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CITIZENS GIVE VIEWS ON SUNDAY BATHING

SUNDAY SWIM QUESTION ANSWERED BY CITIZENS FROM VARIOUS ANGLES

Many Inclined To Agree With Mayor That the Thames Park Swimming Pool Should Be Thrown Open—"Opposition Nonsensical," Says Swimming Instructor.

LETTER FROM LONDON MOTHERS' CLUB

Sunday bathing, with particular reference to the throwing open of the Thames Park swimming pool on Sunday, is regarded by prominent London citizens in a great many lights other than the purely ethical view of the issue.

The standpoint of what they believe to be common sense is chosen by a great many people who prefer to discuss the question from this angle rather than that of the moral issue, "Does Sunday bathing comply with a Christian observance of the Sabbath?"

The number of citizens interviewed by The Advertiser on this issue, at present an important one in civic circles, gave varying answers, some considering it from the view of the working people, others as advocates of the old-fashioned day of rest, and others as a precedent which might be followed in other cases.

Mrs. A. T. Edwards.

"I think, of course, that the old-fashioned day of rest, when children spent Sunday at Sunday school and quietly at home, was better," Mrs. A. T. Edwards said. "But, really, isn't the question of Sunday bathing up to the parents themselves? We have, it would seem, got along quite comfortably without it all these years, but there is a very pronounced complaint from parents now that, with Sunday school in session early in the morning, it is very difficult to keep children contented during the long, hot hours of the afternoon. They tell us that the children will be off in the river, whether under supervision or not, and in that case I should say by all means let us have them in the supervised swimming pools. Practically everyone in London knows, of course, that Sunday bathing on the part of boys from the ages of ten to twenty has been a long-established custom here, particularly in former years when the river was deep by reason of the Springbank dam.

"One phase of the matter which presents itself to my mind is this: After the morning church and Sunday school, parents in comfortable circumstances are able to pile their children into the motor, take a lunch, and spend Sunday afternoon very delightfully in the country or at Port Stanley or Springbank. Mothers and fathers less well off cannot afford the trip to Port Stanley always, and a Sunday spent packing lunches and looking after children on long street car or electric railway cars does not mean a day of rest for the mother, no matter what it means for the child. We must make some allowance for the working people. If all had cars, the question might take on another color. As it is, however, the workingman who labors six days a week, and the busy housewife as well, might be relieved of a bit of their care, particularly as church and Sunday school both are now in most cases held in the morning."

Mrs. Frank White.

"Worse things than Sunday bathing are carried on under the cloak of righteousness," was the crisp comment from Mrs. Frank White on the issue.

"You understand that there are many people who find it impossible to get away with their children, except on Sunday," she said.

"Tired after a day's work, the laboring man is not in the mood to go pleasure seeking with his children during the week, but the Sunday is often a day of pleasure and companionship. It is not the heinous offence some would have us believe to bathe on a Sunday, and in many cases it means a real day of rest for the mother who might otherwise do a real day's work in keeping her children out of mischief. And it is an issue only for the eight or ten weeks of hot weather."

Isabel Armstrong.

That part of the citizen body may entertain different ideas on the subject may be gathered from the opinion expressed by Miss Isabel Armstrong, the Liberal candidate in the recent provincial election.

"At the risk of being considered what is known as 'Puritanical,' I shall say at the outset that I consider six days of the week sufficient for bathing. I appreciate everything that Mayor Wenige has said in support of his claim, but in allowing Sunday bathing would the community not be breaking away from the traditional British regard of Sunday observance and adopting the European and American policy of making the seventh day one of recreation and sport? If municipalities condone breaking of the Sabbath, can we expect citizens themselves to live up to Christian principles and observances in this respect?

"After all, aren't we told that restlessness is one of the problems of the age? It is apparent everywhere about us. Would not the opening of public swimming pools on the Sabbath tend to preserve this continual restlessness and craving after amusement which is doing so much harm to the moral fibre of the race?"

Edwin Smith.

Businessmen and members of the school board share different views. Edwin Smith was asked this morning if he held an opinion favorable to the Sunday opening of Thames Park.

"Sure, let them go ahead," he said. "I've forgotten how to swim myself, but I don't object to those who do know how enjoying a dip on a warm Sunday afternoon."

