

THE WEATHER:
MODERATE WINDS, CLOUDY.
TOMORROW—SHOWERS.

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THREE CENTS.

ASHTON NOW LEADING IN WARD THREE RECOUNT

Santa Invites Every Child In London To His Party

DRAKE GOES BEHIND AS ASHTON IS GIVEN THREE

Former Has One Added in Seven Subdivisions Checked.

WORK IS TEDIOUS

Final Result Not Expected To Be Announced Before Tomorrow.

Ex-Ald. John Ashton was leading by one vote over Ald. Gordon Drake in the ward three recount. The Advertiser was notified at 2 p.m. today. Ballots have been checked over completely in seven subdivisions out of 25. It is tedious work, and the final report is not now expected until tomorrow.

The proceedings opened at 10:30 a.m. with the Hon. Judge Talbot presiding and City Clerk Sam Baker, returning officer, in attendance. It was announced early this afternoon that while Ald. Drake gained one vote in the seven subdivisions checked, ex-Ald. Ashton gained three. This places the labor representative in the lead, as Ald. Drake was leading by one ballot when the returns were finally announced election night.

It is further explained that the count is checking the subdivisions from Wellington street east, and more changes would be anticipated in the southeastern section of the city, where both candidates reside. In the event of a tie vote, City Clerk Baker must cast the deciding vote. It will give it to Ald. Drake as being now in office. The clerk established this precedent when he voted for Dr. H. C. Stevenson when Col. Garthshore and the ex-mayor tied in a majority contest.

Ald. Drake has served eight years in the council, and this would be his first defeat. Ex-Ald. Ashton, a representative of the Labor party, and served several years on the council, and was also a chairman of the board of works.

BRITISH TENDERS TO BE CONSIDERED

Public Utilities Manager Is Instructed To Advise Overseas Concerns.

Following the recent action of Toronto city council in rejecting certain British tenders, although they were the lowest received, the Association of British Manufacturers in Canada has written to the public utilities commission asking its attitude on the matter of British firms submitting tenders on public works contracts.

The letter which sets forth the facts relating to the rejection of the tenders by Toronto in favor of a firm in that city, although the price of the latter was considerably higher than that submitted by the British firm, asks whether it is worth while for British concerns to submit tenders.

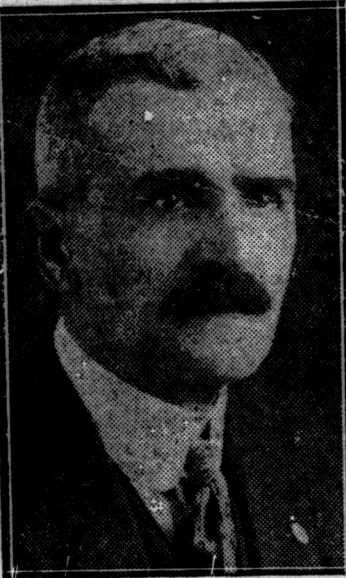
The members of the commission, after hearing the letter, authorized General Manager Buchanan to write to the association and say that the British manufacturers would receive the same consideration as anyone else, price and quality always being taken into consideration. The action of the Toronto council was deplored.

THE WEATHER

FORECASTS.
Today—Moderate winds; cloudy.
Saturday—Easterly winds; mild, with showers.

Stations	High	Low	Weather
Victoria	41	40	Fair
Calgary	42	16	Clear
Winnipeg	39	14	Fair
Farmington	38	13	Cloudy
Toronto	41	40	Cloudy
Kingston	44	36	Cloudy
Ottawa	34	34	Fair
Montreal	36	32	Cloudy
Quebec	38	26	Cloudy
Father Point	30	24	Snow
St. John	38	24	Rain
Halifax	33	28	Cloudy

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 50; lowest, 40. The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 50; lowest, 40. Barometric Readings.
Thursday, 8 p.m.—29.42.
Today, 8 a.m.—29.47.



EX-ALD. JOHN ASHTON, who at 2 o'clock was leading Ald. Gordon Drake by two votes in ward three re-count.

SINGLE TAX NOT FAVORED BY BENNETT

Believes Legitimate, Reasonable Land Speculation Should Be Encouraged.

NO BIG SPECULATORS

Legitimate and reasonable land speculation should be encouraged in London, in the opinion of Assessment Commissioner Harry Bennett, who incidentally pointed out today that the "single tax" scheme should not be considered in this city.

Commenting upon the latter scheme of taxation as now under consideration in Toronto and other centers, the commissioner agreed with the argument advanced by its proponents that the land speculators are penalized under the "single tax" arrangement of assessment.

"That would be the case, of course, in the bigger cities," he concurred. "But we would not need the single tax here in London. Of course I have not given the question as much thought as others interested have, but I would hardly recommend it now."

"The speculators would be penalized, but then these are no big speculators in London. There are no large parcels of land held here for speculation purposes. In fact, I would be more inclined to encourage some land speculation in London. The little fellow is not in a position to purchase large tracts of land. We'll take those who buy large areas and break them up into building lots, grade the streets, and so forth. The average person could not do that, but expansion of this nature enables him, however, to secure a lot, probably on easy payments, upon which he can have his small house. It gives him a start."

The "single tax" means a tax upon the land only, but the commissioner would recommend, if there was to be any change in the law, a reduction of exempted property. He points out that property valued at \$6,000,000 or \$8,000,000 roughly, is totally exempted from taxation in this city alone.

BRIDGE QUESTION TO SOON FEATURE

Matter of City Structures Will Likely Be Considered in Three Years.

During the next three or four years, if not sooner, city councillors will be compelled to consider the question of their bridges, City Engineer Near warned today. No danger is apparent at present, but a thorough consideration of the question with a view toward action, is slated.

Considerable work in that direction has been accomplished during the present term. The King street bridge has already been strengthened. The same work is now in the course of progress on the Dupas street bridge. The engineer stated today that work will commence without further delay on the York street bridge, in accordance with the ruling from the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board. The latter surveyed the situation and directed what work should be done by the city and the street railway. Both parties agreed to abide by this decision, and the work will be effected immediately.

'MODERATES' SAID TO BE PREPARING BIG DRIVE

Toronto Reports Extensive Petition Campaign Will Be Launched Shortly.

BEER AND LIGHT WINES

Hope To Convince the Ontario Government Time Is Ripe For Another Mandate.

The "moderates"—those who would have governmental control of beer and light wines—are massing for the attack. Arrangements are well under way. The Advertiser has been informed today from reliable sources in Toronto, for the circulation of petitions throughout the province of Ontario praying for another O. T. A. referendum.

It is reported that before many days have elapsed petitions will make their appearance simultaneously in London, Hamilton, Toronto and elsewhere in Ontario. Premier Howard Ferguson, Attorney-General W. F. Nickle and individual members of the new administration at Queen's Park have repeatedly warned that there must be some "practical manifestation" from the public at large before any vote whatever respecting proposed changes in the act can be sanctioned by the legislature.

The "moderates" state their intentions to circulate every section of the province; the rural districts and the vast stretches of Northern Ontario, and every town, city and hamlet from James Bay to the lakes and from the Lake of the Woods district to the Ottawa River. This will be a tedious operation, they say, hence the early start.

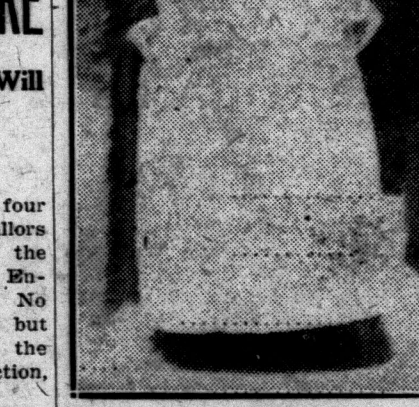
During the past few days has come the first inkling of definite preparations for the campaign, calculated to secure the names of representative electors in sufficient thousands to convince the legislature, at its initial gathering, that the time is opportune for another mandate from the people. Representative local "moderates" asserted today that they do not seek a return to the bar, but they would be completely satisfied with legislation to grant "beer and light wine" licenses or government control of all spirituous liquors.

Today Is Not Shortest Although Sun Is Directly Over Tropic of Capricorn

Professor Kingston States Tomorrow Will Be the Shortest.

MORNINGS SHORTEN

Peculiar Circumstance Exists as Sun Starts on Northward Trip.



Today, the 21st of December, contrary to general belief, is not the shortest day of the year. This year the shortest day falls on the 22nd of December, as it did last year. According to Professor Kingston, authority on astronomy at the University of Western Ontario, the shortest day is usually on the 21st or sometimes on the 20th. It all depends on the behavior of the sun. "The earth goes around the sun each year which causes the sun to apparently move around the earth among the stars," Prof. Kingston said. "In the winter time the sun moves toward the south and in summer toward the north. On the 21st or 22nd of this month it reaches its farthest point south in the sky. This means that it rises far south in the south-eastern horizon and sets on the south-western horizon. Therefore, during the day it passes only a small part of the whole daily circles of motion above the horizon. "The sun today is directly over all parts of the Tropic of Capricorn. After today it will begin to travel north and the days will start to lengthen. This will not be very noticeable until January. A peculiar circumstance is the fact that the mornings will continue to shorten for a period of about three weeks while the afternoons will lengthen."



ALD. GORDON DRAKE, whose lead in ward three has been taken away in the re-count being carried out this afternoon.

RECEIPTS OF POLICE ARE NEAR \$30,000

Expect Record Surplus Before End of the Present Year.

HAVE \$28,466 TO DATE

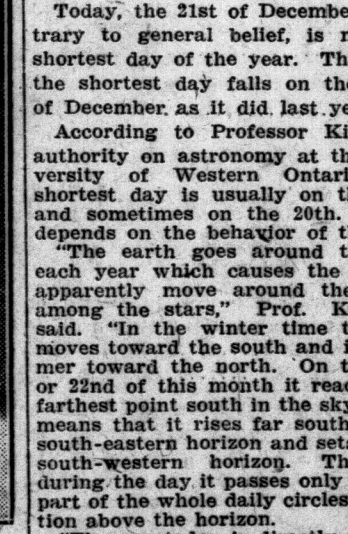
Police receipts for the year to date have exceeded by many hundreds of dollars the amount collected at Carling street during 1922, and the probable returns estimated for 1923, according to an official statement available at the city hall today.

As much as \$28,466 has already been donated to the city's exchequer via the police court route, about \$2,000 more than was amassed during 1922, and about \$2,000 more than was anticipated by the authorities. Complete returns are expected to bring the total to \$29,000 at least, and with ten days yet to go the \$30,000 mark may be reached. In any event a record for receipts will have been achieved.

URGENT PAVEMENT FOR YORK STREET

Section Considered One of the Worst Thoroughfares in London.

A new pavement is proposed for York street, from Richmond street west to the bridge. Now that Richmond street has been repaved, the city authorities consider this section of York street to be about the worst paved thoroughfare in the community. The proposal would include the widening of that section of the street extending from Ridout street to the bridge, and the telephone poles in that block would be moved in several feet from the curbings.



The Spence charge against the police department will be continued in all likelihood at the next session of the police commission, Mayor Wignie, chairman, stated today. "This question is still on tap," he stated. "The case was adjourned in order to secure certain information not then available." J. Spence, railroad worker, charged that he was unjustly arrested one morning as he crossed the market square on his way to catch a train.

LIQUIDATOR SEES BRIGHT CHANCE FOR DEPOSITORS

Urges Every Member to Share in "On to Ottawa" Expense.

SLIPS DISTRIBUTED

Dambra States Efforts Should Be Concentrated on Full Indemnity.

Chances of the dominion government assuming responsibility for paying Home Bank depositors in full are regarded as exceedingly bright by I. E. Weldon, Home Bank liquidator, who wrote Joseph Dambra, president of the local depositors' association, to that effect this morning.

Comparing the Home Bank situation with that of the defunct Farmers' bank of 1914, Mr. Weldon says the chances of finally getting every cent for depositors are much more favorable.

Mr. Weldon also sent several hundred white slips which he asks all depositors who withdrew their 25 per cent dividend to fill out. The liquidator says in part: "At the request of the committee, I am writing again to you to endeavor to see that the white slips contributing the one-half of one per cent (1-2 of 1 per cent) are filled in at your point at once. If we are to go on to Ottawa at the coming session of parliament in full force, the committee must have money to pay their legitimate expenses. The executive committee would therefore, earnestly urge upon you that your local committee get busy at once and try to get every depositor of any size at your branch to sign for his share of the expense."

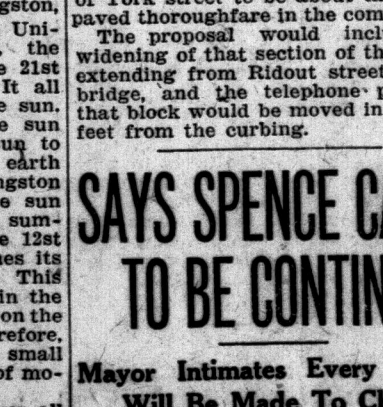
Having exhausted all other possible sources of relief the local committee, Mr. Dambra says, is of the opinion that the depositors' efforts should be concentrated in obtaining from the government full indemnity for their losses. The grounds for obtaining such relief are reasonable and just, he claims.

"Such relief will not be obtained without effort, and it is expected that the depositors' interests before the government," Mr. Dambra said. "With that in view I would recommend that depositors contribute the one half of one per cent asked for. In order to obtain the best results united effort is necessary and it is expected that all those who have not signed the white slips will do so immediately."

Mr. Dambra added that a quantity of these slips will be left in the Montreal where the initial 25 per cent dividend will be paid.

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Santa Asks All His Children To Be At the Winter Gardens At Eleven o'Clock Tomorrow

Everybody Invited For an Hour of Fun—Loveliest Children Will Be There.

WILL GIVE PRIZES

Doris Short Will Dance—Music by Winter Gardens Orchestra—Candy and Toys.

Every little girl and boy is invited by Santa Claus to come to his party in the Winter Gardens at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning. Santa Claus will give The Advertiser's prizes to the Loveliest Child, Ella Mae Scoyne, and her three loveliest companions, Irene Roach, Clare McCandless and Tennes Tanner, and Mayor Wignie will receive the loveliest children on the platform with Santa Claus in behalf of the city of London.

Irene Roach is ill at home, so Santa Claus will call there to meet the children, and he has three loveliest companions, Irene Roach, Clare McCandless and Tennes Tanner, and Mayor Wignie will receive the loveliest children on the platform with Santa Claus in behalf of the city of London. Santa Claus has arranged an hour of fun for everyone. Little Doris Short, 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Short, 425 Dundas street, will give some of her beautiful dancing, there'll be some funny people and candy and a little toy for every boy and girl at the party. Don Macaulay, leader of the Winter Gardens Orchestra, and all the members of the orchestra will be there to play for Santa Claus and the children, and Manager Bill Baines and his young son, Billie, Jr., have the Gardens all decorated with trees, lights and Christmas bunting. Everybody is invited, because Santa Claus wants to see what splendid children London will be reserving at the party for the children from the Ronald-Roy Gray Memorial Home and the Thomas A. Way Hall Home. Members of the Kiwanis Club will call for them with motor cars, and take them home again, and they'll have seats right up close to Santa Claus.

The doors of the Winter Gardens will be open at 10 o'clock. Be sure to have your seat by 11 o'clock, because Santa Claus will be there sharp on time.

EXPECT RYAN WILL FIGHT EXTRADITION

"Red," Fearing Lashes, Will Vigorously Oppose Return to Canada.

Minnesota, Minn., Dec. 21.—Norman "Red" Ryan, alleged gunman probably will be returned to Canada to finish his sentence at Kingston Penitentiary, from which he escaped. It was said today. St. Paul authorities, who issued the warrant on which Ryan was arrested, have waived all rights in his prosecution and have indicated a willingness that he be sent back across the border to receive his punishment.

Ryan's transfer to Kingston Penitentiary is expected to be made as soon as extradition papers are returned from Washington, where they were sent for proper signatures.

In his confession Ryan admitted holding up banks in five other cities besides St. Paul. The cities are Detroit, Cleveland, Chicago, Oshkosh, and Flint, Mich.

Frank W. Brunsell, chief of Minneapolis police, said he believes Ryan will make a desperate attempt to prevent extradition. The escaped convict had admitted his fear of returning to Kingston because, he said, seven lashes with a cat-o'-nine-tails awaits him there.

TWO HUNDRED ARE NOW AT WORK ON SEWERS

More than 200 men, including many permanent city employees are now engaged on the city's big sewer project, the Wellington-High street extension. City Engineer W. P. Near stated today that the necessary precautions had been taken against freezing weather in order that the work could continue until February at the earliest.

MR. AND MRS. ROACH SAY: "THANK YOU"

Mr. and Mrs. Manson Roach of 130 Garfield avenue, whose little daughter Irene was named second of the four Loveliest Children, have received nearly fifty letters of congratulation and good wishes since Irene's picture appeared in The Advertiser.

WILD PARTY SOON ENDS AS POLICE ENTER HOME

Harold McCullough, Wife and Several Guests Appear in Police Court.

HAD A "REAL TIME"

Ten Young Men Fined, While Young Women Are Remanded to Jail.



SHE HAS HER DOLL. Here is little Luella Mandas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mandas. She called on the Doll Lady one morning and by evening had won the lovely doll you see above.

RUGGLES EXPECTED TO PAY BILL

City Treasurer, After Conference, States Sale Not Anticipated.

AMOUNT NOT SETTLED

After a short conference this morning with representatives of the London and Western Trusts Company, City Treasurer James Bell re-stated to The Advertiser that in all likelihood the city's claim against the Ruggles Truck Company for arrears in taxes would be satisfactorily settled, obviating the necessity of a public auction.

The 1922 land tax, a matter of about \$52, is sought by the municipality. Goods have already been seized and could be sold for that amount, the treasurer points out, but he has no objection to waiting if there is any assurance forthcoming that the money will be paid within a few days by the London and Western Trusts Company, the corporation empowered as trustees of the Ruggles Company until such time as a receiver is appointed.

The treasurer expects that the payment will be met in order that the tax collector will be able to close his 1922 accounts. The amount sought is for 1922. The 1923 land tax is undetermined, as the valuation cannot be placed until a judgment is handed down by Mr. Justice Kelly in the "annex school tax" issue.

ARMY PLANNING 2,500 DINNERS

Officials of London Command Will Also Bring Cheer to Jail Inmates.

Yuletide cheer, costing several thousand dollars, in the form of 2,500 dinners and toys for 1,000 children, will be distributed in London on Christmas Eve by the Salvation Army, it was announced at headquarters by Adjutant Spooner today. The Salvation Army will also make one especially important visit in London this Christmas time, and as a result many men who had been looking forward to a lonely, bleak day, will find happiness, companionship and gaiety.

The visit will be made to the county jail and the festivities have been planned by Adjutant Lewis of the industrial department. Baskets of food will be distributed among the inmates of the jail. On Christmas morning there will be religious services.

More than 250 families in London will find cheer through the Salvation Army. The baskets, which are being prepared for the 2,500 needy of the city, contain nothing but the highest quality of produce. Each basket will contain meat, potatoes, turnips, carrots, oranges, apples, nuts, candies, tea, butter, bread, sugar, flour, biscuits, a Christmas pudding, and small toys and trinkets for the children.

Is Santa's Writing Inside?

Santa Claus arrived today to be ready for the children's party in the morning.

This afternoon as this edition was being printed the big presses were stopped eight times while Santa Claus wrote his name on the big roll of white paper.

Somewhere in the thousands of copies of this edition are eight Evening Advertiser copies signed by Santa Claus. Any little boy or girl who brings a signed copy to the Advertiser office tomorrow morning at 10:30 sharp will be introduced to Santa himself.

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Sergeant Middaugh stated that on information received, he proceeded to the McCullough home about 12 o'clock, with Constables Monahan and Fraleigh. They could hear profane language and loud talking half a block away, he stated.

"There were three automobiles there, and I sent Monahan for more men," related the sergeant. "Three or four drunken young men came out while we were watching, and one woman was brought out. She was so drunk she had to be carried to the auto, which then drove away."

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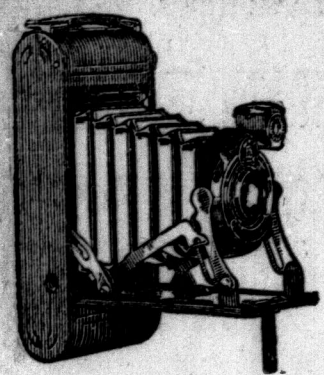
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KIWANIS DADDIES ENTERTAIN BOYS AT MERRY PARTY

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and Concert.

AWARD KI-Y PRIZES

One important issue remained in
doubt at the conclusion of the
Kiwanis Christmas party given last
evening in the Tecumseh House. Who
enjoyed the party the most?
It was given especially in honor
of the Ki-Y boys, but there were a
number of other guests also, together
with over a hundred Kiwanis
"daddies," and the fun seemed about
evenly distributed. The sounds of
revelry issuing from the main dining
hall were ample assurance that every-
one was enjoying the party, and
there was enough enjoyment running
over to satisfy quite a little throng
of on-lookers who gathered at the
door.

A glance at the room gave instant
assurance of the nature of the party.
"Christmas" in fashion which left
no doubt about either. Members and
guests and boys alike were gayly at-
tired in Christmas caps, and seated
beneath festoons of red and green
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At the commencement of the dinner
announcement was made of the new
Kiwanis officers for 1924. These are
the following: President, Tom Yull;
vice-president, Rev. Dr. Beattie;
treasurer, B. Manning, and district
trustee, F. Morrow. The secretary is
yet to be appointed. This was the
only sign of business. The rest was
all "party."

Under the direction of Sam Amero,
the boys vied with the members in
singing, and then the program was
begun. The fact that the chief num-
bers of it had been witnessed before
by nearly everyone there didn't de-
tract in the least little bit from the
enjoyment of it.

An outburst of applause and cheers
and whistles followed everything by
means of which small boys and big
men signify approval, greeted Mrs.
Harrison Link and Mrs. Hayward
when they appeared to sing their
famous "Little Girl" song from the
recent "Kiwanis Jollies." Two en-
cores were necessary after this. Then
they appeared as "Roses" and "Toys"
and a similar demand for encores
ensued. And after the last song
"The Story Book Ball," the insatiable
audience had to be informed
that there simply wasn't any more.
Miss Lenore Coughlin, accompanist
for the "Jollies," played again last
night.

There were two speeches, both of
them too short to weary boys bent on
enjoyment and yet not too short to
leave no thought whatever behind.
Dr. A. J. Grant, last year's chairman
of the boys' work committee of the
Rotary Club, spoke, and he was fol-
lowed later in the evening by Hugh
Murray, now known as "the first
Kiwanis daddy."

Greater Significance.
To the men of the club the party
took on a greater significance when
Mr. Murray reminded them that it
was but one of a chain being held
at that very hour from Quebec to
Windsor, all of which were providing
entertainment for over six hundred
boys.

