

## COLBERT WANTS LABOR AS DISTINCT PARTY

## ANTI-UNIONISTS TO MEET TONIGHT IN MASONIC HALL

Stage First Rally of Presbyterians Opposing Church Union.

## NOTABLE SPEAKERS

Rev. James MacKay Outlines Position of Union's Opponents.

There will be a mass meeting tonight in the Masonic Temple, under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church Association, at eight o'clock, at which several of the members of the association, including some of the foremost speakers in the Presbyterian Church in Canada, will give the reasons of the association's opposition to church union and explain the stand taken by them in this matter.

Dr. McGillivray of Guelph, vice-president of the association, will speak on the conditions surrounding the question of church union in the whole Dominion. Dr. Banks Nelson of Hamilton, generally admitted to be one of the brightest and wisest speakers in the church, will deal with the position in Ontario, and Dr. Brown of Red Deer, Alberta, will tell Londoners of the outlook of the west toward church union. Each of these men is an outstanding figure in the fight that some members of the Presbyterian Church are making to retain their old church, and are forcible speakers who, with a wide experience and a thorough knowledge of the facts, will make this meeting a rousing and interesting one.

Donald McAlpin of New St. James' Church will be the chairman of the meeting, and the choir of New St. James' will take charge of the musical part of the program.

There is no section of the Presbyterian Church Association in London as yet, but it is hoped to form a branch tonight at this meeting. The position of the association was explained to The Advertiser this morning by Rev. James MacKay of New St. James' Church. "We have no antipathy," he said, "toward either the Methodist or the Congregational Church. Our position is simply that we are asking for the same religious toleration and freedom as we are ready to grant to others. That is, we ask to be allowed to stay members of the church of our forefathers and to worship in the way that they and we have always done."

"The association believes," he went on, "that it is better for the various churches, as well as for many of the members, if they are allowed to separate, but work together in harmony and love, than to force them all into one great national church. We are quite willing to give up the share of the material side of the church's property, only we wish to retain our share and, as a result, to retain the form of worship and the old church that our fathers bequeathed us."

## CRITICIZE APPOINTING SADLER OXFORD HEAD

Many Fear Change Will Narrow His Opportunities For Service.

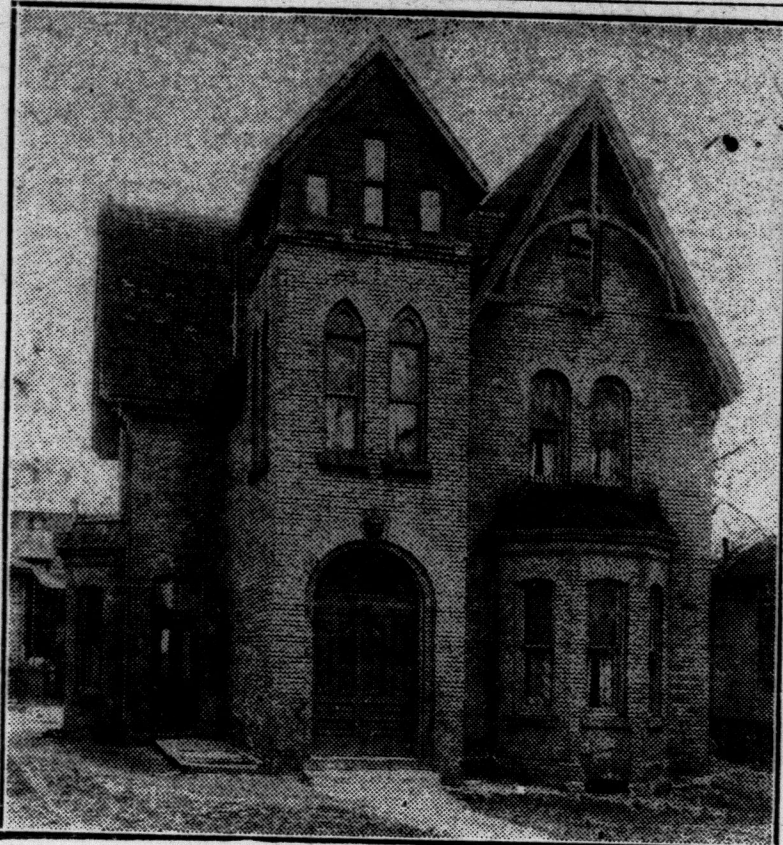
Associated Press Despatch. London, April 30.—The appointment of Sir Michael Sadler, vice-chancellor of Leeds University, to the mastership of University College, Oxford, continues to meet with criticism, not wholly favorable, because of the fear that the change will be the means of narrowing his opportunities for service.

