

PROTEST COST OF PAVEMENT

North End Residents Refused
Extension of Time For
Payments.

New Road To Be Laid On
Dundas Street East.

The North End delegation to the board of works, consisting of the owners of property on Richmond, Huron, Regent and St. George streets, who Tuesday night protested against the cost of their sewer and the Richmond street pavement, and asked for extended time to make their payments will not have their request granted.

The committee heard the deputations, and after they had departed, discussed the matter in its different phases, concluding with the decision that nothing could be done.

Ed. Lantz, John Francis, Prof. Anderson, and others, addressed the committee. They declared that no houses had been connected with the new sewer, which had been laid without their sanction, and the latter statement also applied to the pavement. There were rumors that in places the property was higher than the sewer.

The general request was that the sewer debentures be extended over 30 years and the pavement over 20 years, also that a portion of the pavement cost be charged to the general tax rate.

During the discussion, Dr. G. Weir stated that Judge Macbeth had visited the property and said that it was the biggest outrage he ever saw to saddle the people with the sewer.

Figures Quoted.

Figures were quoted to show the taxes on the various properties. In all cases the sewer cost was higher than the general rate, and the pavement cost, in so far as Richmond street was concerned, not far behind. It was argued that the pavement was part of a main artery of traffic, and that the city generally should pay a portion.

Ald. John Ashton thought this was so, and Ald. Douglas thought that an effort should be made to bring relief in some direction. He did not think the people could afford to pay the large tax bills.

Mayor Wilson said that the request was a direct result of the precedents which had been established. He did not know where it would end if the city went on making such concessions. Ultimately the proposal was rejected.

If the Front street residents want their broken sewer gone ahead with they will have to shoulder the cost of equipment to do the work, \$4,000, as a local improvement. Engineer Brazier wants a carrier system to carry cinders from the incinerator over, and he estimates the cost at \$4,000, and says the work will take four or five years to complete.

Col. Hartshorne asked for a sewer on Windsor and Tecumseh. He is putting in a system on Windsor Crescent. This was granted.

Clatworthy Bros. do not now desire the George and C. P. R. property for a lumber yard, and instead asked permission to locate on the C. P. R. east of Quebec street. The matter was referred to the building inspector.

Will Lay Pavement.
Dundas street east pavement will be laid. There was a petition against it sufficiently signed as to names but not as to assessment.

Emery street drainage scheme was laid over again. Mayor Wilson remarking that we promised we might do something in the summer.

Ald. Ashton reminded him that the exact summer was not stipulated.

"We will do something when we can," said the mayor.

The city is having trouble about the upkeep of lanes in the city, especially in the downtown section. Mr. Baker informed the committee that there was trouble over the assessment for lanes in the other parts of the city. Lanes were owned privately, but all abutting on them used them. If anyone objected, the owner had to pay the full cost. He suggested that the Toronto system of charging for the use of the lane by increasing the assessment of all users might work out here. It will be tried.

Police Chief Birrell made the important suggestion that angle parking be used on Talbot street, York street, and the street between Richmond and Clarence, York to Queen's and Wellington, King to Dufferin.

Parking will be allowed on one side of the street, and the cars to be faced with the traffic of that particular side.

A bylaw will be prepared.

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Citizens Pay \$243,000 In Taxes During Monday

PROPERTY owners of London paid into the coffers of the city \$243,000 Monday.

This was the amount which the city treasurer deposited to the credit of the city on Wednesday morning.

Wednesday and Thursday will be perhaps even larger days as the first instalment of taxes is due June 1.

Up to Wednesday morning \$618,000 of the \$2,600,000 taxes had been paid in and the tax collectors office was besieged.

APPOINT MAN TO MIDDLESEX POST

A. E. Springstead, B.S.A., 1922, graduate of the O. A. C., Guelph, has been appointed assistant district representative of Middlesex County, by the Ontario Department of Agriculture. It was announced Wednesday morning. Mr. Springstead will succeed Clayton Fry, who is engaged in farming during the summer months.

Mr. Springstead, who was one of the foremost athletes at the O. A. C. several years, is well known in agricultural circles. His home is in Hamilton, Ont. Mr. Springstead will arrive in London Thursday.

Town Topics.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

For as many as are led by the spirit of God, they are the sons of God.—Romans viii., 14.

YET I doubt not through the ages one increasing purpose runs.

