# Utilities Commission Fight Brings Greatly Increased Price For Registry Office

# TANGLE OF OLD REGISTRY OFFICE IS BROUGHT TO CLOSE IN COUNCIL TO SUIT AUSTRALIA

\* A review of the whole question

shows that last January the public

utilities commission wrote the coun-

cil intimating its desire to secure the

old registry office building as a sub-

Instead the council called for tenders. There were two tenders re-

ceived, one from Peter Glen of \$4,000,

and the other from the public utili-

ties commission of \$16.100, payment

to be made \$1,000 annually with in-

Decline Offer.

Upon information of Ald. Douglass

that he knew of a man who would that he knew of a man who would purchase the property and erect on it a three-story office building, the council declined to accept the fine offer of \$10,100 by the commission.

Immediately upon the announce

ment that new tenders were being called for, the commission protested

Information leaked through to the

Refusal of Douglass To Back Public Utilities Brought Smaller Bid For Building—Protests Cause Tenders To Be Thrown Out-New Tenders Called-Protests Renewed.

UTILITIES OBJECTIONS BRING GOOD PRICE

Commissioner Philip Pocock expressed the opinion to The Advertiser this morning that the public utilities commission had been the means of the city council securing such "a handsome price" as \$10.500 for the old registry building at the corner of Talbot and Carling streets, saving the city \$3,000.

Had the commission not offered the council \$10,100 for the property and then protested strongly through the columns of The Advertiser when that price was not accepted, Commissioner Pocock believes that the council would have sold it for considerably less

Last night No. 1 committee of the council unanimously passed a recommendation to the council that the property be sold to the Imperial Oil Company for \$10,500 cash, the present building to be torn down and an \$8,000 or \$9,000 brick or stucco oil station be

name a price.

### Posts Letter In Fire Alarm

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, Oct. 2.—"I thought it was a letter-box," said a small boy yesterday evening when firemen rushed to an alarm box which had sent in a call. The little lad held up the letter as a guarantee

The firemen gave the boy a good alking to and let it go at that.

# ALD. SMITH URGES

Points Out Plan Could Be Started Next Year If Bylaw Were Passed.

meet with approval.

Ald, Smith is endeavoring to secure a conference with chamber of erty to the commission as a subcommerce officials to bring the matter to a head, and have it prepared for a council session. He points out

The result was that the council for a council session. He points out that in inaugurating the system, the usual number of aldermen, twelve, would be elected the first year. Of Mr. Scandrett's offer be accepted, those the six with the greatest vote and gave instructions that tenders would secure two-year terms. The were to be called for a third time. other six would sit for only a year.

At the end of the first year six new aldermen would be re-elected.

### MERGER MEANS MORE COMPETITION IN BANKS Concluded From Page 1.

ers of the Sterling Bank holding 5 or more shares: Mrs. L. E. Aldinger, Highland Park, Mich., 50; Robert shinghurt, Goodwood Ont .. M. Dods, Orangeville, Ont., 124; R. W. Eaten, Toronto, 350; William Jackson, Port Stanley, Ont., 60; A. Mc-Call, Simcoe, Ont., 105; J. Mitchell, Port Stanley, Ont., 50; R. Nesbitt, Claremont, Ont., 65; J. S. Robertson executor estate of Chas. Smith, St Thomas, Ont. 100; William Thorburn Almonte, Ont., 65; estate of T. R White, Almonte, 55; P. J. Young, Al-

The following are the directors of e Standard Bank of Canada: A. R. Auld, Thomas Bradshaw, F W. Cowan, T. B. Greening, J. S. Lou-A. F. White, T. H. Wood

The following are Western Ontario shareholders owning 50 shares of stock or over in the Standard Bank Thomas H. Collings, Langton, 50; H J. Craig (estate) Midland, 60; Robert Gray, Chatham, 100; W. J. Martin, Penetang, 100; John Meiklejohn, Harriston, 82; Charles McHardy Goderich, 57; A. E. Reiner, Wellesley 72; J. G. Heiner, Wellesley, 211; F. A. Robert, Chatham, 161; Mrs. H. G. Scott, Edinburgh, 56; Mrs. H. M. compson. Strathroy, 74; J. Watt A. E. Watt, Brantford, 62; O. R Paris, 56; A. Whittaker

### AMALGAMATION COMMENDED.

Montreal, Oct. 2.—"The amalgamı tion is to be commended." This was liams-Taylor, general manager of th Bank of Montreal, had to make whe seen this morning in connection wit the amalgamation of the Standar and Sterling Banks of Canada.