A. E. Silverwood.

But A. E. Silverwood, also a member of the board of education, held a different view.

"There may be reasons to warrant Sunday bathing and swimming at Port Stanley, but here in the city I don't approve of the principle at all. The pools are open six days during the week. Without detracting from anyone's enjoyment, I should say that was sufficient."

Instructor Corsan.

George Corsan, the swimming instructor at the public swimming pool, this week, says in no uncertain terms concerning the closing of the public swimming pools: "If God did not intend people to swim on Sunday he would have closed Lake Erie."

Questioned further, he said: "The idea of prohibiting swimming on Sunday is about as sensible as a regulation prohibiting walking on Monday. If only one boy or girl learns to swim by going to the pools on Sunday, it is sufficient to justify the move of keeping the swimming places open all the time."

He added that swimming in no way violates the command to keep the Sabbath holy, and that it is a natural exercise that in an emergency may mean the saving of life, and any regulation which cuts down the opportunities of learning to swim is not only short-sighted, but childish.

E. V. Buchanan.

E. V. Buchanan, manager of the public utilities commission, said, when asked what he thought of Sunday bathing and the keeping open of the pools: "I personally have no objection or scruple about bathing on Sunday."

He added that this was his own opinion, but that the utilities commission would take no side in the matter.

"If the public want the pools open on Sunday, they can have them open, or if they want them closed we will close them. This is our attitude," he said.

London Mothers' Club.

The following letter has been sent to The Advertiser from the London Mothers' Club:

"This being the holiday season, when so many who are deeply interested in the general welfare of our city, and who actively participate in all movements for the benefit and support of the three big factors in our Christian citizenship, are away, it is almost impossible to get together a representative meeting for the discussion of any particular subject, and an expression of opinion can only be obtained by personal interviews, telephone calls, etc. All these means have been used to secure as accurately as possible the sentiment of the prominent members and officers of the Mothers' Clubs of the city on the question of opening the public playgrounds on the Lord's Day. We feel that the voice of the Mothers' Club should receive respectful attention, for may we remind the public in general that the Mothers' Club made the first move toward having playgrounds established in our city, and in many instances paying the salaries of supervisors when the only playgrounds were the school grounds. The Mothers' Clubs stand loyally behind this movement, and have shown their interest and appreciation in many and varied ways. Last year a large committee co-operated with the public utilities commission at their monster picnic to Port Stanley, rendering every assistance possible to help make it the unqualified success which it was.

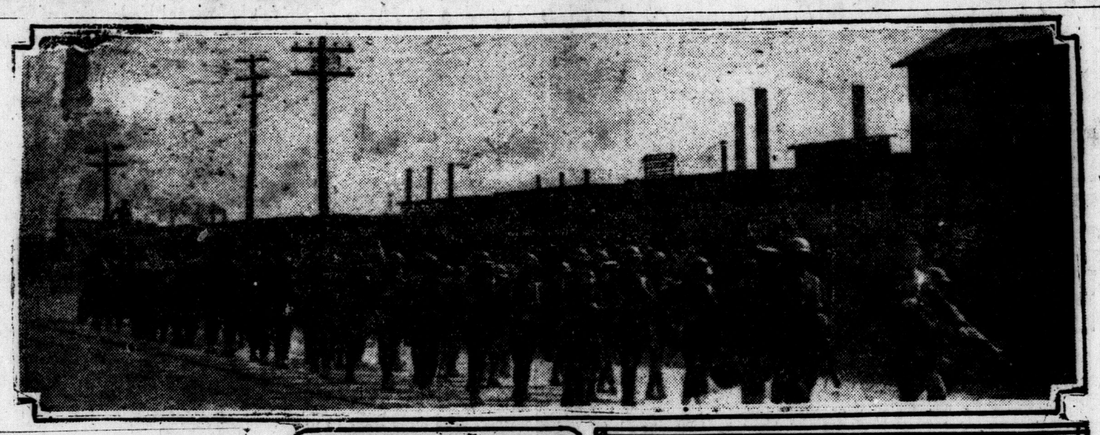
"Of all the opinions it has been possible to obtain, not one has been in favor of opening the playgrounds on Sunday. Many and varied have been the objections to such a movement, and these from the mothers and home-makers, who realize the importance of, and on whose shoulders lie the burden of building up the characters of the children that they may become worth-while, law-abiding citizens.

