OVER 1,000 ATTEND OPENING SESSION OF FORWARD MOVEMENT

Spiritual Note Dominant At First Meeting of Convention —Delegates From All Western Ontario Present—Bishop Farthing of Montreal and Rev. John MacNeill of Toronto Speak.

(By Isabel C. Armstrong.)

No church in the city would have been large enough to accommodate the great gathering which assembled in the armories last evening for the opening of the London convention of the United National campaign of the Inter-Church Forward Movement.

Approximately 1,000 delegates, Anglican, Baptist, Congregationalist, Methodist and Presbyterian, had arrived in the city from all over Western Ontario, west of a line drawn from Port Dover to Collingwood, and, in addition, hundreds upon hundreds of citizens were present who have been deeply interested in the past two weeks in the Gipsy Smith mission.

Echo Gipsy Smith.

The hymns sung were those of the Gipsy Smith mission, which concluded the previous night; the same choir was in its place, conducted on this occasion by Rev. G. G. Warner, with Clarence E. Gilmour at the piano, and the message delivered was the message of the stirring two weeks of the mission, brought forward to be crystallized in the forward movement. "The one need of the world is the healing and brotherhood of the cross of Jesus Christ."

The spiritual note of the forward movement campaign was insistently sounded by all three speakers, Mayor C. R. Somerville, who performed the duties of chairman, His Lordship Bishop Farthing of Montreal, and Rev. John MacNeill, D.D., of Toronto.

Has the idea gone abroad that the inter-church forward movement is a movement largely for the purpose of realizing vast financial objectives?

Gave Emphatic Negation.

Bishop Farthing gave emphatic negation to this in his statement. "Though I would like to see a church free from the carking cares of poverty, a rich church is not my ideal. A church might pile up millions, yet be impotent to save a soul. Mere money will never save a soul. Don't get materialistic ideas into your soul. The powerful church is the church in which people's souls are on fire with love to God, whose lives are consecrated to Christ, and whose daily lives are the expression of their love to Christ, and their fellowmen.

"When people give themselves, there is no fear that the money will flow in the direction of their hearts' interest. If the church makes consecration of its service and work, there is no fear for the great Dominion and its influence in the world. In the name of Christ let us renew our consecration to Him and to His service."

Raising the Question.

Rev. John MacNeill, raising the question, "What forward movement of the church will carry this movement forward?" And he answered it thus: "A movement that will lead to a deep, humble and profound repentance. I don't believe in the power of a church until it is on its knees. We talk of calls to national repentance and corporate confession. In the last analysis, confession and repentance must be in the individual heart of the individual citizen.

"I don't anticipate that men will be swept into the kingdom of Christ in a mechanical way, but through the service of personel testimony to the love and grace of Jesus Christ. We must catch as individuals the great shepherd spirit that left the ninety-and-nine that were safe, and went out after the one lost sheep; we need the great revival of personal witness to bear to men; WE ARE ASKING NOT SO MUCH MONEY, IF THE FORWARD MOVEMENT GETS YOU, IT WILL GET MONEY. The forward movement wants the great consecration of ourselves."

Practical Christianity.

In addition to exercise of a practical Christianity, emphasis was laid by speakers upon the supreme importance of exercise of a militant Christianity, vitally carrying on of the warefare against the enemies of Christ and righteousness, out of the trenches, over the top, to the attack.

Calling attention to the dauntless faith of the men who fought and suffered and died in the great war in the ultimate triumph of right and inevitable victory, Mayor Somerville declared that it is in the spirit of conquest that the church alliance must carry forward the great movement which had its birth in the war.

Opening his address on "Ideals Before Us in the Forward Movement," Bishop Farthing referred to the fact that he was back in familiar environment, greeted by familiar faces, in the Diocese of Huron, in which he was ordained, and from which he went to Montreal. An apostolic precedent, he declared, something dear to the Anglican heart, was to be found for a church forward movement. Paul was the first Christian organizer of a campaign fund, on behalf of the poor Christians in Jerusalem. He had an objective, and he wrote campaign literature, as contained in the eighth and ninth chapters of the second epistle to the Corinthians. Further, his campaign literature preceded the canvassers.

Facing Biggest Crisis.

"The church today," he continued, "is facing the biggest crisis in centuries, and undertaking in meeting this crisis the greatest task before her since apostolic times.

"We have this tremendous task. We must put the objective in view." He referred to the tremendous unrest of the world, commercial, social, industrial, political, personal, and in religious life. Everything is in a state of flux, and the possibility apparently hopeless of grasping enough truth to hold up. What is the hope of the world in this unrest?

