

# YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS

## RATEPAYERS ENDORSE YORK TP. CANDIDATES

Put Seal of Approval on Their Choice for York Township Council.

Candidates for York Township Council were endorsed by the Amalgamated Ratepayers' Association of York township, as represented by about twenty delegates at a special meeting held in Oddislow's Hall, 404 Bathurst street, Saturday afternoon, as follows: Chas McKay, (at present a member of the council of 1919), for reeve; Nelson A. Boylen, for first deputy reeve;

W. T. Riglesford, G.W.V.A., for second deputy reeve; J. A. Macdonald (now a deputy reeve), for third deputy reeve; J. W. Buckley, Labor candidate, as councillor;

E. J. Hodgbar, a returned veteran, representing the Soldiers' and Sailors' Political Association, Fairbank, was not an orator.

Nelson A. Boylen, president, occupied the chair. The platform, comprising fourteen planks, to which the candidates are pledged, is as follows:

- (1) To immediately carry out the wishes of the people for a Hydro service, as explained on April 5 re the Hydro-Electric light by-law.
- (2) Semi-annual payment of taxes at any branch bank without extra charge.
- (3) The reeve and councillors to reside in York township.
- (4) Increased efficiency in police protection.
- (5) Employment of returned soldiers in all positions within the gift of the York Township Council as same become vacant.
- (6) Progressive action with a view to establish a better transportation system throughout the township.
- (7) Permanent and substantial roadway improvements.
- (8) Immediate consideration with a view to assessment reform.
- (9) Removal of property qualifications in township elections.
- (10) Application to provincial legislature for power to amend present township school and educational systems.
- (11) Justly remunerative salaries for reeve and council.
- (12) Lowering of minimum and change in water rates and installation of water service on the local improvement plan.
- (13) Application to provincial parliament for power to reorganize the system of government with a view to increased representation in council.
- (14) More helpful and sympathetic administration of township housing proposition.

The Soldiers' Stand. A heated discussion took place when the candidature of L. J. Hodgbar, soldiers' and sailors' representative of Fairbank, for a deputy reeve position, was brought forward. Mr. Hodgbar said he declined to sit on the council with a member of the Independent Labor party, which he understood, Mr. Buckley, the chosen candidate for councillor, represented, and his organization will not stand for any red flag business. "We have no objection to farmers, but our aim is to look after the dependents of fallen soldiers, the widows and orphans," said Mr. Hodgbar.

Nelson A. Boylen asked the speaker if any newspaper instructed him to form an estate. Mr. Hodgbar declined to answer, stating that as soldiers' and sailors' they felt they would be disgraced coming on a council with a follower of Jimmy Simpson.

E. Corlett, Esq., declared that there were no political cliques in the central council. It was out to secure good government for the township without any dictation from a credited press. Mr. Corlett eulogized The World, which paper, he stated, gave everyone a fair show without fear or favor and consistently supported their organization for the betterment and advancement of the township.

Not a Bolshevik. Mr. Hodgbar refused to state the instructions he received from the newspaper in question, or from his organization and left the meeting, remarking that his organization would likely support the present council.

Mr. Buckley stated he was a member of the I.L.P., but not a Bolshevik. "I was endorsed by the Labor party, but seek the suffrage of the electors of York township," he stated. The course of this country is that it is one class in the country to have but one best friends. All other parties have given you nothing," said Mr. Buckley.

An active election campaign will start commencing with a candidates' meeting this evening in the Methodist Church, Weston road, under the auspices of the Harwood Ratepayers' Association, and every night during the week in various parts of the township.

A deputation was appointed to wait upon J. A. Macdonald, who was present, and to request his agreement with the platform of the association. Each of the other candidates briefly addressed the meeting, accepting the platform above set out.

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SHOW WAS A SUCCESS.

Todmorden Fur and Feathers Association held a very successful show in Porters Avenue School on Saturday. There were 700 exhibits of fine quality and pet stock and there was a good attendance. P. Lancaster, president, and W. B. Brown, secretary, superintended the proceedings.

