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LONDON MEDICAL STUDENTS TAKE HIGH PLACES IN COMPETITION WITH BEST OF THE WHOLE CONTINENT

W. W. Morrison First and L. Pritchett Fourth in Exam at Bellevue Hospital, New York, For Post-Graduate Course.

W. W. MORRISON.

L. PRITCHETT.

The Western University Medical College has just acquired a fine new feather for its cap in the form of a report which has arrived this morning from New York of the standing taken by two of the fifth-year students in examinations held last week at Bellevue Hospital, New York. Last Wednesday (Christmas Day), Wallace W. Morrison, and Leonard Pritchett, members of two well-known South London families, and fifth-year students of high standing in the Western Medical College, went down to New York to write on competitive examinations at Bellevue Hospital. Out of a class of 29 writing on the examination to qualify for post-graduate courses, including students from the most famous American university medical colleges, Harvard, Yale, Johns Hopkins, Cornell, Columbia, and Alabama, both London students not only passed successfully, but Morrison took first place, and Pritchett fourth place.

Dr. Nannack, head of the hospital, congratulated the London boys not only on the high stand taken by themselves, but upon the splendid showing made by their college. Morrison has been leading in his class this year, and Pritchett standing about third.

ROTARIANS ALL INDIGNANT OVER TREATMENT OF RETURNED MEN

Pass Resolution Urging Government To Give Heroes Every Care.

BYLAWS ARE SUPPORTED

Mayor Urges Members to Help Pass Medical School Provision.

By a unanimous vote, the Rotary Club, at its regular luncheon in the Tecumseh House at noon today, passed a resolution authorizing the executive committee to address to the minister of militia a letter expressing the club's intense indignation at the treatment accorded returning soldiers on their way from England to Canada, and urging on the Government the necessity of taking every possible care to see that such men be brought back to this country under at least reasonably comfortable conditions.

The matter was mentioned first by Rotarian Rev. H. H. Bingham, who referred to the fact that every now and again complaints were made by men returning from overseas of insanitary conditions on board ship, bad and insufficient food and inadequate accommodation. He said he could not express sufficiently strong his feeling that such things ought not to be. The men who had fought on the battlefronts and had endured all kinds of hardships should be given the best possible care on their way back to their homes. He moved that the minister of militia be memorialized on the subject.

Many Complaints.

The motion was seconded by Ald. F. E. Harley, who said that, as chairman of the reception committee of the soldiers' aid commission, he had heard many complaints such as had been mentioned.

W. A. Saunders suggested that the letter to the minister of militia should contain a statement of the club's feeling of indignation. Someone suggested that the Government might not be at fault, and that an expression of indignation, therefore, might be amiss. However, Mr. Saunders pointed out that the indignation was expressed at the fact that the boys had been badly treated, and that it was not directed specifically at the Government. The motion, with Mr. Saunders' suggestion embodied in it, was then put and carried.

The Mayor's Quip.

Mayor C. R. Somerville, who was introduced by President F. Jewell as the speaker of the day, was greeted with a tremendous outburst of hand-clapping as he rose. He suggested that a mistake had been made in making him the speaker of the day at a Rotary Club banquet. Mayors were never good speakers, he said; if they were they could get a better job than being mayor.

This was the time of year, he said, when all should get rid of useless encumbrances and start the new year with a determination to make it an effective and prosperous one. The result of the forthcoming civic elections would have a distinct bearing on the year's record. Among the most important things to be voted on were a number of bylaws. The speaker was in favor of all those involving patriotic grants, and especially of that one for a grant of $5,000 to the Navy League. It was a wonderful fact that, during the war, never a ship was ready to sail from Great Britain but there was a crew to man it. These men and their dependents deserved our eternal gratitude.

No Argument Needed.

With reference to the medical school bylaw, said the mayor, he could not see that there was any need of argument. If the city did its part in regard to the Western University further support might be expected from the Provincial Government, but governments were most likely to help those who helped themselves. Bricks and mortar were not important in themselves, but the existence of good buildings was a distinct advantage, in that they provided tangible evidence of substantiality when provincial assistance was being asked.

It had been evident for some time, the speaker continued, that opposition to the bylaw was being organized by a clique. It was hard to "get at" this clique, but the members of the club could do much to offset its activities by trying to get out a big vote on Wednesday. They could use their automobiles to good effect in this connection.

