

WOMEN'S HOME AND MAGAZINE PAGE

IS OPTIMISTIC ABOUT FUTURE OF W. M. S. WORK

President Presbyterian General Council Addresses Easter Union Meeting.

GIVES VIVID REVIEW

Presbyterian President Suggests Presbyterian Women's Day For Double Purpose.

Vividly, dramatically, a review of the work of the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, both at home and overseas, was presented by the Dominion president, Mrs. John MacGillivray of Toronto, to a large and deeply-interested audience in St. Andrew's Hall Tuesday afternoon, the members of the London auxiliaries, who had united in their Easter thanksgiving meeting.

With the gifted narrator of the striking story of achievement, the W. M. S. workers visited French missions in Quebec, peeped into hospitals in New Ontario and the Canadian West, which are playing an effective part in assimilating newcomers from stranger lands for loyal, Christian Canadian citizenship. They saw

through her eyes the scores of Indian children in the schools established on reserves by the government and staffed by the churches. They crossed the Pacific and caught a vision of the lives of devotion of women missionaries, doctors, teachers, nurses, who are working through the power of Christianity a transformation in the lives of women and children.

In the face of the stupendous work to be done, the president of the general council declared herself optimistic, in view of the background of the work at the present time. There was not a moment of fear that membership would fall with the interest in service that has been awakened among the boyhood and girlhood of Canada, the numbers who are enlisting for life service, the army of girlhood and young womanhood enrolled in the C. G. I. T.

Have Great Cause.

Concerning the financial side, notwithstanding a deficit which still exists, she could quote Lloyd George: "Give me a cause, and I have no fear of the financial side."

Concerning the importance of the work in Canada "as homebuilders," she said: "It is of vital importance to us the place Christ shall hold in our national life."

Touching upon phases of missionary activity in Canada in chronological order, she first emphasized the point that French evangelization stands for the open Bible and liberal education, not for proselytizing.

In connection with the boarding-schools for the Indian children, averaging about 70 pupils, the statement was made. Our slogan is "Back to the Farm," which is meeting with splendid results. A point emphasized was that these, like the hospitals established in the new Canadian settlements, are becoming largely self-supporting.

Mail Box Still Adds To Hospital Fund

DEAR Cynthia Grey,—Again comes a check from The Advertiser Mail-Box for the War Memorial Children's Hospital Fund, this time for \$41. How pleased the Circlelets must be when they see how their fund is growing, and what an interest they will feel in the hospital when it is opened. I wish to thank, through you, all who have contributed to this fund. Sincerely yours, L. K. CAMPBELL, Hon. Treasurer Hospital Fund.

It does seem wonderful to think that we have already raised \$634.10, all of which has amounted from our tiny mites. Of course our Mail-Box quilt was a great help, as \$130 has already been realized from it, with a promise of \$25 for the quilt itself. Unless someone wishes to bid higher, Aunt Maria will be the proud possessor, as Deirdre, who bid \$35, cannot be found.—Cynthia Grey.

adian settlements, are becoming largely self-supporting. Cementing and assimilating the non-Anglo Saxons, whether Chinese or Ukrainians, into Christian Canadianism, Mrs. MacGillivray declared to be the supremely important task of the hour, in view of the social and other evils introduced into the national life by the stranger element.

Girl "Meds." in India.

The changes which are being brought about in India, China, Japan, Korea through missionary influence and contact with Christian Western civilization were discussed. Not so long ago, the first girl in England was allowed to take graduation in medicine in England, on condition she would "wear nurses' uniform and not look too intelligent." The speaker pointed to rapid strides that have been made, to the point where numbers of women medical missionaries are running hospitals single-handed in India and China, the native girls taking courses as nurses and doctors. In China's new day, the educational system provides for the girls as well as the boys. It was a question if the pendulum had swung too quickly to the other extreme.

Stating that the membership of the W. M. S. in the Presbyterian Church in Canada numbers over \$6,300, said the speaker, "We have 166,000 Presbyterian families in Canada, and you can figure out for yourselves that not 50 per cent of the families have even one member identified with the W. M. S."

Emphasis was laid on the need of pulling up the estimates to prevent curtailing of the work or calling home of missionaries.

