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School Improvement League Reports

The following reports were submitted at Thursday's annual meeting of the School Improvement League:

Playground Commission

The Playground Commission had permission to flood only one rink for the winter months, Connaught Square. All organizations were requested to send a representative to the Commission to solicit interest. The Schools were allowed 20 hours per week for skating at the Forum, the expense being met by the Commission.

The Commission operated the three Playgrounds at King's, Hillsboro and Connaught Squares with a staff of 6 supervisors and one director. In addition a further man was engaged to care for the ball diamond and odd jobs around the grounds.

Basketball courts were introduced on two of the squares and other small equipment such as boxing gloves and croquet sets were provided for the entertainment of the children.

A Pony Cycle merry-go-round was being purchased at a cost of \$550.

Squares would be opened on June 15th of this year until September 15th.

Tag Day resulted in a sum of \$800 being raised.

It was hoped that a young people rink would be obtained for the 1948-1949 season and the committee had contacted the Premier and Minister of Public Works and secured a promise of first priority on the old Arena.

In concluding this report on behalf of the Commission I would request the interest of all the League members towards furthering the work and expansion of the Playgrounds for children.

Barbara L. Jenkins.

Music Committee Report

Early in the season Mrs. Lantz arranged a meeting with the music directors of the four City Schools, for discussion and help in selecting records to be placed in the schools.

Acting on their suggestions and advice your committee made a selection of some 30 recordings consisting of symphonies, concertos, tone poems, biographies and instruments of the orchestra, etc. These were divided among the four schools and are interchangeable with the exception of the "instruments of the orchestra" of which four were purchased, one for each school.

The records were placed in the schools about the middle of December and I feel sure have proved to be a worth while effort on our part.

I would also like to say how pleased the League was to receive financial aid from the School Board toward payment of the records.

Respectfully submitted,
Constance C. Nash,
Florence MacKenzie.

"Choosing A Career"

I have much pleasure in submitting the report of our committee on the talks given at the four city schools re "Choosing a Career." The first talk was given on November 20th, 1947, and these were continued weekly with a few exceptions, when our schedule was interrupted by the annual job sports conducted by the various schools, and other school activities. Consequently our entire schedule was not completed and a few talks had to be held over for a future programme.

Following is the list of speakers and their subjects:

Judge Tweedy: Law.
Mr. V. A. Ainsworth: Engineering.
Mr. Walter Hyndman: Insurance.
Dr. Gordon Lea: Medicine.
Mr. R. C. Parent: Agriculture.
Dr. Harold Shaw: Laboratory Specialization in Medicine.
Mr. Gordon Foster: Hotel Work.
Mr. Gorder: Railway Engineering and Machine Shop.

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Miss Frances Johnson: Art.
The number of addresses delivered at each school were as follows:
Rochford Square: 7.
Queen Square: 8.
West Kent: 13.
Prince Street: 7.

Each of the above speakers was contacted personally by our committee and where requested were called for and accompanied to the school concerned. In fact "baby sitters" were supplied in a few instances.

We appreciate the excellent co-operation which was received from all speakers who donated their services most willingly. Likewise we would like to comment on the splendid support which was provided by the principals and staff of the city schools, whose assistance enabled us to carry out this worthwhile effort in a satisfactory manner. Reports indicate that these talks were very favorably received by the students, and the speakers were impressed with the reception and hearing accorded them. Of particular interest were the fine comments of the speakers regarding the manner in which these classes were conducted at Queen's Square School, where the pupils played an active part by introducing the speaker and extending her or she a vote of thanks.

In conclusion I would extend my sincere appreciation to the members of our committee, Mrs. Gordon Hutcheson, Mrs. W. J. Smith, and Mrs. R. R. Bell, for their able assistance and support in carrying out this important programme, also to our president, Mrs. J. P. Lantz, for her valuable assistance and advice, which was so readily given at all times.

N. McGuire.

Film Committee

The film committee for 1947-48 was composed of the following members: Mrs. V. A. Ainsworth, Mrs. J. Blake, Mrs. M. Dew, Mrs. A. Duvar, Mrs. R. H. Kennedy, Mrs. Don McNeil, Mrs. M. MacGuigan, Mrs. J. A. Reardon, Mrs. W. W. Reid, Mrs. T. E. Rogers, Mrs. A. E. Russell, Mrs. W. Scantlebury and Mrs. G. Whiteside.

Between October and March each member reported on at least two films. Two committee meetings

were held to plan the work and to compile a report which was sent to the F. G. Spencer Co. Another report is being prepared.

In March, the Royal Edward Chapter of the I. O. O. F. again co-operated with us and sent on interesting reports. Mrs. Lantz and I met with their Regent, Mrs. T. G. Wes and their Film Committee, Mrs. H. Sear, and planned to request information from their National Convener concerning similar work in other centres.

