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WILL BUILDING OF CITY HALL BE STARTED THIS YEAR; IF SO, WILL IT BE ON SPENCER SITE?

Questions Being Asked on Every Hand—Some Aldermen Favor Letting People Vote on It Once More—Council Will Discuss Problem Monday.

Will the building of the new city hall be commenced this year? Will it be erected on the Spencer block? These are two questions which one hears in every quarter. Ald. L. S. Holmes, at the committee meeting yesterday afternoon, urged that some action be taken immediately by the council toward securing the money by way of the city of London bill. It was decided to recommend to the council that provision be made for the bylaw, leaving the amount to be filled in later. This would have to be completed before the bill is placed for the sanction of the Legislature, but the council could go ahead with the preparation of the bylaw if it desired.

Some Want Vote.

Some of the aldermen question the wisdom of proceeding with the erection of the city hall on the Spencer site, or, in fact, on any site, without first getting the voice of the people on the question. They say that the citizens voted to build a new hall with the federal square scheme in mind, and to erect it now on the Spence site would be contrary to the expressed will of the people.

While some of the aldermen favor placing the proposition before the people they are not in opposition to the erection of the hall on the Spencer site, but they submit that the people should have all the facts placed before them and should be, given a chance to approve of the change from the Federal Square if they wish.

Cost Indefinite.

There have been no estimates submitted as yet as to the cost of the hall, but Inspector A. M. Piper, who is working on the tentative plans, thinks that it will cost considerably more than $200,000 to erect a suitable seven-story structure on the Spencer site. It may cost about $350,000, according to him.

In any event the council will have the question to deal with at its meeting on Monday night next.

Pte. Roxy Bollivar, Home Again, Gives Us His Philosophy On War and Life and a Little Girl

After Many Rambles and a Shot at the Biggest Show On Earth, Our Hero Is Glad That He Has One Arm Left.

BY JOHNNY TROTTER.

I got in it for the dough, boys;
That's all I got to say.
I'm back and I got an arm off
And I'm stallin' 'round on half pay.

I was bummin' 'round in a gang at Chi'
When the clean-up squad gets loose,
They had my ticket and I soon flew
With a con' pal in his caboose.

Got pinched in Detroit for mopery,
And then beat it across the line,
I met a plug what I used to buzz,
And a dollar ten for mine.

The mulligan sized up pretty fair,
And we stalled for a day or two,
Going up to ginks and panning them—
"Ain't you wise your king needs you?"

Then they herded us up in a pasture,
And they give us that dam squad drill
Till the old booze run out o' every pore—
And I met with a classy frill.

She couldn't get my line of con,
This Canady kid what I glom,
But there was no booze, and I'm off the hop,
And she takes me out on the prom.

Them karki togs sure made me feel,
Like a harness bull on his floats,
But anyway when I goes with her,
I'm just kinda feelin' my oats.

They fall for the guy that they think is hard,
Who's "reformed" for the look in their lamp,
And I told her stuff, runnin' all the way
From 'Frisco to old Skag' camp.

And I thinks to meself, as I looks at her,
What an old, tough sucker you are,
Whose spent his days in many ways,
But mostly attached to a bar.

And somehow or other, when she looks up,
I wonder what gets in a man,
To size the world as a hick for fair,
And play on a crooked plan.

And I ain't never had such thoughts before,
But I seem to be wingin' along,
And I feels that old bum's slouch drop off,
And the drill seems a bit of a song.

She bucks me up as I never was,
She slips me some stuff on the war,
And pretty soon it gets through my dome,
Just what we'll be fightin' for.

And she says, since you threw your life away,
Now here's the chance to get back.
You can make it pay in a kind of way
That's noble—or some such crack.

I've known the brutes in a dozen camps,
That sat round a mulligan stew,
I've gathered wood as a kid for the bums,
And got never a thing to chew.

And I sees this Kaiser and all his gang,
Is something like those plug 'ugs,
Who always tramped on the other boys,
And treated us all like thugs.

Until some day, when the beatin' up
That some poor gink gets handed,
Just makes us sick, and we all pitch in
And we railroads the guy that landed.

