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FINAL SESSIONS OF THE  
MISSIONARY INSTITUTE HELD

Rev. R. T. McKim and Rev. H. C. Priest Were the Speakers at Centenary Yesterday Afternoon—Study Classes Formed—Rev. A. F. Robb and Rev. H. C. Priest Addressed Large Audience at Evening Session.

How the individual and the congregation could assist in the spread of missionary enthusiasm was the topic of yesterday afternoon's addresses at the Missionary Institute held at Centenary Hall.

Rev. Neil McLaughlin presided and the two speakers were Rev. R. T. McKim and Rev. H. C. Priest. Mr. McKim's subject was "The Place of Stewardship in the Work of Missions," and he pointed out that one of the greatest necessities of the mission work is intercessory prayer. He reminded his hearers of the Biblical story of the people of Nineveh which were upheld and said that when people at home prayed earnestly for those in the foreign field the missionaries were given the victory against the powers of darkness. He said that the spread of the Gospel was actually prevented by the lack of prayer and felt that each one should personally interest themselves in a missionary and intercede for that worker. Mr. McKim spoke of the inspiration which a friend, a missionary who is laboring in the far north, is to him and showed how every individual could plan by personal assistance to make the way less hard for someone who was teaching the heathen of the love of the Master.

Rev. H. C. Priest spoke on the topic "How to Promote the Missionary Life of the Congregation," and laid stress on the fact that he did not advocate any new organization but wished to help make the work of existing organizations more effective. He emphasized the fact that to spread missionary enthusiasm it is necessary to be enthusiastic oneself and to teach a missionary subject one must possess the exact knowledge. That the missionary interest of a congregation is dependent upon the spiritual life of that congregation was repeated again and again. Mr. Priest felt that more knowledge could be spread through the pulpits by the preachers informing themselves of the doings and endeavors of the "Ambassadors of God's Kingdom"—by the leaders in the Sunday school and in Young People's Societies reviving the interest in missions by the reading and study of the many books published on the matter and by more encouragement being given at home to make this subject a living thing, to vitalize the missionary knowledge so that it would become a real issue and not something which was far off and of no personal moment.

Both talks were full of inspiration and help, and were appreciated by the large audience assembled yesterday. After the meetings study classes were formed in groups. Rev. H. C. Priest taking that on "Domination," Rev. H. E. Stillwell that of "The Work of the Holy Spirit," and Rev. A. F. Robb resuming the study of Korea.

The ladies of the Methodist churches of the city supplied a bountiful supper which was served in the Central Baptist church room by the ladies of that church with the following as convenors: Mrs. Z. Allwood, Mrs. C. C. Corkum, Mrs. Sophie Belyea.

Evening and Final Session. The final session opened shortly after eight o'clock with the Rev. H. C. Priest presiding.

Fraser, B. A., pastor of the Knox Presbyterian church, as chairman, who led the devotional exercises. The principal talk of the night was that given by Rev. A. F. Robb, Wonsan, Korea, who spoke on the Korea of other days and the state of this country now that Christianity has a strong foothold there.

In the old days it was a common custom to kill a foreigner on sight and the native who let one of the "foreign devils" live was considered a traitor to his country. This has all changed now, though, and Korea has been permanently appointed to a place on the "round-the-world-tour" routes.

The first missionaries who visited the country in 1885 were forced to travel by foot, or cart or rough horse cart; the ladies were transported by means of two or four men and a sedan chair; but now first-class freight and passenger trains touch almost every part of the country and a trip which formerly took six days can now be accomplished in as many hours. The missionaries introduced bicycles to the country and for a number of years were the only ones who used them but today the Korean errand boy speeds on his back upon a glittering cycle quite as a matter of course. The old flint and steel has given way to matches; the candle and saucer of oil has made way for modern kerosene lamps; the signal of other days has almost disappeared; the straw and wooden shoes are being put away for the footwear of the westerners, and the horse hair hats have been superseded by the occidental derby.

