

OF COUNCIL TO STREET RAILWAY TRAPPED BY GREER

Ether Waves From a Rare Atmosphere

That the council has knowledge of the province of London's paving, Ald. Greer's admission of the street railway commission's plan to pay the street railway commission for the use of the street railway commission's property, and the fact that the council has authorized the street railway commission to pay the street railway commission for the use of the street railway commission's property, are all matters which are of a rare atmosphere.

It is the truth. All fools' day has particular significance for those who buy oil stock or refuse to pay their income tax. Our profound sympathy goes out to our neighbor who a few days ago returned a snow shovel and borrowed a lawn mower. A restaurant was dynamited in Oklahoma and no doubt several steaks were badly bent. A DUMBELL is a nonentity who reckons that a radio fan is something to keep a receiving set cool.

April showers bring the May flowers, but April snow makes our language flow. Post Bill reports that the squirrels are laying in lots of nuts this year in preparation for a hard winter. TIMELY HINTS. Never fall for an April fool gag or the guy that offers to give you a jag.

Margot defines love as the conviction that it is easier to keep house than type out letters. Our idea of a born gambler is a man who lets his wife buy his neckties and shirts. Tax rate of 34.68 has been struck, but it hasn't struck a responsive note in our pocketbook.

Witness is often asked to swear in court, but it comes natural after he has received his lawyer's bill. Doc Pep says he intends buying himself a rabbit farm, where he may live a hare-raising life.

NEWS BULLETIN. OTTAWA, April 1.—Now that the civil service threatens to become unyielding, Government officials are seeking means to placate the militant postmen. It is recommended as a boon to both parties and public that all bills be banned and that circulars be charged a surtax of 2 cents.

Air craft men in Britain have gone on strike and they say the whole service is up in the air. The instrument used to hear bugs talk is a microphone, but at times radio serves just as well. The world might be improved if Greeks would give shoes the same high polish that they give apples.

LONDONER RANKS HIGH AS ARTIST. Thomas L. Hunt Winning Distinguished Place in States. Thomas L. Hunt, son of J. P. Hunt, the dean of London artists, is winning a distinguished place for himself in the United States by a brush that promises to continue the local tradition of men and women whom the graces have endowed with unusual talents.

VOLUME OF BUILDING IN ONTARIO WILL BE LARGE. During March in Ontario, building contracts were awarded to a value of \$5,745,000. Among the more important projects were an apartment house at Walkerville to cost \$175,000; High Park Methodist Sunday school at Toronto to cost \$100,000; Delinton Methodist Church, Toronto, \$140,000; addition to Imperial Life offices, Toronto, \$350,000; high school at Mimico, \$100,000; high school at Richmond Hill, \$100,000; addition to Midland Grain Elevator Co., Ltd., elevator at Midland, \$50,000; addition to St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, \$140,000; and a new sewage system at Long Branch to cost \$100,000.

EXHIBITION OF WATER COLORS. George Chavignand, the well-known Toronto artist, has opened an exhibition of his fine water color. At John A. Nash's jewelry store. All those who are interested in art are cordially invited.

SAYS LONDONERS GOT NO SPILLS

U. A. Buchner Denies Rumors About Home Bank.

ALLEGED BIG COMMISSION

Names of Those Benefiting Will Be Made Known.

Although Dame Rumor has it that the \$55,000 in funds of the Home Bank, a portion of which is alleged to have been paid in commissions to certain un-known parties, was paid to Londoners, U. A. Buchner, local representative of the Home Bank Depositors' Association, denied that there was any truth in the story.

"There is no indication whatever that anyone in London received even a portion of this amount which, as yet, cannot be accounted for," he declared today. "It was established some time ago that the late manager of the Home Bank, James Mason, received \$12,000 and F. H. Richardson also got his share of the spoils when he received some \$13,000, but although efforts have been made to disclose where the remaining \$55,000 went, the officials are as yet in the dark. Certainly, none of the officials, nor myself, believe that Londoners were in on the deal," he stated.

So far as he, or any of the other officials, know, the \$55,000 might just as well have vanished in the air, so he asserted. A story from Toronto intimated, however, that the party or parties who received this sum of money were known, but the names of them would not be made public until a statement is issued by either the attorney-general or H. D. L. Gordon, his auditor and a member of the firm of G. T. Clark, liquidator of the Home Bank.

CITY CHOIRS TO STAGE FESTIVAL

Organists' Club Will Bring Singers Together.

GIVE PROGRAM ON MONDAY

Musical Treat Ought To Attract Big Audience.