An' let me say that a court o' law,
May hand out the cream o' justice,
But just you look at a bunch o' 'bos
When some roughneck tries to bust us.

We railroads 'em right, and we beats 'em up—
And I've seen worse things than that.
I've seen 'em walked to the edge of a bridge
An' tole that "here's yer hat."

For even a bum when he's beaten hard,
By a bigger bull in the camps,
Will make his appeal for a regular deal,
An' get it from them rough scamps.

An' I sees that here in this worthless hide,
That I marked with the scars o' sin,
Is a place for a hope and the love of a girl,
An' a place to let beauty in.

And I ain't never thought such things before,
An' I ain't never used such words,
But she pulls me along and she pulls me up,
'Till I feel that I lives with the birds.

One day we packs and we pulls away,
And I sees her dab at her eyes,
And I thinks as the rails run back to the spot,
Oh, girl, but you've made me wise.

I've been wised up to the ways of crooks,
And I thought that the real hard man
Was the one who lived in a foot-free way,
But I know that was not the plan.

She sort of melted somethin' in here,
That seemed like cement and cold.—
And so as the rattler went on its way,
I says well this here's guy's sold.

He's sold his life to a mite of a girl,
To a girl and a thing called a cause.
An' I knows what she means when she says to me,
You're a knight with a lance in me paws.

Well, Bud, I been there and now I'm back,
An' take it from me (it's not brag).
That I feel as I done my rightest bit,
An' I wasn't in for no swag.

I ain't got much of a yarn to tell,
But I made up my mind to this, pal:
That I stuck to the cause that made me see
Clean life through the eyes of a gal.

An' you see that car comin' up the pike,
Well, for me that's the beat-it alarm
To a place where a kid is waitin' for me,
An' oh, boy, I still got one arm!

If Commission Government Is Refused, Debenture Issues May Have To Be Submitted To People

One of the possible conditions mentioned in the event of the Legislature refusing the request of the city for commission form of government is expressed in city hall circles to the effect that the board of education and the public utilities commission may be compelled to submit their requests for debenture issues to the people instead of asking the council to take the responsibility of placing them in the city of London bill.

It is pointed out that if the Legislature considers the council should have no say in the expenditure of the money it should not be expected to take the responsibility of providing the money for extensions, etc., by debenture issue without the sanction of the people first having been received.

POSITION OF TURNKEY AT JAIL STILL OPEN

Some Persons Advocate Employment of Younger Men.

Sheriff D. M. Cameron has not as yet appointed W. Sadler to the position of turnkey at the jail, permanently. Meanwhile the position is open to returned soldiers and others who wish to apply, but, if in the meantime Mr. Sadler decides to accept the position permanently, he will be given the preference over all other applicants, because of his experience. He took the position, temporarily, after the resignation of Ed. Dawson.

It is thought by many people that a few younger turnkeys could be secured for the jail, now that the salary given has been raised considerably. This opinion is expressed by these people, because they think it is to the public interest. There are many desperate characters in the jail and, it is claimed, the elderly employees are not capable of coping with these prisoners if they should try to break jail.

FRIDAY IS OLD BOOT AND SHOE DAY AT SCHOOLS; SERVES DOUBLE PURPOSE

Donations Provide Practice for Soldiers and Footwear for Needy.

Old boots and shoes are wanted by the Overseas Chapter, I.O.D.E., for the returned soldiers who are learning the shoe repairing trade at the London Art and Technical School. These shoes, after they have been repaired, either will be sold at a rummage sale or given to the children in poor families whom they may fit. In this way the chapter is killing two birds with one stone, assisting in educating returned soldiers and providing footwear for needy children.

It is "old boot and shoe day" in the schools tomorrow. All the pupils will endeavor to rake up all the old boots and shoes they can for the above purpose.

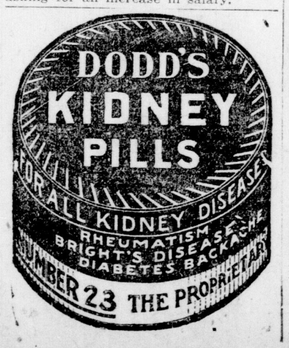
THREE YEARS FIGHTING; ESCAPES UNSCATHED

Pte. M. Purcell Receives Warm Welcome at Uncle's House.

