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PRESBYTERIANS TO COMPROMISE ON TRIANGULAR UNION?

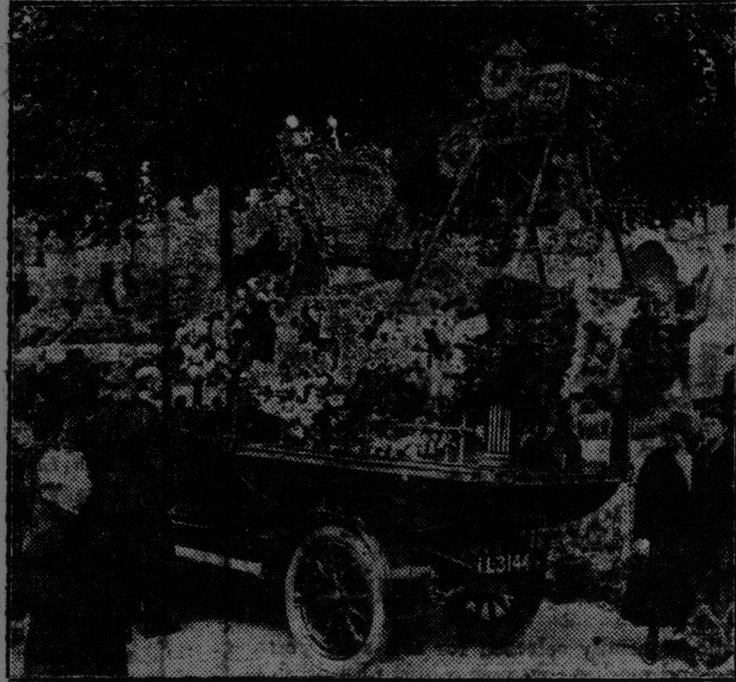
(Canadian Press Despatch)
Toronto, June 6.—An indication that an attempt will be made to unite the Presbyterian general assembly on a middle ground between immediate organic union with the Methodist and Congregational churches, and indefinite delay, was supplied when the debate on church union was resumed this afternoon. At present there are just two motions, sent on by the special union committee, before the assembly: one calling for consummation of union as "expeditiously as possible" and an amendment providing that no further action be taken without a "clear and unmistakable mandate from the people." The committee recommended that the assembly be asked to register its mind by voting on these two resolutions and by motion carried last Friday the assembly agreed to follow that course. Immediately after the opening this afternoon, the moderator was asked whether he would accept another amendment and he replied that the vote of the assembly on the two resolutions already before them would be regarded as decisive and final.

Commissioners questioned the justice of this ruling and Sir Robert Falconer, convener of the committee, was asked to explain the purpose of the special committee. Sir Robert said it had been the desire of the committee to avoid having the issue bedeviled by amendments which might be sprung on the spur of the moment from the floor of the assembly, but he thought it would lie with the assembly to say whether it would receive any more amendments.

Pensions for Clergy.
The general assembly took up this morning consideration of the question of adequate pensions for aged ministers of the church and the widows of ministers. A resolution was adopted by the assembly of 1918 to the effect that ministers on attaining the age of seventy after having given at least forty years of service to the church should be paid a retiring allowance of \$1,000 and that an annuity of \$500 should be paid to ministers' widows.

A special committee was appointed to work out a scheme for meeting this obligation. Many meetings have been held by the committee and actuaries have been consulted with the result that an interim report was laid before the

FUNERAL OF THE INVENTOR OF "MOVIES."



The funeral of Friese Green, in England. Mr. Green was the inventor of the cinematograph. The picture shows a moving picture projector and a miniature screen, with "The End" shown on the screen. It was entirely worked in flowers.

assembly this morning recommending the following method of raising the required \$400,000 to meet pensions and annuity calls:

Assessment of 5 per cent on stipend paid by congregations or on salaries paid by assembly or its boards, \$122,000.
Interest on present endowment of five per cent, say \$100,000.
Amount from annual budget, \$68,098.
Total, \$290,100.

The sum will provide pensions of \$750 for ministers and annuity of \$375 for widows and to bring the figures up to \$1,000 and \$500 respectively, ministers during their period of service will be required to purchase an additional annuity of \$250 for ministers and \$125 for widows.

Anglican Offer.

London, Ont., June 6.—Church union is not a hopeless cause, and will only be achieved by committees of the denominations getting together, and discussing obstacles to be confronted, was the opinion of Rev. S. Dwight Chown, D.D., LL.D., general superintendent of the Methodist church in Canada, who addressed the London Methodist conference ministerial session here today.

"I have received a letter from the primate of Canada, saying that the general synod of the Church of England will meet in October next," he declared, "and would appoint a committee to enter into conversation with other churches regarding a more inclusive union and hoped by that time our church would have a committee. In the letter he said he wished to assure me that the House of bishops had no desire to interfere with the Methodist church or any other in regard to the union."

NO CUT FOR CAR MEN IN MONTREAL

Montreal, June 6.—The Montreal Tramways Company and their employees' union have reached an agreement in the question of wages. Some time ago the company notified its employees that it could not consider renewing the contract at present existing for another year without making a reduction in the wage scale.

However, it was announced today that the company would not reduce wages at present and that if such a reduction became imperative, it would give the men thirty days' notice.

FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR WEDDING

The fifty-seventh anniversary of the marriage of Alexander Willis and his wife, Hannah Lavin Lawson Willis, was celebrated at Golden Grove on Saturday, June 4. Mr. Willis is the son of the late James Willis, of Edinburgh, Scotland, and his wife was the daughter of the late Albert Lawson of the English Settlement, Queens county (N. B.). Mr. Willis is a manufacturer of woolen yarns, also cloth and blankets and has been in the woolen business since he was twelve years of age. He served his time in the Lewiston Falls Woolen Mills, Lewiston (Me.), with Senator William P. Frye's father, John M. Frye, and he received a

recommendation from Mr. Frye dated March 4, 1863. Mr. and Mrs. Willis were married by Rev. McMillan Nickerson, of the Exmouth street church, on June 4, 1864. They had four sons, who were brought up in the woolen business and one daughter, Mrs. Howard Hammond, of Woodstock. Mr. Willis now also conducts a small grocery store and the post office at Golden Grove. He is eighty-two years of age and his wife seventy-nine years.

SKIRTS TOO SHORT
Milwaukee, June 6.—Following the example of the Brown University paper the Daily Cardinal, a student publication of Wisconsin University, denounces display of co-ed's arms and legs, and bare shoulders and backs. The "shockingly abbreviated" skirts that have appeared on the campus are sternly condemned.

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MUTT AND JEFF—JEFF LEARNS SOMETHING ABOUT HIS NEW JOB WITH DEMPSEY

By "BUD" FISHER

