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SUSPEND EVACUATION OF TROOPS IN ERIN

Pastor Demands "Salt Antidote" For World Decay

REV. M'INTOSH ADVISES ALL TO FOREGO DANCE

Declares With World in State of Chaos Ballroom Should Be Forgotten.

CONSCIENCE SHOULD BE GUIDE FOR CHRISTIAN

Sees No Serious Objection to Social Event At Collegiate.

In the present state of world chaos, dancing should not be indulged in by Christians, yet in his opinion there should be no serious objection to the opening dance at the new high school, Rev. W. R. McIntosh informed his congregation at the King Street Presbyterian Church Sunday evening. He qualified this statement by pointing out that the student dance at the new high school will be under strict supervision, thereby eliminating any tendency to evil effects.

Mr. McIntosh took for his subject, "Should Christians Dance?" "It is one of the greatest problems we have at the present time," he began. "It is a question whether a Christian should dance or not. To Christian people all these questions should be solved in the light of the teachings of Jesus Christ, by His spirit, His personality, His cross. Not what he did, but what he would do were he here now, because customs have changed."

Consent must be given. He asserted that the consciences of the people have also changed, mentioning the fact that Christians used to enter a bar, order intoxicating liquor, and before drinking ask the Lord's blessing upon it. It could not be done now because the consciences of the people have been suspended. We warned his audience not to expect to find a code of rules to live by in the Bible, because the Master in His wisdom did not set them down. "We are the salt of the earth," continued the pastor, "and the world needs salt. I think the dance at its best is hardly salt. It preserves things from decay, and is an antidote to rottenness. There is a very crying need for salt right now, as there are lots of things going to decay. We have lived in a high temperature, socially and morally, during the last seven years, and in a high temperature we get rottenness and decay. Look around and you will find lots of things crying out for salt."

"There has been a disposition of fury directed against card playing and dancing and the theatre. I think it altogether out of proportion. In my opinion we should direct our attention to other things. I do not think the dance is proper, and our music is not very good. If our attitude toward the dance is calculated to promote modesty, let us speak. If there is any place that people should be conservative in dress and retiring it is at the dance, because the provocation is great. We should never fall away from the standards of home and the street."

Cites "Rotten Politics." Mr. McIntosh attributed the craze for the dance to the fact that greed for money has cut off the contemplation of marriage on the part of young people today, and they substitute this by following the terephorean art. He cited decay in business and "rotten politics," which he declared to be more subtle than in the old days. The business of the Christian is to cure this condition.

"In athletics they tell me it is rotten. Turn to Page 2, Column 4."

Gets First Aid!



LONDON, ENGLAND, Feb. 13.—The National Canine Defense League has been organized here for the free treatment of sick and injured dogs. This little tramp was the first patient. He was a victim of congested trachea.

ORDERS PROBE IN MCDONALD'S CASE

Sir Lomer Gouin Informs Ed. Lance of Department's Decision.

Sir Lomer Gouin, Canada's Minister of Justice, has ordered an investigation into the case of William McDonald, the London man now in Kingston penitentiary. McDonald was sentenced to five years. It is contended that owing to mistaken identity, he is being wrongly imprisoned.

Secretary Ed. Lance, of the soldiers aid commission, who was appealed to by McDonald's wife, wrote to the minister of justice setting forth the facts of the case and urging that the matter be immediately investigated with a view to McDonald's early release from prison.

Mr. Lance has just received a letter in reply in which the minister stated that he has turned the matter over to the investigation department for immediate action and as soon as he receives a report he will notify Mr. Lance.

In the meantime the letter of McDonald's counsel, W. H. Furlong, containing an application for the ordering of a new trial, has been sent on and it should be in the hands of the minister now and it is believed will have the effect of hastening action.

DECLINES CALL TO MONTREAL CHURCH

Rev. G. A. Leichter announced Sunday evening that he had declined the call to Westmount Baptist Church, Montreal, which was extended to him last week, after a large meeting held in Montreal Tuesday. The pastor of Adelaide Street Church announced in the morning that he would give his decision next Sunday, but that he had been requested so urgently during the day to remain that he had changed his mind, and had sent the wire away Sunday night refusing the call.