The arrival of Santa Claus was a
joyous conclusion. A number of boys
won prizes during the evening at the
boots, and these, together with the
others received at the hands of the
genial old man a souvenir of the 1923
party. Some of the prizes won at
the summer camp for the nearest
tent and in other departments, were
awarded early in the evening.

The boosters were Joe Hickey and
Charlie Thomas, both of whom pro-
vided presents for a large number of
the boys.

From the commencement until the
conclusion, when the last present had
been distributed, the party was the
last word in Christmas gaiety, and if
the club regards its culmination of a
year's work on the Ki-Y boys' behalf
quite apparently regarded it, all will
be well satisfied.

Club Announce Election of Officers At Christmas Party.

Tom Yull is the new president of
the Kiwanis Club for 1924, suc-
ceeding Bevan Hay.

Announcement to this effect was
made last night at a Christmas party
at the Tecumseh House when the
Kiwanis daddies were hosts to some
thirty boys whom they have assisted
during the past two years.

Throughout 1923 the Kiwanis Club
has made considerable progress under
the capable direction of its officers.
Confidence was expressed that the
good work would continue under the
direction of Mr. Yull, who will have
associated with him Dr. William
Beatty as vice-president, B. Manning,



T. H. YULL,
who has been elected president of
the Kiwanis Club, succeeding Bevan
Hay. Announcement of the officers
elected was made last night.

treasurer, and F. Morrow, district
secretary. The secretary is yet to be
appointed.

A SMALL BLAZE.
Port Lambton, Dec. 20.—Fire of
unknown origin did considerable
damage to the interior of the D. U. R.
interurban depot at Roberts' Land-
ing last evening. Several men from
here went over on the ferry Velma
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Ladies' Cozy Slippers, plain,
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Men's Slippers, in leather or
felt; all styles. Priced at, in
leather..... \$2.00 to \$7.00
In felt \$1.50 to \$2.25
Boys' Slippers, in leather or
felt, made the same as
"dad's." Leather \$1.25 to
\$2.50; in felt, \$1.25 to \$1.50.



Gifts for Men and Boys

Men's Collar
Boxes
..... \$1.00 to \$5.00
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Brushes, in case
..... \$3.00 to \$11.00
Boys' Brush Sets,
consisting of one
brush, one comb
and one mirror, in
imitation leather
case. Price, com-
plete..... \$1.50

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LADIES' HANDBAGS, \$1.95

This season's newest styles,
in all desired shapes and
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Ladies' Imported Hand Bags,
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Large assortment of Ladies'
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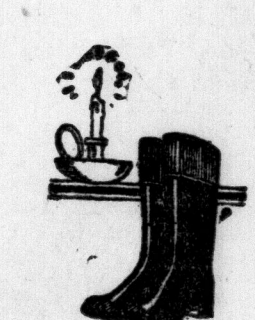
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Boston Bags, in
either brown or
black leathers.....
..... \$1.49 to \$11.00
Ladies' Fitted
Rolls, new tor-
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\$2.75 to \$3.00, according to
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Fine Buckskin Moccasins...
..... \$1.50 to \$1.75
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cording to size.

Hockey Shoes and Skates

Men's..... \$3.50 to \$6.00
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Boys'..... \$3.00 to \$4.75
Misses'..... \$3.00
Hockey Skates..... 90c to \$6.00
Skates attached free.



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REALTY TRANSFERS FOR YEAR TOTAL FIVE MILLION

YEAR'S TURNOVER IN REAL ESTATE HITS HIGH MARK

Assessment Commissioner's Report Shows Unusual Activity in Property Transfers.

NO WINTER SLUMP

Another bright report was presented this morning when Assessment Commissioner Harry Bennett reported that real estate transfers for the year ending November 30 during 1923 represented a turnover of approximately \$4,500,000.

Taking the December 1922 as a basis for estimation, it is roughly calculated that the total for the year will have reached the \$5,000,000 mark.

Increasing activity in real estate transfers is a safe indication of the continued trend toward normalcy, the commissioner points out. The figures available today from the commissioner's department.

A comparative statement follows: 1923—Transfers, 1,842; assessment, \$3,426,376; considerations, \$4,886,400. 1922—Transfers, 1,708; assessment, \$3,380,560; considerations, \$4,449,593.

Building Inspector A. M. Piper follows up with the announcement that the construction and alteration record for the year is well over the three million and a quarter mark.

At noon today permits had been issued since January 1 last for work estimated to cost \$3,252,885. And there is no indication yet of any real winter slump. During this month alone work has been authorized, at a cost of \$31,625.

The "Blue Ruinists" are encountering stiff resistance in London.

PLAN CHRISTMAS TREAT FOR LAME CHILDREN

Santa Claus Will Visit Little Patients at War Memorial Hospital.

Extensive plans have been made by nurses and staff at Victoria Hospital to provide a real Christmas treat for the lame children of the War Memorial Hospital. The whole building has been decorated in Christmas style and a big Christmas tree erected.

Invitations have been issued to parents of the children to come to the hospital on Tuesday and take part in the celebration. Each child is to receive a present from Santa Claus.

Victoria Hospital, too, is garbed in Christmas style. A special Christmas dinner with turkey and the customary yuletide edibles will be provided for each patient. Presents will be given to patients in the private wards.

Christmas morning the choir of the Crown Memorial Church will sing carols.

WILSON READY TO GO TO COURT OVER L. S. R.

Declares 10-Year Period Resolution Over Paving Is Valid.

Ald. William Wilson, retiring in ward two at the end of the term stated today that he was prepared to go to the witness stand in any competent court of jurisdiction and dispute the opinion of any member of this year's council who upheld the theory that the street railway's portion of the Richmond street pavement was constructed under the penalty clause of bylaw 916.

"We are not working under bylaw 916," Ald. Wilson stated today decisively. "All will recall the meeting of the council, at which President Currie of the street railway attended, and when we passed the resolution permitting them ten years in which to pay their share. That resolution holds good."

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VARIED PROGRAM AT ST. ANDREW'S IS ENTERTAINING

Rev. F. W. K. Harris Gives a Brief Talk on Travels in Holy Land.

PRAISE MISS HOWIE

With J. W. Hoffard acting as chairman, the annual Christmas concert and tree of St. Andrew's Sunday School was held in St. Andrew's Hall last evening. A varied program was given, followed by the appearance of Santa Claus, who distributed many gifts to the children from the huge Christmas tree. Rev. F. W. K. Harris, director of religious education in the school, gave a brief but interesting talk of travels in the Holy Land, illustrated by lantern slides.

Much of the credit for the successful entertainment is given to Miss Ethel Howie, who acted as general convenor.

The program included the following varied and interesting numbers: Opening hymn, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing"; recitations by Josephine Sanford, Netta Morrison, Eleanor Pearson, Betty Fuller, Margaret Harris, Catherine Clarke, Dorothy Phillips, Catherine Philip, Jane Fuller, Jack Smith, Edith Wilson, Margaret Ross, Chester Philip, Jean Patterson and Donald McKay; a dialogue by Stewart Cottell and Donald Nelson; a dialogue by Malcolm McDonald and Allen Laut; a dialogue, "The Christmas Lesson," by several little girls; a dialogue, "Dear Friends," by little girls; a dialogue, "The Merry Christmas Bell," by four little boys; a trio, "Holy Night," by Betty McGregor, Eleanor Wilson and Gladys Talbot; a "Mother Goose" dialogue; "The Pilots," by Betty McGregor; a Chinese play by Rose Wong; instrumental by Doris Rider and Helen Cross, and selections from the Sunday School Orchestra.

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BILLING SYSTEM WILL BE CHANGED

Public Utilities Commission To Send Out Accounts Every Two Months.

Jan. 1, 1924, will see the public utilities commission inaugurate the new system of billing accounts for water and light. All arrangements in connection with a change from the present system to the new have been completed, and bills and cards have all been printed.

The new plan calls for the billing, on the one account, of both water and light, and the customers will receive them every two months. At present they receive light bills monthly and water every three months, making a total of sixteen accounts yearly, while under the new method but six will be received.

There will be no change in the staff of meter readers, but some change may be necessary in the billing department. A great saving is expected to materialize from the saving of stationary and office help during the twelve-month period.

FOREIGN-GROWN NUTS ARE IN GOOD CONDITION

Food Inspector Has to Destroy, However, 260 Pounds of Shredded Coconut.

Practically the entire Christmas supply of foreign-grown nuts to reach London this season has arrived here in first-class condition, and in only one or two instances has it been found necessary to destroy any because they were unfit for human consumption, officials of the local food and drug office told The Advertiser this morning.

The inspector asserted, however, that 260 pounds of shredded coconut had reached here in an unfit condition. Although the purchaser was not to blame in any way, the shipment had to be destroyed.

Four hundred gallons of cider was also destroyed, because it had been shipped to the district in insanitary containers.

DIBS AND DABS

—BY HARRY MOYER



News From City Churches

COLBORNE STREET W. M. S.

All the members of the Colborne Street W. M. S. who met yesterday afternoon for the regular meeting, expressed themselves as very much pleased with the work of the society up to the end of this year, as they felt that it had been most encouraging and progressive. A Christmas reading, "The Legend of the Rose," by Mrs. Henderson, was enjoyed, as was also the second chapter of the book.

TABLOTT STREET L. A.

A short meeting of the Ladies' Aid of Tablott Street Baptist Church was held yesterday afternoon with the president, Mrs. M. Dale, in the chair. Mrs. A. Affleck, in prayer and the president gave the Scripture reading. The next meeting of the society will take place on Thursday, January 31.

PARTY AT BYRON.

The Knights of Honor Class from the First Methodist Church visited the Byron Preventorium yesterday afternoon and provided a Christmas tree for twenty or more of the small patients. Before the children assembled for the distribution of presents they were guests of the class at a tea party in the Preventorium dining room, which is now prettily decorated for the Christmas season.

ELECT OFFICERS FOR YEAR.

At the monthly banquet of the Excelsior Men's Bible Class of Askin Street Methodist Church, held last evening, the officers for 1924 were elected. The past year has been one of the most successful in its history under the presidency of William Courtis. After a short talk by the pastor, Rev. J. T. C. Morris, the following officers were chosen: President, A. Small; first vice-president, Art. Wilkes; secretary-treasurer, F. Smith; teacher, Rev. Mr. Morris; assistant teacher, Wm. Courtis. About forty men attended the banquet.

SENIOR PATHFINDERS.

The Senior Pathfinders of St. Andrew's Church held their Christmas meeting last evening when Mrs. D. C. McGregor told the Christmas story of "The Three Wise Men."

DEATHS FOLLOWING LENGTHY ILLNESS

Mrs. A. J. Palmer, Princess Avenue, Will Be Buried Sunday Afternoon.

Mrs. A. J. Palmer, 587 Central avenue, wife of the superintendent of the Empire Brass Company, died at 8:30 o'clock this morning at her residence following a lengthy illness.

Besides her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Dorothy and Edith, and one son, Ralph. The funeral will be held on Sunday afternoon from the family residence to Woodland Cemetery at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. M. Garbutt of Dundas Street Central Methodist Church will conduct the services.

DANCE TO MARK CLOSE OF COLLEGIATE TERM

Students at the Central Collegiate Institute will celebrate the closing of examinations and the commencement of the Christmas holidays with a real party. Plans having been made for a dance to be held in the auditorium tonight, Pudney's orchestra has been secured and refreshments will be served.

DECEASED DEMAND AMUSEMENT TAX

Province Makes Demand When Returns Not Made To Department.

CONCERT LAST MAY

Special To The Advertiser. Guelph, Dec. 20.—Inspector Navin, of the provincial amusement tax department, Toronto, visited the city today and asked J. M. Card, chairman of the board of education, to pay the balance of the receipts taken in at a concert put on by the board on May 4 last, which he claimed was due the government. Mr. Card refused the request for a personal check covering the amount, but offered the official to the board's counsel. Mr. Navin is also said to have approached officers of several other organizations and is reported to have intimidated, in one case at least, that unless the amount requested was forthcoming legal proceedings would be taken to collect it.

A large black bear, which had been a member of the animal family at the Gilson Manufacturing Company zoo for some years, was sent to the happy hunting grounds this afternoon. The monster brute, which was beginning to get cranky on account of old age, was giving considerable trouble.

RUMOR ABRAHAM'S MACHINES USED IN LONDON AREA

Dr. H. W. Hill Declares Instrument Fals and Warns Citizens.

NONE FOUND IN CITY

Although not definitely known, certain London medical men believe an Abraham machine has been operating in the city. Dr. D. A. Craig, former local physician, and now director of the American Academy of Medicine, stated recently that men who operated Abraham machines had recently invaded this part of the country, and were cleaning up a little harvest in this city.

Abraham's machine is a contrivance invented by an old-time doctor, who claims it will detect every disease known to mankind. It was originally used in determining a malady contracted by the famous Samuel Johnson. Recently it was used extensively to locate oil in Texas.

Dr. H. W. Hill, dean of the Institute of Public Health, commenting on the report that a machine of that nature was being used locally, said it was an obvious fact which no physician of repute would think of using.

"The device is supposed to be able to discover disease through the blood," Dr. Hill said. "Some time ago it was invented by an old-time doctor, who was subjected to his so-called phenomena powers. The man who operated the machine did not know what kind of blood had been secured, and diagnosed the alleged disease as one which women sometimes have. This, of course, was final proof that it was a fake."

Dr. Hill added that if any person in this district was employing the methods of Abraham in determining diseases, they would naturally be able to carry on such work for some time without being discovered. He had not heard of any person being found in the possession of a machine.

One hundred and fifty children of members of the Royal Canadian Regiment here will be gathered in the battalion mess room Saturday morning at 4 and 6 o'clock to receive Santa Claus. A huge Christmas tree laden with toys and good things will be erected and a member of the regiment is scheduled to appear with a basket of gifts, one for each child.

On the same day each married man of the R. C. R. will receive a Christmas turkey while the single men are to enjoy the customary Christmas dinner. The number taking part in the feast this year is about 150. It will be relatively small, the majority having received a three-days' Christmas furlough.

GORMAN-ECKERT STAFF GATHERS FOR BANQUET

Salesmen and Departmental Heads of Local Firm Close Year's Work.

As a pleasant wind-up to the year's activities, the salesmen and departmental heads of Gorman-Eckert Company gathered at a banquet last night in the Tecumseh House, afterwards visiting the Grand to see Sir John Martin Harvey. During the banquet, which was given by the heads of the firm, brief addresses were made by various guests.

Among those present were: William Gorman, president; C. W. Nicholls, vice-president; R. G. Bowie, managing director; T. P. Allan, J. A. Jones, directors; A. Trevelyan, F. Burch; J. Cory, T. B. Harker, Toronto; G. A. Wilmer, Hamilton; R. M. Moncur, Hamilton; H. A. Lawson, Stratford; J. A. Dean, Toronto; Ray Gorman, A. W. Greenslade, H. H. Rennie, W. J. Smith, F. E. Parsons, London; W. O. Clark, W. D. Morris, H. Jeffrey, J. Morrison, W. H. Henderson, W. Gunn and W. H. McKee.

R. C. R. MILITARY BALL WILL BE HELD TONIGHT

This evening, in celebration of its 40th birthday officers of the Royal Canadian Regiment will hold a military ball at which more than 120 guests are expected to take part. Dancing will commence at 8 o'clock and all military men and their wives in London will be on hand.

Out-of-town guests who will come to the city for the event include Col. and Mrs. Langford of Toronto, Major and Mrs. H. T. Cock, Kingston; Capt. Herron, and others well known here.

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"TURK" INDUSTRY FAILS TO REGAIN LOST POPULARITY

Prices on the Market Remain Down and Demand Not Keen.

SNOW WOULD HELP

Many branches of industry claim to have suffered to no small extent from the unusually mild weather of the past month and a half, but the case of that patient individual who nurses carefully through its youth that Yuletide delicacy known as the turkey may be said to be in a class by himself.

Two years ago the "czar" of the barnyard fowl had indeed good cause to ruffle his plumes in proud disdain when the lowly goose or chicken ambled by, for was he not worth no less than 60 and 65 cents a pound, while his underlings could be bought for a lowly 25 and 30 cents.

But, alas, alack, how times have changed. Last year more or less of a slump hit the turkey market with the result that "his honor" dropped in value to 45 cents a pound. And this year the bottom has fallen out of the turkey market, as it were, and that worthy can be had as low as 20 cents a pound.

Thursday's market was almost overflowing with turkeys. Right away the optimists began asking 30 cents a pound. But public sympathy seemed to be lacking and in a short time the price was dropped to 25, 24 cents, and late in the afternoon good birds could be trundled home at 20 cents a pound.

Market officials and others in touch with the fowl market say that more turkeys were sold yesterday than on any other day this season. But they add that it is doubtful if the supply on Saturday will be large.

All are unanimous, however, that more turkeys will grace the Christmas table this year than on any other occasion within the last half-dozen years.

Mild weather is receiving the most blame for the slump in turkey prices. Physiologists point out, and with good reason too, that the absence of snow has affected the mind of the individual to such an extent that he is not as concerned about purchasing a turkey as if a furious white mantle covered Mother Earth.

Wholesalers, because of the strange weather conditions, refuse to stock with large supplies of turkeys, as has been the case in the past. The raiser of fowl must necessarily sell his birds for less money or let them die of a ripe old age.

SANTA CLAUS TO VISIT CHILDREN OF R. C. R.

Toys and Other Good Things To Be Distributed Saturday Afternoon.

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3 Nominated For Mayoralty

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 21.—Thos. L. Church, M.P. and Controller W. W. Hiltz and Jos. Singer were nominated for mayor this morning to succeed to the chief magistracy, held for two years by Mayor A. Maguire.

SALVATION ARMY NOW CONSIDERING INDUSTRIAL HOME

Such a Institution in the City Would Provide Home For Temporary Friendless.

ACCOMMODATE SIXTY

Plans are now under way by the industrial department of the Salvation Army to establish an industrial home in the city with a view to providing the needy with temporary lodging. This announcement was made today by Adjutant Lewis, head of the local industrial department.

The new home when completed will accommodate about sixty people with offices for the members of the staff. The local industrial department has been in existence for many years, but for the past four years the work has been handled from a small office. Adjutant Lewis, who came to this city three weeks ago from Halifax, sees a great need for such an institution in the city.

The work done by such a department enters into many fields. Adjutant Lewis pointed out this morning. Services are given each Sunday by the members of the staff in the prison and the export of inmates are provided for workmen and those who are thrown open to all who desire a night's rest.

It is expected a labor bureau will be run in connection with the new department.

URGENT IMMATURE TIMBER SHIPPING BE STOPPED

Guelph C. of C. Officials Inform Local Chamber of Resolution Passed.

From the Guelph Chamber of Commerce comes a resolution asking that the shipping of immature timber from the Dominion be prohibited, in a letter to the secretary of the London chamber. In the resolution, copies of which are forwarded to the printer, Hon. Arthur Meighen, and also the member for South Wellington, the directors of the Guelph chamber state that the export of immature timber and unmanufactured lumber from the Dominion has been increasing rapidly for some time, and it is in the best interests of everyone in the country that there should be a prohibition on this export.

They state that much of the Canadian timber is made into paper on the other side.

PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTE GREATLY INCREASES WORK

Since its establishment in 1913 the Institute of Public Health has increased the yearly number of medical examinations by ten times what it was during the first year of its existence. According to figures submitted today, the institute, which recently celebrated its tenth birthday, conducted more than 15,000 examinations in 1923. It serves 160 municipalities of Western Ontario, and practically directs the public health of all cities and towns from Windsor to Guelph.

MACHINE GUN CAGE FIVE LINES UP FOR SEASON

Machine Gunners, in the Garrison Basketball League, will be represented by the C. C. I. quintet. This team will be made up of the following: Wm. Murray, "Dutch" Logan, "Cal" Bice, Doug. Westman, Ken. Hunter and Jimmie Burns.

The team will not be as strong as last year's team owing to the dividing up of the players by three schools system. Last year's team ran away with the shield, so with a weaker team on the floor for the gunners this year it promises to be a real battle.

SUSTAINED BROKEN WRIST.

It was reported today that Clifford Payne of Thamesford recently sustained a broken wrist while cranking his automobile.

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REVIEW FIGHT FOR ELECTIVE POLICE COMMISSION

MAYOR WILL ASK ISSUE BE PREPARED BY MUNICIPALITIES

Weniger Claims Opposition Encountered Last Year Will Not Affect Plans.

SEES ADVANTAGES

All municipalities will be invited to send representatives to another convention in this city early in 1924 to consider the proposed "elective form of police commission."

This was the significant announcement today from the mayor's office, indicating in no uncertain manner that he proposes to continue his fight, in common with others in the province, to induce the Ontario Legislature to change the law in this regard.

The mayor proposes that the convention be staged at an early date as circumstances will permit in order that the 20 or more municipalities interested will have sufficient time to frame a standard proposal for presentation at the opening session of the Ferguson government.

Will Continue Fight.

"I propose to call a session early in the year," the mayor announced to The Advertiser. "I am going to continue this fight because I think that I am right and I am confident that I will have the support of the majority of the municipalities in this province. At the last conference of municipalities held in this city earlier in the year the majority of the delegates favored the move to change the present form of local police administration. We will have the second convention just as early as possible in order that we may be in time for the first sitting of the legislature."

The late Drury administration rejected the elective form of police commission by an overwhelming majority, but Mayor Weniger appears to be quite confident that better treatment will be forthcoming from the new administration at Toronto. Early in 1923 all eyes in Ontario were focused on London when the first convention of Ontario municipalities was staged to consider the proposal that the government be asked to pass optional legislation in this regard in order that those cities desiring a change to the elective form of commission might inaugurate the same, while other cities could retain the present form if they chose.

The convention was well attended and as a matter of fact the majority of the delegates favored the change. During 1923 it appeared that the city councils of many communities were quarrelling with the police commissioners over estimates and the claim was advanced by the Peterboro, Windsor and other delegates that the city councils were being gradually stripped of their authority. Mayor Wilson of Windsor was one who supported the move for a change.

Raney Opposed Step.

In the subsequent debate before the legislature, Mayor Tolmie, the member for Windsor, Dr. Hugh A. Stevenson, the Labor member for London, and Jack Freeborn, U. F. O. member and all the representatives for East Middlesex, were among the dozen who supported the measure.

The opponents of the proposal, who included the former attorney-general, W. E. Raney, denounced the elective form of police commission as a disastrous step and one that would place the control of the police department in the hands of the politicians. They alluded to the United States judiciary as a glaring example of what might happen if the elective form of commission were adopted and declared that the sanction of the elective commission would be nothing less than a blow at the foundation of British principles.

OTTAWA TO AWAIT APPEAL DECISION

Secretary of London Chamber of Commerce Is Advised of Government Attitude.

That the Dominion Government is fully alive to the seriousness of the situation created by the action of the sanitary district of the city of Chicago by its illegal water diversion, is shown by a letter received today by the secretary of the London Chamber of Commerce from the deputy minister of marine and fisheries to the effect that the question of Chicago's action will shortly come up for argument before the supreme court of the United States when the city will appeal the injunction obtained by the United States government some time ago to restrain Chicago from using more water than was called for in the international agreement.

