

'BUS MEN WIN SECOND ROUND IN BYLAW FIGHT

WILSON 'FIXES' BUS LAW BUT HOW IS A MYSTERY

Insurance Clause Suddenly Suspended for One Month, But Graydon Knows Nothing About It, and Macbeth Refuses To Be Told—Instructions Issued Today.

PROTESTED PROMOTIONS DELAYED

The disputed promotions of police officers have been postponed, and the famous omnibus bylaw has been suspended without any meeting of the men who passed it one month ago. These are the extraordinary developments resulting from the protest of citizens on Thursday against secret sessions of the police commission.

The postponement of promotions is a distinct victory for those who protested, because they will now be carried into the business of 1923 under the chairmanship of Mayor-elect Wenig, who promises an end of secrecy and impartial appointments.

Meeting Not Held. They are postponed because last night's meeting, according to the commissioners' statements, did not take place for reasons which are not divulged.

And here is where the extraordinary part of all comes in.

There was no meeting yet within the last thirty-six hours business has been executed.

Some time between yesterday morning and evening that part of the omnibus bylaw relating to insurance rates was suspended. Instead of going into effect on Monday, it is now postponed until Feb. 1, unless the commissioners change their minds again.

Mystery Upon Mystery. It is mystery piled on mystery; secrecy piled on secrecy. By some mysterious and secret procedure, without a meeting and apparently without the knowledge of at least one of the commissioners, their own decision has been set aside. How, when, where and by whom, no one seems to know.

The commissioners say they don't, anyway. The advertiser asked them, and this is what happened.

Officials Questioned. Police Magistrate A. H. M. Graydon came first. The advertiser telephoned him last night.

"Has there been a meeting of the police commission today (Friday), or will there be one tomorrow (Saturday)?"

"Not that I know of," stated the magistrate. "Do you know of any change in the bylaw respecting motor buses?"

"No, none of the commissioners have approached me," stated the magistrate, and added the admission: "I get my news out of the papers."

Next the reporter approached Mayor Cameron Wilson, chairman of the commission.

"There has been no meeting and will be none," declared his worship. "How about the change in the omnibus bylaw which has been arranged today?" asked the advertiser point blank.

Declined to Talk. The mayor declined to make any admission for publication, though anxious to discover where The Advertiser had obtained the decision.

His Honor Judge Talbot Macbeth, senior member of the commission, was the last approached.

"His honor was brief but cordial. This is The Advertiser," said the reporter soothingly.

"Go to the devil," replied his honor amiably.

"About the omnibus bylaw," began the reporter, entering into the spirit of the game.

Crash! Goes Receiver. The crash went the receiver. The advertiser gathered that his honor had nothing to say.

Putting it in a sentence, the first commissioner says he knows nothing; the second knows, but won't tell; the third refers the question elsewhere. Yet the fact remains that the bylaw has been suspended without a meeting held.

Fifteen bus drivers and their friends know it, whether all the commissioners do or not. They know, because at last Wednesday's meeting to discuss the bylaw they received by telephone Mayor Wilson's promise that the suspension would be arranged.

Chief Gives Orders. They know definitely today that the mayor has "fixed it" as he promised because Chief of Police Robert Birrell this afternoon instructed City Treasurer James Bell to grant the bus men a temporary license at the new rate of five dollars per seat without payment of insurance.

"How long will this be in force?" The advertiser asked the chief when the latter admitted the change.

"Two or three weeks," replied Chief Birrell, adding that the commission will meet immediately after the first of the year to discuss the whole question.

The bus men have been expecting this ever since Mayor Wilson's telephone promise last Wednesday. The only mystery about it is how the mayor "fixed it" single-handed, without a meeting of the commission and apparently without knowledge of his fellow commissioners. This is the secret of all secrets, the grand finale, so to speak, of 1922's interesting comedy: "Behind Closed Doors."

Wine Second Round. Not that really varying the bus drivers. They have won the second round in their battle to stay on London streets, and though they have still to pay five dollars a seat on Monday, they have now thirty days' grace in which to prepare their case.

And they are to be given a fair chance. Mayor-elect Wenig has promised them an opportunity to state their arguments before the police commissioners. The bus men have twice requested this, but the former commission ignored the appeal and made no reply. Whatever may now develop, the bus men will at least be given a chance to speak, unless, of course, the suspension is itself suspended before 1923 ends at midnight tomorrow.

Explain Postponement. The commissioners explained their action, or rather lack of action, on the question of disputed police promotions. A statement that "Detective Egleton has not been in his resignation. His three months leave of absence does not expire until the end of the month. He has not said what he intends to do."

Monday will reveal what's what in this regard. If Sergeant of Detectives Egleton resigns by that time, the matter of his successor will be one for the decision of the 1923 commission. Detective Harry Down will in all probability fill the post, while any one of the other eight officers mentioned in Thursday evening's edition of The Advertiser will be transferred from the uniformed ranks to the detective department.

Had the 1922 commission Eastern to an appeal by the United States observers that refugees in Turkey be allowed to return to their native lands, and that their property be restored to them.



HE LISTENS NOT. HE KNOWS NOT. HE TELLS NOT. Here is London's police commission, with His Honor Judge Macbeth on the left, Magistrate Graydon in the centre, and Mayor Wilson, chairman, on the right. They are men of mystery because during the last thirty-six hours, without a meeting, their omnibus bylaw has been suspended for one month. Asked by The Advertiser how this was accomplished, Judge Macbeth replied: "Go to the devil." Magistrate Graydon said he did not know as he had been told nothing, and Mayor Wilson would not explain for publication. It's second round for the bus men in a shadow-boxing contest.

BIRTHS AND DEATHS LESS THIS SEASON

But Newly Arrived in Greater General Proportion, Say Statistics.

London's normal increase in births over deaths is steadily gaining, according to the annual vital statistics submitted today by City Clerk Baker's department.

Not so many people died in the city during 1922 as during the preceding 12 months, 970 answering the call as compared with 1,003 in 1921.

The birth rate was lower this year, however, 1,316 as against 1,336 registered in 1921. The normal increase is thus placed at 346.

Incidentally 653 marriage ceremonies were performed in 1922, a gain of eight over last year.

The males are still dying in greater number than the females. The same was true in 1921. The balance is maintained, however, as there are just about as many more male babies arriving annually to meet the difference in the death rate.

MORTGAGE GERMAN PEOPLE 20 PER CENT

Wealth of Fatherland To Be Taxed According to Reparations Proposals.

Paris, Dec. 30.—A mortgage on the wealth of the German people up to 20 per cent of its total value is the guiding principle of the reparations proposals which Germany will make to the premier's conference, according to the version of the German plan, given by Lucien Chassaingne, foreign editor of the Journal.

The mortgage, the writer says, would be established by means of income tax returns. Small businesses would make direct payments on the obligations, but in the case of large concerns, special shares of non-voting stock, having preference in the profits, would be created. All these shares would be entered in a bank in Holland or Switzerland, managed by a mixed control board, presided over by a neutral.

Such a mortgage, M. Chassaingne says, is estimated by the Germans to produce thirty billion gold marks. In return, however, Chancellor Cuno, the article declares, will ask for abrogation of various clauses of the Versailles treaty.

DANIEL BOWEN, formerly manager of the London branch of the C. P. R. telegraph office, who is now in charge of the lines from Sydney to the coast, is a visitor in the city this week.

Mother, Babes Are Suffocated

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 30.—(Canadian Press).—A mother and her four little children were found dead at their home, 250 West avenue, by her husband at 2 o'clock this morning. Death was caused by gas poisoning. The victims were: Mrs. Katherine Simone, 33; Mary 11, John 8, William 4, Robert 2 years.

Simone completely unbalanced by his discovery, was taken to a hospital.

Divine Sarah Declares That She Will Return to the Stage on Wednesday

Special Cable to The Advertiser. Paris, Dec. 30.—Sarah Bernhardt, tremendously improved in health, is able to receive friends, and may shortly go out, and possibly even return to the stage next year. It was learned from her physicians today. Her condition was officially described as "stationary."

Sarah Bernhardt announced emphatically yesterday that she was "far from being finished," and would return to her beloved stage next Wednesday, for the opening per-

Lloyd George's Fourth Article Is On Page Five This Afternoon

The fourth of the thirty articles which David Lloyd George is writing for The London Advertiser has been cabled from England and appears on page five of this edition.

In preceding articles Lloyd George gave warning of France's policy in Europe and described the signing of the Irish treaty. Today he reviews the fateful events of 1922 in the nations' efforts to find peace, and tells what progress he thinks has been accomplished.

Two more of Lloyd George's articles to The Advertiser will appear on Saturday, Jan. 6th, and Saturday, Jan. 13th. The remaining twenty-four will be cabled every second Saturday.

YOU WILL FIND LLOYD GEORGE'S ARTICLES ONLY IN THE ADVERTISER.

DOUBTFUL IF ROOM READY BY JAN. 3

Work Being Rushed at Pottersburg School, How-ever.

There is some doubt in the minds of the members of the board of education as to whether the one-room addition to Pottersburg school will be ready for occupancy on January 3, as called for by the contract. Secretary W. A. Tanner this morning stated that while the contractor is rushing the work with all possible speed, it was hardly possible that classes would be held in the room until possibly a week later.

The desks and other equipment are ready for installation, and no delay is expected from that source. These are to be used as an emergency supply which the board of education has kept on hand. The plastering in the room is well under way, and it is to be heated temporarily by a stove. The plaster will quickly dry out, he said.

GIRL IS KIDNAPPED, \$20,000 DEMANDED

Detroit Banker Reveals Episode to Police Following Threat.

Detroit, Dec. 30.—Nicola Giovanni-gelli, owner of a private bank in a foreign quarter here, last night asked the police to search for his eight-year-old daughter Mary, who disappeared eight days ago and for whose safe return \$20,000 has been demanded. The appeal to the police was made by the banker in defiance of a warning that any publicity given the case would result in his death.

Mary was seized by three men in an automobile while on her way to school. Giovanni-gelli is reported to be wealthy, and his bank is a popular institution among foreign born residents.

CITY BUILDING PERMITS FOR YEAR SHOW INCREASE

Nearly 300 more building and alteration permits were issued during the past twelve months than in 1921, according to the final official report submitted this morning by Building Inspector A. M. Piper.

The complete figures for the year are: Total number of permits, 1,752, with an estimated expenditure of \$2,605,620. In 1921, permits to the number of 1,463 were granted for undertakings, estimated at a cost of \$2,327,510.

BRITISH EMPIRE ORDER MEMBERSHIP DECREASED

Canadian Press Cable. London, Dec. 30.—Additional membership in the Order of the British Empire has been limited to 1,457 appointments annually. The present membership exceeds 25,000. The order was instituted in 1917, and in 1918 it was changed into military and civil divisions.

STORM DAMAGES DECKS OF HUGE ATLANTIC LINER

Plymouth, England, Dec. 30.—The liner Minnetonka, from New York Dec. 11 or Plymouth, Cherbourg, Hamburg, which arrived here today, had a 36-hour struggle at sea with the severe storm which has been raging in the Atlantic.

The high waves hammered the liner hard, a number of ports being stove in and other damage done about decks.

Wife and Tots in Dire Need When Husband Goes to Cells

Detroit, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Mary Sawicki, 3506 Medbury avenue, will have to ask public assistance for the support of her two children, Terence, 11 years old, and Adele, 2 years old, she said yesterday, as in tears she watched her husband, John J. Sawicki, 33 years old, taken from her court after being sentenced to serve two to five years at Jackson prison for embezzlement of \$2,015 from a branch of the Detroit and Northern Michigan Building and

Loan Association, of which he was manager.

Nothing with which to support my children," she sobbed. "I gambled away all our savings, as well as the building and loan money. He was in Europe, possibly in London, for us well until he started gambling."

Sawicki, who was in charge of the Building and Loan office at East Forest avenue and Dubois street, and formerly a student at the University of Warsaw, pleaded guilty.

They were married in 1912, and separated last October. His income is \$8,000 annually, she stated.

PROTEST PLANS TO RAISE TAXES OF BUS DRIVERS

Knollwood Park Residents Fear Owners Will Stop Operating Vehicles.

DECLARE SERVICE NEEDED

Mass Meeting Will Be Held Tuesday Night to Consider Situation.

Fearing that they are about to lose bus service for their district, as the direct result of the omnibus bylaw recently passed by the London police commission, representative ratepayers of Knollwood Park registered a formal protest with The Advertiser this morning.

That the people of the annexed section of the city are vitally interested in the city's transportation problems and at the same time fail to see "eye to eye" with any move by police commissioners or city councilors to eliminate competition in this respect, is clearly evidenced by the fact that a general mass meeting has been set for Monday at 2:30 p.m. The gathering will be staged in the basement of the Park church.

The situation will be considered thoroughly, and an appeal will be drafted for submission to Mayor-Elect Wenig and the new council, asking that every consideration be shown the bus operators that will enable them to keep their vehicles on the streets.

It means more to the people of the annexed districts than is probably realized elsewhere in the city," the chairman of the Knollwood Park committee stated today. "We have absolutely no transportation available here. Most of us will be compelled to walk a mile to the nearest street car if the buses are eliminated from the field."

In the old days we did not seem to mind that so much. The older residents here do not mind it as much probably as the new ones, who declare that they will remain here if we have no service."

New buildings are going up all the way and the park is in a fair way for further progress, but it will be impossible if we are now deprived of service. You can't get people to here and come here to live if they cannot have the ordinary conveniences as transportation to and from work. We are all workingmen and we have a long way to travel to our employment in many instances."

The Knollwood Park people touched upon the fact that during the past year much has been said in the city council about the fixed tax rate for the annexed districts. They tried to understand, however, where the cause for complaint arises, they assert, holding that while there is a rate fixed by law for the 15-year period, the department revises the assessment figure as it sees fit from year to year.

"We pay in any event," they stated, "and the least we could do would be to allow us at least as good transportation service as is possible in other sections of the community."

SAYS GERMANY AVOIDED DELIVERY OF LUMBER

Head of Confederation of Reconstruction Makes Charge.

Special Cable to The Advertiser. Paris, Dec. 30.—Germany deliberately avoided delivery of lumber to France by delaying payments to her lumbermen, M. Lubersack, head of the Confederation of Reconstruction Co-operatives, charged today.

The German government, Lubersack declared, in order to prevent delivery, fixed a price which should be paid to the lumbermen in paper marks at the rate of the date of the delivery. Germany received credit in gold for lumber delivered.

The lumbermen therefore, did their utmost to avoid delivering wood at the ridiculously low price involved in paper marks, which involved actual loss to them.

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CHEWS CARRIAGE STRAP. BABY DIES OF POISON

Montreal, Dec. 30.—Accidental death was the verdict returned in the case of six months old Muriel Saboth, poisoned by the dye on her strap of her baby carriage, which she had been chewing. In an effort to save the child, four ounces of her mother's blood was transfused.

DRAKE TO URGE CITY EMPLOYEES GET INCREASES

Favors Upward Revision of Salaries Rather Than Any Reductions.

STATEMENT IS GENERAL

Declares Alterations Should Be Made in All Civic Departments.

An upward revision of civic salaries, rather than a downward trend, is urged today by Alderman Gordon B. Drake, Ward 3. As a member of the new finance board of the city council, he will adopt that attitude throughout the year, he has explained to The Advertiser.

Ald. Drake's general in his statement. He declares that civic servants in many instances are not receiving what he considers a fair salary. There are many of them that have never received a square deal, he states, adding that he is ready to fight for them the very moment that the salary proposal is broached in the new council.

Questioned as to what departments he was referring to, Ald. Drake stated, "All departments, police, firemen, street workers and so forth."

"We want no reduction; we want increases next year, if there must be a change at all," contends the councillor from Ward 3.

Will Cause Debate. The indications are that the salary issue will prove a source of much debate when the estimates are considered for the year.

While no publicity has yet been attached to the fact, at the last regular session of the council, who is to retire from office today, a list of proposed salary increases, to effect 40 persons in the city employ, was introduced. After certain discussion, however, this was forwarded to the council of 1923 for consideration with the recommendation that the project be favorably received in the main.