Pte. M. Purcell was given a hearty welcome at the home of his uncle, A. McMillan, on Tuesday evening by a number of friends. Pte. Purcell, a Camlachie boy, enlisted and went overseas three years ago with the 70th Battalion, and served in the trenches for some time with that battalion. Later he was transferred to the Princess Pats, and later went with the heavy artillery. He went through the battle of the Somme, Vimy Ridge and other engagements, but was fortunate enough to come through unscathed.

CONSIDERING WAGE CLAIMS.

ST. THOMAS, Feb. 12.—The special committee appointed to go into the wage question at the city hall met last night, but in order to obtain further information an adjournment was made until a future date. Nearly all employees in the offices of the city hall are asking for an increase in salary.



INSURANCE MEN AID LAST-MINUTE RUSH FOR S. A. CAMPAIGN

House-to-House Canvass To Clean Up Everything.

The big Salvation Army campaign of this week is being wound up today by a clean-up "house-to-house" canvass, conducted by three industrial insurance companies—the Metropolitan, Prudential and London Life, assisting the Salvation Army. The insurance teams are as follows:

Metropolitan Life Team—P. A. Bowen (captain), P. J. Knuckle, J. G. Elliott, F. J. Bond, F. W. Linley, A. B. Laing, J. Kipp, V. Langford, F. H. Hindmarsh, J. B. Duffey, J. E. Wilton, T. Burrows, W. R. Shaw, E. R. Corbett, F. Yeo, J. Bateman.

Prudential Life Team — John W. Clark (captain), H. R. Parsons, E. Hodgkinson, W. J. Cody, J. L. Smith, P. F. Williams, J. Sharp, B. J. Murfin, J. Benson, A. Johnson, C. Carver, W. Parkinson, I. D. Hodgins, E. A. Lyons, E. N. Wooster, F. C. Welshman, G. A. Jackson, W. A. Godfree, W. C. Mogk.

London Life Team—R. P. Pearce (captain), F. G. Staples, G. E. Martin, E. M. Janes, E. Lamont, G. P. Hooper, C. W. Reynolds, C. R. Myrick, W. McGuffin, J. H. Waud, J. E. Roberts, S. McKinnon, I. F. Merton, W. Courtis, Miss G. Imlach, J. Adair, Miss N. Long, W. M. Noble, A. P. O'Rourke, J. Vivian, Miss M. Wallace, E. J. Broderick, J. Miller, Miss C. Kirkpatrick, J. Byrne.

33RD COMRADES WANT TO MAKE WHIST DRIVE LARGEST OF ANY HELD

A whist drive is to be held on February 25 by the 33rd Comrades Club in the rooms of the G. W. V. A. This whist drive is open to all members of the 33rd Comrades Club and their wives. It was requested that the members try and get all the old 33rd men to attend, so as to make it one of the largest whist drives that has been held in the G. W. V. A. club rooms. It was also planned that the club would hold an entertainment in the way of a reunion, but this question was left for the entertainment committee that was appointed for this purpose. It will meet in the G. W. V. A. rooms on next Monday night to make the final plans, and consists of Comrades Devlin, Thwaites, Nanfan, Grant, Saunders, Rattew, Cunliffe, Hunnerford, Hurrell and Pocock.

Owing to the financial circumstances of the club, the secretary was instructed to send a letter to each member who is in arrears in dues, asking him to settle up. It is thought that no old 33rd man will back out when he knows the club is in need of funds. The members were also reminded that the meeting nights of the club are on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. The strength of the club was increased by nine new members last night. Other general business was also discussed.

Comrade H. J. Lawson presided in the absence of the chairman.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Reported by Edward Cronyn & Co.] Toronto, Feb. 13.

