NEWS FROM THE CITY HALL

WASTE IS FOUND IN SCHOOL SYSTEM

Thousands in Years and Money Lost, Say Municipal Researchers.

OVERCROWDING CAUSE

Pupils Declared to Be From One to Two Years Behind Age Standard.

Pamphlet No. 2, containing further information about Toronto's public schools has been issued by the bureau of municipal research. An extract from the city treasurer's report gives 75,000 as the number of boys and girls attending public and high schools in 1914. The cost of maintenance for the year was $2,942,863, or $39.24 per pupil, exclusive of expenditure on building account, which amounted to $2,573,178.

The pamphlet says that the 1914 report of the board of education only devotes ten lines to statistics of backward classes, and on this account, the 1913 report is referred to. During that year 28 per cent. of the pupils in one district were above the average age for the various grades, and over 30 per cent. have been more than one term in a grade. Commenting on this, the pamphlet says that repeating children consumed 5709 school years in doing 2437 school years' work, and that if the figures were an average for the whole city, 35,921 school years would be consumed in doing 15,333 years' work. It is further pointed out that if under the best conditions half this waste was unavoidable the net waste in the district would be 1636 school years, a money waste of $44,172, and that the waste over the whole city would be $278,073. The conclusion is that the retardation of pupils is caused by overcrowding in the primary classes, inelasticity of the program of study, the system of promotion and carelessness of parents.

The Causes.

In another inspection district from 20 to 50 per cent. of the backward pupils are from one to three years behind the standard ages. They are backward from several causes (few of them being mentally defective), among which are long illness and after effects from sickness.

The foregoing and other interesting information was contained in the 1913 report, which according to the pamphlet was a new departure and one of the most hopeful other made recently by the department. In the 1914 report, however, the reports of district inspectors do not appear, and the comment of the bureau is that the reasons given for their suppression seem to be that "there is no bylaw to compel their publication," and, "it would cost money to publish them."

In connection with the leaving out of these important reports four questions are asked:

"Is it not reasonable to suppose that men considered expert enough to supervise our schools should have special knowledge which would be of value to those who pay the bills?

"If inspectors are treated as if their opinions are of no value to the public is it reasonable to suppose that they will again sit up nights in the preparation of their reports?

"Were the 1914 reports of the district inspectors suppressed because they were inaccurate, or because they told parents and taxpayers more than was good for them?

"Is the remedy for alleged inaccurate information the correction of the information, or its total suppression?"

Another matter not treated in the 1914 report is the question of pupils dropping out of school before completing the course. The figures for 1913 are used showing that 385 pupils left school at the age of 14. Of these, 117 were in the junior fourth book and 84 in the senior fourth. These figures are for only 24 schools, and the question is asked, what would be the wastage over the whole city? Commenting on this information the board asks the number of children that made slower than normal progress last year, and the number that left school without receiving the minimum education.

CITY HALL NOTES

The stenographer's account for taking and typing the evidence in the Meredith investigation amounted to $451.

Ald. Risk, the passive member of the city council, says that he is tired of the useless discussion and may not run again. He has represented ward two for three years.

Controller O'Neill, who was acting-mayor yesterday, believes that no time should be lost in taking up a rapid transit system for the city and the linking of same up with the hydro-electric radials.

City Architect Pearse is inclined to favor the recommendation of the coroner's jury in the matter of the University chimney fatality, that he should have power to order alterations in buildings while they are under construction.

Of the 26,000 Toronto men who have enlisted for overseas service, ten thousand have been insured by companies, the other sixteen thousand being carried by the city. This means that the city has practically resolved itself into an insurance concern, carrying risks amounting to $16,000,000.

WILL POOL BALANCES TO PAY UP ACCOUNTS

Minor Matters Dealt With by Property Committee Board of Education.

At a meeting of the property committee of the board of education yesterday it was decided to pool money balances in order that accounts may be paid and that no deficit will appear in any department at the end of the year.

A proposal to instal an oil heating system in Earl Grey School as a test plant received some support. Superintendent of Buildings Bishop was instructed to report on the matter.

