Two Hurt In Freight Wreck :: Communists Defy Expulsion From Labor Party

MOUNTED POLICEMAN'S WIFE DIES AFTER ATTACK BY DOGS

Members of Force Fail in Effort To Save Her Life.

DOCTORS FAR AWAY

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, April 20.—Following a savage attack by dogs, Mrs. S. G. Clay, wife of a staff sergeant of the Royal Canadian mounted police, died despite all efforts to save her life. News of the tragedy, which occurred months ago at Chesterfield Inlet, on the northwest coast of Hudson's Bay, has just reached the mounted police headquarters.

Mrs. Clay was walking alone near the houses of the post when she was set upon by the dogs. It is surmised that one of them snapped at her in play and drew blood, and at that the others set upon her. Mounties ran to the spot and beat off the dogs, but Mrs. Clay had one leg so badly lacerated that it was amputated by members of the force at her request. The nearest surgeon was nearly a thousand miles away at The Pas. The operation relieved Mrs. Clay to some extent of pain, but she died from shock and loss of blood.

AGED HELPLESS LOOK TO CITIZENS

Average of 200 People Cared For Annually at Mount Hope.

For every success there is a failure. It is one of the blessings of life that the curtain of the future prevents seeing these failures to come, but even this does not guard against the failures when they do come.

Such institutions as the Mount Hope Home for Aged People form the guards against the greater disaster of these failures. Homes such as these reaching out their protecting hands to those who have failed. They open their doors to those who, in their declining years have found themselves alone in the world, penniless and friendless, without a place to go where they might receive the little comforts that will banish from their minds the worry and trouble that hastens death. So it is that every day there is a failure; every day some aged man or aged woman finds himself or herself, through adversity, on the brink of the pit of gloom and despair. Out of the darkness gleams the light of hope and happiness in the form of the Mount Hope Home for Aged People and this institution is today doing a wonderful work from which every citizen may benefit in the years to come.

Visit Is a Revelation.

A visit to the Mount Hope home is a revelation. Kindly old ladies and kindly old men, surrounded by comfort, chat and joke; men and women who have seen better days, but to whom fate has brought failure. A few years ago these men and women knew not where to turn their heads. They were physically helpless and life had taken from them everything they had stored away to take care of them when the declining years had come. Now they are happy and contented. Now they are given the little things that really count in life. But they are dependent on Mount Hope for their bread and their bed and, in turn, Mount Hope is dependent on the citizens of London for this supply of bread and for the roof to keep the rain and cold from the beds. The citizens of London would not turn these old people from their only home and yet money is needed for Mount Hope to "carry on." At the present time there are no less than 195 aged and helpless people at this institution being supplied with board and lodging, nursing and medical attention. Mount Hope cares for an average of 299 helpless old people a year. It is a great work that cannot, in humanity's sake, be deleted from the life of the community.

Londoners Get Chance.

These 195 aged and helpless men and women are now looking with wistful eyes out on the city. The time has come for the annual United Welfare Fund drive and they are asking themselves, "Will the good people of London answer the call? Will they keep our home for us?" The United Welfare Fund drive opens a week from today, and then the people of London will have the chance to answer the appeal of these helpless men and women at Mount Hope. The Welfare Fund helps 14 institutions, all as important and all as worthy as Mount Hope. It forms 14 campaigns in one and when the men and women of London help the Mount Hope home by giving to the fund let it be remembered that failure in life comes to all and sundry and maybe, in the future, when the failure comes to some one near and dear would the citizens of today expect the citizens of tomorrow to help? There never was a more striking saying, a saying that means so much as, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

BOY VIOLINIST AGAIN TAKES HOBBY FAIR FIRST PRIZE

Congratulations are being extended to Master Billie Le Sueur Bending, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bending, 37 Elmwood avenue, city, on again winning first prize in the violin competition at the Hobby Fair last week.

This talented boy violinist, although but 13 years of age, already holds three first prize medals, and is regarded in musical circles as one of the most promising of the younger artists in Western Ontario.

The Wayfarers

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Taschereau Sees Early Election

Canadian Press Despatch.