The suggested salary revision included, it is reported, practically every department in the city hall, exclusive of outside officials or workers. No increases were contemplated for the street, sewer or garbage workers, other than the resolution passed that their wages be elevated to what they were when reduced as the result of Mayor Wilson's now famous 10 per cent salary reduction program, which created such a stir in municipal circles early this year.

Split on Question. The proposed increases involved an annual expenditure of roughly \$7,000 or \$8,000.

The retiring aldermen split on the question as to the proper time to consider salary revisions, there being those who contended vigorously that action of this nature should be taken by the new council only.

Despite the fact that in past years it has been customary to adjust wages, grant bonuses and otherwise juggle with the salary roll in the "dying hours," a precedent was established this year, now being announced by the press for the first time. The mayor's councilors felt that it would be unwise at this juncture to meddle further with wages, preferring the entire proposal to be made by the new council.

Mayor-elect Wenig and his colleagues.

FRANCE ALONE DELAYS PLANS OF CONFERENCE

Great Britain, Germany and Other Nations Prepared to Discuss Reparations.

U. S. TO BE REPRESENTED

Would Force "Showdown" as to Whether America Can Aid Europe.

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Washington, D. C., Dec. 30.—France alone is withholding acceptance of American intervention in Europe.

Great Britain, Germany and some other nations concerned, it was learned from a high administration official today, already have informally indicated their willingness to accept the American proposal—an international commission of businessmen and financial experts to recommend a just and practicable revision of German reparations. The United States would be represented on the commission.

The official revelation of the American plan for bringing Europe out of its present economic chaos was made by President Harding here and Secretary of State Hughes in an address at Newhaven last night to force a "showdown" as to whether the United States can aid Europe.

France has not rejected the proposal, but for some time has been withholding its attitude regarding it. Tired of waiting for the French, this government decided to force the issue by making the question public according to the administration official. It was learned that negotiations on the proposal had been carried on for nearly two months.

The American plan follows a conviction on the part of this government that the economic question must be divorced from politics if it is to be settled. Another reason for the proposal is to have financial authorities recommend a reparations sum is that it is planned that these authorities, in presenting their conclusions, also come forward with a plan for a loan to Germany, which American bankers stand ready to loan, and the word of these men will carry the weight of authority and confidence to the investing world.

While it has not been finally decided, President Harding at present does not contemplate ending the conference or commission of inquiry to meet in Washington. It is more probable that it would meet some place in Europe, possibly Brussels, as a neutral spot like The Hague. Also, it is possible that some neutral nations might be asked to participate.

France again is apparently the stumbling block, and it is still hoped that she will accept the American proposal, and it is noted that Hughes said at the conclusion of his speech that the way may soon be found for a frank discussion and distribution of what is essentially an economic problem.

WANT NATIONAL CONTROL OF COAL

United Mine Workers Propose Government Purchase Fields for \$4,500,000.00.

Canadian Press. New York, Dec. 30.—Purchase by the United States government of the entire coal industry in the United States, both bituminous and anthracite, at a total cost of \$4,500,000.00, a cabinet place for a secretary of mines and the creation of a federal commission of mines and a national mining council, are proposed in a plan for the nationalization of the coal industry which the United Mine Workers will present to the United States coal commissions in January.

The plan was embodied in a report of the nationalization committee of the miners' union, and announced last night by Chris Golden, president of the United District No. 3.

SWITCHMAN IS CRUSHED TO DEATH UNDER CARS

Detroit, Dec. 29.—John L. Gamble, 25 years old, 1575 Infantry avenue, a switchman employed by the Michigan Central Railroad, was instantly killed shortly before noon yesterday when he was caught between two moving box cars. The accident occurred at the yards of the Michigan Central.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 4 o'clock last night were: Highest, 39; lowest, 15.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 39; lowest, 15.

Barometrical Readings. Friday—3 p.m., 29.55. Today—8 a.m., 29.46.

REPUBLICANS FACE RIFLES UNDAUNTED

Two More Executions of Rebels Carried Out by Free State.

Belfast, Dec. 30.—The executions of Kilkenny, in which two men were shot to death yesterday as enemies of the Irish Free State, were the first to be carried out by the government of Dublin. The two men executed were John Phelan and Murphy. Both were recently captured in south Kilkenny with arms and ammunition in their possession.

The condemned men were attended during their last moments by Fathers Kavanagh and Drea, the latter being the chaplain to the military forces at Kilkenny. The prisoners walked readily to the place of execution and unflinchingly faced the firing squad.

The volley was heard throughout the town. Death in both cases was practically instantaneous.

Phelan, who was a laborer, left a widow and two children. Murphy, a farm worker, was single.

TWICE AS MANY BIRTHS.

Kitchener, Dec. 30.—Vital statistics issued here today for the year 1922 showed the total number of marriages as 238, births 622, and deaths 66.

NO SOLUTION YET SEEN IN LAUSANNE

Completes Sixth Week With Near East Problem Still Unsolved.

Lausanne, Dec. 30.—The Lausanne conference completes its sixth week today, with a solution of the Near Eastern question still in the making, and with the Allied and Turkish delegations still at odds over the important issues. As Ismet Pasha and his associates awaited further instructions from their government at Angora, whether they recently reported the impasse in which it seemed that a settlement of even one of the troublesome problems on the agenda could not take place this year.

It is believed that Ismet, in his report to his government, calls special attention to the declaration of Lord Curzon that the British government insisted upon recognition of its mandate over the Mosul vilayet. Action by the Allies on the Armenian plea for a national home in Turkey was expected today. The sub-commission on minorities, which is wrestling with this difficult problem, listened yesterday to an appeal by the United States observers that refugees in Turkey be allowed to return to their native lands, and that their property be restored to them.

BURGLAR IS GIVEN ONE YEAR IN JAIL

Former Manager of Wallaceburg Company Sentenced in Chatham Court.

CONVICTED ON 4 CHARGES

Mrs. C. L. Johnson, Guilty of Receiving Goods, Has Penalty Deferred.

Special to The Advertiser. Chatham, Dec. 30.—William Arnfield, former manager of the Wallaceburg Company, was sentenced to serve one year in the provincial prison by His Honor Judge Stanworth, on four charges of burglary. The sentence was imposed late yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. C. L. Johnson, connected with Arnfield in the above case, who pleaded guilty to a charge of receiving stolen goods, was told her sentence would be deferred until the June sessions of the court. She was released from custody.

A plea for leniency was entered by Arnfield's counsel, pointing out that this was the first time Arnfield had been in the toils.

Two local grocers, charged with selling cigarettes to minors, appeared in the city police court this morning and paid fines. They were warned not to repeat their offence. Both grocers were ignorant of the laws which govern that boys are not allowed to purchase cigarettes.

The Men's Canadian Club executive has completed arrangements for an annual meeting, according to an announcement given out by Secretary C. F. Wright today. The speaker for the occasion is the Venerable Father Bracken, of Holy Blossom, Toronto, one of the foremost men in the Hebrew world of today. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

An X-ray examination of the injuries to Frank Carriere late this afternoon revealed a fractured spine. Carriere's condition is regarded as critical, stated hospital authorities this evening.

N. McDONALD HEADS OWEN SOUND OFFICE

Popular Postal Official Appointed by Ottawa To Postmaster.

Special to The Advertiser. Owen Sound, Dec. 30.—Capt. N. E. McDonald, who has been acting postmaster in Owen Sound since the death on Aug. 23 of Postmaster Geo. A. Ross, received notice yesterday from the assistant postmaster-general that he had been appointed postmaster.

Capt. McDonald is a native of Sydney Township, and is a nephew of the late Hon. A. G. MacKay. He first entered the postal service at Owen Sound in 1911, and in 1915 enlisted with the 147th Grey Battalion and served overseas with gallantry, winning the military medal and his commission for distinguished service. After his return he re-entered the postoffice here as assistant postmaster. Capt. McDonald is adjutant of the Grey Regiment, is captain and one of the backs on the local W. F. M. D. champion football team, and junior warden of the North Star Masonic Lodge. His appointment is a very popular one.

CHATHAM DOCTOR ESCAPES DEATH

Life of Dr. Oliver Jeopardized When Engine Smashes Car.

Chatham, Dec. 30.—Dr. C. B. Oliver, a prominent surgeon of this city, had a narrow escape from serious injury and possible death when his car was struck by the rear-end of a C. P. R. switching engine at the Lacroix street crossing at 10:30 o'clock this morning. He escaped unhurt, but his car, a coupe, was so badly damaged that it cannot be repaired.

The doctor was proceeding south on Lacroix street towards the C. P. R. crossing. He slowed the car down to cross the tracks and was unaware of the approach of the backing engine until one of its brakemen, standing on top of a boxcar, shouted a warning to the doctor. He immediately jammed on his brakes, which caused the car to skid, but avoided a broadside collision.

Dr. Oliver declared that this crossing should be provided with proper gates. He alleged that, according to law, the railroad when shunting cars should provide a watchman at the crossing. He further stated that he had had several close calls at this particular crossing.

APPOINT NEW SURVEYOR OF CUSTOMS AT WINDSOR

Windsor, Dec. 30.—Andrew H. Dalziel, chief customs excise clerk for the port of Windsor, has been appointed customs surveyor for the port, according to notification reaching A. T. Montreuil, local customs collector, today. The appointment carries a substantial increase in salary.

The new surveyor succeeds P. H. McEwan, who was superannuated last year. Mr. Dalziel has had much experience, having held nearly every minor position in the local department prior to his promotion to the chief clerkship.

THORNTON SENDS MEN NEW YEAR GREETINGS

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Sir Henry W. Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railways, last night sent the following New Year's greeting addressed to the officers and employees of the system:

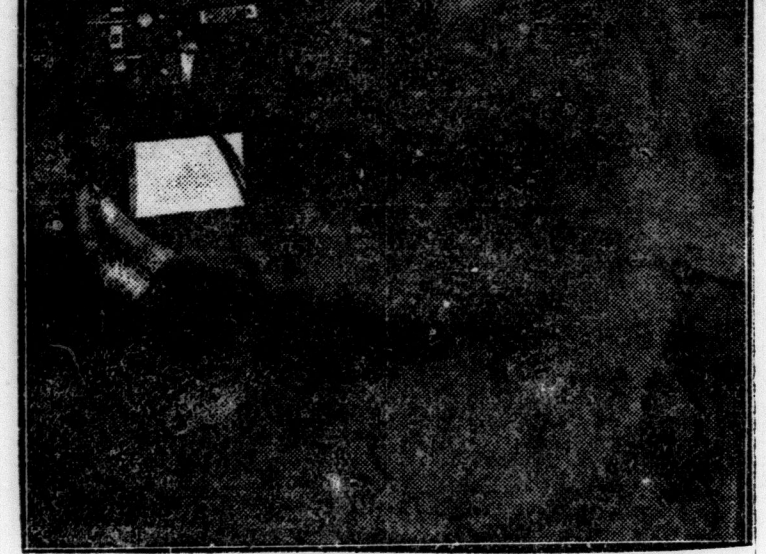
"I wish to you and your families a happy and prosperous new year. I hope that with united effort in our common undertaking we may accomplish a degree of progress which will be a source of satisfaction to the nation and a matter of pride to ourselves."

DRIVER PARALYZED WHEN CAR CRASHES

Frank Ferrier, Windsor, Is Taken to St. Joseph's in Critical Condition.

COMPANION ESCAPES

Men Were Traveling to Home Town to Spend New Year.



Special to The Advertiser. Chatham, Dec. 30.—Frank Ferrier of Douglas avenue, Windsor, is in St. Joseph's Hospital, paralyzed as a result of his auto leaving the road, jumping a fence, two miles west of Thamesville, on the provincial highway at noon today. His recovery is uncertain. A companion, whose identity is unknown, escaped with slight injuries.

The injured man was speeding home to Windsor to spend New Year's Day with his family. Passing motorists found Ferrier lying beside the wrecked car, suffering from injuries to the spine, and in a semi-conscious state. The man who was a passenger in the car told them the auto struck an obstacle in the road, and that because of a stiff steering gear Ferrier lost control of the machine.

Dr. Pelton of Thamesville was called and ordered the injured man removed to Chatham Hospital. He was admitted late this afternoon. In Chatham, Dr. Kingsley Holmes took charge of the case, and will conduct an X-ray examination.

One feature of the work of the police is they have found 318 doors of business places and banks open during the year at night, as compared with 224 doors in 1921, and 140 in 1920. In spite of this there have been no cases of stores being entered for nearly two years, owing to the chief says, to the vigilance of the police.

WOODSTOCK, HOME OF HONEST PEOPLE, Safe, Though Store Doors Unlocked

Radio Set Supplants Powder Puff. Girls, the latest command of fashion is to carry a tiny radio receiving set wherever you go. When you are waiting anywhere and feel like being entertained, listen in. There's always something good in the air now. It's far more fun than dexterously applying a powder puff as a pastime.

Special to The Advertiser. Woodstock, Dec. 30.—A decrease in the number of convictions under the Motor Vehicle Act, and the motor vehicles act is reported by Chief of Police Moore, who is now busy compiling records for his annual report. He also reports that there have been 50 criminal cases in the city during the year, but none of them of an unusually serious nature.

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Special to The Advertiser. Woodstock, Dec. 30.—Under his own name John Roberts publishes in the following in this week's issue of The Age:

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"What a hideous farce it has all been. Five weeks were spent in proving what was already known—that the government had done all it could. Five days were devoted to trying to find out who killed Blanche Gagneau."

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Frank Ferrier, Windsor, Is Taken to St. Joseph's in Critical Condition.

COMPANION ESCAPES

Men Were Traveling to Home Town to Spend New Year.



Special to The Advertiser. Chatham, Dec. 30.—Frank Ferrier of Douglas avenue, Windsor, is in St. Joseph's Hospital, paralyzed as a result of his auto leaving the road, jumping a fence, two miles west of Thamesville, on the provincial highway at noon today. His recovery is uncertain. A companion, whose identity is unknown, escaped with slight injuries.

The injured man was speeding home to Windsor to spend New Year's Day with his family. Passing motorists found Ferrier lying beside the wrecked car, suffering from injuries to the spine, and in a semi-conscious state. The man who was a passenger in the car told them the auto struck an obstacle in the road, and that because of a stiff steering gear Ferrier lost control of the machine.

Dr. Pelton of Thamesville was called and ordered the injured man removed to Chatham Hospital. He was admitted late this afternoon. In Chatham, Dr. Kingsley Holmes took charge of the case, and will conduct an X-ray examination.

One feature of the work of the police is they have found 318 doors of business places and banks open during the year at night, as compared with 224 doors in 1921, and 140 in 1920. In spite of this there have been no cases of stores being entered for nearly two years, owing to the chief says, to the vigilance of the police.

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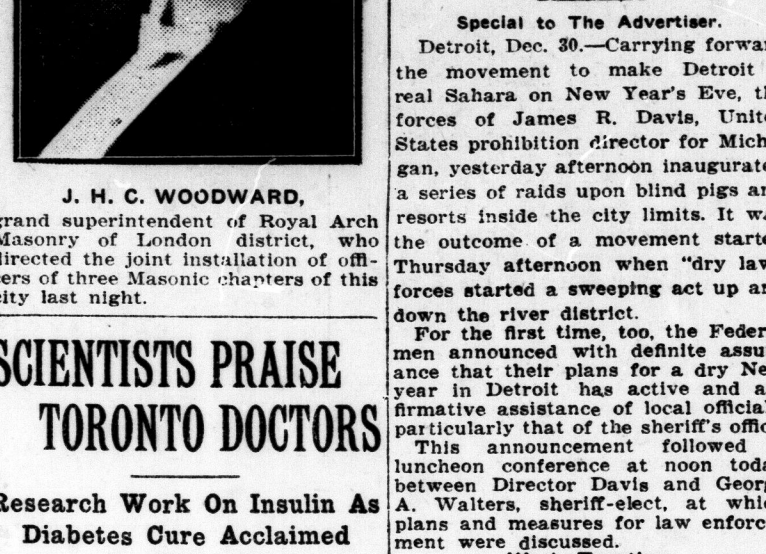
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WOULD RID DETROIT OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC

Michigan Prohibition Agents and Sheriff Start War On Liquor.

RAID MANY BLIND PIGS

Success Attends Efforts To Dam All New Year Supplies.



