

## COUNTY MAY KEEP HIGHWAYS OPEN

Engineer Talbot Estimates Cost of Work at \$3,000 Annually.

TRAFFIC INCREASES  
\$207,565 Was Spent On Roads During 1925—City Pays \$18,808.

There is more than an even chance that Middlesex county roads will be kept open this winter for both automobile and horse-drawn vehicles, as a result of the report made to the county council yesterday afternoon by County Engineer Charles Talbot. Such work would be in charge of the regular county road foreman, and, taking an average winter as a basis would cost the county \$3,000. The report also recommended preparation for the paving of the Sarnia road to the Lambton town line.

"The maintenance of roads in winter is becoming more difficult as the use of motor cars and trucks increase," read Mr. Talbot's report on the year's activities.

"Last year we spent only such money as was necessary to permit traffic. Many times the roads were unsafe, and might have involved the county in litigation. This condition is likely to be repeated year after year unless there is some plan to maintain roads in a safe condition."

"I am of the opinion, however, that good service can be given for both horse-drawn and motor vehicles," concluded the report.

"When I say the cost might run \$3,000 a year, I mean that this would be the cost of the work. The initial outlay would of course have to be considered separately," said Mr. Talbot, who suggested that the county trucks used for hauling gravel in the summer could be used with scrapers attached.

Roads Cost \$207,565.

Mr. Talbot's report on road expenditures in his department from Dec. 3, 1924, to Nov. 30, 1925. It showed that the total expenditure on county roads, bridges, etc., during that time was \$207,565.17. Of this amount, after deductions for road oiling, etc., in towns and villages were deducted, the province of Ontario pays half. In other words the province pays \$99,554.21 of the total. The city of London pays \$18,808.78 for suburban roads, and the county of Middlesex pays the balance of \$79,202.18.

Traffic on county roads had increased by leaps and bounds and to such an extent that some of the gravel roads were carrying more traffic than they could economically stand.

Mr. Talbot recommended the county to prepare for the construction of a pavement on the Sarnia road as far as the Lambton town line. In connection with this, Mr. Talbot advised bridges and culverts in the various townships interested be cared for as part of the program in 1926. A new bridge over the Ox-Bow creek at Melrose was also included in his recommendations.

The engineer reported that 2,475 cords of gravel had been delivered in Melrose, Canada, Adelaide, Lobo and London townships and Strathroy. The average haul was 7.7 miles, and the cost of operation was \$11,576.61. Sixty-one trips were made. The trucks made 3,559 trips and travelled 54,361 miles during the year. They were still in good condition. The average cost of delivering gravel by teams was \$1.22 per cord mile.

Praises Drivers.

Mr. Talbot praised the work of the county truck drivers and gave a great deal of credit for the splendid showing to Foreman George Redmond and the three drivers, Messrs. Harry Collier, George Tiffin and W. Cameron.

County road expenditure in the various townships during the year was as follows: Melrose, \$69,755; Canada, \$4,501.09; Adelaide, \$10,453.24; Elfrida, \$5,332.29; Adelaide, \$8,240.22; Delaware, \$2,567.91; Westminster, \$6,847.87; Dorchester, \$8,268.47; Windsor, \$1,152.51; London township, \$8,099.35; suburban roads, London township, \$86,579.59 (of this amount \$73,871.18 was spent on pavement); Strathroy, \$1,848.85; Parkhill, \$278.27; Strathroy, \$1,848.85; Parkhill, \$278.27; Alisa Craig, \$287.98; Newbury, \$312.26; Wardsville, \$88.86.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed by the council on the conclusion of his report, on the motion of Wm. Boler and Austin Winter.

The motion of J. N. Sullivan and J. A. Leitch, asking that the clerk be instructed to prepare a bylaw limiting truck loads on county roads from November to March, was referred to the highway committee for consideration.

The council adjourned late in the afternoon to meet today at 2 p.m.