"To enumerate all the objections would take up too much time and space, suffice it to say that in the resolution of the Ministerial Alliance recently published all points are well covered.

"It is not fair or just to the child to remove all restrictions and take down all the bars which make the Sabbath a holy day of rest and quiet. To do this would mitigate against the foundation of our civic and national life, namely the home.

"Thanking you.

"CLYSTIE E. TANNER,
"President.
"London Mothers' Club."



PROTECTIVE FORCES TAKE OVER STRATEGIC POINTS IN STRIKE AREA.

Armed invasion of the strike-controlled coal mining areas commenced when two companies of infantry and a squadron of cavalry seized the strategic points around mines numbers 2 and 9, near Glace Bay, subsequently taking control of the pit mouths, the coal dumps and power houses. The top picture shows troops on patrol outside the British Empire Steel Plant, Sydney. Below, right, are coal cars tripped by strike pickets at the entrance of number 2, the largest pit in the world. The executive of the Steelworkers' Union in Sydney is shown on the left; J. J. McIntyre, president, is shown, right, and Forman Way, M.P.P., secretary, left.

TURKS STILL ASK FOR CONCESSIONS FROM THE ALLIES

Angora Government Dissatisfied With Treaty Made by Ismet Pasha.

SEND NEW ORDERS

British Not Surprised at Further Demands From Nation Drunk With Success.

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Constantinople, July 12.—Reports received here from Angora indicate that the Nationalist government is displeased with the results achieved by Ismet Pasha at Lausanne.

The majority of the cabinet is understood to consider that he gave in to the allies more than he was authorized to do. The Angora newspapers are unanimous in declaring that the peace treaty is a mere trap that the allies do not intend to discharge the obligations they have assumed under it and that Ismet has been fooled.

Since Monday cabinet meetings have been held daily for the purpose of considering the peace situation, and after stormy debates new orders were telegraphed to Ismet instructing him not to sign the peace pact unless complete satisfaction is given to Turkey on the following points:

One—No clause regarding concessions should be included in the peace treaty, since concession questions are similar to those relating to the holders of bonds that evidence Turkey's debt and must be settled by private arrangements between the concessionares and the Turkish government. Consequently the Armstrong-Vickers concession which the British succeeded in including in the treaty, should be left out.

Two—The allies must give full guarantees that their battleships now in Turkish waters will be withdrawn, together with the allies armies. The period of six weeks allowed to the allies to evacuate Constantinople is regarded as too long and must be reduced.

The allies reply that the British here are not surprised at the new demands of the Turks since the allied governments have granted virtually every demand Angora has made thus far.

GIVE CONTRACT FOR CLOCKS FOR SCHOOLS OF LONDON

At a meeting of sub-committee No. 2 of the board of education this morning, it was decided to give a contract for 20 clocks to John A. Nash. These clocks will be used in all the city public schools.

It was also decided at the meeting to give the contract for 250 chairs to Kingsmill's, Limited; 100 of the chairs will be for use in the public schools, 35 in the Collegiate, and 120 in the Technical School.

BUYING ORDERS FOR RAILS TURN OUT TO BE FAKED

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, July 12.—Fake buying orders for South Pacific Railroad stock were distributed among a number of brokerage houses in Wall street this morning, but the fraud was discovered before the market opened and none of the orders is believed to have been executed.

OFFER LAVISH PRIZES FOR OLD HOME WEEK

Every Day Will Have Feature When London Old Boys Come Home.

There will be no lack of stirring competition in London's Old Boys' Reunion Week Aug. 4-11. Programs when completed, are to include a highly interesting prize list. Special features which are to be offered were announced this morning from the office of the General Secretary, Edwin Smith.

In the grand opening parade, prizes of $50, $30, and $10 are to be given for the best floats, and there will be a second-class in which the best mercantile floats, representing any phase of business will be offered prizes of $30, $20, and $10.

