BEACH RESIDENTS FOR HYDROLIZATION

At Enthusiastic Meeting Request Ontario Commission to Take Action at Once.

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 26.—Amid a scene of tremendous enthusiasm for the hydrolization plans of Sir Adam Beck and with bitter reproaches for the Dominion Power and Transmission Company, which was compared to the kaiser in its treatment of the people, Beach residents, at a mass meeting Saturday night, unanimously passed a resolution of sympathy with the Hydro movement and requested that the Ontario commission take immediate action with a view of providing a service as soon as possible.

Every angle of the situation was reviewed, and among the speakers were Willoughby Ellis, Hydro commissioner; Col. J. Grafton, Beach commissioner; Gordon Nelson, Hydro commissioner; Controller G. Halcrow; James Creeks, Beach commissioner, and Charles D. Nash. The presiding officer was W. F. Montague.

Previous to the meeting it had been rumored that the corporation would be requested to operate the Beach line under the direction of one of the subsidiary companies that "was not losing money and would not have to end its day in the exchequer court of Canada." Nothing of the kind happened, however, and when any reference was made to the Gibsonites, it was only to condemn them for their tactics in trying to use the "big club" as a means of increasing the fares. The sympathy of the gathering was entirely in favor of the plans of Sir Adam Beck and it was apparent that the dwellers on the strip of sand had forever washed their hands of the corporation.

W. Ellis, the first speaker, briefly outlined the present situation and the hold-up tactics of the corporations deprived residents of the Beach and Burlington of radial service. He referred to the plans of Sir Adam Beck and suggested that the residents wait until the Hydro bylaw passed in Hamilton or the franchise of the corporation had expired in order to make the capitalists show their hand.

Want the Hydro.

This suggestion of the commissioner was received with applause, and a voice from the audience shouted: "We want the Hydro and we don't want to deal with the company."

"I cannot forgive the company for its action in discontinuing the service," said Colonel Grafton.

"I want to be fair, but I have to speak of people as I find them. I cannot say a good word for the company, which deliberately broke its agreement with the Beach committee."

Rounds of applause greeted the assertion of Gordon Nelson that the company could be compared to the kaiser. "The company took kaiser-like action in its dealing with the people and now it's got to toe the mark," vigorously asserted Mr. Nelson.

Compare With Kaiser.

"You are not flattering the kaiser when you compare him with that bunch in the Dominion Power and Transmission Company," shouted a Hydro enthusiast in the front row, and cries of "hear, hear," gave endorsation to the remark.

That he would do all in his power to further the Hydro movement, was the statement of Controller Halcrow, who declared that he was for "public ownership" every time.

There was not a dissenting voice when the resolution, which moved and seconded by Messrs. Jones and Bellin, was passed with the object of having the Hydro take immediate action for the purpose of giving the Beach a service and also writing "finis" to the operations of the corporation over the strip of sand.

HAMILTON NEWS

Hamilton, Jan. 26.—Sir Adam Beck will explain the Hydro scheme for an electric line via Toronto and Hamilton to Niagara Falls at a meeting of the city council tonight.

Nominations for men to fill the vacant seats in the Burlington Town Council will take place tonight.

City officials and representatives of the patriotic associations will hold a conference at the city hall this afternoon to consider the project of establishing a children's home for the children of soldiers killed in the war and children whose parents died during the influenza.

A very enthusiastic welcome was given to a party of nearly 100 war veterans which reached here today. Most of them crossed the Atlantic on the Empress of Britain. The Salvation Army band took part in the reception.

Three churches had special services today. Rev. C. C. Waller, principal of Huron College, London, preached in Christ's Church Cathedral. F. F. McPherson spoke on the "League of Nations," at Wesley Methodist Church. Rev. S. Cleaver, of Toronto, addressed the congregation at the First Methodist Church. At St. Giles' Presbyterian Church, St. Andrew's Benevolent Society held a commemorative service.

The Salvation Army has received total subscriptions of about $50,000 in its red shield drive here, with the returns not yet completed.

Dr. S. Banks Nelson gave an illustrated lecture, entitled "Scotland and the Scotch," in the Knox Church school room on Saturday afternoon.

