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Children's Aid Society

Annual Meeting on Tuesday Evening Well Attended and Interesting

The annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society of Kings County, held at the Council Chamber on Tuesday evening, was well attended and passed off most successfully.

Interest in the organization seems to be growing year by year as the work being done becomes more generally understood and appreciated. At the meeting on Tuesday evening there was a number present from out of town but not so many as should have been considering the fact that the operations of the Society are county wide.

After the reading and passing of the minutes of the last annual and special meetings, the president briefly reviewed the work of the past year, during which much has been done to improve conditions among the needy children of the county.

The report of the secretary-treasurer showed that during the year many sections of the county had contributed generously to the funds of the society, and after paying all expences there was a small balance on hand.

Mr. H. Stairs, the energetic and zealous agent, gave a report of his work which was listened to with close attention by those present. The excellent service which Mr. Stairs is rendering the county was spoken of in appreciative terms by a number of the members and a committee was appointed to wait upon the Municipal Council at its next meeting and ask that a suitable salary be paid him in place of the pittance he now receives.

The officers for the past year were reelected with the addition of Mrs. A. H. Patterson as vice-president for Hortonville and Grand Pre.

A committee of ladies was appointed to provide articles of clothing for the children at the detention homes.

Prof. McPhee, of the department of psychology at Acadia, who called upon gave an interesting address along the line of the work of the Children's Aid Society and promised his assistance in any way possible during the coming year.

Considerable discussion took place concerning the need of a home for the mental and moral defective portion of our population and it was decided to get in communication with any organization having the work in hand with the purpose of urging the government to provide such an institution in Nova Scotia.

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After deliverance, both alike requited;
Our God forgotten, and our soldiers slighted.

School Board Meeting

At the regular meeting of the School Commissioners, Monday evening, Nov. 1, Prof. McPhee, of the Universith addressed the Board on the subject "Mental Survey of School Children as an Aid to a Rational Classification for Educational Purposes".

As the topic has in recent years been receiving the close attention of leading educators, the address was much appreciated by the Board.

Principal Ford presented his report of attendance.

The following letter from Inspector Robinson, was read and is under consideration by the Board:

Wolfville, Nov. 1st, 1920.

H. Y. Bishop, Esq.,
Secretary School Board,
Wolfville, N. S.

Dear Sir:—I am required to report to the Education Office violations of the School Law, or any conditions which fail to meet the requirements of the Law.

I wish to point out that your school violates the regulation concerning overcrowding. The Law places the extreme maximum number of pupils for one teacher at fifty pupils. You have four rooms in which the registration exceeds that number.

The registration in the primary room is eighty-seven, and with the normal number entering in the Spring, it will exceed one hundred. It is true that this department has two half day sessions, but this condition is not recognized in the Law. It has been found that pupils who have two short sessions each day—morning and afternoon—do better than those who attend the morning only. Such half-day schools are carried on in some cities where, owing to a sudden increase in the number of pupils, there is not sufficient accomodation. When the Education Office agreed to this half-day school in Wolfville, it was to tide over an emergency, and was not intended to be permanent.

I would point out further that at least twenty-five per cent. of the pupils in the primary room are ever six years old. If any of these fail to grade at the end of the year it will be a serious matter, and the Board will be open to censure in not providing a full day's school for these pupils, as the Law requires.

A strict enforcement of the Law would deprive your town of its grants.

Please bring this to the notice of the Board, and kindly let me know what action the Board proposes to take in this matter.

Yours truly,
E. ROBINSON.

The strike of the British coal miners came to an end on Wednesday and the work was immediately resumed.

I. O. D. E.

The Sir Robert Borden Chapter, I. O. D. E. held its quarterly meeting in the Town Hall, November 2nd. The forty members present will remember this meeting as one of the most interesting and instructive ever held by the society. For in addition to the regular routine of business, which emphasizes the local interests and alms of a Primary Chapter, we were given a breadth of vision of the greatness of the Order with which we are affiliated and an insight into the aftermath of the Great War and the price paid by the people of Eastern Europe. A sacrifice of life and home almost beyond description and incomparable with conditions in this fair land of Canada.

In the regular business the Treasurer reported a balance on hand Sept. 15th of $216.38; Receipts to date $95.25; expenditures $234.70; Balance on hand Nov. 2nd $76.93.

Miss Cowie was received from a Halifax Chapter and Mrs. F. Primrose, Mrs. A. J. Brady, Mrs. L. E. Shaw, Mrs. G. R. Anderson and Mrs. R. A. Jodrey as new members. Mrs. W. H. Chase and Mrs. Haliburton Moore were welcomed as Life Members. These ladies with Mrs. Mary Black and Mrs. Dennis of Kentville form a loyal group and it was suggested that other members consider this as a means of assisting the Chapter.

In response to the appeal for the Children's Aid Society, twenty-five dollars was voted to show appreciation of the importance of the work carried on by the kindred society.

The members were reminded of the National disapproval of the Hearst publications.

The presentation of the flags to the public schools will be a part of the morning program on Armistice Day. The Educational Committee assisted by a number of the members will carry out this work.

The Chapter is holding a series of social teas with an admission of twenty-five cents to secure funds for school purposes. Mrs. C. S. Fitch will be the hostess on Saturday, November 6th, at 4 p.m. All are cordially invited.