In closing the mayor made reference to the remarkable exploits of the Canadian troops during the last few months of the war. From August 8 until November 11, the day on which the armistice was signed, they had pushed forward steadily and had made a record never before equalled by any army of its size. They had taken part in three real battles, Amiens, Cambrai and Mons, and that time, and had actually entered Mons on the day of the armistice.

Constitution Amended.

W. H. Martin, chairman of the nominating committee, made a suggestion, which was embodied in a motion and approved, that the constitution be amended in such a way as to permit of the primary ballot system being used in electing directors. He pointed out that in the past members of the nominating committee, in their modesty, had not allowed any of their own names to go before the club for election, and because of this probably some good material had been lost to the board of directors.

Under the system which the club decided to adopt, a primary ballot sheet will be sent to each member and eight directors will be elected. These eight directors will appoint their own president and vice-president. Another suggestion made by Mr. Martin was that the top four men in the poll should be elected for two years and the other four for one year. Each year thereafter only four would be elected, insuring always the presence on the board of directors of at least four experienced members. This also was carried in the form of a resolution.

The president referred to the Rotary Club's Red Cross campaign, which is to commence next week. Capt. Jack Watt, chairman of one of the teams, stated that he would be ready to make a report on this matter at the next meeting.

The president also mentioned that the club had been asked to do something toward providing a sun room for the Salvation Army Rescue Home. Lieut.-Col. W. M. Gartshore suggested that, as some rooms at the home were for paying patients, members might help by sending their wives there. President Jewell then named Col. Gartshore as chairman of a committee to raise $150 for the purpose mentioned.

Just before calling upon Mayor Somerville for an address the president referred to the fact that the new year, when new leaves were usually turned over, was near at hand, and he suggested that the members of the club could not do better than start the new year right by attending Rev. Mr. Bingham's church in a body next Sunday. Anyone coming late, he said, would be fined 10 cents, the proceeds to be given to Mr. Bingham. Someone moved that all the members go late, and Mr. Bingham promptly rose to second the motion, but it was not put to the meeting.

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NO EXCITEMENT IS EVIDENCED AROUND CITY OVER ELECTION

Less Interest Shown This Year Than Usual.

Not for years has there been as little excitement in city hall circles regarding the municipal elections as this year. At least this is the opinion one hears echoing from the ground floor to the council chamber in the building from which the government of the city is directed.

At the meetings which have been held, there has been little interest shown in the work of the council for this year or in the promises of the new candidates. No elector has taken enough interest in the municipal affairs to even criticize anyone of the city daddies for his work or lack of it as the elector himself may determine. This state of affairs is deplored by the aldermen who are seeking re-election, as they say if the citizens would offer some criticism it would indicate that their work was being noticed.

Another meeting, which will probably be the last of the series, will be held in Pottersburg School this evening for the discussion of civic questions. Some of the residents of the east end of the city promise a livelier meeting than any that has been held to date.

THINKS RELATIVES OF RETURNED MEN SHOULD GET MEALS

Ald. F. E. Harley Expresses His Opinion.

In connection with the reception given the returned men at Princess Avenue School yesterday, Alderman F. E. Harley says that if the relatives of the men were not allowed to sit down to dinner with the men on account of the shortage of food, it can be overlooked, even if it shows bad management.

If, however, the practice is to continue of feeding the men while their relatives, who may have travelled many miles to welcome them, are compelled to sit aside until the dinner is over, he thinks it is a raw deal to hand out to men who have fought in the trenches of France and Flanders.

Alderman Harley states that the story that appeared in the papers today regarding the statement of E. Lance, secretary of the S. A. C., in reference to the case, was not secured in an interview, but from casual conversation.

Y. W. C. A. GIRLS GIVE CHILDREN HAPPY TIME

A very happy time was spent by the members of the Y. W. C. A. Girls' Industrial Clubs, when a Christmas tree was prepared by them for many of the poor children of the city. The factories in which the members of the various clubs are employed donated useful articles to hang on the tree, which the club girls decorated and loaded with candies and oranges.

Invitations for the tree party were issued after consultation with various Sunday schools of the city, whence the children, who were otherwise apt to spend a rather joyless Christmas, were gleaned.

