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A FEW SAUCEPANS LEFT—GET YOURS NOW—PER SET OF THREE \$1.69

Door Mats \$1.35

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3-Piece Set

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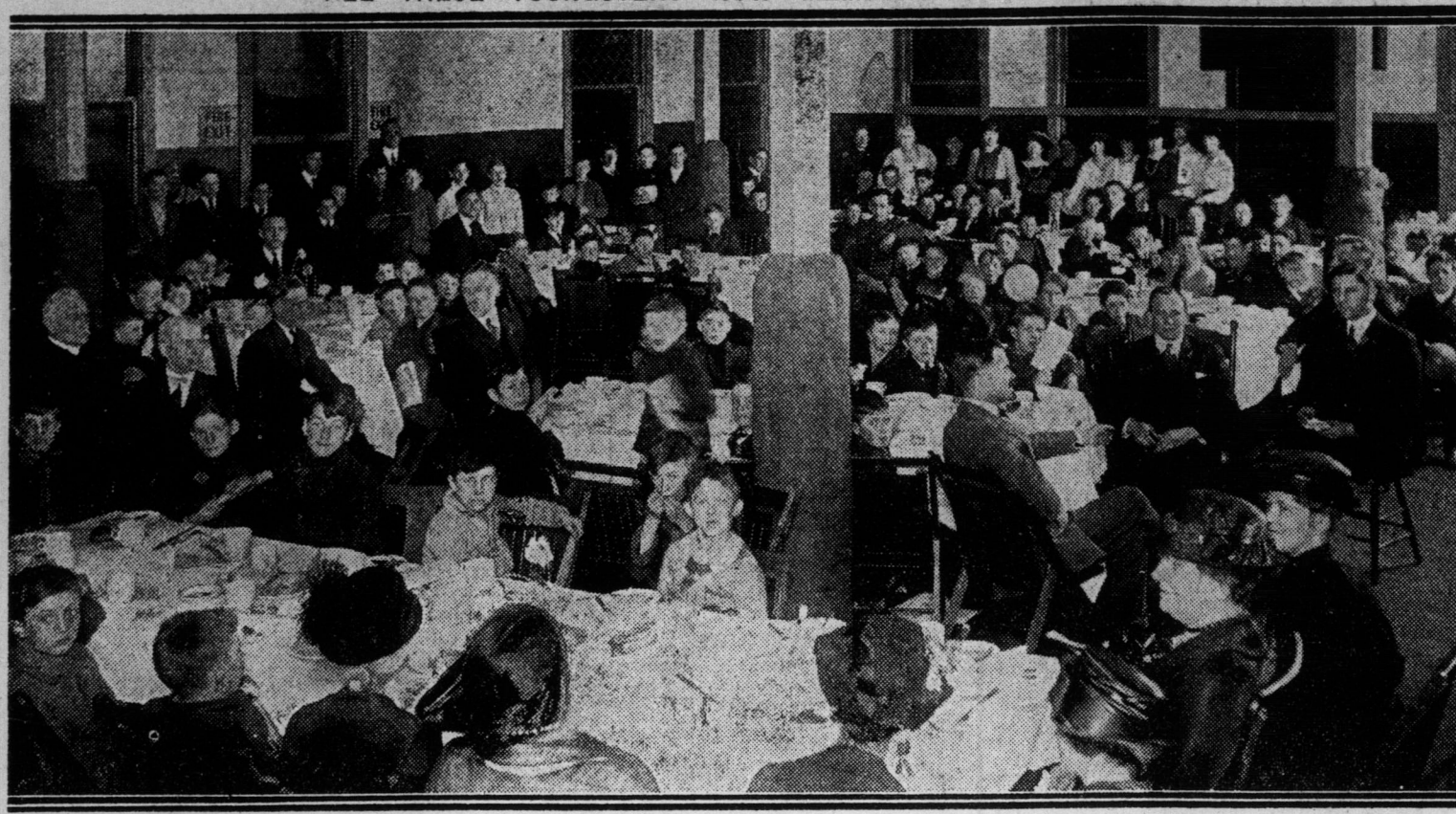
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Above are a few of the one hundred boys, sons of returned men, who through the kindness of the Soldiers' Aid Commission and the Y. M. C. A., were tendered a banquet in the "Y" dining hall Wednesday night. Each youth was presented with a six weeks' membership ticket by the "Y," and those boys who attend regularly will have their ticket extended for one year.

