

LONDON SCHOOLS INSURED FOR ONE-THIRD OF VALUE

INSURANCE RATE LOWER, DUE TO CONSTRUCTION

Secretary Tanner Prepares the Figures and Total Is Set at \$1,668,000.

TWO 80 PER CENT

Owing to the fact that the big majority of London's schools are not of modern fireproof construction they are insured for about one-third of their value.

This fact was made known this morning when Secretary Tanner, who is preparing figures for the consideration of the insurance committee, stated that the total amount of insurance on the schools totalled \$1,668,000.

Of this amount, \$455,000 is in respect of two schools, Victoria and Central Collegiate, which owing to their fireproof construction, are insured for 80 per cent of their value. This would leave a total of \$1,213,000 for some 20 odd schools and their equipment. Mr. Tanner stated that this represented their being insured for about one-third of their value, which would bring the valuation up to \$4,043,332, exclusive of the two buildings mentioned.

When the committee meets, probably next week, the whole question of insurance will be gone into, this matter coming up every three years. The amount set aside in the estimates for insurance premiums is about \$15,000, including the recent surtax levied on the city. This latter matter is likely to produce considerable discussion from the board members.

CALLS FOR TENDERS.

Secretary W. A. Tanner today called for tenders for the painting and decorating of the board offices.

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SUGGESTION HELPS TO AVOID CONTAGION, PHYSICIANS SAY

Never Talk About a Disease and You Will Be Immune.

PSYCHO-ANALYSIS

Idea of French Medical Men Is Indorsed by London Doctors.

Don't talk about la grippe. Never refer to the possibility of contracting a cold, and never tell friends how healthy you are.

These are protective measures recommended by physicians of Paris, France, and indorsed by the majority of local medical men. They represent a form of Couesism which, it is said, has proven extraordinarily effective in combating germs of all descriptions.

"A psychoanalyst could probably explain the reason very clearly," one physician said, "but it is difficult for the ordinary doctor to accept it. Nevertheless it seems established that people who everlastingly refer to the possibility of getting diseases are usually the ones who get them most readily."

"There is no doubt that suggestion plays a big part in avoiding contagion. A man's mental attitude toward disease often determines whether he escapes minor ills or succumbs to them. People who go about in dread of getting la grippe invariably get it."

In Paris, according to an announcement today, it has become an inviolable offense to refer in any shape or form to la grippe. It is claimed the more publicity such infections are given the more rampant they become.

"When a man tells another he has a bad attack of something or other, the latter begins to think of that particular ailment and apparently his powers of resistance are lowered by the suggestion that he might get the disease himself," one doctor explained. "Of course I think Couesism is much overdone, but there is a grain of truth to it nevertheless."

20 Years Ago

In The Advertiser.

A report from Russia states that China, Japan and Korea have formed an alliance against the czar of Russia.

A new style of gas lamp, demonstrated on Westminster bridge last night, may supplant the electric lights which adorn this sort of the city, it being claimed that the gas is more economical.

The first Presbyterian Sunday school will be dedicated next Sunday. It is the finest of its sort in the city.

Failure on the part of the street railway to put on enough men to clean the streets, following the order from the council, necessitated the city engineer sending out a large gang with shovels this morning.

Members of the committee are practically decided that the late Hamilton man as the new chief of the fire department.

25 Years Ago

In The Advertiser.

Wild ducks, frozen by the cold weather, are being picked up by the dozen from the ice around Thunder Bay.

Complaints are being made about the large number of juveniles in the public library in the evenings, and a rule will be passed whereby they cannot be on the premises after 7 p.m.

The Fire Underwriters' Association has written to the board of water commissioners, asking when another main from the city to Springfield will be constructed.

The coopers employed at the London and Petrolia Barrel Works have gone on strike for more money.

WHERE TO GO THIS SPRING. Early spring with its damp, changeable weather is the ideal time to take a short trip to Southern points. A Canadian National Train carrying drawing-room sleeper for Philadelphia leaves Hamilton 7:25 p.m., making quick connections for Atlantic City, North and South Carolina, Washington, Old Point Comfort, and other Southern points. Atlantic City is particularly attractive that Easter time. The broad board walk steeped in warm sunshine is filled with people from all North America.

