

Children Prayed in Streets For Life of Newark's Famous "Baby Doctor"



Newark, N. J., Dec. 18.—Newark has suffered an irreparable loss—the death of its greatest man.

He was not the mayor of the city, nor any member of the city council, nor the city's judiciary. He lived in a plain frame house in a quiet by-street, and he was not at all wealthy.

Yet days before his death, as the news of his critical illness spread like wildfire over his home city, thousands of little children—black, white, Catholic, Protestant, Jew—knelt in the streets, in the schoolyard, in churches and prayed for his recovery.

The man who all Newark mourns was Dr. Miller Royal Whitnack, the "Baby Doctor." It is estimated that 7,000 Newark children have been brought into the world and reared into

CHILDREN OF ST. ROSE'S SCHOOL PRAYING FOR THEIR BENEFACTOR

sturdy young citizens through Dr. Whitnack's ministrations.

Hundreds owe their lives to him, whose parents have never been able to pay him a cent for his services. In fact, many times a "doctor's visit" in the poorer districts of Newark has meant, instead of an ill-afforded expenditure, a \$5 or \$10 bill slipped under the pillow, or left carelessly on a table.

Every round-eyed toddler in Newark knew of Dr. Whitnack as he knows of Santa Claus. Mention of his name brings a hush over playgrounds. "He's sick!" children who could not pronounce his name would tell you in the days just before his death.

At St. Rose's school a group of devout youngsters knelt in the schoolyard and prayed that their beloved doctor be spared. Down the street a

young Jewish mother poured out praise and gratefulness for the life of her two-year-old son.

Dr. Whitnack devoted his life to tending sick children after his own eight-year-old son died.

VARIED ANIMALS HAPPY TOGETHER

Monkeys Reside with Squirrel and Hutia in the London Zoo.

London, Dec. 7.—(By Mail).—In the small mammal house at the Zoo lives a happy family, consisting of two brown capuchin monkeys—Him and Bud, a large West Indian hutia (a rodent resembling a guinea pig), and a bristly ground squirrel from South Africa.

Companionship counts for much with monkeys, and so long as they do not torment the fellow inmates of their cage, an association of this sort has its advantages.

The little party are the best of friends, and Bud is so charmed with his squirrel chum that he shares the same sleeping box, leaving Him to make the best of things outside on the shelf.

Bud has only one fault to find with his strange bed-mate—the squirrel's bristly tail is apt to tickle his nose, making him chatter, and perhaps say things which he does not really mean.

The hutia is not much of a companion, for apart from twitching his nose when dreaming of the mixed dish of corn, bananas and greenstuff, which he keeps bringing daily, he does very little.

He appears to be something of an enemy to the monkeys, who both treat him with considerable reserve, possibly as he is larger than themselves.

Though much more terrestrial in habit, his more familiar cousins of the cage tops, the ground squirrel joins and Bud in their gambols aloft, and his own with them in the uproarious nut-cracking competition, which the trio take part.

Meal times there are no going this incongruous family for feeding from the same

BANDITS SHOT MAN; GOT AWAY WITH \$200,000

Denver, Colo., Dec. 18.—Eighteen hours of searching and questioning of sixteen persons at police headquarters had failed early today to reveal any trace of the identity of the bandits who yesterday robbed a federal reserve bank truck of \$200,000 after a gun fight in front of the U. S. mint here in which Charles T. Linton, one of the guards on the truck, was wounded fatally.

TEN YEARS FOR THEFT OF THIRTEEN CENTS

Two Hold-up Men in Chicago Given Long Sentences by Judge.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Stealing thirteen cents proved unlucky for Wm. Horn and James Matthews, who must stay in the penitentiary for ten years. Both are hold-up robbers. They were convicted of holding up Ruth Korbits, aged 16, threatening her with death if she made an outcry, and stealing thirteen cents, all the money she had. The pair had committed other robberies the same night, but the Korbits hold-up was the only one that could be traced unmistakably to them, and, on the strength of that, they were given ten-year sentences by Judge Hebel.

WOULD SHOW GRATITUDE BUT BUMPS HIS HEAD

Windsor, Dec. 18.—In an attempt to kiss Magistrate Gundy's hands out of gratitude for not sending him to jail for being drunk in police court, John Kulski, Sandwich, fell and bumped his head against the magistrate's desk and was led from the court room by a policeman. Kulski had pleaded guilty of being drunk and was given a chance to reform. On the way out he grasped the hand of the court reporter and administered a loud kiss, much to the embarrassment of that official.