From the minister's letter it seems that Ottawa is waiting the outcome of this appeal before taking any further steps in the matter.

SIDEWALK REPAIRS NOT OVERLOOKED

City Engineer Near stated today that his department has not lost sight entirely of certain sidewalk alterations imperative on Carfax Crescent. The expense of the work has not been met out of the general budget he explained owing to the lamentable fact that the work was not properly done when the job was first tackled. He feels confident, however, that 1924 will witness the elimination of this problem.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

CENTRAL—Two bright unfurnished, heated rooms, ground floor, front entrance, gas and water connected, private home, one or two people, rent not more than \$14 per month. Box 10, Advertiser.

FURNISHED room to rent, suitable for business men with all conveniences. 257 King St. Phone 533.

Shopgirls Sigh As Crowds Throng Stores In Search Of Christmas Presents

Belief Prevails That Large Proportion of Holiday Buying Is Completed.

RANGE OF SELECTIONS

Enough Neckties Bought To Go Quarter Around the World.

Many of the young clerks about town were wondering Thursday night whether it was really true that Londoners had "done" their Christmas shopping early. But the wise ones are still skeptics, refusing to be comforted just because Wednesday was a rush day and Tuesday was fairly quiet.

"I'll be glad when this week is over," sighed one elevator girl in a department store. "First place—The jams in these cars is something awful—Second floor, women's, misses' and children's underwear, lingerie and bath robes—'I don't know whether people have done their shopping early or not, ridin' up 'n' down in this cage all day. How kin I tell?"

Of course, there will always be crowds around the counters. It is popularly estimated that the Christmas week already purchased in London, if placed end to end, would reach twice across Canada, forming a silk band as broad as the Thames River. If twisted into a stout cable, these gifts would make a silken rope strong enough to strangle 10 per cent of the recipients.

"Just because the stores aren't overcrowded today isn't any sign folks have done all their shopping," said a girl clerk in another store. "You can't tell. There's two more shopping days before the big day, and one of them is the day just before Christmas. People come in here Monday and then you ask me a foolish question about people and Christmas shopping."

"Believe me, I'm as hopeful as the next one. But I don't think the world has reformed so much that the Christmas Day in bed is now resting my feet. It's the only reason I'm glad I don't live at home. If I did, I'd be helping my mother with the cooking, and that's no help for a busy girl. Anyway, it's a good line about doing Christmas shopping early. I hope they keep on talking about it and may be some day it'll work out. But for me, personally, I like Christmas to be on Monday. Then they've got to give us a rest the day before."

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URGED TO RETURN.

Jared Vining, chairman of the public utilities commission, who presided at the last meeting of the year yesterday, Mr. Vining was the recipient of a hearty vote of thanks for his work, and the wish was expressed by other members that he would preside during 1924.

PENNY DEPOSITORS HAVE DOUBLED

More Than 3,000 Local Children Now Have Accounts.

ollowing a campaign of thrift instruction by Inspectors V. K. Greer and G. A. Wheable, of the public schools, depositors in the Penny Bank of Ontario, as represented by the school children of the city, have practically doubled, more than 3,000 youngsters now having accounts.

Inspector Wheable stated this morning that Mr. Greer and himself had been working hard trying to teach the children to save, and their efforts were showing results. Each school is visited in turn and the children are spoken to on the subject. The amounts have also increased largely of late, but owing to the Christmas season, deposits this month will undoubtedly be lower, in proportion, than usual, although the total will be larger.

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NOTE OF SATISFACTION MARKS SUCCESS IN HOME FOR AGED

Thirteen Have Passed to Great Reward in Year, But Santa Comes Again.

GIANT CHRISTMAS TREE

When the 73 odd inmates of the Aged People's Home of London sit down for Christmas dinner on Tuesday the atmosphere of cheer will be charged with a note of success. Last Christmas, when the old people gathered together to partake of all the little luxuries and fancies the Yuletide brings, there were 13 men and women in the home who laughed with the others, but who have since bowed to the edict of death.

Nevertheless, Christmas in the Aged People's Home is usually an event of joy surpassing even that of children. A giant Christmas tree has been purchased and this will attract every inmate about it on Christmas morning. The old folks look forward to the visit of Santa just as they did years and years ago. One of the inmates has volunteered to enact the role, and by reason of his white beard and naturally jovial smile, will not be called upon to wear a false face or a wig.

This old man is a regular granddaddy even to his contemporaries. He is St. Christopher in the flesh, and since putting on a little extra weight during the summer, is admirably qualified to act Santa Claus for his friends and companions.

Just many of the women are busy engaged knitting scarfs and crocheting. Their work is beautiful. Miss S. J. Little, superintendent, says, and those who receive the work of their hands will be fortunate indeed.

"To the old people, Christmas is the event of the year," Miss Little said. "For some, it will be the first experience with Christmas in this institution and for others, who have been here for many years, it is looked forward to with great satisfaction. Thirteen have passed away since last Christmas, and their absence will be missed. But generally everybody enters into the spirit of the festive season, and we are going to see that they have a particularly good time."

On Christmas morning, gifts will be exchanged among the inmates. Their friends and relatives will visit them for the whole day if they wish. Of course, there will be some who have no friends or relatives, and the staff intend paying special attention to these less fortunate old people, so the keen pang which comes with friendless old age will not be felt.

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"I can't give you any time," advised the court clerk.

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"All right, that's easy," thundered the prisoner, who hails from "the great open spaces." He made the magistrate a low and sweeping bow as he was led away to interview the sergeant.

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"God bless us," whispered that individual, as he reverently placed the dirty bill to his lips in full view of the magistrate.

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"He should be arrested again," commented the magistrate, endeavoring to hide a smile.

"That would hardly be fair, your worship," parried Chief Birrell. "He deserves a merry Christmas."

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"Magnificent" Sum of \$9,000 Used For 116 Miles of Work This Year.

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HALE STREET CONCERT.

The annual Christmas entertainment given last evening by the Hale Street Methodist Sunday school was quite easily the best in the history of the church. The Sunday school rooms were filled to capacity. The program in which all departments of the school took part, was of such a varied nature and such excellence that, together with encores which were demanded, it lasted till well on toward midnight.

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All the sons are expected home to attend the funeral, which will take place on Saturday at 3 o'clock in Woodland Cemetery.



SEEKS MAYORALTY.

Thomas L. Church who was today nominated a candidate for the position of Toronto's mayor. "Tommy" Church was seven times chief magistrate of the Queen City and he is confident he will be chosen again.

AUTHORIZED TO BUY 40 NEW TRANSFORMERS

Authority was given General Manager E. V. Buchanan, general manager of the public utilities commission, to purchase 40 new transformers, 37 k. v. a. capacity, and three subway transformers, for the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets, at a total cost of \$14,500. The transformers will be purchased from the Canadian General Electric Company, their tender having been the lowest.

DRUNK'S ANTICS IN COURT AMUSE STERN OFFICIALS

Favors Magistrate With Low and Sweeping Bow as Case Progresses.

HAD MONEY IN BANK

Kissing of One-Dollar-Bill the Grand Finale to Merry Act.

As a prelude to the disorderly case in police court today, an intoxicated individual caused a great many smiles to fit over the countenances of the magistrate and Chief Birrell, as well as every person else in the court room.

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BELIEVE METERS CAUSE OF WATER CONSUMPTION DROP

Further Saving Expected When Installation Work Is Completed.

NEW RATES MAY RESULT

Water consumption in London has decreased during 1923, according to General Manager E. V. Buchanan, of the public utilities commission. Apparently, this saving was due to the installation of some 2,800 metres, Mr. Buchanan said. Another year is expected to elapse before any work of installing these mechanical inspectors in all the buildings of the city is completed, a further saving of water will result.

It is also stated, that with the installation of metres, a re-adjustment of rates will be necessary, as it is possible that water meters are working all over the city, the revenue will either be increased or decreased. It is the aim of the commission to obtain enough revenue to pay its way in the matter of water and this has been done for some years, so that if the revenue is increased so great an extent by metering, a decrease in rates is likely. The opposite, however, may be the case, which would result in a slight increase. It will take some months after the metres have been installed, however, to arrive at any definite conclusions and any change is not likely to take place until the midsummer of 1924 at the earliest.

REGINALD MCKENNA.

who, with two others, will represent Great Britain on the reparation committee, appointed to investigate Germany's ability to pay.

SAYS SACRIFICES WOULD LESSEN EXPENDITURES

London Businessman Comments on Increase of Government Costs.

PESSIMISM NOT WANTED

Speaking of the great increase that has taken place within the last few years in the Dominion in governmental expenditures, a well-known London businessman, said today: "These increases are really becoming serious. For instance, they have grown all the way from 54.7 per cent in Alberta to 71 per cent in Manitoba since 1918, and there is apparently no sign of their decreasing."

Seeking a solution of this problem, he said: "In Canada, the problem of maintaining and increasing our population is complicated by the proximity of a foreign country, sharing with us 3,000 miles of common boundary, enjoying prosperity, well-served by many large cities. These are lodestones not only for the people of Canada—both in rural communities and in our cities. The latter, on the whole, do not compare in population with those of the United States, and for this reason have not the same drawing power."

It is essential that we try to balance our disavantages by increasing the number and drawing power of our many and outstanding advantages. But how? By getting down to the source of our troubles, facing the facts and making the necessary sacrifices. There is no ground for pessimism about the future of Canada or our ability to bear our tax burdens and pay off our war debt, if we have the moral courage to face the situation.

"There are a few things I would suggest as worthwhile trying, and I am sure they would help the situation:

1. We can balance our budget and abolish deficits—national, provincial and municipal. It is impossible to think so and have the courage of our convictions.

2. Through conferences, a rational system of public taxation should be devised at which the Regent Textiles overhead cost of tax collection, break down the information-tight compartments between national, provincial and municipal tax, when some form of real assistance to municipal councils is possible.

3. Standardize provincial accounting and reporting so that comparisons can be made between the various provinces and citizens.

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5. Establish centralized purchasing or at least price control in every provincial municipality, and as far as possible, in the national government.

6. Establish municipal debt and expenditure limits on a per capita basis, subject to modification in special cases by provincial departments of municipal affairs.

7. Establish provincial departments of municipal affairs in all provinces, with supervisory powers over capital expenditures of municipalities, and maintaining an advisory staff capable of being of real assistance to municipal councils and officials.

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RUSSIA MAY ASK FRENCH OFFICIALS FOR RECOGNITION

War Debt Obstacle Seems To
Have Been Partly
Removed.

POINCARÉ FAVORABLE

By PAUL SCOTT MOWLER.
(By Radio to The Advertiser and the
Chicago Daily News. Copyright.)
Paris, Dec. 20.—Following repulse
of its overtures of conciliation toward
the United States, the Soviet
government of Russia is reported to
be on the verge of making similar
overtures to France with a view to

obtaining recognition here.
The big obstacle to a Franco-
Russian understanding heretofore
has been the Russian refusal to
recognize the pre-war debt to France.
It is now reported, however, that the
Soviets within the last few months
have been building up, at a low cur-
rent rate, large numbers of Russian
bonds on the Paris market, with the
result that a large part of the pre-
war debt already has been redeemed
at a mere fraction of its capital
value.

Recognize Debt.

The bonds still outstanding represent,
it is said, a figure so low that
the Soviets now are willing to recog-
nize the pre-war debt if they can
thereby secure French recognition.
French opinion is divided on this
question. Moderates of both the left
and right are suspicious and hostile
toward the Soviets, but the extreme
left is favorable because of a com-
munity of political views and certain
elements of the right are favorable
for reasons of foreign policy.
France, it is felt, should make a
serious effort to detach Russia from
a German alliance, thereby isolating
Germany and lessening the danger of

a new war against France. Further-
more, it is argued, an understanding
with Russia would strengthen France
in its disputes with Great Britain.

French firms recently sold large
orders of aeroplanes to Russia, and
while some newspaper protested,
there is no evidence that the French
government has registered objec-
tions. Indeed, it is rumored that
Premier Poincaré is favorable to a
resumption of some kind of relations
with the Soviets, and the only reason
nothing has been done thus far to
this effect is that President Mil-
lerand is still unconvinced.

It can scarcely be doubted that a
Franco-Russian understanding would
tend to relieve the fears of Poland
and Rumania, and would gratify the
pan-Slav feeling of Czechoslovakia
and Yugoslavia, hence strengthen-
ing the French diplomatic position
throughout Europe.

TEACHER DIES SUDDENLY.

Hamilton, Dec. 19.—Taken sudden-
ly ill while teaching her class in
school this afternoon Miss Elva Mc-
Ganity, died tonight. Her death was
caused by tumor of the brain, it is
believed.

LA MAR ANSWERS MANY QUESTIONS ASKED AT LOEW'S

Mysterious Woman Again
Astounds Audience by Her
Strange Power.

ACTS AND PICTURE GOOD

After spending but three days in
the city, Leone La Mar has already
had her fame blazoned abroad. It was
announced early in the week that
on the Thursday performance at
Loew's Theatre Miss La Mar would
read letters directly from the pockets
of her audience and answer the ques-
tions contained therein. When her
manager asked yesterday how many
had brought letters about two thirds
of the people in the house, which was
quite full, waved their letters aloft.
Miss La Mar's feat was quite ex-
traordinary. The audience were to
write their questions on their own
stationery, sign the letter, seal it,
and allow it to remain in the pocket.
Without any further proceedings than
this, Miss La Mar offered to answer
the questions. It was easy to see that
she was able to do this, and time
will tell whether her answers prove
correct or not. One lady went home,
or was expected to go home in a
cheerful mood. Her question was,
"Will my husband get a raise in
January?" Miss La Mar provided the
interesting information that not only
would the husband get the raise but
that he had already received it, and
was saving it as a surprise for his
lucky spouse and also as a Christmas
present for her.

Two Acts Excel.

Miss La Mar headlines the vaude-
ville for the entire week. The two
preceding acts yesterday afternoon
were particularly good. The first
The Donald Sisters have some sur-
prising things to show in the way of
skill and strength in their acrobatic
act, and "Kenner" and "Kramer" at
once won the house with their danc-
ing. If you don't like anything else
about this act (which is extremely
unlikely) you will like to watch the
audience trying to keep their eyes
up with the dancers in their swift
procedure across the stage. This is
a brief act, but one of the best in
weeks.

Picture Appeals.

The feature picture, a film por-
traying a wealthy New York family
with all the exaggeration and ex-
travagance which is usually at-
tributed to such, has been endowed
with more genuine "human interest"
than any picture in weeks. "His
Children's Children" might very easily
have been nothing more than one of
the too prevalent series describing the
artificiality of New York life. In-
stead of this it appeals to human
emotions in every key. By the care-
ful selection of the cast, and the fact
that nobody is starred and so nobody
can be held to account for the weak-
ness of anyone else, every role at-
tracts interest to itself, and the Kayne
household with the grinning and
on the roof becomes the center of
half a dozen little dramas which
each fascinate. As few pictures do,
the picture has remained true to
the book, which held the house of
Kayne the chief interest and not any
one of its inmates.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS —EXTRA TRAIN SERVICE ACCOUNT CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

In order to accommodate the heavy
travel on account of Christmas, the
Canadian National Railways will
operate the following extra train ser-
vice:

December 22.

On the above date train No. 18, due
to leave London for Dorchester, In-
gersoll, Woodstock, Paris, Brantford,
Hamilton and Toronto at 4:25 p.m.,
will be run in two sections, first sec-
tion to leave London 4:10 p.m., and
second section at usual time, 4:25
p.m.

December 22 and 24.

On the above dates train No. 172,
due to leave London for Owen Sound
and intermediate stations at 4:40 p.m.,
will be run in two sections, first sec-
tion to leave London 4:30 p.m., and
second section at the usual time, 4:40
p.m.

December 22, 24 and 25.

On the above dates train No. 16,
due to leave London for Ingersoll,
Woodstock, Brantford, Hamilton and
Toronto at 7 p.m., will be run in two
sections, first section to leave London
5:45 p.m., and second section at the
usual time, 7 p.m. Passengers for
Hamilton will take second section of
this train.

Tickets, reservations and full in-
formation at City Ticket Office,
"Clock Corner," R. E. Ruse, C. P.
and T. A. Phone 80.—Adv. 33u

MODERNISTS WIN DEBATE ON BIBLE

"Religious War" in United
States Opens Again At
Several Points.

Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Dec. 20.—Modernists
scored a technical victory over their
opponents tonight when Rev. Charles
Francis Potter, pastor of West Side
Unitarian Church, was awarded the
judges' decision over Rev. Dr. John
Roach Straton, pastor of Calvary
Baptist Church, in a public debate
on the question: "Resolved: The
Bible is the Infallible Word of God."
Rev. Mr. Potter upheld the negative.
After two days of comparative
calm, the "religious war" between the
"fundamentalists" and the "modern-
ists" in the Protestant Churches of
the United States continued with in-
creased vigor today.

An attack on the fundamentals for
"civilizing civilization" in the name
of that which is not fundamental, but
relatively trivial, was made by Dr.
S. Pritchett, president of the Car-
negie foundation for the advance-

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low.



ment of teaching, in an article in the
current issue of Scribner's Magazine.
The general evangelists of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, south,
meeting at Memphis today, passed
resolutions denouncing "modernism,"
and at the same time attacking state-
ments made by Dr. S. G. Bland, To-
ronto, while a member of the faculty
of the Summer School conducted by
the church at Juna, Alaska.

HENDERSON MAY AGAIN SEEK SEAT IN COMMONS

London, Dec. 20.—Harper Parker,
newly-elected Labor member for
Hanley, who suffered a breakdown
during the election campaign, may
resign owing to continued ill-health.
The Staffordshire Sentinel learns
that Arthur Henderson, secretary of
the Labor party, who was defeated
in the recent election, will be the
Labor candidate in Hanley constitu-
ency in the event of Mr. Parker
dropping out.

GRECIAN REGENT ASSUMES OFFICE

Admiral Coundouriotis Takes
Oath Before Holy Synod
and Cabinet.

REPUBLIC FORECASTED

Associated Press Despatch.
Athens, Dec. 20.—Admiral Coundouriotis has assumed the regency
of Greece, Colonel Plastiras, of the
military directorate, administered the
oath to the new regent at 6 o'clock
this evening in the presence of the
Holy Synod and members of the
cabinet.

It is possible that a republic may
be proclaimed in the next few days
if the movement begun by General
Pangalos, military governor of
Athens, and extremist leader of the
Republican party, continues to gain
headway. Pangalos threatens week-
end manifestations against the
present revolutionary government
headed by Col. Plastiras and Premier
Gonatas; he demands that they cede
the power to the Republicans over
whom he now claims leadership owing
to success in the recent elections.

M. Papanastassiou, leader of the
Democratic party, is counselling
moderation; he declares he does not
want the Republicans to assume
power before the meeting of the con-
stituent assembly, which has been
fixed for early in January.

The progress of the Liberals, led
by General Danglis, one of the Ven-
izelosist revolutionary generals, is
urging the Republicans to take charge
of the government, now that the ex-
tremists have succeeded in ousting
the king; but no Liberal cabinet, even
Venizelos himself, desires the mili-
tary element at its elbow forcing de-
cisions. Some of the Republican papers
openly attack Venizelos, declaring
his return is not desired.

The same papers attack Premier
Gonatas for his moderate attitude
toward the king, and call upon him
to resign.

TRUSTS COMPANY TAKES OVER RUGGLES MOTORS

The Ruggles Motor Truck Com-
pany has been placed in the hands of
the London and Western Trusts Com-
pany, pending a meeting of the
creditors, by an order made yesterday
by Mr. Justice Fisher. The court
orders allows the business to be
carried on as usual until a meeting
of the creditors is called. It is prob-
able a meeting will be called in two
weeks. The date will be left to Ed-
mund Weld to decide on his return
to the city tomorrow.

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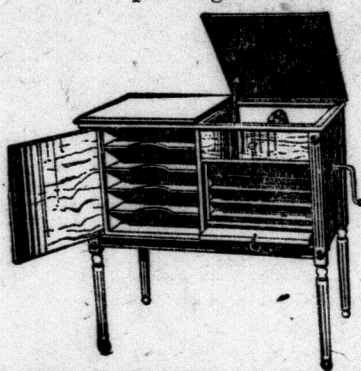
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THE DANGER?
The only danger now is that some fans are liable to forget themselves and say: "Oh, the game is off; it's turned soft."

IN YEARS OR HOCKEY.
"Dad," as applied to the long-gone star who will perform here tomorrow night with the Stratford Indians, is a misnomer. "Dad" is the younger of the two Ashley brothers of the Warton Red Men. The fact that he keeps his hair clipped short and that he looks bald, coupled with the fact that his coloring is blonde and, therefore, looks gray under the lights, has had many fans wondering how the "old war-horse" could keep going so long. He isn't near the thirty mark yet and has another ten years of hockey left.

STILL BANEFUL.
Soft weather is bound to bring out the fortunate position London is in having a new artificial ice arena, but to the curlers, who are anxious and ready to go, it is still baneful. Its not very encouraging either to the lesser hockey leagues, who will have to charge up with enthusiasm again.

Just Depends.
Bill Dibble has retired from rowing to take up aldermanic duties. If he was running in London and was elected, he would still be pick "rows."

Cap'n Angus.
The Navy League of Canada, Toronto headquarters, does not appear to feel that Capt. Walters ran away from his job when he petulantly took the Blues out of Halifax and away home during the international schooner races. In any event, "Cap'n Angus" is being remembered by Toronto Navy Leaguers, who have sent him a handsome sailor's pipe and "baccy" with which to smoke up.

Get 'em Young.
"Get 'em when they're young." That is the slogan of the really great baseball scout. The "ivory hunters" to be successful must begin at the beginning. He must be able to detect the native ability in a lad years before he is ready for company. When a boy gets to the top of his minor league ability almost any casual spectator knows whether he is any good or not and by that time a dozen scouts have looked him over. The scout who waits to examine a player until that time is certain to lose him.

It is not infrequently happens that far-seeing scouts are able to detect the makings of a great player in a kid five years too young for the big leagues. A scout said the other day that he often kept his eyes on kids for more than five years. He said he could tell if the youngster had any natural ability and if his arm was going to be good, barring accidents. If a kid has natural ability and a good arm, practice will make him a good ball player, but, on the other hand, many a boy looks bright, purely as a boy ball player, who displays lack of that natural ability, and has certain faults that prove him to have reached the top of his stride right there. This fellow the scout discards at once. The other one is watched over carefully until he ripens into a major league player and then grabbed up.

Stewart Hogarth will play for Aura Lee in the opening O. H. A. senior game on Dec. 25, but it is not likely that he will be available for more than two or three contests this season. Ill-health has forced him out of the winter sport.

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Indians of Stratford Will Give Ice Cushion Its First Test.

5:30 TO 7 FOR LOCALS

Both Intermediate and Junior Squads To Take To Ice Tonight.

