

HYDRO AND WATER ACCOUNTS TO BE COLLECTED JOINTLY BY THE CITY BIMONTHLY

City Divided Into 24 Sections Under Continuous Billing System Which Will Be Inaugurated the First of the Year.

Commencing January 1, London's hydro and water accounts will be collected on a bimonthly basis and will be handled jointly by one staff or meter readers, according to an announcement made by the general manager to-day.

The plan has been under consideration for some time, but arrangements to make the change effective will not be completed until near the end of the year. As a consequence, it has been decided to inaugurate the new system of collection and accounting with the opening of the new year.

Increased business and a desire for greater economy in all departments is responsible for the proposed change. At the present time there are no less than 17,000 hydro consumers in the city and under the old regulations, each one was handled monthly. The waterworks has a total consumer list of 18,000 and the accounts are sent out quarterly.

By a continuous billing system, however, the city is divided into 24 sections and each day of the month a definite number of accounts will be scheduled district of the city. The accounts are sent out on a similar plan, so that on every working day in the month a definite number of accounts for both hydro and water are paid at the offices of the Utilities Commission.

The present system, however, requires two separate billing departments and in this way increased equipment is required to handle the two accounts. Under the proposed change, water and hydro accounts will be sent out to each customer on one printed form. They will be paid at one time every two months. The same continuous billing system will be continued, but the accounts will be sent out bimonthly instead of every 30 days.

ONE BILL FORM There will actually be 35,000 accounts to handle as before, but they will be sent out on one bill form. The meters will be read at the same time and in the same way. This will reduce printing as well as the cost of addresses. Postage expenses will be brought down to a minimum by the use of a much smaller staff will be than if the present system continued.

One change was suggested by the waterworks and hydro departments, which is that the Public Utilities Commission, who has charge of accounting of electric power, waterworks and hydro departments, as in London, is the first municipality to adopt the proposed plan though it is under consideration in many other cities.

PRESENT SHIELD TO METEOR CLUB Award Is Emblematic of City Athletic Championship. PENNECAS ALSO HONORED Class Presented With Prize For Bible Study.

A pleasing event marked the afternoon service in the Askin Street Methodist Church Sunday school, which was incidental to the rally day services, when J. E. Hay, president of the Kiwanis Club, presented a large shield to the Meteor Club, emblematic of the field sports championship of the city. This shield was won by members of this class in the recent events staged under the auspices of the Kiwanis Club.

In his address of presentation, Mr. Hay laid stress on the influence that clean sports had on the young men and women. W. Spearman, of the Y. M. C. A., presented a prize to the Pennecas for Bible study. Excellent music was provided by the school orchestra. Among those who contributed to the program were Rev. R. S. E. Large, Rev. J. E. Hay, Rev. Wm. Martin, 5 years old, and Douglas Parnell, 6 years old, and Miss Minnie Dobbin.

The morning service was marked by the attendance of a large congregation. The pulpit was occupied by Rev. J. T. C. Morris, who delivered a forceful sermon. An appeal for funds to assist the Japanese earthquake sufferers was made by Mrs. Albert Childs.

Rev. Large occupied the pulpit at the evening service. The choir, which was augmented, rendered music apropos the occasion. C. R. Walker, Sunday school superintendent, presided.

ST. JAMES' HARVEST HOME.—Flowers, fruit, vegetables, vines and grain made most attractive for the harvest thanksgiving services in St. James' Anglican Church recently, when Rev. A. A. Trumper, of Exeter, preached an excellent sermon. A. W. Anderson, the new organist, played for the service, and Mrs. Barrows sang delightfully "Dear Ye Not, I am a Slave." W. Leslie Armitage took the service and used a special setting by Whitfield. Canon Hill and Rev. J. Edwards also assisted. The attendance was large and most satisfactory.

First Official Picture of Recent Japanese Disaster Secured At Great Expense By Manager Jackson, of Loew's To-Night's Screening At Loew's Theater Marks Premier Presentation of Film Anywhere in Canada.