In a prize of $25 for the largest turnout of any one organization, there will be an added incentive for various societies, clubs and lodges to get into the game and join the parade in full force.

Then, on a larger scale than ever, there will be the usual prizes, for the man or woman, resident of London for the past ten years, who has the largest number of sons, daughters and grandchildren visiting during the Old Boys' Week, a prize to the oldest visiting Old Boy coming from a distance of at least ten miles away, a similar prize for the oldest visiting Old Girl, a prize for the man or woman who has come the greatest distance to the reunion, and one for the oldest person present.

There will be numerous other prizes including those given for the best masquerade costumes. Every night in the week will be featured by a costume ball. Several other events will also be carried on in costume giving ample opportunity for lavish prize-awarding.

AMERICAN PATHOLOGISTS VISIT NIAGARA DISTRICT

Canadian Press Despatch.

St. Catharines, Ont., July 12.—A party of seventy-five American plant pathologists are spending the day between Niagara Falls and Hamilton studying the plant diseases of the district. The trip will conclude with a banquet at Hamilton tonight by the Dominion department of agriculture.

Valentino Sash In London Local Jazz-Hound Wears It

Spectacle at Richmond and Dundas Streets Astounds Beholders —It Went to Springbank.

It has come! A reporter, wide-eyed with amazement, stood on the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets last night at 9 o'clock and feebly asked himself "Is this London, the safe and sane, and is yonder a Springbank car, or am I in Detroit, and mislaid at the Bell Isle ferry boat landing?"

But no! There they were, Springbank, Ridout and Dundas cars, and there it was, draped around the sylph-like form of a finale-hopper, proof positive of the advent of the Valentino sash!

Side-burns and pearl buttons! These are as mists before the sun. They are entirely eclipsed before the glory of the soft black satin, flowing ends and deep black fringe. Peeping from underneath the coat, and giving the coquettish effect of the low vest, it's all too sweet for words.

The proper move for the astounded reporter was to bound after the ornamented jazz-hound and briskly inquire, "What's your name, where do you come from, and where annex the Valentino doo-dads?"

But before the spell of astonishment was broken, the youth with the fringe swaying vampishly had leaped aboard the Springbank car and was proceeding on his way to wreck a few dozen hearts at Springbank.

This is bona fide information. It wasn't a nightmare. The Valentino sash is here!

TEN PARISIANS PERISH AS RESULT OF HEAT

Government Orders Great "Jour de Gloire" Celebration Abandoned.

Special Cable to The Advertiser.

Paris, July 12.—Ten deaths were reported here today as a result of the unprecedented heat wave gripping Paris and environs. Because of the heat the government has ordered the military parade, scheduled for July 14, France's "Jour De Gloire," abandoned.

DROWN SEEKING RELIEF.

Special Cable to The Advertiser.

Dusseldorf, July 12. — Fifty-six Germans, driven by a stifling heat wave to bathe in the Rhine, have been drowned since Saturday.

LAKE CAPTAIN DIES.

Canadian Press Despatch.

St. Catharines, Ont., July 12.—Captain Henry Chestnut, a lake captain for forty years, died during the night, aged 69 years. He was born in the township of Pittsburg, near Kingston.

SEE DEFEAT OF IDEA FOR WHEAT SELLING

U. S. Agriculture Department Officials Oppose Financing of Surplus Stock.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, July 12.—Whether the United States government will make it possible to finance the 200,000,000 bushels of surplus wheat as proposed by the American Farm Bureau Federation, in order to keep it off this year's market, continues to be an unsettled problem.

Some department of agriculture officials are opposing it, and their opposition is likely to defeat the plan. The supporters of the plan answer arguments that it would likely unduly raise wheat prices here by pointing out that it could not raise them above the point where it would be possible to import Canadian wheat profitably.

New Men on Dennis Slate Mayor Ready To Meet All

CITY ELECTION SLATE FRAMERS PICK THEIR MEN

Name Some of Those Whom They Favor For Seats at Council.

TWO IN EACH WARD

Some Members of the Present Council Will Receive Indorsation.

The threat yesterday to bring out a "businessmen's aldermanic slate" headed by E. R. Dennis to oppose Mayor Wenige and a number of his associates in the city council next December is no idle jest, as further exemplified today by the public announcement of those who are even now being tentatively considered as possibilities.

