

CHALLENGE TO I.O.D.E. SEEN BY NATIONAL HEAD

Mrs. Church Speaks of Propaganda Against Imperial Unity

NATIONAL SESSIONS FORMALLY OPENED

Prominent Speakers Address Assembly—High Note of Patriotism Sounded

That a challenge was presented to I. O. D. E. members in insidious disintegrating propaganda abroad in Canada to sever the Imperial ties, was one of the thoughts stressed in an excellent exhortation of Mrs. R. M. Church, of Toronto, National President of the order, in her address before the National Chapter last night in the Admiral Beatty Hotel ballroom, at the formal opening of the convention.

Addresses of welcome were given by Lieut.-Governor Todd, Mayor White, Mrs. G. Heber Vroom, Regent of the Municipal Chapter of Saint John, Mrs. R. M. Marshall, of Regina, Regent of the Alberta Provincial Chapter, and others.

The regrets of Premier Baxter at his inability to attend were voiced by Mrs. Vroom.

A pleasing feature of the evening was the reading of a message of greeting and farewell from Lady Byng of Vimy, honorary president of the National Chapter.

Mrs. Poullette, National President of the Daughters of the British Empire of the United States, was welcomed as an honored guest. She came from Los Angeles to be present.

Eighteen standards were carried in the opening procession and were held aloft by the standard bearers grouped behind the distinguished company on the platform as the National Anthem was sung. The standards remained a background and appropriate setting for the evening's patriotic program.

Rev. J. S. Donnell offered the opening prayer. Mrs. R. M. Church, national president, was chairman.

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The Lieutenant-Governor referred to the patriotic ideals of the I. O. D. E. its splendid achievements in the great war, its attainments through education in helping to uplift the people of Canada, its work for soldiers' dependents and all of its work in making Canada a lovely place in which to live, and a undertaking with enthusiasm for which the order was to be congratulated and praised.

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Two Convention Leaders



MRS. R. M. CHURCH, of Toronto, president of the National Chapter of the Imperial Order, Daughters of the Empire, who gave a stirring presidential address at the opening of the 26th annual convention of the order last night. Mrs. H. F. McLeod, of Fredericton, president of the New Brunswick Provincial Chapter of the I. O. D. E., and a national vice-president, is taking a leading part in the convention.

in passing some figures showing how vast is the British Empire which embraces one-quarter of the earth's surface, and one-quarter of the world's inhabitants, and then showed how fitting a place of meeting was Saint John, the Loyalist City. He recalled local history mentioning specially the arrival of Champlain, the varying fortunes of this part of the country under 180 years of the French regime, when the romantic story of Lady La Tour was lived through, and the later arrival of the earlier settlers of Portland Point.

After the American war of revolution had come the United Empire Loyalists who had founded a city on loyalty and patriotism.

Mrs. Church at the close of Dr. White's warmly applauded speech congratulated Saint John on its first city and a man of such talents.

MRS. VROOM SPEAKS. Mrs. G. Heber Vroom, regent of Saint John Municipal Chapter, was introduced as one who had been untiring in her efforts to make the meeting a success and was greeted with warm applause as she rose to extend a welcome to the delegates which she declared one of her keenest pleasures.

She deprecated the tendency of women's societies to do a little of everything, to "bust in" and not to concentrate on the things for which they were organized. She hoped the I. O. D. E. aims and objects would now be concentrated upon and pointed out that in these days when women had so many privileges, citizenship in the great Empire brought great duties.

Mrs. R. C. Marshall, regent of the Provincial Chapter of Alberta, in her reply on behalf of the delegates, referred to the historical facts mentioned by the Lieut.-Governor and the Mayor and said that the delegates would take back definite knowledge of things which before had been mere geography and history. She spoke of the national convention as one of many moments affording an opportunity for discussion of the perplexing problems which must arise in a young country like Canada.

Mrs. Marshall believed that the standard of intelligence of the women in Canada and in the Empire had never been higher and pointed out that the duty of being informed on general matters had also never been greater. The I. O. D. E., she believed, was ready to contribute its share in fulfilling the duties responsible citizenship entailed. It could not afford to adopt a self-satisfied attitude but must recognize its responsibility to young Canadians to the new comers to Canada and to the foreign born of its population, seeing that they had the British line of thought taken to them, that their lives were contented as a safeguard to their future and that of Canada.

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WAR MEMORIAL. "I cannot refrain from paying tribute to the splendid contributions from so many chapters to the war memorial fund—the members still true to their obligation, true to the trust reposed in them, and to the sacred debt incurred, rich with solemn but sublime memories that should make us purer, stronger and better, and ever proud and grateful for the matchless valour of Canadian hearts and the imperishable glory of British arms.