Mrs. D. L. McCrae, president of the London Presbyterian W. M. S., presided, and had an original suggestion to make with regard to a contribution from London to reduce the deficit of the general council. She suggested a "Presbyterian Women's Day," a grand afternoon and evening gathering, at which Presbyterian women not already identified with the W. M. S. might be shown how fascinating is the work, how lovable those who are engaged in it. She would have presented at it, by the delegates from London, the brightest and best things that happen at the annual meeting of the provincial W. M. S. in Ottawa next week. And she would charge an admission fee, the proceeds to be applied to the general board deficit fund.

The suggestion is to be considered by the various city auxiliaries.

Mrs. A. E. Cooper gave the Bible reading, Mrs. A. Robson taking charge of the music.

Following the meeting the members of the executive of the London Presbyterian had the privilege of meeting Mrs. MacGillivray and discussing the work with her at tea in the First Presbyterian Church.

NEVER MISSED CHURCH FOR SIX WHOLE YEARS

St. Andrew's Boys and Girls Receive "Perfect Attendance" Awards Easter Sunday.

How many grownups in the city have been in their places in church every single Sunday, rain or shine, hot weather or cold, or "just between" for six whole years?

Six little people in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church have established for themselves this wonderful record, and on Easter Sunday morning they will be presented by the session of the church with awards for six years of perfect church attendance. It is a noteworthy fact that of the number four are boys and just two girls. The six are Donald Brown, Jack Buchner, Margaret Casselman, Ward Casselman, Jun., Audrey Webster, Hugh Webster.

Many "Runners-up."

In addition to these awards, several more will be given for perfect church attendance for five years, four years, three years, two years and one year. The young people who have made a good start on the way to six years' perfect attendance honors are as follows:

Five Years—Kathleen Esterbrook, Hugh Hutton, Carson Brown.

Four Years—Stanley Glazier, Harold Glazier, Wallace Hay, Charlie Thompson, Mary Wong, Clara Wong, Ruth Watson, Nichol LeSelleur, Dorothy Silverwood, Gordon Silverwood.

Three Years—Mary Buchner, Douglas Calder, Campbell Calder, Gordon Calder, Rudolph Eberhard, Bruce Hoggarth, Betty MacGregor, Margaret MacGregor, Ella Mercer, Lyvile Mercer, Eric Mitchell, Ruth Thompson, Shirley Thompson.

Two Years—Betty Clark, Munro Clark, Jean Peterson, Agnes Hutton, Eileen Kingsmill, Jack McLaren, Doris Rider, Robert Rider, Ernest Smith, Jack Smith, Lenore Wood.

One Year—Mary Beattie, Katherine Beattie, Neil Black, Shirley Casselman, Kenneth Eberhard, Donald Hill, Jean McLaren.

REMAINS ONE UNION FOR SOME TIME YET

London W. C. T. U. Votes Against Suggested Change in Organization.

BUDGET PLAN POPULAR

Members Sell Candy, Cooking, Care For Children to Raise Quota.

Notwithstanding its great and continuous growth, London W. C. T. U. will not evolve into two units, at least for some time to come. When a resolution to form two unions was presented at the April meeting Tuesday afternoon, though excellent reasons were submitted in support of the change, it was decided by a majority vote to retain the one organization for the present.

Mrs. H. Asplund, president, received a very warm welcome back after an absence of several months. Members of the London union have set to work with a right good will to raise their share of \$450 of the provincial budget for the year, \$50,000. Talents have been brought into play to achieve the desired end, and much ingenuity has been revealed in some cases.

Plays "Mother's Angel."

One woman has hit upon a novel plan that will surely make her very popular with mothers who find it difficult to get away from home, even for a few hours, for lack of a trustworthy "mother's angel" to look after the children. She has announced that she will be willing to go out to take care of children in the afternoon or evening while the mothers are away, and that she may be reached through the W. C. T. U. headquarters in Clarence street.

Other members are giving benefit teas in their own homes, still others doing sewing, making home cookery for sale, or toothsome candy, found at the meeting of the union Tuesday afternoon. Then the further light was thrown on the subject of the budget by Mrs. May R. Thornley, and a fascinating tale of temperance teaching by the story method told by Miss Cannell, superintendent of scientific temperance instruction.

