

GOD A GOOD PROVIDER: DISTRIBUTION IS REMARKABLY POOR

Forum Speaker Would Have City Ownership of Groceries and Abolish 75 Per Cent of the Stores

That the city should take over the grocery stores of the city, cut out 75 per cent of them and operate the rest on the basis of no profit above running expenses, was the suggestion put forth by Rev. A. Mahaffy at the Forum yesterday afternoon.

The speaker, being a preacher, took for his text, "Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread." He thought the prayer had been bountifully answered by the good God. But the distribution had not been very satisfactory. He wished to suggest a plan for the better distribution of our daily needs. The idea originated with the Consumers' league, but the details were worked out by the speaker.

The municipality should take a masterful hand in not only the distribution, but also the production of food. He believed the high cost of living was not due to the farmer.

He would have municipal ownership extended to the necessities of life. The community has a perfect right, he claimed, to arrange, in any way it wishes, to supply its needs. The fundamental necessities of life should not be allowed to get beyond its control.

Economy and efficiency in all the practical affairs of life has been accomplished by combination and organization.

He would include all the staple articles of food first, such as flour, cereals, bread, eggs, butter, milk, sugar, vegetables, fish, fruit, tea and coffee. If we had enough of these articles at a fair cost, we should be fairly well off.

They could be obtained either by purchase or production. He would advocate both.

The municipality's advantage. The municipality would have an immense advantage over the small dealer in that it could purchase in large quantities, and when the goods were cheap, whereas the small dealer had to

buy in small quantities. The city council might use the present market as a storehouse.

By utilizing the garbage the city might feed a large drove on hogs cheap and thus produce its own pork. These could be kept on the outskirts, and the street railway thus be made to pay.

If the millers continue to hold up the price, something should be done to manufacture flour. Vegetables could be raised on the vacant land, and a civic henry might be established. The milk business he would leave to the dealers except he favored establishing distributing depots where milk might be had on tap for less money. A system of stores or depots might be arranged. At present there are 100 grocery stores in Calgary. He thought 25 would be sufficient and claimed that the citizens might have the cost of the upkeep of the extra 75 stores taken from the price of their goods. Each one of the stores has overhead expenses. The city market is not properly equipped. You cannot order by phone, and you have to pay too much for the delivery of the goods. He thought that one milk rig could deliver all the milk that is now delivered by four rigs. Goods would only be sold for cash, and thus a great deal of loss avoided. The scheme could be financed without difficulty. It might mean that certain small dealers would be driven out of business, but the people do not exist for the business, but the business for the people.

The present municipal plan of ownership might not be perfect, but he was confident that under private ownership, light, water and street car fare would cost more.

He did not know much about the co-operative stores as run in the old country, but he thought that municipal ownership would be better.

The Buy and Carry System. One speaker suggested the buy and carry method would produce a saving. Another thought the remedy lay in free trade. Mr. Potts wanted to know what the speaker thought of the operation of the stall in the public market. The speaker answered that the plan was very foolish, that they were trying to serve the public and please the merchants. The questioner replied that it seemed like more trying to please the merchants than serving the public.

Another speaker suggested that Mr. Mahaffy run for the mayoralty on this platform, and Mr. Mahaffy replied he would consider the suggestion.

The opinion of the other speakers was that the only cure for the high cost of living was to sell goods without profit, and without duplication of effort. The postal system was cited as a model.

Mr. Wallace, who closed the discussion, suggested the prayer, "Give us this day our daily bread," was addressed to our Heavenly Father, but he would suggest that in many cases the name of the person addressed would have to be changed. It might be that in the case of meat our father would be P. Burns, in the case of bacon a certain part, in that of flour the millers, etc.

J. D. Hunt, clerk of the municipal law committee of the legislature, will address the Forum next Sunday.

THE VITAL STATISTICS
The natural increase in Calgary for the month of September was low compared to August. The vital statistics show 159 births, and 65 deaths, compared to 175 births and 44 deaths in August. Dan Cupitt recorded 31 marriages in September and 65 marriages in August.