Special to The Advertiser. Detroit, Dec. 30.—Carrying forward the movement to make Detroit a real Sahara on New Year's Eve, the forces of James R. Davis, United States prohibition director for Michigan, yesterday afternoon inaugurated a series of raids upon blind pigs and resorts inside the city limits. It was the outcome of a movement started Thursday afternoon when "dry law" forces started a sweeping act up and down the river district.

For the first time, too, the Federal men announced with definite assurance that their plans for a dry New Year in Detroit has active and affirmative assistance of local officials, particularly that of the sheriff's office. This announcement followed a luncheon conference at noon today between Director Davis and George A. Walters, sheriff-elect, at which plans for law enforcement were discussed.

Work Together. After the conference both officials stated that they would work together toward giving Detroit an absolutely safe and sane New Year's Eve. Walters assumes office on the 1st of January, and his entire staff is to be on duty from that time in the enforcement of the Sahara amendment.

The enlarged force of Federal raiders began active operations this afternoon, following their descent on Wyndol Thursday.

They started operations in a "soft drink place" at Howard and Cass avenue. They appeared without warning and swept through the establishment. They found it, it is alleged, what is declared to be the real sort of old-fashioned whiskey in a town under the control of the mob. One of the gifted sleuths of the squad is said to have discovered a secret panel in a small room just back of the bar. The opening in the cache revealed nine quarts of whiskey of the sort our grandfathers drank.

Make Arrests. J. N. McMillan, said to be the bartender in the place, was arrested. Five different gangs of raiders were sent into active operation from the office of Director Davis this afternoon. They had a list of places that included a number of city establishments and several in the near suburbs.

In each case a clear case of evidence has been secured against the actual violation secured to warrant the issuance of a search warrant by United States Commissioner Hurd, with warrants for the arrest of the offenders. They also carried huge sledge hammers and similar weapons to enforce entrance, when necessary.

FROM

Special to The Advertiser. Frome, Dec. 29.—Harold Lesson spent Christmas at his home.

Bruce Silcox of Guelph is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Silcox, at their home in South Wallbridge. Mr. and Miss Edith Cascarden are spending the holidays in St. Thomas.

Mr. Brown of Windsor was a guest at Ted Clarke for Christmas. George McLeod and Carl Daugherty have accepted a position with the M. C. at St. Thomas.

Mrs. George McLeod is visiting in St. Thomas. Leslie Hunt of Windsor spent the week-end at his home here.

Mrs. Maude Hunt of St. Thomas was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hunt, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Silcox and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. Silcox and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alworth Silcox, Sheddin, on Sunday.

Ronald Cox spent the week-end with his parents, Rev. W. and Mrs. Cox, at the parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. George Daugherty spent Christmas at Odell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Silcox and Mrs. Verne Joiner at Lawrence for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lesson spent a couple of days at South Yarmouth this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Miss Hazel Lesson spent Christmas with relatives in Aylmer.

Christmas visitors at Sam Downs' were: Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Horton, Miss Dorothy Horton and Master Edward Horton of St. Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Horton of St. Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. Wallace and Miss Alma and Reta Wallace of Talbotville.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Heidt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Heidt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heidt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Daugherty and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Daugherty and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Brown and family, Southwold.

AVONTON

Special to The Advertiser. Avonton, Dec. 27.—Mr. John Smith, who for the past five years has been living in Alberta, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, here.

Mr. and Mrs. James Murray of St. Thomas and Mrs. Lorenzo Moses spent Christmas with relatives in London.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Teifer of Kitchener are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Teifer.

Mr. Sam Hoy, who is in the employ of the Ford Company in Detroit, spent the Christmas season at the home of his mother, Mrs. R. Hoy.

The Christmas entertainment held on Friday evening under the auspices of the Sabbath school was a great event for the children, the older people also thoroughly enjoying the program. Rev. Mr. Bell acted as chairman, and Santa Claus, at the close distributed the many gifts to the children. The door receipts amounted to \$23.50.

Our Farmers' Club shipped a car of feed from St. Paul's on Wednesday to New Ontario to relieve the situation caused by the fire.

Mr. John Murray is visiting here. Miss Florence Murray of Inverkip and Miss Adeline Murray of Fullerton are spending their holidays at their homes here.

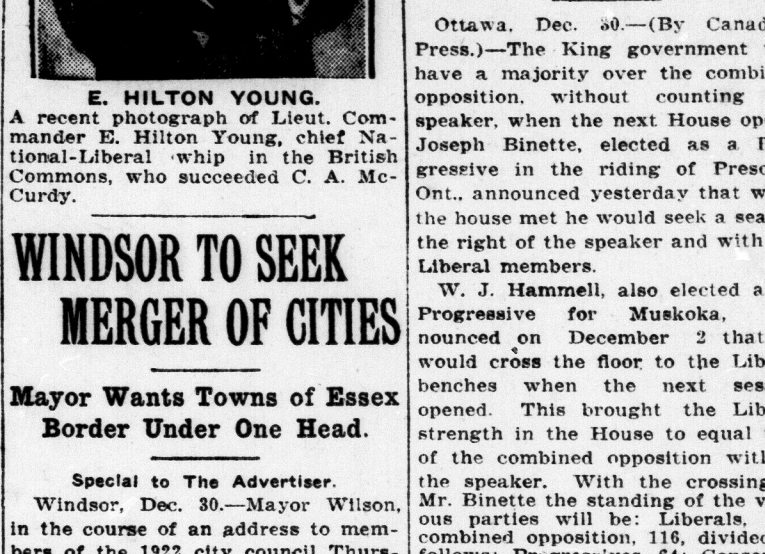
REJECT BRITISH BOYCOTT. Gaya, Bengal, British India, Dec. 30.—A resolution proposing a boycott on British goods was rejected today by the all-India Nationalist congress. The congress began its sessions here Tuesday.

LIBERALS NOW HOLD THE REINS OF POWER

Member of Prescott Announces Intention of Crossing Floor.

HAVE TWO MAJORITY

Government Strength Now Greater Than Combined Opposition.



Ottawa, Dec. 30.—(By Canadian Press.)—The King government will have a majority over the combined opposition, without counting the speaker, when the next House opens. Joseph Binette, elected as a Progressive Liberal whip in the British Commons, who succeeded C. A. McCurdy.

W. J. Hammell, also elected as a Progressive for Muskoka, announced on December 2 that he would cross the floor to the Liberal benches when the next session opened. This brought the Liberal strength in the House to equal that of the combined opposition without the speaker. With the crossing of Mr. Binette the standing of the various parties will be: Liberals, 118; combined opposition, 116, divided as follows: Progressives, 64; Conservatives, 60; and Labor, 27, giving the government a majority of two should there be a solid opposition vote against it in a full House.

In a letter to the electors of his riding today Mr. Binette indicates that his decision to cross the floor of the House follows the resignation of Hon. T. A. C. Cresser as Progressive leader in the Commons, the resignation of President Burnaby of the United Farmers of Ontario, and that the dissensions between Premier Drury and the rest of the party are indications that the latter party is built on sand.

"Under the direction of my leader I was true and loyal to him," Mr. Binette states, "when we see the leaders deserting the army there is something wrong and it is time to do something and report to you."

DRURY SEES MENACE IN RURAL SITUATION

Premier Claims Solution Needed To Save Country From Bankruptcy.

Toronto, Dec. 30.—That the rural situation as existing in Canada today constitutes a very real problem, and that only a satisfactory solution of it will save this country from bankruptcy, was the strong contention made by Hon. E. C. Drury, premier of Ontario, in addressing the first national conference of Canadian farmers. This rural problem was presented by alarming exodus of young men and women from the country to the city, Drury claimed, and not to any false glamor of cosmopolitan life, for the majority of these young people are leaving to leave the country, but due entirely to economic conditions.

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THE CLOSING YEAR SAW A GENUINE EFFORT TO ESTABLISH PEACE, BUT THAT PACIFIC MUSIC ENDS ON "A SINISTER NOTE" IN FRANCE

This Is Lloyd George's Conclusion In Summing Up the Great Events of 1922 In Which He Was The Leading Figure.

'PEACE AND GOODWILL THE ONLY HOPE'

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The year 1922 witnessed a genuine struggle on the part of the nations to establish peace conditions in the world. During 1919, 1920 and 1921, "the Taranella" was still in their blood. The mad war dance was still quivering in their limbs, and they could not rest. The crackle of musketry was incessant and made needful repose impossible. There was not a country in Europe or Asia whose troops were not firing shots in anger at some external or internal foe. America rang down the fire curtain until this hysterical frenzy had burnt itself out.

Was she right? It is too early yet to give the answer. The case is but yet "part unheard"—many witnessing years whose evidence is relevant have not yet entered the box. It will, therefore, be some time before the verdict of history as to her attitude can be delivered.

But 1922 testifies to many striking symptoms of recovering sanity on the part of the tortured continents. Before 1922 you had everywhere the querulosity of the overstrained nerve; the slightest offence or misunderstanding, however unintentional, provoked a quarrel. And almost every quarrel was followed by a blow. It was a mad world to live in. The shrieks of clashing nations rent the European night and made it hideous. One distinguished general declared that at one period, I think it was the year of grace 1920, there were thirty wars, great and small, proceeding simultaneously.

Who was to blame? Everybody and Nobody.

Everybody and nobody. Mankind had just passed through the most nerve-shattering experience in all its racking history, and was not responsible for its actions. Millions of young men had for years marched through such a pitiless rain of terror as had not been conceived even in Milton's description of the battle scenes when fallen angels were driven heading to the deep. And when the Angel of Peace led the nations out from the gates of hell, no wonder it took them years to recover sight and sanity.

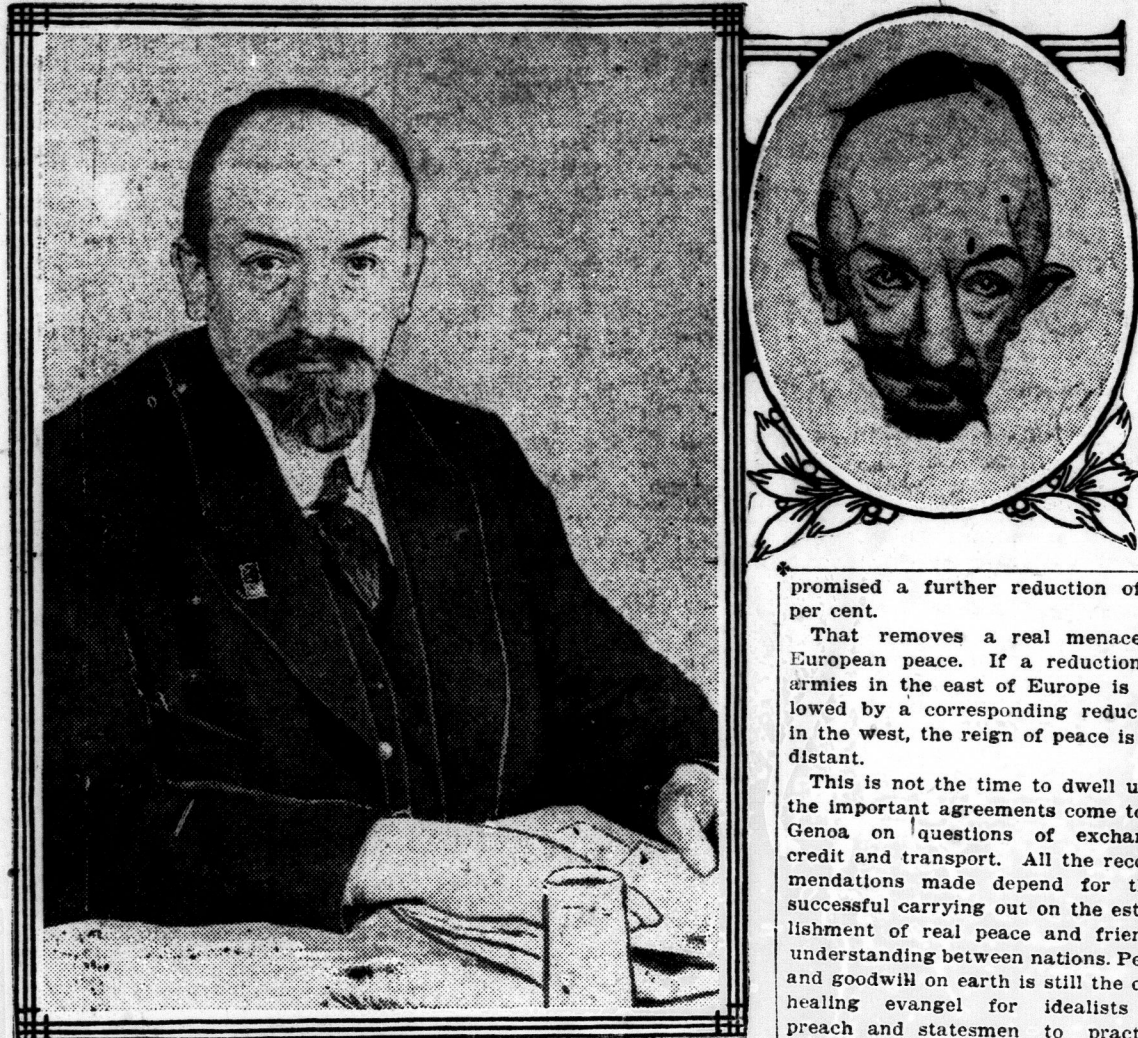
Nineteen hundred and twenty-two was a year of restored composure. The outward visible sign was seen in the changed character of the international conferences held during the year. The ultimatum kind of conference gave way to the genuine peace conference. The old method insisted upon by French statesmen was to hammer out demands on a conference and send them in the form of an ultimatum to nations who, in spite of the peace treaties, were still treated as enemies—the new method was to discuss on equal terms conditions of appeasement.

Germany, having no fleet in the Pacific, was not invited to the Washington conference, and Russia was excluded for other reasons. But at Cannes, Germany was represented, and at Genoa both Germany and Russia had their delegates.

The Washington conference was in many respects the most remarkable international conference ever held. It was the first time great nations commanding powerful armaments had ever sat down deliberately to discuss a voluntary limitation of their offensive and defensive forces. Restrictions and reductions have been often imposed in peace treaties by triumphant nations upon their beaten foes. The Versailles treaty is an example of that operation. But at Washington the victors negotiated mutual cutting down of navies built for national safety and strengthened by national pride.

It is true that France and Italy have not yet ratified the arrangement arrived at. That is a disturbing factor; their attitude, if persisted in, may ultimately have the effect of upsetting a balance it took months of care and thought to adjust. We must, however, continue to hope that wiser counsels will prevail when wiser counsellors are listened to.

Meanwhile, friends of peace have solid ground for their rejoicing in contemplation of the substantial reductions already effected in the naval programs of the most powerful maritime countries in the world.



"THE SPIRIT OF MISCHIEF INCARNATE." This is the way Lloyd George describes Tchitcherin, Russian delegate to the Genoa conference, and here he is, photographed at his desk and caricatured by a French artist.

What Lloyd George Learns By the Experience of 1922

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and then with the Germans, which would have helped the deliberations of Genoa.

The second obstacle was the refusal of America to participate in the discussions. Why? There were probably good reasons for that refusal, but the recording angel alone knows them all fully and accurately.

The third obstacle was the fall of the Briand ministry and the substitution of a less sympathetic administration.

In spite of all these serious drawbacks, Genoa accomplished great things. It brought together into the same room enemies who had not met for years except on the battlefield. They conferred and conversed around the same table for weeks—at conferences, committees and sub-committees. They broke bread and drank wine together at the same festive boards. Before the conference came to an end there was an atmosphere of friendliness which was, in itself, a guarantee of peaceable relations, for

the delegates who represented the nations at Genoa were all men of real influence in their respective countries.

Thirty Nations Agreed.

But however important the intangible result, there was much more achieved. Thirty nations represented in assembly entered into a solemn pact not to commit any act of aggression against their neighbors. When they entered the conference there were few of them who were not oppressed with suspicions that these neighbors meditated violence against their frontiers. When they arrived at Genoa they were all anxious for peace, but apprehensive of impending war. Genoa dispelled those anxieties.

