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FIREMEN FIGHT BLAZE AT YOCUM FAUST CHEMICAL CO.

Blame Placed on Spark From Smokestack by Fire Chief Aitken.

Fire of undetermined origin at the Yocum Faust Chemical Company, St. George street, at 9 o'clock this morning proved a rather difficult task for the fire department. No. 4 and the central companies responded to the call and it was deemed advisable to call No. 2 company from East London. Although it was at first generally conceded that a spark from a passing locomotive ignited the roof, Fire Chief Aitken is inclined to place the blame upon the smokestack. Some three weeks ago a small blaze of a similar nature occurred at the same building, and the chief believes that this also resulted from a spark from the chimney. He instructs that the latter be equipped with a spark arrester.

Between the roof and the ceiling of the building is an air passage, and it was here the greatest difficulty was encountered in combating the blaze. A quantity of sawdust and shavings required for packing purposes when the plant was used as a cheese refrigerator still remained upstairs and added greatly to the task; it being necessary to thoroughly saturate the upper region of the building incessantly for more than an hour.

Chief Aitken explains that roof fires are of an increased danger now, more so than in the summer months, as shingles are covered with a thin coating of "fuzz" from the winter months, and burn rather readily. He added that several fires of this type to contend with within the past few days.

ONTARIO HOSPITAL ELEVEN DEFEAT R. C. R. 6 TO 4

The Ontario Hospital eleven defeated a soccer team from the R. C. R. on their grounds last evening by the score of 6 to 4. The Junior R. C. R. beat the 12th Field Battery team 2 to 1 on "Carling Heights" in one of the best-played junior games yet.

ANNUAL "Y" MEETING

Seven New Directors Will Be Appointed at Gathering Next Thursday.

The annual meeting of all members of the Y. M. C. A. and the board of directors will be held next Thursday evening, when the election of officers for the fiscal year will be held. The board of directors will give a report of the past year's work. The different organizations affiliated with the Y. M. C. A. will also report their year's work. Secretary E. J. Jenkins states that seven new directors will be appointed. A supper will be held previous to the meeting.

WEDDING BELLS

DAVIS-STEVEN.

E. J. Davis, a member of the Byron Methodist Church near London, now a student at the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, was united in marriage recently to Miss E. Marion Steven, daughter of Rev. A. Steven of the China Inland Mission. Mr. Davis will complete his studies at the institute this year. His bride has also enrolled as a student.

MACDOUGALL-SCHROEDER

A quiet but very pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Andrew's manse on Wednesday, May 11, by Rev. D. C. MacGregor, when Irene Schroeder, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder of Shipshaw, was united in marriage to Mr. Carl MacDougall of this city. The bride was smartly attired in a going-away suit of navy blue serge, with handsome embroidery that to match, and wore a corsage of Sunset roses. The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Ora Mason, who wore a charming dress of navy blue messaline and a pretty hat of Alice blue meline. MacDougall, brother of the groom, acted as best man. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful gifts, which included a handsome dinner service from the staff of the McCormick Manufacturing Company, Dundas street east. The happy couple on their return from a short trip east will reside in St. Thomas.

DANCE AT MCCORMICK'S.

An informal dance in aid of the Sick Children's War Memorial Hospital will be held Thursday evening in the dining hall of the McCormick Manufacturing Company, Dundas street east. The hall will accommodate about 700 people, and a large attendance is anticipated.

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FALL WHEAT IN FINE CONDITION

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DAIRYING UNCERTAIN

One Creamery Lost \$150 in Last Three Churnings.

The following is a summary of reports made by the agricultural representatives to the Ontario Department of Agriculture for the past week:

A considerable acreage of spring seeding has been done during the week, and a number of farmers have resown some grain in fields which were put in early in April, but had not done well, owing to heavy rains having subsequently beaten the soil too hard for satisfactory growth. On lighter lands early sown grains look well.

In Essex and Kent some early corn has been planted, and a few farmers have sown sugar beets.

Fall wheat is thriving, having developed a good top with the moist April weather.

Clover is also looking better every week, and a fair cut is expected shortly the season continues favorable.

Bees are active and are already working on dandelions.

Orchards are getting nicely into bloom, and despite the big yields last year, give promise of a fair return this season.

There have been practically no frosts since the middle of the winter, except where some young trees have been killed by field mice.

Dairying is in a more uncertain condition than of late.

The Leno and Addington creameries have reported 7,200 pounds of butter as compared with 5,000 pounds the same week of 1920. Butter is selling locally for 55c per pound.