	Asked.	Bid.		Asked.	Bid.
Ames, c. 28	26		Spanish..	..	17¼
do pfd. 75	73½		do pfd.	..	66
A Sugar 21	19		Stl Can..	59¾	59¼
do pfd. 70	..		do pfd.	94	93
Barcel..	10¼	10	Tooke, p.	72½	..
Brazilian	50¾	50½	Tor Ry.	46	..
B C Fish	46½	41	Trc'way.	42	40
Bell Tel.	130	..	Tucketts	25	23¼
Burt, c. 83		80	Tw City.	48	46½
do pfd.	92½	90	Win Ry.	48	45
C Bread.	..	19½	Banks—		
C Car..	30¼	28½	Com'rce	206½	..
do pfd.	84	..	Dom ..	215	..
Cement.	65¾	65¼	Hamil'n	201½	200
C S L...	43½	43	Imperial.	207	206
do pfd.	78	77½	Merch ..	193	190½
CGElec.	102½	102	Montr'l	213½	211½
C Loco.	63	..	NScotia	270	..
do pfd.	91	90	Royal ..	210	208
C Salt..	..	135	Stand ..	209½	..
C Dairy.	..	48	Toronto	201½	200
do pfd.	..	82	Union ..	162	160
C Smelt.	24½	23½	Loans, etc.—		
Con Gas.	..	151	Land..	150	..
Cr Res..	60	58	C Perm.	172	..
Cr Nest.	..	52	C Invest.	..	81
Canners.	37½	..	DSavings	82	81
do pfd.	82	81½	H Prov.	..	133
Dome.	1300	1200	H & L..	..	205
DSteel.p.	94½	92½	Lon & C.	..	200
DSteelC.	60½	60¼	L Bank.	..	139
LWoods	167	..	L & C..	126½	..
Mackay.	75	74¼	Ont Loan.		
do pfd.	65½	64¼	20% pd.	..	155
M Leaf.	130½	129	REstate	..	145
do pfd.	..	97¾	T Mort.	134	132
Monarch	50	49	Bonds—		
do pfd.	..	78	C Bread.	94½	..
N S Car	10	9	C Loco.	..	92
do pfd.	33½	30	D Iron...	..	87
NSSteel	50	..	Elec Dev	..	91
P Burr	28	..	Penmans	88½	87½
do pfd.	77¼	..	Ontario.	..	76
Penmans..	..	81½	Quebec..	..	97¾
Petrol.	2200	2100	Rio Jan.	..	85
P Rico..	37	34	Spanish.	90	87
do pfd.	80	..	Stl Can..	..	95
Rogers..	50	..	War Loan,		
Russell..	70	65	1925...	..	97
do pfd.	78	75	1931...	..	96¾
Sawyer.	15	..	1937...	97⅞	97¾

WALL STREET.

1:30 p.m.—Gains were further extended during the more active trading at middday, oils continuing the list on favorable statements attributed to Mexican interests. Equipments, motors and shippings also enhanced their early advances, notably United States Steel, Baldwin Locomotive, Studebaker and Marine preferred.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—Casualties among Western Ontario soldiers:

Infantry.

Ill.—3155993 J. Roberge, not stated.

Railway Troops.

Died.—1100044 J. Edde, Niagara Falls, Ont.

Ill.—141125 F. A. Hansford, Hamilton.

Engineers.

Ill.—2008910 C. Bennett, St. Williams.

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45096 Le Cygne (The Swan), Violoncello.....Kindler
Melody in F (Rubinstein), Violoncello.....Kindler
64564 I'se Gwine Back to Dixie (with Male Chorus) .....Gluck
64690 That's Why My Heart Is Calling You.... .....deGogorza
18489 Oh, How I Hate to Get Up In the Morning .....Fields
Oh, French.....Fields
64654 Somewhere a Voice Is Calling (Newton-Tate).....Aida
74568 Hebrew Melody (Achron) .....Heifetz

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Firemen Submit Statement to City Council.

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Each Man Promises, if Plan Established, To Get One.

In connection with the two-platoon system of the fire department, the men have submitted a statement to the council setting forth some of the details. This was brought up at the meeting of No. 1 committee yesterday, but was laid over for further consideration. The men estimate that the system can be inaugurated with 54 men. The number at present employed is about 46.

In order that the men who are away from the halls (for the men will always be on duty or at least on call) may be called easily when wanted, they agree to install telephones in their homes at their own expense. Thus when the occasion arises, the full complement of 54 men could be called out on short notice.

