

GROWERS PLAN BIG CONVENTION

Fruit and Vegetable Men Will Gather in City Next Week.

Western Ontario fruit and vegetable growers will attend the fruit and vegetable growers' convention being held in London at Hyman hall on Feb. 3, 4 and 5, will go home fortified with considerable valuable information, judging by the program prepared for them by London fruit and vegetable growers.

The convention is being held under the auspices of both local associations, the fruit growers' association of Ontario and the fruit branch of the Ontario department of agriculture.

Paul Fisher, one of the most successful growers in the Niagara fruit belt, will act as chairman during the first two days of the convention, and Prof. A. H. MacLennan of the O. A. C., on the third.

Talk on Small Farm.
The convention will open at 1:30 p.m. on Feb. 3. Gerald H. Noyes, Westmont, will tell how to make a small farm pay, while apple packing demonstrations will be conducted by F. L. Gabel and John Lawlor of the Dominion fruit branch. Mr. Fisher will speak on the renovating of old apple orchards. Peach test curd will be treated by W. A. Ross of Vineland experimental station.

Tuesday evening Mr. Ross will speak on "Plant Live Affecting Fruit." Prof. Caesar, O.A.C. will tell of the necessity of thorough spraying and give figures to back up his arguments.

Wednesday afternoon D. Kimball, O. A. C., will talk on small fruits; Prof. MacLennan on the preparation of soil; Cecil Delworth on head lettuce; and Jas. Johnston, Simcoe, co-operative marketing.

Banquet Wednesday.
The banquet being held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday night will be addressed by W. J. O'Connell and F. S. Reeves on "How shall we best overcome competition from imported fruits and vegetables?" H. G. Bell of London will speak on commercial fertilizers.

The final day of the convention will be devoted entirely to vegetable interests. James Bradford, Leamington, will talk on greenhouse cucumbers, while the subject of celery will be handled by W. J. O'Connell.

The evening session will be devoted to the question of irrigation and the new varieties of vegetables, which will be handled by F. W. Present, of the O. A. C.

LONDON TO SEND THREE TO TORONTO MEETINGS

Electrical Associations Will Convene on Wednesday and Thursday.

The London public utilities commission will have three representatives at the annual meeting of the Ontario municipal electrical association and the Association of municipal electrical utilities, which are being held in Toronto on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. They will be Manager E. V. Buchanan, J. W. Pearl, chief inspector, and G. W. Blay, manager of the hydro shop.

The two associations are going to hold a joint meeting this year with the object, if possible, of uniting the two organizations into one body. Besides joint business sessions there will also be a joint banquet and two joint luncheons. The banquet is to be addressed by Hon. Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the hydro-electric commission of Ontario, and the luncheons by Prof. A. T. Delany, dean of the faculty of arts and professor of mathematics, University of Toronto, and Charles Downey, Toronto.

Addresses are to be given to the Municipal electrical utilities by the following: J. H. Carter, assistant engineer, H. E. P. C. of Ontario; L. B. "Hubbuck," staff engineer, Canadian Westinghouse Co., Hamilton; R. H. Starr, Toronto; Geo. Cousine, assistant laboratory engineer, H. E. P. C. of Ontario; L. B. Smith, illumination engineer, Toronto; C. J. Burton, inspection chief, Detroit Edison Co., Detroit; A. W. J. Stewart, sales director, Toronto hydro-electric system, and G. J. Minkler, sales department, H. E. P. C. of Ontario.

Addresses to be given to the Municipal electrical association are as follows: Official welcome, Mayor Thomas Procter, London; address by President C. A. Maguire, and F. A. Gaby, chief engineer H. E. P. C. of Ontario.

Commissioner T. W. McFarland is at present a member of the executive of the Municipal electrical association.

