WILL NOT ABOLISH BRANCH LIBRARY

If Good Offer Is Secured More Suitable Site Could Be Obtained.

At a meeting of the library board yesterday afternoon, T. W. Banton, chairman, called attention to an erroneous impression which appeared to have spread as a result of the board deciding to offer the Church street library property for sale. The board, he said, had absolutely no idea of abolishing the downtown branch. Only in case of a good offer for the present property and the securing of a more suitable site would a change be made. The present building was a fire trap and out of date, and if no better site could be found a new building could sometime be erected on the present site.

W. T. J. Lee said the Church street site was about ten blocks too far east for a downtown branch. It should be near Spadina avenue.

N. B. Gash pointed out that a falling off in the book circulation of Church street was accounted for by the opening of new branch libraries.

J. W. Self reported on various repairs necessary at Church street amounting to about $500 which in his motion were ordered made.

Good Library Legislation.

Premier Drury's government has made a record, according to George H. Locke, chief librarian. "Ontario now has the best public library legislation in the world," was Mr. Locke's declaration.

On motion of N. B. Nash, K.C., the board unanimously resolved to record its hearty approval of the Public Libraries Act as passed at the last session of the legislative assembly, and especially the provision for a per capita basis of library rates and the removal of impracticable restrictions on the operations of large libraries.

DEEP WATERWAYS FOR ST. LAWRENCE

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harbor commissioners, said they were of the opinion that it is desirable to improve the present St. Lawrence Canal system or other waterway to the extent of facilitating the larger lake boats access to port of Montreal. They were also of the opinion that such improvement should not extend beyond a fair margin of draft for such vessels.

"The effect on the development of the waterways between ocean and lake ports would be of advantage in the economy of time of lake vessels and consequently lower rates of freight," he continued. "We are of the opinion that the type of vessel suitable for lake traffic is not suitable for ocean traffic and that the ocean type of vessel, on the other hand, would not be able to compete with lake vessels on inland service."

Hydro Development Plans.

The commissioners are strongly of the opinion that no further hydro development of power on the St. Lawrence should be permitted until an ultimate plan has been decided on and developed, that would satisfy Canadian interests and safeguard the navigation of the St. Lawrence. The development of both should go hand in hand.

SUGAR REFINERS REQUEST RELIEF

Wait on Federal Cabinet — Had to Buy on Rising Market.

Ottawa, Oct. 8.—A deputation representing Canadian sugar refiners waited upon the cabinet today to draw attention to the serious position which, it was claimed, the Canadian refineries find themselves in at present, and to ask for relief. It was stated that, during the period when the sugar market was rising, the price of this commodity was held down in Canada.

Refiners, it was stated, were forced to buy on the rising market, but were unable to sell at more than the fixed price owing to the control exercised in Canada. Conditions were different in the United States, but the embargo placed on the export of sugar did not permit Canadian refiners to profit by high prices there. It was claimed that a serious condition had developed owing to the present falling market in the United States.

The cabinet took the representations of the deputation into consideration, but no definite action on the part of the government was announced.

SEVEN PEOPLE FLYING KINGSTON TO MONTREAL

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 8.—(Special.)—The big United States seaplane, which was in the harbor under repairs for several days, was completed this morning, and, after making several trial flights about the harbor, left about 3 o'clock for Montreal on the way to New York, and then on to Cuba. Accompanying Capt. Alexander on the flight to Montreal were Col. W. H. P. Elkins, D.S.O., and Mrs. Elkins, Capt. and Mrs. Penhale, R.C.H.A.; Lieut. P. P. Morrison, R.C.H.A., and Major Alderson, D.S.O.

The latter will go on to New York with Capt. Alexander. This is the first passenger party to leave the city by the air, and it marks a new era in air navigation for this locality.

LORRY BOMBED IN CORK.

