

REMISSION OF \$5 TAX MAY BE MADE ISSUE IN JANUARY

Voters Likely To Be Asked
Their Opinion.

CHARGED FOR CLEANING

And T. Todd Objects To This
On Reasonable
Grounds.

"Are you in favor of refunding \$5.10 to T. Todd of Carleton avenue, for street cleaning, as an excessive charge? Yes or No?"

This ballot will probably be submitted to the citizens at the coming municipal election. There seems little hope of the city council or its committees assuming to settle the matter without consulting the people, although there is an element which is in favor of remitting \$2.50 to Mr. Todd. Others say he should have the whole \$5.10 refunded. The question is either right or wrong, they say, and there must be no half measures in dealing with it.

Mr. Todd is strongly in favor of the money being remitted. On three different occasions he has written the council demanding various amounts. If the council does decide to send it to the people, Mr. Todd has to take the platform to urge them to carry the bill, there is no doubt that it will carry. He is an impassioned, one might almost say fiery, speaker, and is fully convinced of the justice of his cause.

Only One Objection.

He owns a lot on Carleton avenue which is assessed for \$450. The city charges him \$45.23 taxes yearly. Now, as to the majority of these tax items he is fully satisfied that they are justified. He realizes that the pavement must be paid for, as well as other things, but when the city charges him \$3.10 for cleaning the pavement, which he never by any chance uses or helps to get soiled, he thinks it is going a step too far. Besides, William street is not paved, and when it rains all the water backs up on Carleton avenue, because it has a nice, smooth pavement to run on, and he considers it pretty small business to tax a man for providing a resting-place for that section of the city's storm water, and then taking him for clearing away the sediment which the water leaves when it dries up. Besides, he claims the pavement was laid for the benefit of a baker at the end of the street, and it is the baker's horses and wagons which dirty up the pavement.

Mr. Todd obtained some detailed figures on the number of times the street had been cleaned and the length of time it has taken the man with a brush to run up and down the length of it (the street, not the brush), and he brought these up to the board of works, together with a photograph showing the street in flood season, with some of the native children paddling about in their bare feet. A few of the aldermen immediately grasped the seriousness of the situation, but one of them made a funny remark about the young ladies in the photograph, and thus entirely alienated Mr. Todd's sympathy. The more serious minded city fathers succeeded in having a special committee appointed, and it investigated and suggested gutters on William street to relieve the flood problem, but made no recommendation of the street cleaning remittance. So Mr. Todd made another trip to the committee rooms and made another eloquent speech. The aldermen were evidently so impressed that they should do something, that they could only recommend the matter to No. 1 committee. Mr. Todd appeared there yesterday, and although he delivered another rapid-fire address, was unable to get direct action.

The city council as a whole may assume the responsibility of remitting some money at its next meeting, but it is altogether likely it will shift the burden to the shoulders of the general public.

STORE WINDOWS ADVERTISE SUITS AT \$8.50, STEAKS AT 10 CENTS A POUND, BOOTS AT HALF-DOLLAR

Alas, Prices Were Jokes of Early Risers, Made Possible By
Mist On Glass—They Could Not Withstand
Suns hine.

A heavy mist which covered all the store windows in the downtown section last night combined with the village jokers in providing amusement for citizens hurrying to work this morning. It was the easiest thing in the world for the funny-men to trace more or less artistic pictures on the whitened windows, and as the real store signs were obliterated they were replaced out of kindness by passers-by.

"John Smith's Junk Shop" was the sign traced on the window in place of John Smith Fine Furniture Emporium.

"Cut-Throat Grocery Store" appeared in place of the more innocent "Cut-Rate Store, Beaten and Robbed" instead of a perfectly dignified "Beatty and Robinson."

Those who did not realize that the amateur humorist was at work thought the long expected end of the high cost of living had come when

they saw suits of clothing advertised on the windows for \$8.50 apiece, and overcoats for \$5.00.

Butchers, too, were apparently offering their wares at a price so far below normal that one could buy a year's supply for the price of one week's at present. Beefsteak was offered for ten cents a pound, and

Diamonds \$1.50.

Diamond rings were advertised on jewellers' windows at \$1.00 each—gather with pearl necklaces at 75 cents to a dollar. Shoes for which the common people have been paying \$16 and \$12 a pair were offered at 50 cents.

But like all dreams these faded as the morning sun grew stronger and dissolved the mist. The dignified store names shone forth once more and the store-boys armed with pails of water and their familiar long poles removed the last vestiges of the early rising humorist.