One of the most promising results of the pact and the improved atmosphere of the conference was the reduction in the Bolshevik army. It has already been reduced to the dimensions of the French army, and we are now

promised a further reduction of 75 per cent.

That removes a real menace to European peace. If a reduction of armies in the east of Europe is followed by a corresponding reduction in the west, the reign of peace is not distant.

This is not the time to dwell upon the important agreements come to at Genoa on questions of exchange, credit and transport. All the recommendations made depend for their successful carrying out on the establishment of real peace and friendly understanding between nations. Peace and goodwill on earth is still the only healing evangel for idealists to preach and statesmen to practice. Without it, plans and protocols must inevitably fail.

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The debate in the French Chamber on reparations is not encouraging. The only difference of opinion in the discussion was that displayed between those who advocated an advance into the Ruhr and seizure of pledges further in German territory and those who preferred "developing" the left bank of the Rhine. Occupying, controlling, developing, annexing—they all mean the same thing; that the province to the left bank of the Rhine is to be torn from Germany and grafted into France.

There is no peace in this talk. It is a sinister note on which to end the pacific music of 1922. You must interpret it in connection with another event of 1922—the Russo-German agreement. Since then, Tchitcherin—the spirit of mischief incarnate—has almost made Berlin his abode. The men who were devoting their ingenuity to devising new tortures for Germany are preparing new terrors for their own and their neighbors' children.

The year ends with rumors of great American projects for advancing large sums of money to all and sundry in the hope of settling the vexed question of German reparations. The loan, it is surmised, will be accompanied by guarantees on the part of France not to invade further German territory. Some go so far as to conjecture that it is to be an essential condition of participation in this Christmas bounty of Madame Rumor that France is to reduce her armies and to undertake not to exceed the Washington limits for her navies.

Nobody seems to know, and I am only repeating the gossip of the press. But if the 350,000,000 pounds sterling loan is likely to materialize, its projectors are wise in imposing conditions that would afford them some chance of receiving payment of moderate interest in the lifetime of this generation. No prudent banker would lend money on the security of a volcano.

RANEY FEARS WETS WILL WIN STRUGGLE

Ottawa Refuses To Amend Federal Law To Keep Ontario Dry.

PROVINCE SEEKS ACTION

Attorney-General Sees Possibility of Reverse Decision in Court.

Canadian Press.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—The Dominion government has informed Hon. W. E. Raney, attorney-general for Ontario, and Hon. Newton W. Rowell, who interviewed the prime minister and other members of the cabinet this week, that it does not anticipate introducing any legislation amending the Canada temperance act as requested by Messrs. Raney and Rowell. The representatives of the Ontario government asked that steps be taken by the Federal government to provide against the possibility of the courts declaring the Ontario temperance legislation invalid. The Dominion government has replied that it does not see any reason to anticipate that the Ontario courts will take the case re Smith vs. The Attorney-General of Ontario will be other than in keeping with the statute and the desires of parliament in passing that statute.

The case, it is understood, hinges upon the construction placed on the "prohibition" as applied to the Ontario temperance act, it being claimed by opponents of the act that inasmuch as the province allows the manufacture and sale of native wines of alcoholic content, the Ontario act is not a prohibitory statute. Should the finding of the courts be against the attorney-general, fear was expressed that before new temperance legislation could be introduced in Ontario the doors would be opened to the unlimited "stocking up" of cellars with liquor from other provinces.

The Federal government in its reply to the Ontario deputation, says it sees no reason to fear such a development.

FORMER LONDON MAN DIES AT LOS ANGELES

Mrs. Agnes Comber, 576 Trafalgar street, who was sadly bereaved a few months ago by the death of her brilliant daughter, Mrs. MacKellar (Gladys Comber) received a message from California this week, announcing the death there of her brother, George McKnight, formerly of this city.

Mr. McKnight, who had been fruit farming for several years near Los Angeles, was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William McKnight of London. He is survived by his widow, four children, Ethel, Emily, William and Percy, and two brothers and two sisters, William of Detroit, James of Milwaukee; Mrs. Agnes Comber, London, and Mrs. Fanny Jackson, Chatham.

DOLLARS CROSSING RIVER LOSE VALUE EACH WAY

Detroit, Dec. 30.—With banks in Eastern Canada cities charging a discount on American funds, and Detroit financial institutions reversing the process here by discounting Canadian money at the rate of 1.41 per cent, an unique situation has developed. Hereafter, when the Canadian dollar was at a discount here, banks across the river were paying a premium on United States funds, but the double discount arrangement as it now exists is a development not before experienced.

Locates Missing Veteran From Military Hospital

Fred Malone, Who Disappeared From Parents' Home At Guelph On December 23, Discovered

By Brother At Southampton, In Exhausted Condition.

Guelph, Dec. 30.—Fred Malone, the young man who wandered away from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Malone, this city, on Saturday last while on a visit from Westminster Military Hospital, London, for Christmas, was located at 5 o'clock yesterday at Southampton, on the shores of Lake Huron, which is about 100 miles from Guelph. For three days there was absolutely no trace of him, but as soon as his disappearance was made public, his family began to get some trace of him, and ever since Tuesday, his brother, John Malone, has been on the trail and finally located him at Southampton. When found he was very tired and cold, and expressed himself as greatly pleased to see some one that he knew once more. The two brothers left immediately for Guelph, but will not come all the way through tonight, remaining over at Drayton for a rest. It was a great relief to the family here to learn of his being located and he will get a royal welcome home. He states that he received only the greatest kindness from the homes in which he stayed while on his pilgrimage.

COUNCIL CHOOSES NEW COMMITTEES

Aldermen For 1923 Meet Informally To Start Organization Work.

At an informal meeting of the new city council held last night at the Tecumseh House, the various standing committees for the coming year were struck, subject to ratification by the council at its inaugural meeting after the new year.

According to custom, the committee, composed of His Worship Mayor-Elect Wenlock and the four wards, namely, Aldermen Douglass, McKay, Hayden and Greer, brought in the names which were later accepted by the council.

Several matters were formally discussed, among which were town-planning and one-man street cars. Ald. Douglass said it is plain that if he had any say in regard to town planning, it would be done away with, as the Chamber of Commerce could do all the planning necessary.

Plan for Factories. "What we want to town plan for is factories," he said, amid laughter. Ald. Douglass and others agreed with him, but the matter was dropped.

The two main committees were named as follows: Finance committee, Aldermen J. A. Greer, A. M. Judd, W. A. Wilson, John Colbert, G. B. Drake and G. A. Burdick.

Works committee, Aldermen J. T. May, L. H. Douglass, P. J. Watt, G. F. W. McKay, T. Patterson and Edmund Hayden.

Fair Board—Ald. McKay, May, Hayden, Drake and Douglass. Ald. Douglass said that the Fair Board—Ald. Watt, Judd, Greer, Drake, Colbert, Patterson, Burdick and Wilson.

Town Planning Commission (composed of three aldermen and three citizens)—Ald. Patterson, Wilson and Hayden, and Messrs. Clayton, DePote and McAllister.

Industrial—Ald. McKay, Allan Towe, Ernest Shaw, George S. Jewell and M. Carter.

Court of Revision—T. W. Scandrett and R. B. Fetherly.

Soldiers' Aid—Ald. Judd, Housing Commission—D. J. Talant and R. H. Hessel.

Board of governors of Western University—Major Gordon Ingram, Western University Senate—Major T. J. Murphy, Dr. F. R. Eccles and Dr. W. J. Stevenson.

Suburban Areas—Ald. Greer and Ex-Mayor E. S. Little.

Library Board—Dr. C. H. Ziegler.

The naming of the following committees was laid over for further consideration until the inaugural meeting: Children's Aid; Board of Health and L. and P. S. Railway Commission.

With the announcement of the personnel of the works committee, Ald. Drake, who has been on that body for some years, wanted to know why he had been changed to the finance committee. He was familiar with the work of the former body and could give his best efforts there, he said, in an effort to remedy the situation, if possible, the striking committee withdrew to reconsider the matter, but again announced the committees would be laid over.

DESIRE FOR SHERRY SENDS MAN TO JAIL

Harry Beemer, Brantford, Gets Three Years For Stealing Old Wine.

Special to The Advertiser.

Brantford, Dec. 29.—Three years in Penitentiary, Kingston, was the sentence meted out in police court today to Harry Beemer, found guilty of burglary. Beemer was arrested on Tuesday night, when he was caught at the home of Ex-Ald. Sam Stedman, 84 Sheridan street.

On the evening in question Mr. Stedman told the court he heard a noise upstairs and on going to investigate saw a man climbing down a ladder to the ground from the second story window, where a stone jug containing old sherry was placed. He frightened the man who escaped. After recovering the jug he followed the man. Beemer was overtaken at the corner, and Mr. Stedman jumped on him, throwing him to the ground and holding him until the officers arrived. P. C. Howling who had effected the arrest, put in a yellow piece of paper with the words, "To Harry Beemer" on it. He said he had picked it up outside Mr. Stedman's veranda in the spot indicated as where Beemer had climbed off the roof.

Beemer, in the box, swore he was not in the Stedman home on Tuesday night. He had been at his sister's place on Usher street and was returning home. At the corner of Charlott and Sheridan streets a man had rushed out and knocked him down. He rolled against the curb and knew nothing further until he woke up in the police station. He said the piece of yellow paper had been in an inside pocket with some Christmas presents he was taking home to his

Youth Weds Girl Accuser in Court While Judge Gives the Benediction

Special to The Advertiser.

Woodstock, Dec. 30.—After having pleaded guilty to charge of seduction in county criminal court before Judge Wallace yesterday, Harry Conklin, of Aylmer, was married to a 16-year-old Tillamook girl on whose allegations the charge had been laid against him. Rhee Underhill, of Aylmer, was charged with the same offence and he appeared as a defense witness for Conklin. After a consultation between the parents of the two parties the girl accepted the offer of marriage made by Conklin and Rev. Dr. Gibson came along and performed the ceremony.

The judge then suspended sentence of Conklin.

The charge against Underhill in view of the evidence in the other case was withdrawn.

RIVERSDALE ESTABLISHES SCHOOL FOR CATHOLICS

Opening of Institution Will Relieve Congestion of Present Public Building.

Special to The Advertiser.

Riversdale, Dec. 30.—A separate school has been established at Riversdale. A temporary schoolroom is being fitted up in the church, a teacher has been engaged and the school will open on January 3rd.

The establishing of a separate school here, it is believed, will meet with little opposition from the public school supporters, as the public school here was overcrowded, and it would have been necessary to build an addition and engage another teacher probably next summer.

OTTAWA MORNING PAPERS INCREASE STREET PRICES

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Commencing January 1, both Ottawa morning papers will increase their price for street sales from two to three cents. The prices for the early morning mail and evening editions will not be affected. The reasons given for the increase are, increased cost of newspaper and "that commencing with 1923, the full effect of increased postal charges introduced in 1922 must be met."

THIRSTY CITIZENS FACE QUANDARY

License Board Suspends Several Doctors—All Others Exhaust Available "Pers."

Several London doctors received a belated Christmas present from the Ontario License Board this week in the form of notification that they have been temporarily placed upon the "refused list" of the Ontario dispensary for issuing an excess of prescriptions for liquor during the past few weeks. A limit of 50 prescriptions per month has been placed on every physician in the province, and those overstepping it have been temporarily suspended from the good graces of the dispensary.

The terms of suspension vary according to the magnitude of each doctor's offence, but the majority will be enabled to resume "per" writing January 5. Added to the fact that many have been suspended, and therefore cannot supply the wants of the thirsty, comes the news that those physicians permitted to prescribe liquor have exhausted the available number this month during the Christmas rush, and for this reason the yellow slips are at a premium this week, and will continue to be until after the New Year.

All of which causes joy to pervade the ranks of the city bootleggers, whose stocks are far from depleted, and who are the only sources of year-end cheer for those who appreciate a wee drop of Scotch.

AMES-HOLDEN INCORPORATE.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Incorporations granted this week include: Ames-Holden Tire and Rubber Company, Limited, Kitchener, Ontario, \$325,000.

NATIONS CONSIDER RECIPROCAL TARIFF

U. S. Opens Negotiations With Canada On Question of Counterbalancing Duties.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Negotiations have been opened through proper channels between the United States and Canada, it was said yesterday at the White House, to consider whether any countervailing tariff duties may be placed in this country on imports of Canadian lumber. At the same time it was added that President Harding has no propositions before him involving immediate alterations of present tariffs on the products.

Provisions of the Fordney tariff bill now in effect, it was said at the tariff commission, provide that the United States may place a tariff on certain types of lumber, which now come in free, when produced in a country which puts a duty on similar products exported to it from the United States. Canada was said to have raised the question as to whether United States schedules of lumber in question, and thus to have raised the question as to whether United States schedules could legally be raised to an equal amount.

MOODY PLANT UNHARMED BY FIRE AT TERREBONNE

Canadian Press.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—Among rumors which were in circulation on the night that the town of Terrebonne was burned down was one to the effect that the plant of the Moody Agricultural Implement Manufacturing Company had been destroyed by the flames. It can now be stated that the plant was not touched by the fire, and its operations have in no way been affected.

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Sent First Stocking-Foot Pattern, Should Have Name in Hall of Fame

Identity Discovered At Last of Good Friend To War Memorial Children's Hospital.

The mystery is solved at last. We have discovered the original of that famous pattern, which has gone from coast to coast and far afield, prolonging indefinitely the life of the needy, aiding family thrift, and, perhaps, most notable achievement of all, originating and raising a large share of the fund to endow a Cynthia Grey cot in the War Memorial Children's Hospital.

Little did Grandma E. realize what a famous personage she was to become when one day, five years ago, out of her thoughtfulness for other people, she tucked her stocking-foot pattern into a letter for Cynthia Grey's Mail-Box. That pattern seemed to be fore-ordained to success. Its popularity was instantaneous. Letters flooded in asking for copies. Cynthia was too busy to answer them all, so she sent out an army of volunteer cutters arose.

At the time preliminary steps were being taken in London to build a children's hospital as a memorial to men of Canada, and especially those of Western Ontario, who had given their lives in the great war, someone had an inspiration to turn the stocking-foot pattern to still better account, through raising money for a mail box subscription.

So the fund grew.

When the times, shin plasters and dollars showered in, ambition grew to make the contribution a memorial crib. When the \$500 for this was exceeded, the question was raised, "Why not a cot?" And it was not long before the fund was up to \$1,000.

True, in the meantime many other revenue-producing articles have appeared on the Mail Box route, seeds, bulbs, music, crochet patterns, but the stocking-foot still holds its own.

Several days ago, a letter, which we

are printing, arrived in the Mail-Box. Great was the delight of Cynthia Grey to find it was from a correspondent who had been silent five years, and still more important, the originator of the Stocking-Foot Pattern, or the "S. P. P." With so many letters, so many happenings, so much cutting and pasting, it is not surprising that the identity had been lost of the woman to whom a large section of "holes-in-stockings" humanitarianism owes much, not to mention the War Memorial Children's Hospital.

Get "Himself" Too.

The find was so valuable, that Great Grandma E. was not to be allowed to escape without having her picture in the paper. And because Great Grandma E. is such an important member of the Stocking-Foot Pattern firm, The Advertiser insisted upon having him as well.

Great Grandma E. will speak for herself.

Dear Miss Grey—I am sending a small thank offering. This is the second time I have written. About four years ago I sent in the stocking-foot pattern, and requested you to keep the original, and the other, which I have since then, I believe it has gone from one coast to the other, so I feel that I have an interest in the Stocking-Foot Pattern firm. I always read the letters and find them interesting, although I don't have much time to write. Someone asked what I made the stockings out of. I use men's old summer underwear and they make lovely white feet.

My age is not a hundred, but well past the half of it. I was born in 1861. When I wrote before I was just a grandma, but now I am GREAT GRANDMA E.

WEDDINGS

DEPREW-STOCKS.

An event of interest took place in the Methodist Church, Windsor, at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon, December 27, when Miss Grace Stocks, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stocks, was united in marriage to Mr. Herman Deprew of Toronto.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Brace of Midland, uncle of the bride, assisted by the pastor, the Rev. A. A. Holmes.