It is proposed to have the shifts changed every two weeks. In summer the day shift would work 11 hours and the night men fill in for the remainder of the 24 hours. During the winter months the day men would work 10 hours and the night staff would be at the halls for 14 hours.

According to the schedule submitted by the men they would have 14 men at the central hall, 4 at the east end hall, and 3 at each of the other three halls, making 27 men on duty all the time at the halls. By this arrangement the men would lose their meal hours as well as their Sunday. A petition from the firemen's union asks that the system be inaugurated not later than April 1 of this year. The members of the council are in favor of the system, but they are waiting for more detailed information and for word from the Fire Underwriters' Association before anything definite is done.

Old Boots and Shoes Wanted

by Overseas Chapter, I. O. D. E., chapter rooms, corner of Richmond and Carling street, will be open all day Friday to receive donations. For benefit of returned soldiers. *19u

TELLS DYSPEPTICS WHAT TO EAT

Avoid Indigestion, Sour Acid Stomach, Heartburn, Gas on Stomach, Etc.

Indigestion and practically all forms of stomach trouble, say medical authorities, are due nine times out of ten to an excess of hydrochloric acid in the stomach. Chronic "acid stomach" is exceedingly dangerous and sufferers should do either one of two things.

Either they can go on a limited and often disagreeable diet, avoiding foods that disagree with them, that irritate the stomach and lead to excess acid secretion or they can eat as they please in reason and make it a practice to counteract the effect of the harmful acid and prevent the formation of gas, sourness or premature fermentation by the use of a little Bisurated Magnesia at their meals.

There is probably no better, safer or more reliable stomach antacid than Bisurated Magnesia, and it is widely used for this purpose. It has no direct action on the stomach, and is not a digestant. But a teaspoonful of the powder or a couple of five grain tablets taken in a little water with the food, will neutralize the excess acidity which may be present and prevent its further formation. This removes the whole cause of the trouble and the meal digests naturally and healthfully without need of pepsin pill, or artificial digestants.

Get a few ounces of Bisurated Magnesia from any reliable druggist. Ask for either powder or tablets. It never comes as a liquid, milk or citrate, and in the bisurated form is not a laxative. Try this plan and eat what you want at your next meal and see if this isn't the best advice you ever had on "what to eat."—Advt.

LOCAL NEWS

CLEARINGS INCREASE.—The bank clearings for this week are $2,548,978, and for the corresponding week last year were $1,545,576, which shows an increase of $1,003,402 over last year.

LIEUT. L. PURDOM HOME.—Lieut. Llewllyn Purdom, son of T. H. Purdom, K.C., returned last night from service in France with the Imperial Army. He came across the Atlantic on the Tunisian.

ASSAULTED WIFE.—James Compton was in police court this morning, charged with assaulting Jean Compton, his wife. The case was tried by Police Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon, in his office. The accused, who was found guilty, was let out on suspended sentence.

FAREWELL SERMON.—Rev. H. H. Bingham will preach his farewell sermon in the Talbot Street Baptist Church on Sunday. He will leave for Toronto on the following Monday to attend a Baptist conference, and will then go to his new pastorate in Calgary.

ONE VOLUNTEER.—One recruit volunteered his services with the mobile company at the local recruiting centre today and was sent to Wolseley Barracks for medical examination. This is the first recruit that has volunteered his services this week. His name is W. K. Lockrey, 1067 York street.

CONSIDERATION PROMISED.—In reply to a letter which he sent to Ottawa asking that something be done to allow friendly aliens to get back to their native lands, F. B. Clarke has received word that the Government will give the matter its serious consideration.

WRIT FOR $500.—Fred Alex of Westminster Township has issued a writ against Clarence Nottingham for $500, which he claims was the damage done when the defendant trespassed on lots 13 and 14, concession 4, Westminster Township, and removed several large trees.

