

NEW COLLEGIATE IS DEMANDED FOR SOUTH LONDON

BECK WELLS SHOW BIG INCREASE IN WATER SUPPLY

Engineer Curd's Recommendations Result in Half Million Gallons More a Day.

TO CONSIDER REPORT

An increase of half a million gallons of water per day has been the result of the renovating and overhauling of the Beck wells by the public utilities commission, according to General Manager E. V. Buchanan. Following the visit and survey of Engineer W. C. Curd last October, when the ground water possibilities of London were thoroughly investigated, the commission, acting on Mr. Curd's recommendations and using an invention of his, started in to see what could be done in increasing the water supply of the existing wells. That they have been successful is borne out by the statement of Mr. Buchanan, who said that in practically every well where the work was done an increased flow resulted, the total being approximately 500,000 gallons per day.

Referring to the sinking of test holes, Mr. Buchanan said that this work had been discontinued for the time being, owing to the weather, but that the work carried out before the cold spell had been highly satisfactory.

Next Thursday the complete report of Engineer Curd will be considered by the commissioners. Prominent in his report is the statement that there is an adequate supply of ground water in the vicinity of London to last for many years, and that it is located in the eastern section of the city.

MEMBERS OF STAFF HONOR GORDON SUTTON

Smallman & Ingram Employees Gather at Home of Bruce Minor.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Minor, Dufferin avenue, was the scene of a most enjoyable gathering on Thursday night, when the staff of the fourth floor of the Smallman & Ingram shop assembled there to honor Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Sutton. During the evening Mr. Sutton, who is severing his connection with the staff, was presented with a handsome silver basket filled with flowers, and accompanied with the good wishes of the staff.

The guests included Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Chadwick, Mr. and Mrs. H. Burch, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sutton, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Down, Mrs. McLean, Miss M. McInnis, Miss G. Williams, Miss M. Blake, Miss F. Pittaway, Miss E. Johnston, Miss E. Anderson, Miss E. Miller, Miss H. Fair, Miss D. Horwood and Charles Sutton.

It looks like a big year for local real estate. The local assessment department shows today that realty transfers, always a safe indicator, totalled 103 during the month of January.

February is starting well. Building Inspector Phipps reports construction permits already issued yesterday for work at a cost of \$7,000.

SOUTH LONDON PARENTS TO ASK NEW COLLEGIATE

Deputation Will Wait On Board of Education For Relief in Situation.

MAYOR WENIGE SPEAKS

Action Follows Meeting Held Last Night in Victoria School.

Still another deputation will wait on the board of education at the meeting next week in connection with secondary school accommodation and the erection of new colleges. This was decided at a meeting of the London South Collegiate Parents' Association held in Victoria School last night, when after listening to addresses on the subject from Mayor George A. Wenige, Principal T. S. H. Graham, Principal E. A. Miller, T. D. McCullough and others, E. R. Dennis, vice-president of the association, moved that a deputation be appointed by the executive to lay before the board of education and the city council, the needs of London South in the matter of a new collegiate.

Following an inspection of old Victoria School, now the London South Collegiate, Mayor Wenige addressed the ratepayers, stating that there were many things he, as a citizen, would like, but that the price was prohibitive. The mayor said that whether new colleges were needed in the east and south of London was a matter for the board to decide and that the citizens should have some say in the question.

Referring to figures, he declared that while the population of London had increased but 10 per cent since 1912 the expenditures for education had gone up 300 per cent, and in his opinion the one did not warrant the other. He declared that the board of past years had made a mistake in not having constructed a central high school large enough to take care of the school population. He also referred to the high tax rate in London.

Must Get Taxes Down. "If we can get the tax rate down to 32 mills," he concluded, "I will support the new colleges, but if not I will oppose them."

"I, for one, would be willing to pay more on my taxes in order to get better schools for my children," declared the chairman, Wendell Holmes, president of the association, at the conclusion of the mayor's address. Referring to the mayor's figures and the increased costs of education, Principal Graham stated that he would like to know the percentage of increase in high school students during the same space of years, also how the building accommodation in 1912 compared to what it should have been.

"There have been great expenditures from then on because prior to then they lagged in the matter of schools," he declared. "Before the old Collegiate burned, you had a building of 30 rooms, now you have one of 21, so that while the number of students has increased greatly the seating capacity has dropped two-thirds."