SCORE'S DEMOBILIZATION SPECIALS IN SUITINGS.

Returned men will find just this advantage in ordering a suit of clothes to measure at Score's, and that is a genuine reduction of $7.00 to $10.00 off the regular marked prices. As Mr. Frank Score, the president, says to every soldier who orders a suit: "You are entitled to the best, and this is the way we are taking to show that we believe what we say." Special Irish Serge Suitings, guaranteed Indigo dyed, at $45.00; and genuine Scotch tweeds at $40.00. R. Score & Sons, Limited, Tailors and Haberdashers, 77 King St. West.

Woodgreen Tabernacle Church held a special service for the returned soldiers of the congregation, and other soldiers in the district last night. The preacher of the evening was Rev. Dr. T. E. Bartley, who spoke on "The Glad Hand to Returned Soldiers."

William Hinks, a driver for the Verall Cartage Company, had his left leg fractured Saturday afternoon when a large coil of barbed wire fell on him. Hinks lives at 69 Portland street. He was removed to St. Michael's Hospital.

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RIVERDALE

PAPE AVENUE CAR LINE.

Ald. Honeyford has been active in connection with the completion of the Pape avenue car line, and has received reports from Commissioner Harris and the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board. The Ontario Railway Board state in their report that they would like to have the Pape avenue line completed this year, as they find very many overcrowded cars on the Broadview and Parliament lines, notwithstanding the Bloor cross-town line, which was expected to relieve the traffic. The board also points out that it has had to deal with two unwilling parties (the city and the Toronto Railway Co.), "whose sympathies toward this extension are anything but enthusiastic," and they suggest that it might be wise for the people of North Riverdale to turn their attention to one or both of these unwilling parties.

Commissioner Harris points out that as soon as the Toronto Railway Co. are in a position to lay the steel the city will be able to proceed with their portion of the work. Ald. Honeyford intends to organize a deputation to appear before the Ontario Railway Board in the near future in order to obtain relief.

Rev. Lawrence Hunter of the Guelph Presbytery has accepted the call to North Riverdale Presbyterian Church, Pape avenue, and arrangements will be made at the next meeting of the Toronto Presbytery for his induction.

Rev. Mr. Hunter will remain in the Guelph Presbytery until Feb. 23.

Chalmers Church called Rev. Scott Fulton of Simcoe recently in place of Rev. J. W. Woodside, called to Ottawa.

PIONEER METHODIST DIES.

Orlando Gammond, one of Toronto's pioneer Methodists, died in the High Park Sanitarium last Saturday evening from heart trouble and other complications, after an illness of ten days. Mr. Gammond had resided for thirty years at 155 Langley avenue, where he moved from Berkeley street. When he moved to Langley avenue there was no Methodist church in the vicinity, and Mr. Gammond, in co-operation with several other Methodists in the district, started a mission on East Gerrard street. The congregation of this meeting house practically formed the nucleus of the present Simpson Avenue Methodist Church. He was a member of Torbay L.O.L. No. 361, and is survived by his widow, Margaret A.; two sons, Mell C. and Irving H., and one daughter, Mrs. S. J. Martin, all of Toronto.

Imperial Lodge, A.F. & A.M., will hold their annual reunion and social at Riverdale Masonic Temple this evening. W.M. Bro. Crosby will president. The present membership of the lodge is 150.

Under the auspices of the women of the church, a congregational tea was given at Rhodes Avenue Presbyterian Church, East Gerrard street, on Saturday. The large building was packed to capacity with members and their friends, and 25 tables were set out for the visitors, in charge of the following members of the committee: Mrs. H. A. Berlis, Mrs. White, Mrs. Marsh, Mrs. Crone, Mrs. Manchester, Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Mc-Tavish, Miss Alexander, the Misses Macdonald and Mrs. Macdonald, Mrs. Brunton, Mrs. Blythe, Mrs. Courtney, Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Square and Mrs. Young.

A musical program was contributed by J. McCallum, L. Miller, M. Alcock, J. Marshall, Mrs. Glenie, Mrs. Eyelet and Miss Macdougal, elocutionist.

Miss Young presided at the piano. The social was the first since the declaration of peace, and was one of the most successful and enjoyable events ever held in the parish.

