

### 29 Ask Licenses For Hotels, Clubs In Toronto Area

Applications for licenses to open 29 new hotels and clubs in Toronto and the surrounding area, with permission to sell beer and wine, have been filed with the Ontario Liquor Authority Control Board. Others may be received before Jan. 29, the date set by the board to hear applicants and to receive deputations opposing granting of additional licenses. Of the 29 hotels and clubs proposed, 15 are in Toronto, and most of the others just over the city boundaries.

Among proposed Toronto locations for new hotels are: Queen and Bathurst Sts., Yonge St. and Pleasant Blvd., Eglinton Ave. near Oakwood, and various locations on Queen St. E., Queen St. W., College St., Carlton St., Elizabeth St., Dovercourt Rd. and Dundas St. W. On Algonquin Island, Queen City Yacht Club is applying for a license.

Judge W. T. Robb, chairman of the Authority Control Board, said that objections to the new applications would not be received by the board until the Jan. 29 hearings at Parliament Buildings. All applications must first be advertised and copies of the advertisement sent to the board before they will be considered. This, he explained, is to enable persons in the neighborhood of proposed hotels and clubs to state their views when the board sits to consider the applications.

More than 200 hotel and club licenses in Toronto and the surrounding area were renewed by the board at two sessions at Queen's Park yesterday. Of the 229 applications for renewal to be heard, 147 of them hotels and 82 clubs, all but 24 approved. On this decision was reserved, Judge Robb said that in many cases this was simply because the applicants had not appeared. Minor complaints had been received in only a few cases, he said, but he did not feel it was proper to reveal the names of those concerned until they were heard. Licenses expire Mar. 31.

Judge Robb had predicted, before the board's sessions opened yesterday, that the renewals would be largely routine since so few complaints had been received against the operation of existing hotels and clubs in the last year. A year ago 30 or 35 licenses were held up some months for fuller investigation.

Cabinet to Decide Policy  
The board's policy as to issuing new licenses will be decided at a special session of the Ontario Cabinet to be called soon, it was learned yesterday. Judge Robb indicated that some changes in the present system of operation were under consideration but said he could not disclose at this time what form they would take.

The chairman made it clear, however, that it would be impossible for some time to come for hotels to open at night since there was no present prospect of an increase in beer supplies. Liquor Commissioner W. C. Webster agreed with this view. He said Ontario already was drinking more beer than ever before in its history and he saw no sign of an adjustment in the situation until beer drinkers found another outlet for their money in the purchase of all the forms of low-alcohol consumer goods. That, he believed, would require months.

Applications for licenses for new hotels and clubs so far received by the board are:  
Toronto—Hotel Holiday, Queen and Bathurst Sts.; John's Hotel, 1407 Yonge St.; Balmoral Hotel, 1407 Yonge St.; Pleasant Blvd., Edward Bruce's Stand; Athletic and Social Club, 587 College St.; M. Atkins, president; New Nanking Hotel, 75-77 Elizabeth St.; Club, 3200 Queen St. W.; J. Brown, president; Canadian Legion, 375 Dovercourt Rd.; Aubrey Moses, president; Gibson House, 140 Queen St. E.; Joe Somers, president; 344-346 Queen St. E.; Benjamin Sonshine. Other applicants: Cross Town Hotel, Jane St. near Front St. E.; Agincourt Inn, Agincourt (17-19) Leslie St. near Bay St. E.; Leslie St. near Bay St. E.; North York Park, Avenue Rd. and Fairview Ave.; North York, William C. and James W. H. Windermere Hotel, Rogers Rd. near Watt Ave.; York Twp., Windermere Hotel, Co. J. G. S. and Trethewey Hotel, York, Westview Homes, Ltd.; 702 Jane St.; York Twp., 211 212 Army and Navy Veterans in Canada; Normandy Hotel, southwest corner of Dundas St. W. and Dundas St. W.; York Twp., Normandy Hotel, Casa Mariana Hotel, Kingston Rd., Scarborough Twp.; J. J. Gostelow; White Castle Hotel, Kingston, 211 and 212 Ave. B. B. Branch Hotel and Dan Clough Hotel, 31 Clair Ave. W. and Caledonia Rd., York Twp.; H. Chapman, president; Hotel, 1488 Bathurst St.; York Twp., Hotel St. Clair, Ltd.; Daves Rd. and Pears Rd., East York; Branch 263 Elgin St. (O. M. Martin), Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L.