The market for dairy products is uncertain, so that no definite quotations can be obtained for milk or butter-fat.

There has been a slump in milk prices. Began says that condensers in that county are paying only \$2.20 per cwt. with butter even relatively lower in value.

Other representatives speak of the loss of creamerymen by the drop in the price of butter. In one case a creamery lost \$150 in its last three churnings.

Milk cows in Norfolk are selling at \$17.50 to \$22.50 for best grades.

Live stock for ordinary marketing is going off slowly, but a number of good cattle weighing about 1,200 pounds are being bought in Waterloo for shipment to the old country.

Grey, however, speaks of farmers disposing of cattle and hogs in order to lessen spring work.

Bacon hogs are bringing from \$10.50 to \$12 per cwt. Brood sows are in good demand. Hens are quoted at \$14 to \$15 a pair.

Lambs have come strong this spring, many twins and some triplets being reported. A number of sheep have been culled already, but farmers are wondering as to wool shipments.

Horses are selling in Lennox and Addington at from \$150 to \$200 each.

Several representatives state that the demand for farm help is easing up.

Oxford states that more married men with families have been applying than for years.

WYOMING MINISTER DIES IN BRANTFORD

Rev. W. H. Fry Was Former Missionary at Herschel Island.

Word has been received in the city of the death of Rev. W. H. Fry, rector of the Anglican Church at Wyoming at Brantford yesterday. Mr. Fry was, until a year ago, missionary at Herschel Island in the Eskimo district, but was forced to give up this work on account of ill health. Rev. Mr. Fry was visiting relatives in Brantford when his death occurred. The funeral will be held on Thursday at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Mr. Williams will be present at the funeral.

EXPECT EARLY REPLY TO REQUEST FOR AN ARBITRATION BOARD

Street Railway Employees Report No Further Developments in Situation.

Until a reply is received either from the Federal Government regarding the request for an arbitration board or some word is received from President Currie of the London Street Railway, it is not likely that there will be any developments in the local street railway situation. Both the strikers and the company are marking time at the present, although a reply from the Government is expected at any time.

SELLS PACER FOR \$3,500.

Mitchell, May 12—Gideon Litt has sold his pacer horse, Senator Wilkes, with a mark of 2:04 1/2, to Mr. Neilson of Iowa for \$3,500. Mr. Litt has purchased a half-brother to Senator Wilkes, and his dam is by Peter the Great, and his sire, Oro Wilkes.

FAMOUS GUIDE SUICIDES.

Portage la Prairie, Man., May 12.—John Atkinson, aged 58, one of the best known guides in Manitoba, who had the honor of piloting King George, then Duke of York, through the duck-shooting marshes of Manitoba, on his visit to Canada, committed suicide at St. Ambrose, Minn., yesterday. He shot himself through the heart with a shotgun. He had been despondent for some time over financial difficulties.

ON TO WINDSOR.—William Yeates of Detroit was brought to police court today for trespassing on the Grand Trunk.

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PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. Winston Waugh, nee Daisy Garfield, 553 King street, was pleasantly surprised on Tuesday evening by a miscellaneous shower given by her friends at the home of Miss P. Webster. The evening was spent in music and games, the bride receiving many pretty and useful gifts.

PREPARATIONS ARE BEING MADE FOR THE SPRING CEREMONIAL

Mocha Temple Will Welcome Hundreds of Shriners Tomorrow.

Preparations for the welcoming to London of the representatives of the unnumbered tribes of Shriners who are scattered far and wide to the desert wastes will come to this oasis tomorrow to share with the local Shriners in the spring celebration of the Shrine of Mocha Temple are completed, and nothing remains for the local sons of the desert but to await in patience the arrival of the caravans from the east and the west, the north and the south.

"Ere the moon gives place to another day's sun, scouts scattered around the far-flung camp of the local potentates are expected to report clouds of dust on the distant horizon heralding the coming of the tribes as their trusty camels scatter the sands of the plains into the air.

The eastern courtesy to the stranger at the gates will be shown by a representative gathering of the local tribesmen at the C. P. R. station at 11:40 tomorrow morning to meet the caravan from the desert. The caravan, which will comprise 100 Shriners from that far-off oasis, who are bringing with them their collection of musicals and sweet-sounding singers.

Immediately the visitors have arrived and unloaded their camels and equipment, a procession will be formed which will parade down Richmond street to the Mocha Temple. The visitors will be met by the local Shriners and their hosts will break bread and eat and drink sweet waters from the London wells.