It has been arranged for the choir festival to be held in Dundas Church on Monday, April 17. The first attempt at bringing together the various choirs of the city churches was made a few years ago under the auspices of the London Center of the Canadian College of Organists, commonly known as the Organists' Club. As this proved a great success, it is decided to make the festival an annual event. Not only is the musical treat to those who enjoy it, but it is also a good fund-raiser for the church.

Since the beginning of the 18th century this festival system has persisted. Its origin is shrouded in mystery, though serious attempts have been made to light up with an ancient quasi-religious festival, "The Feast of the Fool," for many years. It is now a first of January, before the revised calendar became effective, by the burlesque conception of "The Feast of the Fool."

Now, however, the accepted order of things demands that some asinine prank be played upon your fellowman. A telephone call means little to-day. A voice inquires as to whether you wish any fish, possibly because you have no bananas, or pulls the musty gag of acting as telephone inspector. A note upon your desk invites you to call a number, which turns out to be the insane asylum, or some other equally unpropitious institution. Prohibition has instituted the custom of leading the victim down a

MANY ENTRIES ALREADY FOR MUSICAL FESTIVAL. It is gratifying to the officials in charge of the second musical festival to note the number of choirs that are entering. The numbers are increasing daily. Up to March 28 there were over 3,000 individual competitors, with about 1,000 of these from outside Toronto. This number will be increased before the final closing date, as many more are expected. In fact, a much larger total was anticipated by this date, and it is the hope of the committee that this anticipation will be realized.

MUNICIPAL UNION IN FAVOR OF COAL BONUS. Executive Sends Letter Endorsing Request That Government Shoulder Cost. OTTAWA, April 1.—The annual meeting of the Union of Canadian Municipalities will be held on August 7 and following days at the City of Windsor, Ont. Applications for the convention were received at a meeting presided over by the executive here yesterday from Victoria, Fredericton and Edmonton, but the vote was substantially in favor of the suggestion of the City of London and other Western Ontario municipalities in favor of an Ontario provincial bonus of \$1 per ton on Alberta coal brought to Ontario to assist in developing the coal industry of Canada was regarded as in the national interest and the secretary was instructed to send a communication endorsing the request.

FIND CONVICTS SHOULD REALLY BE IN HOSPITAL. Psychiatrists Make Examination of Criminals in the Jails of Paris Region. PARIS, April 1.—Two eminent alienists, Drs. Marcel Briand and Raymond Mallet, have completed a psychiatric examination of the prisoners in the jails of the Paris region, undertaken at the request of the ministers of health and justice with remarkable results. They found that many persons, especially those convicted on frequent offenses, were apparently suffering from mental troubles and that they should be cared for in some place other than a jail. The doctors recommended that the investigation be extended to all the prisons of France.

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START FUND FOR FREELAND. TORONTO, March 31.—The Board of Control at a special meeting to-day decided to open a public fund for the purpose of raising sufficient money to provide an annuity for the widow and children of the late Herbert Freeland, the young war veteran, killed last week in saving the lives of a woman and her two children when they were in danger from a runaway horse.

WILTON GROVE ALERTS HOLD EXCELLENT SOCIAL. In spite of the almost impassable roads, one of the best socials of the season was held in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church, Westminster, on Friday night. The Arcadian orchestra, of London, gave numbers which were enthusiastically appreciated and a real pleasure to a large and enthusiastic audience.

TECH. STUDENTS OPEN EXHIBIT. Three-Day Display of Work Proves Real Attraction. CHEMISTRY DEMONSTRATION. All Departments of School Open To Inspection. At 7.30 this evening the London Technical School begins a three-day exhibition of students' work which will be visited by thousands of citizens. Features of the exhibit will be demonstrations in the chemical laboratory on a scale not hitherto attempted in Ontario, corridors lined with examples of student manufacture and a typewriting exhibit in the commercial department. The new wing recently added to the Technical School plant will be open to inspection.

Aged and Friendless Are Calling To You



Fake Phone Calls and Other Venerable Gags Mark All Fools' Day

School Teachers Spend Particularly Trying Day and Nearly Everyone Falls a Victim To At Least One Wheeze From the Jokers. With a half hundred ingenious little demons to keep an eye on all day, April Fool's Day is not to be too lightly regarded and its departure is heralded with a sigh of immense relief. The main idea is to get to school early on April Fool's Day. Only a daisy would be late on this day of days, for there is much to be done and us men must be up and doing. There is the strap to be stolen from the desk and properly secured. Cobblers' wax on the teacher's chair can be depended on to work wonders of mischief. The ink bottle must be treated with generous quantities of chalk dust.