### Brilliant Writer On Toronto Star Staff Is Stricken

Frederick Griffin, who once said he hoped he would "always be a good newspaper reporter and never a fancy word mechanic," died suddenly following a heart attack at his home, Glen Grove Ave. West, last night.

The 56-year-old feature writer for the Toronto Star Weekly was one of the best-known journalists in Canada, had covered most of the important news events in Canada during the last quarter century, and had scored many outstanding news beats. His entire journalistic career, since he entered newspaper work in 1916, had been with the Star.

Fred was born in Ireland, at Castle Blaney in County Down, but spent his boyhood at Newry, Ireland. In 1912, with his two oldest brothers, he came to Canada to seek his fortune and went to work in Eaton's basement as a sales clerk. Within a year, his father, the late John Griffin, died suddenly, so Fred and his brothers wrote home for their mother, with their three younger brothers, to come to Canada.

Soon Proves Aptitude  
Lean, tireless, volatile and with a consuming quest for knowledge, Fred studied at night to complete his education of Canadian history and geography and in 1916 applied for a job on the editorial staff of the Daily Star. Within 18 months he had proved his aptitude for news work and was sent to Ottawa as the Star's resident correspondent. In 1919 he was brought back to Toronto as a feature writer for the Star Weekly, his major task since then, though he had covered almost all major assignments for the daily.

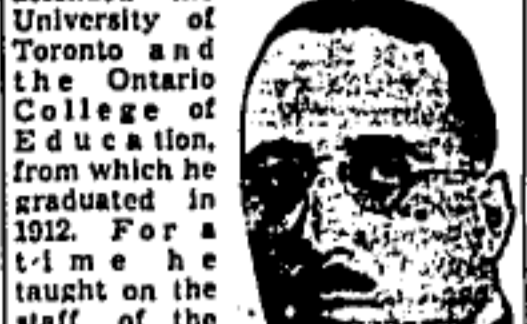
A few months ago he returned to Canada after more than three years covering Canada's European forces overseas. Earlier, he had returned for a brief leave and had been urged to stay home "and let the young fellows finish the job." He insisted on going back, however, for the finish. On his last arrival home, he said he was "tired" but would take only a short holiday before heading to Windsor to cover the Ford strike. Last night as he left his typewriter in the Weekly office, he commented that he was "tired out."

Fred prided himself, and was acknowledged by his colleagues as a reporter, rather than an interpreter or analyzer, of events. His first major assignment was in 1919 when he covered the first tour of Canada by the then Prince of Wales and he achieved the distinction of being invited to travel in the Royal car during part of the trip.

Achieved Major "Scoops"  
During the late '20's Fred began the series of travels which brought literally millions of words of features to the Star columns. He covered "Mexico by air, the first such trip by any reporter, covered the Ohio Valley floods by air, another news beat over United States papers; and in 1931 achieved a big "scoop" when he met the late "Duke" Schiller, veteran Arctic pilot, at Anticosti and rushed to Toronto the only pictures of the crashed German transatlantic plane, the Bremen, which had landed on lonely Greeney Island. For this last exploit, Fred's story was included in "Behind the Headlines" a few years later, a symposium of

### Veteran Teacher Long Championed School Reforms

Prominent Ontario educationist, William J. Tamblin, 53, headmaster of Forest Hill Village School since 1933, died suddenly yesterday morning at his residence, Humber Trail, Born in Hullitt Township, he attended Blyth Continuation School and Clinton Collegiate. A graduate in arts of Queen's University, he attended the University of Toronto and the Ontario College of Education, from which he graduated in 1912. For a time he taught on the staff of the Howard Park Public School and was the first principal of the High Park Forest School, where he was responsible for the development of the school. In 1925 he was appointed principal of Jarvis St. School for Boys.