SCHOOLS CLOSED DOWN. Owing to the large number of pupils absent from school in the Todmorden district, Torrens avenue and Chester schools closed down today for the Christmas holidays.

## VETS NOMINATE LT.-COL. WRIGHT

Returned Officer is Choice of G.W.V.A. for Board of Control.

As the nominee of the G.W.V.A. Lieut.-Col. Jesse Wright is running for a seat on the board of control at the coming municipal elections. Col. Wright, besides having made a record for himself in the war, has a wide experience of municipal affairs, a grasp on the needs of the city, and not only from a soldier's standpoint. His views on better transportation and housing for the people, bearing in mind the million population which must inevitably come to Toronto, and better adjustment of all matters brought before the board, which should be dealt with in a broad and business-like spirit, are well known.

Special S. A. Service. Commissioner W. J. Richards was the principal speaker at the Earlscourt branch of the Salvation Army on Sunday when special services were held in Belmont Hall, headquarters of the G.W.V.A.

In the morning the commissioner spoke from the text, "Be Ye Mild With the Spirit," and condemned lukewarm and so-called nominal Christians comparing them to red hot and cold iron. Yorkshire and Earlscourt fire was not sufficient. Salvationists must be filled with the spirit, he said. In the afternoon Mr. Richards gave a lengthy address on the world-wide Salvation Army, describing its activities from coast to coast, its social and spiritual work and its efforts to carry the word of God to all nations through the world. Lieut.-Col. W. H. Price, M.L.A., presided, but had to leave on account of sudden illness, the result of wounds contracted in the late war. Salvation Army songsters, led by Alex. Gordon, rendered special hymns, and the full band of the Earlscourt branch furnished the music.

Rev. W. H. Carr, of McMaster University, was the preacher at the Bloor Avenue Baptist Church on Sunday evening. Three persons were baptized and made members of the church.

Prof. Champ of Toronto University was the speaker at the Men's Own Brotherhood at the Central Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon. His subject was "The Stars," and he said that astronomy was closely allied to the sciences, such as music and painting and the study of astronomy greatly influenced the outlook of life generally. The professor denied the recent public statement in an American newspaper that the great calamities were due to visit the earth on Dec. 17, such as never had been seen for hundreds of years. Mr. Champ declared his willingness to wager \$1000 that there would be no such spot on the sun on Dec. 17, as indicated by this publicity. The erroneous idea that there were millions of stars in the heavens was explained by the speaker, who said the greatest possible number would not exceed 6000, and that it was impossible to see more than 2000 stars at any one time through the most powerful telescope. The speaker stated that a site of ten acres on Bathurst street had been promised for an observatory, which, he stated, would be maintained by Toronto University. J. J. Noad, president, and the Men's Orchestra furnished the music.

Alterations have begun on St. Chad's Anglican Church, North Dufferin street. The scheme is to enlarge the church to a seating capacity of 450, to make a new entrance to the church on North Dufferin street, also to enlarge and renovate the basement to make it more suitable for holding meetings. The expenses towards these alterations are being met inside the church, no public subscriptions being solicited. Rev. A. J. Reid is rector.

The war veterans of Earlscourt G.W.V.A. gave a dance at their headquarters, Belmont Hall, Saturday night, the hall being filled with returned soldiers, their wives and friends. Comrade Stockley was in charge, and the orchestral music was furnished by the Earlscourt Veterans' Quartet.

Mr. William MacFarland has been appointed organist and choirmaster of St. Chad's Church. He has taken up residence on West St. Clair avenue.

## N. TORONTO RATEPAYERS GET BACK AT MAGUIRE

Following a warmly applauded address on the municipal work of the past year by Controller Cameron at the meeting of North Toronto Ratepayers' Association in the town hall on Saturday night, Mr. G. W. Ellis took occasion to refer to statements alleged to be made at public meetings last week by Controller Maguire, and at the conclusion of his remarks the following resolution was passed: "That this meeting put itself on record as denying the slanderous insinuations and innuendoes publicly expressed by Controller Maguire regarding the officers of this association, and further that, in view of his actions, both in the city hall and on the platform, we are of the opinion that the further continuance of Controller Maguire in public life is not in the best interests of the city."