Cork, Oct. 8.—Civilians bombed a military lorry which was passing thru Barrack street this morning. One soldier was killed and three dangerously wounded. Two soldiers on the lorry opened fire on the attackers. The street was filled at the time with people proceeding to work. Two men and a woman were

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LINER'S DOCTOR CURES SAILOR BY INSTRUCTIONS BY WIRELESS

Diagnosed Case on Tramp Vessel Fifty Miles Away and Treated Man for Four Days Till Recovery.

Southampton, Oct. 8.—While the steamship St. Paul, which has arrived here, was in mid-Atlantic, she received a wireless appeal for medical aid from the tramp steamer Schroon. A member of the crew of the tramp was seriously ill.

Dr. Stumpf of the St. Paul obtained a description of the symptoms of the man's ailment by wireless, while the vessels were fifty miles apart. He diagnosed the case as appendicitis. Then he treated the man by wireless instructions for four days, when it was reported he was on the way to recovery.

Communication between the two vessels was then broken off.

PARTISAN FIGHT BLOCKED TREATY

Lloyd George Deals With League Situation in the United States.

Llandudno, Wales, Oct. 8.—Premier Lloyd George, in a political speech here this afternoon, declared that "the conflict of parties in America has led to the result that they have not yet signed a treaty of peace with Germany." He asserted that if there had been a conflict like that in Great Britain the latter would have had no peace and there would have been no treaty.

"There are some who criticize the treaty of Versailles," the premier declared. "Better that than that a state of war should be going on for years and nothing done." Mr. Lloyd George added that there were some people who imagined that to ignore disagreeable facts was proof of exalted principles.

Every belligerent country except the United States, said the premier, had been compelled to form a coalition government in order to get the best men of all parties together to save the nation. The United States was no so much involved in the war as the countries of Europe, he pointed out. It came in late and then put forth colossal efforts. Its assistance was crucial and determinant, but it did not have the time to make the same sacrifices as the other belligerent countries. The burdens of war in the United States were heavy, but not comparable to those of Europe.

ANTI-DUMPING LAW BARS CHEAP SUGAR

Ottawa, Oct. 8.—The Citizen tomorrow will say:

The anti-dumping provisions of the customs act are being invoked against the importation to Canada of cheap sugar from the United States. In several cases within the past few weeks it has been applied and people who thought to get sugar at the low rates it was selling for at certain points in the States, plus the duty and exchange, and thus horn in under the high rates prevailing in Canada, have been fooled.

The duty is based upon the fair market value at which sugar is sold "in the ordinary course of trade in the country of export." Local price-slashing would not be regarded as the ordinary course of trade, but rather the prevailing rates in the States when sold by wholesalers to the trade. Five per cent. leeway is allowed between the "prevailing" price in the United States and what the article is sold for in Canada, but anything more than five per cent. is a contravention of the dumping legislation, and there are interests which are quick to invoke this provision.

WESTERN FARMERS URGE NEW TARIFF

Recommendations advocating the alteration of the present tariff system, were made to the tariff commission at the afternoon session today by the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association as follows:

1. The placing of all foodstuffs on the free list and the removing of the import duty from lumber, cement, gasoline, kerosene, agricultural implements, farm and household machinery, vehicles and fertilizers.

2. The gradual general reduction of the import tariff with a view to making all industries self-supporting and competent to produce at world values.

3. If artificial assistance is to be continued, that it be by open and direct methods, making its cost fully evident.

4. That as rapidly as feasible direct methods of taxation be substituted for indirect.

5. That, above all, the need for national revenue should not be allowed to be exploited for private gain.

J. B. Musselman, central secretary of the association, presented the statement.

Prosperity and Grain.

Grain-raising was stated as the chief industry of the province and major source of her buying power, and the prosperity of the province depends on its development.

After declaring that the association is not antagonistic to the manufacturers, the statement continued: "We believe that it is economically unsound and, unfair to raise national revenue by a method which affords the opportunity to enhance private profits, and that to make the need for raising national revenue the excuse for subsidizing industries is wasteful and immoral, etc."

