TWO BABIES DIE IN FIRE; MOTHER FIGHTS IN VAIN

Wall of Flames Defeats Woman's Attempt To Rescue Little Ones From Beds When Chatham Home Is Destroyed Following Oil Stove Explosion.

MEN FAIL IN ATTEMPT TO REACH CHILDREN

Special to The Advertiser by Staff Correspondent.

Chatham, Feb. 2.—Following the explosion of an oil stove, Mrs. Wilfrid Ritchie, a young mother, was a helpless spectator while her babes, Douglas, aged 2, and Gladys, aged 12 months, were burned to death in the fire, which destroyed their home on Taylor avenue.

Tears ran down the faces of men when they found themselves beaten from effecting a rescue.

The tragedy occurred this afternoon. The children had been put to bed in a room at the front of the house. The oil stove was located near the bedroom door. As the mother was busy with her household duties the explosion occurred. In an instant the interior was blazing. The mother's first thought was for her children, but she found a flaming barrier preventing her reaching them. She ran screaming to neighbors for assistance.

William Stephens was one of the first to arrive at the burning dwelling, but the flames prevented him from entering. Other neighbors gathered, including several men, but all efforts to reach the children were futile.

The husband had been out of work for three weeks. He procured a job this morning, and was told to report for ice-cutting duty this afternoon. A messenger hurried for the father, following the tragedy. He arrived to find his humble dwelling but ashes. The man seemed unable to grasp the situation. He gazed vacantly at the heap of burning embers, and even the words of his wife, as she clutched him in terror, conveyed no meaning to him. His first impulse when the tragedy was borne home to him was to rush madly to the burning debris.

Late this afternoon one of the bodies had been recovered.

RADIO INFLUENCE BENEFITS CHURCH

Rev. John Mealley Emphasizes Effect Upon Radio Listeners In.

Special to The Advertiser.

Sarnia, Feb. 2.—Radio and its influence on church attendance was the theme of the paper read by Rev. John Mealley at today's session of the Sarnia-Port Huron Ministerial Association. Mr. Mealley regarded radio as tending to increase church attendance by reaching those who had not hitherto come within the influence of the church. It was also a great boon to those who were bedridden and crippled and brought many in lonesome parts in closer touch with the great minds of the world.

Liquor Disposal.

Disposal of five hundred cases of beer and twelve cases of whiskey, seized by provincial officers from a newly established liquor warehouse at Froomfield four miles south of this city, was considered by County Magistrate C. S. Woodrow this afternoon when Robert Harrison, operator of the warehouse, was charged with illegal sale. After the prosecution evidence was taken the case was adjourned to Friday. Liquor warehouses here have increased in number since the taking of the plebiscite, but this is the the first charge made against operators for some time.

A charge against C. R. Maitland, 22, of this city of stealing letters from Mooretown postoffice was enlarged to Wednesday.

Local Conservatives invaded the village of Point Edward tonight for what was largely in the nature of a political rally. Reeve W. M. Barrett presided at the meeting, and the visiting speakers were Wilfred S. Haney, M.L.A., and Johnston Macadams. There was a fair attendance.

Fine Reduced.

A fine of $1,000 imposed by city Police Magistrate Henry Gorman was reduced to $500 by County Judge Albert E. Taylor this afternoon. Judge Taylor upheld the conviction, but considered the fine too severe. A. W. McNally appeared for appellant.

Tuxis Boys and Trail Rangers opened their campaign today to raise $600 by bond sale in Lambton county. In connection with the campaign A. D. McMurtrie, president of Sarnia work board, and Jack Holton, member of the older boys' parliament, spoke to the members of the Sarnia luncheon club this afternoon.

MOTHER!

Watch Child's Bowels

"California Fig Syrup" is Children's Harmless Laxative

When your child is constipated, bilious, has colic, feverish-breath, coated tongue, or diarrhea, a teaspoonful of genuine "California Fig Syrup" sweetens the stomach and promptly cleans the bowels of poisons, gases, bile, souring food and waste. Never cramps or over-acts. Contains no narcotics or soothing drugs. Children love its delicious taste.