Make your reservations at the City Ticket Office, "Clock Corner," Phone 80. R. E. Ruse, C. P. & T. A. Advt.

FIRE-SIDE MEETING.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock a fire-side meeting of all members of the Y. M. C. A. will be held in the main lobby at which E. J. Jenkins, general secretary will be the leader. The subject will be "The Temptations of the Greatest Events in the Life of Jesus."

Special music will be supplied for the occasion.

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JOHN JACOB ASTOR.

who, after having forfeited his seat in the British Commons through inadvertent voting before he had taken the oath of office, was re-elected unopposed.

LIQUOR OWNER PAGED IN COURT, BUT IS ABSENT

"Mr. MacMillan" Has Vanished and Refuses To Call at the "Birrell Bungalow."

FOUR CASES HELD

Who is W. S. MacMillan? Anyone answering to that name had better keep his identity concealed for a while, unless he wishes to pay a steep fine for illegally importing liquor.

This morning in police court Chief Robert Birrell asked three times if Mr. MacMillan was in court. There was no reply. The reason there was no reply is that a gentleman by that cognomen was supposed to have received four cases of Imperial and Scotch whiskey on March 6. License Inspector Walter Bolton was on the job, however, and confiscated the liquor.

If the mysterious MacMillan could have exhibited that the importation of liquor in his particular case was legal he would have been the richer by four cases. Apparently he feared he could not do so. On previous occasions when the value of the alcohol had been fined as high as \$1,000 and costs for admitting claim to the stuff.

The four boxes seized by Inspector Bolton were addressed to "Mr. MacMillan, London." No other identification could be found.

A summons was, therefore, issued on the vendor of the stock to reveal his client's name. The vendor then wrote that the customer was known to him as W. S. MacMillan of this city. He had never been advised as to the address of the consignee.

WORK WILL BE FOUND FOR UNEMPLOYED MEN

List of Men Out With Work Will Be Wiped Out With Coming of Spring.

With the touch of spring in the air, W. J. Spencer of the employment bureau looks forward to placing many men at work cleaning up during the next week.

"I believe that the entire list of unemployed men will be wiped out in a few days," he declared, "and the general situation improved greatly."

A number of female cooks were placed in homes the last two days," he said.

The demand for first-class draughtsmen has not been filled yet, and we have several good openings for men experienced in this line of work."

POLICE OFFICERS VISIT WITH SERGEANT TOMLIN

Walter Harpur Wins Giant Badge in the Euchar Contest.

Crime and criminals were forgotten last night for a few short hours by members of the London police force when they gathered at the home of Sergeant Tomlin for a social evening.

Sergeant Tomlin and his wife were ideal host and hostess, the guests voting it one of the best parties they had attended.

Mrs. Thomas Nickle, wife of Inspector of Detective Thomas Nickle, won first prize in the euchar contest, with Sergeant McCullough winner among the men. Constable Walter Harpur as winner of the booby prize was the recipient of many congratulations. He was presented with a large police badge with "shimmy inspector" engraved on it.

CHESS CLUB TO MEET. The Chess Club of the Y. M. C. A. will meet tomorrow night at the Y. at 7:30 p.m. All players who are interested are extended a welcome.

STUDENTS MAKE MERRY IN HONOR OF CAGE CHAMPS

Western Basketball Team Toasted At Thursday Night's Banquet.

NEW CLUB APPEARS

In honor of the first championship basketball team the University of Western Ontario has possessed since the fall of 1914, over 150 men students of the College of Arts and members of the Western Arts Club, along with representatives of the Medical School and several professors, made merry last night in a banquet held at Wong's Cafe.

A new organization at Western, the Western Arts Club, blossomed forth in full regalia of toast and jest to applaud the victories of the athletic heroes of Western "U." A set of purple and white, the university colors, and happy abandonment on the part of faculty and students present made it certain that everything would go as merry as a leap year wedding bell.

After the feast, which in the language of the undergraduate, "seemed to hit the spot," Alfred "Happy" Hale, the Artsmen's president, spoke a few words of welcome to the assembled guests. Dr. Neville was announced as the evening's toastmaster.