And the thoughts of men are welded with the process of the suns.—Alfred Tennyson.

TOMORROW'S DOINGS.
THURSDAY, Methodist Conference in session at Centennial Methodist Church.

DR. J. D. BARNETT of Western University underwent a minor operation on one of his eyes at St. Joseph's Hospital on Tuesday and is reported to be progressing favorably.

SECRETARY - TREASURER L. TAIT and Superintendent H. H. Humeston of the London Street Railway Company, left Tuesday night for Quebec to attend the annual conference of the Canadian Electric Railway Association.

BARTON & RUMBLE, through their solicitors, Jarvis & Vining, have issued a writ in the county court against George T. Targat and Elton Malott for \$569.40, the amount the plaintiffs claim of a promissory note made by the defendants.

JUDGMENT was reserved in the case of the Premier Trust Company vs. F. W. Raymond and John McIntosh, an action over the foreclosure of a mortgage, during the non-jury session of the supreme court Wednesday. The case of Richard John Arthur Ingram, a money claim under an agreement, was opened Wednesday morning.

MRS. A. E. CRICHTON, wife of Brigadier Crichton of the local Salvation Army headquarters, will accompany Mrs. (Col) McMillan on their visit to Fooking Thursday, June 8, when Mrs. Sowton is to address a public meeting in the evening on the subject, "My Journey to the Borders of Tibet." Mrs. Sowton will address a meeting of the Home League in the afternoon.

SHOOT'S GIRL WHO SPURNED HIS LOVE

Toronto, Ont., May 31.—Resenting the refusal of Annie Weingarten, aged 23, to become his bride, Sam Burger, aged 29, stepped up behind the young woman in a shoe store and shot her in the back of the head with a 22-calibre revolver. He then turned the revolver to his own head and killed himself. The wounded girl may recover. Relatives of the pair say they had been keeping company for some time. Burger boarded at the home of Miss Weingarten's brother.

A horse belonging to the garbage department was killed the other day, and the engineer wants a new one. Mayor Wilson suggested that he get one from the fire chief, as the department has some that are not being used.

The engineer said that such transfer did not always work out well for his department.

Might Run Off.

Ald. May opined that the fire horse while out on the garbage wagon might run off to a fire.

Mayor Wilson thought it might be a good scheme to get some of the fire horses on the garbage wagons.

The committee granted the Pure Gasoline Company permission to cut down a tree at 362 Dundas street, and the clerk will so notify the utilities commissioner.

John Hooper, Elm street, is being billed for a sewer by the city. He objects. He says the utilities commission will not put down the water services, so that he is unable to use the sewer. His complaint will be sent on to the utilities commission.

The utilities commission wrote asking that the engineer, with his efficient crew of workers, be given permission to lay their new road in Springbank Park. The mayor thought the latter an excellent evidence of the spirit of co-operation, and the request was granted.

A. E. Barbour wrote complaining that the syphon sewer system on Riverview avenue was a nuisance, and threatened suit if the city did not move it. The committee decided that the system, having been so located since 1898, can hardly be a nuisance.

LAMBETH ROAD IS SHUT FOR REPAIRS

Motor League Points to Wellington Road Through Glanworth For Detour.

Lambeth road from London to St. Thomas is closed for repairs the Motor League of London reports. There is, however, a fairly good road for detour at this point. The league recommends for all traffic the Wellington road through Glanworth for trips from London to the railway city.

During the spring when a terrific hailstorm brought down a very steep hill and telegraph and telephone poles, the Motor League, states Secretary C. E. Bernard, lost a great number of its direction signs, and the league would like to know of any that were lost so as replacement might be made. In addition to the Lambeth road being closed, the league reports the Longwood road through Delaware unit for traffic on account of repair work going on.

There is a marked detour for traffic going in the Delaware direction, but it leads off on a very steep hill and motorists are urged to exercise the greatest discretion possible when starting off on the detour.

PAPWORTH QUILTS LONDON POLICE

Constable Thomas Papworth, who has been connected with the London police force for the past nine years, has handed in his resignation to Chief Birrell, to take effect immediately. The officer will take a trip to England towards the close of the summer, it is believed.

MERGER OF FIRMS IS ANNOUNCED

New York, May 31.—A new tobacco merger, representing a combined capitalization of \$157,000,000, involving the United Retail Stores Corporation and the Tobacco Products Corporation, was announced last night by James Dixon, president of the Tobacco Products concern.