The bride was given away by her father, and wore a tailored suit of blue cloth, with large black hat. She was attended by her sister, Miss Irene Stocks, who wore a becoming gown of brown velvet, both carrying bouquets of roses.

The groom was supported by Mr. Norman Brand of Toronto.

The wedding march was played by Mrs. T. G. Hemphill, and during the signing of the register a solo was sung by Miss Deprew.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the bride's home, Mr. and Mrs. Deprew leaving on the evening train for a short wedding trip to their future home in Toronto.

MARTIN-DUGGAN.

The marriage took place December 26, at the immaculate conception Church, Windsor, of Mabel E. Duggan, formerly of London, to Hillard D. Martin of Detroit, Rev. Father Fallon officiating. Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the groom's father. Only the immediate relatives were present. After a short honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. Martin will reside in Cass avenue, Detroit, Mich.

HICK-WATERS.

A pretty wedding took place at the Baptist parsonage, Lobo, on Saturday, December 23, when Miss Myrtle Elizabeth Waters, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Waters of Canada, was united in marriage to Mr. Gordon John Hick of Lenoir, N. C. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. Mason officiating. The happy couple left on the evening train for Detroit, where they will spend the honeymoon, and on their return will reside in Lambeth.

SIBBALD-BRICKWOOD.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brickwood, 491 Central avenue, was the scene on Wednesday of a charming house wedding.

The bride, Miss Jessie Violet, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Sibbald, also of London.

The bride was given away by her father, and wore a gown of white crepe. The groom, Mr. J. B. Brickwood, was in a suit of brown velvet, with large hat.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. Mason officiating. The happy couple left on the evening train for Detroit, where they will spend the honeymoon, and on their return will reside in Lambeth.

NIXON-KEW.

Springdale farm, Granton, was the scene of a quiet but very pretty wedding, when on Dec. 27 Violet May, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Kew, was united in marriage to Mr. Burton Nixon.

The bride entered the drawing-room leaning on the arm of her father, to the strains of Lohengrin's bridal chorus, played by Miss Jennie Raycraft. She looked very charming in a beautiful gown of white crepe de chine, with a string of pearls. The groom, Mr. Nixon, was in a suit of brown velvet, with large hat.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. Mason officiating. The happy couple left on the evening train for Detroit, where they will spend the honeymoon, and on their return will reside in Lambeth.

PATTERSON-LEWIS.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lewis, Granton, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Dec. 27 at 4 p.m., when their only daughter, Miss Edith Elizabeth, was united in marriage to Mr. Dan Patterson of London.

The bride was charming in a gown of white crepe de chine, with a string of pearls. The groom, Mr. Patterson, was in a suit of brown velvet, with large hat.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. Mason officiating. The happy couple left on the evening train for Detroit, where they will spend the honeymoon, and on their return will reside in Lambeth.

GUEST-HOBBS.

St. George's Church, Thorncliffe, was the setting for a smart wedding when Mary Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hobbs, was married to Mr. Richard C. Guest, Worcester, Mass., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Guest, London.

The charming young bride entered the church with her father, to the strains of the Bridal Chorus played by Mrs. A. C. Cummer. She was becomingly dressed in a French gown of white crepe de chine, with a string of pearls. The groom, Mr. Guest, was in a suit of brown velvet, with large hat.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. Mason officiating. The happy couple left on the evening train for Detroit, where they will spend the honeymoon, and on their return will reside in Lambeth.

DAUGHTERS OF SCOTLAND HOLD HOGMANAY DANCE.

The skirl of the pipes, the unmistakable Scottish airs and the broad Scotch tongue were heard in the hall of the D. O. S. on Thursday evening, December 28, when the annual Hogmanay dance was held at the D. O. S. hall, 109, D. O. S. street, London.

The Caledonia orchestra furnished the music, and the dancing was in progress from 8 p.m. to 12 m. The evening was a most successful one, and the D. O. S. was well patronized.

HYATT-McINTYRE.

At high noon on Wednesday, Dec. 20, the First Baptist parsonage, Lobo, was the scene of a very quiet wedding, when Jessie Sylvia, second eldest daughter of Mrs. J. C. McIntyre, Lobo, was united in marriage to Mr. Wesley Hyatt, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hyatt, eldest of Lobo.

The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Mason, pastor of the First Baptist Church, in the presence of only the immediate relatives.

WEARS CYCLAMEN FROCK.

London, Dec. 23.—In place of the gold or silver cigarette cases, some women are now carrying little boxes of shallow boxes of platinum inlaid with ivory. The boxes have a hinged cover. Another style is a box of ivory, carved from one piece of stone, and inlaid with chip diamonds.

PARIS ADVISES HAT BOX.

Paris, Dec. 23.—One of the little black satin hats, so chic just now, has an odd bit of trimming. It is laced half way up the crown with a black and white ribbon, heavily fringed. In the right side the ribbon is gathered into a wide, out-standing loop, which projects stiffly from the side.

JEWELLED CASKET FOR CIGARETTES.

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WEARS CYCLAMEN FROCK.

London, Dec. 23.—A slim debutante wore a gown of cyclamen georgette at a recent dance. The dress was made with severe simplicity, but its decoration made it one of the most striking gowns seen in many days. At the waistline was a large cabbage rose of cyclamen taffeta, and the cabbage rose motif was repeated all over the gown in large swirls of cyclamen crystal beads.

PARIS ADVISES HAT BOX.

Paris, Dec. 23.—No boudoir closet is complete today without a decorated hat box. You may have one of these boxes straight from Paris if you wish. It is made of papier mache and has gay French fashion prints pasted round about its middle.

MY LADY'S GARTER.

New York, Dec. 29.—Fancy round garters, which went out when the flapper began to roll 'em, are decidedly in again today, with the longer skirts. The idea is to select a silk or satin garter in a shade contrasting with the hose, although garters in gold and silver cloth are designed to harmonize with any stocking.

CAN'T WASH 'EM.

New York, Dec. 29.—Little roses of tinsel cloth are fastened here and there on some of the pastel-tinted lingerie shown here today. Of course, these roses must be removed before the garment is laundered and must themselves be specially cleaned with a special preparation, but the effect is worth the trouble.



SENT ORIGINAL STOCKING-FOOT PATTERN.

We have with us today so we can all look at her, good Great Grandma E., who several years ago contributed to Cynthia Grey's treasure chest the original stocking-foot pattern. And, to make things still better, we have "himself" as well, who doubtless appreciates that self-same pattern as much as anybody who has been introduced to it in a practical way. Little did Great Grandma E. dream (she was just Grandma then) that her pattern would go far and wide and start the whole idea of a Cynthia Grey cot in the War Memorial Children's Hospital. The photo was taken under the own vine and fig tree of Great Grandma E. and himself. What's their names?

PERSONALS

Mr. Douglas Weldon is spending a fortnight in Moncton, N. B.

Miss Priscilla Thayer, of Boston, Mass., is spending the week-end with Miss Constance Masur.

Miss Hazel Parker of Detroit is spending the New Year's week-end with friends in the city.

Mr. Gordon Glass of New York is spending the week-end with Miss Glass, 31 Hayman Court.

Miss Frances Murray of Detroit is visiting in the home of her brother, Mr. Jack Murray, Waterloo street.

Miss Dorothy Morgan, Hyman street, is spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Montreal.

Mrs. George Northcott of Detroit was the guest of honor of a holiday week tea given by Mrs. Bright Chapman.

Mr. Frank Taylor of Exeter is a week-end visitor in town, the guest of Mrs. A. G. Pearson, Bell street.

Mr. Andrew Miller of Toronto was a recent visitor in the city, staying with Mr. and Mrs. Thompson Smith, Waterloo street.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Pardon entertained at a supper party in honor of the Phlegmeyer-Green wedding party Friday evening.

Mr. Russell Nelson, Regent street, is spending a week with his uncle, Chief of Police Thompson and Mrs. Thompson, in Windsor.

Mrs. James Smith, Maitland street, accompanied by her son and daughter, Fred and Marian, is visiting her father, Mr. S. F. Statham, Stratford.

Miss Mabel Lancaster, 753 Prince street, is spending the Christmas vacation in Detroit, a guest with Mrs. Harry MacNaughton, Milford avenue.

Dr. F. R. Miller is spending the week in Toronto. He is attending the meetings of the American Physiological Society at the University of Toronto.

Mr. Will McCullough, Pittsburg, has arrived in town, accompanied by his small daughter and son, to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Talbot.

Miss Minnie Walker of Sarnia, who has been spending several weeks with her sisters, Mrs. J. B. Groshov and Mrs. Campbell returns to the border today.

Miss Catharine Campbell entertained informally at the tea hour Friday at her home in St. George street in honor of Miss Lois Black of Rockwood.

Miss Lorna Langford of Kitchener is a guest with Miss Dorothy Davis, Princess avenue. Miss Davis entertained at the tea hour Thursday in honor of her guest.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Wilcox, Dufferin avenue, have returned home after spending Christmas in Detroit, guests with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wilcox, Marlborough avenue.

Miss Helen Little, Central avenue, entertained recently at two tables of bridge in honor of Miss Betty Wilson of Sarnia, a charming visitor with Mr. and Mrs. George McCormick.

Mrs. J. E. Hill, Dundas street, accompanied by her niece, Dorothy Pettit, St. Marys, will spend New Year's with Mr. Hill's sister, Mrs. H. R. McElmoynt, 153 Pinewood avenue, Toronto.

Miss Harris, Colborne street, is giving a luncheon at the Kennels New Year's Day in honor of her guest, Miss Freda Bullen of Victoria, B.C. The guests will stay on for the tea daisant.

Dr. and Mrs. George W. Humpidge of Chicago are spending the holiday season with the latter's mother, Mrs. W. Stevens, Wellington street north. In their honor a number of dinner parties have been given during the past week.

Misses Lorna and Josephine MacGillivray are going to Ingersoll New Year's day, where they will attend

the annual New Year's ball given by the Daughters of the Empire. While in Ingersoll they will be guests with Miss Ruth Kerwin.

Mr. A. H. Hutchinson of Pittsburg, Pa., will be a wedding guest with Mr. and Mrs. G. A. MacGillivray, Bellevue Heights. Mr. Hutchinson will give a tenor solo at the morning service of the First Presbyterian Church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Smith entertained at a small dinner party Friday evening at "Tully's" in honor of their son, Mr. Adam Smith, and his guest, Mr. Edward Woolcombe of Ottawa. The guests went on later to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Baker's dance.

The annual luncheon of the Alumnae of Western University was held Thursday at Wong's Cafe. Miss Catherine Sabine, president of the association, presided over the tables, which were decorated with purple and white. The Western club, the committee in charge of the delightful affair included Mrs. Douglas Ewen, Miss Marion Wrighton, Mrs. C. Welford and Miss Edith James.

A bright event of Friday afternoon was a bridge of three tables given by Mrs. F. J. Greenaway at her home in King street in honor of Mrs. Delisle of Toronto. Several other holiday parties in town were also present, including Mrs. Harry Bowles of Toronto, Mrs. Fred Bridgeman, Winnipeg, Mrs. Murray Armstrong, the hostess of a cosy little tea Friday afternoon in compliment to Mrs. Siffrin of Calgary, and Miss Minnie Walker, who is returning the end of the week to Sarnia. A dozen guests enjoyed a chat over the tea cups while the blazing open fire in the living-room, to which Christmas decorations added a festive touch.

Mrs. F. H. McHardy-Smith entertained at a charming dinner party Friday at "Tully's" in honor of her son, Mr. Frank McHardy-Smith. The guests, who went on later to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Baker's dance, were: Misses Margaret Harley, Brown, Kathleen Richardson, Marian Beattie and Messrs. Fred Beattie, George Gillespie and James Creighton of Winnipeg.

Dr. E. L. Steele and Mrs. Steele entertained at a jolly tea party recently in honor of their small daughter, Miss Joan. The little people enjoyed a happy afternoon in games and music. Among the guests were: Misses Marian Douglas, Betty Smith, Stanley Smith, Ellen Renton, Slick Clegg, Phyllis Giesman and Masters Carl Cunningham, Hugh Douglas and Dickie Maxwell.

A number of Londoners with radio equipment in their homes are anticipating hearing the music in connection with the ringing out of the new year and ringing in of the new in churches and cathedrals in big cities of the continent. More than one local music lover enjoyed the festive music of the midnight mass of the St. Peter's, Rome, service, as sung Christmas eve in a big St. Louis cathedral.

The eighth annual dance given by the staff of the City Sanatorium was held Thursday evening in the vocational hall. Gay Christmas decorations were used, giving a festive touch to the ballroom. The Orpheus Orchestra provided excellent dance music. The reception committee who received the guests, numbering over two hundred, included Dr. Pratten and Mrs. Pratten, Dr. Ivan Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, Dr. and Mrs. Woods and Major Selwyn of the D. S. C. A few friends gathered at 459 York street Thursday evening to celebrate the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Schelding. The happy couple were the recipients of many useful and beautiful presents, one in particular causing much mirth. This was a wooden rolling pin, which the husband grabbed quickly and put away in a secure hiding place, stating he was taking no chances on playing "Rings to Maggie." After games and a jolly time the party broke up wishing the host and hostess long years of domestic bliss.

One of the smartest of the happy round of parties in honor of the not-outs was the dance given by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Baker at their home in the hotel street. Friday evening in honor of Miss Margaret Harley-Brown and Mr. John Wismer. The spacious rooms were bright with Yuletide decorations; gay garlands of holly and crimson streamers. Miss Harley-Brown and Mr. Wismer received with the host and hostess, Miss Harley-Brown looking charming in a graceful frock of white georgette crepe and net, with touches of jade green. Excellent music was provided by Lombard's orchestra. Crimson roses adorned the table, where a buffet supper was served. The guests, who included many young people from school, numbered over seventy.

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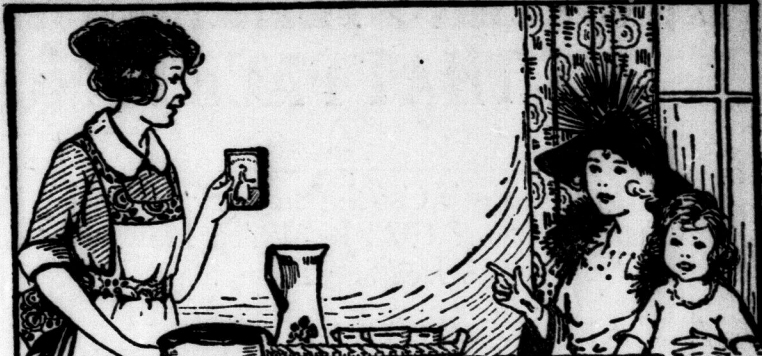
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INSTALL OFFICERS OF LONDON MASONS
Three Hundred Members Gather As Official Chairs Are Filled.
REPRESENT 3 CHAPTERS
Jewels Are Presented To Retiring Principals of Two Lodges.

Royal Arch Masons of London, numbering approximately 300, gathered in the Masonic Temple last night, when the elected and appointed officers in the three chapters for 1923 were installed in their respective chairs. The ceremony was carried out in the Red Room of the Temple under the direction of Right Excellent Companion J. H. C. Woodward of London, grand superintendent of Royal Arch Masonry in London District.

The joint installation was begun at 7:45 o'clock, and concluded at 10 o'clock, following which a banquet was held in the fourth degree room. The attendance at this annual function surpassed that of any previous year, and as a result an overflow banquet was held in the adjoining room.

The grand superintendent was assisted in the work of installing officers of the three city chapters for 1923 by Right Excellent Companion O. S. Clark of Point Edward, a past grand superintendent, Right Excellent Companions J. S. Barnard, Oliver Ellwood and A. M. Trick of this city, and Very Excellent Companions Charles Gilbert and C. R. Hoare of London.

Ceremony Impressive.
This ceremony was carried out with all its impressiveness, and much credit is due the installing officers for the efficient manner in which they exemplified their ability. Prior to closing the convocation, jewels were presented to the retiring principals.

Compliments Members.
In his opening remarks the grand superintendent of the district, Right Excellent Companion J. H. C. Woodward, thanked the companions present for the co-operation and support accorded him during the ceremony. He also congratulated the members of the three city chapters on the record attendance at the installation ceremony.