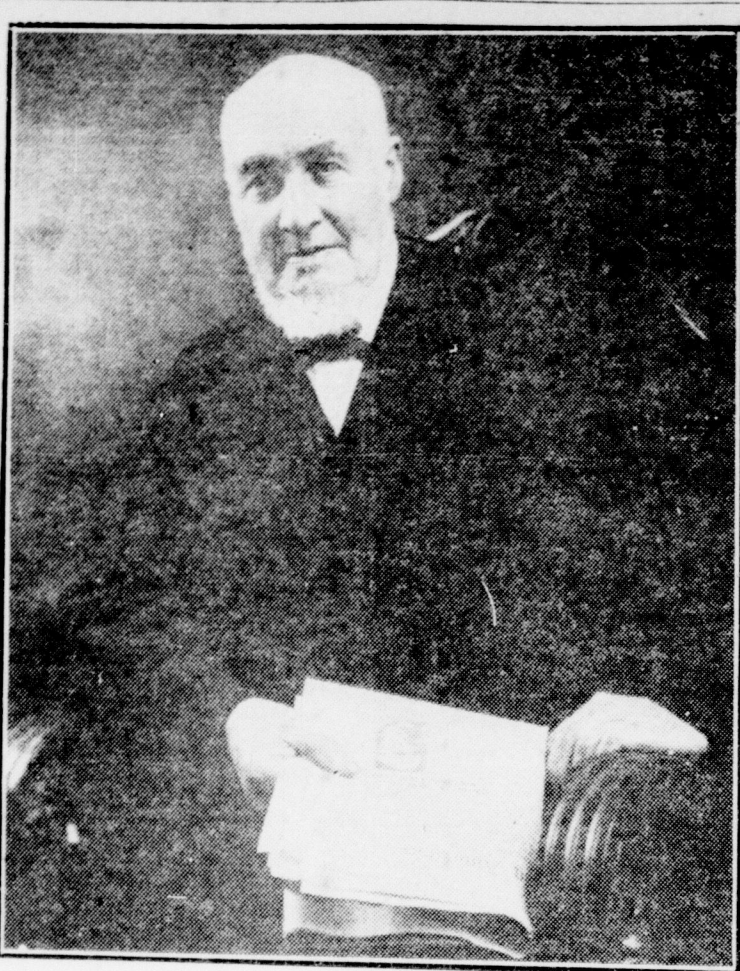
MISSIONARY FROM CHINA TALKS IN ST. ANDREW'S

Rev. Donald MacGillivray, D. D., Shanghai, China, delivered a personal sermon in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church yesterday morning. He gave as his reason for doing so the fact that he had preached in St. Andrew's on such of his seven or eight years' tour from China and knew every pastor the congregation had had from the time of Dr. Scott down to the present.

Rev. D. C. MacGregor, D. D., pastor of St. Andrew's, on introducing the distinguished visitor, reminded the congregation that Dr. MacGillivray had served as a Presbyterian missionary entirely, because, since 1899, he had been in charge of the publication and distribution, on behalf of the Chinese Christian church, of all Christian literature. In this great work he is assisted by Mrs. MacGillivray who is the editor of a children's paper, "Happy Childhood," which has a monthly circulation of 1,000 copies.

Dr. MacGillivray's message from the Orient was delivered with even more than his accustomed vigor, and was highly breathed of the spirit of his work in China.

INSPECTOR ON TOUR.
Liamine Inspector Walter Bolton is making a "cook's tour" of the county today, delivering standard hotel licenses in Strathroy, Parkhill and Alisa Craig. He will likely be back in his office tomorrow morning.



"GRAND OLD MAN" OF DUTTON.

John R. Gow, reeve of the village, says he is 82 years young. He is an ardent lover of baseball and hockey games. All matters which mean advancement of the community have his hearty support. He saw the first train enter the London depot and read the first edition of The Advertiser.

PAIR PLEADS GUILTY TO PHONOGRAPH THEFT

Frank Mitchell and John Williams Are Remanded to Jail For One Week.