ENTERTAINED AT BYRON.—The following local artists supplied the concert programs for last week at the Byron Sanatorium, which were greatly appreciated and enjoyed by the patients and staff: Feb. 3, London Concert Company, under the direction of Mr. Cresswell; Feb. 5, band concert by the G. C. R. Band; Feb. 6, Scotch pipers and band under Sergt. McDonald; Feb. 7, euchre party, under the auspices of the Red Cross Society.

INVITED TO ILDERTON.—Rev. Mr. Allen of Ilderton has sent a request to the local branch of the G. W. V. A. to send a representative to Ilderton on account of so many returned men being there who want to know something of the association. B. Devlin and J. W. Cunliffe were the ones appointed to represent the G. W. V. A. Mr. Devlin will speak on his experiences and Mr. Cunliffe will speak on the objects of the G. W. V. A. The meeting will be held tomorrow.

CENTENNIAL WOMEN MEET.—The Women's Missionary Auxiliary of Centennial Methodist Church held a most successful "At Home" from 2:30 to 5 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, when about 100 were present. The usual monthly program was carried out, after which a social hour was spent. Mrs. J. A. Page, Mrs. H. Kerr, Mrs. Gould and Mrs. Brighton contributed much enjoyed music. Five new members were received by the auxiliary.

CONCERT IN "Y" HUT.—At the Y. M. C. A. hut, Carling Heights, last night, an excellent program was presented by members of King Street Presbyterian choir. The following took part: Miss Lulu Somerville, soprano; Miss Dora Bradley, violinist and contralto; Miss B. Mote, reader, and the Imperial Male Quartet, consisting of Messrs. Foulkes, Matthew, Chalcroft and Baker. Rev. J. G. Stuart acted as chairman and Fred Fitzgerald as accompanist.

ENJOYABLE CARNIVAL.—At the private skating rink of J. Brown, 737 York street, a successful and enjoyable carnival was held last night, about fifty of the young people of the neighborhood being the guests in costume. Prizes were awarded for the best costumes, these going to Harold Maker, J. Snelling and Miss Colbert. Three extra prizes went to L. Smallman, Miss Beedle and Miss Moore. The young people have been enjoying the privilege of the rink all winter.

NEXT BRITISH MAIL

The next mail for Great Britain will leave New York on the White Star liner Baltic and will close at the local postoffice at 10 o'clock this evening.

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DOLLAR DAY

articles are at a certain price. "You advertised it," they remark almost accusingly.

Drygoods man, ready-to-wear man, fruit store man, florist man, jeweler, gent's furnishings proprietor, confectionery man, millinery lady, boot and shoe vendor, every one of those 85 merchants joining the "Dollar Day" army this year is wearing a glad smile.

Are they doing business? "Well, rather."

All you have to do is to step into their stores or watch the throngs surrounding the windows or passing through the door ways. Every clerk in several places visited this forenoon was trying to attend to two, three, four or more customers at a time.

The Band, Too.

And then the C. G. R. band, playing by kind permission of Lieut.-Col. H. L. Milligan, came along, and even that didn't distract the attention of the bargain getters, so intent were they upon the Dollar Day task of making money stretch.

Talking about the band, when its lively lilt was carried out on the morning breeze today, people did pause and wonder what it was all about. At least the absent-minded people asked the questions which popped into their heads. Several wanted to know if peace terms had been signed. Numbers of others thought it was a big party of returned men arriving in the city.

One woman from out of town was making a purchase from a prominent member of a Dollar Day firm at the time the band passed. The lady either hasn't a great deal of musical ear, or was taken entirely unawares by that quick-step. She mournfully asked, "Is there a funeral in town?"

The Alluring Sign.

The entrance to one Dollar Day shoe store was jammed with a smiling, jostling snob about 11:30 o'clock this forenoon. No one was going in; no one was coming out. What the secret of such interest? A little bit of white paper tacked up on the glass door inside read: "This store open in ten minutes."

A rival Dollar Day merchant, judging from his own experience, surmised that the merchant of the alluring sign had been obliged to close up for a few minutes to get things straightened out after an avalanche of business.

It Draws the Crowd.

