

# BIGGS ADDRESSES BOARDS OF TRADE

Government "Ear to the Ground"  
—Plan for Urban-Rural  
Co-operation.

## ELECT JOHN BRIDGE

London, Ont., Feb. 6.—An important step toward practical co-operation of urban and rural communities in Western Ontario was an outstanding feature of the second annual meeting of the Western Ontario United Boards of Trade, which closed this afternoon with a meeting in the auditorium at which Hon. F. C. Biggs, provincial minister of public works and highways, delivered an address on the Ontario government's rural policy.

At 12.30 o'clock a luncheon was given in the Masonic Temple by the London chamber of commerce to about 300 members of the boards of trade and other representatives, who had responded to the invitation to hear Hon. Mr. Biggs. The boards of trade, which are the primary organizations of every kind in the counties and represent in Western Ontario, to join with us in a united effort to solve these common problems which have been discussed. I am giving you this information now that you may have time to consider it, and we may get some action on it later.

Following the address delivered at the auditorium later in the afternoon, the large audience responded cordially to the idea.

**Point to Problems.**

The most pressing of the problems which are referred to in a resolution submitted by Lieut.-Col. Walter James Brown of London and seconded by Mr. George Stanley of Lucan, at this meeting, and unanimously adopted, are as follows:

"Resolved that the United Boards of Trade and Farmers' Clubs of Western Ontario, in convention assembled, do hereby call the attention of the provincial government to the seriousness of the present rural situation in Western Ontario, and the necessity for taking immediate steps to procure additional immigration, and the need for so modifying our school system that rural education may be emphasized and made accessible to boys and girls who desire to remain in the country; proper instruction and supervision for immigrants settling on farms of Ontario."

**Speech of Biggs.**

"We want an evenly balanced system of roads in the province of Ontario which will serve everybody and which will be comfortable traveling for the people for twelve months in the year," declared Hon. F. C. Biggs, minister of public works, addressing one of the largest gatherings of city and western Ontario public men ever held in London at the Young Men's Christian Association.

When we went to the Dominion government with our road policy we came with the assurance that Ontario would get her share of the \$40,000,000 set aside for road development.

"The government wants this scheme to serve every county and town that comes under the good roads plan. We are going to take over 1,600 miles of provincial roads, and we are going to get you to get the idea, however, that we are going to build 1,600 miles of concrete road or construct concrete roads for the county or township roads."

"Where a provincial road is designated," continued the minister, "it will be running between two large centres of population, and designated so as to serve the greatest number of people. They will be situated, too, where the counties can build feeders to them."

**Refers to Hydro.**

In reference to the Hydro, the speaker pointed out that the rural populations are impatiently waiting for development of the country districts so that they, too, may share in the pleasures and profits accruing from Hydro. He declared that the present government would do everything in its power to develop Hydro power for the rural population of Ontario.

In conclusion, the speaker stated that the government at Queen's Park had its ear to the ground, and that they hoped to set up a standard never raised before. He pointed to the short time the government had been in power, and thought that already they had made a good start. He declared the government to be the servants of the people.

The following officers were elected: President, John Bridge; Vice-presidents, Arthur J. Dunn, Chatham; L. Moore, Goderich; George Matthews, Brantford; T. J. Hamilton, Chatham; secretary-treasurer, Gordon Philip, London.

## FIFTEEN BOTTLES SEIZED.

Fifteen bottles of whiskey were seized last night by plainclothesmen John and Chester. Philip Rosenberg and John Brett, Sullivan having been arrested, charged with having the liquor in their possession.

# BIG EATERS GET KIDNEY TROUBLE

Take Salts at First Sign of  
Bladder Irritation or  
Backache.

The American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble, because we eat too much and our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out, they weaken from overwork, become sluggish, the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health.

When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead, your back hurts or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night, if you suffer with sick headache or dizzy nervous spells, acid stomach or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys; to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

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# YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS COUNCIL CONSIDER NEW COURT HOUSE

## York Councilors Divided on Question of Memorial Scheme.

A recommendation from the war memorial committee, that the question of deciding on the erection of a memorial to the men who fell in the war be deferred until the June session raised a debate in the county council yesterday afternoon. Reeve Whitmore of Vaughan said that as the authority of municipalities to make grants for patriotic purposes was limited with the end of 1919, he could see no reason for continuing the life of the committee. Chairman William Keith of the committee said they were ready to report, but a committee of the Great War Veterans had made a request that their views should be heard, and had suggested leaving the matter over until June. The committee had agreed to this. Reeve Whitmore replied that no member of council should take it upon himself to hang up matters of this kind. He thought the war veterans should have been told to make their request to council.

Warden Gardhouse expressed the opinion that as the members of council were plainly divided on the question of making a grant for a war memorial, the question should be decided at this session, and he suggested postponing the discussion until this morning. This suggestion was adopted.