The men at the special men's class, which is presided over and taught by Mr. Leichter, passed a resolution unanimously to request him to remain with them, promising to support and help him in everything he undertook.

HALIFAX BUILDING GUTTED.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 13.—The business district was threatened last evening by fire which broke out in the upper story of the building on Barrington street, occupied by the Maritime Dental Parlors and five other firms.

After some hard work, however, the fire was confined to the building, which was badly gutted.

STEPS TAKEN TO DESTROY CORN-BORER IN ONT.

Provincial Government Acts On Recommendation of Hon. Manning Doherty.

AREAS ARE QUARANTINED

Growers Are Prevented From Shipping in Banned Districts to Outside Points.

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—(Canadian Press).—Drastic steps to eliminate the European corn borer from the province of Ontario have been taken by the government on the recommendation of the minister of agriculture.

Regulations passed provide for quarantining a large number of counties and townships of Western Ontario, and from these areas the removal of corn fodder or cornstalks, including broom corn, whether used for packing or other purposes, green sweet corn, roasting ears, corn on the cobs or corn cobs, is prohibited. The quarantine does not apply to the articles enumerated when they have been manufactured or processed in such a manner as to eliminate all risk of carriage of pest.

The areas under quarantine are listed as follows: Brant County, Elgin County, the townships of Godfrey South, Mersea and Pelee in Essex County; the townships of Goddard, Ray, Stanley, Stephen, Tuckersmith and Osborne, in Huron County; Haldimand County; the townships of Comden (including the Gore of Camden), Harwich, Howard, Oxford, Raleigh, Romney, Tilbury East and Zone, in Kent County; the townships of Brooke, Euphemia and Warwick, in Lambton; the townships of Clinton, Gainsborough, Grantham, Leamington, Lincoln; Middlesex County, Norfolk County, the township of Pickering in Ontario County; Oxford County; the townships of Blanchard, Downie, East Hope (North and South), Ellice, Fullerton, Hibbert, Logan and Mornington, in Perth County; Waterloo County, Wellington County; the township of Guelph, in Wellington County and the township of Ancaster in Wentworth County.

U. S. Markets Close For Lincoln's Birthday

To commemorate the birthday of Abraham Lincoln all American stock markets and banks are closed today, Feb. 13.

Abraham Lincoln, who was the sixteenth president of the United States, and perhaps the most outstanding figure in American history, was born in Kentucky, Feb. 12, 1809. He was assassinated on the 15th day of April, 1865.

BELIEVE KILLINGS TO BE TONG WAR

San Francisco, Feb. 13.—Chinese tong men throughout the west were reported under cover or on their guard today as the result of an apparent outbreak of a tong war last night, when two Chinese were killed and a third wounded in Seattle, one slain in Butte, Mont., and one shot, probably fatally, in San Jose, California.

In every instance the shootings were carried out in characteristic tong war fashion, police reports indicated. In Butte and in Seattle the Chinese said to have belonged to tongs, were shot down on the street. Seattle police made five arrests in connection with the shooting.

Admits Affection For Slain Director



MARY MILES MINTER

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 13.—There is "a grave and serious" doubt at present as to whether the murder of William Desmond Taylor, film director, will ever be apprehended, declared Thomas Lee Woolwine, district attorney, here late last night.

Mr. Woolwine made this declaration in a statement he issued, deploring what he termed "faked and fraudulent interviews" on the case, and particularly one purporting to have come from him. Meantime public interest still centers on the admission of Mary Miles Minter, that she "loved" the dead director with the poise and culture of Mr. Taylor.

Miss Minter's home on North Hobart Boulevard is still surrounded by a cordon of private detectives, who halt all curious individuals seeking admission there.

HYDRO RADIAL ISSUE EXCITES MAIN INTEREST

Speculation Rife As Reopening of Ontario Parliament Draws Near.