The meeting was well attended and enthusiastic and the various speakers were well received. Other speakers were Alderman Beamish, R. J. Stephenson and W. J. Beatty, candidates at the coming civic elections for Ward 3, and J. Thompson, candidate for the board of education.

## DISPUTE OVER CARDS ENDS IN SHOOTING

Ratio Bey, a Turk, was shot in the neck during a drunk quarrel Sunday afternoon in a restaurant at 59 West King street. The bullet came out between Bey's left ear and his condition is not regarded as serious. Alexander Negosh, 798 West King street, who rested at the scene of the shooting by a charge of shooting with intent, was arrested by the police on Chalmers street station, had been drinking and started to dispute over a game of cards played. Bey is alleged to have attempted to strike his assailant when Negosh drew the revolver and fired one shot. Inside was in the vicinity and on entering the premises arrested the prisoner and took possession of the gun.

Bey was removed by the police ambulance to the Western Hospital.

## BAZAAR A SUCCESS.

A bazaar and sale of work was successfully held in Gedhill Methodist mission on Saturday when a brisk business was done by the women's committee. The proceeds will be devoted to the funds of the ladies' aid.

## ANOTHER NEW THEATRE.

A vaudeville and moving picture theatre to cost in the neighborhood of \$50,000 is to be constructed on Danforth at the corner of the Danforth-Glebe Estate, shortly, on the Danforth at present under way and the building will be ready to completion with favorable weather.

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## E. YORK TOWNSHIP TO HAVE SEWERS

Engineer Proposes Scheme for That Part of County North of Danforth.

A second report on a sewage scheme for the Todmorden and the Woodbine sections of York Township has been prepared by Engineer W. O. Wynne-Roberts. The scheme covers the district between the city limits and the National Railway (Ottawa line), and the Don River and the Scarborough town line, with the exception of the Davies property along Don Mills road and the Harris and some of the Anglican Synod properties in the vicinity of Danforth and Bathurst avenues, which drain naturally toward the city.

Three sites for disposal plants have been considered, two along the Don River, known as the brickyard site and the St. Clair site, and the other in the Woodbine district. There are, therefore, three different proposals, defining as scheme C, scheme E and scheme G.

Scheme C provides for outfall works at the St. Clair site and trunk sewers along Rosevar, Barrington, Valley Road, Cedarvale, Broadbridge and Woodbine avenues, with a continuation to Leslie and along Samson, Crown, Davies estate, Mortimer, McCash, Conlorn and the corresponding streets west of Leslie street.

The main trunk would be up Leslie to the St. Clair site. This scheme, with the necessary lateral sewers, would cost \$2,857,000.

Process Two Plants. Scheme E calls for two disposal plants, one at the brickyard site and the other at the Woodbine site. The cost would be \$2,404,000. Relief sewers are not provided for.

Scheme G provides for two outfall works, one at the Woodbine site and the other at the St. Clair site. The trunk sewer in the Woodbine district would be the same as in scheme E and those in Todmorden the same as in scheme C. This scheme would cost \$2,257,000.

The engineer recommends that the city be asked to deal with both sewerage and storm water from area south of Semmon and Crown avenues, and also that the subdivision of Davies estate adjoining Don Mills road and Cambridge avenue be drained into the city sewers.

The cost would be charged on the local improvement plan spread over 20 years and the annual tax would run between 40 and 50 cents a foot front, according to the district and the scheme adopted.

## CHICKEN THIEVES BUSY

An epidemic of chicken stealing has been prevalent for some time past in the Danforth Park district. Several valuable birds have been stolen from homes in McLean, Hampstead, Everett and Curlew avenues and county police have the matter in hand.

## WILL ADDRESS SOLDIERS.

Candidates for York township council will address the members of the U. V. L. at their regular meeting in the Victoria Park, on Monday evening, Dec. 15. Robert Russell, president, will preside. The Calgary resolution will also be discussed and fifteen new members will be initiated.

## FAVORS CITY'S RENTINGS OF SMALL HOUSES

The housing question, which is a real issue in the Riverdale district, will receive first consideration by Ar J. Stunton, 183 Fulton street, who is a candidate for Ward One, if elected, according to a promise made a large deputation of residents in the ward on Saturday. He will urge houses and rent to be erected by the city and a re-organization of the present housing commission board.