As headmaster of the school at Forest Hill Village, he introduced a number of advanced teaching methods. He saw the school grow from a lower school, with two secondary grades to a complete school system including both elementary and secondary schools. Mr. Tamblin travelled extensively studying in various school systems which might be adopted.

Mr. Tamblin was president of the Ontario Headmasters' Association and former secretary. He was the author of many articles on progressive education. Member and past president of Toronto Downtown Optimists Club, he was a member of the Optimists International, having been elected to that office in 1937—the first Canadian to be thus honored. He was a member of the Session of Timothy Eaton Memorial Church and on the Commission of the United Church of Canada.

Mr. Tamblin was a veteran of the First Great War, serving overseas with the RCAMC. Surviving are his widow; a daughter, Joanne; a son, John, all of whom are in Vancouver, B.C.; his mother, Mrs. John Tamblin, and a brother, Frank Tamblin, both in Blyth.

The 14 best news scoops in United States history. In 1932 he toured Russia and later wrote a book, "Soviet Scene." During this trip he became close friends with Maurice Hindus, exponent of Soviet virtues, yet continued to write objectively of his experiences and refrained from becoming a propagandist for any political philosophy. During the '30's he covered all the major news events in Canada, such as the Moose River Mine disaster, the labor troubles of 1937, etc. He also wrote another book, "Variety Show," in which he told the behind-the-scenes stories of most of the important news reporting since the last war.

High-strung and sometimes belligerent when he believed that efforts were being made to "cover up" news or hinder newswriting, Fred's productions were invariably smooth and effortless in appearance yet actually were the result of hours of hard work. He would fret for hours, working himself into a state of exhaustion, phrasing the lead of a story to make it rhythmic and fluent. Yet when he was finished, he would acquire new vigor and refuse to take sufficient rest before returning to work.

He is survived, in addition to Mrs. Griffin, formerly Luella Flood of Toronto, by a daughter, Mary, recently discharged from the Women's Division, RCAF, and now attending the University of Toronto, his mother, Mrs. John G. Griffin, Toronto, and two brothers, John P. of Toronto, and Gerald W. St. John, N.B. Three brothers predeceased him. Victor, who died at Courcellette in 1916; Col. Sydney, who died in the service early in this war, and Col. Phillip, who died while in the service last November.

### Spruce Budworm Held Menace to Ont. Timber

Campers, smokers, railways and lightning were the cause of 523 out of 1,137 forest fires in Ontario last year. Yesterday, forestry officials and district foresters of the Department of Lands and Forests studied methods of preventing and controlling fires in the bush.

Out of the lengthy discussion arose the decision to call in representatives of all forest industries with officials of the department before the fire season starts, in a co-operative effort to stop the yearly loss. In addition, the department will intensify its educational campaign among school children, members of youth organizations such as the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, visitors at boys' and girls' camps.

"Fire prevention depends on education to a considerable extent, but we may have to educate some careless travellers with a big stick," the forum decided. Travel permits will be a bigger problem than camp fires; guides should be made honorary fire wardens; prospective canoe trippers should be given maps marking camp sites and public fire places.

Further study on insects is to continue. Depredations by the spruce budworm have caused damage estimated in the millions and despite aerial spraying with insecticides, they had gone too far to be controlled immediately.

"From present indications, in a few years forest protection from insects will be a bigger problem than that of fire," the meeting was told. From the meeting came the suggestion, too, that forest districts should be divided into small areas, on which would be established a ranger and if necessary his family. His duties would be to patrol the area, assume responsibility for portages and trails and take charge of incoming firefighters in emergencies.

