

NEWS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO WOMEN

PROSPERITY OF SCHOOLS NOT AFFECTED BY WAR

Annual Report Presented by Minister of Education is Most Gratifying.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS

Attendance of Pupils and Improvement of Professional Status of Teachers Notable.

"The war has not been permitted to interfere with the due advancement of the schools," said Hon. Dr. Pyne, minister of education, in his annual report, tabled in the legislature yesterday. "The important matters of expenditure, of supply of teachers and of attendance, the conditions are normal and healthy."

After reviewing the precautions taken by the department to instill in the minds of the pupils a patriotic appreciation of the part taken by their country, the report states that no less than 260 teachers have enlisted—46 from high schools, 177 from elementary and 37 from normal schools. Two public school inspectors have enlisted and seven high school principals.

Teachers' salaries. The amount paid for public school teachers' salaries has doubled since 1901, when it was \$2,473,710. In 1914 it was \$7,500,000. During the same time the expenditure on elementary education has risen from \$5,459,495 to \$14,850,968. In 1914 the average salary of male teachers was \$275; of female teachers, \$264.

Even more striking is the steady improvement in the professional status of the teachers employed in elementary schools. The number of teachers with increased salaries has risen from 1,000 in 1910 to 2,730 over the previous year. The cost of maintaining the schools was \$3,444,849.

As to physical drill, the report says: "It is manifest everywhere that the boys feel for the first time that military drill is worth while, and that it may have for them and for their country a prominent value," to quote Inspector Wetherill.

After referring to the federal aid for industrial training, the minister of education reviews the fact that the government is willing to assist where the existing provincial estimates are insufficient, and adds significantly: "This is true in the case of soldiers who desire short courses in various branches to earn livelihood as quickly as possible after the case of the blinded or deafened soldiers, the training now given to blind or deaf children is not suitable, but there is no insuperable difficulty in providing for adults with similar physical handicaps by means of special classes."

IMPORTANT PROBLEM FOR ALLIES AFTER WAR

New Woman Has Arisen Who Will Demand Equality With Man.

What will happen to Europe's women after the war is, according to Eugene Brieux, a French writer, the most important question that the countries will have to face when peace is declared.

"I am afraid," says this student of the future, "we shall see a new sex. The war with its economic struggle between men and women is taking on such a violent character that this seems inevitable."

"Now that the women have proved their ability to conduct wisely their husbands' affairs in their absence it will not do to scold and jeer when they demand that they be allowed to administer the public affairs thru municipal elections. When told that only taxpayers can vote, the woman will reply that she paid her tax in money and nature and that she has held the handles of the plow as well as the purse strings."

"The comic sketch writers must not joke of these things," says Brieux. "Most of the arguments against women's rights are bankrupt."

WILL EXTRADITE KELLY

Former Winnipeg Controller Has Lost Legal Fight.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Thomas Kelly, wealthy contractor, wanted in Winnipeg in connection with alleged frauds in the construction of the Parliament buildings there today lost his fight against extradition in the supreme court. The high court affirmed the federal court in Chicago, which refused to release Kelly on habeas corpus.

Apparently no legal process now is available to prevent Kelly's extradition to Manitoba.

SAILORS' STRIKE AVERTED

Atlantic Transport Line Accedes to Men's Demands.

NEW YORK, April 17.—The American steamship Mongolia, which had been delayed in this port since Saturday on account of a strike of her crew for higher wages, sailed for London, the strike having been settled. The demands of the men were granted by the Atlantic Transport Line, owners of the vessel.

Several other liners operating American ships have also granted increases, and the possibility of a general strike is now remote.

CROWN PRINCE'S ESCAPE

Shell from Big French Gun Exploded Near Him.

GENEVA, April 17, via Paris, 3:20 p.m.—The report reached here today that the German Crown Prince had recently escaped from death or injury recently on the Verdun front. Accompanied by his staff and a number of correspondents he approached within range of a heavy French gun, one of whose shells exploded near the party. It is said several persons were wounded slightly and that others, including Col. Mueller, correspondent of the Berne Bund, were knocked down.

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CHINA BENEFITED BY AMERICAN EDUCATION

Graduates of U. S. Universities Are Now Head of Country's Institutions.

DR. WONG SPEAKS

Head of Chinese Student Commission Addressed Canadian Club Yesterday.