Montreal, April 20.—"We are on the eve of a federal election," said Premier L. A. Taschereau in the course of a few informal remarks at the Reform club here Saturday.

The premier urged Liberals throughout Canada to unite and pleaded for a healing of the divisions.

FREIGHT DERAILED BY LOOSE WHEEL

Five C. N. R. Cars Topple Over Near Kerwood—Two Men Injured.

Five freight cars were derailed a mile and a half from Kerwood at 8 o'clock last night when a wheel flew off a car attached to a westbound Canadian National freight train. None of the crew was injured, but two members of the Sarnia auxiliary crew which went to the scene were hurt.

The freight train was an extra from Sarnia to Niagara Falls. While the train was proceeding west at a moderate rate of speed a wheel came off near a small bridge. The five cars toppled over and tore off the upper structure of the bridge.

The Sarnia, London and Hamilton wrecking crews were at once sent out. The bridge derrick went from here. While working on the bridge Samuel Taylor of Sarnia fell through and hurt his hip. L. A. Cuttery, another workman, went through another part of the weakened structure, and suffered cuts and a sprained wrist. They received medical attention from a Watford doctor.

The cars contained hay, salt, clay and automobiles. The motor cars escaped damage. The salt cars was badly shaken.

Two trains were delayed. No. 15, due out at 9 o'clock and No. 8, due here at 12:30 from Chicago, were delayed one hour. They were routed via Glencoe, and the line was cleared at 2 o'clock this morning.

BOY SEVERELY HURT WHEN STRUCK BY CAR

Jack Moore, Horton Street, Has Leg Fractured Playing Ball.

Jack Moore, five-year-old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore, 218½ Horton street, sustained a compound fracture of the left leg and was badly cut and bruised late Saturday afternoon when hit by a car driven by Mr. Guest, R. R. 2, London township.

The little chap was playing ball with a companion outside his home, when he darted directly in front of the car, to retrieve the ball. Apparently he did not notice its approach. He was removed to Victoria hospital by Mr. Guest, and attended by Dr. Pritchett.

MRS. M. M'CULLOUGH FUNERAL HELD FRDAY

Native of London Buried at Mount Pleasant Cemetery —Services at Hamilton.

The funeral of Maria Scandrett McCullough widow of the late Rev. Andrew McCullough of Hamilton was held on Friday, April 17, at the home of Mrs. James A. Brown, 55 Ridout street, interment taking place at Mount Pleasant cemetery. Rev. Dr. Garbutt, Rev. Humphrey Graham, and J. E. J. Millyard conducted the services.

Mrs. McCullough who was born in London in 1857, lived all her life here and in other towns in Western Ontario. At the time of her death she was living with her daughter, Mrs. A. Ernest in Hamilton. Services were conducted in Hamilton by Rev. Dr. Houston.

The pall bearers in London were, L. H. Scandrett, J. B. P. Tanton, T. W. Scandrett, J. H. Bowman, A.N., Udy, and C. E. Genuan.

Mrs. McCullough is survived by four daughters, Miss R. Louise and Mrs. A. E. Layman of Hamilton, Mrs. Doctor Wortman of Buenos Aires, S. A., Mrs. D. A. McNaughton, Knoxville Tenn. and four sons: Stanley of Cleveland, O., William of Asheville N. C. Leonard of Winnipeg and Frederick of Pittsburg Pa.

Two sisters, Miss D. Scandrett and Mrs. James A. Brown and two brothers, L. H. Scandrett and J. B. P. Tanton of London

HUNDREDS OF O. A. C. EGGS BEING DISTRIBUTED TODAY

Three hundred eggs of the famous O. A. C. bred-to-lay stock are being distributed today to 30 schools in Middlesex county. Three hundred more are being sent out to rural youngsters who want to raise some prize poultry of their own.

The eggs are being sent out by the Middlesex branch of the department of agriculture and will be followed through the week by hundreds of packages of garden seeds.

TRAFFIC WORRIES AS DOBBIN WANES

Autos Grow in Numbers and Parking Spaces Become More Inadequate.