## COURSES AT O. A. C. WON BY SEVERAL IN COUNTY

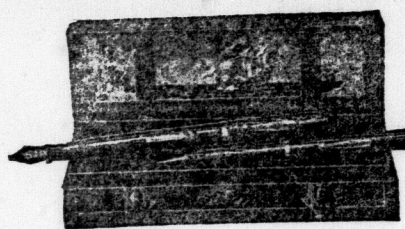
Tuition at the two-weeks' short course at the Ontario Agricultural college, with all expenses paid, is the prize won by the successful contestants in the annual Middlesex county competition sponsored by the Ontario department of agriculture.

Following are the winners in the five events: Dairy profit, Gordon S. Taylor, Glenworth; baby beef, Basil Perry, Appin; and Gordon A. O'Neill, Denfield; feeding hogs for profit, Chester D. Brown, Ilderton; acre profit in oat crop, J. B. Frank, Komoka; acre profit in corn crop, Edward A. Mitchell, Denfield.

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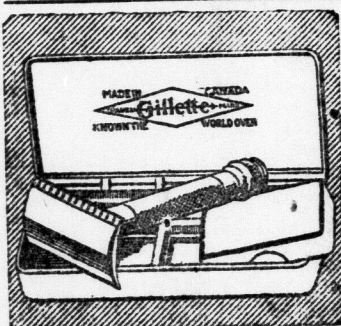
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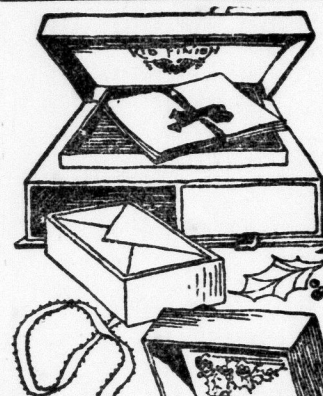


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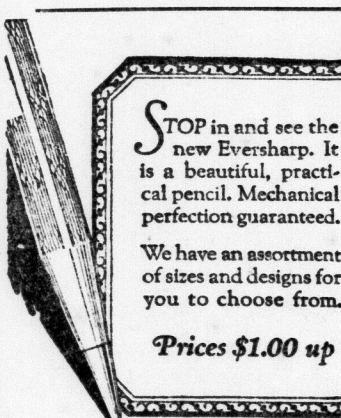
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## DEISEL ENGINE GROWTH IS TOLD BY M'KILLIP

London Engineer Addresses Institute at Banquet—C. Miller in the Chair.

Twenty-eight members attended the dinner meeting of the local branch of the Engineers' Institute of Canada, held in the Public Utilities building last night. Owing to the illness of E. V. Buchanan the address of the evening on "The Deisel Engine" was given by Vernon G. McKillop, local engineer.

Guests were present from the Woodstock, Ingersoll and St. Thomas branches of the association. Charles Miller, city engineer of St. Thomas, occupied the chair during the evening, and Col. Ibbotson Leonard of this city led the discussion which followed the address.

Mr. McKillop gave a splendid outline of the famous engine and traced its progress from the time it was

## Surrenders To Serve Sentence, Gets Trip To Hospital Instead

Special To The Advertiser by Staff Correspondent.

Sarnia, Dec. 9.—Harry W. Loughhead, formerly a prominent manufacturer, whose appeal against a conviction carrying a jail sentence as well as the penalty of a fine for breach of the O. T. A., was dismissed by Judge A. E. Taylor on July 14 last, today surrendered himself to the authorities to serve out the sentence imposed, and is now ill with liver trouble at the General Hospital.

He was taken there on the authority of the jail physician, Dr. T. P. Bradley, after he had given himself up. He had been ill for some time before that, it was stated. E. treatment of the jail bonds posted pending a decision on the appeal was being considered just before Mr. Loughhead walked into the office of Governor J. N. D. Dodd at the county jail and surrendered.

R. W. Garrett and Mr. Beach of the city engineer's department; Robert Angus, mechanical engineer; Col. Ibbotson Leonard, Mayor-elect John M. Moore, County Engineer Talbot and several officials of the Canadian National Railway.