Representing the Signal Telephone System T. S. Jardine stated that the name of the instruments should not be given in the call for tenders. A. R. Rice submitted that sometimes a saving could be effected. The question will be dealt with when tenders are opened.

It was recommended that two portable rooms be placed on the north side of Alexandra boulevard, west of Yonge street. The property has been offered by E. C. Brown at $80 rental until July 1, 1916.

The Palmerston avenue annex, it was announced, will be ready for occupation in two weeks.

Trustee Oakley asked for 16 feet more planking on the east side of Wilkinson School. It was decided to go on with the work after conferring with the chairman of the finance committee.

"CARMEN" PRODUCTION LIKELY TO PROCEED

If No Royalty Goes to Miss Farrar, Probability is Performance Will Be Seen.

No royalty will be paid Miss Geraldine Farrar, who stars in Carmen, the film production over which there has been considerable discussion of late. In view of the fact that the film has already passed the censors there appears to be no way in which their showing can be stopped except by an injunction, which is not probable.

Mayor Church has had a conference with Norman Withrow, manager of Massey Hall. The mayor will take the matter up again as soon as he arrives back from New York. Ald. McBride still maintains there are many complaints and still objects. Acting Mayor O'Neill is of the opinion that it should be stopped if it can be shown that Miss Farrar is getting a royalty.

MORE WOMEN COMPLAIN.

Mayor Getting All Kinds of Letters From Those Finding Fault.

It would appear that Mayor Church is going to be deluged with complaints from young women who have had their salaries reduced owing to the war. The fact that a stenographer wrote him a few days ago has set other girls thinking, and yesterday a "working girl" sent in a similar letter. She is a worker on military goods and says that when the war broke out the girls were getting from $8 to $10 per week, and that now they work for little or nothing.

MANY CHRISTMAS BOXES FOR TORONTO SOLDIERS

Christmas boxes to the number of 12,000 were yesterday started on their way to the soldiers from Toronto who are serving at the front, Property Commissioner Chisholm attending to the shipping.

The boxes, containing chocolate and biscuits, will go to the front via England, and sufficient time has been allowed to enable the men to receive them by Christmas, provided no delay of an unexpected nature occurs.

WITHDRAW OBJECTIONS.

In the county court yesterday Judge Coatsworth heard the appeal of L. S. Rudder and other property owners who opposed the closing of part of the lane extending from Barton avenue to Follis, between Euclid and Palmerston avenues on account of the extension of the Palmerston Avenue School grounds. When it was explained that the school board was giving access to Euclid avenue by 15-foot lanes to be opened north and south of where the old lane will be closed, all objection was withdrawn.

LENIENT WITH GAMBLER.

"This is not a flagrant case. He has been very truthful in the box," said Magistrate Denison in the police court yesterday, when imposing a fine of $30 and costs on George Moore, charged with keeping a common betting house at 799 Yonge street. Moore admitted that he had taken a few bets for friends but had always asked if they were married or single, and whether they could afford it.

HELP TO MAINTAIN FAMILIES AT HOME

London Board of Trade to Send So Much Each Week.

RESULT OF COMPLAINT

Announcement in Reply to Letter on Behalf of Munition Workers' Wives.

Property Commissioner Chisholm has been notified by the London, Eng., Board of Trade that arrangements have been made to pay $4.20 per week to the relatives and dependents of the men who left Canada to work in the munition factories of the old country.

The letter is in reply to one sent by the commissioner in which he stated that a number of complaints had been received by the mayor and other civic officials to the effect that the men who had gone to England were unable to assist in supporting their families here by reason of the small wages they were getting.

The London Board of Trade was communicated with as that body was responsible for the movement to have Canadian workers go over. Blank forms will be supplied to the dependents of the men calling for necessary information and the payment of the extra allowance will be arranged for immediately.

NOMINATIONS TWO DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Polling Sub-Divisions Are Fixed and Returning Officers Named.

