

THE RAG TIME DANCE BANNED

Illinois Vice Commission Hears Evidence of Evil Effect of "Rag Time" Dances—Suppression Urged.

Washington, March 23.—The whipping post for white slavers and seducers of women, a tax upon bachelorhood, more careful training of children, and abolition of joy rides and ragtime dancing, were advocated as remedies for the social evil at a hearing today conducted by the Illinois Senatorial Vice Commission, which came to Washington primarily to interest President Wilson in a nationwide vice crusade.

The commission secured the promise of President Wilson to consider their request for him to call a conference of governors and representatives of vice commissions from various states to study the social problem, the conference to be held in Washington as soon as practicable.

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CHILDREN INJURED BY GAS EXPLOSION

Walls of New York Factory Building Blown Out and Children Playing in Streets Below are Hurt.

New York, March 22.—More than a hundred tons of brick blown outward from the walls of a lower east side factory building, by an explosion of gas this afternoon, killed two children and seriously injured three others of a large number that were playing in the street below.

The explosion occurred on the fourth floor of the five story building on East Twelfth street, tearing away the rear and a side wall on the fourth, fifth and part of the third floors. Harry Furman, eleven years old, was buried under the avalanche of brick and mortar, as was also his eight year old brother, Abram, whose skull was fractured. The three other injured children were hit by flying bricks, suffering fractured bones and internal injuries. The factory was closed today on account of the Jewish Sabbath. The explosion was caused when a leaking gas pipe became suddenly ignited.

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MOVEMENT TO BOOM OLD MOUNT ALLISON

Plans are now being made for it, and last of April will see its Working.

There is every evidence that the latter part of April will witness a Mount Allison movement that will sweep Canada from coast to coast. In Montreal a meeting was held a few days ago, of Mount Allison graduates, at which plans were made for furthering of this nature. Toronto former students last week completed preliminary arrangements for the same sort of an affair. In Vancouver, where there are more than a hundred Mount Allison graduates, the plan was long since settled. Calgary is in line, and between these various associations there has developed the college spirit, by means of which the men and women who formerly attended classes at Sackville, will vie with each other in doing all that is possible for their Alma Mater in the forward movement now being undertaken.

In the Maritime Provinces, too, there are indications that the effort to increase the endowment fund of the university will go with a swing. Mr. Cassidy, of Toronto, who is assisting in the organization, and who is now in Sackville, has received many messages of co-operation from towns such as Amherst, Truro, Sydney, Moncton and elsewhere. Mr. Cassidy has not yet had time to visit these places, but will get around to them and others in the course of the next few weeks. In Sackville he has found the business men of every denomination not only ready to assist but ready anxious to take an active part and to do all in their power to make the campaign a success from the start. All denominations are represented among those who have volunteered to aid in this movement to advance the interests of what is a truly national asset, Mount Allison University.

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MURDERS HIS WIFE; GIVES HIMSELF UP

William Dice: Fired Five Shots into His Young Wife and then Surrendered to the Sheriff.

River Head, N. Y., Mar. 22.—William Dice walked into Sheriff Brush's office here today and stood waiting, hat in hand, for five minutes, while the sheriff finished a conversation with another visitor. Finally the sheriff swung around in his chair and asked Dice what he wanted.

"Why, I just killed my wife," Dice coolly responded. He led the sheriff and two deputies to his house, where his wife was found lying dead with five bullet wounds. Dice declared the shooting was in self-defence. "She chased me into the basement with a knife and ran me into a corner, where I shot to keep her from killing me," he said. He did not explain why he had fired more than one shot. Dice is 48 and his wife less than 20. They had been married two years.

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POPE'S VICAR GENERAL DIED ON SATURDAY

News Kept from His Holiness until after Easter Sunday—Deceased was Great Favorite of Pope.

Rome, March 22.—Cardinal Ruffini, vicar general of His Holiness, died today. He was born at Bologna, September 22, 1843. The death of Cardinal Ruffini, although expected, as he had been gravely ill with influenza for some time, is causing distress throughout the Vatican world. So far the fatal termination of the cardinal's illness has been concealed from Pope Pius, the Vatican authorities not wishing to cause him grief on Easter Eve, but it will be difficult to hide the fact long, as the pontiff frequently inquires regarding the condition of his vicar general, whom he held in great affection.

The hope is held by the members of the Sacred College that they will be able to keep the news of the cardinal's demise from His Holiness until Monday.

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