Means \$2 Per Member.

In connection with the budget, which has been adopted for the first time this year by the provincial union, Mrs. Thornley pointed out that it covers several departments unprovided for in a regular way by the W. C. T. U. of Ontario in the past. These are travelers' aid, scientific temperance, Loyal Temperance Legion work, business trips, the sum of \$1,500 has been set apart for prizes to be offered to school children for essays and posters on temperance subjects. The speaker emphasized the point that London's share of \$450 means an average of \$2 per member, in addition to the \$1 membership fee.

Just as she would teach children temperance lessons in school during the story hour, so for half an hour or so Miss Cannell, experienced teacher, held the absorbed attention of her adult audience as she told such stories as "Bonnie Jean" and the "Two Braids of Hair," and others, each driving home its lesson.

Rev. George T. Watt of Wellington Street Methodist Church conducted the devotional exercises, Mrs. Gregory presiding.

CLUB NEWS

What Women Are Accomplishing In London.

ALL FOR BUILDING FUND.

Members of the Forest City Chapter are taking a particularly keen interest in the project of raising money for a headquarters building in London for the order. Starting with one dollar in talent money, each member is endeavoring by exercise of her ingenuity and ability to raise as much as she possibly can of the seriousness of purpose of the chapter lies in the fact that no less than three entertainments have been arranged for this week for the building fund. The afternoon benefit tea and evening reception, held Tuesday by the worthy matron, Mrs. Thomas Cousins, set the ball rolling. Wednesday evening, a dance is being held in Lansdowne Hall, East London, arranged by Mrs. M. Haldane, who has found her tickets literally going like hot cakes, or, perhaps more seasonably speaking, like "Hot Cross buns." Thursday evening, a euchre will take place in the Alma Block, following a short business meeting of the chapter.

APPOINT VISITORS.

Meeting Tuesday forenoon in the utilities building, the Ladies' Auxiliary to the London Health Association discussed routine business in connection with the work, appointing the following visitors for the prevention and civilian department of the Sanatorium until the end of May. Remainder of April, Mrs. Ronald Harris and Mrs. Ray Lawson; second week in May, Mrs. John Stevely and Mrs. T. A. McMahon; second part of May, Mrs. Lionel Elliot and Mrs. Ibbotson Leonard. Members recently elected to the board were present to get their initiation into the activities of the auxiliary, which through years has rendered magnificent service.

HOLD EASTER ANNUAL.

In connection with the Easter thank-offering of Robinson Memorial W. M. S. on Tuesday afternoon, the election of officers for the coming year took place, resulting as follows: Honorary president, Mrs. J. Paisley; president, Mrs. W. F. Marshall; first vice-president, Mrs. Frank Whitehall; second vice-president, Mrs. J. Scandrett; treasurer, Mrs. R. Thompson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. J. Lince; recording secretary, Miss Minnie Hawkins; superintendent of systematic giving, Mrs. V. H. Hiles.

superintendent of "The Outlook," Mrs. L. L. superintendent of mite boxes, Mrs. C. Cattermole; strangers' secretary, Mrs. H. W. Paddell; Watch Tower secretary, Mrs. Wignmore. The thankoffering amounted to \$12, and most encouraging reports for the past year were presented.

RUMMAGE SALE DE LUXE.

The rummage sale given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of Askew Street Methodist Church Tuesday afternoon was a great success. The proceeds amounting to \$80. As soon as the doors were opened the rooms were thronged with eager shoppers, who had a great variety to choose from, as the sale was divided into different departments, furniture, millinery, gents' furnishings, poverty counter, ladies' ready-to-wear, including suits, waists and coats, and the children's department. In addition to this there was an attractive tea room in charge of Mrs. Todd and Mrs. Essex. Mrs. Isaac Mariatt, president of the Ladies' Aid, was general convenor, ably assisted by the conveners of the various departments, Mrs. Collier, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Charles Talbot, Mrs. George Young, Mrs. O. Deacon, Mrs. A. M. Hunt, Mrs. J. T. C. Morris and Mrs. Ross Smith.

EVERLYN CLUB PRESENTS PLAY.