Always striving for leadership and to secure only the best for patrons of Loew's Theater, Manager Jackson to-day secured, at great expense, the first official movies taken at the scene of the recent quake in Japan. The Famous-Lasky film man was dispatched to the scene of the fatality immediately following the world-wide announcements and secured some excellent pictures of the havoc wrought in the Flowery Kingdom. The pictures have been shown in a few of the big American cities, but the presentation at Loew's Theater to-night, Tuesday and Wednesday marks the first screening anywhere in Canada.

Fortunately the only dates that could be secured from the booking agency were the next three days, and Manager Jackson, while unfortunate in not being able to make a previous announcement regarding this timely film, was, indeed, fortunate in securing the film for its premier showing. The film will be screened to-night, Tuesday and Wednesday, in addition to the regular Loew program, which includes Clara Kimball Young, in "Cordelia the Magnificent," comedy feature, "Loew's News Pictorial and three acts of vaudeville that is vaudeville.

Ether Waves From a Rare Atmosphere

Cold weather has arrived, so you'd better dig up an old flame.

We are being reminded by the trees that they are a loose-leaf system.

If any of the autumn brides haven't a father to give them away, they might get one of their former "steadies" to do it for them.

The skinny have a slender chance of being warm this weather, but the plump—they have a fat chance.

Which weighs most, a ton of feathers or a ton of coal? It all depends on the coal man's scales.

OUR GAZETTEER. New York is the berg where a lot of money is going to be lost during the winter season.

Marrot says: Let the man talk about himself. He'll enjoy your conversation.

Some marry because they hate to go around alone. Some get divorced for the same reason.

A DUMBBELL is a nonentity who imagines that the League of Nations has a team in the world series.

Milk has gone up in price in Hamilton. Everything's high there except their mountain.

The put-and-take craze is back again. We put the heaves on and then take them off again.

HAPPY HINTS. It is all right to eat breakfast in bathrobe, pajamas or what have you?

Hairdressers say bobbed hair must go. Their cry is "The hair, the hair, long may it wave."

Most of us can see how the styles have changed by comparing our suits with the new ones.

Had a fire in the treasury building at Washington. Yankee taxpayers know they have money to burn.

Roses are red, violets are blue; noses are both, when hay fever's due.

You can't convince those who take tickets at the movies that marriage makes two people one.

IT IS THE TRUTH. Mirrors take the conceit out of sensible people. Mirrors put the conceit into foolish people.

We predict the coldest winter on record because all winters are that.

With a daughter in high school there isn't very much that her parents don't learn.

In another day the imperial conference will be getting columns of space, but you can still read the comics.

Almost time for Thanksgiving turkeys to declare hunger strikes.

Might be an interesting experiment for a Canadian to try writing the Canadian school history.

TOWNSHIP NOW OWNS UNITED TELEPHONE Purchase of Company Completed To-Day By London Township.

The United Telephone Company to-day became the property of London Township. The deal was consummated in the office of the former president of the telephone company, U. A. Buchner, J. A. Hughes, H. Headley and C. Ferguson were the men who negotiated the purchase of the telephone company.

The purchase price is said to have been in the neighborhood of \$28,000. Formal payment will not be made before the middle of the week, however, when Miss Mary Grant, treasurer, will tender a check for that amount. There will be no change in the personnel of the operating staff or management.

At a meeting of the Township Council, held at St. Johns to-day, the commission reported to the Council and the action of the three men was ratified. Discussing the fixing of the tax rate for the year at press time this had not been decided upon. Last year the rate was 15-8-10. It is believed that the rate will remain the same as last year, as none of the councillors interviewed were in favor of a boost.

FUNERAL OF MRS. TAYLOR.—The Venerable Archdeacon Sage officiated at the funeral services of Mrs. Eleanor Taylor, both at her late residence, 710 Nelson street, and at the graveside at Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The pallbearers were William Reid, Samuel Reed, Albert Reeves, Ed. Reeves, Wm. Wilson and Wm. Lewis. Mrs. Taylor was 66 years old at the time of her death and was the widow of the late Christopher S. Taylor, who died in 1918. She is survived by six sons, Thomas, William and Christopher, of Detroit, and Richard, Chester and Arthur at home. The three surviving daughters are Mrs. E. Mitchell, of this city, and Miss Lucy and Miss Eva at home.