After the toast to the king, Western's popular registrar gave a brief review of athletic history at the university. He contradicted a current report that the championship won by the basketball team was the first that had ever come Western's way.

"That is not true," he said. "In 1914, the year war broke out, Western won decisively the junior rugby championship of Canada. That championship team was a real team."

Dr. Neville then called upon Prof. N. C. Hart to respond to the toast to the faculty. In reply, Prof. Hart, who is president of the athletic association of the university, in which position he stated he had held for the last five years, spoke interestingly on the subject of university spirit.

As regards the psychological aspect of the losing streak, Prof. Hart said that for the last several years, he said that he had studied the question and had come to the conclusion that the reason for the "jinx" camped on Western's trail was because almost every student had been under the impression that to win was impossible.

"But with the laurels which this year have come to our basketball squad, the student body, I believe, will wake up to the fact that it has been laboring under a delusion."

"Gus" Wainwright, who called upon to answer the toast to "The Team," congratulated the Arts student body on its fine "Artsmen's Club," and voiced the view that university spirit was certainly on the upgrade.

Physical Director Dr. George A. Smith, in replying to the toast, "The Future of Athletics at Western," spoke sympathetically on behalf of all those who cannot enjoy a clean athletic contest because they have to act as referee or in some other judicial capacity.

Clare Sanborn.

"To Western there is coming an era of real success in sports, university spirit and in general growth and expansion," declared Dr. Sanborn, president of the Medical School Hippocratic Society, declared in one of the most brilliant toasts of the evening.

Dean Fox.

Introduced to reply to the pledge to "The Faculty," Dean Sherwood Fox, in humorous vein at first held the greatest attention of his speakers, relating a short story of how one fond mother had wished to bring home a couple of her sons from college, for she read the paper that "in conclusion" and athletics the girls were far outstripping the boys." Loud laughter followed.

"Historically," he declared, "the members of the university faculty were entitled to intermingle with the students. Generally misunderstood, the term 'university' simply means the union of students and their professors, like a family."

The faculty, he averred, was fully aware of the fact that athletics in the university were indispensable. Competitive athletics were very valuable in that they acquainted one university with another. If rivalry and emulation were done away with, Dr. Fox declared the other parts of the university education would be impaired, and the greatest encouragement would henceforth be given students in every line of sport.

"Comparatively a young organization," said A. I. Hart, in conclusion, "the Western Arts Club has a great future, and its policy of backing all Western sports in a wholehearted manner should work wonders in university circles."

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WHAT KIND OF PERSON WOULD YOU MARRY?

"He Must Smoke," Says Fatima—"I Love Her Though She Proposed," Says Dark Secret—Rebecca Wants Her "In-Laws" To Live in Africa.

The Editor:

Dear Sir,—The ideal type of woman, so far as I am concerned, is hard to define, owing to the fact that while in the army and since that time, I have seen many whom I thought were ideal, only to find some flaw or other in their make-up (not cosmetically speaking).

I think that my ideal can be summed up in the words, "a good sport," who when married to you is willing to enter into your life in such a way as to take an interest in your activities, be they athletic, literary or something else. Not necessarily sympathetic, but showing a desire to run in harness with you, and meet your friends.

As to her appearance, she should be about five foot six or seven, and weigh about 130 pounds. I prefer a fair girl who knows how to dress and wear her clothes. She should not make up too much unless absolutely necessary.

But, even though every man holds to an ideal of a girl, do not think there is an absolute ideal.

DISILLUSIONED.

To A. C. B.

Care of The Advertiser:

In regard to what a man should do when a girl proposes marriage, I certainly think it's a girl's place to propose in leap year.

If a girl didn't think a great deal of a man she would not ask him, and I don't think she should be turned down.

MUDDY SHOES.

Dear Mr. Editor:

My comment on your letter from A. C. B. will be brief, but, I hope,

succinct. To find it necessary to propose, a girl must be singularly dumb.

I am not a beauty, but I have never yet found it necessary to resort to the direct question. To put the issue point blank is so crude that it's painful. A. C. B.'s friend is certainly no credit to her sex.

