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### Consumers

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provinces. Following a vote on Thursday, in the Town of Tilbury, in which the citizens voted almost unanimously against granting the double and triple rate increase asked, the Union Natural Gas Company Saturday served notice on Tilbury, Haldimand, and other places that the supply would be shut off on Monday morning and that the company would deny the order of the Ontario department of mines, forbidding it to do so.

So far as Hellenheim is concerned, a wire was sent to the minister informing him of the warning of the gas company, and yesterday afternoon officials of the company in Chatham were served with notice from the Government that the gas must not be shut off.

**BLENHEIM, Nov. 1.**—(Special to The Free Press.)—There was almost a riot here this morning when it was found that the gas supply had been shut off contrary to Government orders. Luckily the weather was mild and people who depend on gas for heat did not notice it so much. But indignation was high and if the supply is not restored promptly the people will turn on the gas themselves.

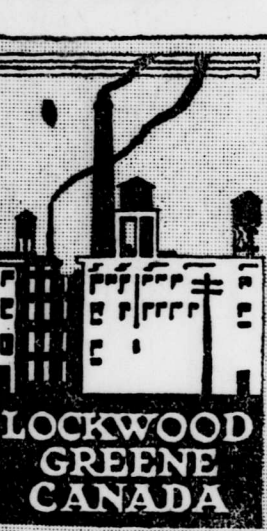
Mayor Clunk got in touch with E. S. Estlin and through him the attorney general, and received authority to appoint a man to break into the regulator station and turn on the supply as soon as he received word from Mr. Estlin to do so. Early this afternoon this work was still being done in a very similar situation.

**RIDGETOWN, Nov. 1.**—(Special to The Free Press.)—Finding the supply of natural gas turned off this morning and citizens angered at the failure of the Union Natural Gas Company to obey the command of the Government, the mayor visited the regulator station to see what could be done in the way of turning on the supply. It was found everything in the nature of a tool that would be used by the company to turn on the gas had been carefully removed. Later, however, Commissioner Estlin sent word that an expert would be sent to do the work and a Government employee would turn on the gas and keep it turned on by force, if necessary. The gas was promptly turned on.

**CONFERENCE AT BELMONT.** Belmont, Oct. 31.—Representatives of the Southern Gas Company and its consumers held a meeting here this morning in view of making a settlement between the company and consumers in regard to the increase of cost of gas. The meeting was called by the consumers after a report had been circulated that the gas supply would be cut off on November 1 if the price asked by the company was not paid. W. H. Barons, of the Belmont Gas Company, stated that the company had no intention of cutting off the supply and any circulars received by the consumers contained no intimation of such an act.

**TO HOLD CONFERENCE.** After a discussion lasting over an hour it was decided to appoint a committee of consumers to meet the company as a last attempt at reaching a satisfactory agreement. H. G. Barons, of the Belmont Gas Company, stated that the company had no intention of cutting off the supply and any circulars received by the consumers contained no intimation of such an act.

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## TO DECIDE STORM SEWER PROPOSAL

Need \$175,000 To Carry Out the Paving Program.

### CITY PAVING PLANT

Ald. Moorhead Opposes Fair Control of Queen's Park.

Whether London will be able to carry out any extensive paving program in 1921 will be a large extent decided at to-night's session of the City Council, when the matter of issuing \$175,000 for storm sewers will be up for a decision. It is understood that the storm sewer issue will be approved by the City Council on the ground that they are necessary to the common civic welfare. The city fathers will also be asked to approve, or otherwise, the proposal that a \$45,000 paving plant be purchased. Ald. Moorhead has pointed out that such a plant is absolutely necessary to the economical administration of the street building department, that London may not hope to keep abreast of its growth unless proper equipment is purchased. The old plant, he stated, is antiquated and has been in service for the city to twice its original value. London to-day, he stated, needs a paving plant that will permit the laying of 10 miles of pavement yearly, instead of three or four miles as at present.

At to-night's session of the Council it is understood the aldermen will determine their course of action in regard to the City of London Bill. Special meetings of spending bodies will probably be ordered and the preparation of legislation for the City of London Bill remain before the bill must be prepared and forwarded to Toronto.

### CIVIL SERVANTS ARE WITH LABOR

Decide By Big Majority To Affiliates With Unions.

### TO EXTEND THE MOVE

Government Views the Development With Misgiving.