In his advertising yesterday one jeweler announced the sale of a handsome clock for one dollar at 10 o'clock in the morning. By 8:30 o'clock numbers of people were waiting patiently in the store, and by the appointed hour the place was filled up with shoppers eager to carry off the prize, a $7:50 juvenile-sized grandfather clock for $1. Indeed, so great was the interest in this big offer that the telephone started buzzing before closing time Wednesday afternoon. Who was after the bargain? Nothing but the love of a bargain would have tempted some of the people who waited patiently, that is, if their bank rolls are as long as reputed.

All Shared.

It's many a day in London since so many people have been "saying with flowers" the messages in their hearts. For one thing, flowers have been within reach and wondrous quantities of gorgeous bloom in soul-delighting varieties.

Candy has also been a sweet and consoling messenger in an unheard-of number of editions.

Ten per cent more merchants than a year ago have fallen in line for Dollar Day, and they aren't the least bit sorry.

W. J. Ashplant is the president of the aggressive committee which has put over Dollar Day; W. P. Young, secretary, and M. Nelles, T. Jones, R. H. Dowler, W. G. Young, B. Wolf and J. Hickey active workers.

CHICKENPOX, DIPHTHERIA AND SCARLET FEVER IN RACE FOR LEADERSHIP

Chickenpox was still in the lead among new cases of communicable diseases reported to the board of health for the week of February 8. Seven new cases had been reported, but, at the same time, there were only three in isolation at the end of the week. In this respect, the flight chickenpox was beaten out by diphtheria and scarlet fever in the long run. While there were only five new cases of diphtheria and three of scarlet fever reported during the week, diphtheria bugs had 12 patients in isolation and scarlet fever 11 on February 8. Two new cases of tuberculosis, and three of sore throat were reported. A total of twenty new cases of communicable diseases was the week's record, and 26 cases in all in isolation.

Seen and Heard Day-by-Day In The Down-Town District

SPRING SIGNS.

This cold spell may have dampened the spirits of many optimists who thought spring was here, but the following incident will serve to rekindle their spirits, and make them feel that spring is at the door awaiting the weatherman's orders to come in. On Saturday County Constable Arthur Corsaut and his two little grandsons went to a little creek on the fifth concession of London Township to fish. The fishing trip was very successful, because they not only caught four fish about five inches long, but they also caught a great big frog. The frog, who didn't seem to mind in the least being out in February, blinked his big eyes, and looked as much at home as if the chinook had come down even into Ontario, and had made the pussy-willows come out on the trees, and the grass become green around his favorite pool.

NOBODY SEEMS TO LOVE A LADDER—TO WALK UNDER.

Scores of people passed along Dundas street today while an impressive-looking ladder stood tilted nonchalantly against a wall. People glanced at it—they had to, or dispute the right of way with it. Some registered indecision before advancing, but, one and all, took the way of the pavement, making considerable of a detour to get to the other side, for the simple reason that superstition or some other motive prevented them from walking under the ladder.

SEEN FROM ABOVE.

"I notice," said the observant one, "that all our local military ambulances have the Red Cross on top. They must have expected a visit from German airplanes during the war."

OF WHAT?

"Some people can get 50 miles out of a gallon," said the speedy one. "Others can get $200 and costs out of a quart."

AND THE OTHERS?

"When Parliament opens the Union Government will be far from united," mourns the fire hall philosopher. "Ten of them will be in the House, five somewhere in Europe, three in the Senate, and two away looking for health." Then after a moment's reflection: "And of the two last it may be said that they're not getting this young nation laughed at."

ABSOLUTE PROOF.

"Germany is going to buy our bacon," remarked the first street car passenger. "Which shows," commented the second, "that the Huns can pay the indemnities. Any country rich enough to eat bacon can easily settle a few paltry billions."

CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

Dollar Days prove too much of a temptation to some people, who want bargains, but lack the money to purchase them. This morning a couple of women visited a shoe store, and in the crowd, tried to pack away a few pairs of footwear in their clothes without exchanging coin of the realm for them. They were caught, and fortunately for them, the merchant was lenient. He did not call the police, but made the women disgorge, and then promptly showed them the exit.

SAYINGS AND DOINGS AROUND CITY HALL

RECOMMENDED AS CHAPLAIN.