The London Daily News points out that in his days in Manchester and Leeds, Sir Michael has become steeped in the aims and ideals of the younger universities.

"His influence for many years on the outlook of young men of a distinctive type to be found at these universities and on the progressive educational thought of the great industrial centers of the north has been of the rarest kind. It is frankly to be regretted that this well forged link is now to be snapped. We may regret that under our parliamentary system there appears to be no prominent place for a man of his peculiar gifts and attainments. With great respect to the present head of the board of education, he is not to be mentioned in the same breath with Sadler."

## SUSPEND WORK IN MEXICO FOR MAY DAY CELEBRATION

Associated Press Despatch. Mexico City, April 30.—Headquarters of the regional labor federation announce that May Day will see a virtual suspension of work throughout the republic. The feature of the day here will be the laying of the cornerstone of the monument dedicated to the victims of the Chicago Hay Market riots. The memorial is being erected in the suburb Tacuba. The newspapers of the capital will not publish tomorrow, street car service is to be suspended for 24 hours, and laborers in all trades will take the day off. There will be a great procession in the morning with even the taxi-drivers and horse-drawn drivers in line. Socialist, Communist, and Agrarian orators will address scores of meetings in the afternoon and evening.



**THIS HOUSE BUILT FOR \$2,800.**  
This house, known as 122 Clarence, has a history. In 1878, it was built by Frank Spettigue, prominent Middlesex County milk producer. At that time he was 20 years old, and was able to build the house, which cost \$2,800, after saving every penny he could afford for nine years. It was the realization of a dream that some day he would be able to build a home for his mother. A duplicate could not be built for less than \$10,000 today, he said. The picture of Mr. Spettigue is also shown. Incidentally he sold the second copy of The Advertiser printed in 1883.

## Ald. Colbert Urges Labor To Stand Apart from Drury

Thinks It Should Not Support U. F. O. or Either of Old Line Parties in Provincial Election.

Ald. John Colbert urges the Labor political body to stand alone—free from iron-clad affiliation with the Drury party or any of the old-line movements.

Mr. Colbert is prominently identified with the local Labor element; is one of Labor's two representatives in the city council from Ward 3; president of the street railway men's union and a past president of the London Labor party.

"That will be my stand at the coming party convention," he informed The Advertiser today. "I intend to urge to that effect. They should stand on their own feet. It is perfectly all right to be on friendly terms with any of the parties, just as long as they are advocating legislation that purports to be for the benefit of the masses. Otherwise they should have a free rein in their actions. They should sit as a Labor group alone."

"Just regard the Labor members in the federal house at Ottawa, for a moment. They are real active, and creating much food for thought and action. They are not tied up anywhere, and they are doing more good than all the rest together, because they are out in the open."

"We should continue as straight independents, and our representatives should go to the house as such. Be in a position to support any good legislation, irrespective of what section of the legislature it may come from, and be in a position to cooperate with the Liberals or the Conservatives at any time they are willing to support any legislation we may see fit to introduce."

Won't Be Hampered.  
"This being linked up tightly with one party may often mean that we could not support proposed enactments that might be in the best interests of the majority of the people of the province."

"It is the same in the city council. We'll say for instance, that I decided to link myself up with any two of three aldermen, and said: 'I'll stick with you fellows and support all your motions. We'll all stick together.' I can cite an instance of that at the last session, when an effort was made to purchase a certain type of automobile for the building inspector. I did not stick with the members of my committee. I adopted what I view of the other members of the council, who had chosen the cheapest car available, and the very one that had been picked and recommended by the inspector, who was the man who had to use it. That is but one good illustration of what I mean."