The United Retail Stores Corporation controls the United Cigar Stores Corporation by stock holdings.

James B. Duke, founder of the American Tobacco Company and the British-American Tobacco Corporation, will be the guiding head of the merged company.

FORMER CITY RESIDENT PASSES IN SASKATOON

Mrs. Henry Thompson Dies Suddenly
At Home of Her Daughter
in West.

Friends in London have been notified of the death of Mrs. Henry Thompson, for many years a resident of South London, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, in Saskatoon, where she had been making her home for the past eight years. Though she had been in delicate health for four years, she was so much improved that she was preparing to leave for Port Arthur to visit another daughter.

Mrs. R. S. Feader, when she passed suddenly away, interment took place in Woodlawn Cemetery, Saskatoon.

Mrs. Thompson, who was born in Sheffield, England, came to Toronto when a child, and lived there until her marriage to Thomas S. Atkinson, of Orillia, Ont. Some years ago she had been making her home for the past eight years. Though she had been in delicate health for four years, she was so much improved that she was preparing to leave for Port Arthur to visit another daughter.

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GIVES SIDELIGHTS OF CONFERENCE

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years passed in the Toronto Conference, he had been in connection with the conference of London.

"Methodism in London when I entered the ministry in 1864," said Mr. Harris, "consisted of only three appointments, Pall Mall street, Adelaide street and the North Street Church, which is now First Methodist Church. I change I see now seems almost unbelievable."

Although superannuated, Mr. Harris is still active in the work of the ministry, and is engaged in supplying the pulpit of the Methodist church in Thamesford, which was left vacant on the death of Rev. W. Baker, a short time ago.

A MOST interesting figure at the conference is Rev. Aquila Lucas, who was for twenty years secretary of the International Sunday School Association, during which time his work covered districts in British, Danish and Spanish, West Indies, three countries of Central America, including Panama, and two countries of South America, Colombia and Demarara.

Mr. Lucas came to London nine years ago from the province of New Brunswick, and since coming here has taken the keenest interest in the work of the London conference. He has spent 51 years in the ministry.

At the Theatres

GRAND—Eugene O'Brien in "Channing of the Northwest."
ALLEN—Norman Talmadge in "Rain Through."

LOEW'S—Viola Dana in "The Match Breaker."

PATRICIA—Bryant Washburn in "The Road to London."

Farmer's Dream of Gold In Huge Boulder Fades

Finds Mica Also Glitters.

Visions of a second Klondike, and fame for him from a great discovery, drifted through the mind of a farmer who dwells on the 13th concession of London, near Adelaide street, and who found in the vicinity a rock as big as the Bank of Montreal branch at Queen's avenue and Richmond street, this week.

At one time there was an assayer stationed at the customs house, and the farmer had some vague idea of one being still there. So, with the energy of ten to fifteen Portsmouth prisoners granulizing a pile in a prison yard, he set himself to work to haul from the rock a specimen piece for the customs house assayer, firm in the conviction that from the way the rock glittered, it must be gold or some other precious substance.

With the excitement of a miner who has struck "pay dirt," he rushed to the office of the collector of customs, C. H. Talbot, seeking an assayer.

He was told nothing had ever been found more worthwhile than mica around London, and that once this latter fact had become established in the mind of the erstwhile assayer at the customs, he had departed.

But the customs official's curiosity was aroused by the tale, and they questioned their visitor. They elicited the information that the rock was on the 13th concession, near Adelaide street, and was about as big as "the Bank of Montreal across the way."

The man was referred to Dr. S. Woodruff, an authority on rocks, but he received no encouragement in that direction, and only learned the truth that "all is not gold that glitters."

The farmer returned home determined in the future to stick to bucolic pursuits rather than get-rich-quick methods in his race for a million.

The agriculturist was convinced the time of '49 was all right, but that those days are gone forever.

CLAIMS WAR WAGED AS GOD FORGOTTEN

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worst organized force in the world, and there must be a mobilization and preparedness for this holy war.

The equipment of the church for her great purpose is just intercessory prayer.

At the conclusion of this short devotional address, the roll call and record of registration was taken with Rev. J. W. Hibbert of Kingsville, president of the London conference, in the chair.

Ministerial disciplinary questions regarding conduct and discipline in the eleven districts were then asked, and the replies of the respective chairmen indicated that harmony prevails in London conference. These questions are being continued in the ministerial session, which resumed business Wednesday afternoon.