## THE SOLDIERS' CHRISTMAS.

A real treat is in store for the patients of the Christie Street Hospital on Dec. 23, when entertainments of all kinds will be provided by the Red Cross. A bountiful turkey dinner will be served to every man in the hospital and, in order to give them an appetite, 100 motor cars are required between the hours of 10 and 12 o'clock in the morning to drive the men about the city. Citizens who care to loan their cars for the occasion are requested to send the names and addresses to the Red Cross Motor Service, 92 West King street, or telephone Adelaide 6563 or Main 3636. Those who haven't a car may have one represent them by sending a cheque to the headquarters of the service.

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## STEAMER SHEBA IS SAFE.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 14.—The steamer Sheba, which has been in distress off Newfoundland for some days, has succeeded in making St. Johns, the maritime and fisheries department officials here were advised today.

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## SPEECH BY IVENS USED AS EVIDENCE AT STRIKERS' TRIAL

Say He Told of Grip-Hold on Community by the Strike Committee.

Canadian Press Despatch. Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—In the absence of W. E. Davis, one of the witnesses for the crown against R. B. Russell, one of the strike leaders, the evidence given at the preliminary trial was read to the court by J. B. Coyne, K.C., on Saturday afternoon. The evidence of the witness was concerning a gripping held in Victoria Park, on May 16, at which the speakers were winning R. Robinson, R. B. Russell, Wm. Ivens and E. J. Dixon, M.L.A.

The speech given by Ivens, as the evidence read, commended labor on its solidarity and reviewed the points that showed the strike grip-hold on the community by the strike committee. The police, Mr. Ivens was alleged to have said, would have joined the strikers, only they were ordered to remain on duty. "Some of the children have been talking of raising money for a new labor temple, but I think that the new parliament building on Kennedy street would make a good labor temple, and the way things are moving now we will soon be in there."

## REPORT ABANDONMENT OF STEAMER MESSINA

Halifax, Dec. 14.—Abandonment of the British steamer Messina, reported yesterday as in a sinking condition 430 miles off the Newfoundland coast, was announced in a radio message received here tonight.

Messages received earlier today stated that another ship was standing by "awaiting a favorable opportunity to take on the crew." This was taken to indicate that the crew had not actually left the Messina, but that the crew were preparing to get off as soon as possible in the belief that the ship could not be saved.

It is thought that the rescue steamer probably is the Maple-More, which answered the Messina's distress call yesterday morning with the message that he would be able to reach the disabled vessel in about 20 hours.

The mission left St. John, N.B., on the 5th December for Antwerp, carrying a general cargo, this being her first trip from that port this season, all other trips having been started from Montreal. The Messina is a first-class cargo vessel carrying about 6000 tons dead weight.

## Germany Will Prosecute Those Guilty of War Crimes

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## HAMILTON

Hamilton, Dec. 14.—All branches of metal-trade workers in Hamilton will shortly join in a vigorous organization campaign.

Prof. J. H. Farmer, Rev. S. W. Dean, and Dr. T. W. McMillan, all of Toronto, preached in Hamilton churches today.

At the annual meeting of the Street Railwaymen's Union, J. McIlwraith was re-elected president.

Mrs. Mary Collins died today at the residence of her son, 108 Burris street, aged 57.

Many local writs were issued on Saturday at the high and county courts.

Nominations in connection with West Hamilton by-election, made necessary by the appointment of Hon. W. R. Rolfe to the portfolio of labor, will be made at noon tomorrow.

Wm. Hovey and Sgt. J. Lowrey, the jail officials who were severely injured by the condemned murderer Kowalski, are reported to be recovering.

Raid by police at the week-end were made at three places in search for violators of the O.T.A. At two places illicit stills were found.

CLAIM \$629,000.

Halifax, N.S., Dec. 14.—The Brazilian steamer Joazeiro, recently ashore at Halifax, is held at North Sydney for \$829,000 for various claims for salvage and assistance.

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