Those who are behind this latest municipal development, and who informed The Advertiser yesterday of their intentions, enlarged today upon their scheme, going as far, in fact, as to submit their tentative slate.

It is proposed to have two candidates in each ward, and from the following will be the chosen few (if they are agreeable): Ald. Edmund Hayden, George Burdick, Ernest Shaw, John Greer, Frank McKay, William A. Wilson, Gordon Drake, and Albert Judd. Others who are suggested include Thomas Terry as a ward two candidate, Allan Towe and Chris. Hawkins in ward three.

The list is but temporary, of course, it is explained, and is subject to additions or retractions. As instances, it is a question whether either Ald. Judd, chairman of the finance committee, or Ald. George Burdick will seek re-election. If not, their places will be filled by others.

The Advertiser has been informed that the movement is strictly non-political and non-sectarian, and it was pointed out that one of the two present Labor representatives in the council, Ald. McKay, is included, with three who are considered to be Liberals: Aldermen Hayden, Shaw and Burdick.

CARMICHAEL RESIGNS POST ON HYDRO BOARD

Believes His Service Should End With Expiration of Government Term.

Special to The Advertiser.

Toronto, July 12.—Colonel Carmichael, minister without portfolio in the Farmer-Labor government, is sending in his resignation to Premier Drury as a member of the provincial hydro commission. He was the government's representative on that body and takes the view that his services should terminate at the same time as the administration.

This was apparently not the reasoning of Hon. I. B. Lucas, the representative of the Hearst government when the Conservatives went out of power in 1919. He did not resign and was allowed to remain by the Drury government for quite a while on the hydro commission.

CITY DEFERS PURCHASE OF ANOTHER FIRE TRUCK

The finance committee has deferred the purchase of another fire truck to replace the one damaged at No. 2 hall.

Tenders were submitted last night by Tom Terry and the International Harvester Company, but no decision was made as there was quite a difference of opinion as to the type of car to be purchased, the chief recommending a heavier machine than advocated by the mayor and some of the aldermen.

The question has been set back until a report is submitted as to the requirements of the fire underwriters and the capabilities of various motors.

LET 'EM ALL COME, IS MAYOR'S VIEW OF DENNIS SLATE

His Worship Sees in "Businessmen's Ticket" Revival of "Citizens' Committee."

READY FOR ALL

Says If He Runs Again He Will Stand On His Record Before All Citizens.

Mayor Wenige says he is in no way alarmed over the prospect of E. R. Dennis as an opponent at the next municipal election.

In fact the mayor sees again the hand of the "Citizens' Committee" lifted against him, but today he does not even appear annoyed, but invites rather than discourages competition.

"The people of this city were asked at the last election if they wanted class government any longer," Mayor Wenige declared, "and more than 7,000 of them shouted 'No' in such a vigorous manner that there could be no mistake as to their views.

"Surely this is not a remnant of the 'Citizens' Committee,' famous at the last election, vainly trying to assert itself at this late date? I would not be surprised if it was, and as for the name 'businessmen's slate,' why you can call a cactus a rose but it still remains a cactus to all intents and purposes.

No Class Rule.

"There is no room in this city for class administration at the city hall. No one group or organization possesses the right to come out and assert that any particular person is to be the people's candidate. That is an undertaking for the people themselves—the people as a whole and not one small combination.

"It was demonstrated at the last municipal election that the people of London were tired with ring government for the benefit of the few, and I was elected with more than 3,000 majority.

"And I think as we reach the halfway mark that the mayor and a majority of the 1923 aldermen have given the people a run for their money. The people will realize that a minority of the council has attempted to block every measure that tended for the betterment of the majority of the citizens, but as they were the minority, it was to the advantage of the people as a whole.

Stands on Record.

"I am not alarmed by what appears to be a move on the part of my opposition that I asserted itself before the last election and apparently still lurks under cover. Let them bring out a thousand candidates and have them all run if they like, but if I choose to take my record to the electorate, it will be the masses who will pick the 1924 mayor—not one class.