CANADIAN CLUB WILL TURN ATTENTION TO MORE STUDY OF ARTS

Peace Time Subjects To Dis-
place War Themes.

Members of the London Canadian Club will assemble for dinner in the dining room of the Tecumseh Hotel shortly after 6 o'clock this evening. Most of the addresses delivered during the past year at the club have been of a military and martial character, reflecting, to a certain extent, the questions uppermost in the mind of the members. It is now that peace is restored, the activities of the club will be directed to the study of history, literature, art, music and natural resources of Canada; the recognition of native worth and talent and the fostering of a patriotic Canadian sentiment.

Membership increases.

The membership of the club has increased rapidly, for since March 31, 1918, the number has grown from 240 to 440. The number of deaths of members during the past year was eight, which included George Gibbons, a life member; D. H. Howden, Rev. C. W. Latimer, W. T. Edge, J. Loughlin, Dr. Kibbe, J. H. Marshall and W. T. Strong. There were also fifteen resignations and twenty-one new members joined the club.

The financial statement reveals a decidedly healthy condition, there being no liabilities and the total assets amounting to \$618.27.

May Change Year.

A notice of motion is given changing the end of the financial year to August 31 in each year, the date of the election of officers to the first Thursday in October, and that of the annual meeting to the second Thursday in October.

The executive held nine meetings during the year for the transaction of business. The club was represented in all civic and patriotic campaigns by one or more teams, captained at various times by C. B. King, A. A. Campbell, B. C. McCann, R. Greene and T. H. Green.

MILK BELOW PAR, BUT BOY DID NOT KNOW IT

Because city sanitary inspectors found that the milk which he was peddling

was not of the quality required, a juvenile peddler of milk was taken to court this morning, and was allowed to go on suspended sentence on paying the costs of the court.

In answer to the charge, the lad stated that he had no control over the quality of the milk, as he was not a producer, but only purchased the milk to sell again. He managed the milk route, and the quality of the milk was not his business. He had formerly had gone out West and was unable to sell it. The boy helped to support his mother and was anxious to sell the business soon, he said, and follow some other occupation.

FOUR ADDITIONAL PLAYGROUNDS ARE WANTED IN LONDON

C. of C. Expected To Ask This
From Council.

At a joint meeting of the playgrounds committee and the social service council, held yesterday in the chamber of commerce rooms, it was decided that a recommendation be made for four civic playgrounds to be added to the present one, known as Thames Park. A report by the supervisor of the city's only playgrounds for children, revealed that work in the city had passed the experimental stage. The attendance had steadily increased to a maximum of 164 children in one day, and the supervision of games was shown to have been most satisfactory. But the lack of tennis courts, swimming pools and more space was lamented.

The recommendation will be presented at the chamber of commerce meeting on Friday and probably will reach the city council at its meeting on Monday. The proposal to be made is that the playgrounds be taken over by the city, operated by the public utilities commission, and suitable sites be found in different parts of London which will be generally accessible to the largest number of children. The recommendation also suggests that an increase of a quarter mill be made on the tax rate for the purpose of financing the scheme.

Sarnia Will Play Game and Bring Strong Outfit

Intentions Not To Default, But
Get Postponement of Game
Until Later in Season.

According to Coach Reid of the local rugby team, Sarnia will bring a team to London Saturday to play the game scheduled for the 1st of October.

The Sarnia team wished to play off the game later in the season, when they would have more practice, which leads to the impression that they were going to default.

Considering the make-up of the Sarnia team, lack of practice does not necessarily mean that they are out of condition, and they are a real game, so Saturday's fixture promises one of the real old-time battles.

Belgium is not a new name, but it is a name that is becoming more and more familiar to the people of this country. The present condition of Belgium is not brilliant. The manufacturers are living on credit and not on production, although some of the factories are beginning to work again and the best brains in Belgium are making great efforts in private enterprises without relying at all on government aid, which is slow and hesitating, and up to the present, I am told, hopelessly impractical.

Wants Higher Pay.

Many workmen of Belgium whose labor was very cheap before the war, and whose conditions of life were very low in the scale of Europe, have been inspired with energy for the English rate of pay, and they demand that rate with a loud voice, though it is fantastically high for the Belgian workmen.