Intermediates 5:30 to 6:15. Juniors 6:15 to 7 o'clock. London's ice squads will get their first chance at the new ice cushion at the arena this afternoon and tonight though to Stratford Indians, who are motoring over this afternoon will go the honor of being the first team on the brand new, glossy sheet which the ice makers have provided.

This workout this afternoon should put the Stratford crew right on edge for their clash with Kitchener tomorrow night. They have had many games yet and have only been on the ice twice whereas the Kitchener team has several good games under their belts and as well have made the trip to Hamilton five or six times.

"Railbirds" in hockey in London have never been numerous, but this afternoon and tonight, a big crowd of these gentry will be on hand. They are the real deposters of their size-up of any team is a better indication than all the experts' dope that can be gathered.

The late afternoon practices of the locals will give the coaches and committee the first real opportunity to judge how the material located here is going to look. Both squads are very promising on paper and according to what records there are available, but it takes the ice test to prove anything.

Punctuality is requested by Coaches Ferguson and Gillies who take their respective intermediate and junior squads in hand today for the first time. The players of both squads are asked to bring their birth certificates so that their O. H. A. certificates may be applied for. There are several members of the intermediate squad whose cases have been explained to the O. H. A. and it is believed that every one of London's players will get clearance papers.

LOCAL QUINTET WILL PLAY TORONTO ON 29TH

Return Game Here Is Uncertain as to Date, But Will Be Played.

This, or a representative team, will go down to Toronto on Dec. 29 to play Athletes, considered the fastest quintet playing into the Toronto Girls' City League.

The game will be staged at the Broadview "Y" gym, and will mean a return game to be played in Toronto.

The formation of a new Provincial Basketball Association for girls is still under way and for this season alone will only include Toronto and London leagues.

How fast the girls' game is spreading is shown by the fact that Warton and Owen Sound have taken up the game, and an Owen Sound team will play an exhibition game in Toronto the week after New Year's.

The make-up of the local team making the trip on the 29th has not been decided.

ON MITCHES' ALLEYS

Finishes—Kenyon 420, Richardson 471, Minihick 420, Totals, 418, 439, 607—1484.

Emergers—J. Harley 414, J. Hewitt 310, W. McGilvray 484, Totals, 435, 339, 377—1208.

Freshmen—G. Wright 403, A. Ehsenworthy 461, W. Devlin 401, Totals, 269, 451, 445—1155.

Artists—Wright 278, A. Lewis 317, G. Dean 317, Totals, 349, 421, 349—1119.

Add Feature To Arena Opening

It is altogether possible that Mr. Murray, whose description of the start of hockey appeared in The Advertiser, will perform a few fancy skating strokes as one of the features of the opening program at the arena tomorrow night, when Stratford and Kitchener perform.

Mr. Murray still keeps up his skating and swimming. The box office at the arena is open now. Phone 122 will insure avoiding the rush. Tickets will be on sale there and at Strong's and Brisco's store today and tomorrow.

Herbert left for Eveleth two weeks ago with the intention of settling down and playing for the Eveleth club in the United States Hockey Association.

HUGGINS PAYS \$10,000 DOWN FOR NEW CULLOP

Is Not To Be Confounded With "Nick" Sent to Browns by Yanks.

Special to The Advertiser.

New York, Dec. 21.—A new Cullop yesterday was added to the pitching forces of the Yankees. This Cullop is not to be confounded with the Nick Cullop whom Miller Huggins sent to the Browns along with Urban Shocker in that famous trade for Derrill Pratt. Nick is vegetating with Kansas City. Our latest Yankee, who was purchased from Omaha of the Western League for \$10,000, is just ordinary N. Cullop, according to Ed Barrow, who declared that he wasn't sure whether the N. stood for Nebuchadnezzar or Nostalgia.

"We just closed the deal for Cullop on a straight cash basis," said Barrow. "Bob Connery acted both as scout and purchasing agent. Bob watched Cullop for a couple of seasons and recommended that we grab him. So we have done the grabbing, and let us see if he proves of any more use to us than was Nick Cullop. Our new pitcher also is recommended strongly by Konetsky, who managed the Omaha club last season. He is right-handed, a kind young man and is good by his folks."

Turkey Night Is On At Thistles

Five-Pin Bowling Alley Nearing Completion.

Tonight the end of the fall euchre campaign comes at the Thistle Club, and to the winner goes a plump turkey.

A large attendance is expected. The new fivepin bowling alley is rapidly nearing completion, and the bowlers hope to get going right after the New Year.

Nights, Total, P.C.
T. T. Leckie 8 725 90.6
W. E. Manness 7 630 90.9
W. H. Richardson 9 802 83.1
C. K. Bluet 6 534 89.0
R. Mercer 7 607 86.7
G. A. Bold 5 517 86.1
S. C. Wilson 7 598 85.4
A. C. Connors 9 768 85.3
J. W. Oates 9 797 85.2
J. Axford 9 766 85.1
Lone hands—John Axford 30, T. T. Leckie 27, T. W. Oates 26, W. H. Richardson 25, A. C. Connors 24, W. E. Manness 23, S. C. Wilson 21, S. Brillon 20.

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THE MAJOR'S SCENARIO IS ON ITS WAY TO FILM FAME



WILL LIKELY BE SEEN IN ACTION HERE.
Gladys Robinson, the Toronto girl skater who turned pro, the other day, causing something of a sensation, will likely appear here at the arena during the winter. Manager Dale of the arena has already been approached by her new manager, and he will probably book Miss Robinson. Miss Robinson really turned pro, because she could not make the trip to the Olympic. The committee did its best to get an exhibition of speed skating put on, but failed.

Hamilton's Amateur Mitt Men Are Looking For Work

Local Garrison Will Have No Trouble Getting Outside Men In.

ACES LEFT IDLE FOR GAME AT Y TONIGHT

St. Thomas boys' basketball team is unable to play the Y. M. C. A. Aces this evening at the Y. M. C. A. in an exhibition contest, and the match has been postponed until a later date.

The London Aces, the local entry in the intermediate O. A. B. A., will bring several teams to London to play exhibition games. Windsor, Detroit, Sarnia and Buffalo teams are being considered by the locals.

various classes who have made names for themselves have come forward with a plan which seems feasible and may be the means of solving the problem. It has been suggested that a benefit show be put on by a number of boxers, the proceeds to be donated to a needy family or some charitable institution. This plan is deserving of recognition, and the boys are quite earnest about the matter. The show, it is pointed out, could be staged in some local hall and the fights limited to three-round exhibitions. This plan would serve two purposes—that of keeping the boys fit during the months of enforced inactivity and that of assisting some deserving cause. The boys who suggested the plan are anxious to hear the matter discussed and have announced their willingness to appear in aid of the fund.

PUCKLETS

If the Canadian Olympic hockey team is fighting already while still in Canada, what'll happen when they're on their way to Chamolux?

However, Billy Hewitt's contingent four years ago was the best-behaved of the Canadian expedition to Antwerp. So the prospects are not too bad.

Jimmy Herbert, the Collingwood boy, who played on the defense for Tigers last season, will arrive in Hamilton from Eveleth on Friday night, or Saturday morning, and will be with his old team-mates for the exhibition game here on Saturday night with the Canadian Olympic team.

Herbert left for Eveleth two weeks ago with the intention of settling down and playing for the Eveleth club in the United States Hockey Association.

However, Tigers have been so persistent in their appeals to him to return that he made up his mind yesterday to get back as quickly as possible.

St. Marys senior squad has been cut down to the following players: Goal, Kells; defense, Kitchen, Frost and G. Sullivan; forwards, F. Burke, Stokes, Turner, Bailey, Ingoldby. Some of those who tried out with the Saints will join other local teams. The return of Ponce Ingoldby, former Newman Hall and De La Salle star right wing, was hailed with delight by the Irish. Ingoldby is a high-class player. The Saints will practice at the arena tonight between 7:15 and 7:45.

Aura Lee seniors promise to take a lot of beating in the O. H. A. race. University of Toronto and Hamilton are the other strong teams, while it is suspected that this hard-checking Parkdale aggregation will also have something to say about the disposal of the silverware. St. Marys should improve as the season advances, as most of the players are young. Kitchener looks like the weakest team at this stage, but will most likely have the usual surprise to spring.

Percy Lesuer says of Morenz: "Morenz in my opinion was the best man on the ice; he was on the job all the time, and his rushing was fine. Howie helped his defence considerably with his good back-checking, and on several occasions the locals took a healthy body from the sturdy little Stratford boy."

PULP AND PAPER SUPPLY.
Paper enough to supply more than one-half the domestic needs. Most of the remainder comes from Canada, with only a small proportion of the total of pulp and paper imports coming from European sources.

Referee—A. Barber.

Percy Lesuer Has New Style Of Scoring Hockey Games

Noted Coach, Writing for Hamilton Spectator, Undertakes New Scoring Summary of Hockey Games Which Should Give Fans New Angle on Game.

Hamilton, Dec. 21.—For the benefit of the "dyes" in the wool fans, I kept a complete count on every shot sent in the direction of the opponent's goal by each team. Shots that did not pass the defence men are not counted, but every shot that was stopped by the goalers or hit the end of the rink is figured in the tally.

A difference is made in the effect of the shot, from my point of view, those that didn't leave the ice or had nothing behind them are only counted as stops, but others that looked good for counters are given their place in the summary.

My record shows that Hamilton directed 84 shots towards the Canadian goal; 6 were handled by Vezina; 15 of these were dangerous, but only one scored; 46 hit the end of the rink.

Canadiens directed 59 shots towards the Hamilton nets, and Forbes took care of 25; there were 17 likely looking ones in the lot, and three got by for counters; 31 ended up behind the goal or in the corners.

A percentage of the scoring for both teams can be figured out from any of the three angles, but the fans can do that for themselves. Shots by periods were:
Hamilton 33 26 24—83
Canadiens 17 22 20—59

Handall led the locals with 18 shots, but only four of them were on the goal, and I did not consider any of them dangerous. Burch was next

with 12, and eight of them were stopped, five of them being real hot ones.

Boucher led the Canadiens with the same total as Handall, 18, but ten of them were stopped, five being ticketed for counters. Morenz, in spite of the great game he put up, only took twelve shots on the nets, missing six of them, and of the other half-dozen Forbes picked off five hard ones.

A complete summary follows:

Canadiens.
T.S. M. O.G. D. S.
Couture 5 1 4 2 0
S. Cleghorn 10 7 3 2 0
Morenz 12 6 6 5 0
Boucher 18 8 10 5 0
Jollat 13 8 5 3 2
O. Cleghorn 1 0 0 0 0
Mantha 0 0 0 0 0

Hamilton.
T.S. M. O.G. D. S.
Reise 6 4 2 0 0
Randall 18 14 4 0 0
Producers 9 4 4 1 0
Spring 3 1 2 1 1
Burch 12 4 8 5 0
R. Green 3 1 2 2 0
Denney 9 6 2 2 0
Roach 10 5 5 1 1
W. Green 6 3 3 1 0
Bouchard 7 3 4 2 0

Victors Twice By Same Score

Medical School Basketball Defeat All Saints, 20-6.

The Medical School basketballers defeated All Saints' Church the second time this year on Thursday night by a score of 20-6.

The teams:
School Staff, All Saints.
Macquire, C. C. Applaryard
Cliff, R. F. Boyle
Wheatley, L. F. Bice
Hall, R. G. Hogg
Maddan, L. G. Boyle
Farr, Spare, Scott
Spare, Simms
Spare, Irvine

R. NEILSON WINS 5-MILE SWIM AT "Y" TANK

R. Neilson won the senior long distance swimming competition at the Y. M. C. A. last evening in the final event, swimming a total of 3,484 yards in four starts. A. Raymor was second with 2,821 yards in three starts.

H. Smith won the 26-yard breast stroke weekly swimming event in 18 seconds. A. Raymor was second and E. Stevenson third.

Neilson is captain of the caddies at the London Hunt Club.

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Tigers Lose But Give Olympic's Staff 5 to 4 Argument

OLYMPICS PROVE TOO FORMIDABLE FOR HAMILTON

Tigers Lose 5 to 4 in Final For S. P. A. Senior Trophy.

PRACTICE INSUFFICIENT

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 20.—Hamilton Tigers, badly lacking condition, gave the Canadian Olympic players a real battle here tonight, when the visitors were defeated in the S. P. A. senior final by 5 to 4. It was not an interesting game by any means, and exciting plays were conspicuous by their absence, but there was a reason, the winners having played too much hockey recently and their opponents not enough.

The Yellow and Black puck-chasers did not want to play this game in the first place, and they also objected to the champions along with players who are not likely to go overseas, but, under the circumstances, they did good work, and made a good impression with the fans.

The champions had a big advantage in substitutes, while the visitors were forced to struggle along with only much assistance from relief men. Then, to add to the Tigers' trouble, Clarence Day, who was their outstanding star in the first period, was injured in the second, and it was after his departure that the ultimate winners scored two goals. While Day was on the ice it was a tight fit, and the count was 2 to 2. Day wrenched his knee when he stopped a wicked shot.

The line-ups: Olympic—Goal, Cameron; defence, Munro and Ramsay; center, Smith; left wing, Watson; right wing, McCaffery; sub, Carson, Wright, Hudson and Romeril. Tigers—Goal, Stewart; defence, Day and Redding; center, Brackenborough; left wing, Mitchell; right wing, Cooper; sub, Reid, Harley, Litzten and Sturgeon. Referee—George Hillier.

NEW HAVEN LOSES FIRST.

Associated Press Despatch. New Haven, Conn., Dec. 20.—The New Haven Hockey Club suffered its first defeat of the season tonight at the hands of the Boston A. A., the score being two goals to one. Boston scored both goals in the first period.

Madden, Old Trial Horse, Looms in Heavy Circles

Showing Against Tommy Gibbons Proves He Is Not Through Yet.

WOULD MEET WILLS

Offers To Fight Any Other Battler If Harry Refuses.

By FAIR PLAY. Copyright.

New York, Dec. 20.—Bartley Madden says that if Harry Wills will not sign to meet him in Toronto shortly after the New Year any fight in the land is welcome to sit in the opposite corner. Curious about Bartley. For years everyone regarded him as a good old trial horse. Then, when he should have been through, he puts up a whale of a battle against Tommy Gibbons, and then shows strongly in the big milk fund bout at the Yankee Stadium.

Just now he is one of the few heavyweights who have been talked about. If Harry Wills really wants the public to believe he is a fit opponent for Dempsey he will accept that Toronto engagement with Bartley, who is a tough guy, and if Harry stowed him away in his time he would have an ace in the hole as regards his pretensions to a meeting with the champion that Kearns & Co. could not ignore.

Benny Leonard, who will not fight until the birds are singing, the flowers are blooming and the sun shining, will shortly enter upon a long theatrical engagement in this city. His sparring partner, it is said, will be Willie Woods, a Scotch lightweight, who has won the praise of Jersey fight fans.

With Vincent—temporarily, it is hoped—under a cloud, Pal Moran looms as the only prospective opponent for Leonard, and if Pal would fill a ball park with fans eager to see him go against Leonard, then the Polo Ground could be sold out for a battle between Charley Weinert and Al Reich.

In fact, as things look ahead, Benny had better put his shoulder to the actor game with a view to future employment.

DR. KRUPP ON COMMITTEE.

Woodstock, Dec. 20.—Dr. W. Krupp of Woodstock was among a number of chosen to arrange for the tour of Britain by a Canadian team. Dr. Krupp was an enthusiastic bowler, and put up a trophy in Scotch doubles in Oxford County.

Jawn and Hughie Nearing Home

Associated Press Despatch. New York, Dec. 20.—John McGraw, manager of the New York Giants, and Hugh Jennings, his first assistant, are passengers on the Leviathan, due tomorrow from Europe, where they have spent nearly two months. Baseball followers here expect a new shift in the negotiations for Roger Hornsby, the star second-baseman of the St. Louis Cardinals, after his arrival.

SEAT SALE PROMISES SUCCESS FOR TOURNEY

Special to The Advertiser. St. Thomas, Dec. 20.—The sale of seats for the boxing tournament to be held by the Elgin Regiment A. A. December 28 is exceedingly gratifying, and proves that the quality of the entertainment furnished is meeting with the approval of the fans. Great things are expected of Pook, Laing and Gardiner, the St. Thomas boxers. Fred Crompton arrived here at noon Thursday and held the first practice Thursday night at the armories.

SAN HEDRON PAYS 205 TO 1 AT TIA JUANA RACETRACK

Associated Press Despatch. San Diego, Cal., Dec. 20.—The record price for a winner at the Tia Juana racetrack was set this afternoon when San Hedron, a 4-year-old black gelding owned by Mrs. J. Manloes of this city, captured the seventh race and paid at the rate of 205 to 1. Each pari-mutuel ticket to win gave the purchaser \$412. The place price was \$40.60, and the show \$17. San Hedron beat the favorite, Icon, by a neck in a five and a half furlong race.

RUGBY RESULTS.

Canadian Press Despatch. London, Dec. 20.—Rugby results today were: Dublin University 17, Cambridge University 22. Devonport Services 6, Naval College, Greenwich 32. County championships at Stratford-on-Avon: North Midlands 9, Warwickshire 6.

RACE RESULTS

NEW ORLEANS RESULTS

FIRST RACE, 112 (Lang), 6 to 1, 2 to 1, even, won. Great Northern, 108 (Frank), 5 to 1, 5 to 2, second. Dowry, 99 (Leyland), 3 to 1, third. Time 1:20. Frontiersman, Uncle Abe, Don Juan, Double Shot, Quinham, Randolph, Duclina and Henry S. ran. SECOND RACE, 5½ furlongs: Anticipate, 112 (Martin), 3 to 1, 6 to 5, 3 to 1, won. Dentaria, 109 (McDermott), 6 to 1, 3 to 1, second. Flibbertigibbet, 112 (Mangan), 4 to 1, 5, third. Time 1:12 2-5. Propaganda, Deer, Avalanche, Assume, Mount Hope, Mickey Moore, Old Blue, Toddy Toast and 4 others ran. THIRD RACE, 100 (Parke), even, 2 to 5, out, won. Calligan, 110 (C. Lang), 7 to 10, 1 to 6, second. Hidden Jewel, 114 (Corcoran), 1 to 3, third. Time 1:10 4-5. Hughes Graham also ran. FOURTH RACE, 3 years, mile: Delator, 103 (Lee), 3 to 5, 7 to 10, 1 to 1, won. Post Haste, 107 (Wallace), 4 to 5, 1 to 3, second. Lord Granite, 103 (Frank), 1 to 3, third. Time 1:45. Dustabout and Tender Seth ran. FIFTH RACE, 700, 4-year-olds, 6 furlongs: Tardion, 112 (J. Burke), 5 to 1, 5 to 2, 6 to 5, won. Dr. Joe, 112 (C. Lang), 4 to 1, 2 to 1, second. Carnarvon, 112 (Kaiser), 8 to 5, third. Time 1:25. Slings, Herald, Far East, Lord Allen, Drummond, Charles Henry and Florence Dean also ran. SIXTH RACE, mile and sixteenth: Preczy Sneezy, 102 (Lang), 5 to 1, 3 to 5, 4 to 5, won. Jimmie, 108 (Wallace), 1 to 1, 8 to 5, second. Bastille, 111 (Parke), 1 to 6, third. Waywamono, Spues, St. Donard and Little Amie also ran.

HAVANA RESULTS

FIRST RACE, 4 furlongs: Glory of the Seas, 11, 97 (Dawson), 3 to 1, even, 1 to 3, won. Rog, 110 (Williams), even, 1 to 3, second. Yallabagel, 102 (Callahan), 1 to 5, third. Time 1:14 2-5. Rita B, First Blush, Rey Ennis and Magnet also ran. SECOND RACE, 5½ furlongs: Bluehill, 115 (Woodstock), 3 to 5, 1 to 2, 1 to 4, won. Neptune, 106 (Pickens), 6 to 5, 1 to 2, second. Somerby, 104 (Pernia), 5 to 2, third. Time 1:27 2-5. Ouida, Red Mill, Asa Jewell, Kufiya, Dixon's Pride ran. THIRD RACE, purse \$600, 6 furlongs: Le Bleu, 110 (W. Smith), 5 to 1, 1 to 5, 7 to 10, won. Armadee, 105 (Beach), 1 to 5, 1 to 10, second. Weiland, 110 (Connors), even, third. Time 1:15. Secretariat, Clean Sweep, Toy Along, Smile Verde also ran. FOURTH RACE, 3 years and up, 6 furlongs: Glenlivet, 107 (Bryson), 4 to 1, 7 to 10, won. Glen, 112 (W. Smith), 7 to 5, 7 to 10, second. Joe Underwood, 107 (J. Dawson), 4 to 5, third. Time 1:13. Kentmere, Melba Polly, Huttonrope, Branger, The Pirate, Wawona ran. FIFTH RACE, 5½ furlongs: Topango, 108 (W. Smith), 4 to 1, 7 to 10, won. Pindry, 98 (Eaton), 2 to 1, 7 to 10, second. Marionette, 107 (Pickens), 1 to 10, third. Time 1:06 1-5. Rachel D, Forest Queen, By Jimmy, Jolly also ran. SIXTH RACE, 3-year-olds and up, mile and sixteenth: Flying Prince, 103 (Loree), 4 to 1, 7 to 10, won. Montillo, 108 (Seremba), 4 to 1, 2 to 1, second. Sandy H, 111 (Smith), 7 to 10, third. El Coronel, Tan II, Pincastie, Countdrum also ran.

TIA JUANA RESULTS

FIRST RACE, mile and 70 yards: The Desert, 106 (Pator), \$7.40, \$4.20, \$2.40, won. Double Van, 106 (Mein), \$2.80, third. Time 1:43 2-5. Everywoman, Caenzel, O'Connell, Jolly Sailor ran. SECOND RACE, mile and sixteenth: Peter, Pierson, 99 (Woods), \$6.30, \$3.20, won. Bacchus, 106 (Baker), \$12.80, \$6.40, second. Scraps, 104 (McKnight), \$7.20, third. Time 1:52 2-5. Cavacadeur, Rusticator, Seamin, Jordan, The Wag also ran. THIRD RACE, 6 furlongs: Little Clair, 112 (Sharpe), \$6.60, \$4.40, \$2.40, won. Chestnut Girl, 99 (Woods), \$6.40, \$3.20, second. Wild Jack, 112 (Hurd), \$3.40, third. Time 1:16. Seth's Victory, Little Thistle, Settee, Joan Melville, Whiff, Charlotte B, Great Finisher, Overshot, Convent, Pretty Molly also ran. FOURTH RACE, 5½ furlongs: Spread Eagle, 117 (Lavine), \$10.20, \$5.20, \$3.50, won. Lizette, 117 (Doyle), \$4.20, \$3.20, second. Tikeh, 112 (Mein), \$4.80, third. Time 1:09. Little Black Sheep, Paviowa, Dick Turpin, Mannikin H. also ran. FIFTH RACE, 6 furlongs: Ten Buttons, 104 (Clark), \$7.20, \$3.60, out, won. Jack Bauer, 101 (Wood), \$6, out, second. Bullet Proof, 105 (Sharpe), out, third. Time 1:14 1-5. The Dictator, Bayonet also ran. SIXTH RACE, mile and 70 yards: Devonte, 103 (McKnight), \$7.50, \$3.60, \$3.40, won. Monardella, 105 (Walls), \$5.20, \$5, second. Dainty Lady, 100 (Clark), \$5, third. Time 1:48 2-5. Apricot, Dr. Gilbert, Theresa, Bonnevill, Flame also ran. SEVENTH RACE, 5½ furlongs: San Hedron, 109 (Neal), \$412, \$40.50, \$17, third. Icon, 112 (Wood), \$4.40, \$3.20, second. Dapper Dan, 111 (O'Donnell), \$4.30, third. Time 1:10. Vukor, Dunsandel, Carreen, Volga, My Laddie, Hobe Baker, Vanloo and Seven Seas also ran.