Waterworks Expert Making Survey Here W. C. Curd, of Chicago, To Search For Additional Supplies in City.

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Happy Children At McConnell Residence



On Saturday afternoon approximately 25 youthful wards of the Thomas Alway Shelter were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McConnell at their beautiful residence on Richmond street, north. Throughout the afternoon the joyous children engaged in all manner of games on the spacious lawns surrounding the house. A dainty luncheon was served at the conclusion of the entertainment.

HONORED AFTER 50 YEARS' SERVICE

Benjamin S. Murray Leaves the Canadian National Express.

PRESENTED WITH PURSE Traveled 1,275,000 Miles In the Interests of Company.

That a good name is better than great riches was practically exemplified on Saturday evening, when Benjamin S. Murray, traveling agent of the London Division of the Canadian National Express Company, passed out of the service. A special meeting in his honor, at which officials and fellow employees of the company from Montreal and

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LONDONER IN DUTCH INDIES UNTIL 1926 Mrs. Sydney Judson Receives Letter From Husband Located At Palembang.

An interesting letter describing his new quarters was received the other day by Mrs. Judson, 473 Emery street, from her husband, Sydney Judson, who is now stationed for a three-year period at Palembang, Sumatra, Dutch Indies.

Mr. Judson, who is a well-known Londoner, is representing the Nederland Coloniale Petroleum Company at this place and will not visit his home town until 1926 when he is able to return from his faraway station.

Enclosed in the letter he sent his wife the photograph produced above. The subject of the picture is a native now employed as fireman in the village where Mr. Judson is stationed. The native is also Mr. Judson's personal attendant.

ACTION OVER \$2,244.—George W. Lamkin, Utterson, is the plaintiff in an action to be instituted against Ernest Hill and Lorenzo Banghart, both of the Village of Sparta. Lamkin is suing to recover the sum of \$2,255, which amount, he alleges, represents the sum which is due him from the defendants as the balance on a quantity of lumber sold to the defendants. He further alleges that this lumber was wrongly converted to the use of the defendants, or sold without paying the plaintiff.

EVENING CLASSES START TO-NIGHT

Record Attendance Promised For Opening At Collegiate.

BIG ADVANCE ENROLLMENT Schedule Provides For Teaching Four Nights a Week.

With record attendance and registration still coming in, arrangements were completed this afternoon for the opening of night classes in the connection with London's secondary schools to-night. Advance registration at both Central Collegiate and Technical school is reported to be far advanced of last year and a very successful winter is indicated in preliminary organization of both schools.

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Mr. Andrews, as chairman, paid a most glowing tribute to Mr. Murray, who, he said, had been for almost half a century in the express history of Western Ontario. He was a man who gave every one a square deal and was well remembered by past and present employees, who would never forget the many times his fatherly advice had guided them safely over the rough spots of an express man's path.

Mr. Andrews then called upon Mr. Blackall, who not only endorsed former remarks but added similar ones and emphasized the subject on behalf of the employees and golden proof in a few appropriate words. Speaking most highly of the Canadian National Express Company, its officials and employees, he said that his hearty and sincere wish was that each one of them might live long and prosper.

J. H. Moore, of Montreal, famed as an expert mathematician, figured that Mr. Murray's travel up to date figured somewhere in the neighborhood of 1,275,000 miles, all traveled in the interests of his employees.

Interment of Mrs. Elizabeth Moxley Made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The funeral of Elizabeth J. Moxley, accidental shooting victim, early on Saturday morning, was held to-day at 9 p. m. from the B. M. E. church, Grey street, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

The late Mrs. Moxley, who had conducted a hairdressing establishment in this city for the past 20 years, was 55 years of age and particularly well known in the city. During the war she was president of the Victorian Order of the Red Cross. A prominent member of the B. M. E. church, Grey street, her services were always given with a cheerful willingness which endeared her to all her associates.