Dec. 23 is the day set for the nomination of candidates seeking municipal honors. The polling sub-divisions have been fixed and returning officers appointed. Nominations for mayor and board of control will take place at the city hall in the morning and for aldermen and board of education in the evening at the following places, with the returning officers mentioned:

Ward one, R. C. B. C., Broadview avenue, W. F. Summerhayes; ward two, Winchester street school, George Brown; ward three; Victoria Hall, Queen and Berti, William Lee; ward four, Broadway Hall, 450 1-2 Spadina avenue, David W. Clark; ward five, Orange Hall, College and Euclid, W. J. Stevenson; ward six, Mullin's Hall, 1284 Bloor street, Sam Hobbs; ward seven, Annette street library, Wm. J. Carron.

ORDER OF GALLIENI STIRS UP PROTEST

French Officers at Front Over-Burdened With Queries From Soldiers' Relatives.

PARIS, Nov. 26.—The latest order issued by Minister of War Gallieni prohibiting families of soldiers writing direct to the officers of regiments at the front for news regarding the fate of soldiers has resulted in a letter of protest from Cruese Connevot, a member of the chamber of deputies.

The purpose of the order is to prevent voluminous correspondence and relieve the officers from work of this nature. The public is requested to make its inquiries thru the mayor's offices.

M. Connevot said in his letter that information given in the usual way was too much delayed and imparted with an inexactness that was generally regrettable.

THOROBREDS COME TO CANADA.

BROCKVILLE, Ont., Nov. 26.—A consignment of 15 thorobred horses purchased at Old Glory sale, New York, came into Ontario at this point today. Eight are the property of Proctor Giffin, Brockville, four belong to A. C. Randall, Kingston, and three belong to Owen McGovern, Kemptville.

INSURE TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

One million dollars insurance is to be placed on the new Technical School, which has cost about $2,000,000. Of this $800,000 will be on the building and $200,000 on the furnishings and equipment. The rate is 45c per $100 for three years, the total premium amounting to $4500. This will be divided amongst a number of companies.

QUALITY OF WATER DOWN.

During November Toronto's water supply has fallen off somewhat in quality. During the past few days the bacterial analysis showed as high as 11,000, and the typhoid germ was present twice. There seems to be need of an extra dose of chlorine.

WILL NOT BE NOTIFIED.

No notices will be sent to those citizens who can vote only for school trustees. There are 25,000 voters of this class and it would cost about $500, to send out the post cards. Notices will be sent to all who can vote for mayor, controllers and aldermen.

PILES CURED at HOME by New Absorption Method

If you suffer from bleeding, itching, blind or protruding Piles, send me your address, and I will tell you how to cure yourself at home by the new absorption treatment; and will also send some of this home treatment free for trial, with references from your own locality if requested. Immediate relief and permanent cure assured. Send no money, but tell others of this offer. Write today to Mrs. M. Summers, Box P. 65, Windsor, Ont.

GERMAN CRUISER SUNK IN BALTIC

Frauenlob, Sister Ship of Undine, Was Victim of Submarine.

FOURTEEN YEARS OLD

Cruiser of Small Type, But Carried Nearly Three Hundred Men.

LONDON, Nov. 26, 12.46 p.m.—The German protected cruiser Frauenlob has been sunk by a submarine of the entente allies, according to a semi-official announcement made at Petrograd, says a despatch to the Central News Agency.

The Frauenlob was a protected cruiser of 2672 tons and was built in 1901. A despatch published in The Politken of Copenhagen on Nov. 11 said a report had been received that the Frauenlob had been sunk off the south coast of Sweden. Her sister ship, the Undine, was sunk, according to an official announcement made in Berlin, by two torpedoes from a submarine on the afternoon of Nov. 7 while patroling the south Swedish coast. Nearly the entire crew was saved.

The Frauenlob and Undine both carried crews consisting of 275 men each. The vessels were 328 feet long, 40.4 feet beam and had a depth of 15.8 feet. They were armed with ten 4.1-inch guns and were equipped with two 18-inch torpedo tubes. Both cruisers were capable of traveling at a speed of 21 knots.

BRITISH SUB'S EXPLOIT.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—Continuing his articles on "The Fringes of the Fleet" in The Daily Telegraph, Rudyard Kipling tells of some exciting exploits of the British submarines.

He relates one incident of how a submarine was caught by a net in the North Sea and when she rose to cut the net away she was bombarded by a Zeppelin and had to go down again. There, "by slow working and weaving and wriggling, guided only by guesses at the meaning of each scrape and grind of the net on her blind forehead," as Kipling expresses it, the submarine got clear.