OBJECTIVE HOPED NEAR. "It is earnestly hoped that the completion of our objective in this great educational scheme will be reached in the near future, and would not be a blessed feature of our contribution to the Diamond Jubilee of Confederation, July 1, 1927, to begeth this legacy of the permanent memorial of the order to the Dominion, in ever proud and loving memory of those who went to their death, calmly, triumphantly, renouncing country and life, without regret. Capt. Dennis, in this beautiful requiem hymn, written before his

death, expresses very beautifully the thought of his comrades: "No need for me to look askance, My day was happy, and perchance, The coming night is full of stars." "The stars of everlasting life and the reward of the Master.

RESULTS OF EMPIRE. "In conclusion, let me quote these sentences: "Let us remember that where Britain's flag flies, freedom ripens under its folds, law and order are established and maintained, and as we glance at the marvellous story of the past few years, does not that story vividly tell of a people that sacrificed and died for justice, that bared its breast to despotism's spears, that was valorous in war and merciful in peace. Does it not tell of a people burdened with death and debt, extending the boundaries of Europe, struggling courageously, seeking to build upon the ruins of the world, through faltering faith, through unworthy suspicion, through a restricted horizon, we shall go on magnifying technicalities, accentuating dif-

ferences to the end that we shall destroy co-operation, place ourselves in futile isolation, and pull down the mightiest fabric in history? "Is not the nobler course to strive for co-operation? Will it not be more worthy of our traditions, of the history of the race, of the sacrifices of the immortal dead, if, instead of isolation and petty nationalism, we say with General Smuts: "The Empire is a priceless blessing, and the maintenance of its solidarity is vital, so let us march forward with faith and courage and preparation for sacrifice in the task of its mighty destiny."

N. S. Team For Shoot At Sussex Selected. HALIFAX, June 7.—The personnel of the Nova Scotia team to compete in the Inter-Maritime rifle match at Sussex, N. B., next Thursday, was announced this morning. Those qualifying were: Lieutenant Colonel R. H. Simmonds, Princess Louise Fusiliers, Halifax; Private R. W. Bishop, Annapolis Regiment; Sergeant J. M. Kennedy, Colchester and Hanover Regiment; Lieutenant A. G. McLellan, Cumberland; Private J. D. Cameron, Colchester; Private J. R. Saunders, Annapolis Regiment; Private R. K. Nickerson, Princess Louise Fusiliers; Private W. C. Spurr, Annapolis Regiment; Private H. H. Morse (spare).

Her Heart Palpitated She Had Fainting Spells

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BRILLIANCE IN POETRY. "In the domain of poetry, Charles G. D. Roberts and Bliss Carman, both of New Brunswick, are brilliant examples of that art that endures to bless, exalt and inspire our lives.

PERMANENCE OF ORDER. "An organization such as ours that has maintained its strength and vitality over a period of a quarter of a century must be credited with possessing the elements of permanence. "What are these elements? "In my humble opinion the fundamental element is the spiritual foundation, trust in the one source of strength, in the words of the famous Scotch divine, Norman Macleod, 'Trust in the Lord and the good' with this firm conviction, and the efficacy of this stimulus, we can face all obstacles, and surmount all difficulties.

TOLERANCE URGED. "Another element is mutual tolerance for one another's viewpoints and peculiarities, and mutual appreciation of one another's good qualities, lastly, the soul of the true patriot, which is to give to the common weal of the Dominion and the Empire a three-fold service—the primary chapters, the balm of understanding, and the vigor of our utmost in thought and deed. These are the true qualities of a worthy patriot.

"We are all convinced that the test of success in the modern world is the idea of the accumulation of wealth, social eminence, intellectual superiority, but rather the primary chapters, which are for the welfare of others, and the seeds sown in this work are ever bearing fruit in the lives of those for whom our efforts are made.

WIDER OPPORTUNITY. "Each member of the order should regard her membership as a wider opportunity for service. It is a difficult, but a high vocation, and the times are so full of trials and perplexities, that the fibre of which each one of us is constituted, is being put to the test as it has never been before."

Mrs. Church exhorted the members in the following words: "Let us strive to be wise builders of the superstructure, the foundations of which, the primary chapters, have been so well and so truly laid. "Let us continue to have high resolves, to repress the faintest conceit in one another from ocean to ocean. "Today the members of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire are writing history by their lives, their actions, their achievements. In the spirit of true patriotism, let us record the record of loyal, lovely and of good report."

"You are writing each day a letter. Take care that the writing is true, 'tis the only gospel that some will read. The gospel according to you!" "As Daughters of the Empire, and loyal Canadians, we should be alive

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