But, said the speaker, the work of the missions was not to westernize the orientals; it was to bring the word of God to a benighted, demon-worshipping people. One of the changed conditions brought about is that the Koreans have now cleaner and better homes, the curse of child marriages has been almost eliminated, and the native women, who were formerly regarded as no higher than servants, are gradually attaining a plane equal with the men.

Regarding child marriages, the speaker knew of many marriages between youngsters of six to eight years. He knew of one marriage at Song Jin where the husband was carried home on his mother's back. Under the present law, however, marriages cannot lawfully be contracted by girls under 16 years and boys under 18 years.

Among the outstanding evidences of the work of the Korean missions is shown the case of a native girl, 72 years old, who can fluently recite the Lord's Prayer, the Decalogue and various passages of the Bible. Another beautiful instance which came to the personal attention of the speaker was that of a native woman teaching her toddlers the message of love which has been given to humanity from Jesus Christ.

Formerly the only girls who were taught to read were those who were chosen for entertainers, but now girls in Korea are giving a general education to 26,000 students, and this year will see three girls graduates from the medical school; truly a new day for Korea when it shall have a woman doctor. One of the leading

THE SOLDIERS' FARM  
SETTLEMENT BOARD

First Session of the Agricultural Qualifications Committee Began Yesterday—About Twenty-five Applicants Appeared.

The first session of the agricultural qualifications committee, of the Soldiers' Farm Settlement Board, began here yesterday and will be continued today. The meetings are being held in the government rooms, Prince William street, and a large number of applications have to be dealt with.

Yesterday about twenty-five applicants appeared before the committee and stated their qualifications. Today a number more will be heard. The board is composed of Thomas Caldwell, of Florenceville, chairman, and Major G. S. Kinsler, of Sussex, and Major J. J. Bull, of Woodstock. These men are all practical agriculturists and the two latter named are returned soldiers. William Kerr is secretary of the committee.

Lieut. Robertson, who is the maritime representative of the board, was present at the meeting.

men in Wonsan is a doctor and an elder in the church now, but was but a ragged barefoot boy when taken in hand by Dr. McKim, a New Brunswick lady who has done wonderful work in her adopted field.

It is now 34 years since the Protestant missions entered the field but its work is shown in the fact that there are now over 200,000 Christians in that land, an average of a convert for every hour, day and night, since the missions have been established.

The cost of living and the currency circulation in Korea is about one-tenth of that of Canada, the average wage being but 25 cents a day for a full grown man, but to show that their pockets as well as their hearts have been affected by the gospel is shown by their last year's contribution to the church, \$134,000—equal in money value and point of living, to a Canadian donation of \$1,240,000.

In closing his excellent address, which was illustrated with photographs and samples of the clothing of the Korean natives, the Rev. Mr. Robb stated that the doors of Korea are not so wide open as they were ten years ago, that a future ten years would see another change, and urged an immediate assistance for the missions there.

Rev. H. C. Priest. Though on the programme as a speaker on "The War and the Larger Call to World Evangelization," the Rev. H. C. Priest spoke on "The Lure of Missions," stating that as there was a lure to wealth, a lure to learning and a lure to science, there was no task so interesting as that of making Christ known to the ends of the earth. Christians should show joy in their work and in their service, declared the speaker, who has served many years in Bengal and other parts of the Indian mission field and has a wide experience.

"The great war," he said, "has taught us that the world will be saved by Jesus and He alone, who is the light of the world, and that a future ten years would see another change, and urged an immediate assistance for the missions there."

In speaking of his work in India he touched on his personal experiences with Yohanna, the son of the sixty million outcasts of India who served his Christ for two years, dying while carrying the message to his fellows over a hundred miles away from his home. In closing the speaker pointed out that the original mission was that which started at Bethlehem and ended at Gethsemane and urged for a stronger and greater unity of all churches to carry the word through the world.

At the close of the session a vote of thanks was tendered the visiting speakers, the ladies of the Methodist and Baptist churches and the trustees of the Centenary Methodist church by Robert Reid, seconded by the Rev. S. S. Poole, and carried unanimously.