PRINCE'S SPECIAL LUNCH FOR BUSINESS GIRLS

Prince's, Limited, the well-known Yonge street restaurateurs, will next week inaugurate a new service in connection with their cafeteria for the young business women who work downtown. Commencing Thursday, Oct. 14, a club lunch, at a price within the means of any working girl, will be placed on the menu. This lunch will comprise three different menus, and will be ordered by number, and the cost of same will vary with the number ordered. This lunch will be served daily from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The magnificent ballroom, which is nearing completion, will be formally opened, it is expected, about Oct. 20, and will be known as the Prince's Roof, and it is proposed to give a series of afternoon tea and dinner dances. Reservations are now being made.

CANADA COULD GET THE LION'S SHARE

Reason Why Convention Opposes St. Lawrence Project.

Atlantic City, N.J., Oct. 8.—Opposition was expressed in a resolution adopted at the closing session here today of the annual convention of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association against the proposed St. Lawrence ship canal, which would imply an expenditure of $100,000,000, of which the United States would pay half.

There is strong sentiment in the association against this plan for a direct highway from the great lakes to the sea, on the ground that the Dominion of Canada would derive by far the greater benefit. Many of the delegates contended that the proposition is a "subtle attempt" to tap Niagara Falls for power purposes.

The convention went on record in favor of the proposed New Jersey ship canal from Raritan bay to Bordentown, which would connect with the Delaware, giving an uninterrupted inland water route thru New Jersey to Philadelphia and southern ports. Another resolution passed advocated the immediate expenditure of money for the improvement and deepening of the Hudson river, the Delaware river project, a channel from the Battery, New York, to Throg's Neck, and the improvement to Jamaica bay and Gravesend bay.

REPORT HUGE THEFT FROM QUEBEC MAILS

Quebec, Que., Oct. 8.—(By Canadian Press.)—It was rumored in Quebec today that on Tuesday night, October 5, a mailbag containing a sum of $15,000 in bank notes was lost in transmission from the Quebec postoffice to the C.P.R. station. Postoffice Inspector Stamer Green, when communicated with tonight by the Canadian Press, would neither affirm nor deny the rumor.

Another rumor stated that the missing bag contained some forty thousand dollars in bank and other securities, aggregating one hundred thousand dollars in value.

WORKING HARD ON PEACE TERMS

Riga, Oct. 8.—(Canadian Press.)—The delegations, working almost constantly since last night, were still trying today to complete the armistice and preliminary peace terms, hoping to be able to sign it by night. M. Dombski and Adolph Joffe, heads of the Polish and Russian missions, returned to their homes at 7 o'clock this morning for a temporary respite after having worked since 10 o'clock last night. They returned to the Black Head House, where the peace negotiations have been going on, at 11 a.m.

M. Lados, secretary of the Polish mission, said today the chief difficulty arose thru technical questions. There was no disagreement on the important issues, he explained, but the working out of minor details took time with the limited facilities at the conference's disposal. So far it had been difficult to translate the terms into the Ukrainian language, owing to the absence of a qualified interpreter.

SNAGS AT OTTAWA FOR IRISH MEETING

Ottawa, Oct. 8.—The Journal tomorrow will say:

An effort may be made by several local organizations to prevent the Self-Determination League for Ireland holding its convention in Ottawa. It is well known that many are not in favor of this convention being held in the city and an effort is being made by these people to call a representative public meeting to obtain the sentiments of members of some of the largest organizations in the city.

The convention is to open on October 16 and between 500 and 600 delegates from all parts of Canada are expected.

TWENTY-FIVE ARE DEAD IN ITALIAN TRAIN WRECK

London, Oct. 8.—Twenty-five persons were killed and thirty others injured in a collision in which the Venice-Milan express was involved today. There were no foreigners among the dead.

The three rear cars of the express were smashed in the collision.

TORONTO WOMEN OFFICERS.