"Let Labor sit alone, and support legislation," was Ald. Colbert's concluding words.

## PRINCE OF WALES PLANS TO ATTEND ENGLISH FAIRS

Associated Press Despatch. London, April 30.—The agricultural show season opens on Tuesday with the Somerset show at Bath. The Prince of Wales, who is taking a keen interest in the endeavors to remove the agricultural industry from the present depression has arranged to attend six of the principal shows this season. The reduction of railway rates is expected to have an encouraging effect upon the number of exhibitors.

The National Farmers' Union has signified approval of the suggestion of Lord Lintithgow's committee on milk prices and distribution for the formation of co-operative dairy societies.

## SEARCH FOR SLAYER OF 8-YEAR-OLD GIRL

New York Police Continue Hunt—Body Found in Coal Bin.

Special to The Advertiser. New York, April 30.—Search is continuing for the slayer of 8-year-old Josephine Bruno, whose body was found yesterday morning in a coal-bin in the basement of the Brooklyn tenement in which she lived with her parents.

Police are of the opinion that some man of the neighborhood, who knew of a passageway into the cellar from the street is responsible for the crime.

## BUILDING COSTS IN LONDON SHOW GROWTH OF CITY

Frank Spettigue Built in 1878 For \$2,800, a House Now Worth \$10,000.

## TALKS OF PAST

Sold Second Copy of The Advertiser and Has Read It Ever Since.

For nine years Frank Spettigue saved every cent possible and built a house for his mother. That was back in the '70s. Mr. Spettigue was 20 years old when, in 1878, the house was built. Today the house is being remodelled into an apartment house, and is known as 122 Clarence street. Mr. Spettigue believes that to duplicate it would mean an outlay of more than \$10,000, although in 1878 the price was \$2,800.

"I was clerking in A. & J. J. MacDonald's drygoods store at that time," he related. "My employers saw that I was saving to build the house, and they helped me. My brother had been shot when he was 13 years old. I was 11 at the time, and I set my heart to build my mother the house."

"Of course, you couldn't build it for that price today. Bricks at that time cost \$4 a thousand, three-coating plaster cost 15 cents a yard, bricklayers were paid \$12.5 a day, carpenters were paid \$11.0 a day, and painters received \$11.0 a day. There was very little plumbing at that time as the water works had just been completed. I believe the waterworks was completed the same year. John Carlisle was the first water commissioner."

"Mine was the only brick house built that year. The contractors were Looney & Parsons, brick; Campbell & Sargent, carpenters; Harwood, glass, and Hitchens, paint. And they were the best of their kind. George Craddock was the architect. Every old Londoner will remember these names."

"At the time, all the drygoods stores in London were located on Dundas street between Richmond and Talbot streets."

"In 1863, when I was not quite 6 years of age, I sold the second copy of The Advertiser, printed. George Gibson took me by the hand and bought my papers for me. And I can tell you we bought all we could afford."

Incidentally, Mr. Spettigue thinks London is a wonderful place. He was most enthusiastic about everything pertaining to the growth of the city, and viewed with much pleasure the paint-up, clean-up campaign going on along Carling street.

For both London and The London Advertiser he predicts great futures.

## CHESTER PACT IS SIGNED BY TURKS IN ANGORA TODAY

Grant American Concessions in Face of French Protests.

## EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS

United States Company May Develop Anatolian Oil Fields Unhindered.

Special Cable to The Advertiser. Constantinople, April 30.—The Chester agreement, granting American concessions in the development of Anatolian oil fields, was signed at Angora today.

In the face of French protests the Turkish commissioner of public works, Feizi Bey, and Colonel Kenelmen, of the Ottoman-American Development Company, affixed their signatures to the final papers, despatches stated. Copies were exchanged by the parties, and the work will begin at the earliest possible moment.

The manager of the railway project, which is to haul mineral oil to the sea, has maintained that as France and there remained only the formal signing of the papers.