Members of the East End Citizens' Committee expressed their satisfaction at the slight reduction in the price of coal, brought about thru the efforts of The World.

George R. Ellis, on behalf of the organization, said: "The prices demanded for fuel in Toronto are not justified, and great credit is due to The World for the stand taken on behalf of the people, and in bringing down the price of coal by 50 cents a ton. However, the price is still $1.50 a ton higher than in Hamilton, and the citizens should back up The World in its championship of the rights of the citizens."

Pte. Arthur Mullen, C.E.F., Gladstone avenue, returned to his home yesterday after three years overseas. Pte. Mullen, who is married and has four little children, was wounded in the foot about two years ago in France. He is a brother of L. W. Mullen, president of the Riverdale Ratepayers' Association.

Showing a list of 75 members of the congregation, an honor roll was unveiled before the crowded church in the Broadview Congregational Church last night. The unveiling ceremony was performed by two returned soldiers, Pte. B. H. Dickson, P.P.C.L.I., and Pte. Harold Norwich of the 170th Battalion. In addition to the 75 names on the roll, it is shown that 18 of the men named were wounded, while an additional eight were killed in action. The tablet was dedicated by Rev. Dr. W. T. Gunn, general secretary of the Congregational Churches.

EARLSCOURT

SCHOOLS OVERCROWDED.

The need of domestic science and manual training in the schools of Earlscourt is engaging the attention of citizens in this section as well as the parents of the children. In addition to this there is a lack of accommodation in the Earlscourt Public School, North Dufferin street, and it is here that both teachers and pupils are complaining.

In this school there are seventeen classrooms and an insufficiently and poorly ventilated kindergarten with an enrolment of 900, the average number in these rooms being over fifty. Teachers say that children are being daily refused admittance because there is no room for them. For manual training and domestic science, boys and girls are sent to Kent School and to get there, four street cars have to be taken, which is most unsatisfactory, both to the pupils and parents. In the senior third and junior fourth classes, are 86 boys and girls receiving no instruction whatever in manual training and domestic science. In the Regal Road School there are 240, and in the Hughes School are 80 children who are losing the opportunity of instruction in these two important subjects.

At St. Chad's Church, North Dufferin street, Earlscourt, Sunday morning, the rector, Rev. A. J. Reid, referred to the recent publicity given to the so-called messages from the dead and condemned the use of ouija boards and he said the whole thing savored of the devil. Mr. Reid pleaded for unity in the churches and preached a sermon from St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians: The spirit of unity in the bond of peace. He said that a movement was on foot to form an entente among the ancient churches of the east with the object of bringing them into the Church of England, which he said was broad enough for all.

The Earlscourt Central Methodist Church Men's Own Brotherhood had for their speaker on Sunday afternoon, H. Okes, traveling secretary of the Law and Enforcement League, who is also chairman of the committee of 100.

Mr. Okes dwelt on what is known as Christian civilization, in which he showed that this country was anything but Christian as a whole, that the spirit of selfishness was too apparent in our every day life. Inordinate grabbing after wealth had made men narrow, and grasping, and until we realized the true meaning of unselfishness there would be no understanding or conception of Christian civilization. Musical arrangements were in charge of George Willis, and the men's orchestra was in attendance.

Sergt. Robert Megaw, 18th Battalion, C.F.A., who has relatives in Earlscourt, was one of the arrivals on the Olympic on Saturday and received a hearty welcome at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, 211 Jarvis street. Sergt. Megaw was employed in the assessor's office in Regina, when the war broke out and immediately enlisted, was one of the first contingent to get to the front and was wounded four times, the last a few weeks before the armistice was signed. He has been gassed and also wounded in the knee from shrapnel and was the only member of the gun crew saved when a German shell dropped into their dug-out, killing every man but Megaw. He wears the four service stripes. He was promoted to sergeant for meritorious work on active service. His brother, Rev. Wesley Megaw was former assistant minister at Cooke's Church, and is now minister of Stewarton Presbyterian Church, Ottawa, and a chaplain in the Canadian forces. Before leaving Ireland for Canada, Megaw says the Sinn Feiners were the laughing stock of the country. One of their placards read as follows: We want whiskey at a halfpenny a pint, and beer at a farthing a quart!

