

scribed \$100 and the seven employees of the company gave \$195.

### Employees Contributed

The National Grocers Limited employees contributed \$327 from 25 employees and the company donation will be separate. The eleven employees of the Royal Bank of Canada gave a total of \$124 while the total donation from the Industrial Mortgage and Trust Company was \$895. The eleven employees gave a contribution of \$159 and the company gave \$500.

Purity Dairies' donation was \$300 and the 14 employees donated a total of \$222.

Through the manager, Paul Houldsworth the S. S. Kresge Company donation was sent to the Sarnia Arena Association office and totalled \$500. Mr. Houldsworth said the company was pleased to help in this worthwhile community effort.

## Former Arkona Resident Dies

*Died Feb. 23, 1946*

Sarah Ann Park, widow of John Park, died in Sarnia township on Saturday in her 91st year. She was born in Arkona but had been a resident of Port Huron at the time of her death.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. William Snowden, Port Stanley; and a brother, Douglas Smith, Arkona.

The funeral will be held from the D. J. Robb Funeral Home Wednesday morning at 10.30 o'clock to Arkona cemetery where burial will take place at 1 p.m. Wednesday.

## City Cage Team To Meet London

The local "Y" Intermediate "B" Basketball team will journey to London on Saturday to play the first game of the O.B.A. playoffs with the London "Y" Aces. The return game is scheduled for Sarnia on the following Saturday.

The Sarnia team are trying to obtain the collegiate gymnasium for the game here but there is nothing definite on it yet. The winner of this series will advance into the O.B.A. playdowns.

## Corunna Infant Died on Sunday

James Leonard O'Reilly, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. O'Reilly, died in the

C.N.R. engineer Sunday. He had worked on the railway 35 years when he retired.

# Railwayman Is Pensioned

## Alex. Gates Makes His Last C.N.R. Run

Alex. Gates, 383 Russell street, is celebrating his 65th birthday today as he starts his pension from the Canadian National Railway. He completed his last run for them, last evening at 10.40 o'clock, from Toronto to Sarnia.

### Born In Ireland

Mr. Gates, who has been with the C.N.R. for 35 years as an engineer, has been associated with railways since 1899. He was born in Ireland in Count Tyrone in 1881, joining the services of the Caledonia line in Scotland when he was 18 years old, in the capacity of a fireman.

He came to Toronto in 1906 as a fireman on the Grand Trunk line, moving to Sarnia the same year when the Grand Trunk terminal at Toronto was disposed of and each train crew was sent to their respective train run.

In 1911 the Grand Trunk changed hands in Sarnia and was now known as the C.N.R. line. Mr. Gates joined this line, but also witnessed a change, that of fireman to engineer. He has been an engineer ever since, on manifest freights, which are his regular runs, and pool freights, which are made up on his run. These runs used to do Fort Erie, Niagara Falls and Mimico.

### To Passenger Run

Seven years ago he changed from freight runs to passenger runs, his particular run going from Sarnia to Toronto.

During the last war he carried troops on his trains but this war was just routine engineering for him. He explained that during World War II it was extremely hard to pick up lost time and that every train was going practically all the time. He also added that the engines of today are quite a bit smaller than those of ten years ago.

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## Musician Home

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*W. Dennis (Dennis)  
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