CITY TO CO-OPERATE. London will co-operate in fire pro

vention week this month. for advertising and publicity grants it is likely that \$250 will be found in the fire department account to look prevention campaign The fire department will also operate in educational work.



Commonwealth Makes Plain Her Objection to Interference With Rights.

#### **IMMIGRATION PLAN**

Associated Press Despatch. Sydney, Australia, Oct. 2.-The onsensus of opinion here with regard to the compromise arrived at with Japan over the arbitration protocol at Geneva is that Australia is opposed to any interference with Australia's sovereign rights.

The Morning Herala says that Australia will not allow the League of Nations to dictate its immigration

"The decision reached was probably to save the face of Japan" the Herto save the face of Japan," the Herald adds. "It is important to note that the clause in question in the arbitration protocol is permissive, not mandatory. We hope the league will think twice before exercising its option in the matter of immigration. To bring the immigration question within the purview of the league would probably lead to the dissolution of the league itself." of the league itself."

The Daily Telegraph says the cabled terms of the agreement arrived at in Geneva are insufficient to enable that paper to pass judgment thereon, but if the agreement was made subject to any sort of com-promise the Australian delegates made a fatal mistake in acceding to it. "There is no room for com-promise," the Telegraph declares. The commonwealth parliament will not sanction any action, directly or indirectly, which impignes on the sovereign rights of the Australian

#### CONCLUDES WORK.

Associated Press Despatch. Geneva, Oct. 2.—The fifth assembly of the league of natious today solemnly concluded its work of peace by the unanimous adoption of a reso The only other tender received at this time, and it remains a question whether such tender was made in writing was that of T. W. Scanby six aldermen would be drett of \$7,500.

With the Springbank dam.

Commissioner Pocock declared himself as very much in favor of a dam as being a distinct advantage to two parts. The first recommended to the earnest attention of all members of the league acceptance of the writing was that of T. W. Scanbeby six aldermen would be drett of \$7,500. to two parts. The first recommende y six aldermen would be each for a two-year term. would abolish the ward in elect aldermen by a general elect aldermen by a general of the council that the site be used for the erection of an elect aldermen by a general of the council that the site be used for the erection of an elect aldermen by a general of the council that the site be used for the erection of an elect aldermen by a general of the council that the site be used for the erection of an elect aldermen by a general of the council that the site be used for the erection of an elect aldermen by a general of the council that the site be used for the erection of an elect aldermen by a general of the council that the site be used for the erection of the council that the site be used for the erection of the council that the site be used for the erection of the council that the site be used for the erection of the council that the site be used for the erection of the council that the site be used for the erection of the

as she sorrowfully sketched the woe intend to have it cease," said Mr caused to humanity by past wars Farrell. Women the world over she declared, bhorred vengeance and detested war. In this connection, she referred the request of Signor Matteoti Italy, that no attempt be made revenge her slain husband. "You men," Mrs. Swanwick de-

and gave instructions that tenders were to be called for a third time.

By way of protest against such action the commission decided in an informal way to withdraw from the Superintendent at Victoria and Superintendent."

Superintendent at Victoria and clared, "must act for the 'dumb' millions of the world. You must see to it that the security you have promised in the past will this time be different." Nine delegates participated in the

closing debate today. M. Bouchour, as his countryman, Aristide Briand. had done yesterday, emphasized the contention that international econ-

### IN DEATH OF DAUGHTER

the Imperial Oil Company was the only one received by the committee when the tenders were opened for the third time at the meeting of No. I committee last night. The seven members of the committee wars Miles McDougald of the Muncey ndian reserve has instituted a \$5,000 shore is scheduled to deliver a short damage action to be tried at the supreme court sittings on Oct. 13 against Dr. W. H. Woods, Mount ant parts of the convention will be a towever, since it is rumored this demonstration of blood transfusion by staff physicians of the Toronto by staff physician morning that a large manufacturing concern in the vicinity of the old registry building, and incidentally one of the firms to sign the petition against the disposal of the property as a sub-station, will protest the selection and incident and the selection and incident and the property are sub-station, will protest the selection and incident and the property conducted. The plaintiff alleges that the defendants were negligent in the case of his daughter, Betsy McDougald, who was operated on at Strathroy hospital for adenoids and tonsilitis, the girl dying a few days later from the girl dying a few days later from pneumonia. The plaintiff claims that he was not consulted when the girl was removed from the Mount Elgin institute to the hospital. Mr. McVittie denies that Mc-Dougald did not know about the mat-ter, while Dr. Woods, in his state-ment of defense, asserts that the pa-

COUNTY SCHOOLBOY CLAIMS

Who is the greatest man in Can-

According to a pupil in one of the

London township schools. Jack

The youngster, who recently wrote the essay for competition in the school fair, declares that "Jack

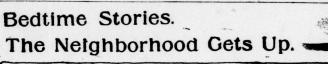
Dempsey is the greatest Canadian that ever lived," and is apparently

any other man.