MARRIED.

HOYT-DAVIE—The marriage was solemnized on December 20th, 1918, at the Church of St. Philip and St. James, Ithaca, by the rector, of Lieutenant William H. Hoyt, of the Royal Highways of Canada, son of the late J. W. Hoyt and Mrs. Hoyt, of McAdam, N. B., and Gwendoline Maud Davie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Davie, of Austonley, Crofts Lea Park, Ithaca, North Devon, England.

DIED.

ROSS—In this city on the 24th inst., Anna, wife of John Ross, of Westfield, aged 51 years, leaving her husband, five daughters, five sons, and four brothers to mourn. Funeral on Wednesday, at 2 o'clock, at Westfield.

McCAINA—In this city on the 24th inst., Mary A. Morris, wife of David McCaina, leaving her husband and step-daughter to mourn. Funeral from her late residence, 49 St. David's Street, Thursday morning at 8.30 to the Cathedral, for solemn High Mass of Requiem. Friends invited to attend.

STACKHOUSE—At Millidgeville on the 25th inst., James William Stackhouse, leaving a wife, one son and two brothers to mourn. Funeral Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Coaches leave Scott's Corner 2 p.m.

RITCHIE—In this city, on February 25, Mrs. Bridget Ritchie, widow of the late James Ritchie, leaving one brother, Dennis McGrath, and several nieces and nephews to mourn. Funeral on Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the Mater Misericordiae Home.

GREGORY—At Everett, Mass., on February 23rd, James W. Gregory, formerly of St. John, leaving two daughters and one son to mourn. Funeral from Trinity church at 8.30 o'clock, Thursday afternoon.

JOHNSTON—Sudden, on February 25th, 1919, Robert L. Johnston, aged 47 years, leaving wife and one son to mourn. Notice of funeral hereafter.

DURANT—In this city on the 25th inst., Jessie Sanction, youngest daughter of the late Louis and Mary Durant. Funeral notice later.

COUNCIL SESSION  
HELD YESTERDAY

Curbstone Programme Again Referred to Committee—Commissioner of Safety Will Sell Rifles—W. K. Clawson Appointed District Commissioner.

The city council yesterday afternoon decided to again refer the proposed curbstone programme of Commissioner Fisher to committee, in order that more information regarding certain streets and the prospects for paving them in the near future, might be furnished. The commissioner of safety was given authority to sell the rifles belonging to the department at the best possible price. A communication from the residents of Lansdowne Avenue, asking for certain work on that street was referred to the committee of safety and public works.

The chairman of the board of assessors notified the council of the appointment of W. K. Clawson to fill the vacancy on the district commissioner's staff, caused by the resignation of L. D. Munro and it was decided to take up the protest of H. G. Curry, re his assessment, on Thursday.

Mayor Hayes presided and Commissioners Thornton, Bullock, Jones and Fisher were present.

The committee of the whole recommended the approval of the bills advertised and the sending of them to the legislature; that permission be granted to the Red Triangle Club to erect an electric sign on Charlotte street; that a bill of \$313.34 from T. McAvity and Sons be paid and the adoption of the programme for the laying of granite curbing as outlined by Commissioner Fisher. The first three items were adopted. In regard to the curbing, Commissioner Bullock asked that this be left over until Thursday and taken up in committee.

He underlined the importance of the streets mentioned already had granite curbing and he was also of the opinion that coupled with the laying of the curbing there should be a statement of the paving policy, so that the abutters would know where they got off. At this was seconded by Commissioner Jones. Commissioner Fisher thought the matter should be disposed of in order to get the views of the property owners on the streets mentioned, as early as date as possible.

On the vote being taken it was decided to refer the matter to the committee.

The Commissioner of Harbors, Fisheries and Public Lands recommended that upon surrender of the lease of lots Nos. 538, 539 and 540 Rodney street, Guys ward, by Mrs. Emma Riles, a renewal lease issue to her of lots Nos. 538 and 539 and also to Dr. Frank H. Jones, lot No. 540 for the term of 7 years each from the 1st day of May next, at \$12.00 per annum for each lot; that a renewal lease issue to the heirs of the late J. W. Jones, a free public library were received and ordered printed. Commissioner Jones asked if it would not be possible to condense some of these reports and save printing expenses. The mayor expressed the opinion that this was a matter for each commissioner.