City Briefs

The estate of Robert Leathorn, retired farmer, late of London, Ont., valued at \$38,000, is being administered by the Canada Trust Company.

BANK CLEARINGS.—The bank clearings for this week amounted to \$5,506,931. For the same week last year they were \$4,197,560. This is a decrease of \$1,309,371.

PLACED WITH FARMERS.—Arriving in London late Tuesday, eleven immigrants and their entire families from the British Isles have now been placed with farmers in Western Ontario.

SUCCESSFUL DANCE.—The Daughters of England entertained at a very successful dance at Springfield on Wednesday night, about 200 guests enjoying the excellent music rendered by the Laseby orchestra.

TO JUDGE TULIPS.—Superintendent of Parks E. E. Graham has been asked by the officials of the London Horticultural Society to judge the tulips at the spring tulip show, which opens this afternoon in Hyman Hall.

FIRE BREAKS OUT AGAIN.—This afternoon a fresh outbreak of fire occurred at the Canada Trust Company building, 123 St. George street, but the blaze was not as serious as the one this morning. It is thought that some smoldering wood was the cause.

GOVERNMENT BUREAU HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH NEWLY-ARRIVED FARM HELP.

During a special session of the Westminster township council this morning at the Canada Trust Company building, it was passed to the effect that Sir Adam Beck be asked to have engineers survey the township to ascertain what amount of hydro is wanted in the township and the cost of it.

ONT. IMMIGRATION DEPT. RUNNING OWN SHOW

Govt. Employment Bureau Has Nothing To Do With Newly-Arrived Farm Help.

"Outside papers, more especially those of Toronto, have repeatedly declared that the Ontario Government employment offices have been chiefly instrumental in placing the immigrants in the old country, at a continued lowered wage scale," asserted J. C. Spencer, superintendent of the local bureau, today. "This is an unfounded statement and misleading in its contention, and he points out that the large groups of immigrants destined for the country districts remain in charge of the Ontario Immigration Department until actually located with some employer. The employment bureau, he says, have nothing whatever to do with them.

The policy maintained by the local office, he continues, is to endeavor to prove to the farmer that it is to his advantage to pay a man, if he is experienced, a fair wage. The fact that since the first of the year approximately 300 men have been placed with farmers in the surrounding districts, and fully 90 per cent of them have remained there, augurs well for the class of help furnished from the London office.

WHY SHOULD WE REFUSE TO GIVE?

The Post Bill has a tender heart, although he sports a fierce and bristling attitude. He is strong for the Valfare campaign, and in the following touching, lifting rhymes tells why he did not refuse to contribute to the campaign. Here's the "pome":

Why should we refuse to give?
Do you observe the posters on the street,
While waiting for some friends to meet,
Asking for help for the invalid?
'Tis only a generous gift, indeed.
Why should we refuse?

Imagine sick children left alone,
Depending on strangers here and now,
Lying in hospitals high unto death,
Trying to grasp each fleeting breath.
Why should we refuse?

Did not soldiers leave our shores,
And are ye heeding roses?
Yes, they are cured by the roses.
Why should we refuse?

Some people ask why it is
That these days for asking come,
How would they who refuse to give,
If help was called for their own home?
Why now refuse to give?

How many a parentless son
Lying sick on a hospital cot,
Will remember your gift when given
Seem like a blessing to them from heaven.
Why should we refuse?

Though the gift from you be small
It will help both one and all,
For both to rich and poor
Calamity comes to one's door.
Why should we refuse?

Follow the arrow that you see,
Help all those in misery;
Give 'til it hurts, if only once,
For 'tis charity your chance.
Why should we refuse?

Don't lay your weary head
On a downy pillow at night,
Without knowing a noble deed
By helping one to a sad night.
That is why we did not refuse.
—BILL.

663 FAMILIES WERE ASSISTED BY THE PATRIOTIC FUND

During Past Six Months \$41,027.40 Was Expended by Association.

Six hundred and sixty-three families were assisted by means of the Patriotic Fund Association during the past six months, according to a report issued by County Clerk John Stuart, who is in charge of a great deal of the work of distributing aid to needy soldiers and their relatives. During the six months a total of \$41,027.40 was given out. Of this \$41,027.40 was loaned, and will be returned.

Monthly allowances are made to deserted wives, soldiers' widows who have not received pensions, and to parents of soldiers who have married and left their mothers and fathers without support.