A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR
Owing to a typographical error in the advertisement of the No-Glare Lens Co. in our issue of Saturday, September 29, the price was shown as \$2.00 per pair. This should have been \$2.50 per pair.

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Among those recently decorated by the King was Capt. Campbell, D.S.O., M.C., with bar, whose many feats include the bombing of a German troop train and an enemy airplane. The photograph shows Capt. Campbell who is in the Royal Flying Corps, leaving Buckingham Palace after being decorated—London Daily Mirror photo.



PETITION ENTERED TO VOID ELECTION OF DR. STANLEY

Charges of Corruption; Petitioner Also Asks for the Disqualification of Sitting Member

A new set of "Stanley charges" have been brought to light. But there in this difference this time, the charges are made against Dr. Stanley, instead of by him.

On Saturday, at 1 p.m., a petition was filed by N. G. McLaren, an elector of the High River district, praying that the election of Dr. Gen. D. Stanley, member-elect for the provincial legislature, be voided on the grounds that his election was secured by bribery on the part of himself and his agents.

Mr. McLaren, the complainant, in an old timer in the High River district. G. A. Turner, of Calgary, is acting for Mr. McLaren. The case will probably be tried in the latter part of October of the latter part of September.

The document which was filed with the clerk of the supreme court is quite lengthy, covering some eleven pages, and calls not only for the unseating of Dr. Stanley, but also asks for his disqualification. It claims fraud in its various phases. "Notorious fraud by Stanley and his agents, grave irregularities on the part of deputy returning officers and their servants and clerks," are some of the charges in the petition. With the petition McLaren deposited the usual \$500 in \$1 Dominion of Canada bills.

The petition was filed at 1 o'clock on the 1st of October, and it was possible for a petition to be entered.

PROMINENT MASON DEAD
Rev. Alex. Deanson McIntosh died Sunday morning. He was formerly stationed in Calgary as pastor of the Presbyterian church. Mr. McIntosh was a prominent Mason, a past grand chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island. He was a member of Orient Lodge, No. 11, P.E.I. He will be buried with Masonic honors by the Perfection Lodge on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from Graham and McCall's undertaking parlors. He leaves a wife and one daughter.

THEATERS
ORPHEUM
Nina Payne was one of the first exponent of descriptive dancing in America. When Mona Molasso introduced the Apache and French dance pantomime in this country, Miss Payne was his partner. Her work was so creditable that she quickly became a vaudeville feature in her own right. Her dancing ability coupled with her originality has advanced her quickly to the very first rank in her profession. Those artists who undertake to tell a story in dance, almost without exception, utilize fantastic themes. It may be that fantasy is more than reality, but it is probably because the mind accepts more readily the so-called poetic symbolism than it does plain facts. Therefore Miss Payne is again a pioneer in descriptive dancing, which she displays at the Orpheum tonight.

Her present program contains a group of character studies in dancing. In the most part these are comedies, but each dance tells a story quite as distinctly as though it were printed in a book. Miss Payne's sense of characterization is as sharp as a needle's point. Her attention to detail is as thorough as the organism of a watch. Her artistic sense and value of the bizarre is evidenced in her scenery and costumes, which are as distinct and forcible as anything that was ever created by Leon Bakst. Her skill, her technique, and grace dominate throughout the entirety of the presentation.

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STAGE TEACHES BIG LESSON
The stage has come to be considered the ideal place to teach the big, vital lessons, which figure so prominently in our every day life, and questionnaires that dramatic authors feared to touch upon in previous years, have now come to figure prominently in many of the present day stage productions. The newest of these, "Her Unborn Child," which comes to the Grand for a return engagement, commencing next Thursday, has birth control as its principal theme, and its author, Howard McKent Barnes, has treated his subject with dignity and keen understanding. He teaches a lesson which will find an appeal in the hearts and minds of all who witness his play, and his story will take rank with "The Blindness of Virtue," which made so many theatergoers sit up and take notice when it was produced several years ago.

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To Begin Her Talks Today

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