Ask your druggist for genuine "California Fig Syrup," which has full directions for babies and children of all ages, plainly printed on bottle. Mother! You must say "California" or you may get an imitation fig syrup. —Advt

Chicago Journal Willed To Staff

Large Daily Goes To Employees by Death of Owner.

Associated Press Despatch.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—The Chicago Journal was left by John C. Eastman, who died last week, to a group of employees, the opening of the will today disclosed. Eastman was sole owner. No estimate of the value of the property was made, but the probate judge fixed a $1,000,000 bond for the executors.

ELECTION AT ST. KITTS WILL BE INVESTIGATED

Mayor Takes Prompt Action When Irregularities Are Charged.

Canadian Press Despatch.

St. Catharines, Feb. 2. — Mayor Jacob Smith took prompt steps here today to launch an investigation into the alleged irregularities at the last municipal election.

He called a meeting of the executive committee, composing a majority of the council, and a unanimous decision was reached to call the entire council together and hear allegations and complaints. The city council will decide whether judicial authority should be invoked to proceed with the inquiry. In case only hearsay is brought before the council and no definite charges of wrongdoing are submitted, the so-called scandal may be dissolved.

So far, no definite charges have been made by anyone, and only hearsay rumors have given rise to the demand for an inquiry.

PULLETS ARE RIVALS.

Special to The Advertiser.

Granton, Feb. 2.—Much rivalry is existing among the owners of different flocks of pullets, as to laying qualities, but the Mitchell poultry farm seems to lead, as the manager reports an average of 400 eggs per day from his flock of 700 bred-to-lay White Leghorns.

LA BANQUE DU HOCHELAGA ENDED.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, Feb. 2.—Today La Banque Du Hochelaga disappears as the title of one of Canada's big financial institutions, giving place to La Banque Canadienne Nationale, thus marking the close of a period of fusion of La Banque Du Hochelaga and La Banque Nationale, which first became known to the public thirteen months ago.

Keep The Hair Live And Glossy With Cuticura

On retiring, gently rub spots of dandruff and itching with Cuticura Ointment. Next morning shampoo with a suds of Cuticura Soap and hot water. This treatment does much to keep the scalp clean and healthy and promote hair growth.

Sample Each Free by Mail. Address Canadian Depot: "Cuticura, P. O. Box 2616, Montreal." Price, Soap 25c. Ointment 25 and 50c. Talcum 25c. Try our new Shaving Stick.

AT THE THEATRES

MAJESTIC THEATRE

"The Broken Wing."

Down in Mexico where men are lazy and lust after blood; where women are beautiful; where greedy governments fence for oil monopolies; where life is colorful and romantic like all far away fields, there the setting for "The Broken Wing" was found. It is the offering of the Majestic Players at their own theatre this week, and it is an exciting play.

"The Broken Wing" teems with all that material which goes into the stories of the land beyond the Rio Grande. The petty wars, the changing governments, the shiftless peons, sentiment and the dramatic all enter into it in a mad whirl of action.

A southern beauty, filled with all the fire of her race, refuses to wed a Mexican if she can do better. As if in answer to repeated prayers, an American aviator literally crashes into her life when his aeroplane nose-dives into her home. Such is the beginning of a story rich in drama and not without its comedy. The humor, by the way, is chiey wrought out of the foreigners trying experiences with English, and American slang.

The crashing plane is a difficult bit of stage play to handle and it was done with effect. Walter Sherwood, the art director, has backed up the company with an atmosphere of scenic beauty that helps greatly in covering minor lapses in other quarters.

Peggy Coudray plays the role of Inez the sweetheart. Matt McHugh and Malcolm Arthur show their usual finish. They are always sure-footed, as it were. Lyle Clement as Captain Innocenceio Dos Santos, gives a good account of himself. Edward Cullen as Philip Marvin, the American, plays a role which calls for much restraint. He caught the spirit of it.

LOEW'S THEATRE

"Welcome Stranger."