DRURY PREPARING STAND

Toronto, Feb. 13.—The Ontario Legislature opens tomorrow afternoon. It will be the third session of the fifteenth parliament, and the first to be opened by Lieutenant-Governor Harry Cockshutt since his appointment. The M. L. A.'s from the more distant constituencies are many of them, here and others will reach this city this afternoon and tonight.

The legislation is to be forecasted by the speech from the throne, and prospect for early caucuses of the different parties, which make up the opposition are being considerably discussed in the corridors today, although Premier Drury's speech to be delivered at Hamilton tonight, when he is expected to give further facts in regard to the hydro-radial policy of the government, really over-shadowed everything else in the way of political prophecies and gossip is being built up.

Everything is in readiness at the parliament buildings for the opening, and the ceremony, while being impressive, will not be overly elaborate. There is always a big demand for tickets of admission to the floor and galleries of the legislative chamber, but the rush this season seems to be even greater than in previous sessions.

RED CROSS TO ISSUE POST-WAR WORK REPORT

London Branch of Canadian Society Decide To Publish Statement.

FOUNDED DAY NURSERY

Declares First and Chief Interest Is in the Soldier.

Following a meeting on Feb. 9 of the executive of the London branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society, at which it was decided to prepare a detailed statement of the duties and activities of the society since the close of the war, a precise and explanatory account has been issued by that organization. In the preface to the statement it is explained that the publicity accorded the many requests for financial aid in carrying on relief work among soldiers' dependents is the cause that moved the society to make the report.

To explain the fact that the Red Cross Society is now dealing largely with after-the-war activities, the Red Cross statement sets forth: "Our war work is well known and requires no comment here." Immediately the war was finished, according to the statement, the society set to work to carry into the aftermath of war, the same charitable work that it did through the days of conflict. The statement continues: "Our peace work began practically with Armistice Day. As quickly as the hospitals for Canadian soldiers in France and England could be evacuated the wounded and sick soldiers of this district were sent back to London to undergo treatment in the various hospitals of Military District No. 1.

Recognize Magnitude of Work. "The magnitude of the work of bringing cheer and entertainment to these hundreds of invalid men was recognized by our president, the late Lady Beck, and plans were immediately made by our executive for carrying out this work in the most effective way. The military authorities had constituted our committees as the official visitors of the temporary and permanent hospitals, and by a new arrangement the L. O. D. E. co-operated loyally with us in this work, a number of their members acting on all our committees.

"The extensive plans for this work included regular weekly visiting, concerts and entertainments of all sorts and a greatly increased list of requisitions which could be made on the society, not only by the visiting committee, but also by the military doctors, hospital matrons and the sick men themselves. This greatly increased power to bring solace and comfort to our suffering soldiers and necessary aid to those who were helping to heal them was particularly the work of our late president, whose affectionate care for our soldiers overseas and at home was boundless, and who labored unceasingly to make our efforts on their behalf as effective and complete as possible."

Nearly Exhausted Finances. As our financial resources in 1918, a final appeal was made in January, 1919, for funds to enable us to carry on this extensive work for our soldiers in hospital. The response was generous and adequate. The actual collections for this fund were, as is usually the case, somewhat less than the subscriptions. One may read the total of \$77,724.62 was paid into our account as the result of this campaign.

For three and one-half years we have administered this fund strictly for the purpose for which it was subscribed. Faithfully and in the spirit of devoted service our committees have carried out the generous policy of our late president and have done everything in their power to cheer and encourage those poor sufferers who, after three and a half years of

He Seeks Throne!



GRAND DUKE VLADIMIROVITCH.

BELGRADE, Serbia, Feb. 13.—The monarchist congress in session here has chosen Grand Duke Cyril Vladimirovich as its candidate for the Russian throne of the Czars.

WOMEN PASTORS MAY BE ADMITTED

Proposed Innovation To Be Debated by Methodist Church.