Under the contract, which was voted by the Turkish assembly, the American company will have exclusive rights in development of certain leased territory in Anatolia for the marketing of oil and mineral. It includes the Anatolian rail and certain incidents.

The French Government has seriously protested against lease of these rights. The claim was made that France had been given an exclusive right to some of the projects in concessions granted by the Turkish Government in 1914, before the war.

Turkey has been bound by the contract—the war having arisen in the meantime and thwarted the work—neither party was bound by the old agreement. French representatives have been despatched to Angora, and her delegates to the Lausanne conference. The French have been instructed to stress the French viewpoint in connection with the concessions.

## CAUSES GRAVE CONCERN.

Special to The Advertiser. Lausanne, April 30.—French military gesture against Turkey caused grave concern at the Near East peace conference today. Delegates at the conference awaited the arrival of General Pella, the French Near East expert from Paris, to see to what extent the French expect to carry their move. It is feared it may influence the Turkish and Turkish delegates here, who are trying to find a suitable basis for peace.

The French decision is understood to have been reached Sunday afternoon, after a conference between Premier Poincaré and Generals Weygand and Pella. All agreed to reports that Turkey had dispatched several additional divisions to the region. General Pella has been instructed, it is said, to tell Ismet Pasha, the Turkish leader at the conference here, that the French Government regards the Turkish movement as an "intention to war."

"This cannot be tolerated by the French Government, which trusts Ismet personally, but fears the general Turkish attitude. Pella is expected to say."

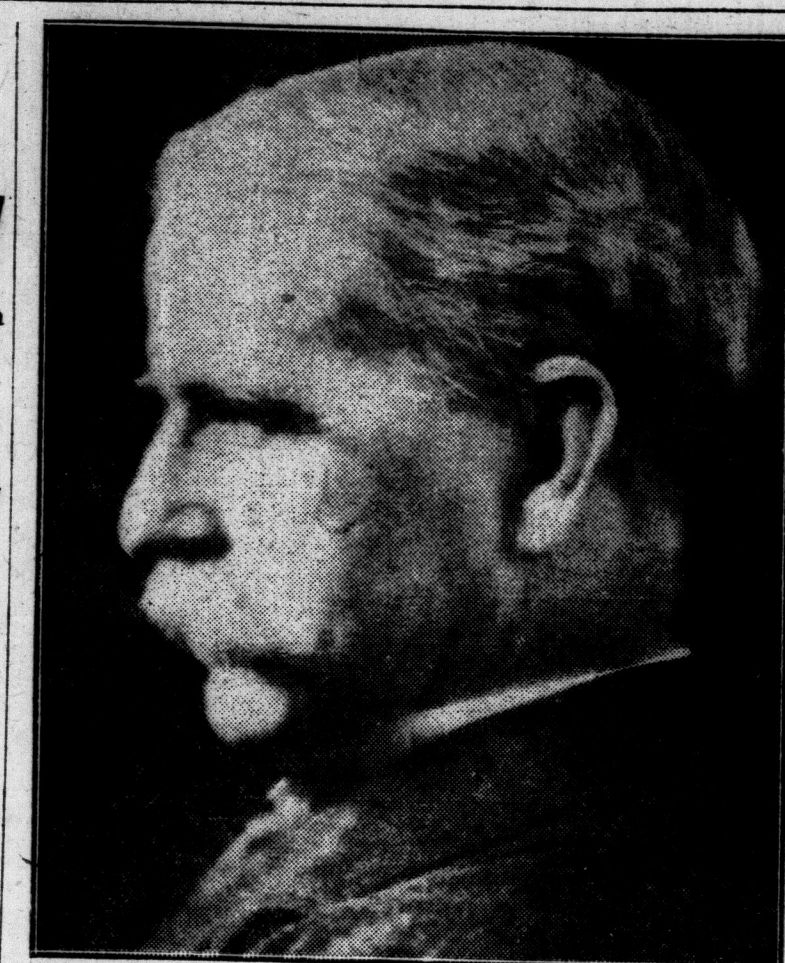
He is to add, it is said, that the French cannot trust some of the elements at Angora, who might wish to stir up trouble at the Syrian border in order to influence the outcome of the present peace confab.