Half an hour after sunrise on the morning of Tuesday, April 18, in the year 1905, a team of horses stood harnessed to a light express wagon on a farm in Lobo township. The state of the weather, the condition of the rut-filled roads, the distance to London, do not enter into the story.

At five minutes to 9 o'clock, John D. Farmer of Lobo drove into the yard of a Talbot street livery stable, and paid the owners of the establishment a half-dollar, a half-dollar as big as a cartwheel, for the privilege of "parking" the two nags and his wagon for a few hours.

Traversing the 14-mile route was much more comfortable and much easier for the Lobo man this morning, 20 years later. His $1,800 motor car whizzed into London in a half-hour. And travelling was easier today than it was a score of years back for a half thousand other farmers. They came in motors. London streets today are used by nearly 8,000 automobiles and trucks.

In the old days the farmer's horse and hayrack formed a big part of the street traffic on Saturdays. But even then livery stables, a dozen or more, took the vehicles off the streets on busy days and solved much of the congestion.

Problem Steadily Growing.

Today vehicles that use the streets of London do not number hundreds daily, but run well up into the thousands. The parking problem increases every month, every year. The council, without the aid of a traffic committee, cannot put off the urgent need for more parking space much longer. There is some prejudice against parking on business streets during business hours, and how and where to find adequate parking space is the trouble now.

The federal square, the new hotel site on Richmond street, the centers of business blocks, as well as the present market, are brought forward as free parking centers and will be advocated in council.

Ald. Edwin Smith, himself a car owner, believes the day not far distant when parking space will be at a premium downtown, and owners of vacant property of handy location will get better tariff from car owners than the old livery stable men used to collect.

Good Investment.

"The block bounded by Dundas, Clarence, Richmond and King streets has a big, unused area in its center," points out Ald. Smith. "A fireproof parking area in the center ought to make a fine investment. But it would have to be financed by private means. The city could not handle it.

"I am certainly not in favor of driving the motorists from their present parking spaces, unless they are given handy inclosures downtown. Parking in front of business places brings business where it is wanted. It reduces the number of motor cars in operation on the street. Such parking takes up space, of cohrse, but with fewer cars moving on the streets, traffic dangers are cut down.

"I would advocate the use of the federal square for a city parking area. It is an ample space for several hundred cars and is sufficiently close to business places that it would be popular with motorists."

Ald. L. H. Dourlass would have the city make use of the new hotel site on Richmond street. By levelling the property and making arrangements with the owners, the property would also prove very useful in getting cars off the street.

Just now the parking bylaw for downtown streets has strangers in the city hopelessly handicapped. They are supposed to know the regulations, and these regulations have been changed frequently. The street parking problem is becoming so great that a special meeting of the finance committee may be called before long to thresh out every angle.

BIBLE STUDENTS HEAR TALK ON PALESTINE

W. M. Hersee Addresses Large Gathering in Hyman Hall.

The establishment of a new steamship line to link Palestine with America is another indication that God's kingdom is near, W. M. Hersee told a large gathering of Bible students at Hyman Hall yesterday.

Introducing his text, "The World on Fire," Mr. Hersee graphically described how the hopes of the Jewish people had remained centered in Palestine through the centuries and how the divine promises of a sacred land were uppermost in their minds.

Jesus, he said, directed the attention of the world to the Jewish nation when, after describing in Matt. xxiv. the events of the present day-war, pestilence and earthquakes. He said, "Now learn a parable of the fig tree. When the fig tree putteth forth her leaves know that summer is nigh, even at the door."

The fig tree represents the Jewish people, the speaker declared, and happenings of the century foreshadow the fall of the prince of darkness and the majestic coming of the kingdom of God under the merciful guidance of the Prince of Peace.

LABORITES SATISFIED WITH DIVISION OF CITY

The division of London into two distinct ridings for provincial legislature purposes, is accepted by some labor leaders with satisfaction. While admitting that he cannot speak for labor as a whole in London, Ald. Frank McKay states that he sees no reason why the split should not be acceptable from a labor standpoint.

VERY LATEST IN PORTABLE RADIOS.