At the meeting of the Canadian Women's Press Club in Montreal, the following Toronto members were elected to office: President, Miss Lucy M. Doyle; provincial vice-president, Miss Marjory MacMurchy, and re-elected corresponding secretary, Miss Charlotte Whitten.

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WANT SUSPENSION OF "SCOTT ACT"

Big Huron County Petition Is Alliance Surprise Packet.

Clinton, Ont., Oct. 8.—A petition bearing the names of about 9,500 county residents was today filed with the sheriff at Goderich, calling upon the Dominion government to suspend the Canada temperance act, or "Scott act," within Huron county.

This is about 2,000 more names than the 25 per cent. called for by the regulations.

After ten days in the hands of the sheriff, for examination by anyone interested, the petition will be forwarded to Ottawa. It is within the power of the governor-in-council to grant the prayer of the petition and it is believed that this will be done, rather than go to the expense of a vote of the people.

Favor the O.T.A.

The Ontario temperance act is favored because of the more stringent regulations contained therein, but repeal of the Canada temperance act is not asked, in case it should be desired to make use of it later.

The names on the petition have been obtained by the Huron temperance alliance.

GEDDES CONSULTS BANKER ON BRITISH CONSORTIUM

Washington, Oct. 8.—Sir Auckland Geddes, the British ambassador, and Sir Charles Addis, a London banker, conferred today with Under Secretary Davis at the state department regarding the Chinese consortium, in which the United States bankers are associated with those of Great Britain, France and Japan.

Progress on plans to make the consortium effective have not been as satisfactory as was hoped when the agreement was formulated, and it was understood that today's conference was arranged with a view to hastening those steps.

ENGINE TROUBLES DELAY BIG FLIGHT

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low Montreal they had encountered both rain and heavy fog. The machine made a beautiful landing in the Ottawa River, where the aviators were met by Col. O. M. Biggar, chairman of the air board; General Gwatkin, inspector-general; Col. J. Scott, director of civilian flying; Col. Redpath, A.O.I.; Secretary J. A. Wilson and other officials of the board.

POLICE RECOVER STOLEN MOTOR CAR

Women's Auxiliary of G. W. V. A. Elect Officers for the Year.

While Tom Bennett, butcher, Broadview avenue, and party of friends were attending the performance at the Hippodrome, his motor car, a five-passenger Chevrolet, was stolen. The police at No. 7 station recovered the auto on the following day, with several of the small parts missing. No arrests were made.

The annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary, Riverdale branch, G.W.V.A., was held, and the following officers elected: Mrs. C. Kirby, president; Mrs. M. Litherland, first vice-president; Mrs. A. Palmer, second vice-president; Mrs. A. Tucker, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. M. Meakins, recording secretary; executive committee, Mrs. A. Medlock, Mrs. A. Harding, Mrs. M. Fenny, Mrs. T. Mainwarning, Mrs. T. Burridge and Mrs E. Mulock.

Court Holy Name, No 1810, C.O.F., held their first meeting in Playter's Hall, Danforth avenue, when the following officers recently installed were present: Fred J. J. Smith, chief ranger; William Fraser, recording secretary; Frank Devine, financial secretary; A. Jobin, treasurer; J. Newman, speaker, and the executive committee. A discussion regarding the season's activities took place. There was a large attendance.

Mrs. Elizabeth G. Sivil, 68 Danforth avenue, died in the General Hospital after a short illness. She is survived by three sons and two sisters. The late Mrs. Sivil lived in Calgary until a year ago, when the family came to Toronto. The funeral service was held yesterday afternoon from her late residence, Rev. Dr. Seager, rector, St. Matthew's Church, officiated.

SUBURBAN NOTES

A mission renewal for men has been held during the week under the directions of the Redemptorist Fathers in St. John's Catholic Church, Kingston road. The morning masses at 5 and 8 o'clock have been well attended thruout and the closing service will take place with solemn benediction.