Proposed general conference legislation will be dealt with the London district meeting of the Methodist Church to be held in Dundas Center Methodist Church, Thursday morning and afternoon. The advisability of extending the pastoral term of office will be one of the chief matters discussed. At present four years is the limit of the pastoral term. There is a tendency to extend the limit to six years or make it possible for a minister to be invited to officiate for another four years immediately following the expiration of his term.

The question of receiving women in the church as ministers may be discussed, and any matters may be discussed, which were discussed at a previous meeting. Both ministers and laymen from London and district are to be present at the meeting.

20 AUTOS STOLEN IN GOTHAM DAILY

New York, Feb. 13.—Twenty residents of Greater New York lose their motor cars by theft each day of the year, it is estimated by police officials, who announced today that more than 6,000 automobiles were stolen from New Yorkers last year. The estimated value of the stolen cars and accessories is \$30,000,000.

ARMY ORDERS CANCEL SAILING OF TROOPSHIPS

British Contingents Were Due To Embark for English Ports.

MILITARY OFFICIALS ARE RETICENT AS TO CAUSE

Popular Belief Fixes Killing of Four Ulster Constables As Reason.

Dublin, Feb. 13.—The evacuation of the British troops and other military forces from Dublin was unexpectedly suspended today. The sailing of the steamers due to leave for Holyhead and Liverpool with contingents on board was cancelled. It was thought the suspension might be due to the events in Ulster.

Officials at military general headquarters said they were unable to give any information on the subject, while Dublin Castle officials stated that they had nothing to do with the evacuation.

4 Ulster Constables Killed During Riot

Belfast, Feb. 12.—Four Ulster special constables were shot to death at the Clones railway station yesterday. Eight others were wounded and six are missing.

Matthew Fitzpatrick, a Sinn Feiner, was also slain.

The officers, on their way to Enniskillen, were waiting at Clones for the arrival of a train from Belfast to convey them to their destination. The train had entered the station, and some of the men were in the act of getting into the carriages, when a party of Irish republican army men with rifles and a machine gun came on the platform. They immediately opened fire on the specials with their rifles and machine gun, and four of the constables were shot dead, one of them having his head blown off.

Some of the others were wounded, some were taken prisoner, and the remainder escaped. The republican army men then fled.

Taken absolutely unawares, the specials had no opportunity to fire a single shot at the attacking party. Clones is in that district of Ulster included in the free state territory. It is very near the border.

Belfast received its first intimation of the tragedy through a message to the station master at the Great Northern terminus, to the effect: "Send no more trains regular police or specials by train." Then followed the news of the shooting and the casualty list.

The Belfast police declare the specials were lined up against a wall and mowed down.

Sir James Craig, premier of Ulster, has addressed an urgent remonstrance to Premier Lloyd George, Winston Churchill and Viscount Fitzalan, in which immediate action is demanded.

There are many versions of the affair current, but inquiries among the civilian passengers on the train from which the specials alighted showed that the constables had a 20-minute wait on the platform for the Dublin train, during which time they paraded quietly up and down the platform, on which there also were many civilians.

The Weather

FORECASTS. Moderate to fresh northwest to west winds; local snow flurries, but generally fair and decidedly cold today and on Tuesday.

A depression which was situated over Colorado yesterday morning is now dispersing in the St. Lawrence Valley. It has given moderate snowfalls in Ontario and Quebec, attended by local high winds.

The weather has remained fine and very cold throughout the Western Provinces.

Temperatures. The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

	High.	Low.
Victoria	40	30
Calgary	32	22
Winnipeg	26	16
Pt. Arthur	0	14
P. Sound	12	10
Toronto	19	9
Kitchener	29	2
Ottawa	28	8
Montreal	2	0
Quebec	6	6
P. Point	10	4
St. John	22	4
Halifax	38	10

*Below zero.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 26; lowest, 13.

The official temperatures for the 12 previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 26; lowest, 13.

Barometric Readings. Sunday—8 p.m., 29.92. Today—8 a.m., 29.90.

