

DECLARE UNION WILL STAGNATE CHURCH ACTIVITY

Anti-Union Leaders Denounce
Plan at Meeting in the
Masonic Temple.

MIXED WITH POLITICS

Dr. Nelson, Hamilton, States
Politicians Should Keep
Hands Off Problem.

Its initial session drawing a crowd of between five and six hundred people, the Presbyterian Church Association massed three of its most fiery patriots, its most eloquent orators and its most convincing arguments last night in the Masonic Hall against the proposed consummation of organic union between the Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregational churches.

Dr. A. J. McGillivray came from Guelph with logical deductions and far-sighted reasoning; Rev. W. G. Brown, of Red Deer, Alberta, came with a fiery denunciation of the unionist claim that the West is solidly behind union, and finally from Hamilton came Rev. Dr. Banks Nelson with a Presbyterian soul and an Irish tongue, who spoke of union and politicians, Ireland and politics and President Harding and John D. Rockefeller, Jr. in an enthralling manner which caused the audience to hang on every word until he drove home his point and marked another scene in the commencement of the local campaign, the meeting went on.

Interest of Opposition.
Although the presence of unionists in the audience, together with representatives from other denominations, indicated the interest of the opposition in the commencement of the local campaign, the meeting went on.

Dr. Nelson, at the commencement of his speech, made it plain that he considered the movement toward organic union too tangled with politics for the good of either church or state.

Let the politicians keep their hands off this problem of the church, there is too much of their listening with an ear to the ground to find whether the wind blows Methodist or Presbyterian in their own riding, and too much wondering how the big block of Roman Catholics in the house at Ottawa will vote on the settlement of a Protestant problem. They have brought the barrier act, passed in 1897, into the discussion, declare its use at this juncture would be an unlawful use of the law. What about the proportion of men to women in our churches? The barrier act was not passed to keep our godly mothers and sisters from casting their vote on this question.

Dr. Pidgeon and Newton Rowell both tell us that if this bill is carried the name of the Presbyterian Church will be merged forever. Dr. Pidgeon is a good man, carried away by his own enthusiasm when he talks such downright nonsense. They say there are good men standing for organic union, but there are good men against it. What was happening in 1916 when the vote was taken? I, for one, was working from six o'clock in the morning till I locked the door myself at night, in the recruiting office. I was taking yellow telegrams to fathers and fathers to tell them that they would never see their sons again, and I was bidding good-bye to my own love. And I got a message telling me that the people are reminded that this question will be settled on a basis of the vote cast, instead of a letter commencing "Dear children," and telling me that this question must be settled for the good of the church, in spite of the fact that heaven and hell were pitted at time against each other for the faith. The vote should be declared in cast. I say that popes have been the material that Dr. Pidgeon

Will Endeavor To Shorten Session of Dominion House

Members Are Making Efforts To Have the Bank Act Revision
and Other Legislation Deferred In Order That Com-
mons May Prorogue By End of May.

Special to The Advertiser.

Ottawa, May 1.—Efforts are being made to restrict the length of the session of parliament, which, under present conditions, promises to last well on to the end of June at least. It is the desire of the government to bring about prorogation at the end of May, but unless certain legislation is laid over until next session this will be impossible, particularly if the budget proves to be contentious. So it has been suggested that the revision of the bank act remain over until next year, and that, in the meantime, the banks be given a one-year extension of their charters. This suggestion would meet with the approval of practically all the members.

Much Evidence Added.

Much evidence of a highly technical character has been adduced before the committee on banking and commerce, but the advocates of organic union naturally are in favor of the banking men who have expert knowledge of their subject. Many of the members of committees have worked hard in the securing of evidence, and the examination of witnesses. As a consequence there is on record a vast amount of undigested and only partly digested material, from which little perspective can be obtained. Many members believe that it would be as well if this could be

is built of, and I am improved Scotch and our cry is 'no surrender.'

Enthusiastic Conviction.

There was little doubt in the minds of the audience that whatever the arguments of the unionists, the anti-unionists who addressed the gathering were worked up to a pitch of enthusiastic conviction of their cause. All three declared organic union as something visionary and unattained to the present needs of the church, as tending to stagnancy rather than revival, and proclaimed a federal union of churches as the hope of salvation at the present stage.

"Let's show by federation a united front against the evil of the world," Dr. Nelson concluded. "All denominations stand by me on federation and for ourselves is not co-operation and brotherly love better than a union which will make us made us bitter, and which will only throw the weak over to the Methodist Church and leave the strong to continue alone."

Dr. McGillivray, the first speaker of the evening, commenced with a reference to the fact that the Presbyterian Church stood for something definite and special and had a distinct contribution to make to the kingdom of God. "It stands for something aggressive in national life," he said, "and its mission is not yet completed. Union, to be lasting, must carry the approval of the entire church body. The unionists themselves admit this. Five assemblies have presented a definite front on this issue. When we are confronted by legislation which would draw everyone in, willing or no, it is a question of not merely of union on its merits, but of religious liberty."