The winter term for the Y. W. C. A. swimming classes commences a week from Thursday, and special rates are being given until the 6th of February.

Another interesting event in the Y. W. C. A. world will take place on Monday next, when Miss Aldard of Detroit will address the "Y" Political Club.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS

DEATH OF R. CORRIN.

The death of Richard Corrin, 504 Bathurst street, occurred at an early hour this morning in his 73rd year. He was born in England, but came to this city when quite young. He is survived by his wife, Martha, and four sons, Richard of this city, William of Aubrey, Sask., and John and Robert with the Canadian forces in France. Two daughters also survive, Mrs. Chas. Hollins of this city, and Mrs. C. H. Sprague of Toronto. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

DEATH OF WILLIAM TAYLOR.

William Taylor, a retired farmer, died on Saturday at his home in London Township in his 70th year. He is survived by his wife, Ada, two daughters, Mrs. A. Sutton of Wilton Grove, Mrs. J. Clinton of Lambeth. One son, William Taylor, also resides at home. Alex. Taylor, a brother, and Miss Anne Taylor, a sister, reside in Lambeth.

The funeral will be held on Tuesday afternoon from the family residence, lot 54, concession 8, Westminster Township, to Scottsville Cemetery, at 2:30 o'clock.

FUNERAL OF JOSEPH MALLANEY.

The funeral of Joseph Mallaney, who died on Saturday afternoon at his home, 195 Oxford street, was held this morning to St. Peter's Cathedral, where requiem high mass was sung by Rev. Father Alfred Finn. The pallbearers were: J. Fairburn, M. Doyle, W. O'Rourke, J. Doyle, W. McCracken and J. Sullivan. Interment was made in St. Peter's Cemetery.

Joseph Mallaney was born in this city 63 years ago, and spent all his life here. He was a bachelor, and is survived by his sister, Mary, who is critically ill in St. Joseph's Hospital.

DIED IN HALIFAX.

Friends in this city have been notified of the death in Halifax of Canon Alfred Brown, formerly rector in Paris, Ont., who was a resident of the Diocese of Huron for a number of years.

Canon Brown has been superannuated for several years.

DEATH OF L. H. FREELAND.

The death of Leopold Howard Freeland occurred on Saturday at the residence of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Freeland, in his 36th year, from Spanish influenza. He was an only son.

The funeral was held this afternoon from the family residence, 711 Queen's avenue, at 2:30 o'clock. Interment was made in Woodland Cemetery.

DEATH OF EDMUND TANTON.

Edmund Tanton, for years a resident of London, died at Victoria Hospital on Sunday. He is survived by two sons, William H. at Strathroy and John of this city, and six daughters, Mrs. Alex. Berryhill of Port Hope, Mrs. R. Sproule of Toronto, Mrs. Joseph Hibbings and Mrs. Harry Owens of London, and the Misses Rhoda and Minnie at home.

The funeral will take place from the family residence in Broughdale on Thursday at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made in Woodland Cemetery.

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ACCLAMATION FOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

London Will Celebrate 100th Anniversary in Coming Year.

London township council was re-elected by acclamation this morning: James L. Robson, reeve; Thomas Clark, first deputy reeve; Edward Douglas, second deputy reeve; John Marshall and W. G. Taylor, councillors.

On motion of R. S. Douglas and R. Beamish, at the public meeting which was held immediately following the nominations, it was decided to hold the celebration in honor of the centenary some time during the coming year, and that the honor roll of the heroes be unveiled at the same time.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.
[Reported by Thomson & McKinnon.]

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
		Chicago, Dec. 30.		
Corn—				
Jan.	$1 43⅛	$1 43⅝	$1 41⅝	$1 41⅝
Feb.	1 38	1 39¾	1 37¾	1 38½
March	1 36⅝	1 37⅞	1 36¼	1 36⅞
May	1 37	1 37⅞	1 36¼	1 36⅝
Oats—				
Jan.	69⅝	69⅞	69¼	69⅝
Feb.	69⅝	70½	69⅝	70
March	70¼	70½	70	70
May	70⅝	70⅞	70¼	70¼

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.
[Reported by Edward Cronyn & Co.]