The conference decided to grant Rev. Luther Butt his transfer to Michigan conference, the members expressing regret at the loss of this promising young man, who received his early education in London. The resignation of Rev. J. O. Leslie Spracklin, formerly of Sandwich, was accepted on recommendation of Windsor district, without discussion.

Reports, prepared by the statistical committee, of which Rev. Walter E. Donnelly of Amherstburg, is secretary, show satisfactory progress for the London conference.

The financial report of the London conference during the past year, New members received total 4,414, while those removed by death and other causes total 3,636. The present total membership of London conference is 57,920 showing a total increase of 754 members over the 1921 figures.

Give Conference Figures.
There are 27,182 Methodist families in London Conference, and there were 1,970 baptisms, 1,140 marriages, and 1,620 burials in the conference during the last twelve months.

The financial report is also regarded as promising, a grand total of \$1,158,650 being collected in the conference for all purposes during the year. Salaries aggregated \$290,600, and the Sunday school collections total \$70,356. The sum of \$27,209 was collected for superannuation, while the general missionary fund realized \$144,946.

A total of \$11,476 was obtained for the educational fund, and general conference funds amounted to \$5,785. General Sunday school funds have reached \$4,338, and a contingent fund of \$861 is held. Evangelism and social service has a nest egg of \$7,602, and the women's missionary societies have raised \$57,147 throughout the conference.

The amount raised by trustees and boards in London Conference totals \$313,459, while that raised by Episcopate is \$14,398. The ladies' aid of the conference has obtained funds aggregating \$109,265.

There are 26 brotherhoods in London Conference, and 261 ladies' aids, and Women's missionary societies number 204. There are 395 preaching appointments in London Conference, and during the past year three new churches, costing \$71,000, and two new parsonages, have been erected.

Wednesday afternoon the lay association of the conference opened, with devotional exercises in charge of President William Heaman of this town. An address by Professor James Bowman of London is also on the program, after which a nominating committee will be appointed. This association meets in Centennial Church Sunday school at the same hour as the ministerial session.

Conference will be marked Wednesday evening by a mass meeting in Centennial Church, which will be addressed by Rev. Kenneth J. Beaton, B.A., missionary to West China, and Rev. T. Albert Moore, D.D., secretary of evangelism and social service. Special music will be featured, and the public is invited to attend.

Dr. Elliott Speaks.
The devotional exercises at 8:45

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OBJECT TO PAYING COST OF CARRYING

Front Street Residents Resent
Invitation To Provide For
Cinder Transportation.

"The city has got to find a new place to dump its cinders from the incinerator or move the incinerator. It would be a silly thing for the city to have the Front street residents solve this problem by agreeing to pay for the carrying apparatus that would carry the cinders across the river."

"Why not ask us to buy garbage wagons to collect the garbage first?"

These rather caustic remarks came from Raymond Smith, spokesman for the Front street residents, who have waited on No. 2 committee at least 12 times this year, demanding that action be taken to prevent their property being flooded by the river.

"Matters have come to the point now where the city dare not further encroach on the river by filling in the north bank. They are interfering with a navigable stream, and we know that we can prevent their going any further in this regard," said Mr. Smith, in discussing the statement of the engineer to the city board of works on Thursday night.

That the Front street residents should put up \$4,000 for machinery to carry cinders across the river to build a breakwater.

"The city has been responsible for making the river a menace, and it is rather poor business to ask the residents of this little street to foot the bill that will get he out of its difficulty."

"Mind, we have not forgot that we promised injunction proceedings if the city does not take some action. The city has encroached over 40 feet into a navigable stream, and if they try to put it over on us, we must fight back," said Mr. Smith.

CHESLEY AVENUE MOTHERS' CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

Make Donation of Ten Dollars to War Memorial Children's Hospital.

Election of officers for the ensuing year constituted the business of the regular meeting of the Chesley Avenue Mothers' Club, held Tuesday evening. The election was in charge of Mrs. John Rose, president of the club, and resulted as follows: President, Mrs. James Mills (re-elected by acclamation); first vice, Mrs. W. H. Griffin; second vice, Mrs. Thomas Owen; secretary, Mrs. H. Huddart; assistant secretary, Mrs. Charles Denley (returned by acclamation); treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Cury (returned by acclamation); pianist, Mrs. E. Little, and reporter, Mrs. E. Pellow.