Capt. (Rev.) W. C. Riddiford was recommended by No. 1 committee for the position of chaplain at the Westminster Military Hospital of London.

A GREAT QUESTION.

Some there are who are asking if the traffic bylaw is going to reach a conclusive stage this summer. It has been bandied between No. 2 committee and the council for some months. The committee recommended certain amendments concerning the parking of autos near hydrants and sent it on to the council. That body was not satisfied and returned it to the committee for further consideration. At the last meeting of the committee it was again recommended to the council without any further amendments. The question will now be threshed out in the council. There is a difference of opinion as to whether the autos should be parked ten feet or five feet each way from the hydrants.

FIRST STEP TAKEN.

Alderman W. A. Wilson is registering joy inasmuch as the first step towards silent policemen has been taken by the members of No. 2 committee in asking City Engineer H. A. Brazier to report on the advisability of placing signs on the business streets for the guidance of strangers in the parking of cars.

HELP WANTED.

Requesting that the city help in securing the extension of the T. and N. O. line from Cochrane to James Bay, the Cochrane board of trade sent a communication to the council. It was referred to the London Chamber of Commerce by No. 1 committee yesterday.

DO THEY APPROVE?

Toronto wants to know if the London authorities approve of the policemen forming a union and affiliating with other labor organizations. The communication was read at the committee meeting yesterday and referred to the police commissioners. No opinion was expressed by the members of the committee.

TREASURER SOME COLLECTOR.

City Treasurer James S. Bell is some collector, say the members of the city hall. He gathered in about $170 for the Salvation Army fund from the members of the city hall, not including the staff of the public utilities building.

TO APPOINT ASSISTANT.

To consider the appointment of an assistant dentist and other questions, there will be a meeting of No. 1 committee of the board of education on Friday morning.

IMPROVING APPEARANCES.

Hydro employees are busy making changes to the lines on Dundas street between Colborne and Ridout streets. The utilities commission has secured the poles of the London Electric between Wellington and Colborne streets, and the wires will be placed on these poles. From Wellington to Ridout street also the poles formerly used by the London Electric will be used and the hydro wires will be removed from the street railway poles, where they have been since the inauguration of hydro in London. Assistant Manager A. O. Hunt of the utilities commission says that this will do away with much of the unsightly wiring that is now on Dundas street.

ORDER EXPECTED.

A. O. Hunt expects that the order will be received from the Government shortly to connect the Westminster Military Hospital to the lines of the commission.

JACK MINER TO TELL STORY OF WILD GEESE

Will Tell Also of the Man They Educated.

Jack Miner, whose fame has gone far and wide as the good friend of the wild birds, has been secured by the Women's Gardening Association to give a lecture, illustrated by moving pictures, in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium on Saturday afternoon.

The pictures he will show were taken at his "Bird Sanctuary," near Kingsville, on Lake Erie, and show scenes which people travel hundreds of miles to see every year, the entertainment on Jack Miner's farm of thousands of wild geese, which pause at this sanctuary for a few days or few weeks' holiday in the midst of their migrations north for the summer and south for the winter. Every year, the bird sanctuary is the Mecca for thousands of bird lovers, or people impelled by curiosity to journey there to see the place and the host, Jack Miner. On Saturday he is telling the story of the wild geese and, it is understood, will tell the story of a man the birds educated.

SMALL BLAZE.—The fire department made a run this afternoon to a small fire at the home of James Beecroft, 289 King street. The damage was small.

DO YOUR EARS RING? HAVE YOU CATARRH?

A buzzing noise in the head is the beginning of chronic Catarrh. If not checked the result is deafness. A simple remedy that many physicians advise is to slowly inhale Catarrhozone a few times each day. The soothing vapor of Catarrhozone cures the Catarrhal condition, and hearing improves at once. Head noises, buzzing ears are cured. For Catarrhal deafness, throat, nose and lung Catarrh, there is probably no remedy so efficient. The large one-dollar outfit lasts two months and is guaranteed; small size, 50c; trial size, 25c. Sold everywhere by dealers, or The Catarrhozone Company, Kingston, Ont.

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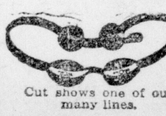

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