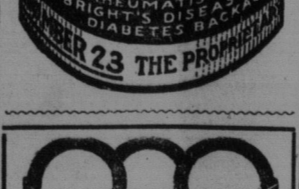
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A communication from the residents of Lansdowne Avenue asking that more street lights, new sidewalks and street repairs be made, was read. Commissioner Fisher explained that this street did not belong to the city. The letter was referred to the committee of safety and public works.

E. M. Olive, chairman of the Board of Assessors, notified the council that he had appointed as a district commissioner W. K. Clawson, a returned soldier, in lieu of L. D. Munro, resigned. Mayor Hayes called attention to the fact that salary was not mentioned and the communication was referred to the commissioner of finance.

Commissioner Thornton reported that he had found on hand 25 rifles and 4 target pistols. In this connection he said he wanted to correct a report of what he had said at the committee meeting on Monday. He had been reported as saying the lot was only fit for junk. When he had spoken about junk he was referring to some used rifles and the rifles. His recommendation that he be allowed to sell the rifles and pistols for the best possible price was adopted.

Commissioner Thornton referred to the claim of H. G. Curry, that he was assessed on a building which had been torn down two years ago, and it was decided to take up the matter on Thursday and have the chairman of the Board of Assessors present.



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THE TUXIS BOYS' WEEKLY CONCLAVE

Boys from United St. John Churches Enjoyed Supper and Addresses Last Evening—St. David's Team Receive Trophy.

Last night witnessed one of the most instructive and most enjoyable evenings at the Y. M. C. A. for some time. The occasion was the weekly convocation of Tuxis boys from the United St. John churches, which was presided over by A. K. Crookshank. After supper, which was served by the ladies of Exmouth street Methodist church, W. E. Braden, Toronto, addressed the boys with a few impromptu remarks, and G. E. Barbour, in the unavoidable absence of Senator Thorne, presented the Thorne trophy to the athletic team of the St. David's church, winners of the recent Father and Son Week athletic meet. Leslie Kerr, captain of the team, accepted the trophy and made a suitable acknowledgment. Mrs. George F. Matthews furnished an unique form of lecturing, when in her talk on "Music," the various points were illustrated by a number of selections furnished by Mrs. R. Taylor McKim, at the piano; Mrs. West, violin; and A. C. Skelton, vocalist.

ST. JOHN BOY FOUND IN FREDERICTON H. P. Enslow Ran Away from Home and Was Found Working in Larrigan Factory in Capital Yesterday.

A lad named H. P. Enslow, twelve years old, ran away from his home in this city a short time ago. He had been playing truant from school and it is stated that after being punished resolved to leave the city. Yesterday Chief of Police (Fisher) located the boy working at the Larrigan factory in Fredericton, much to the joy of the parents. The runaway reached home late last night, coming in from the capital on the McAdam express.

LONDON LIFE STAFF ENJOY A BANQUET About twenty members of the staff of the London Life Assurance Company met at the Manor House, Glen Falls, last night, where a sumptuous banquet and a most entertaining musical programme was enjoyed. A feature of the night was a mock trial, the defendant being a person who had not paid his insurance premiums as they fell due; with twenty men to testify against him, of course he was found guilty. Songs, stories, and the terpsichorean art served to fill the night with enjoyment and the guests are looking forward to "another just the same."

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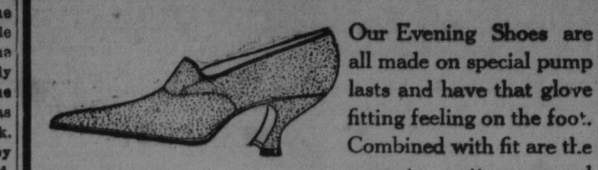


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