In the presentation of "Welcome Stranger" at Loew's Theatre for the first half of this week, a picture belonging to the "Potash and Perlmutter" school of racial comedy is shown. It is amusing and contains the elements of a popular hit and should win its measure of popularity through the sympathetic picture of a lovable Jew, the axis of the story.

"Welcome Stranger" is a humorous story of how an enterprising Jew with a sense of humor overcomes the racial prejudices of a small New England town, puts it on the map and becomes a leading citizen.

One of the most notable casts seen for a long time appears in this picture. The acting is exceptionally well done and the story itself contains no bitterness nor reproach. It is made to be laughed at and distinctly achieves its aim.

Although the humor might probably be more appreciated in American cities, portrayal of a Jew's quaint characteristics and mannerisms strongly appealed to yesterday's audiences in London. Expression of complete approval never abated throughout the picture's presentation.

"Welcome Stranger" is good entertainment.

The remainder of Loew's bill for the first half of the week is good. Three vaudeville acts each received an audience's enthusiastic applause at yesterday's performance. The first turn, trained seals, is a wonder in animal performance. The seals are almost human in the execution of their tricks. Two other acts, containing much of music and some of comedy and dancing, were well received.

Probably the most enjoyable portion of the bill, however, was a Hal Roach comedy featuring the "gang" again. This is real entertainment and the popular "kids on our block" perform with expected happiness.

CAPITOL THEATRE

"The Thief of Bagdad."

That amazing picture, "The Thief of Bagdad," which has captivated thousands since first it was released, will be shown at the Capitol Theatre all this week.

In the showing hundreds of Londoners will undoubtedly be added to its already unnumbered total of whole-hearted admirers and ardent enthusiasts.

Made by the inimitable Douglas Fairbanks, there has never been a picture to equal it in imaginative grasp, in beauty of presentation and in rapidity of movement.

Based on the Arabian Nights, "The Thief of Bagdad" is built on pure fantasy and made up of the substance of dreams. This atmosphere is perfectly created and admirably executed. Grown-up criticism is taboo, as it concerns such unworldly things as invisible cloaks, winged horses that fly, dragons whose breath is fire or a magic box which possesses the powers of Aladdin's lamp.

The story of "The Thief of Bagdad" expresses romance and adventure in the superlative degree. In it are happenings of astoundlng and unbelievable magic. Nothing like it has ever been attempted. Nothing like is has ever been accomplished. Nothing like it has ever been seen on the screen.

Fairbanks has succeeded in transporting a beautiful, fanciful story, born of a poet's dream in Araby, into an entrancing reality. It breathes the spirit of the imaginary worlds where the unusual is the usual and where the impossible is the possible.

Douglas Fairbanks has made three outstanding pictures in fairly rapid succession — "Three Muskateers," "Robin Hood" and "The Thief of Bagdad." Each was proclaimed to be an advance on the one preceding it. Fairbanks himself is authority for the statement that this last is his best, and one is inclined to agree with him after having seen the picture.

The Capitol theatre little symphony orchestra, augmented for the occasion, reproduces a special musical score during the showing of the picture. Harry Carter, the singing-usher, sings "Lovely Lady."

Owing to the length of the stupendous production, 12 reels, there will be only two shows each day during the entire week, the first at 2:15 p.m and the second at 8:15 p.m.

Popular prices prevailing, all attendance records at the Capitol are likely to be surpassed.

HOSPITAL SEEKS LOAN GUARANTEE

Council Finance Committee Advised That City Is Responsible.

Special to The Advertiser.

St. Thomas, Feb. 2.—Deputations from the Kiwanis club, the Elgin Plowmen's association and the Memorial Hospital board, took up the greater part of the meeting of the finance committee of the city council at the city hall this evening.

Ex-Mayor Horton and J. A. Killingsworth appeared on behalf of the Memorial hospital committee, and asked the council to guarantee a loan of $16,000 to the board, to make up for uncollected promises. The city solicitor explained that the city was responsible for the debts of the hospital, and that the loan was merely an accommodation till the money was turned in.