The Evelyn Dramatic Club is putting on an amusing play, "Deacon Dubs," on Thursday evening of this week in the St. Lawrence Community Hall, concession 3, London Township. The proceeds are for the improvement of Webster Cemetery.

Personals

Miss Frances Wilson is in Chatham, the guest of Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Hicks.

Mrs. F. G. Rumball has returned home after six weeks' visit in New York and Michigan.

The Women's Faculty Club of the university is holding the annual luncheon this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Macpherson of Parkhill are spending Easter in Toronto, guests of Mr. Macpherson's sister, Mrs. Blackburn.

Miss Betty D. Thornley, who is spending a holiday of several months traveling in the Orient, arrived last Saturday in Shanghai, China, where she is visiting friends.

Misses Miriam Eckert and Lorna Rumball, who are expected home Thursday from Whitby Ladies' College, and will spend the Easter vacation in London.

Mrs. Mattie Rose Crawford is expected home Wednesday afternoon in connection with a trip to Toronto in connection with Y. W. C. A. work and a little visit in Port Credit, where she was the guest of Mrs. Hughes.

Miss Helen D'Avignon, Girls' Work secretary of the Y. W. C. A., who spent last week in Toronto for the conference in honor of Miss Charlotte Niven, world's Y. W. C. A. secretary, is remaining over until Thursday in order to attend a meeting of the provincial Girls' Work board.

Miss Edith Wynne-Pryce has returned to the city after a delightful week-end visit in Port Credit as the guest of Miss Urquhart, followed by the interesting experience of attending a conference in Toronto of Y. W. C. A. general secretaries and educational secretaries, called to meet the world's general secretary, Miss Charlotte Niven.

Lieut. Harold White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. White of this city, whose marriage takes place in St. John's Church, Putney, England, on Thursday, April 20, to Miss Penny Millard, sailed from St. John, N. B., for Liverpool on S. S. Montclair on Saturday, April 8. He is accompanied by his sister, Miss Kathleen, who will be a bridesmaid. They expect to reach Liverpool on Easter Sunday, according to a wire sent before sailing. The bride's parents, "Thornleigh," Putney, immediately after arriving in England.

Mrs. Hugh McCrimmon was the hostess of a smart luncheon at the Kennels Tavern. The tables were arranged in mauve and yellow carried out in spring flowers, and covers were laid for twenty. The guests included Mrs. Gordon Hunt, Mrs. Norman Howden, Mrs. W. E. Robinson, Mrs. J. Smallman, Mrs. J. Kerrigan, Mrs. John MacGillivray, Mrs. Sterling, Mrs. Albert MacLean, Mrs. R. E. Ingram, Mrs. Fran Ware, Mrs. Gerald Pearson, Mrs. Leslie Turner, Mrs. Russell Croden, Mrs. Wilson Furdum, Mrs. Eric Reid, Mrs. Randle Brown and Mrs. Wishart. Mrs. McCrimmon is entertaining again Wednesday at a small bridge party.

The announcement of the death of Mrs. Victor Blackwell brings great sorrow to the members of the Woman's Music Club, of which she had been the beloved president for several past years. She was a capable and popular secretary. During the years in which she made London her home she attracted to her hosts of friends, by her charm and worth, her goodness of heart, unflinching interest in and sympathy for others. She was a wholehearted social life and church, and educational activities. Very many mourn her loss, extending their deepest sympathy to her grief-stricken husband and little ones.

In aid of the building fund of the Order of the Eastern Star, in the city, the worthy matron of the Forest City Chapter, Mrs. Thomas Cousins, gave a largely attended tea at her home, 199 Richmond street, on Tuesday afternoon, followed by a successful benefit reception in the evening. The rooms were cheerily and inviting, made festive by palms, ferns, daffodils and tulips and great clusters of pussy willows. In the afternoon, the hostess was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Arthur Linnell, assistant worthy matron, and her daughter, Mrs.

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Cynthia Grey's Mail-Box

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It was lovely of you to send the little gift for Thirty-Seven, also to promise clothing for her; and the mite for our hospital fund. Thirty-Seven's address is already on the way to you.

MARCH BIRD BRINGS RECIPES.

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