And as long as congregations have voted once and twice and even three times against union, the element of coercion remains. Assemblies may decide to go forward into union, but the assembly has its limitations. The rules provide for the continuation of the Presbyterian Church, not the obliteration. The assembly is not representative and the question goes to the people in the last analysis. "To think of the future with the struggle be short and decisive? Many think consummation would be the end. I fear it would be the beginning. It may take years for the bill to run the gauntlet of legislation and in the meantime what of the church? "There is a growing deficit, a menace to the work at home and abroad because one section is advocating union as a solution and another section wants to remain in the church of its fathers. "And if the bill should pass it would produce in the country a situation too awful to contemplate. "The atmosphere of the church would be changed and we cannot overestimate the importance of at-

taken home and carefully perused in the recess. It is quite possible that the revision will be postponed. Another subject, which, it is stated, may be shelved, is the redistribution bill. Sub-committees have been working on this measure, but so far little progress has been made, and the question of the single transferable vote, in favor of which the house declared itself some time ago, has been little discussed so far.

Will Give a Promise.

It is believed that the government is willing to give a promise that, provided the bill laid over until next session, there will be no election in the meantime. This is the only condition under which Progressive members would consent to the postponement. The budget is not expected until next week unless better progress is made on the French treaty, which is now in committee. There is much speculation with regard to the probable provision of the coming budget upon which the fate of the government may actually depend. It will fall to this session to the Progressives to move any amendment which is proposed. It is inconceivable that that group could advise any amendment which the official Conservative opposition could vote for, but a vote might be taken upon the main motion which conceivably might bring them together.

mosphere in home and church life. We should pour some of best Presbyterian blood into other communions and many of our people would lapse altogether. Let none say the assembly will decide in the matter. Nothing is settled until it is settled right, and any drastic action on the part of the assembly will but cause the war to wage afresh."

The Rev. Mr. Brown objected first to the name of anti-unionist. "We are not negative as that implies," he said. "But we have a positive position to hold. I wouldn't start here if I didn't believe in its taking the form of organic union, it is not to say I should be branded as a fanatic or a bigot."

Mr. Brown touched on the legal aspects of the campaign; the disposal of school and college funds and went on to speak of the attitude of church toward government in the passing of enacting legislation.

It Is Reactionary.

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Mr. Brown continued his address to systematically refute every argument produced by the unionists speaking particularly of the situation in the west, which he declared most emphatically was not behind union. He mentioned also the situation in Australia, stating that unionists in Australia were waiting for inspiration and encouragement from Canada, rather than having already set the leadership which Canada should follow. He quoted an American professor who referred to the organic union movement in the States as a "still-born child," and still another man from South Africa, who predicted that organic union would fail all over the world as it would fail there.

He quoted also a letter from a minister actively engaged in the West, which stated that there was plenty of work there for both denominations, and the result of amalgamation was in many instances that the energy was concentrated in the town and the country entirely neglected. Dr. Nelson commenced his address with the pointed query: "Why have we to meet in a place like this. Simply because we are divided and must find a neutral spot in which to meet."

He made reference to the characteristics of the Scotch, recounting their failings with their virtues, and then declared: "If you have four hundred thousand of these people united, for God's sake don't split them. The first thing we can do toward union is to hold the Scotch together. I think the unionists are carried away by a great enthusiasm and they are not looking toward the consequences of a split in our own ranks. "If the great men of the Methodist Conference have common sense enough to advise us to stay out of union, unless we come in undivided, ought not our own leaders to have equal common sense?"

ST. ANDREW'S CHOIR PRESENT PROGRAM OF PLEASING MERIT

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(By A MINOR.)

Exceptionally varied and interesting were the numbers presented by the choir of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, under the direction of Charles E. Wheeler, F. C. C. O., on the occasion last evening of the spring service of praise. The one regrettable feature was that the choral work did not constitute a larger bulk of the program.

Numbering fifty voices or more, harmonizing most pleasingly, and well-balanced as to parts, the choir sang with gratifying precision of attack and release, and attention to phrasing. The volume of tone was adequate, without being forced in forte passages, and graded with nicety to meet the demands of interpretation.

Happy Introduction.

Striking the note of optimism and triumph, "Now the Earth in Resurrection Light," by H. R. Shelley, was a happy introduction. Grouped with this was "Blessing and Glory," Rachmaninoff, richly colorful in tone, interpreted with breadth, dignity, and the suggestion of majesty. In these as in the subsequent numbers, "Lead Kindly Light" (Cyril Jenkins), in which the solo part was taken by E. A. Webster, and in the part song, "My Ain Folk," the distinct enunciation was a delightful feature. The strength and good quality of soprano and alto sections were revealed in "The Angels" Chaminade for women's voices, given with nice finish.