"The message of the church of God comes to us," he declared, "to be taken into our manhood, and to lift our manhood into fellowship with the divine through His incarnate Son, Jesus. No other message can save the world."

Reconciliation and establishment of brotherhood between opposing nations, he added, can only be brought about in the same way as between contending classes of society, by bringing about the recognition of a brotherhood of life.

Life Makes Brother.

"The life, not interests, makes the brother," he said. "The origin of life is in the fulness of the Godhead, in the man Christ Jesus, in whom all are united.

"Lodges, trade organizations, unions of employees or employers, of farmers, soldiers, laborers have established a limited brotherhood. Jesus came to establish a brotherhood of life.

"When Jesus came to establish this brotherhood, the message He gave was love, the essence of life.

"Love imprisoned in man is the lowest kind of selfishness. Love imprisoned in a class, limited to a class, is selfishness. The Christ message is to the employer, employee, farmer, soldier, feminist that all are united in the family of God, in one life in Christ, that all are one man in Christ Jesus."

Second Ideal of Move.

The second ideal of the forward movement to which attention was drawn was that of making Christ the ruling, recognized sovereign of life.

"All of us are to a certain extent humbugs," he continued. "What we want is practicing Christians. I hold a faith, but it is no use to hold it unless I put it into practice every day of my life.

"The church of today comes to politics, international relations, social, commercial relations, individual life to brings them under the sway of Christ Jesus.

"This means that the businessman must be Christ's man, even on the stock exchange; that the man in the Legislature must not be the slave of partisan committee to get fat jobs and soft snaps for those who put him there, but as Christ's man, there with a solemn trust and sacred obligations. It means that the Christ man is needed in municipal life in commerce, social life, diplomacy. The Christian religion must prove itself by practicing in the world.

Banish From Politics.

"If you banish Christ from politics, they are corrupt; if you banish Christ from social life, you have a decaying mass of humanity, corrupted by sin, imperilling the health and life of the nation. If you banish Christ from the schools and you have done this, you are allowed to say the Lord's Prayer by the grace of parliament. But you can't teach Jesus beyond the limits of what everyone holds, and what is that worth? What good has this done? Juvenile crime is on the increase. How cope with it? Bring Christ to bear on the embryo manhood and womanhood of the country.

"The big task of the church is to bring all under the reign of Jesus.

"The church must be true to the truth as well as to the person of Jesus. It must consecrate itself whole-heartedly to carry out its mission to the world."

Spiritual Imperative.

Delivering an eloquent address on "The Spiritual Imperative of the Hour," Rev. John MacNeill referred to the tendency of each decade to regard its own as the most significant of history. "I do not think," he said, "we have magnified the importance of the crisis of the present, the danger of the hour in the sense of the future of Christianity and civilization. The future depends upon the behavior of the people of God in the next few months and years, not only for the life of this land, but for the whole world. The challenges of the hour shape in several directions."

The first challenge dealt with was that of the great body of young life awakened to a sense of idealism, uplifted to a mighty and glorious chivalry in the last five years of history.

Mr. MacNeill had two years at the front as a chaplain, knew the mud, blood, suffering, the ever-recurring task of returning to the line. The men must have had glorified visions of home, love, truth, God and brotherhood, else how were they sustained? The problem arising from these conditions, he stated, is that of harnessing the spirit of knight errantry and sending men out on tasks of peace and Christ, even as they dedicated themselves to the task of war over in France.

Allowed to Lapse.

"If this idealism is allowed to lapse," he declared, "it will be an unpardonable crime at the door of the church of Jesus."

In the second place, said the speaker, it is imperative to vindicate the principles of Jesus in peace, as they were vindicated in the war.

Had Christianity been discredited in the war? In the midst of the crash of human institutions, the gospel of the Son of God and all involved stood unshaken. So far as the day of the crucifix being over, it had only well begun, its potency, power and practical value were only being understood.

Lloyd George was quoted in the statement, "The one need of England and France is the healing and brotherhood of the cross of Christ, and with this, the significant statement contained in an editorial in a prominent American trade publication, "We need a revival of religion to make every man and woman strive in every act of life to do as they would do on the great judgment day, as if their souls stood uncovered before the judgment seat of God."

"What we need," said Mr. MacNeill, "is the mighty power of a great spiritual dynamic.

"Every great cataclysm of history has been attended by some great spiritual awakening and movement."

Such a movement, Mr. MacNeill believed, had not yet taken place after the war, but it is coming, he prophesied, warning of the necessity of being prepared to take part in it.

