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51 YEARS ON THE RIGHT LINES



A LIFE-LONG resident of Islington, 85-year-old Mr. George Herbert Gray, of Oxford Road, Barnsbury, has

retired after 51 years' service on the railways. Born in the Gifford Street area of Caledonian Road, he left George's Road school at the age of 14 and started work as a van boy at the old London North-Western Railway Company's Camden Goods Station. Mr. Gray served with 11th London Pembrokeshire Rifles throughout the First World War and in 1918 returned to the railways as a porter-guard. He was promoted a main-line guard and remained in that position for 18 years. In 1937, Mr. Gray was made a foreman and later became assistant yard master, Class A. To mark his 51 years on the railways, Mr. Gray's colleagues presented him with a clock and a barometer. The presentation was made by yardmaster, Mr. A. A. Kelly.

DEPUTATION WILL TELL L.C.C.:

Displaced tenants will lose jobs too

SOME people lose their jobs as well as their homes when they are given notice to quit, the London County Council will be told to-day (Friday) by a deputation of tenants from Carisbrooke House and Arundel House, St. Pancras.

A survey carried out by Tolmers Square Tenants' Association shows that among more than 40 tenants facing homelessness when the buildings are demolished under the Euston Road redevelopment scheme, 23 are employed locally, and about half of them work at hours when public transport is not available.

The L.C.C. will also be told that one pensioner has lived there since 1915 and ten other pensioners have lived there, on average, for more than 20 years.

The deputation will point out that high rents in central London will prevent any of them from finding alternative accommodation in the same district.

Those on shift work will lose their jobs if they have to move away, and old people will have to move out of reach of long-

standing friends and neighbours.

The deputation will ask the L.C.C. to buy back a piece of land from the developers, Balgray Investments Ltd., to re-house the tenants, or else to insist that the developers re-house them.

They will stress that "so far the only alternative accommodation offered by the developers has been a broken-down house which turned out to be due for demolition."

The deputation will be accompanied by Mrs. Rose Gavin, secretary of Tolmers Square Tenants' Association, and by Mrs. Leila Campbell, L.C.C. representative for Holborn and St. Pancras South.

They will be received by Mr. Reginald Stamp, of No. 21a, Parkhill Road, Gospel Oak, chairman of the L.C.C. planning committee.

SCHOOL FIRE-RAISERS STRIKE AGAIN

PARAFFIN TRAIL TO LABORATORY

LAST night (Thursday) as police kept watch on schools throughout Islington, detectives were intensifying their search for a gang of hooligans who broke into Archway Secondary School, Duncombe Road, Upper Holloway, early on Wednesday, and started a blaze in the science laboratory on the ground-floor of the three-storey building.

After wrecking the laboratory the gang set light to paraffin which they had scattered over the floorboards and equipment. It was the third attempt to burn the school down in three months.

The first was in July, when part of one wing was destroyed. It still awaits rebuilding. Last week the schoolkeeper, Mr. Charles Auton, aged 41, found paraffin scattered in six classrooms in the early hours of the morning.

Eight pumps

The blaze, which extensively damaged the science laboratory, was discovered at about 6.30 on Wednesday morning. When the first firemen arrived

were called to the school by the headmaster, Mr. F. Fogg, and the whole of the ground floor was sealed off. Emergency arrangements were made to accommodate the pupils in classrooms on the upper floors of the school, which is attended by 900 boys and girls.

Rebuilding is in progress and it is believed the hooligans made use of scaffolding and ladders to enter the school. Rooms were searched for clues and windows on the ground floor were examined by detectives.

Land for schools

Sites of land at Edward Square, Caledonian Road, originally scheduled by the L.C.C. for housing, are to be developed by the council for the new Roman Catholic primary and secondary schools. In 1961, the L.C.C. agreed to spend £98,500 on the acquisition of properties within the site for the secondary school.

through windows and do any amount of damage," remarked one woman.

"There seems to be no end to their devilry," she added.

NEXT summer's supply of bedding plants for Islington Council's public gardens will cost £2,902.

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