He concluded by outlining the situation at the London South Collegiate, stating that upper school students were being sent to Central Collegiate, where they could not do their best work, owing to being in charge of a different staff and environment. He expressed the opinion that the increase in high school students was due to the increased desire for education.

Disagrees With Mayor. Stating that he disagreed with

Brings \$300,000 Cargo of Liquor

Associated Press Despatch. New York, Feb. 2.—The British steamer Butetown has dropped anchor off "rum row" with a \$300,000 cargo of liquor, the biggest cargo ever reported on the row. Alongside the Butetown is the British steamer Papyrus—formerly the United States tramp Susquehanna—laden with alcohol. Reports that she had fouled at sea originated at Halifax Wednesday because the Papyrus, bound from Antwerp to the Canadian port with alcohol, was six weeks overdue.

Mayor Wenige's figures and statements relative to the earning power of man, Principal E. A. Miller said that "his worship and himself had not taken their courses in political economy at the same institution."

In opening his address he dealt with conditions at Central Collegiate, stating that that building was already filled to capacity and incapable of housing any more.

"If the present situation of secondary school accommodation continues in London East and South," he said, "the city will be disgraced for years to come. Not only that, the provincial inspector of education, whose remarks on this subject have been caustic enough in the past, will become even more so, and it is possible that he may recommend to the department that the grants be cut down."

Board Accused. "The board has been accused of extravagance and of putting money into the pockets of a few other colleges in the province built for \$350,000. They have all cost more, up to as high as \$800,000. Many people think that a central high school for the whole city would be the most economical, but I doubt whether a knowledge factory such as that would be the best solution of the problem."

"The mayor has the idea that the earning power of man has decreased because the price of wheat is down. This is not the case. Man's earning power is just as great, but the value of the dollar has depreciated. The price of wheat is no criterion, it is the value of the dollar. Under the present conditions the increase in costs from \$250,000 to \$800,000 is only equivalent to an increase of from \$500,000 to \$800,000, owing to this depreciation of the dollar value. There is no doubt but that new colleges are needed and the amount on the tax-rate would not amount to more than three-quarters of a mill, and I do not think anyone would begrudge that for better educational facilities for the children of the city."

Favors London East. "In conclusion, I think that if the board decide to ask for only one college in the east or for one in the east, it is difficult to say what will happen. In any case meetings like these will give the trustees encouragement, knowing that they are behind them and the work will be all the easier."

Rev. T. D. McCullough declared that the dollars and cents were not to be compared with the value of children and their education. He stated that for 100 pupils going from London South to Central Collegiate 200 school days, the street car bill to the parents would be \$4,000 and that the parents would much rather put this on their taxes in a new school than spend it this way. E. R. Dennis, vice-president, then put the resolution calling for the appointment of a deputation, which was carried unanimously.

MAY QUEEN REBEKAH'S GUESTS IN ST. THOMAS

Degree Team Puts On Initiation Work For Supreme Rebekah Lodge.

The members of the May Queen Rebekah Lodge, No. 251 of this city, journeyed to St. Thomas last night and were the guests of Supreme Rebekah Lodge, No. 251 of that city, putting on the initiation work there. Following the meeting of the St. Thomas Chapter, the members of the London team were entertained at supper in the new lodge rooms. Those who went to St. Thomas were: Mrs. Arthur Borland, captain of the degree team; Mrs. W. McKay, Mrs. A. Dundas, Mrs. C. Dundas, Mrs. F. Hall, Mrs. Proctor, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Robert, Mrs. Waugh, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Burch, Mrs. L. G. Kindree, Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Connor, Mrs. Spittell, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Pike, Mrs. Peacock, Miss Ford, Miss Oliver, Miss Williams, Miss Salter, Miss Swanson, A. Dundas, B. Dundas, W. Scott, and F. Mason.

WILL ARRANGE DATE. The finance committee will arrange a date for a gathering of representatives of those municipalities interested in the Alberta coal question. Toronto has appointed a delegate at London's suggestion. It has not yet been decided, however, where to hold the session.

DISAPPROVE BYLAW. Mayor Wenige's famous "buckster" bylaw was considered at last night's session of the Labor Party. Opinion was general that the measure was detrimental to the interests of the consumer, and that it was not being enforced. Ald. Frank McKay alone lifted his voice in defence of the bylaw.