The commander pondered whether to hurry home and warn other submarines of the trap or wait for the destroyers, which the Zeppelin had undoubtedly summoned, believing the undersea craft was fast. He waited and when he rose to the surface he torpedoed one of the destroyers and then started for home, arriving in time to give warning.

OSGOODE HALL WINNERS IN DEBATE WITH MEDS

Miss Mary McNulty Was Star Speaker for the Law School.

Osgoode won from Feds. in the debate held in the medical building yesterday afternoon on the question of whether compulsory military training ought to prevail in England and her colonies. The legalites had the best end of the subject, and their true British arguments held good against Meds' appeals for the introduction of compulsory military training. The principal point of the Osgoode debaters was that introducing such a system would be a violation of the British freedom that had prevailed for centuries, and that isolated as England is from direct contact with the powers of central Europe, they are not to the same extent open to invasion.

Miss Mary McNulty virtually won the debate for the law school by her concise argument. The debate was thruout of an exceptionally high order. The debaters were J. J. Frawley and Miss Mary McNulty for Osgoode and L. A. Pequenat and W. A. Geddes for Meds. The argument of the medical students rested on Australia's efficiency thru military training. The judges were Dr. C. K. Clarke and Rev. Dr. Hincks.

COURT EXTENDS TIME FOR LITIGANTS TO WED

Albert Haba and Josie Dumogolsky Have Not Yet Made Up Differences.

Albert Haba, the young Pole, who is being sued for $10,000 for breach of promise by Josie Dumogolsky, and who promised in the witness box Thursday afternoon to marry her, changed his mind after leaving the court. Early yesterday morning Haba walked up and down the corridor of the court nervously and before the court opened the girl arrived guarded by her friends. The two passed each other without speaking.

When the court opened Haba's counsel stated that altho his client had changed his mind there was still hope that the wedding might be performed and his lordship adjourned the case until this morning.

SUBMIT RADIAL BYLAW TO VOTERS IN JANUARY

Sir Adam Beck Desirous of Getting Opinion of People on Project.

Sir Adam Beck said yesterday that the commission could do nothing further in the matter of hydro radials until the City of Toronto moved and urged that a bylaw authorizing the expenditure of $3,000,000 for hydro radials be submitted to the people on Jan. 1, next. "It does not mean that we immediately want to spend $3,000,000," he said, "but the feelings of the people should be sounded so that we can understand their position."

The commission, he admitted, had been negotiating for some time with Sir William Mackenzie regarding the purchase of all radials now entering the city. All efforts in this line, so far, had been to purchase and not expropriate, he said, and could not say whether anything would come of it or not.

Paper Barred From Canada.

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 26.—"Issues and Events," a New York weekly publication, has been prohibited from circulation in Canada. It is offensively anti-British in tone.

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Thousands of Toronto families are enjoying rich, pure, fresh milk — richer in butter-fat and scientifically pasteurized — milk from The Farmers' Dairy. Is your family getting the benefit of this milk? Are your children growing healthier and stronger on this milk?

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Creamery Butter, fresh daily from our own churns — 35 cents a pound. Order by phone or from our driver.

DOMINION CHARTERS FOR MONTREAL CONCERN

Five Incorporated at Ottawa — Two Toronto Companies Also in List.

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 26.—The following companies incorporations are gazetted;

Hooton Chocolate Company, Toronto, capital stock, $100,000; Maisonneuve Amusement Limited, Montreal, $200,000; M. and H. Limited, $40,000; Bennett and Messecan Company, Mille Roches, Ont., $50,000; Bennett Lumber Company, Montreal, $50,000; Thompson's Restaurants, Ottawa, $50,000; Indian Lake Lumber Company, Winnipeg, $100,000; Columbus Life Saving Suits, Montreal, $100,000; Canadian Bedsteads, Montreal, $45,000; Governor Fastener Company of Canada, Montreal, $50,000.

SCORE'S CLOTHES.

It pays to have your clothes made to measure. The individual effect produced distinguishes one from the ordinary.

PTE. ANDERSON WELCOMED.