	Asked.	Bid.		Asked.	Bid.
			Toronto, Dec. 30.		
Ames, p.	67	..	Spanish, p.	19	18
Barcel.	12¾	12½	do pfd.	..	64
Brazilian	53½	52½	Stl Can.	64¼	63½
Burt, c.	75	72	do pfd.	..	94¼
do pfd.	90	..	Tor Ry.	58	..
C Bread.	23⅞	22¾	Tucketts	25	24
C Car.	29	28	Tw City	39¼	36
do pfd.	84	84	W Ry.	48	..
Cement.	67	66½	Banks—		
do pfd.	96	94½	Com rce.	..	202
C S L.	48½	47¾	Dom.	..	211
do pfd.	79	78¼	Hamilton	..	190
CGElec.	104	103	Imperial	203	202
C Loco.	64	63	Merch.	180	179
C Salt.	..	132	Montr'l.	216	215
C Dairy.	..	48	N Scotia	..	266
do pfd.	..	82	Ottawa	206	205
Confed.	300	..	Royal	..	213
C Smelt.	24¾	..	Stand	210	208
Cr Nest.	55	..	Toronto	193	192½
Dome.	1250	1200	Union	161	153
DStee'l	63	62¾	Loans—		
Dom Tel	50	..	C Land	148¾	..
Duluth.	41	..	C Perm.	..	165½
Mackay.	76	74	C Invest.	..	80
do pfd.	65	64¼	H Trust.	..	132
M Leaf	136¾	133	H & L.	..	102
do pfd.	98¾	98	do pfd.	..	190
Monarch	..	46	L Bank.	..	150
do pfd.	78	76	L & C.	126½	..
N S Car.	..	5	T Mort.	134	..
do pfd.	30	25	Bonds—		
Nipis'g	940	965	Abitibi	91	..
NSSteel	63½	..	C Bread.	..	91
P Burt.	34	..	C Loco.	90	85
do pfd.	77¾	..	D Iron.	..	85
Petrol.	1988	1925	Elec Dev	..	86
P Rico.	..	20	Hummers	..	80
do pfd.	81	..	Ontario.	..	76
Rogers.	49	..	Spanish.	..	85
do pfd.	83¾	..	War Loan.		
Russell.	75	..	1925...	..	96
do pfd.	75	..	1931...	..	98
Sawyer.	15	9	1937...	97¼	96¾
do pfd.	40	..	Victory Loan.		
S Wheat.	..	120	1922...	99⅞	98¾
			1927...	101	101½
			1937...	102	101½

MONTREAL STOCK SALES.

Montreal, Dec. 30.—Morning sales: Brazilian, 50 at 52½; Cements, 26 at 66½@67; Steamships, 210 at 48¾@48¾; Locomotive, 235 at 59; Dominion Steel, 145 at 62¾@62½; Dominion Textile, 125 at 100@100½; Maple Leaf, 275 at 135@136¼; Power, 80 at 88¾@87¾; Shawinigan, 85 at 115¼@115¾; Steel, 5 at 64¼; do, pfd., 25 at 96; St. Lawrence Flour, 335 at 95@96; Wayagamack, 626 at [illegible] @54½; Victory Bonds, A, $9,850 at 98½@99; do, B, $18,950 at 101@101½; do, C, $17,900 at 102.

STRATFORD MAN DIES.

STRATFORD, Dec. 29.—The death occurred in Toronto General Hospital Friday of Wilson Bain, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. William Bain, Fullarton. The young man, who lived at home, went to Toronto six weeks ago and was operated on for throat throuble. Since then he had been working in Toronto, and contracted influenza. His death is the first break in a family of eleven.

MOTOR CAR COLLAPSED.—While a motor car bearing the number 49191, which in the books of the Motor League is listed under the name of L. Turner, 274 Regent street, was crossing the Grand Trunk Railway tracks early this afternoon the rear wheels spread, dropping the body between the south tracks. No one was injured as a result of the accident, and the car was moved from its dangerous position before any of the railway's rolling stock passed over the spot where it has rested.

BOYS' ELECTIONS TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY; MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Board of Control Not Dropped By Them.