MRS. LOUISE WINNINGTON-INGRAM, widow of the Rev. Edward Winnington-Ingram, rector of St. Andrew's, Westchester, England, who died recently at the age of 96, is survived by 55 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren, several of whom reside in Canada.

DR. SOWERBY SPEAKS AT MAITLAND CHURCH

Splendid Concert Given Under Auspices of the Ladies' Aid.

Under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid, a splendid concert and lecture was given Thursday night in Maitland Street Baptist Church, when Rev. Dr. A. T. Sowerby delivered his new lecture, "The Adventures of Jiggs, Jr." to a large audience. In a most entertaining way the doctor, after a short introduction during which he most ably and completely disposed of the theory that the human race has evolved from the lower orders of life, sketched the career of the average man under the appellation of Tom Jiggs, Jr., starting at the cradle and going into the creeping and walking stages, the school period, college life, early married life and so on.

Under the chairmanship of A. J. Morgan, the program moved along with a pleasing selection by Mr. Smale, followed by a solo, "The Wasted Crust," by Miss Gertrude Morgan. This was followed by a musical selection on the mandolin by Professor Maurice Summerfeldt.

Mrs. Fred Manning then sang "Humoresque," after which Charles Burnett rendered "The Song That Reached My Heart."

Following the lecture, which was the main event of the evening, Mrs. M. Fenton sang very daintily, "The Little Pink Rosebud," and the versatile Professor Summerfeldt played two compositions on the banjo, accompanied by Miss Isabel Rooks.

DUNDAS CENTRE CHURCH WILL GIVE FINE CONCERT

Jessie Alexander of Toronto, who has returned to Canada with new and interesting selections from Europe, will be at Dundas Centre Church Thursday evening next.

Mrs. Schofield is already well known as a concert artist of high merit, but the public will be eager to hear Miss Jessie Alexander and Lloyd Bullen in concert. J. Parnell Morris will act as organist and accompanist.

MURDERER IS SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT

Associated Press Despatch. Grand Forks, N. D., Feb. 2.—Theodore Larson, slayer of four persons near Lakota, N. D., on Thursday, pleaded guilty yesterday and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

BAD BLOOD PIMPLES AND BOILS Banished by Burdock Blood Bitters

Miss Irene A. Matthews, Stayner, Ont., writes: "I thought I would write and tell you of the experience and benefit I have derived from Burdock Blood Bitters. "Some few months ago I was troubled with bad blood, which broke out on my face in the nature of pimples, boils and ringworm, and I got so bad I really did not know what to do."

"I was ashamed to go anywhere, and the itching and burning caused such a terrible sensation I could get no relief day or night. "One day a friend advised me to use Burdock Blood Bitters. I used one bottle, and felt quite a relief, and by the time I had taken three bottles I was completely relieved. "I cannot praise B. B. B. enough, and I hope anyone afflicted like I was will get the same benefit I received."

Burdock Blood Bitters is manufactured only by The T. Milburn Company Limited, Toronto, Ont.—Adv.

VERSATILE MR. SMITH BREAKS LONG ABSENCE

Court's Colored Comedian Appears After Being Away Six Months.

"Well, well, if it isn't Mr. Smith," Such was the comment heard in police court this morning when Archie Smith, famed as the court's most versatile colored comedian, appeared in the prisoner's box to answer a charge of drunkenness. Mr. Smith had not been seen there for nearly six months. In fact, his absence had been so prolonged court officials thought he had really retired from the stage. The astonishment at seeing him this morning therefore was general. "I am surprised to see Mr. Smith here, your worship," Chief Robert Birrell said. "Surely there must be some explanation."

"I am surprised, too," acknowledged the magistrate. "Let's hear what you have to say, Mr. Smith. How did you get out of the way?" Archie said he didn't know how he got it, except that he got it on the Townsend road. When the court decided to impose the minimum \$10 fine a friend of Archie's arose in the visitors' gallery and offered to pay the amount.

SCOUT TROOP SCHEME AT UNIVERSITY DENIED

Lieut. Tindall States He Has Taken No Steps in Work.