PROBE OF PHILIPPINE ADMINISTRATION URGED

Associated Press Despatch. Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—Thorough investigation by the house committee of conditions in the Philippines and of Governor-General Wood's administration, is proposed in legislation drafted by Representative Frear, Republican, Wisconsin, for introduction today.

WALKER'S PILOT SAYS CHAMPION CAN LICK 'EM ALL

Welterweight King Is Youngest Title Holder Next To Villa.

SET FOR TORONTO BOUT

Special to The Advertiser. Toronto, Dec. 20.—The "fightest" welterweight champion since the days of George "Kid" Lavigne, Rube Farns, Matty Mathews and Joe Walcott—Mickey Walker of Elizabeth, N. J.—arrived in Toronto this morning for his bout at the Coliseum tomorrow night with Moe Herscovitch, Canadian welter champion. He was accompanied by his manager, Jack Burger, and his sparring partner, Langham, who also boxes on the bill. They call Walker "the boy with the arsenic punch." Tomorrow night we will know whether Walker's punch is arsenic or aspirin. Walker is a sunny-faced boy when he smiles—and he smiles often. When he throws he blackens up like Jack Dempsey, and looks as wicked as a summer squall. Youngest Champ. Walker is only a boy, the youngest champion the class ever had, and the youngest world's champion except one. He is not yet 24 years of age, and only a year older than Villa, the Filipino Flash. Walker was 21 when he took Jack Britton's title away from him, Nov. 1, 1922, at New York. Walker acted like a real modest young man, but if he was modest, no one would accuse his manager, Jack Burger, of being a shrinking violet. Hamilton Mountain would look like a wart to him when he takes to the air on the Walker subject. A suggestion that Moe Herscovitch might park a sockdolager on Mickey's dimpled chin and put him down among the daisies sent Burger aeroplaning properly. Manager Quite Sure. "My boy, Mickey Walker, is the best fighting man in the world today," says Burger. "He is a better battler than Jack Dempsey, pound for pound. He can stop any welterweight in the country in ten rounds, and if your boy Herscovitch is one of those tough quickies who will stand still and fight he will not see the fifth. We fool with none of them. One of those combination lightning bolts and Jack rabbits, one of those lightning-fast boxers, might puzzle my boy for eight or ten rounds, but those punch-traders are our custard pie. All of which is Mr. Burger's idea. A lot of local folks, including Herky himself, have different views of what will happen at the Coliseum tomorrow night.

Stove Leaguers C-h-a-t-t-e-r

PITTINGER TRADED. Manager Connie Mack of the Athletics closed his third big baseball deal of the winter when he announced that he had traded outfielder "Wild" Matthews, formerly of Toronto, and Frank McGowan and infielder "Henie" Scheer to Milwaukee for outfielder A. Simmons. Mack also announced that the players released to St. Louis City in the deal for Paul Strand, the hard-hitting outfielder, are infielder Clark and pitcher Hensel Hulvey, who was purchased from the Martinsburg, W. Va., club of the Blue Ridge League and pitcher O'Neill, who was recalled from the Shreveport club of the Texas League. Says Henry P. Edwards, veteran sports writer of the Cleveland Plaindealer: "It is difficult to reconcile the statements and actions of the minor leagues. When the minors began to protest against the draft a few years ago one of their arguments was that no sooner did one of their players become popular than the big leagues drafted him. They argued, further, they wanted to keep their teams intact and rebelled against having them wrecked. That sounded all right, but the minors live up to their precepts? Not that anyone who attended the meetings in Chicago could notice. There was not a club in the Southern Association that did not clean house. Some of them released or traded half of their regular players. Nashville, for instance, had three catchers, two of them stars as minor league receivers go. It divorced itself from all three and acquired three others. Altogether some 60 or 70 players who got their names in Southern League averages this year will be coveting upon diamonds in other leagues in 1924. The International League, a circuit that has led the fight against being wrecked by the majors, was not far behind the Southern in making trades.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

Extra Train Service Account Christmas Holidays. In order to accommodate the heavy travel around Christmas, the Canadian National Railways will operate the following extra train service: December 22 and 24. On the above dates train No. 172, due to leave London for Owen Sound and intermediate stations at 4:40 p.m., will be run in two sections. First section to leave London 4:30 p.m. and second section at the usual time, 4:40 p.m. December 25. On this date train No. 16, due to leave London for Ingersoll, Woodstock, Brantford, Hamilton and Toronto at 7 p.m., will be run in two sections. First section to leave London 6:45 p.m. and second section at the usual time, 7 p.m. Passengers for Hamilton will take second section of this train. Tickets, reservations and full information at City Ticket Office, "Clock Corner." R. E. Ruse, C. P. and T. A. Phone 30.—Advt. D20,21

WALTER JOHNSTON LEADING STRIKEOUT ARTIST IN LEAGUE

Statistics Show Veteran Hurler Leads Circuit in Whiffing Batters.

SENT 131 TO DUGOUTS

Special to The Advertiser. New York, Dec. 20.—The fact that Walter Johnston—king of strikeouts artists—led the American League again last season in fanning batters, is interesting in itself. The recently issued official statistics of the league reveal Walt's achievement. But delving further into the pitching records of the league one finds that this is the fourteenth year Johnston has led the league in the whiffing business. And, with Rube Waddell, now dead, the big popular Sucko has monopolized the strikeout honors in the circuit. Waddell led the league in seven campaigns. The honors that year were divided among Cy Young, then with Boston; Dowling of Milwaukee, and Urban Shocker of the Browns. Dowling led the league the first year of its existence, Milwaukee was in the league then, of course. The next year Cy Young led. Dowling had collected 138 strikeouts, Young raised it to 163. The next Waddell made both records look anemic by hanging up just 265 strikeouts. Then, in 1903 Waddell exceeded that mark, collecting 301. This record seemed destined to stand for years. But Waddell made it shiver the following year by ringing up 343 whiffs. The next year Waddell regained the lead with even fewer—141. Then Johnston hit his stride and for twelve years was not dethroned. His best record was 313, made the year he started his long string. Shocker star of the Browns, beat Johnston out in 1922 with 149 to his credit. And then Johnston came back again, an age when most pitchers are clinging to their armchairs and slippers—and fanned 131. Waddell, in his seven years as king, set up one record that not even Walter even has hit—that one of 343. But Johnston's reign has given him a total collection that probably never will be equaled.

HOCKEY SCORES

S. P. A. Senior Final. Olympics 5, Hamilton 4. Exhibition. Boston A. A. 2, New Haven 1. GAMES TONIGHT. Western Inter-League. Vancouver at Regina. Seattle at Calgary. Saskatoon vs. Victoria at Winnipeg.

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TO HONOR TACKLE KILLED IN GAME

Iowa College Will Commemorate Jack Trice, Who Died On Gridiron.

By LAWRENCE PERRY. Copyright.

New York, Dec. 20.—They are going to place a bronze tablet in the Iowa State College gymnasium in the memory of Jack Trice, negro tackle, who was killed in the Iowa-States-Minnesota game at Minneapolis last fall. On this table is to be inscribed the fighting code of Trice, which was found in his clothes in his room in a Minneapolis hotel, where he had dressed for the game. Written on hotel stationery, this code, which the boy never intended that anyone should see, might stand as a symbol of all the determination and aspiration and knightly resolve that spur our young athletes on to the utmost point of self-sacrifice in their important football games.

Garrison Loop Assured.

First Hussars, C.O.T.C. and Machine Gunners have entered teams in the Garrison Basketball League for this season. Efforts to include two more units in the league have been unsuccessful, but the three quintets should provide real basketball in large globe, as each is a strong crew.

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Grade VII.—God Save the King. Bible reading, Matt. ii, 1:11, A. Harrison; recitation, "Suspicious," Sells McGuire; violin solo, Gordon Robinson; recitation, "Miss Edna Helps Things Along," Margaret M. Nichol; "The Day After Christmas" in two acts, Jack McKay, Lena Can-

mas holidays. In the morning the kindergarten youngsters were greeted by the magnificent tree, supplied by the board, and which was decorated with the work of the children. Songs, recitations and drills were given by the kiddies before a large attendance of mothers, after which the gifts on the tree, made by the

Miriam Ashley, Marjorie Tozer, Vera Baker, Ida Rosenthal, Thelma Kippenberger, and the girls of the school. The girls were dressed in costumes of their own design. The dialogue was by Stanley Coups and Jack Pearen. The class choir, composed of Fred Rossiter, Derwood Hutchinson, Matthew Goddard, Stanley Coups, Orville Sinclair, Jack Pearen, Billy Trudell, and the girls of the school, sang the songs.

violin solo; Garnet Chapman, mouth-
 organ solo; Margaret Alford, solo
 (vocal); Eleanor Eagan, violin solo;
 Nora Newman, reading; Doris Cle-
 ments, recitation; Lorne Bottrill,
 violin solo; Verla Venner, reading;
 Margaret Lambourne, piano solo;
 Doug. Grigg and G. Chapman, novel-
 ty; Russell Tozer, violin solo.

H. S. McCauley has purchased the pure-bred Holstein cow, Mistletoe Bessie Oberkirk, from Charles Herman, Shedden.

Mrs. James Edwards and son, A. J. Edwards, and Mrs. J. E. Burgess, all of Chatham, were visitors on Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Aldred.

Mrs. Barklie is survived by her husband and one daughter, Edith, at home. A sister, Mrs. Herringer, resides in Mildmay.

"The last time you were here you released your wife from home with a man. The reformatory is the only place for you," Mr. Gundy told O'Neill.

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The Position at Ottawa.

The changing of Kent, N.B., from the Liberal to the Conservative side of the Commons would, in ordinary events, make little difference. It is a much more serious affair, though, to a government that finds itself in a minority in case the other parties unite against it.

The riding of Kent has not been a traditional Liberal seat. Since Confederation it has returned seven Conservatives, six Liberals and one opposition to Union government in 1917. Three by-elections in the riding have gone Conservative. So between Liberals and Conservatives, not including the present contest, the record stands Conservatives 10, Liberals 6.

There may be some degree of satisfaction in that for the government, but at best the amount of comfort so gathered will be small compared to the positive fact that the seat has been taken from the government strength and added to the Conservatives.

The management of the National Railways figured largely in the Conservative campaign. "The section that runs in the maritimes is, like the rest of the road, being operated as a railway now, a distinct change from the old order of doing business. This change has naturally called for the breaking away from many of the loose methods that made the road a joke, and on this has been hung much of the dissatisfaction."

The eastern section of the Dominion is also dissatisfied over the lack of market facilities. The natural market for much of its produce it in the New England States, but tariffs keep it out of that market, and it looks to Ottawa to supply others. The reciprocity pact of 1911 would have allowed the east to follow geographical lines in selling its produce. That chance having been refused, there has been no adequate substitute provided.

If the government continues with the present discrepancy in its numbers, the Progressives will find themselves in an advantageous place. So far they have shown only a lukewarm interest in the rise or fall of the government. They have voted against it on budget issues which contained a better thing for them than would be offered by any other party.

Premier King has not at any time had a definite majority, large enough to enable him to work freely and fearlessly. He has had to compromise at times with the reactionaries in his own party, and it has been a situation throughout that has called for an unusual amount of tact and patience on his part.

The situation that exists now is one that the cabinet will have to face fairly and fearlessly. If the Progressives want to force matters to the point of an election, the government will have to accept that challenge; if, on the other hand, a fair working arrangement can be arrived at, an election that nobody wants and that no section needs can be avoided until the proper time for it.

Trial By Jury.

Attorney-General Nickle is right when he says that the Home Bank officials should be tried by jury.

There are cases where a prisoner has the right to elect to be tried summarily or by the next court competent to take the case.

The Home Bank affair is a serious offence and should be so regarded. The effect of the action of the officials has been so far-reaching and so disastrous to so many people that it removes the case from the class that can be tried by judge.

The attorney-general's position is sound and should have way.

Rather Small.

United States senate had a warm time denouncing the American Bar Association because members of this legal fraternity booked passage to England on a British liner.

It was described as "disgraceful," "incredible and shocking."

Would similar phrases be used in regard to the number of British passengers who cross on U. S. liners?

Ford Is for Coolidge.

According to despatches Henry Ford has eliminated himself from the presidential contest, and lines up with the Coolidge forces.

As far as Canada is concerned this makes little difference. The government at Washington has shown little

inclination to make any working arrangements with the Dominion that would permit our produce to reach U. S. consumers. It has increased duties in an effort to keep Canadian produce out of the republic's markets.

The one bright spot is that President Coolidge has shown an inclination—perhaps a very guarded one—to go into the European situation and help work out the commercial salvation of that country.

Anything that helps Europe will help Canada, and Canada is willing to take indirect as well as direct benefits.

Danger Here.

The girl who has been declared the most beautiful in America is showing dresses and wraps in a Toronto store.

Now is there not a danger when the Toronto women buy them after this stunning exhibition, that they will wonder why they don't look so much like a knockout when they put them on?

Taking a Rest.

Bishop Manning of New York has called a halt, or truce, in the fight between fundamentalists and modernists in regard to the Bible being the word of God.

A rest will do them no harm—if they use it for careful thought it may do them much good.

They might even come to the conclusion that their high calling was to preach and not to squabble.

He Fears the Lash.

A prisoner wanted in Toronto and Hamilton for robbery on several occasions is now held in Minneapolis.

He escaped from a Canadian prison, and says he would rather take a life term in the States than to complete his sentence in Canada, where the lash is to be used on him.

The man who thinks it is excellent business to use a gun on others is afraid of getting hurt himself.

If the lash is the one thing that gunmen fear, then why not use it? A term in jail seems to mean only a breathing spell in which to plan for more devilry.

Out of It 30 Years.

A man passed through Hamilton a day or so ago; for the last 30 years he had been in a U. S. prison, placed there on a charge of murder. He went in at the age of 18—now he is 48.

To a reporter who found him he admitted that he was at a loss to know what to do. He is free, yet afraid; he finds everything different to what it was when he went in to prison.

He has been shut in from the world since 1890, and a lot of water has gone under the mill since then. The automobile was an experiment then; in Canada they were unknown. Marconi may have been thinking of his invention then, but the wireless and the radio receivers have swept in only the last few years. The South African war and the great world war have both been since then.

President McKinley was shot while this man was in jail and Sir John A. Macdonald was nearing the end of his term of office at Ottawa. Since then Canada has had eight premiers, Abbott, Thompson, Bowell, Tupper, Laurier, Borden, Meighen and King.

When the hand of the law put him behind the bars, a man making \$1,000 a year was looked upon as quite well-to-do. The milkman charged five cents a quart and the baker five cents a loaf. A mechanic got along on \$1.50 to \$2 a day.

In 1890 London was a city of 30,000 people and a tax rate of 12.4-10 mills on the dollar; the total school tax in that year was \$61,395.

Yes, this man comes to a new and a strange world. He will see bobbed hair and think it strange; he will look in vain for the strip of copper on the toes of boys' boots; he will gaze at women wearing furs in summer and bare necks in winter; he will ask the young man what has become of the old paper collar, and he may inquire if they use vaseline or soft butter to keep their hair combed back so sleek. He may go into a hotel and look around for the old free lunch of crackers and cheese.

Taking 30 years out of a man's life and then turning him loose in a new and a much speeded-up world—well, you can't wonder at it when the ex-prisoner says he feels lost.

Note and Comment.

Any turkey that still calls his neck his own must have had a handy hiding place under the cow shed.

Thomas Church may run for mayor of Toronto again. When he ran for parliament and got elected he stepped into water that was too deep for him. In the Ottawa pool he has had to content himself with paddling about with his shoes and stockings on the shore.

The Guide Post—By Henry van Dyke

KEEPING CHRISTMAS.

He that regardeth the day, regardeth it unto the Lord—Romans xiv., 6.

It is a good thing to observe Christmas Day. It helps one to feel the supremacy of the common life over the individual life.

But there is a better thing than the observance of Christmas Day, and that is, keeping Christmas.

Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs and the desires of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; to stop asking how much your friends love you, and ask yourself whether you love them enough; to try to understand what those who live in the same house with you really want, without waiting for them to tell you; to make a grave for your ugly thoughts, and a garden for your kindly feelings, with the gate open—are you willing to do these things even for a day?

Then you can keep Christmas. Are you willing to believe that love is the strongest thing in the world—stronger than hate, stronger than evil, stronger than death—and that the blessed life which began in Bethlehem nineteen hundred years ago is the image and brightness of Eternal Love?

Then you can keep Christmas. And if you keep it for a day, why not always? But you can never keep it alone.

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Letters to the Editor

The Advertiser welcomes letters discussing matters of public interest. It is necessary, that the name of the writer be sent as an evidence of good faith, but not necessarily for publication.

Too Many White Collars.

Father of Five Says the Big Chance in the Future Is For Boys Capable of Real Hard Work.

Editor of The Advertiser: Sir—I was reading in an American teachers' paper that fully 80 per cent of the pupils going through the schools now were headed for the professions, or for positions which come under the classification of "white collar" jobs.

If a person shows a special aptitude for any of these professions then I claim it would be wrong to try and divert him to any other, but on the face of it it is ridiculous to suppose that 80 per cent of the pupils are fitted for that class of work.

At the bottom of it all the people themselves are to blame because they do not recognize the real worth and honor of good hard work in other capacities.

How many of our own boys in London want to prepare themselves so that they can go in and work well in a factory? The very fact that there are so few doing this and so few who want to do it indicates one thing to my mind, viz., that before many years have gone the boy who is himself well for the mechanical field or for any other line of work is going to have the best of it. We can absorb only a certain number of professional men. We could very well place more emphasis on the dignity of labor and hard work. Thanking you, FATHER OF FIVE.

The Farmer Loses.

And Naturally He Asks Why He Was the One Man in the Ring To Come Out Short.

Editor of The Advertiser: Sir—A week or so ago I noticed in The Advertiser a letter referring to an editorial article about a man selling his hogs at a loss.

I did the same thing not more than a week ago and want to ask you some questions. I know just what I should have sold at to get my money out at a profit because we keep a good set of farm accounts. But we had to take what was being paid on the day we sold.

My questions are these: Did the railroad company lose any money on the shipping of the stock? I don't think they did, for they set their rates and we had nothing to do with it.

Did the men who bought at Toronto lose on the deal? I don't think so, because the packers seem to be doing very well. Will the butcher or the grocer lose on it when he comes to hand out the bacon, the ham and other cuts? I guess he won't, because he buys for so much and sells for so much more, so he'll be all right.

Now, then, Mr. Editor, will you tell me what the farmer is the one man in the ring who was picked out to be a loser? J. H. C. Delaware.

He Breaks Into Verse.

Blith Man Says He Can Express Himself Better That Way Than in Prose.

Editor of The Advertiser: Sir—Here is a list of poetry addressed to the anti-unionists. You remember the fight the churches put up against the three-fifths majority for local option asked by the Whitney government?

Do you remember the forces who came from the church, who said they'd knock Barleycorn clean off his perch?

But the government demanded a three-fifths majority, Showing kindest regards for the brainy minority.

We rallied and we raved, we almost stampeded, Such unfairness and crookedness had ne'er been preceded, So we sent delegations to this lobbied government, To see if a change would come over their temperament.

Majority not to rule was hard to conceive, Could humanity refuse it, no one would believe, Our language grew fiery, we opened the throttle— We were determined to get rid of the bottle.

Now, this same little church, with the same class of people, Continue to worship 'neath the same little steeple, And again are engaged in a very fierce battle, But, oh, what a change in the sound of the rattle.

Majority rule! Never! That's simply preposterous! Crushing helpless minorities like a two-ton rhinoceros! They rushed to the altar to repent and to pray.

But this went against them. Now what do they say?

Intelligent men sure have taken a slump.

Outside of the anti, there's but one, With tears in their eyes, how they weep for the departed.

But this don't conform with other things that they started.

The drink of our fathers, the friendly wee glass, Didn't cause us a worry, it's day for to pass.

We warred on the battle, put the government through, For demanding our three, while the wets polled their two.

If our denominations is so terribly bad, Why let us then separate the good from the bad,

You will do a good work if you only begin it,

But don't be surprised if you find your not in it.

BLTYH.

Other Papers

GETTING A POOR START.

(From the Toronto Globe.) Officers of the Toronto Public Health Service state that 70 per cent of the children in Toronto who failed to pass their school examinations during the past term were in the habit of going to school without breakfast.

This was the result entirely of late rising, following up staying up late at night. In no case was it found that there was lack of food in the homes from which the breakfastless children came. The statement should be pondered by parents.

A REAL GOOD TIME.

(From the Ottawa Journal.) Behind the lady at the movies the other night sat a man who crushed peanut shells, read the titles aloud and marked time to the music with his boot on the bottom of the seat she occupied. Needless to remark the man had an enjoyable evening.

LET'S SEE THE WOMAN.

(From the Hamilton Herald.) Lady Terrington, who has been elected to parliament, coyly boasts, "The men were very kind to me, because I was kissed by dozens of them." No wonder the lady was elected. A kiss for a vote! But doesn't that come under the head of bribery?

THINGS THAT MAKE WAR.

(Woodstock Sentinel-Review.) The French senate has voted \$6,000,000 for military operations in Morocco and Syria and for munitions credits to Poland and Yugoslavia. Millions for war and preparation for war, but not a cent for the payment of debts.

A Memory

Did you ever have cause to remember Those boyhood days of yore, When you were hungry and scantily clad,

And your bed was on the floor, And how your appeals to Santa Claus,

Were always heard in vain, When other children's hearts were light

And yours was full of pain. Oh, how you wished that you were rich,

That you could share those joys Which always were denied to you, And sent to other girls and boys,

And how you vowed that when you grew To be a man some day, that you would see poor boys and girls,

Got something from your pay. Sometimes friends, and relations, too, Are not with you today,

But yet some may be near you, And might well be right away, So keep that little promise you made

When you were young and gay, That you'd make some child happy, And wag one little tongue.

Christmas morning's coming, and Santa with his smile, Will give your little offering, and make one life worth while,

So chip in with the other folk, And make sad hearts feel new, And keep that little promise, That was denied to you.