Here is the newest thing in automobiles—and also in radios—the instrument board of the car bearing a complete receiving set. A loud speaker is placed just over the windshield. This is the installation which Joseph B. Freed, noted radio engineer, has provided for his car, and it is causing the envy of his friends. The set is a five-tube neutrodyne. The power for the set is provided by the battery of the car, and the antenna consists of sixty feet of wire, hidden beneath the roof of the car and covered by cloth or plush.

ST. GEORGE'S HOLD DINNER THURSDAY

Church Parade Yesterday Marked 58th Anniversary of Society in London.

Next Thursday, April 23, St. George's Day, the London St. George's Society will hold its annual banquet in the Tecumseh house. Yesterday the annual St. George's service was held by the society in St. Matthew's church, Rev. T. J. Charlton preaching the sermon.

Speakers at the banquet will include Lt.-Col. F. Gilman, Royal Canadian Dragoons; E. T. Essery, K.C., Henry T. Smith of Toronto, Fred J. Chapple, Mayor Wenige, Fred Lawrason, Rev. Quintin Warner, T. J. Holmes, Humphrey Lee, T. A. Willis and Edwin Lewarne, president of the society. Edwin Smith, a past president, will act as toastmaster for the evening.

The presidents of the sister societies, St. Andrew's, the Irish Benevolent Society and the Sons of England, are invited and will be asked to bring a message from their respective bodies.

Preaching yesterday in St. Matthew's, Rev. T. J. Charlton declared that sin and vice were the two dragons of today which all loyal followers of the patron saint of England should go out and slay as their patron slew the material dragon of the legend.

From St. Luke's version of the parable of the Good Samaritan Mr. Charlton took his text. "Who is my neighbor?" he asked, and answered it by adding that it was anyone and everyone who was in need of help and succor. He stated that the work of the society was just the same as that carried out by their patron, namely the extermination of sin and evil and the protection of everything good and worth-while.

The procession to the church formed up at the King street entrance to the fair grounds and marched from there to the church. Owing to the inclement weather it was not as largely attended as had been expected.

The celebration and the banquet on Thursday night mark the 58th anniversary of the formation of the St. George's Society in London.

EMPRESS SCHOOL WRECKING IS NOW NEARLY COMPLETE

Hyatt brothers have just about completed their contract for the tearing down of the old Empress avenue public school.

The board secured approximately $2,000 for the old brick school and the small frame kindergarten building, which were deserted last September at the time the school was transfered into the fine, new $185,000 structure which faces on Wharncliffe road. As a result of the demolishment of the two old buildings the school playgrounds are enlarged to an adequate size. The grounds at the front of the new building are being levelled off and sown with grass seed.

COOPER NAMED MANAGER OF ASSOCIATED PRESS

Associated Press Despatch.

New York, April 20.—The appointment of Kent Cooper as general manager of the Associated Press, succeeding Frederick Roy Martin, resigned, is announced. Mr. Martin's resignation takes effect on Wednesday.

Mr. Cooper has been assistant general manager for five years. He entered the service of the Associated Press fifteen years ago in a subordinate position.

RALLY RETURNS AFTER TEN YEARS

Annual Provincial Convention of Church of Christ Disciples Opens June 4.

After an absence of ten years, the annual provincial convention of the Church of Christ, Disciples, is returning this year to hold its sessions in London.

The convention, which will be attended by between 200 and 300 representatives, will open in the Church of Christ, Disciples, Elizabeth street, on June 4, and continue until June 10.

Outstanding speakers from Ontario and also from the United Christians Mission Society of St. Louis, the American headquarters of the Disciples church, will be present and speak at the convention. Important subjects to be discussed include church union, evangelism, religious education for the young, and the general problems of the present-day church. A number of returned missionaries of the church will also be present to outline the missionary side of the church's work.

During the course of the convention there will be banquets for the Women's Missionary society and also for the Christian Endeavor societies.

A meeting of the provincial ministerial association, of which Rev. James H. Versey, pastor of the Disciples church here, is the president, will also be held while the convention delegates are in the city.