Loans are made for various purposes, the officer in charge of the fund deciding the worthiness of each request.

Emergency grants are made to pay hospital bills, doctor bills, sick and maternity cases.

Following are the figures for the six months from November to April:

November—80 families assisted; monthly allowances, \$1,550.50; loans, \$420; emergency grants, \$2,913; total, \$5,083.50.

December—98 families assisted; monthly allowances, \$1,855; loans, \$250; emergency grants, \$4,329; total, \$6,434.

January—126 families assisted; monthly allowances, \$2,020.50; loans, \$574.75; emergency grants, \$5,187.50; total, \$7,782.75.

February—137 families assisted; monthly allowances, \$2,048; loans, \$1,279.75; emergency grants, \$4,351; total, \$7,678.75.

March—120 families assisted; monthly allowances, \$2,268; loans, \$529.08; emergency grants, \$3,520; total, \$7,317.08.

April—92 families assisted; monthly allowances, \$2,227; loans, \$170; emergency grants, \$2,490; total, \$4,887.

The total in each case includes expenses connected with the administration.

WANT TO KNOW COST OF HYDRO FOR THE T.P. OF WESTMINSTER

Sir Adam Beck Will Be Asked To Have Survey Made.

GOAL WITHIN SIGHT

Commercial Travelers Will Make Canvass Saturday and Sunday.

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Mr. Templar is a son of A. E. Templar of 607 Talbot street, and will spend the summer at his home here.

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BUILDING TOTAL NOW \$222,225

Inspector Piper Views Situation in Optimistic Light.

While business in the issue of permits has not been quite so brisk, during the past few days, as it was earlier in the season, Building Inspector Piper is still quite assured that the value of building under way in the city before the end of May will be well over the quarter-million-dollar mark. To date the total, inclusive of seven jobs for which permits were issued yesterday, is \$222,225.

The permits issued on Wednesday include three garages and four alterations or improvements, at a total stated value of \$17,730. The permits were as follows: George Graydon, 125 Hamilton road, concrete basement to frame house, \$300; R. H. Berry, 108 Windsor avenue, garage, \$150; W. J. Blackwood, 62 Stanley street, garage, \$125; Joseph Dean, 1144 street, concrete foundation to frame kitchen, \$75; M. Kerr, Pall Mall street, enlargement of veranda, \$200; D. McEachern, Regent street, garage, \$700; C. J. Farr, 134 Worley road, stucco-over-stone building, \$500.

The two C. S. E. T. leadership camps which were to be held at Thorndale and Port Rondeau this summer have been cancelled, and arrangements are being made to have all boy leaders go to the Western Ontario Y. M. C. A. camp at Fisher's Glen from July 15. It is expected that about 300 boys will attend the camp.

At a meeting in Woodstock last week of the executive committee, officers were elected. They are as follows: Director, William Pease, Woodstock; assistant director, Frank Watson, Hamilton; educational director, Everett Cameron, Galt; physical director, Paul Sampson, Kitchener; assistant physical director, Howard S. Watson, Kitchener; aquatic director, George Taylor, Hamilton; social director, L. M. Houlding, London; assistant social director, Alex. Donald, Woodstock; commissary director, Capt. F. G. Poole, Windsor; assistant commissary director, Fred Mahan, St. Catharines.

Thirty tents will house the boys on the top of the hill overlooking the glen. Instructions in bird life will be given by W. E. Saunders of London, and William Hobson of Woodstock. W. R. Cook, provincial boys' work board secretary, will lecture on camp craft, and the qualifications that are necessary for efficient leaders. Lectures on astrology, wireless and musketry will also be given.

WANT PT. STANLEY HARBOR IMPROVED

Deputations Will Wait On the Minister of Public Works Next Week.

To champion the cause of the Port Stanley harbor deputations, consisting of two representatives of the local chamber of commerce, two aldermen of this city, representatives from the Middlesex County Council, the Elgin County Council, the St. Thomas city council, the St. Thomas Board of Trade, the Port Stanley town council, and the L. and P. S. R., will wait upon the minister of public works in Ottawa on either Wednesday or Thursday of next week.

The deputations will urge that the recommendations made by the department's engineer in July, 1920, should be carried out, as far as possible, which will leave the Government to decide, however, which improvements are the most necessary.

A separate deputation, representing Port Stanley and the county of Elgin, will call upon the minister on the same day to urge improvements to the bridge and the upper harbor. The deputation will ask that the bridge be changed so that entrance can be gained to the inner harbor.