A musical evening spent in listening to old-time tunes being played on a phonograph, strongly appealed to both Frank Mitchell and John Williams last night. An open door of a warehouse at the rear of No. 3 Prospect avenue revealed the instrument hidden in a stove bank. Mitchell and Williams overcame them. A horse and sleigh were used by the two men to transport the canned musical instrument away from the storehouse. A woman in the vicinity saw the sleigh pulling out of the house leading into the storehouse, and becoming suspicious, notified the police.

Detective George E. Walsh and Sergeant Percy East, followed the sleigh tracks and were successful in locating the hiding place of the stolen property. They found the instrument hidden in a stove bank near Mitchell's home.

Mitchell and Williams appeared in court this morning to answer a charge of theft. Besides the phonograph more than 60 records were stolen.

Both men pleaded guilty and elected to be tried before Magistrate Graydon. They declared that they were both drunk at the time the machine was taken and did not realize what they were doing.

They were remanded to jail for one week.

DIRECT POSTAL SERVICE WITH HOLLAND IN EFFECT

Postmasters were advised by Ottawa today of the direct exchange of parcels post with Holland which has just been inaugurated. The new service will be carried on in addition to the regular channels of exchange.

The mails will be made up at St. John, N. B., during the remainder of the winter. The first despatch will be forwarded by St. S. Welland on Feb. 7. During the summer the mails will be made up at Montreal.

The insurance will be the same as on parcels going through Great Britain. The regulations as to packing, customs, prohibited articles will be the same.

MRS. MARY SANTO, RESIDENT HERE FOR 75 YEARS, PASSES
Mrs. Mary Santo, a resident of London for the past 75 years, died at the home of her son, Dr. A. E. Santo, 17 Craig street, on Saturday. She was 87 years of age.

Born in Devonshire, England, Mrs. Santo came to Canada when twelve years of age. Her husband, the late John Santo, died some years ago.

The funeral was held this afternoon from Dr. Santo's home, and services were conducted by Rev. Leslie Armistead, of St. James' Anglican church. Interment was made in Woodland cemetery.

IS IMPROVING.
W. F. Wheaton, district organizer of the Durant Motor Car Company, shows a decided improvement following an operation which he underwent at St. Joseph's hospital, according to officials of that institution.

Meeting ice and rain early this morning caused a bit of flood in the "Better Ole" at the city hall. Drains were frozen and the water seeped into the basement of the municipal building. The G. W. V. A. ouzout and the boiler-rooms escaped.

The east end town hall may be used by the playground supervisors for their weekly instruction classes. The supervisors have been meeting on Monday, but may switch to Wednesdays in order to make use of the east end hall.

Sewer gas is still noticeable on certain days in some city hall offices. The city hall "ghost," exposed by The Advertiser three years ago, has been found not guilty, and steps are

NO. 2 COMMITTEE BALKS ON EVENING MEETINGS

Fortnightly meetings of No. 2 committee will not be held in the evenings, according to a decision arrived at by members of the committee. There was some request for evening meetings, but this suggestion was not followed up.

However, meetings will be held this year a half hour later than has been the custom and tomorrow's gathering has been called for 5:30 o'clock in place of 5 p.m.

FRANK GLASS REPORTED IN SERIOUS CONDITION

S. Frank Glass, former member of parliament for East Middlesex, who has been seriously ill at St. Joseph's hospital for more than a month, took a decided turn for the worse several days ago, and his condition is now regarded as extremely serious. Although his condition is not considered critical at present, little hope is held for his recovery.

JANUARY BUILDING TOTALS \$47,000 UP TO PRESENT

Building values for the month of January have so far totaled \$47,000, according to the figures of the London school board. Only 15 permits have been booked up during the three weeks of January that have passed.

In January of last year 32 permits, with a total value of \$235,000, were announced, but this large figure was due to the fact that the \$175,000 West London school was one of these. In other years January permits have been very light, with total values ranging from \$15,000 to \$30,000. This month will therefore, be well up to the average.

CHANGE ROUTES.

Owing to the discontinuance of the direct steamship service to Italy, further notice be forwarded by the routes through England and France, according to advice received by Postmaster T. C. Duncan from Ottawa today.