General officers of the convention are: Chairman, C. L. Burton, Toronto; chairwoman of the women's departments, Mrs. Amos Povell, Guelph; general secretary, Reuben Butchart, Toronto; general treasurer, H. A. Stephens, Toronto; local billetting committee, Mrs. C. B. King, Fred Churchill, Mrs. W. McCracken; reception committee, Robert J. Henderson.

The objects of the convention coming to London again at this time, according to Mr. Versey, are twofold: first to recognize the progress made by the local congregation in the erection of such a fine new edifice and, second, to enjoy the hospitality of the city of London.

SURVEY OF SEPARATE SCHOOLS PROGRESSES

Committee Report on Accommodation Problem Expected This Week.

Plans for the provision of additional accommodation for the separate school system are progressing favorably, it was learned today.

Dr. P. J. Sweeney, chairman of the board, stated that the special committee appointed to survey the situation would make its report to the board at a special meeting to be called this week. The chairman was disinclined to venture any expression of opinion as to what building program would finally be adopted by the board, whether an addition to St. Martin's school in south London or the erection of a new two-room school to serve St. Patrick's parish in the extreme east end of the city would be decided upon.

It is understood that the committee is consulting with Rt. Rev. M. F. Fallon, D. D., Bishop of London, as to the recommendation to be made to the board.

EVICTION ILLEGAL, COMMUNISTS SAY

Members of Local Branch Refuse To Take Labor's Threat Seriously.

A threat to expel Communists from the Canadian Labor party is not taken seriously by Communists in London. They point out that, as the Labor party is composed of delegates from the various trades unions and so many Communists are members of these unions, there is no legal way in which they can be forced out of the party.

As for the Individual Labor party they are not worrying, they say, as it represents but a small fraction of opinion in the Labor party.

The explanation of this double labor party in London is as follows: There is a regular Canadian Labor party of which London has a branch. It is made up of properly accredited delegates from the trades unions and none but a trades unionist can be a member. The Individual Labor party, formed on the British model, is a special branch of the movement to allow of the entry of other than trades unionists but with labor sympathies, into the labor party. This has worked out satisfactorily in England.

Asked To Withdraw

At yesterday's meeting of this second party it was decided to expel the Communists and at last Friday's meeting of the London branch of the Canadian Labor party it was decided to request the Communist members to withdraw.

L. R. Menzies, president of the London branch of the Communist party of Canada, says:

"Of course the Individual Labor party can do what it likes, but it is not truly representative of labor. As for the Canadian Labor party, we have a right as trades unionists and we cannot be kept out."

The difference between the straight labor man and the Communist is one of political action versus direct action implying the use of force. Both parties are working toward the overthrow of the present capitalistic system of administration. The difference is in the matter of the means to be pursued.

The Labor party believes this can be accomplished by the use of the ballot and by political action. The Communist believes that stronger measures will be necessary.

Use of Force Seen.

"Our theory is this," says Mr. Menzies, "when the workers have succeeded—as they are bound to in time—in getting a workers' party returned to power by the use of the ballot, the members of the capitalist regime together with their military leaders will use force to prevent this administration functioning. That is only a logical statement. In Great Britain when there was a hint in the air of Ramsay MacDonald putting a capital levy into force, a British peer stated that in this event he would lead an army to Westminister to drive out the Labor men. In Canada recently, a general said the same thing as far as Ottawa was concerned.

"The only reason that there was no military action against the British Labor government a year ago was that it had not sufficient strength in the house to carry any really radical measure or one that did actually endanger the status quo of vested interests. We are perfectly willing to work with every workers' party along the political front, but we wish to warn them at the same time that after they have attained political dominance in a country they are only at the beginning of their troubles. The so-called Noble Order of Crusaders is merely one of the secret societies formed in England since the war, the real purpose of which is to prevent any genuinely radical government from functioning and to be the nucleus of a 'white' army when the time comes."

APARTMENT WRANGLE DELAYED UNTIL JUNE

J. C. Fairley Sues Gordon Wright For Wrongful Eviction.

The county court action for $500 brought by James C. Fairley against Gordon Wright for wrongful eviction from the "Elmwood residences," has been postponed till the June sittings, owing to the inability of one of the defendant's witnesses to be present.