Pays Tribute.
Right Excellent Companion John S. Barnard was the next speaker, and he voiced similar sentiments to those of the previous companion. In a tribute to Right Excellent Companion J. H. C. Woodward, as grand superintendent of the district, he said: "Your work has been extremely valuable in this district and will bear fruit in the future very much to the advantage of the district."

Very Excellent Companion C. R. Hoare also spoke, after which the toastmaster called upon the newly-elected principals of the three London chapters for addresses. These officers responded and briefly thanked their fellow-companions for the honors bestowed upon them in election to chief office of their respective chapters.

The installation convocation was then brought to a close, all present wishing their fellows prosperity and happiness for 1923.

Officers Installed.
Following are the officers who were installed in their respective chairs last night: St. John's Chapter, No. 3: Z. Excellent Companion C. H. Gould; I. P. Z. Excellent Companion Harry Ives; H. Excellent Companion James Elgie; J. Excellent Companion C. E. A. Webb, treasurer, Very Excellent Companion A. E. Cooper, scribe, E. Very Excellent Companion Oliver Ellwood; Scribe N. Excellent Companion Paul Dalg; principal sojourner, Companion Sam McCoy; senior sojourner, Companion Bert Kane; junior sojourner, Companion W. J. Kilpatrick; master of the 4th veil, Companion Paul Dalg; master of the 3rd veil, Companion R. G. Fowler; master of the 2nd veil, Companion W. Vaughan; director of ceremonies, Very Excellent Companion Charles Gilbert; master of the 1st veil, Companion J. R. Ross; sword bearer, Companion W. K. Parkinson; senior steward, Companion W. Johnson; junior steward, Companion G. F. Stevenson; organist, Companion W. Vaughan; janitor, Companion R. M. Simmie.

St. George's Chapter, No. 5: Z. Excellent Companion Thomas Censins; I. P. Z. Excellent Companion H. E. Abell; H. Excellent Companion William Noble; J. Excellent Companion C. H. Heaman; Very Excellent Companion William Spittal; Scribe E. Very Excellent Companion T. P. Elliott; Scribe N. Very Excellent Companion W. A. O'Dell; principal sojourner, Companion Robert Pearce; senior sojourner, Companion Alfred Johnson; master of the 4th veil, Companion P. J. Delaney; master of the 3rd veil, Companion R. W. Knapman; master of the 2nd veil, Companion H. J. McCallum; master of the 1st veil, Companion J. H. Kitchen; organist, Companion R. Fitzgerald; janitor, Companion R. M. Simmie.

London Chapter, No. 150—Z. Ex. Comp. F. M. Richardson; I. P. Z. Ex. Comp. T. W. Copp; H. Ex. Comp. M. Linnell; J. Ex. Comp. S. T. Head; treasurer, V. Ex. Comp. J. E. Keays; scribe, E. Ex. Comp. J. H. C. Woodward; principal sojourner, Comp. G. Garrow; senior sojourner, Comp. G. Overton; junior sojourner, Comp. W. N. Legg; master of the fourth veil, Comp. J. W. Plewes; master of the third veil, Comp. E. Chamberlain; master of the second veil, Comp. W. E. Rider; master of the first veil, Comp. L. T. Hocking; janitor, Comp. W. A. Young.

Owing to the fact that St. Andrew's the fourth and youngest Royal Arch Chapter of London Masonry, was instituted but a few weeks ago and is working under dispensation, the officers were not installed. This ceremony will be held in 1923, when the chapter warrant is received from the Grand Lodge.

NOT DECIDED UPON CHANGING 'U' NAME
Col. Brown Declares No Definite Action Has Been Decided Yet.
ACT TO BE AMENDED
Governors Desire Greater Power Necessary To Conduct Efficient Organization.

Although the name "Western University" is admittedly in grave danger of passing into history as the result of a prolonged agitation for a more fitting designation, the board of governors in whose hands the matter rests is still undecided what course should be pursued. The question, however, is in the hands of a special committee, which was instructed by the board to bring in a report early in the New Year.

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The board of governors and others who vision the new university as a centre of higher education for the whole of Western Ontario, have always sympathized with the suggestion, and so at a meeting this week, it was felt that the new schools were already under construction and the Legislative Assembly was to be asked next year to amend the constitutional act to bring it up-to-date, the time had arrived to take the question under consideration.

As was expected, the discussion found no dissenting voice, but before any definite action was made and before any name was considered it was decided to refer the whole matter to a special committee. The committee has the question under consideration, and a report will be made to the board early in the New Year.

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To make all its departments worthy of the splendid institution that the Western will become when the new buildings on the banks of the River Thames are completed, the Ontario house will be asked early next session to amend the constitutional act of the university, which at present is sadly out of date.

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PROVE STRANGULATION CAUSED COW'S DEATH
Special to The Advertiser.
Sarnia, Dec. 30.—The notorious black cow of Forest was again the center of interest at Forest yesterday, despite its demise. The carcass was dissected in the presence of a fatality inquest, the autopsy proving that death was by strangulation by the stall chain.

MONTREAL WOMEN GAIN VICTORY IN HIGH COURT
Montreal, Dec. 30.—Signaling a victory for the feminist forces of this province, Mr. Justice MacLennan in superior court here yesterday granted a petition authorizing two women stenographers to act as commissioners of the superior court. Their petition, refused by Mr. Justice Lane last Wednesday, had aroused strong protest from women's societies of this city.

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STRATFORD LABOR COUNCIL GOES DEAD
Members Even Absent On Night of Formal Disbanding.

Special to The Advertiser.
Stratford, Dec. 30.—Not even enough members of the local trades and labor council showed up for last night's annual meeting to enable that body to decide on formal disbandment. Only six put in an appearance, including four officials, and as this number was three short of a quorum it was not possible to decide anything or hold a meeting.

After waiting from 8 until 9 o'clock the faithful six went home, leaving behind them the impression that although the Stratford Trades and Labor Council had not been formally voted out of existence, it was just as thoroughly dead as though this had been done. Indeed the decision was made that no more meetings should be called, while one of those present suggested that the secretary should inform the Dominion Congress of the situation in Stratford, and if the Congress concurred, should turn in the local charter.

E. Duthie, for some years the manager of the Bank of Montreal in Stratford, has been promoted to the management of the St. Stephens, N.B.

NOTABLE IRISH WOMAN, MRS. MAX GREEN, PASSES
London, Dec. 28.—The Times announces the death in Dublin on Wednesday night of Mrs. Max Green, daughter of the late John Redmond. She was the author of several plays. Her husband, who was the chairman of the Irish prisoners board, was shot and killed last March.

FEW CHILDREN WORK IN WOODSTOCK CITY
Woodstock, Dec. 30.—The attendance officer for Woodstock yesterday reported that there are very few boys and girls with employment certificates in the city, as compared with other places.

So far since the adolescent school act became effective he has issued but ten of these certificates, although he expected that soon after the new year started a few more would be given out to adolescents who have completed the necessary number of days at school.

ADVANCES NEW SYSTEM
OF EMPIRE CURRENCYBonar Law's Economic Conference Brings Scheme
Again Into Limelight—Plan Based on Debts of
Britain and Colonies.

GREAT DIFFICULTIES OVERCOME

Special to The Advertiser

By a Staff Correspondent

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—For some years

past an English banker by name of

F. J. Darling, who enjoys a good

standing in financial circles, has been

an ardent and tireless advocate of

an empire currency scheme. It met

with some support from Imperialist

politicians, but the mandarins of the

banking world viewed it with scant

enthusiasm, and little has been heard

of Mr. Darling for some time, but the

prospect of Mr. Law's economic

conference has now stirred him to fresh

activity, and on Dec. 24 he elaborated

to the Manchester Chamber of Com-

merce his scheme for currency co-

operation in the British Empire.

Starting with the text "Bear ye one

another's burdens," he was determined

to develop a plan for a great and elastic

system of currency, based on the

debts of Britain and the dominions,

which the foundation will be an

issue of £1,000,000,000 of what he

calls empire currency. His aim is

the creation of a credit instrument,

which will be a balancing factor in

trade between the various parts of

the empire without involving a varia-

tion from the normal in the relative

value of their currency.

Would Delay Interest.

In ordinary times the first of these

objects is attained by the rate of in-

terest and the ordinary banking me-

chanism, but the new scheme would

apparently postpone any automatic

correction of an adverse balance and

delay the operation of a varying rate

of interest.

Mr. Darling holds that among the

most common possessions of the

British Commonwealth is the war debt

which is now the most prominent, and

that a portion of it could be so hand-

led as to convert it into an instrument

for actually aiding the development

and trade of the empire." He, there-

fore, wants to take part of each coun-

try's debt and convert it into his em-

pire currency bills. Part of the issue

could be in three months' bills, the

rest in the form of certificates, sub-

ject to three months' notice of re-

payment to be given by either side.

When this arrangement had come

about each country would agree to

issue no currency except against gold

or empire currency bill, "and there

should be free convertibility as be-

tween empire currency bills and the

currency of participating coun-

tries." Could Buy in London.

Mr. Darling argues that if his

scheme were carried out, and owing

to one-sided trade the Canadian

banks, for example, were full of cash

in London but short of it in Canada,

they could buy currency bills in Lon-

don and get currency against them

in Australia.

In that event the one-sided trade

would continue instead of being

checked and corrected as it now

is by the movement in exchange. The

London economist is decidedly critical

of the scheme, which it holds to be

rich in inflationary possibilities, and

asks if it is desirable that one-

sided trade should be thus encour-

aged to continue.

In its view currency based on debt

is no novelty in British financial

history, as the weekly returns of the

Bank of England's issue department

and the currency notes account

novelty in the scale of expansion

which is a cardinal feature of the

Darling scheme. It is prepared to

admit that some of its objects are

laudable, but thinks the practical

difficulties are enormous, and evi-

dently to judge by his reception at

the hands of the shrewd folk of Man-

chester, Mr. Darling has many ob-

jections to deliver before he converts

the business and financial community

of Britain to indorsement of his scheme.

STORAGE OF GRAINS
GREATLY INCREASEDLarger Quantities of All Vari-
eties in Elevators.

Canadian Press.

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—According to re-

turns received at the Dominion Bu-

reau of Statistics for the week end-

ing Dec. 22, 1922, the quantity of

grain in store has increased in wheat

by 4,205,816 bushels; oats, 700,425

bushels, and rye 414,524 bushels.

Barley indicates a decrease of 92,-

607 bushels and flax 751 bushels.

In the public elevators in the east

increases are shown in all grains

viz.: Wheat, 243,155 bushels; oats,

55,556 bushels; barley, 49,875 bushels

and rye, 4,000 bushels. The receipts

of all grains were 1,421,837 bushels

by vessel, and 690,800 bushels by

rail, while the shipments were 1,099,337

bushels by vessel and 690,800 bushels

by rail. The quantity of United States

grain in store at the public elevators

in the east was 3,554,397 bushels,

compared with 3,679,754 bushels last

year, corn being accountable for the

largest part of the former. (Buffalo

and Duluth), increases are shown in

wheat of 2,038,978 bushels; oats, 344,-

538 bushels, and rye, 7,399 bushels.

Barley indicates a decrease of 342,-

925 bushels.

INVESTIGATE REPORTS
OF KU KLUX MURDERS

Klan Will Be Outlawed by Headquar-

ters If Outrage Proven True.

New Orleans, Dec. 30.—Ku Klux

Klan chiefs of Louisiana met here to

consider action to be taken in regard

to reports that have gained circula-

tion that Klansmen were responsible

for the Morehouse kidnappings and

murders. A reporter of a New Or-

leans newspaper was present and

was authorized to announce that

agents of the Klan would be sent to

Morehouse to investigate what had

occurred on August 24, the date of

the killing. "If the Klan of More-

house parish was in any way re-

sponsible for the murder of Watt

Daniels and Thomas Richards, the

charter of that Klan will be lifted, and

the Klan outlawed," it was announced,

and individual members prosecuted in

the courts.

PROMINENT RESIDENT
OF OTTAWA PASSES

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—George S. May,

head of the firm of George S. May &

Sons, chairman of the public school

board of Ottawa, and a former mem-

ber of the Ontario Legislature, was

prominent Mason, died at a curling bon-

net last night and died in a few min-

utes without regaining conscious-

ness.

The late Mr. May had enjoyed ex-

cellent health most of his life. For

many years he was one of the best

known citizens of Ottawa. He had

been in Ottawa since Jan. 13, 1885.

Mrs. May survives.

LARGE AREA SET ASIDE
FOR BUFFALO PRESERVE

Ottawa, Dec. 30.—Action has been

taken by the government to set aside

large area along the Peace, Mary-

land, Little Buffalo and Slave rivers

in the Province of Alberta as a na-

tional park for the preservation of

the wood bison or wood buffalo, in

their natural habitat in the vicinity

of Fort Smith.

DIBS AND DABS

—BY HARRY MOYER

CUSTOMS OFFICERS FIND X RAYS
USEFUL IN DETECTING CONTRABANDFIFTY POUND BAG OF FLOUR?
YES! JUST STOOPE DOWN
AND HELP YOURSELF
MA'AM!CORPULENT SALESMEN LESS
SUCCESSFUL THAN THOSE OF MEDIUM
BUILD SAYS INDIANA PROFESSOR

RUMMY RHYMES

WE'VE SWORN OFF WRITIN' RUMMY RHYMES
— THIS IS NO PRETEXT!
WE'LL GRIND OUT VERSE NO MORE BETIMES
— NOT TILL TUESDAY NEXT!AROUSED AGAINST
ATTORNEY-GENERALMorrison Man May Oppose
the Present Norfolk
Member.

Delhi, Ont., Dec. 29.—The sup-

porters of J. J. Morrison, who form

a large and important part of the

U. F. O. in South Norfolk, are ur-

ging Colonel Townsend of Walsin-

gham Center, to contest the U. F. O.

convention in South Norfolk against

Joseph Cridland, the sitting member.

It is understood that Colonel Town-

send has consented to allow his name

to go before the convention.

U. F. O. leaders in Norfolk, speak-

ing to The Advertiser, openly re-

pudiated the attorney-general, Hon.

M. C. Raney. They declare that they

will not accept responsibility for his

administration. Geo. O. Sewell, M.

P. P. for North Norfolk, said: "I

cannot be held to account for what

the attorney-general has done."

Feeling is especially strong through-

out the county against the action of

the Hon. Mr. Raney in controlling

the administration of justice under

a magistrate at Simcoe, instead of

leaving it under local magistrates and

justices of the peace in the different

municipalities. As an example of

the injustice which this has caused,

it is pointed out that in a recent

case from the extreme western end

of the county, a man convicted of

using abusive language, had to pay a

\$2 fine and \$38 costs. The Liberals

in the north riding of Norfolk are

preparing to nominate a candidate

shortly after the new year, with

Reeve Aldrich of Delhi, James Ross

of Watford, and Colonel Winters

of Simcoe, mentioned as likely candi-

dates.

It is not believed that the Con-

servatives will nominate a candidate

in the north riding, and that the

Liberals will not nominate their man

in the south riding.

67,000 REFUGEES GIVEN
RELIEF IN NEAR EAST

Athens, Dec. 30.—United States

naval forces co-operating with relief

organizations are rapidly reducing to

a minimum the humanitarian prob-

lem now being discussed at Lau-

sanne. Sixty-seven thousand Greek

and Armenian refugees have been

embarked from Black Sea ports dur-

ing the last fortnight under the su-

perintendence of the Near East relief,

and the United States destroyers. Twenty

thousand refugees have been taken

from Mediterranean ports.

BORDEN PLEAS UNITING
OF ENGLISH COUNTRIES

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 30.—A plea

for the "English-speaking democra-

cies" to lead the world in co-opera-

tion for peace and for international

understanding was made here last

night by Sir Robert Laird Borden,

former Canadian premier, who ad-

dressed the chamber of commerce.

Sir Robert spoke last night before

the American Historical Association

in session here and discussed the

development of the "autonomous

dominions" within the British Em-

pire. He suggested today that the

British cabinet has passed the

Empire together might be "enlarged

accepted and realized in the fullest

sense for the welfare of humanity."