A recent report circulated by a local newspaper to the effect that the organization of a Boy Scout troop is under way at the local university, has been resented by those mentioned in the matter. Lieut. Tindall of the C. O. T. C. at Western designates the newspaper item as "bunk." He stated there was not the slightest foundation for such a report, as neither he nor any other of the officers connected with the C. O. T. C. had been interviewed on the matter. The only basis for the report that he could see was that such organizations in the United States and Canada, Dr. George Smith, in charge of the University C. O. T. C., also stated that he had heard nothing about such a movement recently.

VETERAN'S PLEA FAILS TO WIN HIM LIBERTY

Prisoner Is Given Ten Days in Jail On a Charge of Intoxication.

A returned soldier made a strong plea for the magistrate to release him this morning in police court when he appeared charged with having been seen intoxicated, but his argument was futile. His past record did not warrant leniency, the court decided. The prisoner had given some trouble to the D. S. C. R. from whom he received money. His landlady telephoned the police station this morning, claiming he had not paid his board.

"I have the board money here," he said, holding up an envelope. "If you can get money to get drunk you shouldn't appeal for aid from the D. S. C. R., and should pay your board bill first," said Magistrate Graydon. The prisoner said he would pay his landlady, but asked that the court give him "one more chance." This was refused, however, and the prisoner was given 10 days in jail.

News From City Churches

KING STREET MANAGERS.

Meeting last evening the board of managers of King Street Presbyterian Church elected officers for the coming year. They are as follows: Chairman, Dr. L. A. Orr; secretary, Kenneth McIntyre; treasurer, R. S. Morrison; financial secretary, Harry White; steward, G. E. Kerry; auditor, R. J. Blake.

The work of the past year was reviewed with satisfaction, and business administered in connection with the new year.

EMPRESS AVENUE LADIES' AID.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid of Empress Avenue Methodist Church was held in the Sunday school rooms yesterday afternoon. Mrs. R. Bowie presiding. Miss E. Woodward opened the program with the Bible reading. The free-will offering, which had been asked for, met with a generous response from all present. During the business hour it was decided to hold a rummage sale in the Sunday school rooms on Monday, Feb. 4, from 1 to 3 o'clock, and a grocery store on the following day, both in aid of relief work. A program and refreshments have been arranged for Tuesday afternoon. Following the business, there was a social hour, during which the members enjoyed greatly the two solos by Miss Gwen Ware, and a reading by the pastor, Rev. J. F. Chapman. At the conclusion, tea was served, the hostess being Mesdames Mitchell, Manuel, McLean, McKinley and McPherson.

BANNER BIBLE CLASS.

The Banner Bible Class of Empress Avenue Sunday School held a social in the Sunday school rooms last Thursday evening. The class members, under the chairmanship of their president, Mr. Harry Manuel, enjoyed together a splendid program of music and games. Later in the evening, refreshments were served and of this feature the class members enjoyed greatly. The social was given by Mrs. Manuel and Mrs. Nealy.

CRONY MEMORIAL W. A.

The Women's Auxiliary of Cronyn Memorial Church held their weekly sewing and study meeting yesterday afternoon in the parish hall. The study class at the present time are dealing with Japan. Sewing is being done for the Indian missions in the North West and also for the foreign stations.

KING ST. CRADLE ROLL.

The cradle roll department of King Street Presbyterian Church held its regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Warren Brooks, King street. The meeting was in the form of a social shower for relief work being done by the organization. The afternoon was spent in sewing for a similar purpose. Tea was served at five o'clock.

ROVERS' CLUB BANQUET.

Following a banquet in the Parish Hall, the Rovers' Club of Cronyn Memorial Church held a successful theatre party last evening. Their president, Reginald Blay, was in charge.

KNOX BOARD OF MANAGERS.

The board of managers of Knox Presbyterian Church held their first meeting on Tuesday evening last. Rev. T. A. Symington, pastor, presided, and gave a short introductory address. Mr. O. H. Gilday was appointed the new chairman, with Mr. Howard Philip as secretary, and Mr. H. G. Greer as financial secretary. Committees for the various departments of church work were also appointed.

GIRL GUIDES.

The Girl Guides of St. George's Church held a sale of home-made cooking this morning in the market house.

HALE ST. BOX SOCIAL.