The representatives of the Elgin Plowmen's association conferred with the council about the advisability of securing the provincial match for Elgin county this year. A committee comprised of Ald. Webster, Harding and Brinkman was appointed to go into the matter a little more thoroughly.

Playground Problem.

A deputation from the Kiwanis club met the committee and asked them to accept the responsibility for playground work this coming summer, stating that it would mean an expenditure of $1,500. The Kiwanis club were willing to supervise the work. A committee composed of Ald. McIntyre and Raven, and City Solicitor W. B. Doherty were appointed, with instructions to report at the next meeting.

Barister A. A. Ingram was granted a hearing with the special license committee re the Chinese laundry in West Talbot street.

William Heard made application for the usual grant for the Humane society, and the city solicitor advised the purchase of a multigraph machine for the city hall building.

Debentures Sold.

Gardner, Clark & Company of Toronto were given the right to handle $240,000 worth of school debentures at $99.172, totalling $238,012.80.

At a meeting of the board of health committee of the city council held in the city hall this evening, Ald. J. L. Burger was reappointed as chairman for the ensuing year. The chairman reviewed the work of the past year, and routine business was transacted. A regular meeting night, the last Monday before the regular meeting of the council, was decided upon. Some action will no doubt be taken in the near future making it compulsory for all milk vendors to have their herds tuberculin-tested.

Norman Farley of Farley Brothers, wholesale fruit dealers, city, sustained a broken collarbone in two places and a severely gashed head when he was thrown from a sleigh and fell on the street car rails on Talbot street.

Fishermen To Meet.

The Lake Erie Fishermen's association meeting will be held in the Grand Central hotel during the third week in February. President A. S. Brown in communication with D. H. McIntyre, who is secretary of the Fishermen's association, stated that he was trying to secure Hon. Chas. McCrae, provincial minister of mines, as speaker.

Five thousand pairs of 1925 license plates are being distributed from the chamber of commerce rooms in the Grand Central hotel by D. H. McIntyre, assisted by George Harland.

David Glenn Carnegie, a young Detroit engineer, who was well known in this city, was almost instantly killed in Miami, Florida, when he fell from the second story window of the hotel where he was staying.

Heart Was Weak Nerves All Gone

Mrs. J. H. Hallenbeck, 117½ Welland avenue, St. Catharines, Ont., writes:—"I was in a gas explosion; it left me with a weak heart, and my nerves were all gone. I suffered everything; couldn't sleep, or endure any excitement, and when left alone I felt as if I could scream. I took dizzy spells, often falling and bruising myself. My mother read about your Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and bought me a box, but having taken so many different kinds of medicine it just seemed that I did not have any confidence in any of them. I took one box of H. & N. Pills, and felt so much better I continued with them until I had used five boxes, and after I had taken them I did not need any more. I cannot praise or recommend Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills too highly after all they have done for me."

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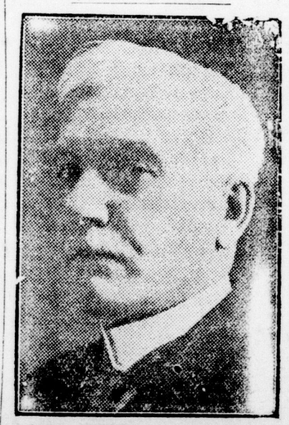

HON. GEORGE P. GRAHAM, minister of railways and canals, who successfully placed a large C. N. R. loan yesterday in New York. Highly satisfactory terms were secured.

PLOWMEN MAY MEET IN CITY IF COUNCIL FINDS COSTS LOW

J. W. SANGSTER, president of the Ontario Field Crop and Seed Growers' association, which is meeting in Toronto today. The organization is urging the government to appoint a field man to look after seed growers' interests, and also urging the establishment of cleaning stations. Mr. Sangster lives in Listowel.

Dr. Hugh A. Stevenson, ex-M. L. A., Presents Plan To Aldermen.