SHOOTS DOWN GIRL
BEFORE
BONAR LAW MAKES
REPARATIONS PLAN

London, Dec. 30.—Prime Minister

Bonar Law will take to the Paris con-

ference of premiers a complete plan

upon which the British cabinet has

judgment yesterday, in the hope of

obtaining a French agreement for a

final settlement of the reparations

problem, it was announced in British

official quarters today.

Details of Mr. Bonar Law's repara-

tions plan were not available, but it

was believed it will set down Germany's

total obligations at approximately one-

third the Versailles Treaty figures.

The British desire that the French

give Germany a fair trial under the

new scheme, which, if it is not pro-

ductive of the desired results, would

be supplemented by French schemes in-

volving coercive methods.

It was stated in official circles this

forenoon that it was believed the speech

delivered by Secretary of State Hughes

in New Haven last night would be

helpful to the Paris conference.

VOTE COUNT GIVES
LABOR SENATE SEATS

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 30.—The

counting of "preference" votes cast

in the Australian federal election of

December 16, which is proceeding

slowly, indicate the election of two

more Labor members, McDougall and

Grant, to the Senate. Dunn, another

Labor candidate, is giving Senator

Millen a hard run for the latter's old

seat.

RESTRICT LOAFERS.

Canadian Press Cable.

Melbourne, Dec. 30.—The govern-

ment of the Commonwealth has taken

steps to restrict the influx into Aus-

tralia of indigent Italians.

BRITAIN INDORSES
HUGHES' PROPOSALS

Will Try to Put Idea Into

Effect at Premiers' Con-

GARRISON A.A. PUTS BOXING ON MAP CLOSE MAJOR GATES TO BENTON GALT AND KITCHENER WIN

Bouts At Armories Give 1,000 Fans Three Hours of Action

Cy. Pook Wins Two Good Bouts—Phoenix, Colored Bantam, Gets Two Knock-Outs—One Heavy Bout Ends Briefly With K. O.

Over 1,000 fans saw a knockout begin and end the fight of the Garrison A.A. boxing card at the armories last night, with some thrilling displays of courage and stamina sandwiched in between, and, of course, the inevitable burlesque touch. And in between that the customers were kept busy unending "Uncle Bill" Moore's announcements.

Perfoid of the R. C. R., after one minute of sparring and twenty seconds of an exchange, slipped over three blows to the solar plexus, and Kelly of the Huskies took the full count, ending a card which is sure to assure boxing a big place in London's sports, and one which the Garrison A. A. may well be proud of sponsoring.

Phoenix, a colored lad, sporting the Huskies' colors, really started the fight parade by taking three long and hard blows from Wood of the W.O.R., and then, smothering him under a cloud of gloves, Woods sat him out, evidently taking the count, but he sat out one second too long, and Referee Blake lifted Phoenix's arm. The fight proved to be a real test of stamina, and they stayed there for the next bout was full of action and gameness and feathery.

Some Gameness. Rastin of the W. O. R. faced Gault of the R. C. R., a long, rangy, red-haired featherweight. In this set-to, who jabbed at long range and kept up a comfortable lead in the first two rounds. Rastin, stockier and with a much shorter reach, staged a sensational rally in the first two minutes of the last round. He got in under Gault's defence, wiped the smile off the drummer boy's face, but neither one had a punch left by this time, and Gault's lead held. Rastin got an ovation when he left the ring.

Brady of the Machine Gunners and Hayes of the W. O. R. were billed as middleweight finalists, but they went into a variety of holds from the start, and they were either sending the crowd seasick as they swayed dangerously on the sagging ropes, or the ringriders were picking them up and shoving them back into the ring. The fight was a real test of stamina, and they stayed there for the next bout was full of action and gameness and feathery.

Pook won over Falkner of Stratford in the semi-finals of the light-heavyweight event. Falkner was much out-punched, and had a shade in the first round. He was peeking out at Cy from a perfect cover-up, and not taking the St. Thomas boy very seriously until he got a clip on the ear which

SPORTS

St. Petersburg, Fla., Dec. 28.—With the arrival here of the St. Thomas boy, the National Association of Horsemen's "Horseshoe" plant, which was held for the fifth annual mid-winter tournament for the United States "Barnyard" championship to be held here in February.

Flower said today he hoped to have a cash prize for the winners amounting to \$5,000, of which \$1,500 has already been raised.

The contest will be held in the Waterfront Baseball Park here, where there is seating accommodation for 10,000 spectators.

Every ex-national champion has been entered in the tournament, including Frank Lundy of New London, Ia. The men are: Fred H. Brust, Columbus, O.; George May, Akron, O.; Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.; Charles Hobbs, Lancaster, O.; and C. C. Davis of the Ontario and York.

John Miller, Rock Valley, Ia., horse-shoe pitcher, who finished high in the tournament of two years ago, arrived during the week to carry on his training for the event. Miller is 32.

Harry Kipke, Michigan's brilliant back, is being picked out as the backfield player of the year.

Kipke is versatile. He can do everything a back should do. However, much of his reputation is founded on his punting ability, and that was an strange news to those who saw Kipke try to punt last year. Not alone was Kipke below the average, but he was a poor kicker.

Stekete was Michigan's punter last year, but Stekete is a graduate, and Yost was looking out for a punter. None seemed to lurk in the looking so he decided to make a punter of Kipke, who had been averaging about 25 yards to his punts.

Yost gave Kipke a football and told him to start practice. Kipke started, and he continued. Every chance he got during the winter, spring and summer, Kipke kicked. He kicked for distance and direction, and he kicked with advantage of kicking out of bounds, and about to train himself to kick that way. Kipke kicked every club that came in all of Michigan's games this year. Few of his punts were returned, for most of them were of bounds, and those that did not go out came so close to the sidelines that Kipke's end had little trouble nailing the receiver or forcing him out.

Kipke went to the head of the field this year, and one of the chief reasons was that he did the sort of practice that not one player in a hundred would care to do, for the money would make it a torture to work as Kipke did.

Ty Cobb is strong for southpaw. Ty, a pretty good hitter himself, frankly admits that most left-handers trouble him far more than right-handers.

Such being the case, the natural conclusion that Cobb must draw is that most left-hand batters are troubled even more than him by southpaw pitching. No doubt that is the reason why Cobb put through the deal for Southpaw Ray Francis of the Washington club.

Cobb figures every club that wants to have a chance as a pennant contender needs a southpaw. Now that it is definitely settled that Cobb will not be a Tyger, Cobb's best bet as a southpaw passed on. Bert Cole seems to be just a bit shy of major league calibre.

All of which made it necessary that Cobb go out and land a southpaw. Francis proved to be the best possibility on the market. Here is how he looked to Cobb:

"Francis showed me more stuff than 90 per cent of the American League southpaws last year. I didn't find him soft-pedaling by any means. I am of the opinion that he will develop into the best left-hander Detroit has in years."

Last Week in British Sport

Special to The Advertiser.

London, Dec. 29.—Is it a sign of the times, and an indication of the excitement that Manchester United should place no fewer than ten players on the transfer list?

All sorts of rumors concerning finances are going the rounds, but nobody believes that things are so bad as to endanger the existence of any league club. There are several clubs in the Northern Section of the Third Division, who are ready to part with players, and there may be more than one in the Second Division. As for one First Division club it is said that on a recent occasion there was some difficulty experienced in finding the money to pay the wages of the players and traveling expenses.

In cases of this kind the only hope is either to do well in the cup competition or part with players, and there is a danger of clubs falling between the two stools. If a team is knocked out early in the competition the value of their players will be discounted through the fact that they are "cup tied," and to hold this possibility it is very likely that a good many transfers will take place before January 1st, when the first stage of the cup competition proper begins.

Hull City football club was fined £50 and expenses at an inter-league board meeting at Carlisle for approaching G. C. Martin in connection with the transfer of a player. The club, without obtaining the permission of that club, had secured the services of the player.

Most professional footballers have their superstitions, particularly as to what they wear when playing. If a player, while hastily dressing for the match, tries to put a boot on the wrong foot, he considers it to be a good omen. But when he has a boot on the wrong foot, the game disaster is likely to overtake him. To go on to the field clad in ill-fitting boots is a sure sign of disaster.

Some years ago when the Nottingham Forest arrived in Liverpool to play Everton, a funeral procession of four coaches on the way to the ground. The coaches were carrying the bodies of four players who had died of heart failure.

Pellatt started well, but after a few Jabs, lost direction under a vicious onslaught and stumbled down once. After 55 seconds of the second Phoenix forced his man to quit.

Lead Too Long. After he had led Woods for a long lead in the first two rounds, Hallwood of Stratford rallied in the third, but his rally wasn't long, and he was out-punched by the Huskies.

Brown of the Huskies put up a game battle against Hunt of Stratford in the light-heavyweight semi-final. He continually led his face into left leads, but came too far forward, and the two slugged too long, and the two slugged too long, and the two slugged too long.

Burdett of the W. O. R. and Barclay of Stratford furnished some action in a nice margin, but in the third round, Barclay's punch-like blows, in either hand, hurt, and the two stood off and exchanged solid rights and lefts. Burdett was on the receiving end of many blows on the way out of these exchanges, and the Stratford boy had a nice margin.

Phillips of the W. O. R. and Ellis of Stratford were welter finalists. Phillips was short, and Ellis lanky, and the former doubled himself up so when covering that Ellis couldn't do anything else but use the rabbit punch. This didn't work, and the referee saw that the referee was so and so did his seconds, but he stopped to take punches and argue at the same time. Finally he quit in the second round, and so did his second. This forced a speech from Burke, who explained that the only blow he received was those to the kidneys or too low.

Gen. W. B. M. King, C.M.G., D.S.O., officer commanding M.D. No. 1, presented the winners with their shields at the conclusion of the bouts.

BENTON BELIEVES LANDIS WILL NOT OBSTRUCT HIM

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Rube Benton, former Cincinnati National League pitcher, today said he was confident that Commissioner Landis would not obstruct him in his return to the National League.

Two of the fabled teams for the leadership in the Northern section in the Rugby Union counts championship—Cheshire and Cheshire—were beaten on Saturday, and the position is now in such a tangle that any of the counties may win. The table to date stands: Cheshire, Northumberland, Lancashire and Cumberland, four points each, and Yorkshire and Durham, two points each.

With regard to next year's Grand National, it is understood that the Liverpool race course executive have decided, with a view to keeping out horses that have no chance, and which in the past have often been a danger to the competitors, that the fee for running a horse is to be raised to £100, and the first prize increased accordingly.

The Hurlingham Club has decided to limit the public to its grounds at Fulham to view the polo on every Saturday during the coming season. This means that the finals of the championship, the inter-regional tournament, the Social Club cup and other tournaments will be open to the gate-money.

BY ABREN.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE.

WELL BOYS, HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN ME TONIGHT FOR THE NEW YEAR FESTIVITIES AT MY CLUB? I ASSURE YOU OF A JOLLY OLD FASHIONED TIME BEFORE CRACKLING VULE LOGS, AND POSSIBLY THE OLD BOWL OF GOOD CHEER!

COUNT ME OUT ON YOUR CYCLOPE KNOV MAJOR—I KNOW YOUR PLAYMATES—AFTER IT'S OVER THEY'LL BE TRYING TO STICK A FIRE PLUG IN THEIR COAT LAPEL FOR A CARNATION!

LET'S MARK OUR STRUT—THAT INVITE HE'S FANNING US IS ONLY A STALL SO WE'LL ASK HIM TO GANG WITH US TONIGHT!

DO NOT WANT HIM TO HERD WITH US—WE'D HAVE TO FURNISH ALL THE JACK, AN' TH' ONLY THING HE'D SAY WOULD BE COMPLIMENTS

THE FIRST STEPS IN THE formation of the Light Blue crew have been made by the president, Mr. B. G. Ivory, selecting thirteen oarsmen, whom he has taken to the club, and who are in preparation for the boat race practice.

The opening of full term, and it is therefore necessary to call the men to the club to play at Glasgow and Middlesex at Edinburgh. An old Kent player, F. A. McKinnon, has written to the M. C. asking that something should be done to give a fillip to the game in Scotland, where they were anxious to see first-class teams.

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Here is shown one of the thrilling plays in the great English rugby club—the annual Oxford-Cambridge game. King George and the Duke of York were in the stands.

London May Get Dominion Tennis Finals, New Club Officials Say

Prospects of the Western Ontario, provincial and, possibly, Dominion tennis tournaments coming to London on the construction of the proposed Dominion Tennis Club here, according to officials of the newly-organized association.

John Puddicombe, president of the local club, was assured unofficially some weeks ago that the provincial tournament, usually staged at Ottawa, would no doubt alternate between that city and London upon completion of the courts on Talbot street. Now that the objective of those seeking contributions to the club has been almost reached, there is no danger of the project falling through. And it is partly with the idea of holding the Ontario annual games in this city that so much interest is being manifested in tennis circles.

Secretary Meldrum of the Toronto Tennis Association advised several athletes that the probability of London securing the Dominion championship series once every three years was not remote. If this materializes, more than 500 players will invade the city, and such stars of Kurnagaw, Vincent Richards and the members of the team from Australia will doubtless participate in the competition, as they did in Toronto last summer.

A national sporting tourney in London would do more toward putting the city on the athletic map than anything else. Past contests held in Toronto really developed into international affairs, cracks from California and all the tennis centers of America flocking there in numbers not readily recalled.

As soon as sufficient money is obtained, the directors intend to raise the annual fee, in addition to a slight increase in the price of certificate shares. They point out that under this arrangement tennis players would be more liable to send in checks for shares immediately, in order to save the extra amount which delay would involve. Immediate money is what is required, and those who desire to join after the club has been built and is flourishing will have to pay extra for the privilege.

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AVER RUBE BENTON AN UNDESIRABLE

Officials Declare Player Will Not Be Allowed in League.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Pitcher "Rube" Benton, recently purchased by the Cincinnati Nationals from St. Paul, will be barred from baseball if investigation reveals he was involved in the crooked world's series of 1919. Commissioner Landis announced last night. It was reported that Landis is investigating reports that Benton won large sums of money betting on a tip that Cincinnati would win the series.

New York, Dec. 29.—Expressing the opinion that Rube Benton, former New York and Cincinnati pitcher, now with St. Paul, is an undesirable player, John A. Heydler, president of the National League, today indicated that Benton would not be permitted to re-enter the league with the Cincinnati club.

"As far as I know, the deal of the Cincinnati club with the St. Paul club of the American Association has not been closed," President Heydler said, "and I feel confident it will not be consummated if the Cincinnati club is advised that the majority of the league club do not favor Benton's return to the National League."

President Heydler added that the National League reserved the right to decide what players were considered undesirable, but refused to reveal details of the basis for opposition to Benton's return.

General belief prevailed, however, that objections were based on the pitcher's alleged disreputable behavior while in the National League before connection of his name with the 1919 world series scandal, and charges which he failed to substantiate that while with the Giants in 1919 he was offered a bribe by Buck Herzog to "throw" a game at the Polo Grounds.

Benton, who called on the commissioner yesterday to inquire into his status, was told there was nothing in the commissioner's record at this time to prevent him playing organized baseball.

The commissioner, however, had started investigating reports that Benton had knowledge of the "fixing" of the 1919 world series, and when informed tonight that President Heydler of the National League had taken steps to bar Benton as an undesirable, the commissioner said he would continue his inquiry, and probably would have a report before the season opens.

President Johnson of the American League previously announced that he would not be permitted to play in his league. He said two players had made inquiries about the matter, and he had won a large sum on the 1919 series, having received advance information that the series had been fixed.

As soon as sufficient money is obtained, the directors intend to raise the annual fee, in addition to a slight increase in the price of certificate shares. They point out that under this arrangement tennis players would be more liable to send in checks for shares immediately, in order to save the extra amount which delay would involve. Immediate money is what is required, and those who desire to join after the club has been built and is flourishing will have to pay extra for the privilege.

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Richmond street, says that one of the
most harmful habits of this age is the
carelessness with which we subject our
eyes to long exposure under brilliant
lights.

"The annoying trouble known as
'night blindness'," he declares, "is due
to exposing the eyes too long and too
steadily to an intense or sparkling light.
Lateral illumination is much preferable
to a light directly overhead. Today
the competent optometrist can supply
you with lenses which will compensate
and give the proper protection to the
organs of vision."

