

## CONNOR TO SPEAK ON CHURCH UNION

Meeting in Engineers' Hall Is  
Arranged For December  
21st.

St. Thomas, Dec. 11.—Rev. Dr. C. W. Gordon, better known as Ralph Connor, noted novelist and former moderator of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church in Canada, will address a meeting in the Engineers' Hall on Sunday, December 21, in the interests of church union. Dr. Gordon was refused the privilege of speaking in the church on the grounds that the subject had already been discussed both pro and con in the church, and further discussion would not be in the interests of harmony.

It is understood that a petition, signed by 625 members out of 1,003 has been presented to the clerk of the session, asking the session to call a meeting of the congregation to take a vote on the union question.

The Alma Presbyterian church has made arrangements to have Mrs. Beattie of London speaking in the hall on Sunday, Dec. 14. Mrs. Beattie, of London, is a member of the union, and is a member of the union.

Material is being gathered for the historical society year for 1925. Last year's book, compiled by former publications, but this year's promises to be even more attractive.

Louis Heard, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Heard, Alma street, had his nose broken in a basketball game at the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday evening.

About 50 members of the London Knights of Columbus lodge paid a visit to the local lodge, 730, this evening. A social hour followed lodge work.

At the executive meeting of the American Rose Society the president, J. H. McFarland, president of the American Cystic Association of Philadelphia, fathered a resolution appointing Dr. F. E. Bennett of this city regional vice-president for the Rose Society.

The action preferred against Hiram Rushton, an elderly man of the city, charged with improper conduct towards a young girl, was adjourned until January 5, at the request of the defendant. Bail was renewed.

## WINTER FAIR FUND OF \$40,000 PLANNED

Sum Would Be Used To Erect  
Live Stock Arena  
Here.

Efforts to inaugurate a Western Ontario winter fair in London are being made and proposals include the raising of a \$40,000 fund to launch the project.

Mayor Wenige declares that next year's council would provide a quarter of this sum if other portions were made up by nearby municipalities which would be affected.

With \$10,000 from London, \$5,000 from the county of Middlesex, \$5,000 from other counties of the western part of Ontario, \$5,000 from the provincial government, and grants from the dominion, from interested cattle breeders' organizations, the majorities hope to be able to raise sufficient to start the fair.

The sum named would be necessary to erect a live stock arena, which is not now available for winter use.

It is likely that a meeting of interested citizens will be held early in 1925 when the London centennial celebration of 1926 will be discussed. Some organization has already been effected and publicity has been gained for the reunion in Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, and other American cities.

## LABOR LEADERS STATE BALDWIN TO CONTINUE

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ing the country the greatest service which we could at the moment, and I believe that we were right.

Must Find Way.

"We have today in England over a million and a half men out of work. The same problem applies to Germany. We must find a way to get Germany back onto her industrial feet if we are to kill unemployment.

We opposed the Dawes plan to some extent because we saw that it would mean making the German workmen increase their working day or reduce their wages. However, we shall try through our international organization to right this, so that German labor will not constitute a direct competition with British labor when the Dawes plan is going full blast.

Zaglou Pasha, Mr. Cramp has met on several occasions, and has formed an opinion of him that is interesting as a sidelight on the present Egyptian embargo.

"The pasha struck me as being a man of that extremely fanatical type which cannot be trusted too far," he said. "He is very much of the De Valera type. He has not yet learned the value of the political compromise, and does not know how to wait to attain the full objective he is after. He is very difficult to deal with in any political way, as he hardly understands the nature of an agreement or the benefits that are to be obtained from getting so much for the time being and being content to wait till later for the whole of his desire. He is erratic and not too well balanced."

His partner, who was with him in Mexico, Mr. Swales, is apparently not much of a talker but he had one thing to say in regard to American newspapers. He was asked by the reporter if he had been able to follow European matters while he had been in America for the last six weeks.

"No," he replied. "I wasn't. I am sorry to say. I didn't see any newspapers in my journey, only advertisements sheets, and they had very little real news."

The visitors are going to New York on Sunday, from which port they will sail for "Blighty." They will call on Sir Henry Thornton, who is in the American city. As they came into Canada via Detroit and go out by Buffalo, London is the only Canadian city they will see on this trip.

## "REVIEW" OF CENTRAL HIGH IS AGLOW WITH INTEREST

Christmas Number "Best Yet"  
in Colorful History of  
Magazine.

SALES MOUNT

School Activities Well Chron-  
icled—Marion Keith  
Contributes.

The Christmas number of the London Central Collegiate Institute Review is now before the student body and public for their approval, having made its appearance last night.

The number, 112 pages from cover to cover, is really a magazine, and would be a credit to any publishing house. Over 1,700 copies have already been sold.

The claim is made for the number that it is "the best yet" in the colorful history of the Review has had, particularly during the past five years. It takes but a casual glance at its pages to reveal ample proof of the fact that the boast is no idle one.

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## French Birth Rate Drops

Associated Press Despatch.

Paris, Dec. 12.—France's birth rate continues to dwindle, according to official statistics covering the first three-quarters of the present year, while the number of marriages is practically the same as for the corresponding year of 1923.

Births dropped from 554,000 to 573,000, and deaths increased from 505,000 to 521,000.

## ARMENIAN MASSACRES TOLD BY EYEWITNESS

Rev. Ira Pierce of Relief Association Addresses Kiwanis Club.

Rev. Ira Pierce of the Canadian Armenian relief association, who spoke to the London Kiwanis club at lunch today, gave a brilliant address on the political aspects of Turkey.

Mr. Pierce, who was an eye witness of many Armenian massacres by the Turks, stated that Turkey was now holding and controlling more land than ever before in her history.