STOUFFVILLE

DEATH OF R. A. STIVER.

Reuben A. Stiver, a former well-known resident of Unionville, and who, for the past six months has resided in Stouffville, passed away suddenly on Saturday morning in that village, following a stroke on Friday. The late Mr. Stiver had been in good health and spirits up to within a few hours of the attack and the news of his sudden death came as a great shock to scores of people in Markham Township, where he was widely known and highly esteemed.

The late Mr. Stiver was born on the homestead on the farm a short distance north of Unionville, where his father, the late Robert Stiver, was a successful farmer. For some time he was engaged in mercantile life, but for a number of years had lived in comparative retirement in Unionville. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and one of the board of local managers, and was an enthusiastic member of the Unionville Lawn Bowling Club and the winner of many trophies. He was for many years on the audit board of Markham Township.

The late Mr. Stiver, who was 64 years old, is survived by his widow. Interment will take place in the Unionville Lutheran Cemetery this afternoon, the funeral cortege leaving his late residence in Stouffville at one o'clock.

DANFORTH

On behalf of the Methodist missionary campaign, Rev. E. B. Lanceley, Central Church, preached at the morning service in Hope Methodist Church, Danforth avenue, yesterday. E. F. McFarlane, Eglinton, officiated in the evening. There were large congregations at both services.

A well-attended men's banquet in connection with Danforth Methodist Church was held in the school room, Danforth avenue, recently. Over 150 sat down to an enjoyable menu, and Ald. W. W. Hiltz presided.

P. J. Lee spoke on "The Challenge to the Church," and the musical program was rendered by the members. Among those present were Rev. R. J. D. Simpson, pastor.

A choir social was held in Danforth Methodist Church school room, Danforth avenue, recently. John Seccombe occupied the chair in the absence of C. M. Passmore, leader, who was called to New York owing to the death of a relative.

Milton Gilroy, convener, had charge of the arrangements, and an enjoyable time was spent by the large gathering in attendance.

Rev. A. B. Quinten, of China, was the preacher at the morning service in Danforth Methodist church yesterday. The preacher dwelt on the work of the Methodist missions in China, and his observations during 20 years' missionary work in the Chinese Empire.

Rev. C. E. Manning, secretary of home missions, spoke at the evening service on home mission problems. There was a large attendance. Rev. R. J. D. Simpson, pastor, assisted at both services.

The annual vestry meeting in connection with St. Barnabas' Church, Danforth avenue, has been postponed until Thursday evening owing to the wardens being out of the city.

The Bishop of Toronto will be in attendance at next Sunday's services at St. Barnabas' Church.

RICHMOND HILL

The York county branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture held a two-day demonstration Thursday and Friday at Richmond Hill for the purpose of giving instruction to tractor and gas engine owners in the county. A large number of farmers from all parts of the district attended each session. The course was arranged by J. C. Steckley, assisted by V. R. Halliday, Toronto, and A. W. St. John, Beaverton. General principles of gas engines and battery ignition were the subjects discussed on Thursday afternoon and magneto ignition was taken up at the evening lecture. Friday morning was devoted to a demonstration with a cross section of a gas engine and the study of an engine in operation. The Friday afternoon lecture was perhaps the most interesting of all as it dealt with the operation and care of gas engines and engine trouble. Everyone attending the course paid tribute to Mr. Steckley's ability for organization.

SWANSEA

A meeting of the Swansea Ratepayers' Association will be held in the public school, Swansea, shortly, when the matter of fire protection and the organization of a fire brigade will be discussed. D. J. McBeath, president, will preside.

Thomas Sinclair, a G.T.R. baggageman, was arrested Saturday night by Detective Cronin charged with stealing a case of eggs.

FIGHT IN SIBERIA IS GUERILLA KIND

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be mostly taking care of the line, installing guards at the various large towns, and keeping supplies forwarded to the various combatant and Red Cross units in the interior.

Altho the history of the present campaign in Siberia has already been published piecemeal, a brief summary of the operations may prepare Canadian readers for future reports of the Canadian work on this front.

When Aid Arrived.