With native cunning Dr. T. Theodore Wong, head of the Chinese Student Commission, changed the subject of his address to the Canadian Club at the Cafe Royal yesterday noon from "The Present Situation in China" to "The Chinese Student Commission in Its Relation to Trade."

This change was made by the diplomatic Mr. Wong in such a graceful manner that his hearers deemed they were having a great favor conferred upon them. He stated that his government position handicapped him, and also at this time of momentous changes every minute counted and he had been away from China almost three weeks.

During the past year, however, in spite of it being a most critical time, trade had been very brisk, especially in the iron, dye stuff and silk lines. Chinese and foreign merchants in China were making fortunes.

Mr. Wong said it was in 1872 that the first Chinese student commissioner had been appointed in the person of a Chinese graduate of Yale, who had been urging the stop upon the government for a number of years. Authority was given him to bring to America 120 boys of 15 years of age, 80 boys a year for four years. These boys were placed in New England homes, two boys in a home, and sent to the grammar schools and later to the colleges. Ten years later, by imperial order, these boys were weeded down to about 70, were recalled, thru conservation in Peking fearing that they might become denationalized.

Scandal Returns. After a month's study in their native cities they had been distributed in the different industries and colleges, and

"I hope your government will have a share in this new educational movement. The results may not be immediate, but you can draw your own conclusions. It would mean a new tie between China and Canada," said Mr. Wong. He was of the opinion that if the C.P.R. had a few students assisting its agent in China much more business might come to Canada. At present he was fighting against odds and the Chinese and Canadians did not understand each other. He hoped that in this way the relations between Canada and China might be made more cordial.

The meeting was well attended. Mr. F. H. Deacon, in the chair, introduced the speaker. President Palmer and many others were present. The meeting was noticed in the large throng of business men.

FOREIGN BOARD MEETS TONIGHT

Presbyterian Delegates Will Be Present From P. E. I. and British Columbia.

WORK UNINTERRUPTED

War and China Uprising Had No Effect on Foreign Missions.

Delegates from as far east as Prince Edward Island and west as British Columbia, have arrived in Toronto for the 30th annual meeting today of the Presbyterian board and western sections of the Presbyterian board of foreign missions. It will convene tonight at Knox College under the joint sponsorship of Pres. Gaudier and of Rev. J. A. Sutherland of Kensington, P.E.I. The board last fall they were convensors of the two boards, east and west.

The reports of the executive will be presented by Rev. J. E. Armstrong, associate general foreign mission secretary.

Returning from Trinidad, Rev. Dr. McKay, general secretary, is returning from an official visit to Trinidad and other foreign mission stations of the Canadian Presbyterian board. He is expected tomorrow night.

The reports show that while the unsettled conditions in the early part of the year, causing a deficit, the work of the board had not been interrupted either in India or Japan by the effects of the war, or China by the revolutionary uprising.

The board will probably be in session for three days, making appointments and preparing the annual estimates for the general assembly at Winnipeg in June.

Dr. John R. Mott of New York and Dr. C. H. Patton, Boston, will conduct a missionary board conference on Thursday.

GEORGE W. PECK DEAD

He Was Author of Famous "Bad Boy" Series.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 17.—Geo. W. Peck, author of "Peck's Bad Boy" series, died at his home here today after a short illness. He was 75 years old.

Peck was best known as the author of the "bad boy" series. He wrote the stories for his own amusement, selling the copyright for a nominal fee. The publishers made a fortune out of them. Peck eventually, however, made a fortune on royalties from his writings.

WILL TELL OF Y.M.C.A. WORK IN TRENCHES OF FLANDERS

Major Gerald W. Birks and Rev. Geo. Adam of London, England, will be in Toronto shortly, and will tell the story of what the Y.M.C.A. is doing at the front. Major Birks, junior partner of the firm of Henry M. Birks and Sons, Montreal, is general supervisor of the work overseas, with headquarters in London, England, and has been giving his whole time to administration and development of this work. He has just returned from an extended visit to the Y.M.C.A. men in the trenches. Rev. Geo. Adam is a powerful speaker, who has been a close friend of Lloyd George, who has long urged him, but unsuccessfully, to enter public life.