In April the Catholic Women's League again took over the work, and sent on very helpful reports. I would like to express the League's appreciation and thanks to these two organizations for their kindness and help.

In reviewing the year's reports, we note the same improvements mentioned last year—more films in carrying out this important programme for children; the Saturday morning show given mostly during the school year, (exception Lent); omission of a serial at the Capitol Theatre; advertising of unsuitable films as Adult Entertainment Only, and the showing of these at the beginning of the week.

I would like to thank all members for their interest and untiring co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Whiteside,
Convener.

BODIES RECOVERED

BARRE, Ont., May 17 — (CP) — The bodies of three persons drowned yesterday in Lake Simcoe were recovered today off Pix Island,

Governor Demands Quick Settlement Of Packers Strike

SOUTH ST. PAUL, Minn., May 17 — (AP) — Governor Luther Youngdahl demanded a quick settlement of the meat packing strike in Minnesota as he summoned packers and strikers to his office today.

If the strike is not settled promptly, the Governor said, "I shall be forced to consider other measures in the public interest."

He did not elaborate and refused to comment when a reporter asked if this meant he might close the packing plants, strikebound since March 16.

The Governor made the summons yesterday after ordering National Guardsmen to another strikebound packing plant at Albert Lea, Minn., 100 miles south of here.

About 1,000 workers of the Wilson and Company plant who are members of the United Packing-House Workers Union (U.P.W.U.) are on strike there.

Meanwhile, armed militia men patrolled South St. Paul streets and watched livestock trucks roll into the market for the first time in nine days. There were no incidents as the first trucks arrived.

A small group of spectators booed the troops on their arrival in Albert Lea last night. In St. Paul, a mass meeting of 2,000 U.P.W.U. members demanded that the Governor either recall the troops or close the struck packing plants.

The strike began against the country's major packers after the union demanded a 25-cent hourly wage boost. The companies offered nine cents. The meat handlers (A. F. L.) accepted this but the C. I. O. group refused it.

The union contends the present wage scales range from \$1.10 to \$1.02 or less hourly.

Make Progress In Controlling Oil Well

EDMONTON, May 17 — (CP) — Officials commanding the battle against rampaging Atlantic well No. 3 in the nearby Leduc oil field today said "satisfactory progress is being made."

F. J. Moroney, appointed by the Province's Petroleum and Natural Gas Conservation Board to head the operation, and gusher expert Myron Kinley of Houston, Texas, said work to reduce the fire hazard was going as planned. Drilling that might save the well was expected to begin momentarily.

To a far-from-expert eye-witness, however, the pock-marked, cratered area around the well-head appeared much the same as last week.

AUGUSTINE COVE W.I.

The May meeting of the Augustine Cove Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Wilfred Peters. Meeting opened by singing Institute Ode followed by the creed in unison. Roll call was responded to by 13 members. One visitor was present. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. A letter of thanks for remembrances was read from a lady who recently celebrated her 90th birthday.

A discussion took place on the Federation of Agriculture. It was decided to write to different parties concerning prices of school seats. It was decided to buy material for aprons to be made for a bazaar later on. It was decided to have a grab bag at next meeting. Mrs. Wilfred Peters and Mrs. Kenneth Dawson were appointed to mail a parcel to an English Institute.

It was moved and seconded that we give \$5.00 to the orphanage at Mount Herbert. A bill of \$2.65 was paid for pencil sharpeners, also a bill of 30 cents for replenishing first aid kit.

Reports of committees were then heard and new ones appointed. Sick and programme — Mrs. Eldon Dawson and Mrs. Wilfred Peters; Lunch — Mrs. Edward MacFadyen, Mrs. Willard Wadman and Mrs. Bruce Campbell.

Mrs. Lloyd Inman kindly invited members to her home for June meeting. Mrs. Lloyd Inman put on a jumbled word contest.

A dainty lunch was served by the hostess assisted by the committee in charge. Meeting closed with "The King". Collection \$1.21.

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Lake of oil accumulated as a result of the break away from the Leduc well, Atlantic No. 3 near Edmonton, Alta., is estimated at 60,000 barrels, at \$3.45 a barrel, by oilmen. A wall of earth has been thrown up around well area to keep oil from covering an even greater area. Danger from fire is believed reduced as workers battle to control gusher near Edmonton. Oil geysers have turned Leduc field into bubbling cauldron as workers continue to control the well.

Alberta has closed all wells in the Leduc area to leave the pipeline free to carry away the oil pumped from the "lake" at the Atlantic well. Here are men at work on the pipeline. Workers are trying to control the flow, clear way so oil will come from well without obstruction.