NOT BEAUTIFUL, BUT NOT DUMB.

Dear Mr. Editor:

My wife has gone out. And so I am safe. For an hour or two. But if she knew I was writing this my life wouldn't be worth living. It's been a dark secret, but I can tell you.

She proposed. It was just like a story book. We were skating one night, and she fell.

It was moonlight and very cold, and her lips were very warm and soft, and so I kissed her.

As I picked her up, she wrote her grandmother for the family heirloom—

A bridal veil. And we were married. And I always wanted to be a missionary.

And go to Madagascar. But now I am a traveling salesman. Still I love her.

Though she proposed—I think.

You'd call it that. I thank you.

DARK SECRET.

ONE LITTLE PIG PROVIDES MARKET ENTERTAINMENT

Porker Departs From His Coop and Provides Ten Minutes of Excitement.

FELT CALL OF SPRING

Finally Captured After Colliding With Wheel On Wagon.

One little pig came to market and—

Well, to make a short story shorter, he kicked up such a rumpus as to almost ruin the customarily well-regulated machinery of the local market.

It was 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon that Mr. Pig started performing. Everything was serene and quiet when, voicing dislike of being cooped up in a small pen, he tore the whole pen to pieces and began emitting hoarse grunts of triumph.

Market Clerk Charles Maker and a farmer attempted to put the porker back in his place. The farmer crept up to him, but the pig turned about and ran between the farmer's legs, dumping him in the mud. By this time the pig had collected and all joined in the chase. Their efforts were rendered ineffectual, however, through laughter.

The pig overturned a bag of potatoes, ruined a whole flock of celery, and splashed everyone who came near him with mud. A wild yell in a china shop could not have acted so unconventionally as that pig.

After ten minutes' strenuous playing of hide and seek, the pig rammed his head against a wagon wheel and stood, partially stunned. Then a couple of bold citizens grabbed him by the legs and held him until the owner appeared. Mr. Pig was then summarily escorted to another coop and lodged inside.

"It must be the effect of spring," the owner declared. "He never behaved that way before in his life."

YOUTH PAYS \$100 FINE FOR SERIOUS CHARGE

Arthur Intzie Promises To Keep Away From Young Woman.

Arthur Intzie, the young man who pleaded guilty to living with a young woman, 20, in a local hotel as man and wife, was assessed \$100 and costs in police court this morning.

It is probable that Intzie will be compelled to remain in jail for a day or more. All his money was turned over to Governor Dawson of the province, who put it in a safe. The governor, being ill, Intzie will have difficulty in getting the cash to pay his fine.

A letter from the prisoner's parents indicated that the young man had given them much worry during the past year. Last week he set out with the girl, who looks less than 14 years of age, and registered as man and wife in a hotel here. The girl was in the charge of the Children's Aid Society, while Intzie was remanded three days.

This morning he told the court he would have no more to do with such women. Magistrate A. H. M. Grayson warned him never to see the young woman again, and he replied: "I sure won't."

ATHLETIC STADIUM BEING CONSIDERED FOR UNIVERSITY

Dean Sherwood Fox States the Board of Governors Favor Taking Step.

NOTHING DEFINITE

The building of a gymnasium and stadium adjoining the new buildings of the University of Western Ontario is receiving serious consideration by the university board of governors, according to a statement made last night by Dean W. Sherwood Fox to members of the victorious university basketball team, who dined at Wong's Cafe as guests of the Men's Arts Club.

"Although nothing definite has as yet been done in this regard," Dean Fox said today, "the board of governors unanimously favors the proposal. I don't want it understood that the board's members have promised a gym and stadium, but they are giving it serious thought."

Plans are already being made to outfit the new university buildings with a cafeteria. This is done in order that proper accommodation can be afforded students taking both afternoon and morning lectures at the school who reside in the central and southern sections of the city.

Students at the university greatly favor the proposed stadium, claiming it would do much to foster athletics. Previously there has been no suitable location to hold the university rugby games and field day sports.

Should Western enter a team in the senior intercollegiate rugby series, a stadium is imperative. "Students point out. Rugby coaches in the city favor the local college as a possible contestant in the 'Big Three' series."