France has a mandate over Syria, and her troops already are stationed there to assist the Syrian army in patrolling the border.

Reports were circulated more than a week ago that two divisions of Turkish forces had been moved toward Syria to a spot where they could easily reach the border in a day's march.

## PARTY CONVENTION, MAY 5.

Special Press Despatch. Owen Sound, April 30.—Two parties, the Conservatives and U. F. O. Labor, will hold conventions on the same day, Saturday, May 5, in Owen Sound. The Liberals will hold their convention a week later.



DR. HENRY VAN DYKE, writer and thinker, known throughout the world for the depth and kindness of his philosophy, will now write for The Advertiser each day a bit of his meditations. Dr. Van Dyke's writings will appear on the editorial page of The Advertiser under the heading "The Guide-Post," beginning tomorrow.

## States Fox Hunting Loss Exceeds U. S. Debt Interest

G. W. Clark Urges Pastime in Britain Be Done Away With—Says Produces Great Moral Harm.

Associated Press Despatch. London, April 30.—The fox hunt in Norfolk County is ended, but fox hunting, "that brutal pastime of the rich and idle," remains one of the greatest stumbling blocks to agricultural prosperity, according to G. W. Clark, who describes himself as a member of a well-known hunting family, long associated with the Blackmore Vale pack of foxhounds.

Mr. Clark has written a booklet with the title "Reynard—The Case Against the Fox," in which he energetically attacks the sport. He estimates the loss inflicted on the country through the 200 hunts conducted in the British Isles at £40,000,000 annually, which exceeds the interest

Great Britain must pay on her debt to the United States, and argues that the benefits conferred upon the horse and breeding industry by the sport are insignificant.

"So long as the countryside is allowed to be turned into playgrounds for the rich and idle, the best results cannot be obtained from the farms," Clark writes. "This brutal pastime has been productive of enormous monetary losses and immense moral harm to the people. It has established a 'junkie class,' who imagine they have the right to rob and trample those with whom they conflict. Every year sees the 'fox tax' pressing heavier upon the overburdened shoulders of the farmer."

## KATO GIVES UP POST OF NAVAL MINISTER

Admiral Kakuichi Murakami, Member of High War Council, Receives Appointment.

Special Cable to The London Advertiser and Chicago Daily News. Copyright. Tokio, April 30.—Admiral Kakuichi Murakami, member of the high war council of Japan, has been appointed minister of the navy to succeed Admiral Baron Kato, who has continued to hold the navy portfolio while at the same time acting as head of the government.

Premier Kato is reported to have chosen his own successor, whose appointment has been unanimously accepted by the cabinet. Vice-Admiral Ide, vice-minister of the navy, is expected to resign if Murakami accepts the new post tendered him.

Walter Moffit, Marks, member of the Australian Parliament, speaking at a Pan-Pacific luncheon here today, declared: "America, Japan and Great Britain should keep their naval fleets in good order, for the time will come when these three nations will be called upon to preserve the peace of the world. Dangers are still lurking which must be destroyed by another Washington conference. In the new naval race for light cruisers, submarines and destroyers, nations of the world must get together and put their cards on the table."

## MARK FISCHER, PAINTER, DIES.

Associated Press Despatch. London, April 30.—Mark Fischer, landscape painter, died here today. He was born in Boston, Mass., but had lived in England for many years.

## QUEBEC BISHOP FORBIDS LIQUOR MANUFACTURE

Issues Circular Warning Parishioners Against Evils of Practice.

Special to The Advertiser. Quebec, April 30.—Under menace of very grave spiritual penalties, which are understood to provide for excommunication, His Grace Mgr. Leonard, bishop of Rimouski, issued a circular letter yesterday to the clergy and faithful, in which he forbids the fabrication, keeping or selling of alcohol manufactured illegally, whether by stills or other process, within the bounds of his diocese. The letter states that this move has been found necessary to signal once more the dangers of spreading alcoholism through permitting the illicit fabrication of so-called "charrette" and "bugosse," two brands of "hootch" found on many farms.