Fairley claims that he paid Mr. Wright $50 for a month's rent and also secured a lease on the apartment, and that the latter moved his furniture out on the sidewalk without the permission of the owner.

Mr. Wright maintains that Fairley did not give him all the information he asked for when renting the apartment.

ENTER COURT ACTION FOR 24 BAGS OF SUGAR

Atlantic Refineries Claim $231.34 For Alleged Loss in Storage.

The county court action of the Atlantic Sugar Refineries, Limited, against the Dominion Storage Company for $231.34, the value of 24 bags of sugar, is proceeding at the courthouse today before Judge Macbeth.

The plaintiff company stated that a large quantity of sugar was stored in the defendant's warehouse on April 2, 1923, and that when it was finally checked out there were 24 bags short. The defense declares that the plaintiff received all the sugar that was stored in their warehouse.

Wm. Dyer acted for the plaintiff and George Morehead for the defendant.

PREMIER E. H. ARMSTRONG of Nova Scotia announced today that he has not given up hopes of a settlement of the Cape Breton strike, despite the collapse on Saturday of five days' negotiations.

"BAD INDIAN" GOES BACK TO GUELPH

Tom Currie Returned to Reformatory to Complete Five-Month Term.

Tom Currie the agile Indian from the Muncey reserve who escaped from Guelph last August, was taken back to the reformatory Saturday afternoon where he still has five months to serve.

In addition, Currie will likely be given a two-year stretch at Kingston penitentiary, which is the fate usually meted out to prisoners who escape from the Guelph reformatory and are recaptured.

"Good-bye Tommy old sport" called Thomas Fox as Currie was being led away from the cell block by officer McMullen of the Ontario reformatory. "I'll be seeing you down in Kingston soon."

Fox is awaiting to be taken to Kingston to serve a seven-year term with ten lashes for a serious offence committed last summer.

Currie was sentenced in St. Thomas on April 28, 1924 by magistrate Maxwell on a charge of theft. He escaped on August 28 and evaded capture till he fell into the hands of constable Nelson of the R. C. M. P. two weeks ago.

According to the police, Tommy managed to get into a number of scrapes of his occasional nocturnal visits to the reserve and had several charges of theft and housebreaking laid against him, which however were not pressed by the crown in view of the long term that is facing Currie for jail breaking.

VICTIMS OF ELECTION TO BE KNOWN TONIGHT

Municipal Club Campaign Is Mysterious and Suspicions —Candidates Scarce.

This is polling day at the city hall. Cloaked in secrecy, in spite of which irregularities are alleged, the voting to appoint municipal club officials was concluded at noon. Victims of the shower of ballots will be made known when the club meets at 5 o'clock tonight.

Committee dodging was rife in every department and voters were at their wits' end to find some one ready to take a little responsibility on the refreshment committee.

Delinquent voters were in the majority, some city hall employees not seeking to exercise their franchise until after the clock in the city clerk's department had chimed the hour of 12, when the mammoth ballot box was removed from the polling booth.

FIFTEEN-CENT BREACH GROWS INTO $10 FINE

Ed Wanted Horse Collars After All, But His Methods Are Wrong.

Ed Hall of the township of Caradoc, dickered with W. J. Bamford, Muncey storekeeper, for two horse collars on April 16. Ed offered $7 for them, but Mr. Bamford wanted $7.15, according to Frank Curran, his counsel.

All that stood between an exchange in ownership was 15 cents, and all that stood between Ed and his freedom this morning on a charge of theft was $10 and costs. Mr. Hall paid the fine, and he hasn't got the collars either.

According to Hall ,he was on his way home after the interview with Bamford, when he decided that the collars might fit his horses after all. He went back and removed them from the front of the store without notifying the proprietor, who thought they had been stolen.

Constable Nelson of the R. C. M. P. was notified and visited Hall's farm. The owner showed him two collars that he owned, but failed to mention the Bamford pair, the constable stated. These were found in the barn.