### tient's death was not caused or hastened by any conduct on his part. Both defendants ask that the action be dismissed. DEMPSEY IS BEST CANUCK,

upon him this morning, garbed in the colors of initiation and as little clothing as necessary. After shak-ing hands with 150 of them, the mayor's hands presented a great likeness to those of the first-year Dempsey is a "knockeut" compared

### YOUTH HELD IN CHATHAM





HEARS SAM HICKEY'S ALARM CTOCK GO OFF ON THE HICKEY SLEEPING PORCH. MUST BE SIX THIRTY. HEARS SAM SHUT OFF ALARM AND TURN OVER



TUNE OF RATTLING MILK BOTTLES BEING TAKEN IN FROM BACK DOOR STEPS



By GLUYAS WILLIAMS

6 McClure Newspaper Syndicate

SOOTHING SOUNDS ARE BROK EN BY MRS. MELCH CALLING TO HER HUSBAND HE FORGOT TO PUT OUT EMPTY BOTTLES AGAIN THERE MUST BE THIRTY OF THEM IN THE BACK ENTRY



JOE'S WINDOW GOES DOWN JUST AS MRS. HICKEY WANTS TO KNOW ISN'T SAM UP YET HIS ALARM WENT OFF HALF AN HOUR AGO



LOOKING OUT, DISCOVERS HIS SWEATER'S BEEN LEFT OUT ON LAWN ALL NIGHT. ARGU-MENT WHETHER HE LEFT



OUT ON SLEEPING PORCH A-GAIN, PULL COVERS OFF SAM TEN MINUTES TO SHAVE AND PAPER WHERE HE CAN REACH



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BODY HE'S GOING TO GET

WHICH , BEING HIS USUAL FINAL SIGNAL BRINGS HIM OUT OF BED WITH A BOUND

### **IMMIGRATION OFFICER** UNLIKELY THIS YEAR

WAKES UP AND WONDERS

DROWSILY IS IT TIME TO

HEARS JOE EGGLE PUT HIS

SQUEAKING WINDOW DOWN.

HEARS ED LEAN RAKE UP

ON PORCH STEPS, AND

AGAINST HOUSE, SIT DOWN

START TELLING HOW THE

ELECTIONS ARE COMING

THAT'S ALWAYS TIME ENOUGH

GET UP YET

Men Will Be Appointed in the Spring at Port Stanley,
J. Farrell Believes.

Saints' church was held yesterday
afternoon at the church. It was decided that a shower be held in aid of the bale being sent to Blood reserve, McLeod, Alta., the last Wednesday of this month. The meeting was in charge of Mrs. A. A. Bice.

That no immigration officer would be appointed at Port Stanley by of-

#### FORGING NARCOTIC SLIPS CHARGED TO IVAN JOHNSTON

rested yesterday by Provincial Constable T. Y. Stratton on a charge of forgery and uttering forged docu ments, appears this afternoon for trial before County Magistrate Hawk shaw at the court house. It is alleged that Johnston forged the name of a county doctor to narcotic prescriptions which were honored in good faith by a local druggist.

#### LIBRARIAN OF MIDDLESEX BAR LAUDED BY OFFICIAL

### TO ACCOMMODATE PUPILS The board of education has written

the city council giving the information that the principals of collegiate nstitutes have already gone into the

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Work Progressing.

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case that had come before the leagu and it had met them almost before they had organized. The hearty response from colored people alone had justified the hopes they had for the Canadian National League for the Advancement of Colored people

### GOLF EXPENDITURE ILLEGAL Utilities' Power Bill Increases

attached to the windshield certifying there is no authority for the municithat they had passed the examina- pal golf course, the act would have the same effect on the Others who were not successful athletic field at Queen's park. No were advised to go to a garage and action to fulfill the requirements of wat hours, power bill and cost per the municipal act is suggested

### ON 'FRESHETTES' WHO BALK

The "freshettes" at the University Western Ontario were literally frothing at the mouth yesterday, an it came about this way. Some of th matter of the accommodation of newcomers into the halls of learning the sophomores, so a diet of soal was ordered, and each little freshie They appreciated the bit of fun at

their expense and after some grimaces decided that their time was oming, and girl matriculants wh are counting on picking up a little further knowledge by attending Western next year may count on the soa diet which is in store for them.