754 Quebec St., London.

RAILWAY WILL EXERT EFFORT TO MEET BYLAW

The London Street Railway authorities will exert every effort in 1924 to meet the requirements of Bylaw 10 respecting service on all lines, Vice-President Ivey stated today.

The officials are not ready yet, however, to discuss the 1924 paving program as outlined by City Engineer W. P. Near.

DENNY BROOKS

A STORY OF COURAGE.

By ELENORE MEHERIN.

CHAPTER XLIX.

Commencement.

Attainment puts the star in our hand and a light goes out of our sky. So there is a sense of loss in all our triumphs.

The last weeks on the campus disturbed Denny with this feeling of something gone—something ended. When he had driven the grocery wagon; when he had cleaned bricks, the goal before him was college. Now achievement brought him to his goal—and left him without one.

He jolted with a reluctant fondness about the buildings, the paths, not realizing how much the scenes were to him, and he kept thinking restlessly: "Well—I wonder what I'm going to do now? Wonder where I start?"

But he assumed, as every one else did, a great eagerness to be finished; a fine impatience to be on his way.

"Don't you just hate to be leaving?" Katy asked the evening the commencement invitations to the commencement.

"Hate? Do you hear that, Steve?" "Don't you know, Kate, the world needs us."

"Guess I don't care much about the world, Stephen, but only for a few people like ourselves. That's all the world is—not most people and who could be better than us?"

Denny was addressing his envelope: "You can have these five bids, Stephen, if you want. Five is all I'll need."

Katy looked over the small list—Aunt Josie and Martha. Old Lady Traynor and Mr. Traynor, herself. "You've left Lizzie out," she said in surprise, "aren't you going to invite her, Denny?"

"I should say not!"

"Oh, you better."

"Not much! Let the molasses head stay at home and take care of Emmet Junior. She'd bring her kid and her lunch and begin eating in the middle of the president's speech. I know that dainty doughnut!"

"It's kind of mean, Denny. She'd feel so important."

"Oh, you wheedled me into taking Lizzie Borely down the hills on a coaster, Katy-kid, but she's not coming over here to present me with a package of ginger snaps from the corner grocery shop and earn my everlasting gratitude."

"She'll be hurt."

"I hope she'll hurt back by ignoring me for the rest of my life."

Katy fingered the five-extra invitations. "I think it's rather small, Denny."

"Look, here, Katy, wasn't it enough that we had to be inflicted with Lizzie Borely half our life without dragging her along the rest of it? I'm against the whole thing. She's not coming! That's all!"

Katy put down the cards.

"Sore, Katy-kid?"

"No, and I don't care about Lizzie. I'm not hurt."

He flipped an envelope toward her: "All right, then, you address it. Here, put in a postscript, you're good at them—and 'Kindly omit infants, lunches, gingersnaps.' Now, anyone else you'd like, Katy?"

Katy laughed: "Don't talk at me through your teeth, Denny, darling. Yes, I'd like Della Terkle. Remember her? I wonder whatever became of her funny round eyes and her black cat? I'd like to see her. She'd bring the parrot to eat up Lizzie's ginger snaps. And I wish Jimmy Foley wasn't off to sea and perhaps I'll get up and make a speech myself about the brave boy who worked his way through—and Old Lady Traynor'll say: 'God bless you, children! Lord love you!'"

The ceremony meant more to Katy than it did to Denny. The last week she was in a perpetual excitement. Each time she heard of Stephen coming into the house she asked eagerly: "What did you do today? The procession—oh, the girls carried white parasols—pretty? What's that? The cap and gown? Try it on—"

As she made them walk up and down before her, cocking the stiff mortar-board caps down over their eyes or jauntily to the side, she sat there bursting with laughter, for no matter how they sauntered, they were ridiculous.

Old Lady Traynor was to come over early, for she and Mr. Traynor were to take Katy.

Katy was so unnerfed that morning, the coffee boiled over, the popovers burned and in the end Denny grabbed the frying pan from her and slapped on the dapples after a method of his own invention.

"Go on, Stupid; go and get ready. This is your day—not ours. We're only making monkeys of ourselves to give a thrill to you."

She came out a little later in a navy blue silk she had made for herself. It had a smart white collar that Denny had helped her fit. He looked at her critically—nodded:

"You'll get by, Stupe. Say, don't have Lizzie hanging around after-ward. Now remember, and pull your hat down good. And wait up there near the marble chairs. I'll come up as soon as I can. Nick Breeden is going to be on the watch and he'll give you a good place."

Katy was ready and on the lawn waiting when the old Traynor couple arrived. And, sure enough, the first thing Mrs. Traynor did was to wag the little black cat, saying: "Ah, God bless you, Katy! God bless both of you, children! Is Denny gone?"

"Oh, it's just I. We have plenty of time."

But Katy was in a feverish unrest. They were just turning the corner when she looked up. Her heart sank. There, rushing along, her white, pleated skirt billowing, came Lizzie. Behind her were Aunt Josie and Martha.

"Why—you were going without us,

Katy," she asked in her pouty dignity. "I'm sure that's nice in you."

"How did I know you were coming here first, Lizzie? The graduation isn't at our house!"

Lizzie tilted her big head and Katy noticed with a pang of alarm that she carried a long box that looked enough like gingersnaps.

"You didn't bring little Emmet, Lizzie?"

"I guess I know what's proper, Katy. Of course not."

Aunt Josie and the tall, square-shouldered Martha now came panting up. A big smile crossed Aunt Josie's broad face. She had the new gray mocha gloves Denny had bought her so long ago in her hands. She patted Katy's shoulder, saying quietly:

"Denny didn't forget me, Katy. Gawd knows he's the one that's been kind to me, if anyone ever was. And it's little enough I did for him."

"He loves you, Aunt Josie. We both do."

Martha sidled up to Katy's chair: "Can I walk along by you?" she asked in her low, suppressed manner.

"Course you can, Martha, and I'm awful glad you came."

It was like the day of the big game, with scores of people already wending to the campus, only now there was a touch of solemnity in their excitement.

Go quicker, quicker, Mrs. Traynor. We'll miss some! But it felt that she could get out and run. Lizzie and Aunt Josie kept talking to her. She was too distracted to answer.

Up the slopes between the slender eucalyptus, people hurried—down the slopes music drifted. A white, glaring sun arched and curved over the vast amphitheatre.

"Hello, Katy—I've got your place," Nick Breeden, rather flushed, brought her to the very center, just above the lower tier. "How's that?"

"Can Mrs. Traynor stay near me?" "I've got places for the two. The others will have to go up a little."

Katy was relieved. "Oh, that's fine!" she said almost too quickly. The long columns of students in the black gowns were already seated.

Katy looked frantically now there groups—no Stephen, no Denny. She saw a tall fellow stand up, look around. Of course that was he—looking for her. But it wasn't. Then there was another standing—Denny, sure as you live. Katy raised her hand—waved it. He grinned, sat down.

Abruptly a silence as though some one had whispered, "Hush!" The seats on the stage filled—the president speaking with an impressive weightiness—they were all to go out into the world now—carry with them the light and the truth. Success awaited their nobler efforts. Katy listened with inspired heart. Every word of that was just for Denny, just for Stephen. They would make the college proud of them!

Then the procession—some with splendid bands of gold, purple and crimson hanging like capes over their black gowns. At last the engineer—

Holeproof Hosiery

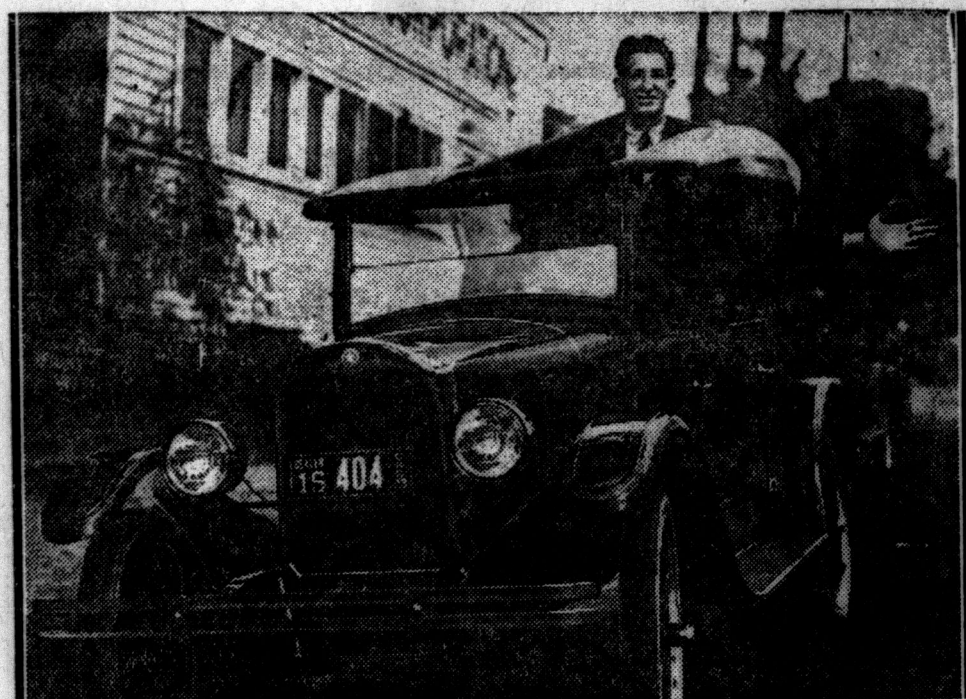
A Christmas gift that will give pleasure and comfort to the one you remember—for many months! Styles for everyone.

MADE IN CANADA

Pay Taxes on Caves; Moscow Grows Pale; Flood Wrecks Villages



Madame Hanihara, wife of Japanese ambassador to the United States, is pictured above in native costume as she appeared at a recent social event in Washington



This is not a picture of an accident. It shows Jack Earl, of Los Angeles, going out for a ride in his motor, which has a detachable top that permits him to place his full height of nearly eight feet in the car



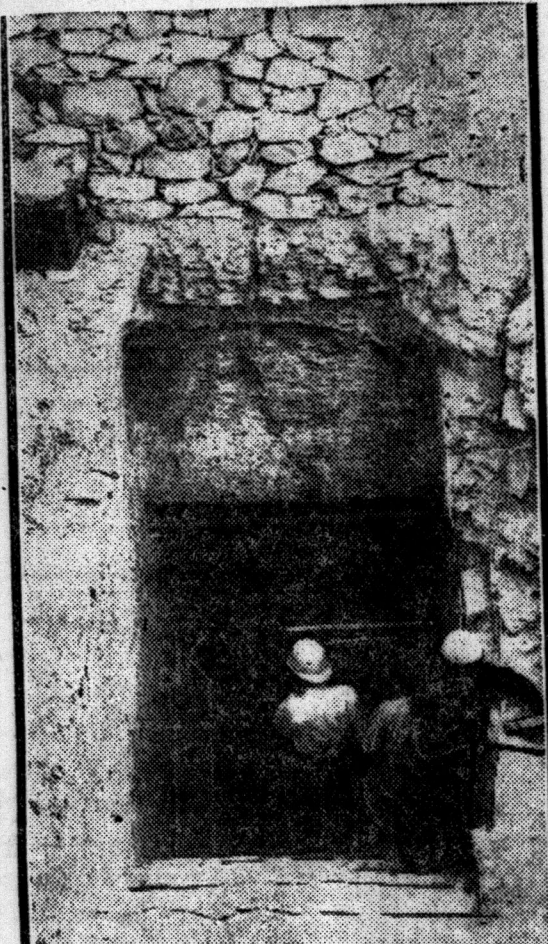
Princess Mary was once a nurse in the children's hospital in Great Ormond street, London, and she afterwards endowed a cot over which was hung her picture. Each Christmas a tiny inmate decorates the portrait



Moscow, now known as the "Red City", will shortly become a city of white as plans are now under way to paint it that color. The Soviet officials say the term "Red City" conveys the wrong impression



Lord Burgley, wearing the colors of Cambridge, is shown taking part in the hurdle relay race in the recent event between Oxford and Cambridge, won by the former university



The planks which were put up at the conclusion of last season to block the entrance to King "Tut's" tomb are here being removed after the clearing away of the many tons of stones



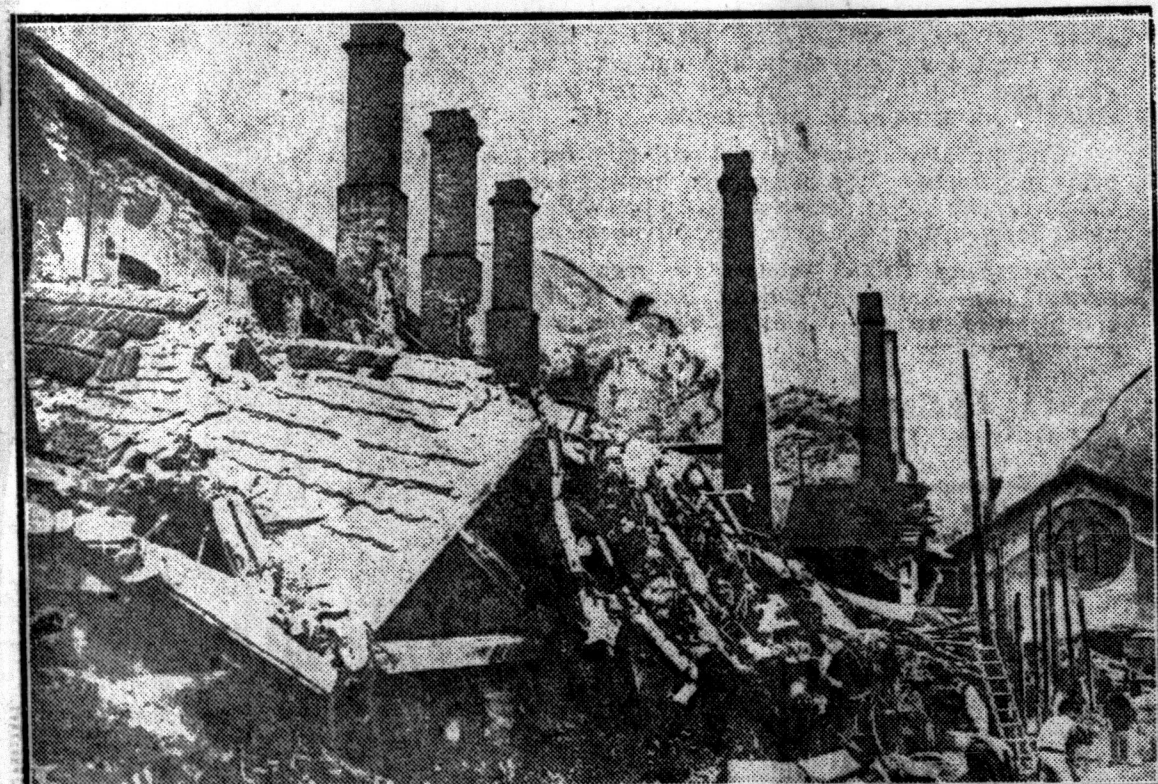
This scow contains gold ore, valued at many thousands of dollars, from a mine near Hyder, Alaska. It is brought down the Portland canal in huge carriers such as this and later transferred to more navigable vessels



Photograph shows the latest picture of the Crown Prince of Norway who is expected to tour this continent during the spring of next year. He is a remarkably good-looking young man, is of athletic build and devoted to sports



Some say that there is as much sport fishing this way as there is with a hook and line. This "Izak Walton" is gaffing salmon on the Bulkley River, near Smithers, British Columbia



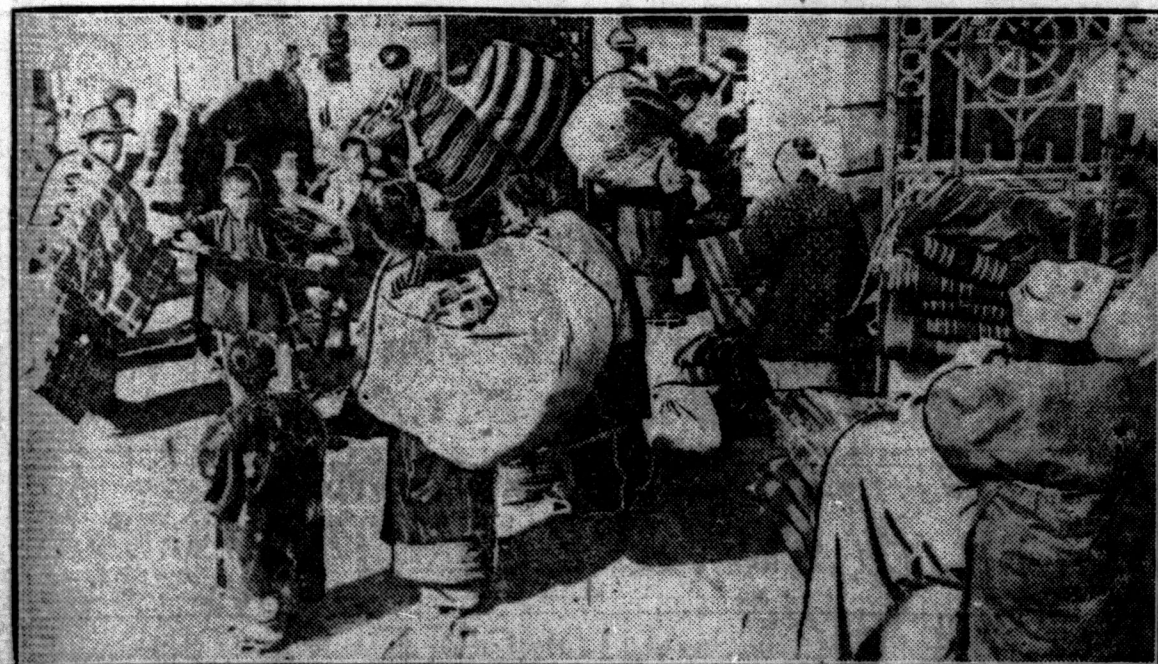
Three villages were wrecked and many people lost their lives by the bursting of the Lake Gleno Dam, near Bergamo, Northern Italy. This photograph shows ruined buildings caused by flood at an iron mine



Fluted silk ribbon, held in place at intervals with jade silk braid motifs, is used in an extremely novel manner on this street dress. It is finished off with the new flat collar of brocaded silver cloth



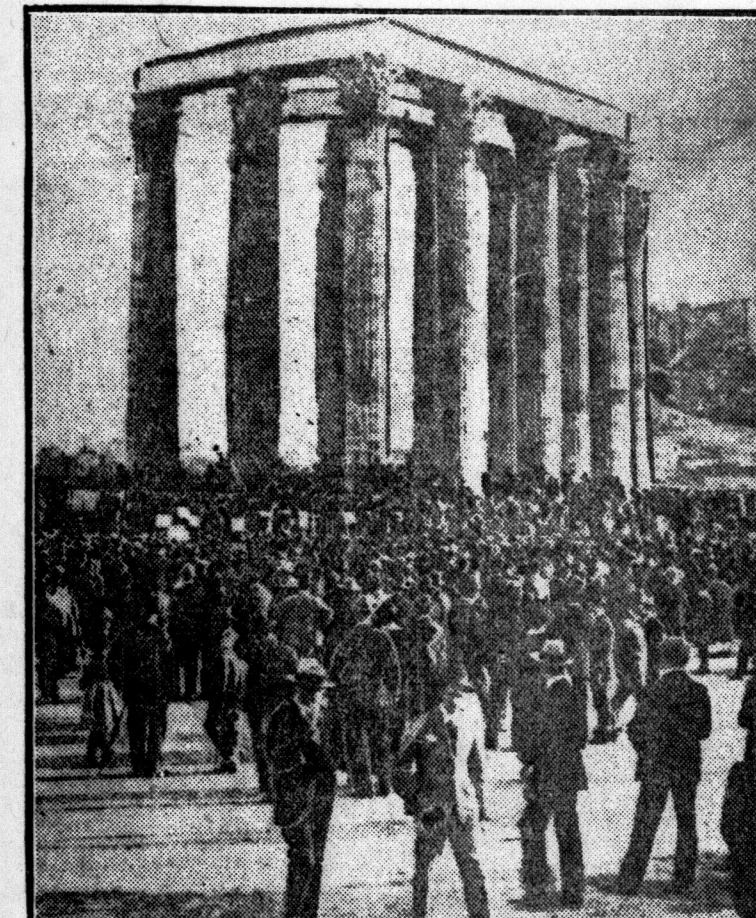
Some day he will grow up and be a big Injun Brave, but just at present it is an embarrassing position for this little papoose held tightly in his portable crib



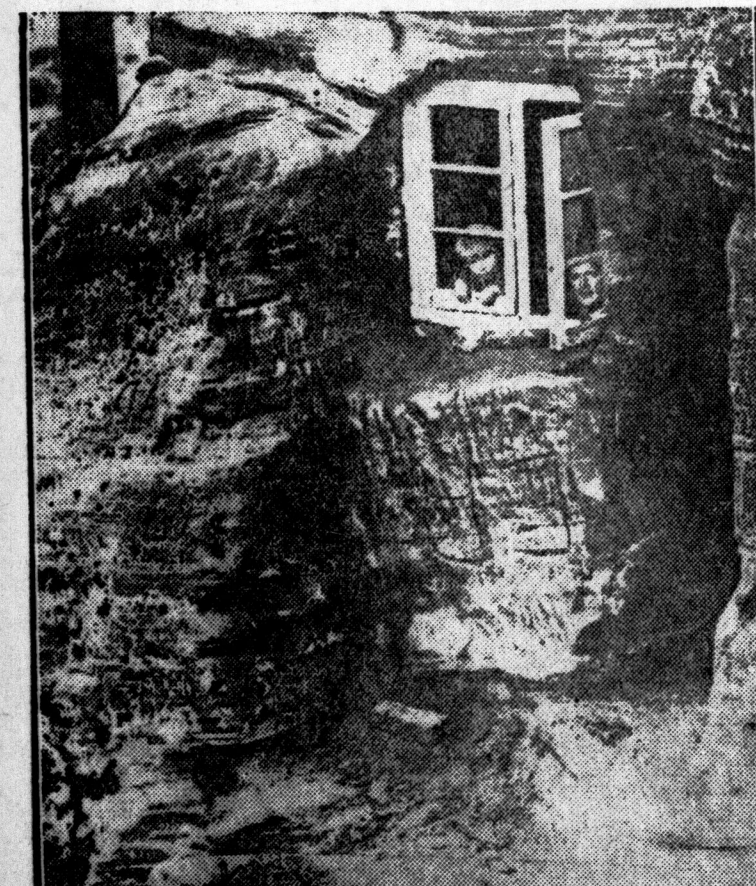
The Tokio city office gave out ten thousand cushions and blankets to supply the homeless people of the devastated area with bedding. Photograph shows a group after receiving the issue



Marie Apol, famous sculptress, is said to have created a masterpiece in one of the finest symbolic bits of sculpture. She is shown in her New York studio, working on a new model of "Release," showing a man carving a woman out of a large rock



The Acropolis once again hears an argument for the republic. Democrats are shown holding an open-air meeting beside the Temple of Jupiter in Athens, just before the Greek elections, when the abolition of the monarchy was one of the questions



In Worcestershire, England, there is a colony of cave dwellers who live in holes in the side of a great rock of red sandstone. The occupants pay rent, rates and taxes and are recognized by the local authorities

CONSERVATIVE WINS NEW BRUNSWICK BY-ELECTION

LIBERAL LOSES IN BY-ELECTION, NEW BRUNSWICK

Conservatives Capture Seat From Liberals in New Brunswick By-election.