## To Stop a Cold in One Day

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Hudnut Sets, various assortments and odors, at \$1.75, \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.75, \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$8.50.  
Djer-Kiss Sets, at \$3.25, \$4.50 and \$6.00.  
Yardley's Lady's Set, \$3.75

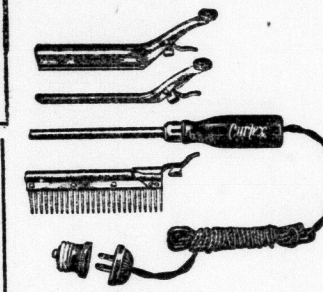


## Christmas Suggestions

New, Delightful Perfume packages at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$2.00.  
Toilet Waters, four different odors, per box ..... \$1.00  
Three Flowers Toilet Water ..... \$1.50

## A Special Bargain In SANI-FLUSH

For Closet Bowls  
Regular 35c a tin,  
Today, Friday and Saturday  
25c or 2 tins 49c.



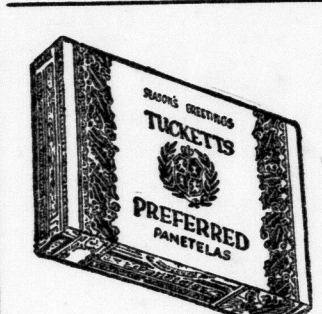
## CURLEX ELECTRIC CURLING SETS

You will find this set very complete, and we guarantee it completely satisfactory.  
Sale price ..... \$1.89



## THERMOS VACUUM BOTTLES

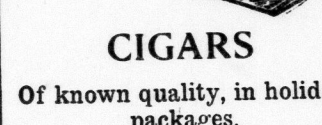
Pint size ..... \$1.00  
Quart size ..... \$2.00  
All-Metal Lunch Kits ..... 89c  
Today, Friday and Saturday



## BATH SALTS

of well-known makes.

Vinolia, Pinaud's, Hudnut's, Yardley's, Melba, etc. At 35c, \$1, \$1.25 and up to \$3



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Of known quality, in holiday packages.  
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## FORHAN'S TOOTH PASTE

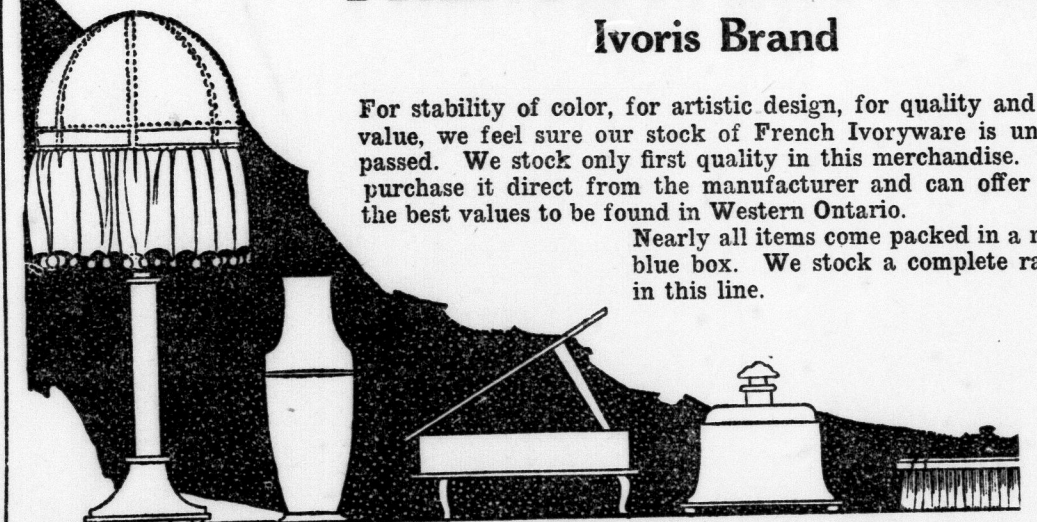
For the gums and teeth.  
Reg. 35c size ..... 24c  
Reg. 60c size ..... 39c  
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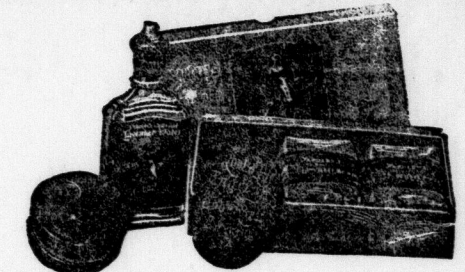
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Are popular gifts. There are more than 25 different items in this line. See our display.