When the more ideal situation of the new buildings offer greater inducements to high school students interested in athletics.

CHURCH CHOIR GIVES OLD-TIME CONCERT

Large Audience Attends Askin Street Church To See Mediseval Entertainment.

Though an old-time concert was presented by the choir of Askin Street Methodist Church last night the audience consisted of a strictly modern size; one easily sufficient to fill the auditorium to overflowing.

This novel venture of the choir in giving themselves seventeenth century names and presenting a program of real old-fashioned songs, was quite a success, and an affair which thoroughly delighted the audience.

The following program gives an idea of originality and cleverness in the affair: "Stamp no yer feet if ye be pleased, lest ye raise ye dust and choke ye singers. If ye should wish to hear some of ye songs to times, ye may clap ye hands." Critics of town papers and ye musky people in ye rooms, must no censure ye singers, for they made not their voice, and are not big. All ye men and women who have strong lings are expected to help syng ye last psye, which is "Auld Lang Syne" after which ye may depart in peace."

Dr. James H. Smith is the choir leader and director, and the soloists Miss J. Campbell, Miss Frances Cullen, Mr. Maplettoft and Mr. A. G. McCulloch.

NO FURTHER WORD.

Collegiate Inspector I. M. Levan, who has been in the city for the past 10 days, during which he has been day without making any statement for publication, other than that at the board meeting last week, when he commented on the fact that the London East collegiate units were totally unsatisfactory.

HAVE KIDNEYS EXAMINED BY YOUR DOCTOR

Take Salts to Wash Kidneys if Back Pains You or Bladder Bothers.

Flush your kidneys by drinking a quart of water each day, also take salts occasionally, says a noted authority, who tells us that too much rich food forms acids which almost paralyze the kidneys in their efforts to expel it from the blood. They become sluggish and weaken; then you may suffer with a dull aching in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach aches, tongue is coated, you get four ounces of urine, you have rheumatic twinges. The urine gets cloudy, full of sediment, the channels often get sore and irritated, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night.

To help neutralize these irritating acids; to help cleanse the kidneys and flush out the body's urinous waste, get four ounces of Epsom Salts from any pharmacy here. Take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days, and your kidneys may then act fine. This Epsom salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for years to help flush and stimulate sluggish kidneys; it is so neutral that the acids in the system so they no longer irritate, thus often relieving bladder weakness.

Epsom Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure, and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year.

EFFECTIVE MEANS SOUGHT TO TRACE WIFE DESERTERS

London Branch of O.S.S.C. Will Press Activities to Better Social Conditions.

OFFICERS ELECTED

James Gray was re-elected president of the London Branch of the Ontario Social Service Council at the deferred annual meeting in the Y. M. C. A. last night. Rev. Dr. C. MacGregor was made honorary president; A. E. Nash, first vice-president; and Mrs. Ida Harrison, second vice-president, and Rev. T. D. McCulloch again the secretary.

Activities along all lines of social betterment have increased as the result of the Social Service Council, according to Mr. McCulloch's report for the past year. One of the most gratifying features of the report was that concerning the administration of the mothers' allowance act, in which it was stated that throughout the province, 88 per cent of the mothers were made good, and taking excellent care of their homes and children, and that this high percentage was equally true of the beneficiaries who were looked after by the London board.

The report on family desertion indicated that the Social Service Council are still hoping for more effective means of tracing husbands who shirk their responsibility to their families. Although legislation has been enacted to secure the return of the deserter to his home, and a good many cases have been thus straightened out, the local police have not yet the funds to provide for the necessary expenses of going after the deserter and bringing him to his own municipality. The report stated, however, "we are hoping for legislation to cover this point as well as to enforce support of the family, even to the point of confinement in prison with hard labor, and the earnings given to the wife and family."

It was reported also that during the year fifty cases of individuals or families reported to the London branch from other cities have been cared for by the social agencies in those cities, since the London Social Service Council is a member of the associated family work.

The Social Service Council are exercising strict surveillance of motion pictures and vaudeville performances in the city, and also of dance halls.

The Crow of Croup

A Warning To All Mothers