WIN BY 200 MAJORITY

Canadian Press Despatch.
Richibucto, N. B., Dec. 20.—Alexandre Doucette, Conservative, was today returned by the electors of Kent County to fill the vacancy caused by the death of A. T. Legeur, Liberal, defeating his Liberal opponent, Alfred Bourgeois, by 200 votes.

Doucette's victory involved overcoming of an adverse majority of 1,500, a change over in all of approximately 1,700 in a total vote of 7,500. While Doucette led throughout the returns as they were received, the issue was in doubt until the last. The missing poll, Lake Stream, gave Doucette a majority of one with total vote of ten in the election of 1921.

THE MARITIME ISSUES.

Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The result of the Kent by-election, especially coming so soon after the Liberal defeat in Halifax, will be received in government circles with unquestioned disappointment. In the Halifax contest the Conservative victory was attributed to local issues and to differences among Liberals themselves. Maritime issues—such as railway extensions and freight rates—are reported again to have entered largely into the contest. But the two government defeats, taken together, are likely to exercise a much wider influence on the course of political events than questions affecting the Maritime Provinces more particularly.

Only a few days ago, Robert Forke, Progressive leader, declared a general election in the coming summer to be a possibility if the government lost in Kent; and the result will no doubt give rise to much speculation whether the government, following adoption of redistribution in the coming session, is not likely to make an appeal to the polls.

Minority of Four.

Unless there are changes in the interval, the government will now meet parliament in a technical minority of four, if Progressives, Conservatives, Independents and Labor are counted together as a joint opposition.

Later there have been rumors of Liberal efforts to secure something like a permanent working agreement

Liberal Loses

HOW THEY STAND.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Dec. 20.—As a result of the by-election in Kent, N. B., today the House of Commons now stands:

Liberals	116
Progressives	62
Conservatives	52
Labor	2
Independents	3

Total opposition 119
The Liberal total includes the speaker, who has only a vote in the event of a tie.

MAINTAINS COAL PROBLEM SOLVED

Ontario Premier Thinks Favorable Solution Has Been Reached.

SEES TORY REVIVAL

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 20.—On his return today from his western trip, Hon. Howard Ferguson, premier of Ontario, said he had had an interview with the Alberta government regarding coal transportation problems, and, as a result, he believed Alberta coal would be available in Ontario next winter.

Mr. Ferguson believes a solution of the transportation problem was evolved which will be acceptable to all parties concerned.

Regarding the western political outlook, Mr. Ferguson stated that he had seen unmistakable evidences of a real revival there of the Conservative party. There was a growing disposition to return to the old party lines.

HARVEY PRESENTATION SHOWS LOVE REWARDED

"Cigarette Maker's Romance," At Grand, Combines Sunshine and Villainy.

IS SUPREME ARTISTRY

Spirit of Play Is Far Removed From Worldly Affairs.

For the few days before Christmas—the great love feast—what could be more entirely in harmony with the spirit of the time than the charming play brought here by Sir John Martin Harvey and played at the Grand last night—"A Cigarette Maker's Romance"? With an appeal so far removed from every material wish and worldly desire, with a presentation so sure and deft and with the aid of such a winning personality as that with which Sir John invests the character of Count Skarlatine, that deeply lovable and completely impalpable aristocrat, it came to Londoners with the message of Christ's Mass and was brought by the hand of a supreme artist.

This old world Charles Hannah story, set in the dingy surroundings of a cigarette factory in the medieval city of Munich breathes an atmosphere of some child's fairy tale in its simplicity and the force of its moral. A tale of a wish must be a tale of virtue rewarded and villainy earning and obtaining its just reward. Yet withal, there is nothing platitudinous about it and in spite of, or perhaps because of present day philosophy with its pragmatic emphasis, it comes very appropriately to the jaded theatregoer and the beginner who views his authors across the footlights for the first time.

Character Shines.

As the story is told one sees, in the first act, the shabby toll-worm workers in a cheery little cigarette factory in Munich, toiling desperately in fear of not completing the day's task or in happy-go-lucky bonhomie according to each individual temperament. And this is the setting in which shines the gleaming jewel of the character of Count Skarlatine. Here in one person lies the whole attraction of this quaint tale.

Marooned as it were in a sea of strange faces and forms the old aristocrat, who suffers from a loss of memory incurred in a fire, lives and works. He faces his daily toil with the spirit of the old guard, brave and laughing at his position, even at times he cannot understand it; and the contrast of his almost ethereal gentleness with the robust and solid atmosphere of the



SIR JOHN MARTIN HARVEY, famous English actor, who proved he is an artist of rare ability in "The Cigarette Maker's Romance," at the Grand last night.

rest of the employees is throughout the play the focus of the mind. There is just one point on which the count is a "little different." Every Wednesday he surrenders to a delusion that the old friends of his younger days will come and rescue him from his position, bringing him the gift of his lost name and the memory of the past years flung by the face of his house from his knowledge.

"Come At Last."

So once a week he tells his comrades in the factory of the coming of his friends, of his right to the title of "Count," and of the serenely happy days that are just beyond the horizon of a few hours, when this disordered world will be set right and his life harmonized with his dreams.

In the end after many a Wednesday of bitter disappointment and disillusion, these long expected friends do really stalk through the faded door of his factory and the happy ending surely not to be reasonably denied to this romance of yesterday in Europe rests as a halo on the players. It shines on all of them, and the play is a thing of beauty, a thing resembling a laugh, and reaching over the music to the audience leaves in the spirit a dainty touch of the Christmas in response to the dominant note of the play love.

Doubtful of Response.

Yesterday morning when Sir John Martin Harvey arrived in the city he was just the least bit doubtful of the welcome he would get in London. Today he knows. The applause offered him last night, so long continued and so genuinely sincere that he replied by a short speech, augurs well and gloriously for the production of his Hamlet tonight.

Surrounded by a perfectly balanced company, Sir John as Count Skarlatine, the softly dignified with the great soulful courage of the man of old lineage, torn with despair when on the Wednesday evening of the play his friends do not come, and happy and laughing-eyed with the exuberance of happiness on the morning when he "thinks something is going to happen and that it will be different this time," has the mantle of his art across the slim shoulders of this unworried gentleman, using the word in its decent sense, and graces with his brilliant spontaneous work an altogether captivating part. Sir John is blessed as those Londoners know who have heard him before with a wonderfully sympathetic voice, which he uses with perfect control and absolute sureness. You can shut your eyes and imagine easily the expression of his features. It is also a voice as distinctly personal as that of any actor on the English stage today, and in every inflection makes the meaning of its message indubitably clear.

In the scene in the count's lodgings, all these traits were made manifest, and this scene alone was worth going far to watch. Here in the short

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time of the scene we see the count at home expecting his friends, telling her, a girl in the factory, of his love, and then, when they come, asking her to be free of his poverty and disgrace, challenging his tormentor and cousin, Anton Skarlatine, to a duel in the gallant way of his family with "my friends will call on you in the morning," and gaily seeking to hide the poverty of his room and its sorry trappings from the curious eyes of the friends whom he expects. A superbly fine scene, grandly played with passion, with tenderness and with love for the spirit of the play.

Gifted Presence.
Then there was one, Dumfries, another—slave in the home of the cigarette, played by Gordon McLeod with unerring finesse. What a villain man this is, this philosophical roller of cigarettes, with his stubborn strength to see the right thing done by his friend in adversity the count, and his loyalty to the man who as he so plainly sees is not capable of helping himself. Mr. McLeod is gifted with an engaging stage presence and physique to make such a part as this real and vital. His Dumfries added a great deal to the natural air of the whole play and offset the delicate refinement of the count with a dramatic contrast.

Opposite Sir John, as Vier, was Lady Earning, whom most of us know better as Miss N. de Silva, acting the part of the little adoring girl of the factory with a sweet passion and an intense self-interest for this lost and lonely man that added to the pity for the central figure and brightened the dreary, gloomy rooms in both scenes with a woman's love and a woman's strength.

Splendid Character.
As Akulina, the owner of the cigarette factory, Marie Linden depicted the character of this ungainly woman with the soul of a Shylock, and the ugly viciousness of a depraved nature wonderfully well. She added, as Akulina should, to the arid atmosphere of the whole tale, and her portrayal of this unpleasant and unsavory character will be long remembered by all who saw her last night as an exceptionally fine performance.

Sir John, in replying to repeated calls for a speech, said that he appreciated greatly the reception accorded to this little play, and hoped that his Hamlet tonight, which he said he brings here as the fulfillment of a promise made the last time he was in Canada to give Canadian audiences the best of his art, would be as cordially welcomed. His greatest measure of thanks might also incorporate an expression of his Count Skarlatine in the last act, and an epitome of the spirit of the whole romance of his cigarette maker: "There is a greater thing than riches upon earth—with it the poor man is wealthy; without it the rich man is poor—beggars may possess it; it is not to be bought by kings—the greatest thing in all the world—love."

O'CONNOR'S DEATH DUE TO ACCIDENT

Coroner's Jury Decide Fracture of Skull Caused by Fall.

TAXI DRIVER TESTIFIES

Canadian Press Despatch.
Toronto, Dec. 20.—A coroner's jury which investigated the circumstances attending the sudden death of Thomas O'Connor, late secretary to H. J. Daly, president of the Home Bank of Canada, returned a verdict this afternoon that death resulted "from a fracture of the skull, caused through a fall upon going into his home Saturday morning, which was purely accidental."

Dr. W. Robinson, who made the autopsy, testified that there were four fractures in the skull and that blood had pretty well covered the brain.

Arthur Tervy, taxi driver, who took O'Connor to his apartment early Saturday morning, following a party which O'Connor had attended, testified that after alighting from the taxi O'Connor had fallen and struck his head just after getting inside the gate of his residence. The taxi driver helped him up and got him to a couch inside the door. O'Connor's nose was bleeding, but he did not seem to be seriously hurt, said Tervy.

PLAN AID OF U. S. LABOR FOR DISTRESS IN GERMANY

Associated Press Despatch.
Washington, Dec. 20.—A fund to enable the German trade union movement to survive the period of economic distress which is said to be threatening its existence will be sought from members of the American Federation of Labor. President Gompers, in announcing the decision of the federation's executive council to appeal for the relief fund, said, "It is to reach Germany it must come from America," because "unemployment and a actual need is all too general in Europe to permit workers there to help maintain the union organization in Germany."

MONTREAL AUTO BANDITS GET \$2,000 JEWELRY HAUL

Montreal, Dec. 20.—Automobile bandits this morning smashed the plate glass window of the store of Henry Birks and Sons on Phillips Square and scooped out jewels to the value of \$2,000 from the showcase.

FAMOUS DETECTIVE LEAVES BIG ESTATE

Associated Press Despatch.
Chicago, Dec. 20.—An estate of \$100,000 was left by William A. Pinkerton, noted private detective, who died recently in California, according to the will filed for probate.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT.

Cheapside, Dec. 20.—The first Christmas entertainment was held

in the I. O. O. F. hall on Monday

night by the teacher and pupils of

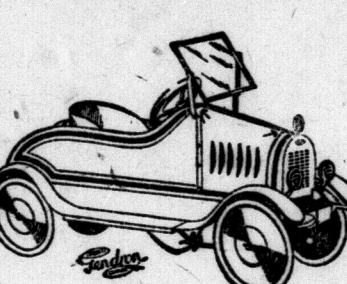
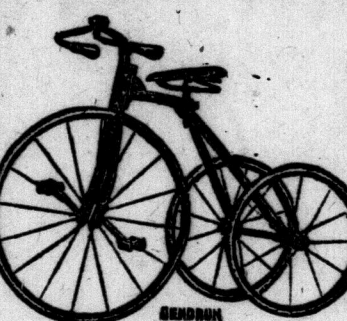
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DATES.	Table Raisins, package..	29c
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Jellied Chicken, Individual Molds. Olives. Bread, Brown and White. Cookies. Scotch Shortbread. Peaches and Cream. Tea.

FEDERALS START DRIVE ON REBELS

Four Mexican Columns Begin Offensive Against As Many Towns.

Associated Press Despatch.

Mexico City, Dec. 20.—Four columns, composed of 30,000 Federals, began an advance upon Guadalupe, Puebla, Esperanza and Oriental, according to a war department statement today. The statement added that it was expected Oriental would be captured in a few hours.

The advance upon Puebla involves columns from Apizaco and San Martin, while that upon Guadalupe is by way of Ocotlan and Zacualco, the latter being where the vanguard of Federals is reported to have cut the line of communication to the Estradistas.

According to the latest official report, General Eugenio Martinez is commanding the Vera Cruz front, with headquarters at San Marcos. The Federal column, under General Francisco Arbolio, arrived last night at a point eight kilometres from Oriental, from which point the revolutionists are retiring toward Vera Cruz, destroying large stretches of track during their retreat.

REBELS CLAIM VICTORY.

Associated Press Despatch.
Nogales, Ariz., Dec. 20.—Revolutionary forces under General Guadalupe Sanchez have captured Apizaco and four other towns in their march toward Mexico City, and are now within 37 miles of the capital, it was announced here tonight by Jose S. Healy, representative of the De La Huerta faction.

The towns of Porto Mexico, Acaapulco, Puebla and Cuantla are now in the hands of the rebels, according to the announcement. The Olgren forces are preparing to evacuate the national capital, Healy's announcement declared.

The government troops are retreating before the rebel advance after a clash today near Apizaco, in which many dead and wounded were left on the field and more than 3,000 prisoners, according to the announcement.

WHEAT PRODUCERS HEED "LESS" ACREAGE WARNING

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Wheat producers in the United States have heeded to some degree the warnings of agricultural experts to reduce their acreage, it was indicated in yesterday's report of the department of agriculture, which announced 40,191,000 acres had been sown to winter wheat this fall. That is a reduction of 5,759,000 acres, or 12.6 per cent, from the acreage sown a year ago but the area is 13.1 per cent above the pre-war "1919-15" average annual sowing. The condition of the crop on Dec. 1 was 88 per cent of normal, which is 1.5 points better than the ten-year average conditions on that date, showing the crop goes into winter in good condition.

NAME BRITISH MEMBERS ON EXPERTS' COMMITTEE

Associated Press Despatch.

Paris, Dec. 20.—The British members of the expert committees which are to examine Germany's financial situation under the auspices of the reparations commission, it was learned today, will be Montague Norman, governor of the Bank of England; Sir Joseph Stamp, economist and statistical authority, and Reginald McKenna, former chancellor of the exchequer.

Practical Recipes

Helps For All Who Appreciate Good Cooking.

CELERY ROOT SALAD.

Wash three celery roots, place in a saucepan with enough warm water to cover; add one tablespoon of lemon juice and cook until tender, not soft; cool, peel and cut in slices; place in a bowl that has been rubbed with a clove of garlic and add one cup of cooked and diced carrots, and half a cup of French dressing; mix lightly and place on cold plates garnishing with slices of boiled beets.

APRICOT ROLY POLY.

Roll out a good biscuit dough in an oblong sheet, one-quarter of an inch thick. Spread with a thick layer of apricot jam and roll up like a jelly roll; wet the edge and ends and pinch together; roll loosely in a cloth and steam for 15 minutes; place on a hot platter and pour over orange or other fruit juice and serve with whipped cream.

PUREE OF BEANS.

Soak one cup of white beans overnight, drain and place in a saucepan with four tablespoons of chopped salt pork, half an onion, and half a blade of mace; cover with six cups of boiling water and cook slowly until the beans are soft; strain through a colander and rub the beans into the liquid. Melt two tablespoons of butter in a saucepan, add two tablespoons of flour and cook until it bubbles; add one and a half cups of milk and beat until smooth and thick; add the bean puree, heat and serve with croutons.

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TONGUE JARISIAN.

Trim and wash a fresh beef tongue and place it in a pot with enough water to cover, add two scraped and diced carrots, two onions stuck with six whole cloves, one bay leaf, one clove of crushed garlic, eight cups of water, one cup of salt, one sliced lemon, and half a cup of white wine vinegar. Bring to a boil and simmer slowly until tender, about three hours. Remove the tongue, dip in cold water and remove the skin. Place the tongue on a hot dish and set in a warm place. Strain the stock into a saucepan and reduce one-half, thicken with two tablespoons of flour browned in one tablespoon of butter; add half a cup of cold water, orange juice, half a cup of boiled and diced salt pork, twelve glazed small onions, one tablespoon of chopped parsley, and a seasoning of French dressing, made with red wine vinegar. Serve on lettuce covered plates.

HAM TIMBALE.

Melt two tablespoons of butter in a small saucepan, add two tablespoons of sifted bread crumbs and two-thirds of a cup of milk. Cook five minutes, stirring constantly. Add one cup of finely chopped parsley and two slightly beaten eggs; season with salt and paprika. Fill cake shell forms of buttered muffin molds with the mixture, set in a pan of hot water and bake until firm. Unmold on a hot dish and fill with creamed peas.

ITALIAN SALAD.

Remove seeds and stems from two bell peppers, cut in shreds and cook with sifted flour in olive oil, cool and mix in a cold bowl with one peeled and diced cucumber, with peeled and diced tomatoes, one finely chopped onion and half a cup of garlic flavored French dressing, made with red wine vinegar. Serve on lettuce covered plates.

VEAL CHOPS, TREMONT.

Mix half a cup of olive oil with half a teaspoon of salt, half a teaspoon of pepper and one teaspoon of onion juice; rub six veal chops with this mixture and let lay on a platter for five minutes; dredge chops lightly with sifted flour and cook in a very hot frying pan in melted lard. Place on a hot platter garnished with whole green pepper cases that have been cooked until tender in hot olive oil and filled with creamed green peas.

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Nuts in Shell (Mixed), pound	20c
Almonds, 2 pounds	25c
Filberts, 2 pounds	25c
Walnuts, 2 pounds	20c
Brazils, pound	30c
California Budded Walnuts, pound	40c
Peppermint Candy, 25c	
Cut Rock Candy, 25c	
Chocolates (assorted flavors), 35c	
Cranberries, 20c	
Minced meat, 35c	
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Children of the Protestant Orphans' Home, the Ronald-Roy Gray Home and the Children's Shelter were the tiny guests of the two organizations. An enormous Christmas tree had been prepared on which were hung the many presents for the children. The evening's program included a selection by the Novelty Four Orchestras, comic song by Mr. Gill, black-faced comedian, vocal selection by Miss Littlefield, reading by Miss Stein, piano solo by Harold Powell and violin selection by Arthur Lemery, accompanied at the piano by Miss Ethel Lewis.

Officers Present. Brigadier-General Shaw, department commander of the Oddfellows for Ontario; Grand Master W. G. Bartram, Grand Chaplain Rev. A. C. Cummer of Thorncliffe, were all present for the entertainment. Many children besides the orphans of the city, who ordinarily would be without any form of Christmas entertainment, were invited also. Santa Claus, dressed in all his Christmas splendor, delighted the children with his antics. They shouted with glee at every move he made, and his jingling bells brought forth rounds of cheering.

Mr. Gill did much to inject a spirit of jollity into the children with his black face, comedy songs and readings. At the conclusion of each selection they called out their votes. But the distribution of presents was the climax of the evening. Each child's name was called by Santa



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Maraschino Cherries, bot. 15c, 25c
Seedless Raisins, 2 lbs. for 25c
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Per lb. 12 1/2c	Per lb. 8c	Per lb. 10c
Spareribs; 15c	Pot Roasts; 10c	Breasts Veal; 10c
Per lb. 15c	Per lb. 10c	Per lb. 10c
Ham Roasts; 20c	Oven Roasts; 12 1/2c	Shoulders Veal; 15c
Per lb. 20c	Per lb. 12 1/2c	Per lb. 15c
Loins Pork; 25c	Steak Roasts; 18c	Rumps Veal; 20c
Per lb. 25c	Per lb. 18c	Per lb. 20c
Fresh Pork Tenderloin, while they last; 45c	Fresh Beef Tenderloin; Limited amount; 50c	Veal Chops; 25c
Per lb. 45c	Per lb. 50c	Per lb. 25c
Smoked Breakfast Bacon; sliced; 28c	Rump Roasts; 18c	
Per lb. 28c	Per lb. 18c	
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Claus himself. Some were shy and walked slowly to receive his gift. Others were bolder; they apparently did not fear Santa Claus. When the donor of gifts departed shouting and hurrahing bade him farewell. The children were driven to their homes at 10:30 o'clock in cars provided by members of the Oddfellows' associations.

BUFFALO THIEVES ESCAPE WITH \$25,000 IN GEMS

Associated Press Despatch.
Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 20.—An explosion that rocked hallways and splintered doors of the Wilson building at Main and Tupper streets early today, shattered two big safes in the office of the Charles Damm Jewelry Manufacturing establishment on the second floor. Gems believed valued at \$25,000 were missing when the police arrived.

FURNITURE IN THE OFFICE AND FACTORY WERE CRACKED.

Police detectives declared that the safes had been so torn by the explosion that it was impossible to obtain fingerprints.

APPLY FOR CLEMENCY FOR SANDWICH PRISONER

Canadian Press Despatch.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—The court of appeal has heard counsel in the appeal of John Kolton, sentenced at Sandwich on Oct. 25 to death for the murder of Peter Starchuck, and has adjourned further hearing to Jan. 7. In the meantime application is being made to Ottawa for executive clemency.

WOULD REJECT U. S. OFFER TO MEDIATE IN MEXICO

Mexico City, Dec. 20.—Enrique Colunga, secretary of the interior, denying reports that Washington had offered to mediate with those rebelling against the Obregon government, said "Mexico has not officially received the proposition, which would have been rejected as it would imply recognition of the rebels' belligerency."

COUPE PHILLIPPA.

Fill coupe glasses half full with vanilla ice cream, cover the cream with preserved figs cut in small pieces, cover figs with whipped cream, and serve with orange and place a quarter of a preserved fig on top of the cream and sprinkle over all finely-chopped toasted almonds.

MADDENED STEER TIPS AUTOMOBILE

Huge Animal Rushes Down Crowded Streets of New York.

New York, Dec. 20.—A maddened steer ran amuck today and threw crowds in the "roaring forties" into a panic as it raced, with head down and horns threatening, from the abattoir at 40th street and Eleventh avenue in to the heart of the theatrical district at Broadway and 46th street.

When at one point the steer found an automobile in his path he put his head under the car and toppled it over on its side. The automobile bowled over a woman pedestrian, but she was only slightly bruised. As the steer was nearing Broadway a patrolman fired four bullets into the animal's shoulder and with the help of several hundred men forced it into the arseway of a theatre, where it was captured.