Other elections besides the municipal ones will be held in the city on New Year's Day. In these other elections there are eleven candidates for mayor, and a few more may yet enter the field. The electors are the boys who are taking the Canadian standard efficiency test. Every boy who is over 15 years of age is allowed to vote. The voting will be held at the Y.M.C.A. from 9:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

There is also a council and board of control to be elected. Aldermen are to be selected from each C. S. E. group, one alderman to represent every five boys in his group. The boy securing the highest number of votes will be mayor, and the four who are next highest will compose the board of control.

Nominees.

The following have been nominated to run for mayor: Kenneth Lindsay, King Street Presbyterian; William Torney, Centennial Methodist; Harold Richmond, Askin Street Methodist; Fred Beattie, St. Paul's Anglican; Walter Roberts, Y.M.C.A. Adanacs; Willard Beamer, Y.M.C.A. Owls; Stanley Winnett, Y.M.C.A. Owls; Milton Walker, Dundas Centre Methodist; Richard Winnett, Dundas Centre Methodist; Cyril Shaver, Hyatt Avenue, and George Henderson, Y.M.C.A.

Get Training.

The elected candidates for mayor, board of control and council will meet about once a month to aid in the carrying on of boys' work in the city. The meetings will be conducted on the same lines as those of the city council, so that the boys will get training in that respect, so that if some day they grow older and are elected to the city council, they will know how to "carry on." Tomorrow evening the mayoralty candidates will speak at the "Y."

ARE FREE TEXT BOOKS TO BE ISSUE THIS YEAR?

Will the question of free text books be a live issue in the city during the coming year? This is the question that is being asked in certain quarters of the city. It was agitated by the trades and labor council for some time, and it was dropped on account of the war. Now that the conflict has ended, murmurs are being heard among members of the labor body in reference to the matter being taken up again.

The question was asked of Thomas Rowe of the board of education by J. Dean of the trades and labor council this morning. Mr. Rowe had heard nothing before of the matter being again brought out for discussion this year, and would not express an opinion on the subject. It is understood that free text books in the public schools will be favored by many of the labor men of the city.

BISHOP IS MARRIED

A news item of interest in Anglican circles in the city and diocese is the announcement of the marriage of Rt. Rev. Henry Allen Gray, bishop of Edmonton, to Miss Wibbey of Toronto, which took place a few days ago in Winnipeg. The bishop of Edmonton was a visitor in the city a year ago and addressed a number of meetings in the city and throughout the diocese at that time in the interests of a missionary campaign. The bride was engaged in deaconess work in Edmonton for three or four years in connection with the pro-cathedral.

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LOCAL NEWS

RECTOR RESIGNS.—Word has been received from Clinton of the resignation of Rev. J. A. Robinson, rector of Clinton Parish. He purposes going to Toronto to take a special course in sociology in the university.

BACK FROM CHICAGO.—Dr. H. A. Knowles, campaign director of the Salvation Army, has just returned to this city from his home in Chicago, where he went for the Christmas holidays. Dr. Knowles is still feeling the effects of the injury which he sustained in the accident on the G. T. R. at Newbury.

MORE DONATIONS.—Mrs. A. T. Edwards was the recipient of a goodly sum of money towards the soldiers' Christmas dinner, the following donations being made to her: Woman's Canadian Club, $15; Miss Meredith, $5; Miss Jennie Berry, $5; Miss Louise M. Carling, $5; F. W. Coles, $5.

OLD FRIEND VISITS CITY.—William Fraser of Detroit spent the Christmas holidays in London. It is twenty years since he visited this city. On Friday he went to Port Stanley and called on many of his old friends. Many will remember "Billie" Fraser, when the Grand Trunk ran excursion trains to Port Stanley.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED.—Inquiries are still being received by Major H. W. Irwin of the local mobilization centre regarding the voluntary enlistment for home service in the mobile company, C.G.R. Major Irwin said that he could place all men who volunteered, providing that they come up to the qualifications.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AT HOME.—From 4 to 6 o'clock on New Year's afternoon, open house will be kept at the chamber of commerce headquarters in the Tecumseh House, invitations having been sent out by the president and directors. Refreshments will be served and there will be music during the "at home" hours.

NO RECRUITS YET.—Up to the present no recruits for the new mobile company to be raised here have been attested, according to a report from the mobilization centre. Several returned and discharged soldiers, however, have visited Major H. Irvine's office and have indicated an intention to re-enlist. Some of them are expected to attend for attestation this afternoon.