Besides her husband, W. A. Moxley, two children survive, Andrew, at home, and Mrs. R. J. Ball, also of the city. Services were conducted at 2.30 p. m. by Revs. Drake, Stewart and Johnston.

The pallbearers were: F. H. Brown, Fred Fountain, Thomas Harris, S. W. Cromwell and C. H. Poundstater.

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JACK FROST IS VISITOR TO CITY

Lawns and Buildings Coated With White. NO DAMAGE REPORTED

Weather Bureau Records Five Degrees Above Frost.

The famous Jack Frost was a visitor to London and vicinity for a short period last night, but it is not expected that any serious damage will result from his attempts to smother the lawns and buildings of the district with the beautiful hoary white. As a matter of fact his sojourn in the city was so brief that many parts of the city were not aware of his presence. The local chronological bureau reported to-day that the lowest temperature recorded during the night was 47, or something like 48 degrees above freezing. The highest during the same period was 49 degrees.

To-day the weather man promises a continuance of present weather, and it is likely that there will be a slight advance in the temperature in a day or so, but London citizens arose shivering this morning and there was a general rush for the coalbin as well as a search for heavier clothing.

It is understood that last night's frost was slight, but it was not the first of the season, for the famous King Winter's emissary put in an appearance a few weeks ago and left a much more noticeable evidence of his footing visit. There will be little damage to crops and no one will be seriously affected as a result of the cold, although the coal men and clothiers with a heavy stock of winter clothing are rejoicing somewhat at the slight change and rather definite and forceful advance notice of winter's approach.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY AT ROBINSOON MEMORIAL A. R. Kennedy Delivers Address On Influence Business Men Have With Boys.

Robinson Memorial Methodist Church marked rally day yesterday with a special Sunday school session in the afternoon. F. Marshall, superintendent, presided, and the address for the occasion was delivered by A. R. Kennedy, Rev. W. L. Hiles, pastor of the church, and E. T. Harding, assistant superintendent, assisted in the services.

Mr. Kennedy told of the influence which thoughtful men can have on the lives of young people who had taken the first upward step. He cited instances to show that lads who had even been brought to justice in the police court could be taken in course of time by interested business men and led to become useful citizens and a credit to their city.

Three-year-old child recites Tennyson. A three-year-old boy is reported from Vancouver of reciting long passages from Tennyson. A remarkable child, indeed, possessed of infinite trust in his teacher. The world is built of trust. No one can do without it no more than you can afford to let wifey or sweetie heart wait for that diamond ring when your credit is good. If you meet Johnstone Bros. and wear Diamonds at 236 Dundas, next Allen Theater.—Adv.

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LACHINE CANAL TRAFFIC. MONTREAL, Oct. 1.—Grain shipped via the Lachine Canal totaled 14,317,422 bushels for September, as compared with 14,013,958 bushels in September, 1922. Wheat totaled 10,316,684 bushels, against 9,088,551 for September, 1922.

WESTERN SECURES RARE COPY OF "CUSTOMS OF PARIS" THAT WAS BASIS OF QUEBEC LAW

Code of Laws Proved To Be Contentious During the French Regime of Dominion in 17th Century.

A Bibliographical treasure, but having very distinct historical value, was come upon in the Barnet library of University of Western Ontario this week in the shape of a copy of the Custom of Paris, the code of laws of that city, which was introduced into Canada during the French regime of the 17th century and became the basis of the present laws of the Province of Quebec.

The book is a tiny volume, about two and a half inches by five inches, containing about 400 pages of text and explanation of the customary law of Paris. Until the time of Napoleon there were a number of these customary or common laws in force in France, each great district having its own, but that of Paris being one of the most elaborate and best known. Under Napoleon a general codification took place.