#### The second meeting of St. George Anglican junior auxiliary was he Wednesday afternoon with a large

Mayor Says Scheme Would Place Settling of Problems on Efficient Basis.

#### PLAN FAVORED

Members of the civic delegation to Toronto yesterday strongly advocate that steps be taken to have formed, within the province, a department of municipal affairs. Discussing such a measure with representatives from 11 other Ontario cities much favor was found, and the matter will be strongly

It is pointed out that when municipal delegations go to Toronto they are often forced to make a pilgrimage to a half dozen departments before their wants are finally attended to. Questions are passed from one bureau to another, sometimes finding a solution after weary hours of wandering and sometimes not getting attention at all.

"There is a department of agriculture, a department of mines and for-ests, departments for everything except municipalities." complained Mayor Wenige, a visitor to Toronto, in discussing the need today.

"The only connection the municipalities have with the government is through their local member. Anything else gets attention only after long searching, sometimes not at all. When the house is not in session, its worse than ever.

London's city fathers advocate that the matter be indorsed, passed on to the municipal association, who will in turn present it to the provincial gov-Asked if the treatment received in

Foronto had been faulty, the mayor said when the Hon. Forbes Godfrey was finally located, matters were comparatively easy, but he had no ompliments for officialdom Queen's park in attending to queries. He says that there is not enough co-F. Jenkins, Dawn of Tomor- operation between the province and the municipalities, and that the province ince could do much to help the cities

Once,
Over fifty pieces of clothing were procured from friends. The league has placed three of the children in a home for the present. The mother and the youngest child, a babe of eight months, are having their board and room paid for so that during that time the mother will be able to get of the main building, but will take a course to the south. It will be divided into two branches, one leading to the athletic field and the other going to the rear of the main building.

At present a water main is being laid under the driveway. Temporary sidewalks will be put down from the entrance of the main building to a point on the main road due east to J. F. Jenkins, editor of the Dawn point on the main road due east to make a short cut to the building until

### REVENUE JUMP WILL BALANCE HYDRO RISE

\$3,300, But Revenue Is \$6,000 Greater.

Although the public utilities commission's power bill increased from \$37,700 to \$41,300 during the month of September the balance will be on the right side of the ledger since the revif enue increased by approximately \$6,-000 for the month Comparative figures for the

four months indicating in the three columns from left to right, total kilo-July ..... 5,057,810 \$35,111 .694c August .... 5,113,938 \$37,698 .738c 5,803,011 \$41,354 .7120

#### **ELECTION DAY ATTRACTS** MORE THAN U. S. SESSION

Is there one of the council ready to orsake the privilege of casting his allot on October 23? A census of eight aldermen and the mayor last ight failed to reveal a single would-e non-voter. They all want to stay i London and vote, "early and often"

When an invitation was tendered y the American Public Health Asso-ation to the city to send a delegate its convention in Detroit on the Brd, silence reigned. No one would It was finally decided to hand over he invitation to the board of health, which will meet next week.

#### PROPOSED TAX CHANGES AWAIT COMMISSIONER

nent heads will get together to dis-cuss recommendations made by Ed Houghton, city tax collector. Mr. Houghton recommends a number of changes in system to be started next year. Those suggestions which reasury and assessment department leads are ready to jointly indorse will be brought before the council.

When H. J. Bennett, assessment ommissioner, returns to his duties t the city hall next week, departvill be brought before the council,

### SMALL IMPROVEMENTS "Build Verandas and Better Your Homes" He Advises Your Homes," He Advises Citizens.

MAYOR AGAINST TAXING

bidding, and so declined to put in a third tender. The commission felt that the possibility of the erection of

n office building was exceedingly

remote, and that since both of its previous tenders had been in ad-vance of any others received, the

ouncil should dispose of the property

The offer of \$10,000 made by Mur-

Only One Received.

That the abolition of increase in assessment for minor improvements, neluding the construction of veranlas on small dwellings, would increase business in the building trades is supported by Mayor George Wenige. He came out strongly this morning for this move



ALD, LEONARD DOUGLASS, station, and asking the council to chairman of the finance committee name a price. registry office tender tnagle

Commissioner Expresses Pleasure in Action Taken by No. 1 Committee.