SOLDIERS ALL INVITED.—All soldiers in uniform and returned men are invited to a New Year's dinner to be provided by the Salvation Army, and to be served in the Salvation Army Hostel at the corner of York and Clarence street, free of charge. A Christmas dinner was served on Christmas day, which many of the soldiers who attended the affair said that they would never forget. Dr. H. A. Knowles and Col. J. Rawling are arranging the program.

KHAKI DANCE TUESDAY.—The regular weekly khaki dance which has been an institution with the Overseas Chapter, I. O. D. E., for the past two years, will be held on Tuesday evening this week as usual. Owing to the fact that it is New Year's Eve, and by special request, friends of the members are to be included this time even if they are in the "civies." During the war, the rule was that khaki constituted the only pasaport for a man. Music is to be furnished as usual by the Cortese orchestra.

OPEN HOUSE AT "Y."—New Year's Day will be "open-house day" at the Y.M.C.A. All parents, brothers and sisters of the members, in fact, the general public, are invited to visit the "Y" that day. The gymnasium will be open, and drills and games between the various classes and groups will be held. Chris. Butterworth, the swimming instructor, will give exhibitions. There will be at least two orchestras present, and refreshments will be served. The interior of the building is being decorated for the occasion. The hours for visitors will be from 2 o'clock until 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

SEVERELY WOUNDED, BUT CHEERY AND GRATEFUL

Pte. A. J. Greig Home Again After Strenuous Fighting Time.

Pte. Alex. J. Greig of Wiarton, a nephew of Mrs. Harry White and a brother of Miss Helen Greig of 430 English street, is one of the veterans of this war to return home recently, badly wounded, and is now in the Military Hospital. Pte. Greig enlisted in the early part of 1916 with the 160th (Bruce) Battalion, and was afterwards transferred to the 2nd C. M. R., machine gun section.

He was wounded on September 29, 1918, at the Battle of Cambrai, and lay for 30 hours on the battlefield, unable to move, wounded in both legs, and again, when he was being removed by stretcher-bearers, he was wounded in the head.

Despite the fact that Pte. Greig is in very poor physical condition, he is of a most cheery disposition, and speaks highly of the treatment given the wounded Canucks and Tommies on their arrival in the English hospitals. Pte. Greig spent considerable time in the Taplow Hospital. Mrs. Greig is at present visiting her son.

MAILS FOR THE ARCTIC.

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—The postoffice department announces that mails will leave Edmonton Friday, January 24, 1919, for Fort McMurray, Fort McKay, Fort Chippeivevan, Fort Fitzgerald, Fort Smith, Fort Resolution, Fort Providence, Hay River and Fort Simpson.

Dinner Not Ready! This Started Lots of Trouble in Home

Frank Siskowaski Must Take Things More Calmly.

Frank Siskowaski of 590 Hill street has got to have his dinner on time, otherwise there are seven or eight particular kinds of Cain raised. According to his wife, who appeared in police court this morning against him, Siskowaski, when he arrived at home, sweet home, on December 27 and found that the midday "eats" were not ready, swore in Russian and in English, and started after his good spouse and mother-in-law with an axe and a knife. Fortunately the women proved to be experts at retreating (having had lots of experience), and managed to get away without the peevish Frank touching them.

"I come home. No find dinner fixing. I get mad," said Frank.

"Yes, you did. You chased your wife with an axe," interrupted Mr. Graydon.

"No; that not so," replied the Russian. "I just go out to get tobacco."

"You were certainly cross and ill-tempered," stated the magistrate. "You've got to stop this sort of thing. If you can't behave decently towards your wife and child I will make out an order whereby you will have to support them, although not going near the house. I'm going to let you go just now, and have your wife report to me in a week. You'd better treat her better."

Siskowaski promised that he would, and the dove of peace floated over the courtroom as he made his exit.

IS TESTING WATER IN GERMANY BEFORE CANADIANS IMBIBE

Corp. J. Woolverton in Advance of Army.

Dr. Solon Woolverton of this city has received word that his son, Corp. John Woolverton, came through the final engagement of the war in safety, and that at the time of writing he was in Belgium, on his way to Germany with his branch of the service, the Engineers, in advance of the rest of the army of occupation, testing the water.

Following Closely.