LIVING COST STILL ASCENDS

OTTAWA, April 17.—A slight rise in the cost of living is indicated in the March figures of the labor department. The index of wholesale prices advanced from 171.5 to 172.1 in March, 1916. It was 145.4. Retail prices declined slightly. An ordinary budget of staples in March cost \$1.36 as against \$1.40 in February and 7.98 in March a year ago.

DOUMA SESSIONS SUSPENDED

LONDON, April 17.—A Ruter despatch from Petrograd says an imperial decree has been issued providing for the suspension of the sessions of the douma and council of the empire until May 25.

Announcements

Notice of any character relating to future events, the purpose of which is the raising of money, are announced at fifteen cents a line. Announcements for societies, clubs or other organizations of future events, where the purpose is not the raising of money, may be inserted in this column at a rate of five cents a line, with a minimum of fifty cents for each insertion.

WOMEN'S ART ASSOCIATION—Closing

musicals, April 19th, 8:45 p.m. Dr. Edward Broome has arranged programme. Quartette: Miss Winifred Henderson, soprano; Mrs. Mary McLean, alto; Mrs. Snook, Mrs. Clapp and Dr. Snook, contralto; Mr. Jack White, tenor; Arthur R. Brown, baritone, will sing selections from "In a Persian Garden." Tea hostess, Mrs. H. Deebie.

SPECIAL EASTER SERVICE

In order to relieve congestion and prevent overcrowding on regular trains the Grand Trunk Railway System will run the following special trains from Toronto on April 20:

Leave Toronto at 12:30 noon for: Brampton, Georgetown, Guelph, Stratford, St. Mary's, London and intermediate stations.

Leave Toronto at 4:40 p.m. for: Brantford, Paris, Woodstock, Ingersoll, London, Glencoe, Chatham, Windsor, Detroit, also Kankakee, Stratford, St. Mary's, London and intermediate stations.

Passengers will find it advantageous to get to the station early and travel by special train.

Single fare rate good going and returning April 21. Fare and one-third rates are effective on April 21, 22 and 23, valid to return until April 28. Extra coaches will be added on all trains whither reduced fares are in effect.

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Contest Correspondence.

MARY'S VERSATILITY.

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EVERY LITTLE HELPS

Dear Sir: Enclosed please find 24 votes for the star of the movies, Miss Grace Cunard. I was surprised to see in last week's World that Mary Pickford was ahead of me. I thought I had better send in what I had. Miss Cunard was in her proper place and she has been there again if I can help her. My friends and myself all think Miss Cunard is the most attractive actress in the movies, so we'll do all we can to help her.

CLEO, THE CLEVEREST.

Dear Sir: Enclosed please find seven votes for Miss Cleo Madison. I do not understand why her name is not in the list. I am sure she is the cleverest of all motion picture artists. Her ability to change moods and expressions is perhaps the greatest of her many accomplishments, and in which she is far ahead of all modern actors or actresses. Wishing her best success in the face from now on. A Friend.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

To provide a constitution for the Suffragette War Auxiliary a committee consisting of Mrs. Becker, Mrs. W. R. Lang, Mrs. F. Erickson Brown and the president, Mrs. A. B. Ormsby, has been appointed.

THE SATANIC SORCERESS.

Toronto. Motion Picture Editor: Enclosed I have enclosed fifteen coupons in favor of Grace Cunard, and for which I have been selected amongst our friends. My husband's and my own have already been sent in. Seeing in this morning's paper that Mary Pickford is ahead once more, we thought it about time to send in all the votes in favor of Grace Cunard we have obtained to date. We and all our friends think that Grace Cunard is by far the best screen actress, not only in good looks, but in clever acting in every way. Our sympathies are extended to the Danforth Avenue "fan," who has never yet seen or heard of "this Cunard girl," as they call her. We sincerely hope that her or she may soon have the pleasure of viewing her on the pictures, as we feel sure that she will realize what they have hitherto.

SOME KID.

Toronto. Dear Editor: I am enclosing a letter for Mary Pickford from my little brother. He is just ten years old, but has ideas of his own. He says "Geo," but she's some kid, and I hope she wins." Personally, I also hope she wins. K.D.M., per Jackie.

STENOGRAPHER'S CHOICE.

Toronto. Motion Picture Editor: Enclosed please find some votes for Cleo Madison. I like

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