## ADDRESS ON BROWNING'S 'SAUL' OF INTENSE INTEREST

Dean W. S. W. McLaughlin of Manchester University a Scholarly Speaker.

An audience that filled every seat at the public library last night, heard Dean W. S. W. McLaughlin of Manchester University, in his lecture on Browning's great poem "Saul." Dean McLaughlin is a scholarly speaker and made every part of his address of intense interest. He pointed out that in "Saul" there is shown Browning's belief in the need and yearning of the human heart for immortality, as also the need and longing of the human heart for a God of love. In a very clear way the speaker interpreted the meaning of the poem, showing its relation to Browning's philosophy of life, and to his religious viewpoint. The poem displayed the worth of life, the beauty of living the fullest life, something that Browning himself practiced as well as preached. Dean McLaughlin's lecture was the closing one of the March series of university extension lectures, all of which have been well attended, as have the whole series held this winter. The extension committee is already planning its next year's program. Dr. K. P. R. Neville presided at last night's lecture.

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On March 1, 1835, the family arrived in this city by coach. The only entrance to the city, Mr. Short asserts, was over Clark's bridge, now known as the Wellington street bridge. The road was rough and muddy, and progress over the bridge was very difficult, as it was in a dilapidated condition.

Built Log House.

His father built a house out of logs on the site where London's new hotel is to be constructed. St. Paul's Cathedral was where it is now, but was a frame structure.

A few years later an uncle came to Canada, and with Mr. Short's father started in the shoe business in a frame building where the Olympia Hotel now stands. Some years later his father purchased land on the opposite side of Dundas street, and built two frame houses, where Mr. Short and his father carried on business for 40 years.

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## DOVE OF PEACE FLUTTERS OVER SCHOOL BOARD

Period of Calm Once More Prevails in Educational Circles.

With the decision of the board of education at its last meeting not to change its revised estimates for 1921, and the expression of opinion by a number of the aldermen that the city council will not make any further attempt to persuade the board to reconsider its position, but will proceed to arrange in due course for the collection of the necessary taxes to meet the board's needs, has come a period of calm in civic circles centered on the corner of Dundas and Wellington streets.

Each department is now busily engaged with the routine work of preparing for the carrying out of the year's program of work. In the board of education offices this chiefly centres around the architect's office, where the preparation of the plans and specifications for the new Victoria public school and are well under way.

Magistrate Does Not Care For Job as Coroner

Would Not Appreciate Change of Conditions.

ATTORNEY APPROVES

Of Preliminary Work Being in Charge of Physician.

Except in the case of inquests into the violent deaths of newspapermen, Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon would not, he said today, appreciate being appointed a coroner. On these special occasions, however, he would take great pleasure in having a verdict of justifiable homicide brought in, he stated.

The public service commission which has investigated the administration of justice in this province extensively, and as a result has recommended that police magistrates instead of doctors be the coroners in charge of inquests proper, and that the doctor be associated coroners to make the preliminary investigation. Magistrate Graydon stated that he for one would not appreciate the change, as he has no desire to be a coroner.

Crown Attorney J. B. McKillop thought that the proposal was a good one. He was in favor of the preliminary work being in charge of a doctor, and the inquest proper being conducted by a police magistrate.

Dr. A. MacLaren, who was coroner for 45 years here, said that the plan proposed was the same as that already adopted in England.

CITY GAS BILL BEFORE LEGISLATURE TODAY

Amended Bill Will Likely Meet With Opposition From Some Aldermen.

Definite word that the amended City Gas Company bill will come before the Legislature was received at the city hall today. Acting Mayor F. R. Watkinson announced. Arrangements are being made by the special committee on gas to be presented when the matter is brought before the private bills committee.

The amended bill will contain the provisions, whereby the capitalization of the company will be fixed at \$400,000; a return of 10 per cent on this amount will be paid to the shareholders; and 5 per cent will be retained in the reserve fund above the 5 per cent equal to a rate of 5 cents for gas the price is to be reduced by that amount.

It is certain settlement on these actual figures will be opposed. Ald. Cameron Wilson has announced his intention of protesting against it, and it is probable that other members of the council will do so as well. Settlement along these lines will be agreed to, however, if the company will amend the figures to suit the aldermen.

The bill providing for a commission from the amount will come up on this date as well.

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