Commissioner Philip Pocock expressed himself as very much pleased this morning that in view of the action of No. 1 committee last night a settlement of international disputes. commission that the offer to be made by the man Ald. Douglass had in mind was to be in the neighborhood of \$8,000. For this and other reasons, of \$8,000. For this and other reasons, which were quite obvious, the commission put in a second tender on the property of \$8,500.

bylaw would very likely be put before the people at the forthcoming election in December in connection with the Springbank dam.

Settlement of international disputes. All of the fifty-seven states represented in the assembly subscribed to with the Springbank dam. with the Springbank dam. Commissioner Pocock

# ATTENDING MEETING

Board Chairman Now in Toronto.

Victoria Hospital, and Col. W. M. Gartshore, chairman of the hospital trust, left today to attend the first annual meeting of the Ontario Hospital association of which Col. pital association of which Col. Gart-

nembers of the committee were shore is scheduled to deliver a short ananimous in voting that the offer address on the opening day. is a sub-station, will protest the sale new system of transfusion which the of the oil company, not taking any Toronto General hospital has intromore kindly to an oil station than to duced will likely be carried out at an electric sub-station.

Victoria hospital, Dr. Clegg stated

#### MAYOR RESEMBLES FRESHIE AFTER GREETING VICTIMS

vesterday.

Spattered with black and red, one

### WAS NOT JOHN HAMMER

#### City Churches ALL SAINTS' W. A. The opening meeting for this sea-

BRAKE-TESTING DRIVE

Interested in Campaign

at Detroit.

paign will be instituted here in the

Over 25,000 automobile drivers in

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN W. A.

HEARS HENRY BIDDY ON

FRONT PORCH NEXT DOOR

MUTTERING WHY THAT BOY

IT WHEN FIE'S IN PAJAMAS

DOESN'T EVER LEAVE THE

No further official news has been received from Ottawa authorities yet

J. J. Daley, law library inspector Osgoode Hall, Toronto, paid an official visit to the library of the London and Middlesex Bar Association in the court house today and found

GARAGE PERMIT ISSUED. A permit was issued through the office of the building inspector this morning to M. Taylor to erect a \$300 garage at his home on Grosvenor

ASK TENDERS AGAIN.

### Tenders entered for supplying a notor runabout for the fire chief havmotor runabout for the life chert having proved unsatisfactory, tenders matter of the accommodation of newcomers into the name of the name of the like wearing the bibs will again be called for. Two were pupils from the east end of the city, did not like wearing the bibs brought in after hours vesterday and Everything possible has been done, thoughtfully provided for them will again be called for. Two were pupils from the east end of the city. brought in after hours yesterday and the pupils from the east end of the city. Everything possible has been done, the letter states, to properly accoming previously tendered did not the letter states, to properly accoming the letter states.

# Speed Cop Boasts of 'Time' And Is Summoned To Court

Motorcycle Officer Gavin Monahan Wharton had been forewarned by of Chief Birrell's speed hounds had several of Gavin's friends from the the afternoon off one day last week and motored to St. Thomas. He told some of his friends about the "time" ed the officer of the evils of speeding.

The second are several of Gavins friends from the control of the speeding a fairly and warn some of his friends about the "time" ed the officer of the evils of speeding. WAS NOT JOHN HAMMER strongly this morning for this move and declared that he would take it up immediately.

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St. Thomas, Oct. 2.—County Constable Baker and Bert Couse have returned from Chatham, where they failed to identify the youths held by under the impression that the U.S. champion mauler halls from the province of Ontario.

OPEN TUCK SHOP.

A tuck shop is to be opened in the store, it is expected that a stock of sweets on the unemployed, and it will help usinessmen. People should not be penalized for making the city brighter."

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# son of the women's auxiliary of All row Editor, Announces

The Canadian National League for the Advancement of Colored People is now functioning. A case of a desti-

London Motor League Officials of Tomorrow, the colored people's a permanent sidewalk is built London Motor Club officials are fore than interested in the brake

# testing campaign being carried on in Detroit at the present time, and it is more than likely that a similar cam-

iCty Solicitor T. G. Meredith has Detroit took advantage of the proposition carried out under the superthe Detroit Automobile Club, Streets were roped off and car drivers given an opportunity to test their car broken from the super-that no authority is given in the municipal act, under which the Thames valley golf course expenditure is legal. The information was asked for by H. B. Ashplant, city rakes free of charge.

Those who were successful in passin handling the city's books. ng the test were given a card to be Ald Douglass points out that

# PINK SOAP DIET FORCED

ST. GEORGE'S AUXILIARY.