EXTENDED ITS SCOPE. When the French Government took over the control of Canada from the trading companies in the 17th century the Custom of Paris was declared to be the law of the land in force in Canada. This has always been regarded as a mistake. The bulk of the Canadian habitants were Normans or Bretons, originally a rural people, and they were placed under a code of laws that had been produced by a great city, with an ancient culture and an elaborately organized life. It was quite unsuited for the farmers and fishermen, who were seeking to found new homes on the banks of the St. Lawrence.

The copy of the Custom of Paris in the university library was printed at Paris in 1746, with M. Langlois as the editor, and it bears the signature of an early owner, "Carol C. Spensard, notary." On blank leaves there are also notes in an old French hand.

PRESENTATION ON TUESDAY. Presentation of the Goldsticks' prize in connection with the selection of colors for the new East London Collegiate school will take place at the Central Collegiate auditorium on Tuesday afternoon. Miss Verna Keen, 14 years of age, who suggested green and white, is the winner of the Goldsticks' award made by Principal McNeil will be presented at the same gathering to-morrow afternoon.

SOUTHERN CONGREGATIONAL RALLY.—Rally day services yesterday brought a large number of Sunday school scholars to Southern Congregational Church to enjoy special services. Beautifully colored pictures of the life of Joseph and also of the Prodigal Son were put on the screen and the readings were given by L. R. Anderson and Joseph Eve. A splendid solo, "The Prodigal Son," was given by A. Noble. Psalm and other Bible selections. B. Wherry, the superintendent of the Sunday school had charge of the service and Rev. H. B. Storey gave the prayers.

LONDON MASONS AT WOODSTOCK PARADE Impressive Church Service Held By Royal Arch Masons. Visitors from London who attended the Masonic church parade at Woodstock included Very Ex-Com. T. P. Elliott, Rt. Ex-Com. Edwin Smith, Ex-Com. T. Cousins and Com. T. J. Holmes.

On returning to the lodge rooms after the service held at St. Paul's Cathedral, addresses were delivered by W. F. Ponton, Ex. R. Smith, Rev. Canon Appleby, Edwin Smith, and others. It was the first church parade ever held by Woodstock Royal Arch Masons, and on account of those in attendance, it was an impressive and memorable affair. There were over 300 in the parade and all wore the full regalia of the Royal Arch degree of Masonry.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT CHRIST CHURCH Special Music Marks Impressive Services Attended By Large Number. Christ Church's thanksgiving harvest festival services yesterday were particularly impressive. Rev. Canon Gurnea presided morning and evening and the musical service was exceedingly fine. Mrs. D. F. Melbourne, newly appointed organist and choir director, rendered several beautiful organ numbers.

S. Chadwick sang: "Grateful Am I, O Lord," which was followed by an anthem by the choir. Miss Gurle E. Hausch played a violin solo, being Windawski's "Legende." S. Chadwick then sang "Thanksgiving." The choir followed with the anthem "Praise the Lord," then a duet by Miss Mae Cornelius and Frank Tucker, which was a new setting of the well-known "How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds."

The church was appropriately decorated for the service and large congregations marked both services.

QUAKE AT HONGKONG HONGKONG, Oct. 1.—An earthquake lasting nearly a minute, was felt at noon to-day.

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The "Old Huron & Erie" interest in you as a Depositor does not end with the delivery of your Pass Book.

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SOMEbody's BIRTHDAY! Say It With Flowers DICK'S FLOWER SHOP.

Advertisement for Celoron Tubes for Couplers, highlighting their high dielectric strength and low dielectric losses.

Advertisement for The Radio Shop, offering a variety of radio equipment and services.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS

It is proposed to establish for the academic year 1923-24 a Saturday afternoon university of Western Ontario course for Commercial Travelers. Subject: "Marketing Problems and Methods." Instructor: Prof. E. H. Morrow, department of commercial economics.

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NIGHT SCHOOL CLASSES

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INFORMATION AVAILABLE. The Principal will be in his office from 7 to 9 o'clock each evening this week to give any information desired re courses, fees, etc. Note—Students should start at the beginning of the term possible. E. A. MILLER, Principal. 1276.

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