Early in August last active allied intervention in the Russian far east began. The British and French detachments were first to arrive, the former being a regiment from Hongkong. The Japanese under General Kikuzo Otani arrived at Vladivostok August 4, and General Otani took over the command of the allied forces on August 18. Americans from the Philippines arrived on August 13 and 16. Major-General W. S. Graves, G.O.C. the American contingent, reached this port on September 4, with another strong force. Since that time Italian, British, Canadian and other forces, notably Czechs, have arrived.

Open Line to Urals.

The first move was against the Bolsheviki forces operating on the Ussuri River in the Amur line, north of Vladivostok. Japanese and British drove the enemy north, finally capturing the naval base at Khabarovsk and capturing 17 gunboats and 120 guns. The enemy had held Chita, the important railway centre where the Manchurian line from Harbin is joined by the Amur line. Consequently the Czechs operating eastward from European Russia under Gen. Gaida were isolated from Vladivostok. Finally the Czechs, working east from Lake Baikal, met a force of Japanese and Cossacks working up from Harbin and captured Chita, thus opening the line to the Urals. So far then as hostile interruption is concerned at the present time the line is open to Europe. The situation thruout the entire country is, however, baffling. The Bolshevik idea has gained a deep hold on the Russian people and quelling it is like fighting a bog fire—it breaks out again behind the fire fighters in the most unexpected places. The country is full of arms since the disorganization of the old Russian army. At the beginning of the war Russia had two and one-half million rifles and she obtained from Britain six million more. Only a fraction of these have been accounted for. A similar story may be told of machine guns and field guns. As long as the Bolsheviki remain in possession of great quantities of arms and ammunition they will be dangerous to peace and good government.

WIRELESS CONFERENCE MEETS.

Paris, Jan. 26.—The inter-allied wireless telegraph and signal corps conference convened here today at the ministry of foreign affairs, the United States, Great Britain, France and Italy being represented. Today's session was a preliminary one. The conference probably will continue for a week or ten days.

Conspired to Slay Lloyd George; Now Released at His Request

London, Jan. 26.—The home secretary, at the request of the prime minister, has decided to order the release on license of Alfred and Winnifred Mason, convicted in February, 1917, of conspiracy to murder the prime minister.

Bolsheviki Trying to Raise Army of Two Million Men

London, Jan. 26.—Travelers reaching Copenhagen and Bergen from northern Russia, according to advices received here, say that the Bolsheviki are attempting to raise an army of two million men for a campaign in South Russia in the spring.

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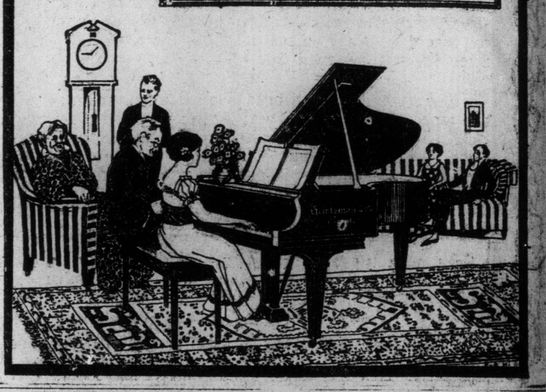

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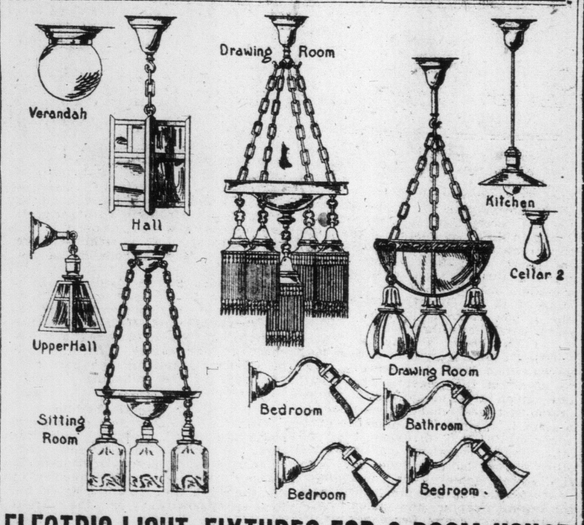

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