OTTAWA, Oct. 31.—(Special to The Free Press.)—The fact that, by over 1,000 majority, the civil service at Ottawa has voted to affiliate with organized union labor is regarded here as a significant event. The idea of a union being proposed in a body where the social order is high and somewhat aristocratic would have been scouted a year or two ago and even before the vote was taken, there was little or no idea that the affiliation proposal would carry.

The government has been carrying on a campaign for some time to get the civil servants to affiliate with the union. In those that are won to the union idea, either carried or was pretty close to the anti-affiliation vote.

### THE OPPONENTS.

Opponents of the scheme were mainly the Civil Service Association, a branch of the Dominion Federation. It is now the declared policy of the promoters of the union, which, with the largest outside 50,000 Government employees, the union is expected to be a powerful factor in the anti-affiliation vote.

### MANY AGREEMENTS.

As Belmont is a police village, the agreements affecting the case are entered into by the three townships of Belmont, South and North Dorchester, or by separate agreements. There is still another agreement in the county roads, which is being made with Middlesex County.

### PRESSURE LOW

WINDSOR, Oct. 31.—Natural gas pressure in Windsor mains fell to three pounds yesterday. The low pressure was recorded here. But while the pressure was low, the reports from Saranac, where that municipality is paying more for its gas, showed a 21-pound pressure. In many homes gas was too low for cooking.

### WHITBY MILL BURNED.

WHITBY, Ont., Oct. 31.—Fire destroyed the Whitby Brick and Clay Products Company's plant here on Saturday night and burned up many thousands of feet of lumber. The loss is estimated at \$20,000. There was no insurance on the mill or lumber.

### TWO FATALITIES AT KITCHENER

Man and Woman Killed on Same Street Almost Simultaneously.

### A. McGRUTHER HIT BY AUTO

Mrs. Edward Ludwig Run Down by Riderless Motor Cycle.

KITCHENER, Oct. 31.—(Canadian Press Dispatch.)—Two fatalities occurred on King street west in this city simultaneously, shortly after 9 o'clock last night, which resulted in the deaths of Albert McGruther, of Waterloo, and Mrs. Edward Ludwig, of Kitchener.

### A PECULIAR ACCIDENT.

Mrs. Ludwig was instantly killed by being struck by a riderless motor cycle while walking with her husband on King street. Two motor cycles, driven by Walter Heiser and William Schaefer, were moving his household effects from Waterloo to Kitchener at the time of the fatal accident.

## ADMITTS HITTING WIFE FOR DISOBEYING HIM

Edward Pike Remanded For a Week On Charge of Assault by Magistrate.

"I struck her. I hit her a couple of wallops for disobeying me. She's been defying me for the last four weeks over another fellow. She deserves all she got." These are some of the statements made by Edward Pike to Magistrate Graydon at to-day's session of the police court, in answer to a charge of assaulting his wife, Caroline Pike. That's the terrible admission for a man to make. Said Mr. Graydon in remanding the prisoner, who was arrested on Saturday by Detective Harry Down, to jail for a week.

### VICTORIA GREETED PREMIER MEIGHEN

Hundreds Unable to Gain Admission to Two Meetings.

### MR. KING ANSWERED

Statement About Government Expenditure Is Proven Untrue.

VICTORIA, B. C., Oct. 31.—(Canadian Press Dispatch.)—Two meetings were addressed in Victoria on Saturday night by Premier Meighen and Hon. J. A. Calder. In the main the premier dealt with charges made against the government by Hon. Mackenzie King when he spoke here. He spoke at length on the tariff, the soldiers' settlement scheme, and the civil re-establishment, the national home building program and the sugar question.

### ONLY A HANDFUL.

"Do you want it to be said that some 20 persons so conducted themselves as to stop this meeting?" asked a minor nature. Premier Meighen criticized Hon. Mackenzie King's charges that the government was autocratic as without foundation. He said that the government could not be made by the Government without the consent of Parliament.

### DITCHING MACHINE

ACCIDENT IS FATAL

Roy Dow, of Sparta, Succumbs at St. Thomas to Shock and Loss of Blood.

ST. THOMAS, Oct. 31.—(By Staff Reporter.)—Roy Dow, injured while operating a ditching machine, died yesterday in Amnash Wood Hospital here, 48 hours after the accident, in which he lost his right arm and suffered other injuries. Death resulted from loss of blood and shock.