POWASSAN, Ont., Nov. 26.—A great reception was given here today to Pte. Thomas Anderson, 1st Battalion, 1st Canadian brigade, who was twice wounded at St. Julien. Several hundred people met him at the station and he was driven in an automobile parade to the town hall. Pte. Anderson was presented with an address and wrist watch by James Arthurs, M. P., on behalf of the residents.

STEAMSHIP COMPANY GETS INCORPORATION

Capital of Ten Million Dollars Authorized for New Transatlantic Line.

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, Ont. Nov. 26.—"The British Canadian Steamship Company, Limited," is the title of an important addition to Canadian shipping interests. The company has been incorporated with a capital stock of $10,000,000, and the head office will be in Montreal. Arthur R. Holden, K.C., Montreal, is one of the incorporators. The company has powers to do a general shipping business, the only unusual reference in the charter being to the authorization to transport munitions of war.

WORN WORRIED WOMEN

Her Many Duties Affect Her Health and Often She Breaks Down Completely.

It is little wonder that there are many times in a woman's life when she feels in despair. There is no nine-hour day for the busy housewife. There are a hundred things about the home to keep her busy from the time she arises until it is again bed time. What is the result? Often her nerves give way, her good looks suffer, her blood becomes thin, her digestion is disturbed and her system threatened with a complete breakdown. Every woman should do all possible to protect her health and good looks, and there is one way in which she can do this, and that is by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. These actually make new, rich blood, strengthen every nerve and every organ, bring the glow of health to the cheeks and brightness to the eye. These pills have done more to make the lives of thousands of women sunshiny than anything else in the world. Mrs. Daniel Theal, Waterloo, Ont., says: "I was very much run down, my blood was thin and watery and I would faint at the least excitement. I suffered from headaches and dizziness and often it seemed as though there were clouds before my eyes. Finally I was forced to go to bed with weakness. I doctored for six weeks while in bed without receiving any benefit. Finally I was induced to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and when I had taken ten boxes I was completely cured, and never felt better in my life. I am convinced that what Dr. Williams' Pink Pills did for me they will do for others, and I warmly recommend them to all weak women."

You can get these Pills from any medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

OPERATIONS for APPENDICITIS

And How They Can be Avoided

Operation Ordered

For Appendicitis—Used Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and Was Completely Cured.

Mrs. J. A. Ballantyne, Sturgeon Falls, Ont., writes: "My husband was treated for appendicitis and the doctors ordered an operation. But he would not consent to an operation and began the use of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. Since doing so he has had no need of an operation or even of a doctor, as the trouble has completely left him. I cannot find words to speak our gratitude for his cure. Dr. Chase's Medicines have proven of wonderful benefit in our home, as the Ointment cured my little girl of a severe burn, when nothing else would bring relief."

Dr. David H. Reeder writes as follows of appendicitis:—"In considering the treatment of any condition of sickness it has always been my rule to first find the cause. To my mind, it's the only logical way. Many people seem to think that if they have had an operation for appendicitis they are forever immune, and need have no further fear along that line, but I say emphatically, and I think you will agree I am right, that after an attack of appendicitis, even though you have been successfully operated upon and the appendix removed, your troubles have only just begun unless you remove the cause. What was the cause of the appendicitis?

"The thoughtless will say inflammation in the appendix. No, inflammation in the appendix is appendicitis, but what caused the inflammation? Constipation, yes, that is the prime cause. If you were never constipated you would forever be safe. Appendicitis is only one of the results of the retention of fecal matter in the colon for too long a period."

There is no longer any question that the real cause of appendicitis is constipation. By keeping the bowels regular you not only prevent appendicitis, but also a host of other ills, some of which are even more dangerous than appendicitis. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills are recommended to you in this connection, not as a mere relief by effecting the movement of the bowels, but rather as a positive cure for constipation. As is well known, the bile secreted by the healthful action of the liver is Nature's cathartic. So long as the bile flows freely into the intestines there is no constipation of the bowels and no clogging of the excretory organs. Hence the wisdom of using Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills to ensure regular working of the liver, kidneys and bowels. You thereby save yourself much inconvenience from the minor ills of life, and ensure against such fatal diseases as appendicitis and peritonitis.

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