EXPENSE DRAWBACK

London may be the scene of the annual match of the International Plowmen's Association next November—if the city council's attitude towards entertaining visitors grows more favorable than it appeared last night. Dr. Hugh A. Stevenson, ex-M. L. A., appeared early in the 42-minute session of the council to champion the cause of the plowing match for London. He was given a hearing and a committee suggested to investigate the matter, but no warmth was displayed when appropriation of funds for entertainment was suggested.

Mooted controversy failed to find its way into the council chamber last night. Committee reports, correspondence and a few resolutions and bylaws formed an agenda that the councilmen whisked through, eclipsing the pace of a Nurmi and providing a record of 42 minutes flat for the shortest council session in years. Three aldermen, Edwin Smith, Thomas Clift and Paul Doig were non-starters.

Many Visitors.

Dr. Stevenson told the council that between eight and ten thousand visitors would be in London next November if the plowing match were held here. Money would be spent in stores, theatres and hotels, and city would gain financially and get a lot of advertising. He cited efforts of the past few years to interest the plowmen's association in London as a convention city, and believed this work should be followed up with the glad hand of welcome this year.

"It will be the biggest event of the sort after the Western Fair," ex-Mayor Stevenson declared.

"You could spend $2,200 on this plowing match and they would spend 22 cents here—you wouldn't have 25 people stay here in the hotels overnight," was the comment of Ald. H. B. Neeley, economist member.

"It's a good thing," put in the mayor.

"Appoint a committee to investigate that," came from Ald. L. H. Douglass, and the advice was indorsed.

Thomas Terry, having taken over the property of the London Motors, Limited, offered to sell the machine shop of the firm to the city for $1,000. W. P. Near, city engineer, declared that the shop would be of much use to the works department. No. 2 committee was given power to look over the premises and order the purchase if they saw fit.

A campaign of newspaper publicity for the fire prevention campaign was authorized. A standing vote was taken on a resolution by Ald. Frank McKay and Ald. L. H. Douglass, expressing condolence to the relatives of J. W. McCallum, recently deceased, former manufacturer, alderman and for many years license and relief inspector for the city.

Three money grants, passed by the 1924 council, were ratified by bylaw last night, on the motion of Ald. Frank McKay. Ald. Neeley alone registering his disapproval. The grant of $1,200 to Mayor Wenige for extra expense of office was not ratified by bylaw and the matter was not broached.

ONTARIO FARMERS RETAINING WHEAT

Little Grain Being Marketed at Present Time in Province.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Feb. 2. — Owing to the steady winter, livestock in Ontario is reported to be feeding and thriving exceptionally well, according to report on farm conditions for January issued tonight by the provincial department of agriculture. This means, of course, the report continues, that more than the average amount of the feed has been consumed to date, but as most parts of Ontario were favored by big crops last year, there is little danger of a shortage except on those specialized farms which are obliged to import high priced grains. Shortage of water in many districts is working a severe hardship on farmers and the stock. Many farmers are obliged to choose between driving their animals a considerable distance or hauling water in zero weather, each being equally trying.

Very little wheat is being marketed at present owing to the rising market conditions.

Many farmers complain of beef cattle prices as compared with high priced feeds, but those selling heavy steers in January are fairly well satisfied.

Logs have been moving out rather freely, indicating that farmers intend doing some building in the near future.

Wheat and clover are well covered and thought to be in good condition in all parts of the province excepting the southwestern peninsula where some farmers fear that the coating of ice which came early in December may prove disastrous.

PREMIER OF PRUSSIA QUITS ON FAILING TO FORM GOVT.

Associated Press Despatch.

Berlin, Feb. 2.—As a consequence of his inability to construct a workable coalition government in Prussia, Premier Otto Braun today resigned the post to which he was elected by the diet last Friday. The diet will now have to elect a new premier and, unless a candidate is available who is assured a majority support in parliament, the legislative body will be dissolved.

PRESIDENT ELECTED.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Regina, Sask., Feb. 2.—A. Baynton of Carlton, Sask., a member of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' association executive, has been elected president of the provincial branch of the Dominion Progressive party.