### THE AFFAIR.

The affair has aroused considerable comment about Sparta, a store man is taken to require two men to operate the ditching machine. Dow was working along the road between the store and Union, when his arm became entangled in the gears. The limb was torn out at the shoulder and the young man lay bleeding for some hours until rescued by Charles Spary. He was then conscious, and directed his rescuer in shutting off the motor, and showed him how to get his clothing out of the gears.

### THE AFFAIR.

Dow was 23 and had resided here six years. His widow and two children survive. His parents reside in Thamesville. The remains will be interred from F. R. Williams & Son's undertaking parlors. Dr. Ewin, coroner, has decided that an inquest will not be necessary.

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The force of the blast burst a steel barrel of lubricating oil which formed part of the new equipment and the flash of the electricity ignited the oil, which was thrown over the men in the room. Four men were instantly killed, apparently, on the spot.

## UNIFORM DIVORCE LAW NEXT SESSION

G. N. Weekes Predicts Action When Parliament Meets.

### SAYS NEED PRESSING

Committee of Bar Association To Push Matter.

Predictions are made by G. N. Weekes that action will be taken by the Dominion House on the matter of uniform divorce laws for the Dominion early at the next session. The local barrister, who has been greatly interested in obtaining uniform divorce laws for Canada as well as more advanced legislation in the matter of divorce, pointed out that the Canadian Bar Association at a meeting held in Ottawa early in September took up the matter of uniform divorce laws and appointed a committee to see that the matter was brought to the attention of Parliament early at the next session.

### THE AFFAIR.

At the present time divorce in Ontario is only possible by act of Parliament. Believing that there was need of more advanced legislation which would enable misfit couples their freedom, Mr. Weekes, through small advertisements in the local newspapers, circulated a petition in London and Western Ontario calling upon the Government to enact a divorce law which would make possible divorce for the poor as well as for the rich. Although only in circulation about two weeks, the petition was signed by more than 120 people, all of whom signified that they wished to obtain divorce.

### THE AFFAIR.

The petition was sent to the premier, then Sir Robert Borden, and copies were sent to Major Hume Cronyn, M. P., the local member, and to S. Frank Glass, M. P., member for East Middlesex. It was then the driving force of the session, however, and in the rush of closing business no action was possible on the petition. The fact, however, that the Bar Association has lined itself up in favor of uniform divorce legislation would without doubt, Mr. Weekes contended, lead to the matter receiving attention.

### THE AFFAIR.

Mr. Weekes pointed out at the time the petition was circulated that there was a much greater need of divorce legislation than ever before, due to the war. A considerable number of wives in the country had been deserted by their husbands and a large number of the men who had served overseas had returned. These men had returned to find their homes broken up beyond repair and many of them wished to be released from the marriage bond. The greater number of these, however, were unable to bear the expense of obtaining divorce under the existing conditions.

### THE AFFAIR.

Referring to Mr. King's statement that the Government had spent \$70,000,000 on a shipbuilding program without the approval of Parliament, Mr. Weekes said that a contract had been let without the consent of Parliament. No member of the Opposition had objected to the appropriations.

### THE AFFAIR.

Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux had applauded the premier's statement for the program and has assured full support for carrying on such work. He said that he had been down, 49 were in the water and the Canadian flag went into all the worst harbors of the world. Canada should be proud of her merchant marine.

### THE AFFAIR.

Canada. In a brief reference to the G. T. R. acquisition the premier said Canada's part in the war was not any part in peace negotiations. He said that Canada should have told Great Britain to go ahead and make any sort of a treaty that didn't bother with us.

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When repeating his Vancouver statement that he would not support the government, he remarked that some of the soldiers had succeeded better than his critics.

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## URGENT PURCHASE FIRE EQUIPMENT

Replace Antiquated Machines, Is Chief's Plan.

### TO COST \$30,000

Other Proposals May Be Submitted To Council.

Fire Chief Atken is preparing to recommend the purchase of fire department equipment that will amount to some \$30,000, it was announced to-day. This equipment will include a new motor service truck and a motor fire engine to replace the steam one now proved inefficient.

### THE AFFAIR.

Mr. Atken stated London has now grown to a size where proper fire equipment was an absolute necessity. "We especially need a new pumping unit," he stated, "for the water company's station. This was turned down last spring, but the safety of public property demands, it is stated, a new alarm system."

### THE AFFAIR.

A writer says that there is a great deal of character in police—but he doesn't specify which kind.

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