C. Denley was appointed representative on the child's welfare committee. Ten dollars was donated to the War Memorial Hospital for supplies, and six dozen towels were distributed among the mothers.

A charming feature of the meeting was the presentation of a silver sandwich tray to Mrs. Arthur Hilbert, who is leaving the city for Tilsonburg. Mrs. Hilbert has been an active member of the club since its organization, and regret is felt by the members on losing her. An address was read by Mrs. E. Pellow, and the presentation was made by Mrs. Fred Dowell, two past presidents of the club.

**BRIG-GEN. KING TAKES
COMMAND OF DISTRICT NO. 1**

Brig-Gen. W. B. M. King, C.M.G., I.R.C., arrived in the city on Tuesday evening to take over the command of Military District No. 1, while Gen. H. A. Panet, former commander, left for Toronto yesterday where he will be in charge of Military District No. 2.

When interviewed by The Advertiser this morning, General King stated that he has made no definite plans as yet, and in the main would adopt the same methods used by the former commander, Gen. Panet.

The annual summer camp for the troops in this district will be held this year from June 12-21. This date was recommended by Gen. Panet and was approved by the Militia Department at Ottawa.

The camp will be smaller than last year on account of the cutting down of the estimates of the Department of Militia.

Bird Bulletin

Issued by the Macmillan Ornithological Club.

While following the noisy vituperations of a lot of crows who were mobbing a Great Horned Owl, the writer came on a turtle who had apparently just finished laying eggs in a nest of sandy country near the water level, she had climbed fully 50 feet up a steep incline to a sandy woods at the top, and there we found her sitting stolidly in the sun, waiting for—we could not say what.

She belonged to species known as the Map Turtle, which I had supposed was confined to the large marshes, where I had frequently found it, but never before near London. On digging down into the damp sand just beneath her, fourteen eggs were unearthed. They had been covered with two or three inches of moistened sand, and were packed closely together in a hole which had a shelf reaching under the turtle's snout. The eggs were untouched, as usual, with the turtles, and measure about 1 by 1 1/2 inches.

One cannot easily get over a surprised feeling that these animals place their eggs in the ground and then depart, having completed their parental duties. I once sacrificed a young bittern that seemed to have an abnormally large "tummy," and found that his confiding parent had induced him to swallow a little snapping turtle, with an unbroken shell. If we had the same confidence in our own digestion, there would be little sale for digestive remedies.

W. D. SAUNDERS.

Cupid In May Outshines His Work of April

CUPID, in May, outdid not only his April effort, but also his best efforts of last May, with 41 marriages, compared with 40 last month, and 39 in May, 1921.

Births in May total 118, or 6 below April, while deaths were 15 higher.

Of the births, 57 were boys, 61 girls. Deaths claimed 33 males and 62 females.

BELIEVE MURRAY WILL BE DEPUTY

Ottawa, May 30.—Kenneth Murray, mail clerk, was named today in official circles as the outstanding possibility for the deputy postmaster at London. Murray did not try the examinations with the four candidates at the Technical School, but tried another examination later, and it is understood to have made an excellent showing. He is a returned soldier, being in charge of the postal service for the Canadian forces in France.

No confirmation of the appointment has been obtained, but developments are expected in a few days.

DISTILLER'S ASSESSMENT WILL NOT BE REDUCED

Brackin Bill in Ontario Legislature Thrown Out.

Toronto, Ont., May 31.—R. L. Brackin's bill to base the business tax on distilled beverages on 60 per cent of the assessment valuation of the distiller's properties, as in the case of ordinary manufacturing concerns, instead of on 150 per cent of that valuation, was thrown out by a large majority by the Municipal Committee of the Legislature this morning.

J. P. Coburn, K.C., of Walkerville told the committee that both the Canadian and American markets of the distillers had been eliminated, and that they should this far not be discriminated against.

R. Benge Hall of Parry Sound protested against any special consideration for the distillers. "There will be more classes and cases in Canada than there are in India if this goes on," he declared, and inquired rhetorically, "Has the price of whiskey been reduced?"

Major Tolmie placed himself in favor of the bill on the ground that conditions in the industry in question had changed from what they were some time ago, and that it ought to be put on the same basis as any other manufacturing exporting basis.

J. W. Cury declared that distilleries were making immense profits, not only from alcohol distilled for beverage purposes, but also from alcohol distilled for manufacturing purposes.

H. K.