Buckley's Bronchitis Mixture 75c a bottle

Wincarnis The Tonic Reg. \$1.50, \$1.17

Norida Loose Powder Vanities Single, \$1.50 Double \$2.00

Nujol Mineral Oil Large size \$1.14

Munn's Pure Cod Liver Oil 8-oz. bottle 50c

Standard Floor Wax 1-lb. tins Reg. 50c 39c

Waterbury's Cod Liver Extract with Creosote 77c

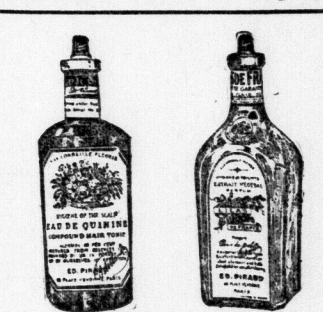
Herb Juice (the laxative tonic) \$1.00 a bot.

Gin Pills (for the kidneys) Reg. 50c, 32c

Dr. Smyth's Corn Remedy (guaranteed) 35c

D. D. D. (for eczema) Reg. \$1.00, 77c

Creomulsion The New Bronchitis Remedy \$1.25

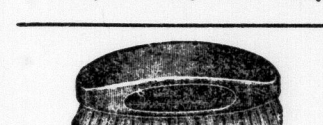


## ED. PINAUD'S TOILET PREPARATIONS

Eau de Quinine, small ..... 75c  
Large ..... \$1.35  
Lilas de France Lotion ..... \$1.00  
Solidified Brilliantine ..... 50c  
Liquid Brilliantine ..... 50c  
Lilas Talcum ..... 50c  
Lilas Bath Salt ..... \$1.00  
Pinaud's Hongois, per tube ..... 20c

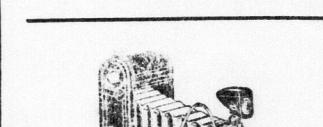
## WASHCLOTHS

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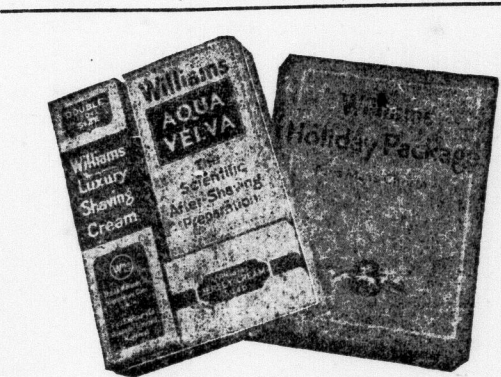
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## SETTLEMENT REACHED IN WINDSOR WHIPPING

Canadian Press Despatch. Windsor, Dec. 9.—After a verbal battle between Mayor Frank J. Mitchell and Geo. A. Pearson, principal of Prince Edward school, the management committee of the board of education effected an amicable settlement of the controversy arising out of the whipping of a 11-year-old girl at Assumption street school.

## CABBAGES SCARCE

Looks Like Hard Winter for Beef and Cabbage Lovers. Associated Press Despatch. Chicago, Dec. 9.—It looks like a hard winter for the devotees of corned beef and cabbage. Government reports indicate a small crop of cabbage, and prices are double what they were a year ago.

## PARENT GETS DAMAGES FOR INJURIES TO BOY

Dr. James Crane Must Pay \$450 and Costs To Albert Hawthorne.

Four hundred and fifty dollars goes to Albert A. Hawthorne, acting for his eight-year-old son, Arthur, according to a decision handed down last night in supreme court by Mr. Justice Mowat. Mr. Hawthorne sued on behalf of his child against Dr. James W. Crane, of Toronto, whose car ran into the boy on April 6 this year, on the Lambton highway. The boy's arm was broken, his face lacerated, and was badly bruised.

## STEAMER AGROUND.

Canadian Press Despatch. Baltimore, Md., Dec. 9.—Radio reports received by the Maritime exchange here today said that the British steamer Gibraltar, Baltimore bound from Port Tarifa, Cuba, with a cargo of sugar, was aground off New Point, 126 miles down Chesapeake Bay.



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