"Every man, woman, boy or girl," he said, "should hold himself or herself in readiness to be a channel through which God might fulfill his purpose."

Morning Session.

The morning session of the convention opens at 9:15 in the Armories with a service of intercession, in charge of Rev. W. E. Peacott. This will be followed by an address by Bishop Williams on "The United National Campaign," a presentation and discussion of plans and progress of the forward movement in the convention area, led by Rev. J. H. Arnup, and an address, "The Call From India," by a returned missionary, Rev. A. A. Scott of Central India.

The Baptist denominational conference for the afternoon has been withdrawn, and the hours of the Presbyterian conference to be held in the First Presbyterian Church, and Methodist, in the First Methodist Church, are changed to 1:30 o'clock. According to schedule, the Anglican conference will take place at 3 o'clock in Cronyn Hall.

This evening in the Armories, the speakers will be Rev. Hugh Pedley, D. D., Rev. Principal Gandier, and J. H. Gundy. Bishop Williams will preside.

STUDENTS TO HAVE CAFETERIA; MOTORS TO GIVE TRANSPORT

Plans Made in Connection With New Building.

In the erection of the new university buildings a cafeteria for the use of students and faculty, where they may secure noon luncheon at cost, will be an interesting and useful feature. In the plans that are being drawn for the main building full provision is being made for the cafeteria which it is expected will prove very popular.

The fact that the university site is some distance from the centre of the city, and that afternoon classes follow closely on those of the morning with a majority of students, makes it necessary that they should be able to get their luncheon in the building. It is quite possible that the cafeteria will also solve the dining-room problem for the first of the dormitories that are built.

To solve the transportation problem it is quite likely that a motor bus, with regular service, will be inaugurated. As there is a pavement most of the way, and a good road will be built for the rest of the way, quick service will be possible between down town and the university. Later on it is quite possible, of course, that the street car line will extend to the university grounds. With four or five hundred students in attendance there would be considerable business at certain hours at least.

MELBA ON THE VICTROLA.

Like all the great singers of the world, Melba, the beloved of three continents, an Australian by birth, makes records for the Victor Victrola only. Among the long list of productions of this great diva obtainable in the Victrola Parlors of Ye Olde Firme of Heintzman & Co., Limited, 242 Dundas street, London, are the following: Annie Laurie, Believe Me If All Those Endearing Charms, Boheme, Lo, Here the Gentle Lark.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE SHOWS BIG INCREASE

Diphtheria Unwelcome Visitor in Several Districts.

Increased attendances in all the city schools were reported at the meeting of the board of education Tuesday.

Public School Inspector C. B. Edwards reported as follows:

Public School—1919, roll 7,134, average 6,475; 1918, roll 6,987, average 5,991; increase, roll 147, average 484.

Kindergarten—1919, roll 748, average 579; 1918, roll 648, average 450; increase, roll 95, average 129.

Kindergarten Primary—1919, roll 212, average 178; 1918, roll 211, average 168; increase, roll 1, average 10.

Total—1919, roll, 8,089, average 7,232; 1918, roll 7,846, average 6,609; increase, roll 243, average 623.

The enrollment in the manual training and household science classes for November was 902 and 954, respectively, and the average attendance was 832 and 866.

The supervisor of school nurses in her report for November stated that during the month there have been cases of diphtheria in the Ealing, Empress, Rectory and Riverview schools; mumps in Empress, Talbot, Victoria, and Wortley schools, and whooping-cough in St. George's and Tecumseh. All are immediately reported to the medical officer of health through the Institute of Public Health, and the result of the doctor's visit and examination of suspected cases is supposed to be immediately communicated to the principal concerned.

The total operations at the central clinic, conducted by Dr. S. A. Moore, were 260. Treatments at Ealing and Lord Roberts schools 309, and at Aberdeen, by Dr. Moore, 201.

The supervisor of music reported 133 lessons taught and 1 observed; total, 134.

The supervisor of art reported 99 lessons taught and 25 observed; total, 135.

Miss Mulveney also reported that she is making a list of lantern slides for use in schools having a lantern. These include examples of famous pictures and styles of the best architecture.

The supervisor of kindergartens reported that during November she visited ten classes.

Principal W. H. T. Mooney of the Collegiate Institute reported attendance as follows:

General Course—1919, roll 898, average 859; 1918, roll 836, average 782.

Commercial Course—1919, roll 229, average 218; 1918, roll 216, average 205.

Total—1919, roll 1,127, average 1,077; 1918, roll 1,052, average 987.

Evening Classes—1919, roll, 97, average 67; 1918, roll 91, average 74.

There is an average increase of 90.