CHURCH MARKS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Winnipeg, Feb. 2. — St. Paul's church at Middlechurch, Man., the second oldest Anglican church in the whole of northwestern Canada, celebrated its 100th anniversary yesterday.

Says She Suffered For Seven Years

Then Dodd's Kidney Pills Relieved Her of Her Troubles

Mrs. Nellie Bagan Found No Relief in Her Hospital Treatment, but Dodd's Kidney Pills Brought Speedy Relief.

Gilbert Plain, Man., Feb. 2.—(Special.)—"I have been using Dodd's Kidney Pills at different times and must say that they are the best for those who suffer from kidney trouble. I had a lot of trouble for seven years and I was in hospital for quite a while, but it did not do me much good. I feel quite different now since I have been taking Dodd's Kidney Pills. I would advise every man and woman who has a trouble from head to knee to try them." This statement comes from Mrs. N. Bagan, a well-known resident here.

Dodd's Kidney Pills as a tonic and family medicine are without an equal. When you feel tired and rundown the chances are ten to one that your kidneys are at fault.

When the kidneys become clogged or out of order, the circulation becomes sluggish, the impurities are not strained out of the blood and the result is weariness and lack of energy all over the body. Give Dodd's Kidney Pills a trial and see for yourself. —Advt.

MORE BIRTHS, DEATHS AND FEWER MARRIAGES

Vital Statistics Report Made by City Clerk at Woodstock.

Special to The Advertiser.

Woodstock, Feb. 2.—According to the city clerk's figures, 21 births, 11 marriages and 14 deaths were registered during the month of January. For the same month last year, the figures were: 18 births, 12 marriages and 12 deaths.

The price of gasoline took another jump of two cents a gallon locally today, and is now selling for 27 cents a gallon. This follows an increase of five cents a gallon which went into effect a week ago.

The customs returns for the month of January show a decrease, when compared with the same month of 1924. The total for January, 1924, was $38,691.17, and for last month, $30,722.52.

The local police found a car that had been abandoned on one of the side streets here some time last Thursday night. It now turns out that it is the property of John Frey, 148 Rhodes avenue, Toronto, and had been stolen in that city. The plate number led the police in notifying Toronto authorities of the recovery, and the owner was located.

On the local livestock market today, two carloads of hogs were bought at $10.50 per cwt. A carload of mixed cattle was also shipped. For the calves, the price paid was 6 to 9½ cents per pound, according to quality.

Chalmers church has voted itself into the United Church of Canada by a majority of 225 in a total of 394 out of a possible vote of 508. The figures, which were announced at a congregational meeting held this evening, were: For 309, against 84, 1 spoiled ballot. When the result was announced there was no demonstration, at the request of the minister, Rev. V. T. Mooney, who is a strong unionist. He made a strong appeal to the minority to remain with the congregation, unless there was some conscientious objection to doing so.

The members of the Rotary club were this evening the hosts at a banquet, given to about 50 fatherless boys of the city. The speaker of the evening was Major Fred C. Smith of the Toronto Y. M. C. A., and he gave a strong inspirational address to the boys. Stanley Webster, the boys' M.P.P. for Woodstock, spoke. On leaving the banquet hall, each of the boys was presented with a memento of the occasion in the form of a suitably engraved medallion.

FRACTURES ARM.

Special to The Advertiser.

Exeter, Feb. 2.—While walking along the street on Saturday evening Mrs. Charles Birney fell and fractured her arm.

4 out of 5 are marked

There's no way to get around it. Dental statistics show that four out of every five over 40—and thousands younger, too—are victims of Pyorrhea. Do you want to avoid this dread disease?

Prevent tooth decay below the gum-line

As the soil nourishes the tree roots, the gums nourish the teeth. And as the tree decays if you bare the roots, so do the teeth decay when gum shrinkage starts in.

This condition—one of the first stages of Pyorrhea—is very common and something that ordinary tooth pastes are powerless to prevent. If not checked promptly it will lead to loss of teeth and serious organic diseases.