Campers Careless  
"The real reason we have fires," the experts decided, "is that people don't realize the type of ground they build their fires on. They don't 'piddle' the ashes with their fingers, but just pour water on the fire and move on. We don't have as much trouble with boys on canoe trips as we do with adults."

Prospectors caused considerable concern, the department reported. "When he goes to get his prospecting license he should be given instruction in preventing fires. There have been isolated cases where a prospector has deliberately set fire to the bush to strip the undergrowth and save his work. The mines when established, however, take most intense precautions against fire."

George A. Ponsford, Sault Ste. Marie, head of the Provincial Air Service, reported that use of "smoke jumpers," or aerial firefighters similar to those operating in some States, was impractical at present, since it would involve costly modification of the planes used by the provincial service. They operate on floats, while those used in the U.S. are wheel machines.

Edward Johnson in Town  
Dr. Edward Johnson, general manager of the Metropolitan Opera in New York, was in Toronto yesterday to attend a meeting of the Toronto Conservatory of Music board of directors, of which he is chairman. He planned to return to New York by air last night. The meeting was concerned with routine business. H. H. Bishop, vice-chairman of the board, said.



Dr. Jacob Markowitz, noted research scientist, of Toronto, who arrived in New York from Halifax yesterday. He was a prisoner of the Japanese for more than three years.

### EDWARD J. KINGSTONE Formerly Accountant With Distilling Firm

An accountant with Gooderham & Worts Ltd. for 43 years, Edward J. Kingstone, 76, died yesterday at his home, 23 Bowden Ave., after a brief illness. Mr. Kingstone retired 15 years ago. He was a lifelong resident of Toronto, where he received his education. An Anglican, he was a member of the Church of the Redeemer and formerly active in young peoples' work. He was also a member of Broadview Lodge, I.O.O.F., and Court Star of the East, A.O.F.

### HARRY HARBOUR Executive of Firm Stricken in Florida

Resident of Toronto for the past 15 years, Harry Harbour, 55, general manager of the Radiator Specialty Co. of Canada, died yesterday at Palm Beach, Fla. Accompanied by his wife, Mr. Harbour left for Florida last December because of ill health. Mr. Harbour was born in Sheffield, Eng., and prior to coming to Toronto lived in the United States. He was also secretary-treasurer of the Radiator Specialty Co., with headquarters at Charlotte, N.C. He was a member of Holy Blossom Temple and various Jewish welfare organizations, and was interested in philanthropic projects. There are no immediate survivors in Canada.

### Community Centre May Occupy Block

Plans for a \$200,000 community centre, aimed at giving young folk healthy recreation, were announced yesterday by Rev. Ray McCleary, minister of Woodgreen United Church. The plan sponsored by Woodgreen Community Centre Inc. would transform an entire city block between Empire and Booth Sts., east of the Don, as the site.

Impressed by the need for planned recreational activity for "teenaged boys on his return from overseas where he served as senior Protestant chaplain of the 3rd Canadian Division, Mr. McCleary started a boys' club that has recently grown to include some 150 members. The community centre would aid materially in stamping out juvenile delinquency, Mr. McCleary says.

"The craving for excitement is one of the chief causes of juvenile crime," he contends. His solution is to direct the energies of the boys into channels that are beneficial as well as exciting.

### GOVERNOR GENERAL'S HORSE GUARDS

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**Roy Knighton**  
On the service staff of the S. F. Bowser Co. Ltd. for 13 years, Roy Knighton died yesterday at the Toronto General Hospital, after a prolonged illness. He was born in Toronto and attended St. David's Anglican Church. Mr. Knighton was unmarried and is survived by his mother, Mrs. James Knighton; three sisters, Mrs. Kathleen Fairbairn, Mrs. Violet Cramp and Irene, and a brother, James Knighton.

**FIRE DAMAGES DWELLING**  
A defective chimney caused fire in the roof of a three-story dwelling at 411 Parliament St., at 9:30 last night, resulting in an estimated loss of \$1,500 to the building and contents. The premises are occupied by J. Sanion.