Corp. Woolverton states that so closely have they followed upon the heels of the Germans in Belgium that in one town they entered, the terrified people scarcely realized the change. John's household had heard the firing of guns on the street a short time before. Glancing fearfully out, to their joy they recognized the Canadian uniform of the Engineers. One young woman rushed impetuously out and kissed the first Canadian soldier.

Enlisted in Winnipeg.

Corp. Woolverton studied the drug business with the late Mr. Shuff of this city, going later to Chicago to finish his course. He finally located in Winnipeg, taking up other lines of business before enlisting for overseas service early in the war. His duties practically all the time at the front have been concerned with testing the water supply and getting it up to the men.

HONORABLY ACQUITTED BEFORE COURT-MARTIAL

Pte. G. A. Schneider Innocent of Charge Made.

Pte. G. A. Schneider, charged before a district court-martial at Wolseley Barracks today with having wrongfully received a registered letter containing money intended for a companion, was acquitted after he had told his story. He was in hospital at the barracks at the time of the alleged offence, and stated that he signed a postal receipt for which he received a parcel which he had been expecting. This parcel contained candy, of which he later ate some and divided some among other patients in the hospital.

The only evidence the prosecution was able to produce was the signed postal receipt. The charge was originally laid on the strength of a statement made by Acting Corp. Thomas Edward Fox, who said he handed the registered letter, which Schneider was charged with stealing, to the accused. This witness, however, is at present a fugitive from justice. If and when he is caught he will have to face a charge of breaking into the medical stores at Carling Heights and stealing a quantity of alcohol and whiskey.

The court expressed belief in the story told by Schneider and honorably acquitted him.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mrs. W. J. D. White of D'Arcy street, Toronto, and Mrs. John S. Read of Detroit are visiting their parents, Mr. and M. J. Carter, 175 Albert street, city.

FATHER OF SCHEME EMPHASIZES POINTS OF ITS SUPERIORITY

Controller Moore Discusses Commission Government Plans.

In connection with the proposed form of commission government, Controller J. M. Moore points out that the form proposed in London has several points in its favor over that which is being brought into use in Guelph next year. He calls attention to the fact that the light and heat commission of Guelph is directly appointed by the council, but the mayor is the only member who is allowed a voice in the council. The other two members are not members of the council.

All Have a Voice.

Under the plan as proposed for London, the members of the public utilities commission as the members of all the other commissions will be elected for their respective commissions by the electors. All of these commissioners will have a voice in the council. Thus Controller Moore points out, in addition to their regular duties as members of commissions, they will have a voice in the deliberations of the council as a whole. The work of the utilities commission will be carried out, as it is at present under the legislation governing public utilities.

Another Feature.

Another good feature of the commission form of government, in his opinion, is the fact that every candidate will have to be indorsed by at least twenty citizens before he can be nominated. This will have a tendency, he thinks, to bring out the best men in the city for the various commissions and will work for the good of the city as a whole.

Controller Moore says that it was the large vote last year, when nearly 5,000 people voted upon a commission form of government, that decided the council to ask City Solicitor T. G. Meredith to prepare the bylaw.

Under the present system of city government there are eight boards or councils or commissions, having 55 elected or appointed members. Under the commission form of government, this number will be reduced to twenty-one, which, in the opinion of Controller Moore, will bring about a more democratic government for the city.

WESTERN "U" UNIT MAY BE STAFF FOR MILITARY HOSPITAL

Rumor Has Some Backing From Members.

The rumor that the Western University Hospital Unit would be brought home to staff the Westminster Hospital here until it has been placed in working order would seem to be not without foundation, for the rumor is corroborated by a member of the Western Hospital, who makes the statement that No. 10 Hospital was asked to come home for this purpose, and that it would be not at all improbable if the unit should leave for Canada in January.

Nearly Idle.

The hospital, situated as it was in Calais, and acting as a clearing station, most of the patients being discharged to some base hospital within 24 hours, during war days, is now comparatively idle save for a few "flu" cases, and will undoubtedly be one of the first hospital units to be sent to Canada.

Nothing Definite.

S. Frank Glass, M.P., made the statement to The Advertiser today in regard to this rumor, that as far as he knew nothing had been done toward determining the staff of the Westminster Hospital, as that institution would probably not be completed until midsummer. However, he also said that the Western University Hospital Unit, on account of its splendid service overseas, would no doubt receive special consideration when it came to the staffing of this hospital.

