Mr. Musson said this morning that with him on the boat coming to Canada from the Orient were hundreds of Chinese and Japanese immigrants to this country.

Health Officer's Report Shows City's Health Good With Four Births Daily

Births for Year a Shade Lower, But Deaths Show Increase.

CITY HEALTHY PLACE

Fourtimes a day a baby Londoner is born in fact, a little arrival comes to the city on an average of every six hours.

The annual report of Dr. Walter Downham, medical health officer, shows there were 1,474 births in the city this year up to the first of the month which means a tiny stranger enters the portals of the Forest City every six hours or so.

While the births are a shade lower this year, the deaths are higher. The number of persons who died in 1922 was 971 while deaths for 1923 exclusive of December are 1,089. Births for 1922 were 1,522, which is 45 more than this year.

CITY HEALTHY GOOD.

Despite the increase in mortality from all causes, the general health of the city, so far as infectious diseases are concerned, has been extraordinarily good. Infant mortality per 1,000 persons was 66.4 substantially lower than last year. The number of

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CABINET ASSURES BALDWIN OF ITS AID

British Premier Considers Course of Action With His Ministers.

WILL RETAIN OFFICE

Asquith Not Expected to Force Issue Until House Meets.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 11.—The cabinet met at noon today at No. 10 Downing street to consider the course of action to be taken by the government in view of the result of the election. In

Unionist circles, the opinion was generally expressed that unless Prime Minister Baldwin's views change as a consequence of today's discussion of the subject by the cabinet he will retain his position until Parliament meets next month.

The advice from Unionist leaders in all the provincial centers, received today at the party headquarters, is said to be unanimously in favor of Mr. Baldwin retaining office.

In its report of the meeting issued about 2 p.m., the Exchange Telegraph says Mr. Baldwin received assurances of support from the cabinet and from members of the Conservative party generally, and that he, therefore, will continue at the head of the government.

COMMEND BALDWIN'S MOVE.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 11.—The political news published since last Friday so far amounts to nothing more than sheer speculation according to the taste or fancy of the speculators. The most popular idea is that Premier Baldwin will hang on as it is thought Asquith would hardly offer any violent opposition to him seeing that this would only mean giving the labor members a chance at trying their hands at government.

Those Conservative journals which during the week-end confidently predicted Premier Baldwin's self-extinction forthwith and now find themselves disappointed in their expectation, luridly paint a picture of what would happen if the labor element came into power, although the Daily Mail is forced to admit that the result of the election has handicapped even the "wild men" who would be powerless to pass legislation immediately.

The Manchester Guardian (Liberal) thinks Premier Baldwin's resolve to wait and see what happens is a perfect constitutional course although it may be questioned as to its being a wise or right course. "Having done one precipitate thing with unfortunate results to his party," says the Guardian, "it is perhaps natural that he should be rather shy of laying himself open to the charge of doing another."

Many commentators occupy themselves in discussing the necessity of a change being made in the electoral system either in the way of a second ballot or of an alternative vote. In one Manchester division, for instance, a Conservative was returned by 10,000 votes while 18,000 were recorded against him. In the country generally the Conservatives had only a small loss of votes compared with that of last year, but the Labor party's small increase of votes yielded many additional successes.

Proportional representation, however, is not popular with either Liberals or Conservatives, who declare that the Labor party favors it because it makes for syndicalist rule. The second ballot is objected to because many people would not be bothered to vote a second time.

PETTING PARTIES IMPEDE TRAFFIC

Constable Says County Roads Are Crowded by Devotees of Cupid.

Although there is a pile of "lovin' and huggin'" going on in automobiles on side roads in the county of Middlesex, these highways are apparently being jammed to capacity with loving couples, so much so that latecomers have to park on the paved highways to exchange kisses, according to Provincial Constable T. Y. Stratton.

Mr. Stratton stated today that he has had to close down several petting parties the last week or so, and last night ordered several hugging bees dispersed.

"It has got to be a common occurrence, and must be stopped," stated the constable.