UNUSUAL STORIES

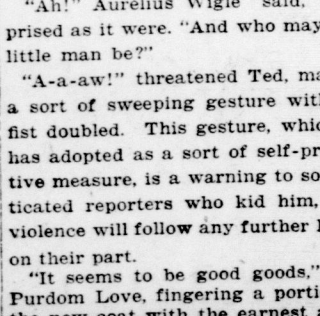
ABOUT UNUSUAL PEOPLE

[Special To London Advertiser.] WICHITA, Kas., Feb. 13.—Every baby born in Wichita is greeted officially by the city through Miss Elsie Hall, assistant city clerk.

The welcome is in the form of a certificate of birth, which is given to the new arrival and assures the baby of a welcome in the community.

Miss Hall sends out the greetings after receiving official notice from physicians of births.

Parents who do not receive the greetings get after their doctor for neglecting his birth report in



ELSIE HALL, greeting new arrivals after their doctor's report in

WHAT IT MEANS WHEN A LONDON BOY DONS HIS FIRST LONG PANTS!

By A Wearer of the Pant. TED, the once in a while perfect copy boy, came blushing to work last Monday wearing the long pant.

"Ah!" Aurelius Wigle said, surprised as it were. "And who may this little man be?"

"A-a-aw!" threatened Ted, making a sort of sweeping gesture with his fist doubled. This gesture, which he has adopted as a sort of self-protective measure, is a warning to sophisticated reporters who kid him, that violence will follow any further levity on their part.

"It seems to be good goods," said Purdon Love, fingering a portion of the new coat with the earnest air of an art critic deciding that a fake Rembrandt is genuine.

"A-a-aw!" said Ted again, swinging the mallet fist.

Little did this barefaced boy with lots of cheek realize as he stood there "aw-ing" his elders that he was at the beginning of one of the seven ages Shakespeare gives man. You recall them—the first tooth, the first cornish fag, the first long pant, the first bay rum cocktail, the first divorce, the second divorce, and the first attack of senile dementia.

We looked back upon our first long pant. At least we looked down at them; we hardly dare to look back at them these days, because they are no longer young, no more than we are, but they are the same, dear old long pant that we so proudly donned that bright September day in 1905.

Ah, that was the day we wore them. At least it was the first day we wore them. Some time there will be a poem dashed off along that line—wore; torem.

Ask any first-class clothing salesman whether it is a pant or whether it is pants. Ask Uncle Bill Hawkins up in Goderich who every Sep-

tember the week before school opened used to sell mother a suit of knickerbockers for us, with her choice of a red and green necktie, or a pair of Alice blue suspenders thrown in.

Did he say, "Have the boy try these pants on," or did he say, "I guess this pant will about fit him?" He certainly did.

"You may be wearing the skirt instead of the pant before long," we said to Ted.

Rage suffused Ted's cheek as the dawn suffuses the horizon, or practically so.

"Where d'y'get that skolt stuff?" he demanded. "Whatcha tryin' t'do, kid?"

The remark, however, was not made in jest nor with any attempt to obtain possession of Ted's goat. There is a movement afoot to unseat the pant.

This insidious, persistent propaganda has as its object the destruction of the garment now employed as pants. The garment now employed as pants is a protective covering from the belt

line to the shoe (in the case of male adults), or from the belt line to the knee (in the case of male juniors).

Every once in a while some evidence of this sly movement crops up in the daily press. One may read of a tailors' convention in Montreal at which a tailor rises to remark that the modern pant is a hideous thing; that it is and should be doomed to go, and that it will be supplanted by a graceful garment, a thing of beauty and a joy forever, namely, the skirt.

If this particular tailor doesn't mend the old-fashioned silk knee pant with lace ruffles, a skirt would be much better than that. Or he may favor the Grecian sheet, and want us all to go around looking like the hot room in a Turkish bath or Saturday night. They all agree on one point—the pant must go.

Now, it doesn't take a Class A Edison man to figure out that the tailor who makes this sort of speech is not a tailor at all, but a dressmaker in

disguise! Yet certain newspaper editors and publishers, most of them indeed men, continue to print these things. What a power to cheer and encourage those poor sufferers who, after three and a half years of

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