The Chapter has had the privilege of placing before the War Memorial Committee the application of Mr. C. B. Lumsden of Acadia University, for a Provincial Overseas Scholarship. Mr. Lumsden will compete for one of the four scholarships to be awarded next year for the Dominion.

The Regent represented the Chapter at the Provincial Convention held in Halifax, October 22, and gave a pleasing report of this important conference. In her synopsis of the speeches of the National Officers, she endeavored to bring to us a realization of the work already accomplished by the Order and the wonderful possibilities of the future, if in united service, Primary, Provincial, and National Chapters fulfil the aims, ideals and tasks placed before these organizations. A warm tribute was also paid to the hospitality and delightful entertainment provided by the Halifax ladies. The Chapter learned with satisfaction that the Regent, Mrs. Haliburton Moore, was by ballot elected as a Councillor of the Provincial Chapter and as Organizing Secretary for the Province.

Miss Gladys Vaughan, a guest of honor, held the intense interest of the members throughout an inspiring and instructive address in which she outlined clearly and comprehensively the work of the American Red Cross in Poland in which she has spent the past year. This work consisted largely in the relief of the war stricken districts by the distribution of food and clothing, the restoration to health, through care in hospitals staffed by American Red Cross nurses and doctors, and to the soldiers of Poland and help in devising a constructive program for the welfare of this new nation. Miss Vaughan spoke particularly of the work for the children as being productive of the most lasting

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Acadia Defeats U.N.B.

Looks Like Championship for Acadia

Acadia eliminated U. N. B. from football championship chances this season by winning Wednesday's game at Fredericton by two tries to one, the final score being 6 to 3. It was a ragged, loosely played game with but little good football

Despite the heavy rain of the night before and early in the day the field was dry and weather conditions were ideal. Dr. H. E. Bigelow of Mt. Allison University, acted as referee.

The U. N. B. division made themselves prominent by wild passes and fumbling. Their opponents were snappier and quicker to get away with the ball and few wild passes were noticed in their play. Cain and Trimble were the prominent players in the U. N. B. half line and at the same time they committed the majority of the offences which killed scoring chances. Porter and Clark were the stars of Acadia's back division and scored their tries.

The U. N. B. forwards were outweighed by their opponents and at times were pushed clean over the ball. Captain Saunders was noticable the best player among the army men on the field his following up and aggressive playing saving the U. N. B. team from being scored against several times. Penalties kicks were plentiful, some fifteen being awarded in all. Of these Acadia had seven while U. N. B. took eight, attempting goals on three of them. Two of the chances were easy, an accurate kicker could thus have won for U. N. B.

The Acadia students celebrated the victory by a pyjama parade Wednesday evening. Lead by the College band they marched through the streets of the town and serenaded the members of the faculty.

When the football team returned Thursday afternoon they were met at the railway station by the whole student body who gave them a royal welcome. The members of the team were placed in decorated carriages and hauled through the streets by their fellow students. The procession was headed by the band which furnished excellent music.

Splendid Recital

Given by Conservatory Faculty

A large and appreciative audience attended the recital given in College Hall last Friday evening by the following members of the Acadia Conservatory of Music and Fine Arts: Mr. Frank Marsh, Jr., pianist; Miss Pauline Tougtjee Nelson, violiniste; Miss E. Marie Underhill, soprano; Miss Florence A. Holt, reader; and Miss Ruth C. Van der Pyl, accompaniste. All the numbers on the program were much enjoyed and loudly encored.

Miss Nelson is a talented violiniste and her playing is always enjoyed. This was Miss Underhill's first appearance before a Wolfville audience and her two groups of songs ahowed that she possesses a voice of great strength and remarkable range. Miss Holt, another new comer thoroughly captivated the audience. Mr. Marsh's selections on the piano were much enjoyed but the audience found them far too short. As an accompanist Miss Van der Pyl left nothing to be desired, and her work in that respect added greatly to the success of the recital The program was as follows.:

Violin Soli:
(a) Berceuse.....Tschetschulin.....
(b) Oriental.....Cesar Cui.....
(c) Serenade.....Prerne.....
Miss Pauline Tourjee Nelson
Miss Van der Pyl at the piano

Vocal Soli:
(a) Friend O' Mine....Sanderson....
(b) The Stars.....Phillips.....
Miss E. Marie Underhill
Miss Van der Pyl at the piano

Reading:
"Happinees".....J. Hartley Manners..
Miss Florence A. Holt

Vocal Soli:
(a) Chanson indue..Rimsyk-Korsakow
(b) One fine Day (Madam Butterfly).....Puccini
Miss Underhill
Miss Van der Pyl at the piano

Piano Soli:
(a) Nachstuck.....Schumann.....
(b) Prelude, op., no. 2....Rachmaninoff
(c) Valcik.....Mokjres.....
Mr. Frank E. Marsh, Jr.

God Save the King

The Hallowe'en festivities on the part of the "small boy" included more evidence of vandalism than it is pleasant to witness. Everybody enjoys a joke, but when private or public property is needlessly destroyed the act ceases to be a joke. Some of Saturday night's doings were doubtless due to thoughtlessness on the part of the perpetrators, but nevertheless very much to be regretted.

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