Another indication that the unit may be coming home shortly is the fact that one of the members has written his wife to give up the employment in which she has been engaged during his absence, preparatory to his return in January.

POPULAR LONDONER IS HOME AND QUITE WELL

Sergt. George Martin, who served more than four years in France after enlisting with a battery at Guelph, has recently returned from overseas service. He was wounded in the head, but says he has completely recovered. Before leaving for the front, Sergt. Martin was one of most popular employees of the London postoffice, and he makes few journeys downtown without having the arm almost wrung off that fed the shells into the guns of one of Canada's crack batteries at the front.

SANTA CLAUS WILL PAY RETURN VISIT TO LONDON TONIGHT

Induced To Do So by the Shriners.

Santa Claus is due to arrive in the city tonight for the second time this year. He will be at the Masonic Temple to distribute the gifts to the 700 kiddies of the city whom he forgot to visit on his late visit on Christmas Eve. His visit tonight has been made possible by the generosity of the Shriners, who are spending $1,500 in suitable gifts of clothing, etc. For the benefit of the little youngsters the Christmas tree which has been erected in the hall and gaily decorated will be laden with toys, books and candies.

The ladies have taken a great interest in the work, and last Friday they gathered at the hall to parcel up the articles that had been purchased. Among those who were present and helped in the good work are the following: Mesdames C. W. McGuire, chairman of the ladies' committee; W. H. Abbott, secretary; A. E. Somerville, E. Noble, George Logan, W. D. McGregor, R. H. McHardy, T. W. McCleland, A. E. Routledge, A. A. Campbell.

The hall has been suitably decorated with colored lights and bunting, and a happy time is expected.

WARDENSHIP SEEMS MORE THAN USUALLY OPEN FOR NEXT YEAR

Four Liberals and Two Conservatives Mentioned.

Who will be warden of the county of Middlesex for 1919? This is the question that is being asked by county councillors who float in and out around the County Buildings these days.

Half a dozen county councillors were in deep discussion at the county buildings today, and after a considerable pow-wow came to the conclusion that if the Liberals took off the majority of seats in the coming election, and it was decided that they would, the contest for the warden's chair would be between John Currie of Adelaide, Joe Poore of McGillivray, Fred Barrett of West Williams and Dave Smith of North Dorchester. It was considered that all these men had a chance of getting the coveted honor.

Tom Clarke and J. L. Robson of London Township and Dick Fitzgerald of Nissouri look to be the candidates with the best chances if the Conservatives get into power. However, according to the stove-warming councillors gathered today, there is little chance of the Tories being in the majority in the 1919 council.

The election of warden is practically the only occasion in which politics enter the affairs of the council.

FAMILIAR FIGURE AT DIOCESAN MEETINGS VICTIM OF INFLUENZA

Rev. Joseph Hamilton, Highgate, Was Only Ill Few Days.

News has been received by friends in the city today of the death which occurred at Highgate on Sunday of Rev. Joseph Hamilton, rector of Highgate Anglican Church. Mr. Hamilton had only been ill a few days with influenza, pneumonia developing. Mr. Hamilton, a graduate of Huron College, was widely known in this city. An unusually large man, he was a conspicuous figure in all public gatherings. One of the successful men among the younger clergymen of the diocese, he also enjoyed great popularity with those who knew him.

His early boyhood days were spent at Brinsley, near Ailsa Craig, the home of the Hamilton family.

Interment will take place at Owen Sound, the remains to be taken through London today.

"POVERTY POND" BIDS FAIR TO BE POPULAR

"Poverty Pond" bids fair to being the most popular rink in the city this year, if the preparations being made at the present are any indication. This Victoria Park rink, since its first appearance four years ago, has been increasing in popularity, and this year the hut, of which the returned soldiers are in charge, is being erected farther out, so that the rink area is considerably increased.

It is the purpose to board off a portion of the ice for hockey, and many lively matches between the young boys of London are anticipated.

BECOMES RECTOR OF COURTRIGHT PARISH

Rev. F. Hardie, assistant to Rev. Canon Craig in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, has been appointed rector of Durham, to succeed Rev. E. G. Dymond, who has been appointed to Courtright parish.