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Principal Beal and Headmaster Hone believe that the exhibition to be opened to-night is the best ever prepared by a technical school in this province, and it is certain that it will eclipse any previous effort on that line in Western Ontario.

To-day's program will be in the hands of the day students and an interesting section will be devoted to what is termed an educational clinic where parents may consult teachers on the progress made by pupils and secure advice as to their future course of study.

Floor by floor, the various departments will be opened to inspection, and in each there will be novel and worthwhile displays of work perfected. The woodworking department will be especially interesting in that equipment for the public school, attempted this year for the first time, will be on display.

In the household science department the practical value of the courses will be exemplified in exhibits of home canning, baking and preserving. Dressmaking and millinery displays are particularly good this year and the models exhibited seem to indicate that the continuance of Paris as the world's fashion capital is threatened.

Machines shop work will amuse as well as please, and the electrical department has several exhibits of the highest merit. Parties of visitors will be escorted through the building and shown every courtesy. Attendants will explain the various features and call attention to special exhibits.

TECUMSEH BARRACKS BEING DISPOSED OF. Buildings That Sheltered Men During and After War Being Sold. Tecumseh Barracks, that during the later years of war sheltered thousands of Western Ontario men before their proceeding overseas or on their return are being sold. The first barrack has already been disposed of, and it is expected that the remainder will be purchased shortly. Within a few weeks the last of them will have been removed.

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WILL LECTURE HERE ON BRIGHT'S DISEASE

Dr. John Tomrie, of Edinburgh, is an Authority On Subject.

Dr. John Tomrie, of the Edinburgh Medical School, now visiting the United States as a guest of distinguished surgeons in the neighboring republic, will be the guest of local physicians on April 17, when he will speak, it is believed, on the diagnosis and treatment of Bright's disease, in which field he is held to be one of the world's greatest masters.

Dr. Tomrie, like so many other members of the medical profession in the United Kingdom during the war, gave his services freely in the cause of Russia. He served both in France and in Italy.

Dr. Tomrie, a member of the famous Edinburgh medical faculty, his coming to London on April 17 will be the first visit from a faculty member of that institution in many years and it is certain that he will be greeted by physicians and surgeons from all over Western Ontario.

BANDAGED WIFE ACCUSES SPOUSE. Mrs. Roxie Smith Alleges Her Beloved Swat Her. CAME HERE TO REGAIN CHILD. Claims Romantic Walk Ended In Display of Fisticuffs.

Her head swathed in bandages which covered alleged injuries received when her husband struck her while the couple were walking near the Dundas street bridge yesterday, Mrs. Roxie Smith, who present abode is said to be in Windsor, appeared in court today to testify against her husband, George William Smith, charged with unlawful assault occasioning actual bodily harm. Smith was remanded until to-morrow on the request of Albert Murphy, his counsel, whose desire it is to secure evidence regarding the former good character of the accused.

Mrs. Smith, petite and pretty, came to London for the purpose of securing the custody of a child of the couple, according to information she gave the police. Yesterday she and her husband went for a walk and it is said that Smith asked her for her present address. She is said to have given him a fictitious address which he knew to be wrong and it is alleged that Smith set upon her, striking her in the face with his fist.

BOY FALLS TO DEATH WHILE WATCHING TUGS. ST. JOHNS, Nfld., April 1.—While watching steam tugs salvaging five schooners which had been torn from their moorings in the harbor, George Hunt, aged 8, was instantly killed on Sunday at Bay Roberts when he fell over a precipice. The schooner which the youth was watching had been driven from their moorings in Bay Roberts by the storm, but were successfully towed to safe anchorage at Harbor Grace.

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ST. GEORGE'S TO BANQUET APRIL

National Day of Englishmen To Be Celebrated Here.

CHURCH PARADE ON SATURDAY

Local Society Will Mark 50th Anniversary.

Marking the 50th anniversary of their founding, St. George's Society in London will hold a banquet at the Tecumseh House on Wednesday, April 23, which is the national day of the English race. For that event the committee, arranged for that event, has arranged around the banquet to install a radio.

St. George's Day during the war became doubly hallowed in the second Empire, in which the Canadian troops played so glorious a part in the memorable attack on Zeebrugge and the royal navy which effected the capture of the port which the Germans had used as a submarine base.

FRUIT IN CAKE. Fruit should be well-floured and added to the cake batter. It will sink to the bottom of the loaf.

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