During the month of November at the Technical School there were 140 pupils enrolled in the day classes, with an average daily attendance of 125. The average attendance at the evening and special classes was 306.

Government grants for technical education amounting to $30,899 have been received.

The pupils of the school have built seven woodworking lathes in the machine shop class this year.

The fall term for day and evening classess closes on Friday, December 19th.

PROTESTS AGAINST WAY TEACHER HAS TREATED HIS CHILD

Businessman Writes to Board of Education.

RIDICULED HER WRITING

And Threatened Whipping If Improvement Was Not Soon Apparent.

An indignant protest against the manner in which his little girl had been treated at school was received by the board of education at its meeting Tuesday from a businessman. It was referred to No. 1 committee.

He alleged that a sample of his little girl's writing had been held up and ridiculed before her whole class by her teacher in Victoria School. The child came home crying and her father immediately telephoned the principal of the school. The principal apparently made an investigation, the father said, because the teacher in the afternoon gave the class a lecture on carrying tales to their homes, and particularly warned his girl, he said. The child was also threatened with a whipping if her writing did not improve, he claimed.

The father said the girl had done her best, and that her writing could not be improved without special help from the teacher. Writing was not an important subject anyway, he claimed.

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IMPORTANT GIFTS TO THE UNIVERSITY

Geological Specimens and Fossils Are Donated.

Important gifts which have just been received by the geology department of Western University have laid the foundation for the geological museum which will be a feature in the new buildings to be erected. Col. E. Seaborn has just presented to the university the large collection of geological and palaeontological specimens that was formed by his father, numbering several thousand specimens. This collection is now being arranged by Professor Perkins, head of the department, and will be put to immediate use with classes.

Fossils, Too.

A second important gift has come from E. T. Cox of Toronto, who has presented his entire collection of fossils to Western. Mr. Fox's collection is largely of specimens from the Indiana limestone belt, and includes a small meteorite. It is being prepared for shipment, and will be in London at an early date.

Professor Perkins, immediately after coming to London this fall, got in touch with all the more important mines in Northern Ontario, and has received from them a large collection of fine specimens of their ores. The responses to his letters were in all cases favorable, and have added largely to the resources of the department.

Gather Local Specimens.

As soon as spring comes the geology classes will be taken on excursions in this district, which will result in large numbers of interesting specimens being secured which will illustrate the geology of Western Ontario.

"The gifts we have received from Col. Seaborn and Mr. Fox are just what we needed," Professor Perkins stated to The Advertiser. "We now have the foundation for a working collection, and I anticipate that within a year we will be well provided with specimens for ordinary use. From then on we will build for the future."

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SCHOOL REPORTS

S. S. NO. 23.

The report of School Section No. 23 for November follows:

Class V.—Enid Berry, 80 per cent.

Class IV.—Alex. Riddell, 74 per cent; Vivian Berry, 71; Earl Wilkins, 66; Norman Marr, 60; Gladys Campbell, 59; Dorris Bartlett, 58; John Spindler, 35; Lorena Haldane (absent).

Senior III.—Ethel Marr, 63 per cent; Russell Wilkins, 62.

Junior III.—Jamie Murray, 73 per cent; Grace Marr, 67.

Senior II.—Wm. Pitt, 61 per cent; Murray Johnston, 60; Chester Shaver, 57; Stanley Milson, 56.

Junior II.—Hilda Bartlett, 88 per cent; Arthur Spindler, 49; Martin Wilkins, 25.

Junior I.—Wilma Haldane, 50 per cent; Russell Marr, 81; Ruth Shaver, 80; Mary Murray, 77; Eva Pitt, 70; Willie Berry (absent).

Primer (A)—Charlie Spindler, Lillian Kilforjle, Georgina Pitt.

Primer (B)—Dorothy Shaver.

G. Fowler, teacher.

AUTOMOBILE DAMAGED.

An automobile driven by William Gough of the People's Loan & Savings Company, was slightly damaged at Queen's avenue and Clarence street on Tuesday evening, when Mr. Gough turned towards the sidewalk to avoid being hit by another machine. His own machine skidded and one wheel was broken off when it collided with the curb. Mr. Gough was going west and turned to avoid hitting a machine turning from Clarence street.

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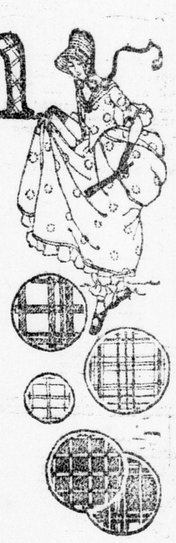

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