"At the time of the massacre of the Armenians," he said, "we told the Turks that a time of reckoning would come, but they only laughed at us. They told us that they had always in their history been able to handle Europe from a political standpoint and they would in this case. After their defeat by General Allenby's troops the Turks were a thoroughly beaten race and army. Yet within a few months, with the help of the Italians and the French, they had a new army of well-trained and equipped men."

"It is the bitterness and jealousy between the British on one side and the French and Italians on the other which makes Turkey's political and material strength today."

Mr. Pierce issued a warning to his hearers against believing in all the propaganda which is now being broadcast over this continent.

"There is a whole flood of this propaganda running over the American continent. You will be told that the Turk is persecuted and misunderstood. Do not, I implore you, for one instant believe that. The Turk by reason of the squabbling between the European nations is in a stronger and better position than ever before in his national history. His strength was never so great as now, J. E. Richards, manager of the road, said today."

MEETING POSTPONED.

No. 3 committee of the board of education did not hold its regular meeting yesterday afternoon on account of the lack of a quorum of the members of the committee.

The meeting was accordingly postponed until next Monday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

SNOWFLOUT.

The London and Port Stanley railway snowplow was out yesterday to see if the tracks were free from snow. J. E. Richards, manager of the road, said today.

## R. WARD HEADS NEW MEN'S CLUB

London Life Employees Open  
Rooms in Head Office  
Building.

The inaugural meeting of the London Life men's club was held last night at the club headquarters in the head office building of the London Life insurance company. The club room is probably one of the most attractively furnished rooms of its kind in the city and will fill a big place in the lives of the men on the head office staff.

The club was formerly opened by J. Stanley Lovell, secretary of the company.

The evening's program consisted of an address by Prof. Ralph E. Freeman of University of Western Ontario on the subject, "Business as a Science." A skit was put on by McTavish and T. O. Robinson, being an executive meeting to receive a report on the disposition of 100,000 paper clips. This little one-act comedy provoked rounds of laughter and was greatly enjoyed.

At the conclusion of the evening a resolution of appreciation was enthusiastically passed by the members expressing their thanks to E. E. Reid, general manager, and through him to the board of directors of the company for making the club facilities possible.

The first officers of the club are: president, R. Ward; vice-president, F. Huddleston; secretary, E. M. Hall; treasurer, A. Anderson.

Committee chairman: athletic, C. Henderson; house, J. W. Smith; program, J. A. Campbell.

SIR ADAM BECK FOSTERS  
SANTA CLAUS 'LIGHHOUSE'

London has now two "lighthouses for Santa Claus."

The one, decorated by the public utilities commission in Victoria park, the residence of Sir Adam Beck.

Sir Adam has decorated a fine large tree on his property, "Healey," facing on Richmond street. He has accepted the offer of his neighbors to share in the cost of decorating the tree so that in fact, as far as name it will become a community Christmas tree.

The commission is endeavoring to secure two or three trees in other parts of the city which may be similarly decorated. When it is considered that the commission does the decorating, and all at a cost of only \$15, it is quite possible that a number of trees will be decorated.

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## SYNOD OF HURON HOLDS QUARTERLY BOARD SESSION

The regular meeting of the quarterly board of the Synod of Huron was held yesterday afternoon at Bishop Cronin hall with the bishop, Rt. Rev. David Williams, presiding.

There was a splendid attendance of the clergy, there being only one absentee, Rev. T. Dobson of Tilbury, who was prevented from being present owing to illness. The laymen were not represented.

The board will hold its final meeting of the board next March, prior to the annual meeting of the synod in May.

Routine business occupied the attention of the board at yesterday's session.

COUNTY POLICE REPORT.

High Constable A. J. Wharton of the county of Middlesex will give the report of work accomplished by the county police since he took charge of the force last January. The report will be given the council at this afternoon's session.

EUCHRE OPENED.

The "Better Ole" euchre group was opened last night in the basement of the city hall when 39 gathered together and enjoyed a pleasant evening. Prize winners were Mrs. F. Vanden, Mrs. E. Meades, Mrs. J. MacNamara, J. Baxter, A. Sinclair and L. Osborne.

CITY PRESBYTERY CLERK  
RECEIVES TWO CALLS

Two calls have come into the hands of Rev. John McNair, D.D., clerk of the London presbytery, during the past week.

The one for Rev. N. A. Campbell of Vanneck and Melville church, Ivan from Comber and West Tilbury. The other for Rev. W. S. Galbraith of Thamesford from Blenheim congregation.

The calls will be considered at a special meeting of presbytery to be held in First Presbyterian church on Tuesday, Dec. 30, at 10:30 a.m.

GOLDEN LINK CLUB.

Mrs. S. Arbuckle entertained the members of the Golden Link euchre club, at her home, Dufferin avenue, yesterday afternoon. Mrs. A. Sheridan carried off the honors for high score, while Mrs. L. Kintree came second. Mrs. R. Aikens was awarded the consolation prize.

The last meeting for the year will be held at the home of Mrs. L. Kintree, Inkerman street, on Dec. 15, when the grand prizes for the year will be awarded. Supper was served following this week's meeting at a table attractively arranged with the club colors, gold and black. Mrs. C. Perrin poured tea.

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We need the room for Men's Haberdashery \$30.00 Coats at \$10  
Buy \$37.50 Coats at \$19.75  
AT \$29.75  
You take the pick of the field—and there are some winners in the lot. Come Saturday, no need to feel cold and friendless this Christmas because you have to wait until January to buy an Overcoat cheaper —"No Sir!"

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