CHARGED WITH DESERTION.

Wm. Willison, Wellington street, was arrested this morning by High Constable Wharton on a charge of wife desertion. The prisoner was brought before Deputy Judge Bradshaw of the juvenile court, and remanded to jail for a week.

ISSUE WRIT.

McEvoy & Henderson have issued a county court writ on behalf of John Lily and Jean Sutherland of Dorchester township, against W. Mulholland of Dorchester and Layla Bailey of Toronto, for damages for injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Dorchester village.

O'LEARY TO SPEAK.
Gratton O'Leary of the Ottawa press gallery will address a joint gathering of the Round Table and Canadian clubs in the Blue Dragon room on the evening of January 29, on the Imperial conference and the Washington disarmament conference.

RETURN HORSES.

The twelve horses which were brought to London and placed on the strength of military district No. 1 while the cavalry school was being held at the Royal Canadian regiment headquarters at Carling Heights, have been returned to Toronto, the work here being completed.

Gossip Around The City Hall

Greatest fly traps and dirt catchers imaginable, and it is almost impossible to keep the glass shiny and bright in the old pile. Frosted glass may take the place of the wire screens.

City Treasurer James Bell reports that the east end hall is proving a popular play center for basketball teams nowadays. It is being used a great deal in afternoons, too, and there is scarcely an open date available.

Date for the annual re-organization meeting of the London railway commission has not yet been set. General Manager Richards was out of town today, and it was reported that the session might not be held until the second Monday in February.

Recommendations may be made to have wire screens in city hall windows removed when painting and other renovations are being made this winter. The wire screens, bearing names of department officers, are the

3 TRUSTEES SEEK TORONTO ADVICE

Collegiate and Greer Successor Information Sought by Delegation.

S. F. Lawrance, chairman of the board of education, is in Toronto today on business connected with the local board. He has with him Trustees A. R. Cairncross, vice-chairman of the board, and Trustee Mrs. John I. A. Hunt.

The representatives of the board, it can hardly be called a deputation, since no conference with the department of education was authorized by the board, will discuss, it is learned, the question of collegiate sites and the successor to be chosen to Administrator V. K. Greer, M.A., who has been appointed chief inspector of public and separate schools for this province.

While it was given out that nothing definite had been agreed upon by the executive committee at its private session held the other night to discuss the building program of the year it is understood that the representative committee will ask the department to name the action under which the board would be permitted to build a new east end collegiate on a site in the vicinity of the Western fair grounds, and use the latter as a considerable sum of money. The campus, thus saving the city a sanction of the department of education is necessary, since, to secure the customary provincial grant for collegiate purposes, department regulations as to buildings, campus, etc., must be fully complied with.

The Advertiser is informed that the building program of the board this year is to consist of the erection of one new collegiate unit, that to be in the east end of the city at a cost in the neighborhood of \$250,000, at eight-room addition to the technical school, at a cost, fully equipped, of \$60,000 or \$70,000, half of which would be paid by the provincial government and half by the city. Undoubtedly, while conferring with the department, the committee will secure some information as to a successor to Mr. Greer, though nothing definite is looked for in this connection for several days.

Chairman Lawrance is known to be anxious to have the building program of the board for the year settled as early as possible, so that the question can be brought before the city council. Vice-chairman Cairncross is in favor of the plan of building both collegiate units this year, and such a plan is not beyond the range of possibility.

Interesting developments, therefore, are to be expected within the next few days as regards to the board's building program, both as to primary and secondary schools.

HANDLING OF MAIL FULLY EXPLAINED

Howard McGill Gives Illustrated Talk at Today's Luncheon of Rotarians.

Howard McGill, inspector of the postoffice division in this district, was the speaker at the luncheon of the Rotary club, and with a series of lantern slides gave an excellent idea of how the work of carrying and curing for mail matters is attended to, and at the same time gave some practical warning and advice to businessmen in regard to carelessness in posting and wrapping mail matter.