Water and sewers for the district will be the live question discussed at the regular monthly meeting of the Todmorden Ratepayers' Association in Torrens Avenue School next Tuesday evening.

The opening of the new Salvation Army Hall, corner of Byng and Danforth avenues, will take place tomorrow afternoon. Brigadier Northen will officiate. The building, which is of solid brick, was recently completed at an approximate cost of $5,000.

While looking for spanners in the tool box of a stalled special six Studebaker touring car on the Hill road, Leaside, recently, the gasoline tank exploded, and all that remained in a few minutes was the engine and two front wheels undamaged. The wreck was towed to Lafayette's garage, 296 Greenwood avenue. Robert Bostin, "Lavielle," 3 Vaughan road, was the owner.

At a meeting of Beech Avenue Methodist quarterly official board, held last evening, it was decided to ask for a special offering of $1,000 in connection with the church debt at the anniversary services tomorrow. Rev. A. T. Addison, pastor, occupied the chair.

It was decided by the Ward Eight Ratepayers' Association at their recent meeting to send a deputation to next Monday's city council meeting to urge the filling in of Small's Pond.

THREE HUNDRED PRESENT.

Order of the Eastern Star, No. 20, Unity Chapter, held a euchre and dance at Colvin Hall, West Toronto, last night. There were 200 present.

VETERANS CUT PRICE OF KINGSTON MILK

Army and Navy Veterans to Sell to Citizens at Eleven Cents Quart.

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 8. — (By Canadian Press.)—Milk consumers in this city will shortly be able to purchase milk at 11c a quart. This is to be made possible by the action of Army and Navy Veterans, who are ready to enter into contract with certain farmers living in the close vicinity of the city as soon as the farmer' promises and cows are inspected by Inspector Bell. It is not the intention of Army and Navy Veterans to confine their supply to members of the organization, or to returned men in the city, but to give everyone an opportunity to share in the lower prices.

Jugo-Slavs May Make Trouble If Plebiscite Against Them

Geneva, Oct. 8.—Sixteen British and American officers and as many French and Italians have arrived in Klagenfurt, capital of Carinthia, to supervise the plebiscite in Carinthia, according to despatches received here.

A despatch from Innsbruck says the Jugo-Slavs are massing troops on the frontier and that conflicts are feared if the voting goes against Jugo-Slavia.

WILL NOT RESTORE CONTROL OF WHEAT

Many Communications Reach Ottawa, But Government Is Unlikely to Act.

Ottawa, Oct. 8.—Falling wheat prices are bringing communications to Ottawa urging restoration of wheat control. It is not considered likely, however, that the government will decide to recreate the wheat board, albeit there is authority for such a course should it be considered necessary. The decline in prices, it is observed, is due to world conditions, and not to the termination of the wheat board.

Restoration of control, it is understood, has not so far been considered in cabinet council.

Would Make No Promises.

Regina, Oct. 8.—Regina delegates from the convention of the new national policy, yesterday sent to interview Hon. J. A. Calder with a resolution passed that the wheat board be re-established to handle the wheat crop, were not given any definite promises when met by the minister of colonization. Mr. Calder told the delegation that none of the farmer members in the house had pressed for the retention of wheat control, but he promised to place the representations of the delegation before the government.

Becomes Business Manager of Presbyterian Publications

Winnipeg, Oct. 8.—D. M. Solandt, secretary of the joint council of industry, announced today he had decided to accept the offer of the Presbyterian Board of Publications to become business manager. He left tonight for Toronto to interview the board and make arrangements for taking over his new vocation.

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ARMISTICE REUNION

London, Ont., Oct. 8.—The members of the 33rd Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force, will hold a reunion here on Armistice Day, Nov. 11. This was decided upon at a meeting here this evening.

86th WHIST DRIVE.

Hamilton, Oct. 9.—There was a large attendance at the regular weekly whist drive and dance held last evening in the 86th Battalion Association club rooms.