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Per lb. 15c	Per lb. 10c	Per lb. 10c
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Per lb. 20c	Per lb. 12 1/2c	Per lb. 15c
Loins Pork; 25c	Steak Roasts; 18c	Rumps Veal; 20c
Per lb. 25c	Per lb. 18c	Per lb. 20c
Fresh Pork Tenderloin, while they last; 45c	Fresh Beef Tenderloin; Limited amount; 50c	Veal Chops; 25c
Per lb. 45c	Per lb. 50c	Per lb. 25c
Smoked Breakfast Bacon; sliced; 28c	Rump Roasts; 18c	
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Factory Girls Earn Millions.

Factory girls in Russia earn from 200,000,000 to 400,000,000 rubles a month. Here's a case where the laborer is a millionaire.

Who Is To Blame for the Decline in Marriages?

Dorothy Dix

Says Men, Not Women, Are Matrimonial Pickers.

Girls Always Have Been Willing to Risk All for Love—And Still Are. But the Ambitious Young Men of Today Simply Don't Propose—Families Are a Drawback to Business Success.

I have a letter from a man who declares that the race is being ruined and men driven to immorality by girls refusing to marry men without money. Furthermore, he asserts that women in these days are not willing to marry poor young men and work up with them as their mothers did. To this my correspondent ascribes the late marriage and the ever-increasing crop of old bachelors. For, says my correspondent, by the time a man has gotten able to support the modern woman he has generally lost his taste for domesticity.

I do not think that the facts in the case will bear out the gentleman's contention. Women are to blame for many things but not for the decline and fall-off, as Mr. Wegg would say, in wedding bells. The female bachelors have always been willing. It is men who are the matrimonial pickers, not women. Women have ever been willing to risk all for love. It is men who have gotten cold feet when it came to taking the plunge into the holy estate when it was a case of shutting your eyes to future consequences and taking the fatal leap in the dark.

The theory that all men are anxious to marry early and take upon themselves the burden of a family, and that it is only women who lack the courage to sacrifice themselves for love is utterly and entirely false. You have only to look about you and observe the reckless marriages that girls make to see that women still consult their hearts instead of their heads when they decide the most important event in their lives. Girls who have been raised in the lap of luxury marry men who cannot even guarantee them the makings of the traditional bread and cheese and kisses menu of romance. Girls who have made good in business or professions, and who are getting fine salaries doing six or eight hours' work a day in a mahogany and plate glass office, give up their easy jobs to slave over cook stoves and washbuds for nothing in a two by four flat for the sake of the men they love.

No. When you see the kind of men women marry it doesn't look as if they were not willing to take a chance on matrimony or that they refused any suit who didn't rate in the millionaire class, or that they were willing to waste youth waiting for the men they loved to get on Easy Street before they tied up with them.

As for girls not being willing to marry poor but ambitious men and work up with them, that is also tommyrot. Ninety-nine girls out of a hundred are simply dying to do that very thing. But the cold truth is the men don't give them the opportunity to do it. For the ambitious man, the real go-getter, the man who has set himself a definite goal to reach, subscribes heart and soul to Kipling's dictum that "he travels the fastest who travels alone." He has no idea whatever of handicapping himself with a wife and children at the beginning of the race. They are luxuries he looks forward to having after he has attained success.

He sidesteps love just as carefully as he would the bubonic plague or the flu germ, and he has no more desire to marry early than he has to commit suicide.

The men who make early marriages in these hard-boiled times are the amiable affectionate easy-going class, without any ambition or any special desire to get anywhere. Just the jog-along sort. The ambitious man doesn't marry young because he knows that no boy can make enough money to support a family and save up anything to grubstake Opportunity when it knocks at his door.

He has seen too many young chaps of promise have their hopes, their energy, their enthusiasm buried under a mountain of bills that were the bare necessities of living for a family.

The man of ambition does not marry early because he wants to keep himself free to go where fortune beckons.

The married man cannot risk his meal ticket. He cannot jeopardize a steady job for the chance of a better one. He cannot go off on long trips for his firm, or to foreign countries, without the burden of dragging along his wife and children.

The ambitious man does not marry early because the untethered man has many chances of making valuable social connections that the married man has not.

The bachelor is welcomed in circles where very often his wife would not be received. Furthermore, women push the fortunes of the agreeable unmarried man, but they never bother themselves to help the married man.

Besides these reasons for staying single, the ambitious man has still another reason for not marrying. He is selfish and he wants to spend his money upon himself.

The salary that enables a single man to dress well, belong to a good club, live in a good location, and enjoy most of the luxuries of life, will doom him to shabby clothes, ugly surroundings, and a sordid flat full of crying babies, if he marries. So it is easy to see why domesticity has no charms for him, and why no woman is vamp enough to get him.

But it isn't fair to blame the women for men not marrying young nor claim that girls are not willing to marry poor men and work up with them. They don't get the chance to do it. In all sober truth, it is the men who have the least to offer girls who often propose. And the girls take them. Does that look as if women weren't ready to take any risk for love?

DOROTHY DIX.

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WOMEN and THE HOME

London Hunt Club Is Scene Of Happy Coming-Out Party

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harley Brown introduce their charming daughter at Enjoyable Christmas Dance.

The London Hunt and Country Club was the scene of a happy Christmas dance last night when Mr. and Mrs. J. Harley Brown entertained in honor of their debutante daughter, Miss Margaret Harley Brown. The bright red and green colors of yuletide were found everywhere, while great masses of flowers, gifts to the fair debutante, were placed in delightful array about the dance room. The dance reached its height when a magnificent confetti was thrown about the room, and the hundred and sixty guests danced out of the maze amid a riot of lovely colors. Attractive orchestral music added its charm to the evening.

The youthful hostess wore a charming French frock of shell pink chiffon velvet, bordered in silver. Silver leaves were becomingly arranged

in her hair, while silver slippers and a quaint silver bag completed her costume. Her flowers were an armful of exquisite pink roses, the gift of two cousins.

Mrs. Harley Brown wore a handsome gown of black lace, caught at the side with a rhinestone ornament, while her hair ornaments were silver. Among the out-of-town guests at the dance were: Miss Agnes Hobson and Mr. Robert Hobson of Hamilton, Mr. William Hendrie of Hamilton, Col. and Mrs. Langford of Toronto, Major Stacey of Toronto, Mr. McKenzie of Toronto, Major and Mrs. Holloway of Toronto, Captain and Mrs. Hemming, who have just returned from England, Mr. Howard Clegg of Toronto, and Mr. Carl Webber of Windsor.

Social and Personal

Mrs. Hugh McCrimmon is visiting in Niagara Falls.

Miss Margaret Jordan will be the hostess of a tea, given at The Grange during Christmas week.

Miss Dona Waller is spending the Christmas holidays with the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Baldwin in Toronto.

Mr. Massey of Montreal will be a Christmas visitor in London with his sisters, the Misses Massey, Marley Place.

Mr. George Styhon of Montreal will spend Christmas in London, the guest of Mrs. J. D. Wilson, Huron street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Braddon will be Christmas guests with their son, Percy Braddon and Mrs. Braddon, in Windsor.

Mr. Bert Mitchell of Waterloo will spend Christmas in London with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mitchell, Mill street.

Julius Hart, of the Hart School of Music, Hartford, Conn., will spend Christmas in London with his sister, Mrs. Arthur Gleason.

Mr. J. Hawkins, Huron street, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Lawrence C. M. Turner, has returned from a visit in Windsor.

Mr. and Mrs. Rene Le Prestre of New York will spend Christmas in town with Mrs. Le Prestre's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Ashplant.

Miss Jessie Bell is home from Whitby College and is spending the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. Walter Bell, Oxford street.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott of St. Thomas and Dr. and Mrs. Aitken of Shedd will be Christmas guests with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Whitman, Waterloo street.

F. W. Ross, who is attending Western University here, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Ross of Oxford, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Croden are entertaining at a small dinner party this evening, the guests going on later to the R. C. R. birthday dance at the barracks.

Pearson Greene, of Ridley College, St. Catharines, is spending the Christmas vacation in London with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Greene, Cheapside street.

Mr. G. A. Reynolds of Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Mr. E. B. Reynolds, manager of the Imperial Bank, Sandwich, will spend the Christmas holidays with friends in the city.

Miss Ida Sherlock, who has been attending the Ontario Ladies' College, Whitby, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sherlock, Ontario street.

Miss Helen McIntosh, of the College of Education, Toronto, is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Rev. W. R. McIntosh and

Mrs. McIntosh, at the King street manse.

Mrs. W. Leff, treasurer of the Haddassah Chapter, entertained all those who assisted at the harvest festival given recently by the chapter, at her home in William street, Wednesday evening.

Mrs. E. Rogerson Lawrence, Maitland street north, entertained Wednesday evening at dinner followed by bridge, in honor of her guest, Miss Grace Peebles of Montreal, and Mrs. Frank Judd of Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. W. Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dalton and Mr. Wilfred Dalton, all of Detroit, will spend Christmas in London with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Dalton, 311 Hyman street.

Mr. Gordon Henderson, who is attending Queen's University, Kingston, is spending the Christmas vacation in London with his mother, Mrs. Herbert Henderson, 684 Waterloo street, bringing with him as his guest, Mr. Francis Brydon, of Regina, Sask.

The Rev. Dr. D. L. McRae is in Toronto this week, attending the annual meeting of the grand executive board of the Sons of Scotland Association of the Dominion of Canada. Dr. McRae was elected grand chief of the association at the grand camp meeting held last June. The association is the largest organized body of Scotsmen in Canada.

Sir John Martin Harvey and Lady Martin Harvey are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith this afternoon at the Hunt Club, returning later for tea at "Tuesdays" in London. If the weather permits they expect to enjoy a game of golf on the Hunt Club links. Mrs. and Mrs. Smith, who are old friends of the distinguished English actor, will also have as their guests other members of the company, including Col. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. O'Neill and Sir Martin Harvey's son.

BELIEVE NURSERY COURSE WILL PROVE POPULAR

Numerous inquiries regarding the new nursery course to be given by the University of Western Ontario next year have reached the Institute of Public Health here. Officials believe the course will be very popular, many persons having already applied for information in connection with qualifications necessary before taking the training.

Sleeveless Arm. London, Dec. 20.—The sleeveless arm is wearing a fanciful ornament these evenings. It sometimes takes the shape of a big cabochon set in a slender arm, or of jewel with drop ends of slender chains, such as was worn by an American woman recently at the Berkeley.

Danny Meets Egret, Cousin of Longlegs the Great Blue Heron

By THORNTON W. BURGESS.

Danny Meadow Mouse was feeling more and more at home. There were so many wonderful things to see that most of the time he forgot he was lonesome. In fact, the only times he was lonesome were when he curled up for his nap. He saw Mocker the Mockingbird often, and still more often heard him singing. Almost every day he saw Hummer the Hummingbird. These glimpses of old friends made the Sunny South seem less strange than it would have otherwise.

Danny had kept away from the bank of the river since the day when he made the acquaintance of Gator the Alligator. It made him shiver every time he thought of that mouthful of great teeth he had seen. But he had learned that Gator was not to be feared on land unless one came too near him. So one morning he again ventured over to the bank of the river.

Standing on the edge of the water, just as he had seen Longlegs the Great Blue Heron standing on the edge of the Smiling Pool so many times, was a bird, who at first Danny thought must be Longlegs himself with a changed coat. This bird's coat was snowy white. Yes, sir, it was snowy white. Danny was almost on the point of asking the stranger if he were not Longlegs, when he noticed that this bird was not quite as big as Longlegs.

"Anyway, he must belong to the same family," thought Danny. "I wonder if it will be safe to speak to him. I never did dare get very near to Longlegs. I have known him to snap up a Meadow Mouse in the same way he does frogs and fish. Perhaps this fellow doesn't eat Meadow Mice. Anyway, I can keep at a safe distance."

The big white bird was motionless, with head drawn back on his shoulders and appeared to be asleep. Danny could see his long yellow bill, but he couldn't see his eyes. Had he seen them he would have found that they were anything but sleepy-looking.

"Do you belong to the Heron family?" squeaked Danny.

The stranger straightened up suddenly, and fixed a bright eye on Danny. "I



"Certainly I'm a cousin," said the stranger; "but who may you be?"

"I certainly do," said he. "I certainly do. Why?"

"Then you must be a cousin of Longlegs the Great Blue Heron. I just want to make sure," replied Danny politely.

"Certainly I'm a cousin," said the stranger; "but who may you be?" "I'm Danny Meadow Mouse," replied Danny. "And I've come down from 'way up north to see what the Sunny South is like. My, how handsome you are!"

He stretched his broad white wings and fluffed out all his feathers. He stretched up to his full height. "I'm glad you think so," said he. "Will you should see me in the spring. Then I am handsome, for it is then that I have on my back the most wonderful plumes. I am too handsome. Yes, sir, I am too handsome. There are only a few members of my family left, and all because of those wonderful plumes. My name is Egret."

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The next story: "Danny Listens to a Sad Tale."

MOTHERS' UNIT GIVES PARTY TO CHILDREN

Pupils of St. Joseph's School Receive Gifts From Great Christmas Tree.



MRS. BEVERLEY PARK, formerly Miss Jean Marr of Ridgeway, whose marriage to Mr. A. B. Park of Chatham, took place recently. Mr. and Mrs. Park are now home after a delightful honeymoon in New York and Montreal.

St. Joseph's Mothers' Unit spent this afternoon at school with the teachers and children, about a wonderful Christmas tree which they had provided. And when the gifts were distributed it was found that every child received a toy, not to mention quantities of fruit, candy, cake and ice cream. Several ex-pupils of St. Joseph's School who are now attending other schools were special guests of the occasion and shared in the fun.

The mothers and visitors also came in for their share of the party when they were the guests of the Mothers' Unit at afternoon tea, served under the convensership of Mrs. Craft. A unique program was given by a number of the pupils. Mrs. E. A. Pocock, the president of the Mothers' Club, was in charge, assisted by members of the executive committee. The unit is planning a card party to be held on January 4.

CHALMERS CONCERT SPLENDID PROGRAM

Annual Christmas Entertainment Proves One of Best in Years.

Pronounced the best program in years was that given last evening by the Sunday school of Chalmers Presbyterian Church at its annual Christmas entertainment. Mrs. George Bryce and Mrs. Allen had general oversight of the program, each teacher being responsible for his or her class. Every class in the school contributed splendidly to the program, and the result was a great deal of enjoyment for both the youngsters themselves and the older members of the school and parents who were in attendance. Mrs. Weames and Mrs. Allen acted as accompanists. Mr. F. Bell of Dreaney avenue is the superintendent.

The program was as follows: Chorus, primary department; recitations by Peggy Lloyd, Nellie Tite, Billy Weames, Donald Kelman, Jean Stanfield, Billy Graham, Madeline Campbell, Hubert Thorne, Jessie Duncan, Alma Bell, Harold Scott, Gertrude Durham, Nan Kelman and David Duncan; a hoop drill by Mrs. Richardson's class; a horn drill by Mrs. McPherson's class; dialogue, "Willing Workers," by Mrs. Chapman's class; dialogue, "Good Night," by Mrs. Stanfield's class; a camp fire scene by the Trail Rangers and choruses by the primary and beginners' classes, Mrs. Stanfield's class, Mrs. McPherson's and Mrs. Stanfield's classes, the Mission Band, Mrs. Weames' class, Mrs. Kelley's class, and Mrs. Dye's class.

A Closing Party Given By Pupils

Cathedral School Takes Decorations to Day Nursery.

The Christmas closing at the Cathedral School, held under the direction of Miss K. A. Matthews, was a happy event in the lives of the small pupils. Christmas pictures were shown on the lantern, and Christmas cards were the order of the day. A huge bran pie, into which the small children delved for their gifts, was also an interesting feature of the closing party. But it was by no means a party just for themselves. For did they not each bring a pair of warm stockings for some needy child? And on the day before, did they not all march down to the Day Nursery with Christmas decorations, made by their own tiny fingers, for the Christmas party there?

WEDDINGS

NICHOLLS-PLANK. A quiet wedding took place Tuesday at 1 o'clock at Ridout street Methodist parsonage, when Ruby Pearl Plank of Strathroy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Plank, was married to John Wesley Nicholls of Mount Brydges, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Nicholls. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. Agnew. Mr. and Mrs. Nicholls will reside in Mount Brydges.

WILL CONSIDER PLANS FOR TORONTO SUBWAYS

Canadian Press Despatch. Ottawa, Dec. 20.—The board of railway commissioners will sit in Toronto, Tuesday, Jan. 8, to consider proposals for a large system of subway construction through the western part of the city. The scheme contemplated involves some ten or twelve subways.

It is probable that while the commissioners are in Toronto a hearing will be arranged on the question of express rates.

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MISS MARIE HUESTON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hueston of Thorndale, whose marriage to Mr. George Shaw of this city takes place on Christmas Day.

Three Strands Beads. Paris, Dec. 20.—Three strands of beads are worn about the neck at present, the longest strand being only of medium length. In two strands the beads are very large, but the third is likely to be made up of small units, seed pearls being often used.

Fashions By Wire

Special to The Advertiser. Copyright.

Paris, Dec. 20.—Doubtless it is the result of the holiday season, but a veritable holly-red is one of the favorite colors seen on smart women just now. It is not used in brisk touches to heighten a sombre gown, but whole frocks are made of it.

Women at Savoy. London, Dec. 20.—Women lunching at the Savoy are wearing their hair so that the ears are exposed. This is a fair indication of the coiffure style for the winter.

The New Silks. New York, Dec. 20.—Some of the new silks shown here today have oyster or ivory background, against which enormous flowers of bright hues are printed. There are only three or four flowers to the yard.

Making Up Brows. New York, Dec. 20.—If you make up your eyebrows, remember that the very arched brow is not so new today as the one which is straight. There should be the merest downward curve at the outer edge.

The Newest Turban. New York, Dec. 20.—The newest turban today is an affair of gracious lines, all soft, but piled fold on fold to make a high crown. The effect is somewhat that of a tam falling gently over one ear.

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A number of the members of the mothers' clubs were present, including: Mrs. C. Keene, Mrs. Styles and Mrs. Hogarth from Rectory street; Mrs. W. Rider and Mrs. Spalding from Lorne avenue; Mrs. J. Lewis, Mrs. J. C. Hottle and Mrs. Willis from Hale street; Mrs. Goldby and Mrs. Burnham from Boyle Memorial Club. Dr. E. Spence and Dr. J. Lindsay were the doctors in charge.

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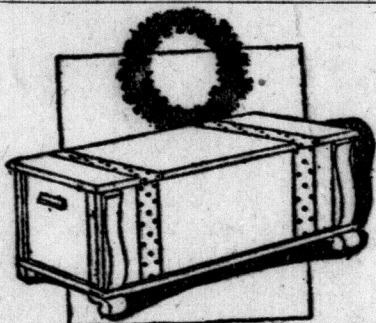


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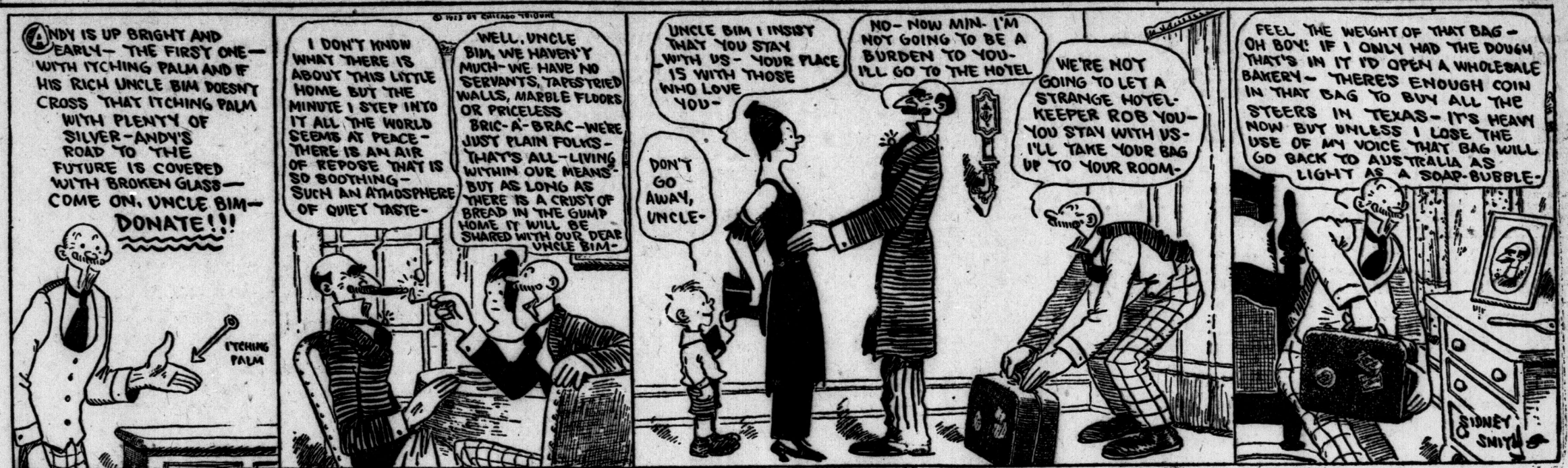
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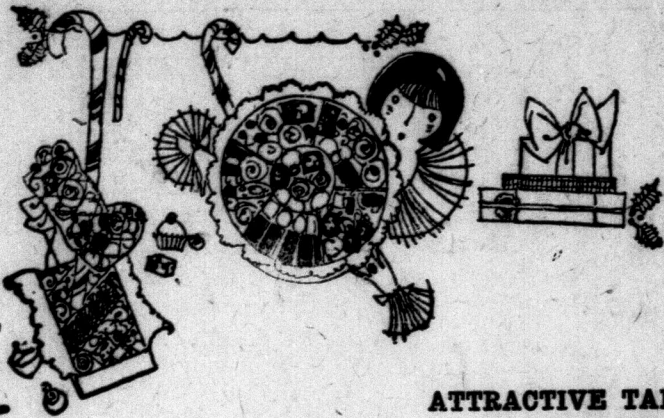
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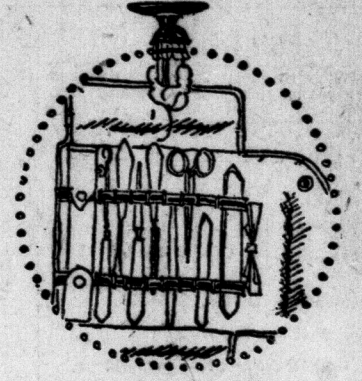
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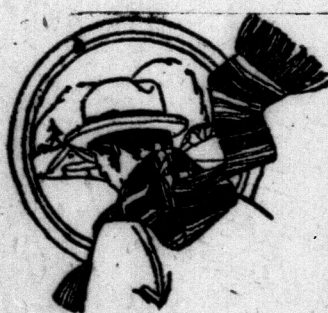
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