If used in time and used consistently twice daily, Forhan's will prevent Pyorrhea or check its progress. It will preserve the gums in their pink, normal, healthy condition, safeguard your health and keep your mouth clean, fresh and wholesome.

Forhan's is more than a tooth paste; it checks Pyorrhea. Thousands have found it beneficial for years. For your own sake ask for and get Forhan's For the Gums. At all druggists, 35c and 60c in tubes.

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FOR THE GUMS

More than a tooth paste—it checks Pyorrhea

FORHAN'S SOLD AT ALL

STANDARD DRUG STORES

TWO YOUNG FISHERMEN SAVED WHEN DRIFTING ON ICE IN BAY

Canadian Press Despatch.

Owen Sound, Feb. 2.—William Ransbury and Colin Martin, two youny Tobermory fishermen, were carried out to sea in Georgian bay on an ice cake while fishing over the week-end, and it was with considerably difficulty that they were rescued. A number of boys from the village were fishing out on the edge of the ice when a large portion broke off and started to drift out. All except the two managed to escape.

A small boat was secured and launched in the open water. At that time the cake with the men on it had drifted out half a mile. The rescue was made after some strenuous work by Alex Young and Charles Golden, who manned the boat. Neither Ransbury nor Martin suffered any ill-effects.

ACTION IS THREATENED IF AUDITORS APPOINTED

Stratford City Council Has Problem—Ratepayers Make Protest.

Special to The Advertiser.

Stratford, Feb. 2.—The city's share of the cost of provincial highway construction under the suburban area plan for 1924 was $13,710.85. The city council tonight referred the account to the finance committee.

Some little surprise was occasioned when a communication was read, signed by 50 ratepayers, stating that in the event of the present auditors being reappointed for 1925 they were prepared to petition the lieutenant-governor for an inquiry into the finances of the city. After considerable discussion the matter was referred to the main committee of the whole. At the last meeting of council Ald. Newman introduced a motion asking that the council be furnished with a statement of moneys paid city employees, and asking in particular for a list of salaries. On motion it was decided to defer the request until salaries and grants were being considered preparatory to striking the tax rate.

The bylaw to reappoint the city auditors as last year was given two readings at the last meeting, and Ald. Buller objected to the last reading. Tonight a deadlock resulted when a motion was passed to give the bylaw the third reading and also when Ald. Newman moved an amendment that it be given a two-weeks' hoist, and the whole matter was referred to committee of the whole.

The council decided to retain on the books the resolution granting the free use of the city hall to organizations putting on Shakespearean plays. The market and hall committee had recommended that the free use of the hall be granted only for Shakespearean plays from which the proceeds would go to charity.

In committee of the whole, following council, the members passed a resolution indorsing the idea of the community chest as introduced by the Knights of Pythias, but recommending that the whole organization be carried on by the Knights of Pythias, and the city council continue its own relief work.

HOLD ANNUAL SUPPER.

Special to The Advertiser.

Hyde Park, Feb. 2.—The members of the Presbyterian congregation met in the schoolroom of the church on Friday evening, when the annual congregational supper was held under the auspices of the W.M.S., the ladies being in charge.

Miss Mae Winter gave the secretary's report of the last meeting, which was in the form of a humorous recitation. The next item was a love story contest. Misses Margaret Douglass and Ermie Kirys were the prize winners. A recitation by Miss Mae Winter preceded a pleasing Scotch solo by Miss Mary May. A flute solo was given by Delber Fowler. After several contests, community singing, led by Misses Radcliffe and MacKenzie, was enjoyed for a half-hour.

"Headaches, Bilious Spells, Are Now All Gone"

Mrs. John Ireland, Nobleton, Ont., writes:

"I was a great sufferer from severe headaches and bilious spells. I tried a number of remedies without obtaining any benefit until I was advised to use Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pill. These completely relieved me, and made me feel like a new person. I am very grateful to Dr. Chase's Medicines for what they have done for me, and you may use my letter for the benefit of others."

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills

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