The choir of Hale Street Methodist Church replaced their weekly practice last evening by an enjoyable box social. Held in the basement of the church, the social was attended by a large number of the choir members and their friends. Group games were enjoyed during the evening under the direction of Miss Elsie McLeod, assisted by Miss Stella Barons. Under the banner of Mr. Brown who acted capably as auctioneer, the boxes realized a neat little sum for the church fund. Mrs. C. Hoskins, assisted by Mrs. Briggs, was in charge of supper arrangements.

JUNIOR PATHFINDERS.

"My Idea of a Good Sport" was the extremely appropriate subject dealt with last evening by four members of the Junior Pathfinder group of St. Andrew's Church at their regular weekly meeting. The girls who gave their interesting views on this subject were: Victoria, McPherson, Anne Stone, Lorna Asplands, and Irma McLurg. A guest of the occasion was Rev. F. W. K. Harris who added his own timely remarks on the subject to those of the four pathfinders. Of the supper which preceded, Miss Jean Hair's group were in charge. Later in the evening, the girls assembled in their various groups for study and devotional exercises. There were about 40 present.

GET-ACQUAINTED PARTY.

A "get-acquainted" party was held

OWNER OF HORSE FINED FOR CRUELTY

On a warrant sworn out by George Tustin, inspector for the Humane Society, Frank Mitchell was convicted of cruelty to animals in police court this morning, and fined \$10 and costs.

Mitchell, according to testimony, left his horse outside for five hours in zero weather early in the morning while he was carousing with others in a friend's house. He was found guilty on a disorderly charge with Walter Kelly, on the same night the horse was left in the cold.

Inspector Tustin said there was no excuse for Mitchell. It was a flagrant instance of cruelty. The magistrate agreed with him.

"How would you like to be tied up four hours in zero weather?" the court asked Mitchell. "I would like to be tied up four hours in zero weather," the court asked Mitchell. "I would like to be tied up four hours in zero weather," the court asked Mitchell.

Mr. Tustin said the Humane Society had been put to considerable expense keeping the horse, and suggested that it be sold to defray the cost. He thought it was being offered \$15. Mitchell said he had been offered \$65 for it.

"We've had several complaints about you," Magistrate Graydon said to Mitchell. "You say you are not treating her properly. I'll fine you \$10 and costs or ten days."

Obituary

MILDRED EVELYN FOSTER.

Mildred Evelyn Foster, 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Foster, Lot 31, Concession 1, Westminster Township, died yesterday following an operation in St. Joseph's Hospital. Besides her parents she is survived by her brothers, Shirley, Agnes and Eileen Irma, both at home. The funeral will be held at 2:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon to Woodland Cemetery. Rev. Mr. Sutcliffe of Byron Methodist Church will conduct the services.

JAMES MACPHERSON.

James Macpherson, for the past 17 years a resident of this city, died yesterday at his home, 513 Pall Mall street, following an illness of two months. Mr. Macpherson was born in Scotland 70 years ago, and had been employed at the C. N. R. car shops.

He is survived by his wife, six daughters: Mrs. H. Maxwell, Mrs. G. Garrow, city; Mrs. J. Lockyer, city; Mrs. E. Dingle, Detroit; Mrs. L. James, Toronto, and Mrs. W. Barr, Guelph; three sons, William of Toronto, Daniel and Robert of Scotland. The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late residence to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Rev. Bruce Hunter of the First Methodist Church will conduct the services.

SIR CAMPBELL STUART TO ATTEND CELEBRATION

Canadian Press Despatch. Belleville, Feb. 2.—Sir Campbell Stuart, managing director of the London Times, will attend the United Empire Loyalist celebration here in June of this year, according to a letter from him received today by W. C. Mikel, K.C., mayor of Belleville, and general manager of the U. E. L. celebration.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

BORN. GOODBURN—At 90 Walnut Ave., St. Lambert, Que., on Jan. 30, 1924, to Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Goodburne, a daughter.

DIED.

CAMERON—John M., in Strathroy, on Friday, Feb. 1, 1924, in his 72nd year. Funeral on Sunday afternoon at 2:30, from family residence, 4th line, Strathroy. Service at 2 p.m. Interment at Strathroy Cemetery.

HASKITT—At Victoria Hospital, on Friday, Feb. 1, 1924, Ida Dora Louise, aged 24 years.

Funeral will leave Geo. E. Logan's Funeral Home, Strathroy, on Saturday.

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