All knowledge is acquired through
the senses. If any sense is impaired
all your judgments are warped.
Of the various senses sight is the
most important, for it is estimated
that 85 per cent of all knowledge
comes to us through the eyes.

The function of the eye is cal-
culated to add to our knowledge in-
crease our usefulness, provide for
our entertainment or insure our
safety. It is only within a few years
that much attention has been paid
to the subjects of prevention of
blindness, defective vision and the
conservation of vision.

When you observe sturdy children
who will never see the sunshine or
a human face, all because a phy-
sical defect was not dropped in the eye
at birth, it seems only short of crim-
inal, as experience shows that infan-
tile blindness is nearly always
preventable.

A greater appreciation of eyesight
may not be necessary, but a greater
appreciation of the importance of
eye-care is.

As we have come to appreciate
that the eye itself is of value, we have
also come to realize the value of
those things that made life worth
living, and when we count those
things that make life worth living,
we find that the eye is the most
valuable and rich, we must place this
function of human vision at the top
of the list.

In the last twenty years the de-
mands on the eyes have greatly in-
creased. Moving pictures, the
marked extension of artificial illu-
mination, complicated labor-saving
machines that save the hands, but
add to the strain of the eyes, to men-
tion only a few factors, all have
affected eyesight in varying degrees.
In fact, during this period no other
organ of the body has had its labors
so greatly increased.

Unquestionably, more and more
will the intensity and development
of the national life extend the strain
on our people's physical vision. Stu-
dents and general readers will grow
in numbers. We are now entering
the fields of the most intricate man-
ship hitherto foreign to us. Aviation
demands fine vision and strains
the eyes, will undoubtedly
extend tremendously before the
end of most important of all, the
happiness, contentment and effi-
ciency of our people depend not a
little on serviceable eyes.

DENNIS WIRE AND IRON
MAKES JAPAN SHIPMENT

First Consignment of Goods Leaves
for Orient This Week.

The first shipment of goods from
the Dennis Wire and Iron Works to
Japan was made this week. Two
truck loads were shipped to the
Sakai Shokai Company of Yoka-
hama, and another order for steel
sash is on hand at the Dennis plant
for delivery in the near future to
this firm in Japan.

The Dennis Wire and Iron Works
is one of the most prominent man-
ufacturing concerns in the Forest
City, and its products are known
from coast to coast in Canada.
This plant originated the famous
Dennis line of lockers, steel sash,
partitions, steel filing cabinets and
all manner of wire goods.

E. R. Dennis reports that business
prospects for the coming year are
very good, and that trade conditions
in general are improving.

"Next year," he says, "we look for
a steady demand for our products
due to the satisfactory volume of
building. People have more confi-
dence now that conditions are
attaining a normal stage again, and
they will erect more homes and fac-
tories in 1923 than they have in the
past year. The United States Steel
Corporation has orders on hand that
will keep all their mills running to
capacity for the next six months.
This means a revival of business
which cannot help but be reflected
in Canada."

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citizen of the city of London. The past year has been a period
of comparatively unsettled conditions, due to the length of time
taken by the country at large in recovering from the business
depression, which came as an aftermath of the great war. But
happily there are now certain and positive indications of the
return of normal conditions and prosperity to the country in
general.

From many sources we hear merchants and wholesale deal-
ers speaking of the improvement in trade, and they all seem
optimistic regarding the prospects for the year of 1923.

The surest way for the people of this community to bring
a quicker and more lasting prosperity to the city is to buy
London-made goods and thus boost the business of the many
local manufacturers and other dealers whose articles advertise
the city throughout the world. Let this be the first of our New
Year resolutions—to support home industry and work together
to make the city of London, Ontario, a bigger and a better place
for all of us to live in.

EIGHT YEARS OF EXPANSION
MARKS BEXTON'S GARAGE

Machine Shop in Connection Pro-
motes Business of Well-Known
Concern.

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shops in the city is that of S. Bexton,
in the rear of 68 King and 69 Dundas
streets. This business has enjoyed
a continual growth and popularity
since its inception eight years ago,
and today is one of the largest of
its kind in Western Ontario. This
firm covers the entire field of ma-
chine repairing, and fixes anything
from a small baby buggy to enormous
presses which print daily papers, the
latter being a specialty.

Two years ago Mr. Bexton in-
stalled a garage in connection with
his machine shop, and it is one of
the best fitted in the district.
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chanics, is kept busy every hour of
the day in this shop, and their work
always receives the heartiest ap-
proval of clients throughout the city
and surrounding country.

The firm repairs all types of en-
gines, large or small, and guarantees
unconditional satisfaction in this
sphere.
Mr. Bexton reports that the last
year has been a very successful one
with him, and that his trade is in-
creasing monthly, due largely to the
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of service to all customers, and to
see that every piece of work that
leaves his shop has received the best
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of the company, has built up in the last
fourteen months the most popular
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the city of London. The interior of
the store is enameled snow white,
and this, together with the white
marble floor, and the immaculate
uniforms of the staff, tends to bear
out the firm's slogan of cleanliness.

Their cuisine has met with the
general approval of London house-
wives; such delicacies as doughnuts,
salads, cottage cheese, marmalades,
jams, cooked macaroni and beans are
placed on sale, fresh daily, and the
prices of all these are comparatively
low. Besides this range of prepared
foods, the best of butter and the
finest of new-laid eggs are re-
ceived every morning.

The staff of the store is most
courteous and obliging, and carries
out to the last detail, "Service to the
Public."

COLORFUL FACINGS.
Facings of contrasting materials
are seen on the heads of many of the
new frocks. The uneven hemlines
and circular effects now in vogue
have been responsible for the fad.

MOVING TIME RECALLS
EFFICIENCY OF DAY VANS

Progressive London Firm Knows
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Every Detail.

"On moving day, remember Day,
the mover." This slogan for the last
fifteen years has been a familiar one
to Londoners, and during that time
has stood for dependable service in
the line of moving, crating and stor-
age of furniture, household goods
and similar material.

H. F. Day, the head of this progres-
sive business, knows the moving
game from the ground up, and due
to his many years of experience in
this particular line can guarantee
absolute satisfaction in every de-
tail. Mr. Day instituted the first
motor transportation service in the
city of London five years ago, and
since that time has found it impera-
tive, owing to greatly increased busi-
ness, to add another motor-driven
moving van to his service.

This firm specializes in long-dis-
tance hauling, and its radius in this
sphere ranges between 300 and 350
miles east and west. Just recently,
loads of household effects were trans-
ported to Kingston, Ontario, and
Ovia, Michigan, both of which are
nearly 300 miles from this city.

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trade in butter and other dairy prod-
ucts. Today it is one of the largest
creameries in Western Ontario. This
remarkable progress, made in six
years, is due to the high grade of
butter and cheese this firm handles.

In 1918 this company was incor-
porated at \$40,000, but its trade had
so increased by 1921 that further
capitalization to the extent of \$200,
000 in order to keep stride with the
growing business of the firm was
necessary.

The Ontario Creamery manufac-
tures the best of butter and ice
cream, and handles in a wholesale
way a great deal of the cheese and
eggs consumed in the City of Lon-
don.

The Meadow Gold Butter made by
this creamery has of late won many
prizes at fair and dairy exhibi-
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output of this firm's butter has in-
creased more than 100 per cent in
the last three years, and another 20
per cent in the last two months.
This is ample proof of its popular-
ity.

In the spring of 1922 the Ontario
Creamery entered the ice cream field,
and has enjoyed success in this
sphere that it is necessary for them
to remodel and enlarge their plant
in order to take care of new con-
tracts for next season. These alter-
ations will be made this winter, and
by next summer this firm will be
in a position to manufacture more
than twice the amount of ice cream
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every car in a full-length train will
go from the Sherlock-Manning fac-
tory to fill western orders this spring.
The Sherlock-Manning piano is in-
deed coming into its own in Canada,
and everywhere is, adding to its
triumphs. A dealer in Gananogue,
Ontario, who made a sale of a Sher-
lock-Manning piano ten years ago,
has sold three other Sherlock-Mann-
ing pianos to members of the same
family since. The fourth piano was
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uct in which citizens of Canada take
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the headway he is making, and re-
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the real estate trade. The country is
just beginning to recover from the
period of depression that followed
after the war, and every week finds
more and more applications from
those who want to purchase houses,
lots or farms. He is quite confident
that by next spring economic con-
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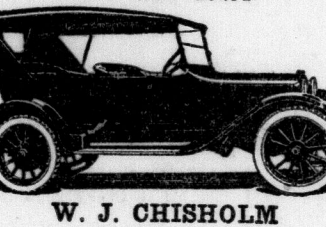
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Point, near here, today during a ter-
rific gale, which has been blowing
24 hours. The crew was rescued in
breaches buoys.

TWO REBELS EXECUTED.
Dublin, Dec. 29.—Two more Irish
rebel prisoners were executed today
in Kilkenny jail. The men, who gave
the names of Murphy and Whelan,
were charged with being in posses-
sion of arms.

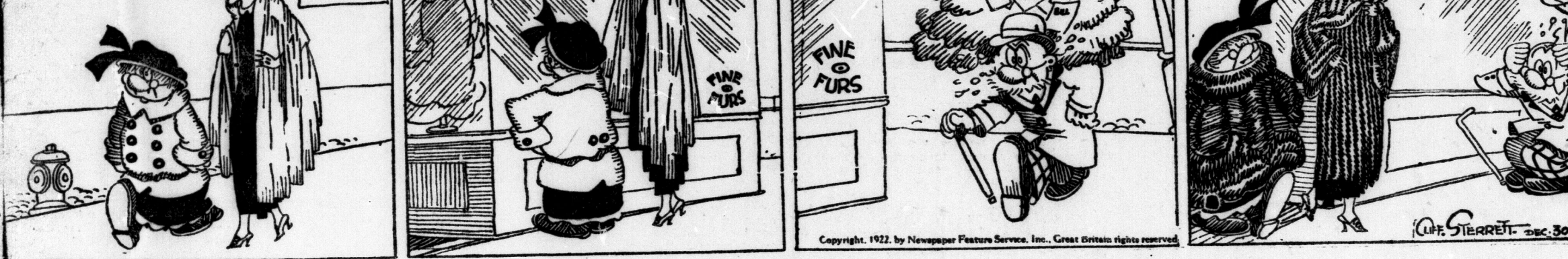
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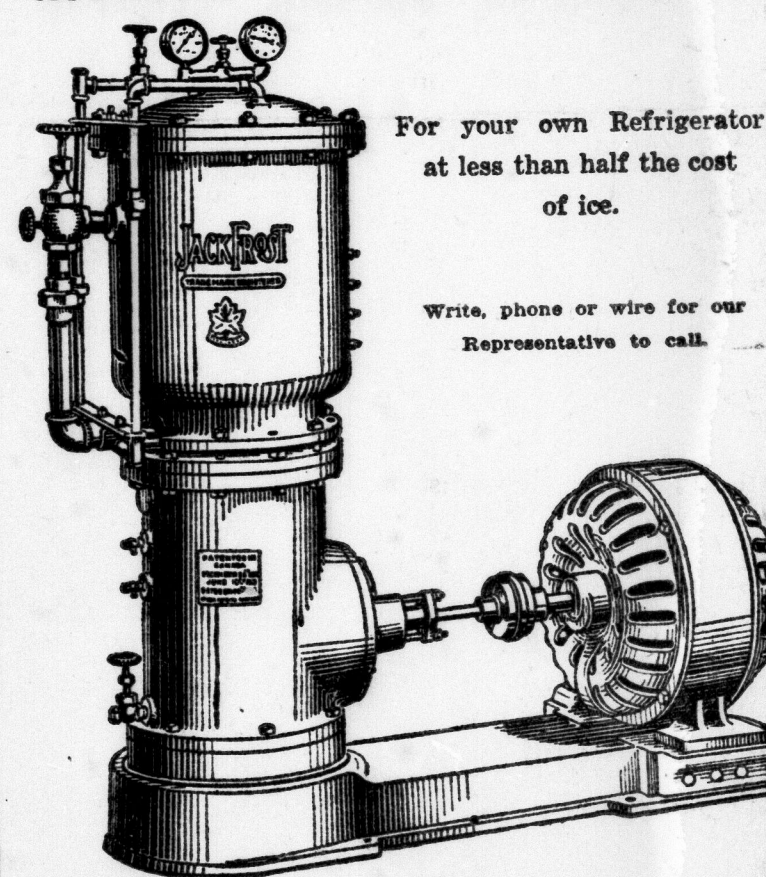
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Peggy Hoyt, off to show Paris American styles.



New York's slimmest house is now used as a dog hospital. It is at Melrose avenue and East 161st street.



The neighbors of a St. Paul, Minn., bootlegger resented the black eye he gave the neighborhood, so they showed him up as seen above.



Miss Ebon Strandin, one of Sweden's leading prima donnas.



Johnny Weismuller, who made many swimming records during 1922.



The bust of Gervase Elwes, the noted English singer, who was killed during a visit to this continent, placed in Queen's Hall, London.



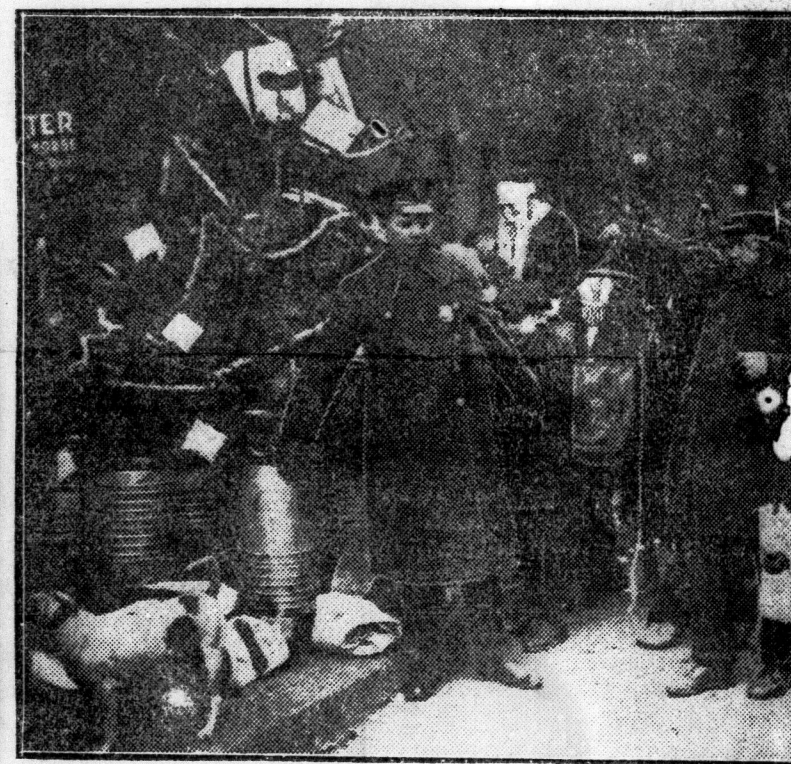
Los Angeles puts her speeders in jail. Here they are rushing for Christmas candies.



Joseph Hergesheimer, the famous novelist, holidaying at Havana, Cuba.



Robert Drane, of Great Yarmouth, England's champion life-saver. He has 110 rescues to his credit.



A unique Christmas tree was set up by the Humane Society in a New York street. It was loaded with feed bags, harness, dog collars, etc., and every dumb animal that applied was given food and other things.



Rumor says Miss Irene Fenwick is to be the new bride of Lionel Barrymore, recently divorced.



Crowd waiting outside the criminal court in London in the hope of gaining admission to the trial of Mrs. Edith Thompson and Frederick Bywaters, convicted of the murder of the woman's husband.



The Grand Duchess Xenia of Russia, a sister of the late Emperor, is being waged in California by her divorced parents.



Battle for possession of Doris Curtis, aged 16, is being waged in California by her divorced parents.



Paul Rousseau, president of the French Boxing Federation, who has been trying to unravel the Carpentier-Siki tangle.



The Duke of Abercorn (on the right) leaving the court house Belfast, with Sir James Craig, after being sworn in as the first governor of Northern Ireland.



Ballinahown falling during the Courtland Chase at Gatwick, England.