"As I made it quite clear to Ald. Greer and Ald. Wilson, I am not to be pinned down. I am a free lance. I represent not one class or little group in this city, but all the citizens. I have to answer to no organization. My record stands or falls upon the verdict of the majority."

PULPWOOD EMBARGO WORRIES AMERICANS

Manufacturers Form Organization To Protect U. S. Paper Industry.

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, July 12.—With a view to solving problems raised by the threatened embargo on pulpwood exports from Canada to the United States, a number of leading paper manufacturers from all sections of the United States met today at the Union League Club and organized as the "committee for perpetuation of the paper industry in the United States."

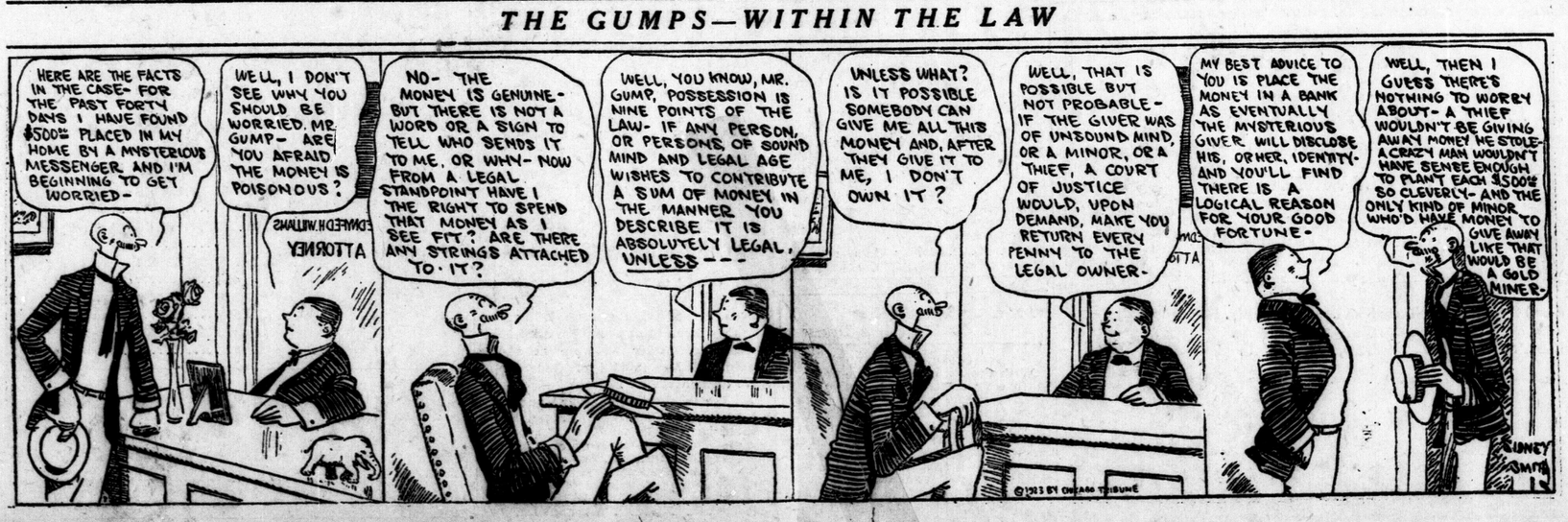
Henry W. Stokes of the York Daven Paper Company, Philadelphia, was elected chairman of the executive committee.

Commenting on the proposed Canadian embargo, Chairman Stokes said: "If made effective, it will involve the entire paper and printing industry in the United States. The price of pulpwood would at once begin a rise toward wartime levels and more than a million cords of wood a year would be added to the drain on our own fast-diminishing pulpwood resources.

"The paper and printing industries, every branch of which would be affected, have a total production valued at $3,000,000,000 a year and employ more than half a million wage-earners."

N. Y. EXCHANGE MEMBER KILLS SELF BY SHOOTING

Associated Press Despatch.

Orange, N.J., July 12.—Kenneth M. Eyland, a member of the New York Consolidated Exchange, committed suicide at the home of his sister here early today by shooting himself through the head. Miss Serna Eyland, the sister, told the police Eyland had been despondent for some time because of business troubles. Eyland's two children, Kenneth M., jr., and Mara, were asleep in the house when their father took his life.

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