The German army, he said, "sat down on all my factories, and where they sat down they destroyed everything to dust. There is nothing to be done except plant the woods there and say, 'This is no man's land.' In our time we shall not see the factory chimneys rise in those places. Who thinks so dreams."

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SIR ROBERT FALCONER MAKING STRONG APPEAL FOR TORONTO 'VARSITY

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Much Extravagance and
Dancing, But With Asides
of Anguish.

WANT HIGHER PAY
Belgian Workmen Who Have
Labored Abroad During
War Now Restless.

Brussels, Oct. 1.—Coming across the frontier from France into Belgium, I find superficial gaiety and joie de vivre, the ringing about of paper money by all classes, in spite of the fantastic cost of living (as their own press has fast as there were need of it), and no sign of anguish plainly revealed on the faces of the people who were long under hostile rule, who suffered exceedingly from fines, imprisonment and tyranny, and whose industries and commerce were utterly ruined by the general campaign of destruction.

Belgium was hard hit by the war, apart from the tragedy of invasion. Most of her factories in cities like Bruges, Ghent and Antwerp were obliged of their machinery, if they were not destroyed, like Ypres, under the flail of war.

Curse of Germany.

A friend of mine, who was a great manufacturer, with works at Ypres and Baillieu and other towns in Flanders told me yesterday he had abandoned hope of restoring them to industry.

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Store Opens
At 9 A.M.

Evening Dresses For Maid and Matron

And Closes
At 5:30 P.M.



The coming season promises to be extremely active in social circles, which will be opened with the reception to the Prince of Wales. Our present display of evening dresses is unlimited in its ability to suit all women; and in its variety of dresses for all occasions. Simple elegance of material and line are shown in Satins, Crepe de Chine, Georgette, combinations of Nets and all of these delicately tinted fabrics. Youthful models for the misses and others specially designed for women of mature years. The Misses' Frocks are breezy little affairs.

Miss' Evening Dress of Canary Georgette over White Satin, square neck, girde shows cornflower blue edging, waist tucked, closing at back, finished with long bow and sash; skirt with three deep tucks. Price \$40.00

Miss' Evening Dress of Pale Blue Crepe de Chine; waist in surplice style, silver lace trimming waist front and back, soft crush girde; skirt shows draped sides. Price \$22.50

Miss' Dress of Taffeta Silk in nigger brown; waist padded in black and gold, finished at side with buckle and sash ends; skirt gathered at waist. Price \$35.00

Misses' and Small Women's Afternoon Dresses in Crepe de Chine and Satins.

Miss' Dress of Rose Crepe de Chine; waist with round neck, tucks and button trimmings, crush girde; skirt draped. Price \$20.00

Miss' One-Piece Dress of Taupe Silk Tricotee, long-waisted style, narrow belt, round neck, pockets and back of blouse embroidered. Price \$49.00

Miss' Evening Dress of Maline over Silver-cloth; waist of blue maline over silver bandings; skirt of maline draped in points, giving rainbow effect over silver lace. Price \$69.00

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Silk and Cotton Cream Stockinette Petticoat, fitting neatly over the hips, finished band at waistline, bottom of garment is trimmed with crocheted wool edging. Price \$2.50

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Grey Stockinette Petticoat, with cardinal trimming at top and bottom, draw tape at waist. Price \$1.25

Girls' Serge Gym. Bloomers, in navy and black, full-pleated style with buttoned belt at waistline, elastic at bottom. Special \$3.95

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EPWORTH LEAGUES HOLD CONFERENCE

Now in Session in Wellington Street Church.

The London Conference of Epworth Leagues in the district of Western Ontario opened in convention this morning in the Wellington Street Methodist Church. During the morning the delegates registered and were seated.

This afternoon the prepared program was opened by Rev. M. Doyle, who gave an address on "The Future of the Epworth League." Rev. J. R. Simpson of Toronto, also addressed the gathering.

The feature of the program is the address to be given in the First Methodist Church by Dr. Rice of the Woodward Avenue Methodist Church, Detroit. Although coming here for the purpose of addressing the Epworth Leagues in particular, Dr. Rice will speak on the subject of "Prohibition."

FRENCH NAVAL BASE AT FIUME CLOSED

Paris, Oct. 2.—It is announced the French naval base at Fiume has been closed and that the last French soldiers and sailors will leave that port on board the cruiser Condorcet today.

BLOOD THAT IS BLOOD

Any Physician Will Tell You It is Indispensable to Health.

It is required by every organ of the body for the proper performance of its functions.

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