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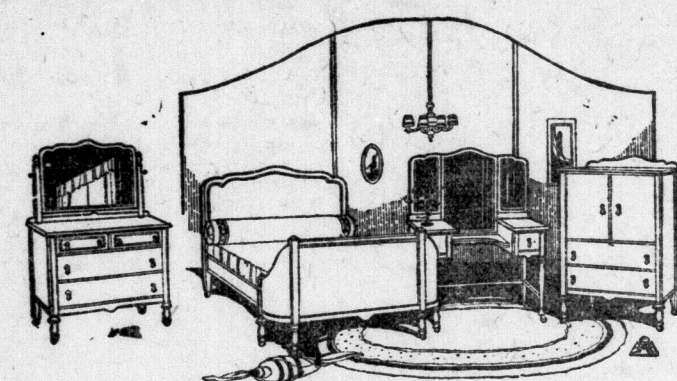
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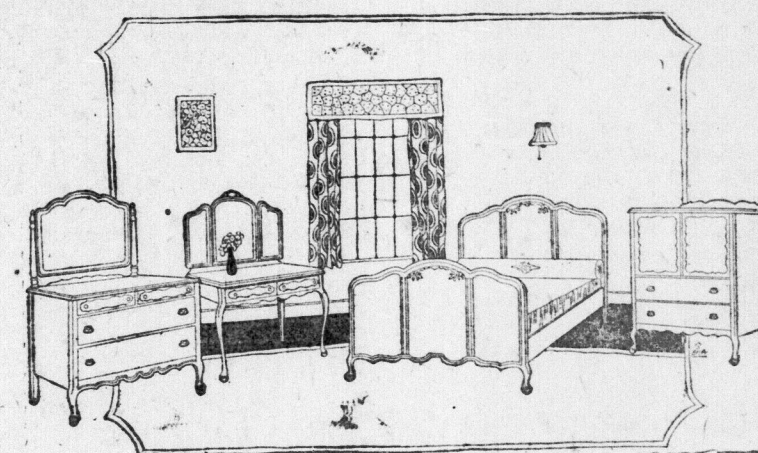
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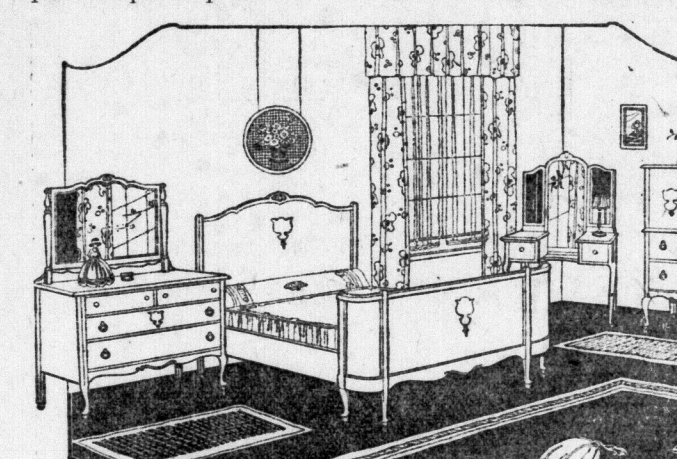
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FRUSTRATE ATTEMPT OF WOMAN TO END LIFE

Windsor Police Prevent Death
of Mrs. Belle Amahuk
By Suicide.

Special to The Advertiser.

Windsor, May 1.—Prompt action by police yesterday morning saved the life of Mrs. Belle Amahuk, 35 years old, 983 Langlois avenue, who attempted to end her life by swallowing bichloride of mercury.

Called to the home of Mrs. Amahuk at 9:30 a.m., Sergeant W. Brumpton, Detective Sergeant Duncan McNab and two patrolmen found her on the floor of her bedroom, writhing in pain and vomiting.

The officers immediately gave her an emetic of common baking soda, which physicians said, prevented death. She was taken to the Hotel Dieu, where nurses stated she was out of danger.

A series of quarrels with her husband, Mrs. Amahuk is said to have told the police, caused her to make attempt on her life.

PREVENT AGED WOMAN FROM COMMITTING SUICIDE

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Detroit, Mich., May 1.—Mrs. Ada Campbell, 60 years of age, was prevented by two men from jumping off the Belle Isle Bridge into the river today.

The rescuers observed Mrs. Campbell gazing at the water, her arms raised to the top of the railing. They watched her closely and when she climbed over the railing, they seized her clothing and pulled her back. She was taken to the psychiatric ward of Receiving Hospital. Recently she suffered a nervous breakdown.

QUICK RESPONSE OF REELS SAVES RIDOUT ST. SHED

A shed on fire at the rear of A. M. Jarvis' home, 49 Ridout street south, gave the firemen a run yesterday afternoon. The blaze was extinguished with the small chemical and little damage was done.

TO DISCONTINUE EXPRESS SERVICE ON SOME LINES

Canadian Press Despatch.
Montreal, May 1. — It was announced at the head offices of the Canadian National Railways here yesterday that effective June 1, the service of the Dominion Express Company on that section of the Canadian National Railways formerly known as the Intercolonial (and in Prince Edward Island) would be discontinued and the express business in that territory operated by the Canadian National Express. Some days ago Sir Henry Thornton notified the Dominion Express Company that the privileges heretofore granted to that company would be withdrawn. For some years the two companies have operated on the Intercolonial with a duplication of expense and a

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Germs breed by millions in film. They, with tartar, are the chief cause of pyorrhea, now so alarmingly common.

Teeth not clean
Old brushing methods left much film intact. They left the teeth unclear, to often discolor and decay.

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