Magistrate Hawkshaw, in view of all the facts, decided to impose a fine which was satisfactory to all concerned.

CITY LABOR WILL BAR COMMUNISTS

Move Follows Recent Toronto Convention—Those Now Members Must Resign.

Confessed Communists will in future be barred from membership in the London Individual Labor party and those already holding membership in the Labor party will be asked to resign. This was decided upon at a meeting on Sunday afternoon of the Individual Labor party, which was a follow-up of the Friday night meeting.

This move is the outcome of the recent Toronto convention of the Ontario Labor party. At that convention, when the Communists were able to elect a president, two delegates of the London Labor party are said to have voted with the Communist group on resolutions. They are delegates Avery and Philips.

On the suggestion of Donald Wright, president of the Individual Labor party, and on the motion of Ald. McKay, a special meeting of the party will be held next Sunday to deal finally with the matter.

Attacks MacDonald.

John MacDonald, president of the Ontario Labor party, who is a Communist, was attacked by Arthur Mould yesterday on the ground that, although head of the party for seven months he had "done nothing in all that time to consider the menace of unemployment and other questions vital to Labor."

He said that one more vote would have placed a straight Labor man in office at the convention, and added that if Delegates Avery and Philips had voted as they were instructed there would not be a Communist at the head of the provincial party now.

On the two last delegates admitting that they belonged to the Communist party, Ald. McKay told them they were sitting in the Labor party under false colors, as the rules of the party did not allow any member to belong to any other political party. This, however, was disputed by Delegate Greaves as being too narrow an interpretation of the constitution.

Joins Criticism.

"What was meant," he said, "was that no one sitting as a member of the Labor party should belong to one of the old-line capitalistic parties. It was not intended that other sections of the workers' party should be excluded."

William Tite joined in the criticism of John MacDonald, accusing him of taking advice and orders from the Russian Soviet. Rud Hessel also had a word to say, stating that but for the activities of the Communist party the Labor party would be much larger than it was today.

"There are at least two large organizations in the city which will not affiliate with Labor because of the Communists in the party," he said. "The Communists, however, are determined to get into the party. Their instructions are to bore from within and to destroy the old International Labor party."

RECRUITS BEING SOUGHT FOR JUNIOR FIRST AID

Million Young Volunteers Are Wanted by Legion in Canada and U. S.

The First Aid Army is calling for new volunteers this week. Young blood especially is wanted in the ranks, and to that end, the Junior First Aid Legion has been formed.

In hundreds of cities and towns throughout Canada and United States, enrollment stations at the drug stores are now open, where boys and girls may enlist in the new organization.

This, in fact, is junior first aid week, and more than 45,000 druggists are authorized to accept enrollments in the Junior First Aid Legion.

It is the aim of the legion to enlist at least a million members in the present drive and thus recruit a nation-wide organization of boys and girls to teach the lessons of first aid as well as to render first aid services whenever the need arises. Any boy or girl may become a member by signing the enrollment blank and paying a membership fee of 12 cents, which entitles them to a membership certificate and button, a complete handbook of first aid instructions, and a junior first aid kit, consisting of iodine swabs, sterile gauze, sterile gauze bandages, adhesive plaster, and picric acid gauze for application to burns.

To further the interest in the junior first aid movement and to reward children for giving prompt and expert assistance in time of accident, the founders of the Junior First Aid Legion—Bauer & Black, makers of surgical dressings and hospital supplies—has set aside a fund of $5,000 to be distributed equally among the 500 boys and girls who, during the present year, render the most notable first aid services.

TURNKEY IS IMPROVING.

James Spiers, head turnkey at the county jail, who recently went under an operation for appendicitis at Victoria hospital, is now able to be out of the hospital, and will be able to resume duty in a week or two.

The Theatres

CAPITOL.

"The Dark Swan," with Monte Blue, Marie Prevost and Helene Chadwick; Pudney's orchestra.

GRAND.

Fiske O'Hara in "The Big Mogul," next Monday and Tuesday.

LOEW'S.

Eleanor Boardman in "The Way of a Girl," and three acts of vaudeville; Dolly Dumpling coming Thursday.