Further, his grace's circular letter states that the penalties will affect those manufacturing illicitly for themselves or for others; those making or installing stills or other devices for the purpose of manufacturing illicit alcohol; to those keeping on their premises such illicitly fabricated liquor; to acquire or disseminate liquor to the provisions of the civil laws any such illegally fabricated liquor.

In addition, the clergy is given special instructions to advise the faithful in all the churches of the diocese and put them fully aware of the dangers of alcoholism resulting from such illicit fabrication.

## MILLIONS READY TO KEEP MAY DAY THROUGH EUROPE

Expect No Serious Trouble. Save Perhaps in the Ruhr District.

## PREDICTS QUIET DAY

Britain Fears No Disturbance Outside of Customary Red Flag Demonstrations.

Special to The Advertiser. London, April 30.—Approximately 25,000,000 workers will observe May day tomorrow throughout Europe. Probabilities of serious trouble are less, with exception of the Ruhr, than at any time in a decade. Although there are more than a million unemployed in this country, outside of the customary red flags and demonstrations at Hyde Park, there is little likelihood of anything happening. In other European countries, for various reasons, this May day is expected to be quiet.

France—Disension and disorganization in the Communist ranks is expected to result in comparative failure of an attempt at serious demonstrations. Supporters of the extreme left will hold mass meetings to protest against occupation of the Ruhr.

Germany—Demonstrations in the Ruhr are expected to signify the workers feeling of triumph over their successful resistance to the French, and with troops on the alert throughout the newly occupied zone, the possibility of clashes between French and German troops always present. In Bavaria, Monarchists are taking advantage of professions of fear of a workers' uprising, to arm themselves and stir trouble of their own. In Berlin public traffic services will be suspended.

Italy—Premier Mussolini has, in a large measure, spiked Socialist and Communist plans for the day, declaring it off. Mussolini decreed that May day should be celebrated April 24, as "Rome Day," and the Fascist left do not get a chance to celebrate. The Fascist is strong enough for them to correct this ruling.

Sweden—Former Premier Branting, whose ministry was overthrown on its stand regarding duties for un-latter. Demonstrations throughout Scandinavia are expected to be peaceful.

Turkey—Discovery of "Bolshevik plots," on the eve of May day, which Turkish workers will celebrate, is reported in despatches from Angora and Constantinople.

## AMALGAMATES TWO STRATFORD PAPERS

W. J. Taylor Will Hold Controlling Interest in New Publication.

Special to The Advertiser. Stratford, Conn., April 30.—Stratford will on Tuesday join the ranks of one-paper cities. Announcement was made today of the amalgamation of the Beacon and Herald under the name of the Stratford Beacon-Herald. Limited. The new paper will be published in the plant of the Beacon, which has been leased. W. J. Taylor of the Westport Sentinel-Review is president of the new company, and holds the controlling interest. Charles Dingman, present manager of the Herald, is to be managing director. Other members of the board are W. F. Tobey, P. Markey and L. H. Urmington of the St. Thomas Times-Journal.

Mr. Taylor purchased the Beacon a few weeks ago, and it has been known, but not officially, for some days that the papers would amalgamate. The Beacon was established in 1854, and the Herald a few years later.

The policy of the paper will be listed as "independent."

## ARREST KING BENJAMIN OF THE HOUSE OF DAVID

Police Believe They Have Their Man—He Denies He Is Missing "Ruler."

Special to The Advertiser. Marysville, Ohio, April 30.—A tall, long-haired man, who denies he is "King" Benjamin Purnell, missing ruler of the Israelite House of David, sat quietly in Union County jail today awaiting the arrival from Kent County, Mich., of authorities who will attempt to identify him as leader of the Benton Harbor religious cult.

The man, believed by Sheriff Collier to be "King" Benjamin, wanted in connection with the one-man grand jury investigation of charges of immorality against his Benton Harbor colony, is held on an open charge.

"I have suspected he was 'King' Benjamin ever since he came here six weeks ago as a knife grinder," said Sheriff Collier. The alleged ruler was arrested late yesterday on the outskirts of Marysville.