The views showed the various methods used in handling mail, from the parcel post mail for Italy, star coach, motorboat, and even to the dog sleds that establish connection with points up in the Arctic circle.

Cyril Rice, the world's youngest Rotarian, sang a pleasing solo.

FIRE VICTIM LAID TO REST IN WOODLAND CEMETERY

The funeral of Clyde Birch, 17, who died on Friday morning from burns received in a fire at the London News company, Clarence street, two weeks ago, was held this afternoon from his home, 144 William street.

He was taken from the building and although severely burned, ran to the second floor, where he was carried to safety by Firemen James Hunter and Claude Anderson.

Besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Birch, of 144 William street, three brothers, Philip, Dallas and Guy, and one sister, Betty, survived.

Rev. A. A. Rice, of All Saints Anglican church, conducted the services, interment taking place in Woodland cemetery.

DRIVES ON AFTER MISHAP, MOTORIST IS FINED \$10

For failing to stop his motor car following an accident, Charles Gleeson paid a fine of \$10 and costs to police court this morning.

Gleeson struck a team of horses driven by William Mercer. He told Magistrate Graydon in police court this morning that he was unaware of the accident, and as no damage had been caused, did not realize he should have stopped.

POISONED BULLETS USED TO BRING DOWN GANGSTER

Four Men Met Terrible Fate

Associated Press Despatch.
Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 26.—Four men, as yet unidentified, met death shortly before noon today within the narrow confines of 50-foot concrete piling, a part of the foundation of the new American Insurance Union building here. The four bodies were taken from the bottom of the shaft, almost 90 feet underground.

FATHER O'REILLY DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Former London Missionary Passes Away in Pittsburgh—Famous as Speaker.

Catholics in London are today mourning the death of Rev. Father Joseph O'Reilly, famed in Canada and the United States as one of the most lovable and most eloquent missionaries of the Redemptionist order.

Father O'Reilly died in Pittsburgh on Friday after a two years' illness brought on by overwork in the mission field. News of his passing reached the city today.

Father O'Reilly had especially endeared himself to the congregation of St. Patrick's parish, East London, where he was stationed in 1918 while engaged in a series of missions in this section of Canada.

Early in 1919 he was transferred to St. Philomena's church in Pittsburgh, but in three years his strenuous life began to tell, and he was ordered by specialists to take rest. Father O'Reilly never recuperated from his last serious illness, and his death came at the age of 51.

As an orator, Father O'Reilly enjoyed a brilliant career, and his services were in demand from the Gulf of Mexico to the most northern extremities of Canada. His subtle finesse, for which he was also noted, are even today fresh in the minds of Londoners.

A brother, Rev. Father Thomas O'Reilly, who is also an outstanding American missionary, survives. The brothers conducted a mission in St. Mary's church here some years ago.

JUVENILE COURT REPORT WILL BE READY SOON

The annual report of the juvenile court for the calendar year 1924, now in process of compilation, will be ready for publication within the next few days.

The report as a whole will embrace individual reports by Rev. G. Quintin Warner, as judge of the court, Major A. G. N. Bradshaw, as probation officer of the court, and Miss Black as clerk of the court.

A full year's activities in the court will be covered by the report in a manner that will show clearly just what has been accomplished during the past year.

Hard Foods of Vital Importance

Doctors and dentists warn us that we must eat some hard foods that require chewing—both to promote thorough digestion and to give needed exercise to teeth and gums.

The crisp kernels of Grape-Nuts must be chewed—and their pleasant "crunchiness" and delightful flavor tempt you to chewing.

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John Torrio of Chicago Facing Death as Result of Feud.

ASSAILANTS SOUGHT

Associated Press Despatch.
Chicago, Jan. 26.—Poisoned bullets may complete the job of removing John Torrio, bungled by three gunmen who failed to put any of five bullets in a vital spot when they made him the latest victim of Chicago gangland's war on Saturday.