Estimates for 1923 were drawn up yesterday afternoon at a special meeting of the Board of health. They will be presented to the County Council at its first meeting after the New Year.

CHANG IS NAMED CHINESE PREMIER

Peking, Dec. 18.—General Chang Shao-Teng, military leader has been appointed premier with the approval of the parliament. His selection, which was supported by General Tso-Kun, is believed to indicate the intention of the military party to resume control of China.

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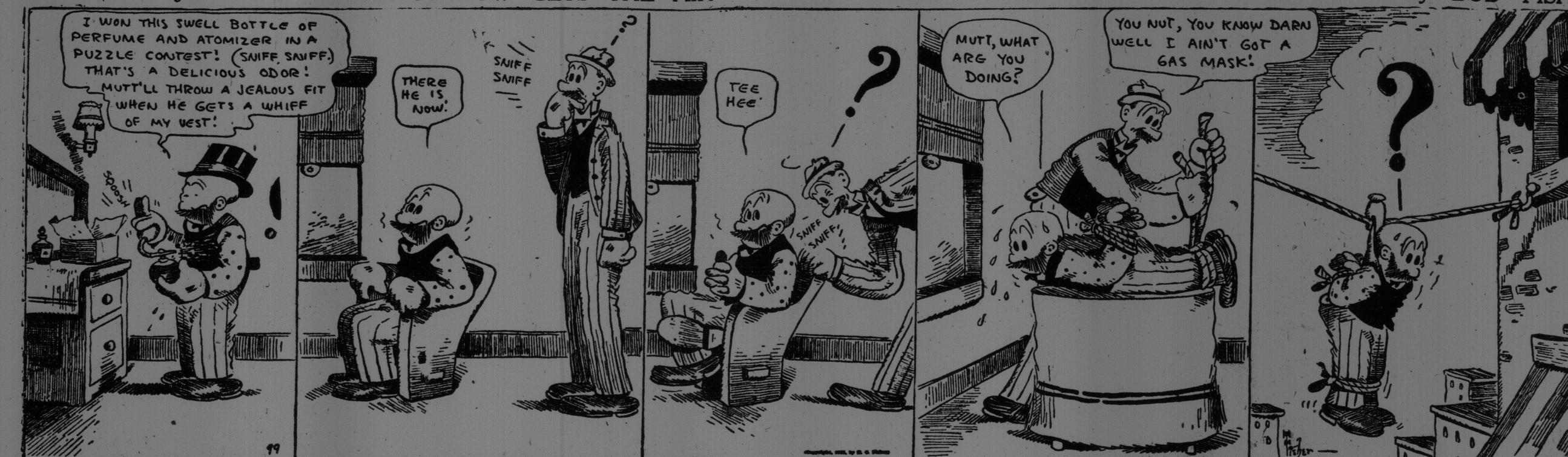
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By "BUD" FISHER

HALIFAX FOR EDUCATIONAL MOVEMENT

Point Brought Up by Rev. Dr. Tompkins of St. Francis Xavier University.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 18.—At a largely attended meeting of Halifax citizens last night a committee was appointed for work preliminary to the formation of a permanent branch of the National Educational Council for Canada. Unqualified endorsement was given to the scheme by the meeting. There was also strong approval of a proposal to establish a national bureau of education, with the qualification that it should not have any tendency toward federating the educational systems of the country.

Rev. Dr. Tompkins of St. Francis Xavier College, Antigonish, giving strong support to the bureau proposal, protested against the situation which left Canada without a place where anyone could obtain information with regard to educational matters. In the U. S., he said, there was the same constitutional system of state control of education, there had been provided at Washington a great bureau. At the present time this was the only source of information of the kind open to Canadians.

Major Fred J. Ney, Winnipeg, general secretary, outlined the idea of the national council, now in a state of organization. Its idea was not to become a centre of control but rather to give unity of ideas and to create a national outlook in Canadian education.

Dr. A. H. Mackay, superintendent of education for Nova Scotia, said he would recommend to the government of Nova Scotia that the fullest support be given the movement.

POLAND MOURNS HER MURDERED PRESIDENT

Warsaw, Dec. 18.—The government, in its efforts to determine whether a plot existed for the murder of President Narutowicz, is continuing to effect searches and arrests among the Nationalists, and many high officers

and officials have been arrested or dismissed. Extraordinary precautions against possible disorders are being taken in this city and in the mining regions. The country generally is in mourning for the late president and the government has ordered all officers to wear a crepe armband for six weeks. All public entertainments have been suspended for the rest of the season in respect to the president's memory.

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