The three school inspectors of the county, Messrs. Campbell, Mulloy and Jordan, each presented lengthy reports on the school work of the year, and strongly urged a number of reforms, chiefly, the banishment of the section board system and adoption of the township board system, as the quickest way of securing consolidated schools. They thought the consolidated school idea would solve the rural school problem. Inspector Jordan also advocated making agriculture a permanent department of the curriculum.

On motion of Reeve Keith, the reports were referred to the education committee, with authority to ask for such legislation as they deemed to be in the interest of the county.

The committee on bylaws and legislation reported that a communication had been received from the attorney-general and from Judge Coatsworth, calling attention to the lack of adequate court house accommodation. This matter was referred to the warden and the council of the county, to be taken up with the city.

**\$400,000 Building.**

When the last agreement was made between the city and the county, back in 1885, there was a proposal to erect a \$400,000 court house on the site of the present city hall, and of this sum the county was to pay \$84,000. The city revised its plan later to provide room for municipal offices also, but the county was not asked to increase its proportion, and \$84,000 only was paid. It is understood that the city is anxious to use a great deal of the space now given over to court rooms in the hall, and an outcome of the present negotiations may be a revival of the 25-year-old plan to erect a building in the city for the exclusive use of the courts.

Council decided to make a grant of \$80 out of the county highway fund, to be expended on Leaside road, in Toronto, under the supervision of the Toronto and York Highways Commission.

## UNEXPECTED SUCCESS

Great success was attained in the Methodist national campaign at Stouffville yesterday, \$2815 being collected, the objective was only \$2880. Twenty-two each gave \$100. It is hoped to obtain \$8500, as much as the district remains to be canvassed.

## VICTIM OF PNEUMONIA.

Mrs. Stuart of Sellers' avenue, Earls Court, has died from an attack of double pneumonia following the flu. She had been ill for several days and leaves her husband and four little children. This is the third death on this avenue this week.

## EARLS COURT NAVY LEAGUE.

In connection with the Toronto Navy League a public meeting will be held on Sunday evening at the Royal George Theatre, at the corner of Dufferin and St. Clair, for the purpose of organizing a branch of the league for this district. The meeting, which is to take place at 8.30 p.m., after church hours will be addressed by Lieut.-Col. Williams, Rev. Chaplain Sam. Boal and probably Commodore Aemilius Jarvis.

Local leaders and Petty Officer Wm. Bloomfield, who served throughout the war, will also take part. The boys' brass band of the British Imperial Association will furnish the music. Ladies are especially invited.

## FANCIERS HEAR EXPERT.

Earls Court Progressive Poultry Association held their regular meeting and show last night at 1270 St. Clair avenue. Hon. President Alex. MacGregor, K. C. the chair, there was an excellent show of birds, and R. B. Fox, government judge, gave an interesting talk on points. H. M. Blight also spoke on the Lathams, and exhibited fine specimens, some of which had won prizes. Judges Bennett and Summers judged the heavy and light breeds respectively. There was a large addition to the membership. Arrangements have been made to hold a concert in the Belmont Hall later on in the month. F. Goldworthy is president of this association.

## DANFORTH MEN ORGANIZE

In view of the fact that Danforth avenue is becoming one of the big thoroughfares and commercial districts of the city, a representative number of its business men have organized themselves. This new organization was formed last night at a meeting held at 936 Logan avenue, and the name decided upon was the Danforth Business Men's Association, with the slogan, "Boost Business in This Locality."

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NEW INSURANCES	
Insurances issued and reinstated	\$40,171,220
Increase over 1918	\$21,035,470
BUSINESS IN FORCE	
Business in force, December 31st, 1919	\$139,386,731
Increase over 1918	\$30,814,028
INCOME	
Cash Income—Premium, Interest, etc.	\$7,085,134
Increase over 1918	\$1,253,944
ASSETS	
Assets at December 31st, 1919	\$29,355,629
Increase over 1918	\$2,607,236
DIVIDENDS	
Dividends paid to Policyholders	\$437,303
Increase over 1918	\$93,244
SURPLUS	
Surplus over all Liabilities, and Capital, according to Company's standard	\$2,517,316
SUMMARY	

Largest amount of new business issued in 1919 in history of Company. Largest gain in insurance in force in history of Company. Mortality experienced, 41% less than provided for. Average rate of interest earned, 6%.

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# ASQUITH PUTS LIMIT ON GERMAN INDEMNITY

London, Feb. 6.—In a speech at Paisley tonight former Premier Asquith, who is contesting the seat in parliament for that district, said: "Speaking with a full sense of my responsibility, I am disposed to believe, after making proper allowances for what is needed to start Germany's industrial life again, that 2,000,000,000 pounds is the outside indemnity obtainable from Germany. If I were the chancellor of the exchequer I would write off anything beyond this as a bad and doubtful asset."

An excellent address on war memorials was delivered by Mrs. George H. Smith, St. Catharines, national educational secretary. "We have been nothing but an open door for beggars all our life," declared Mrs. McVean, Dresden. "Why can't we go out and beg among other organizations?" This was prompted by a suggestion that the order for war memorials be among its own members. No action was taken.