A high temperature, racing pulse and gradual weakening of his vital force lent to surgeon's corroboration of Torrio's own idea that his assailants may have resorted to poison to slay him.

Facing death, Torrio refused to name the men who shot him as he felt his auto with his wife in front of his home. He admitted he knew them, but merely shook his head when the police pressed for names. The police held their ideas as to the assailants, but of 115 men arrested after Torrio was shot, none was named as wanted.

That Torrio was shot in gangland strife was the police theory, although Torrio's friends asserted he had been friendly with O'Banion and could not be suspected in connection with that slaying. Two score policemen and a group of Torrio's friends are guarding the hospital to keep his enemies from returning to the attack. The police believe the shooting of Torrio presages one of Chicago's worst outbreaks of gang warfare.

Torrio recently was sentenced to nine months in jail for being running the police believe his assailants wanted to "get" him before he started to serve his sentence.

WEIGHT LAW OBSERVED BY FARMERS, IS REPORT

According to A. A. Luton, district inspector of weights and measures, its fractions of weights and pressure laws on the local market at the present time are few, farmers realizing their positions when using wrong measure. Although the law is in force, it is not enforced, another field for investigation has arisen in the form of ice cream and candy containers, which are under weight," said Mr. Luton this afternoon.

Many of the dealers whose candy containers were examined last week were out in their weight, but the majority were within the law.

Mr. Luton said this morning that the offenders were given a severe reprimand, but that legal action would be delayed as this was the first time that underweight had been discovered.

POSTAGE PARCEL RATES TO NEW ZEALAND HIGHER

The rates on postage applicable to parcels accepted for transmission via San Francisco to New Zealand and Australia have been increased until further notice, according to an advice from Ottawa received by Postmaster T. C. Duncan today.

The route via San Francisco is in addition to the route via Vancouver. The route used is optional with the sender. Parcels should be marked "Via San Francisco" or "Via Vancouver," whichever way is desired to have it go. The rates via Vancouver remain unchanged.

ADDRESSES "Y" KNOT CLUB.

George F. Copeland addressed 12 members of the "Y" Knot club of the young men's division of Y.M.C.A. at the regular meeting on Friday night.

Y.M.C.A. thrift budget books were distributed to the young men after the talk. Refreshments were served.

WHY does one man fail? Why does another man succeed?

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One man eats food that drains his vitality in the work of digestion. The other wisely chooses food that daily renews his vitality—food his body can utilize without difficulty.

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Canadian fire manager of the Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation, Limited, Montreal, who was recently elected a director of the Crown Trust Company. Mr. Jenkins was president of the Canadian Underwriters' Association, 1920-21.

CHURCH UNION HIT AS KEY TO PROBLEM

R. H. Peck, Bible Student, Declares God Is Delaying World's Conversion.

That a union of churches will not accomplish the world's conversion is the expressed belief of R. H. Peck of the I. B. S. A., who addressed a large audience at Hyman hall Sunday on "The Binding of Satan and World's Conversion After 1925."

"Good people in Germany," he said, "the year previous to the war, subscribed more than three million dollars to missionary work. They are subscribing less now. Some say that heathens who die in ignorance, God will take to heaven, anyway. If so, why not refrain altogether from teaching the heathen. If God intended to save men through heaven, he would not have sent his only begotten son to earth on our behalf. The union of churches is Jesus' parable picture being fulfilled before our eyes. He said that the end of the age, when he would be invisibly present the second time, would be like a harvest time, when the wheat, representing true Christians, would be gathered into a condition represented by the barn, but the tares, or imitation Christians, gathered in bundles to be burned, not literally, but to be destroyed as tares, which will be accompanied by a knowledge of Jehovah and his plan for man."

"When God's time comes for the world's conversion, it will be as God says, 'All shall know me from the least to the greatest.' That work of conversion we expect to begin soon. There will be no more great and final epasms of trouble first. This will be the result of Satan's final struggles as he is being bound with the chains of truth."

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