

BIG CONVENTION OPENED HERE SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS HELD INITIAL MEETING

Interesting Addresses Given and Visitors Welcomed at St. Andrew's Church.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Judged by its first gathering in St. Andrew's Presbyterian church last night, the tenth annual convention of the Western British Columbia Sunday School Association bids well to become a pronounced success. There was a good attendance and the tone and ability of the speakers was inspiring in the extreme.

The speech of the evening was made by Marion Lawrence, secretary of the World's Executive of the International Sunday Schools. His subject was "The World Wide Work," and in it he spoke of the work of Sunday school in the most important countries in the world where Sunday school work flourishes.

An address of welcome was given by Mayor Hall, in which he said he considered the work of winning souls should be the greatest work in the world. This work he thought could best be done through the agency of the Sunday school. He wished the visitors God-speed in the work they were doing.

Rev. Joseph McCoy spoke on behalf of the Ministerial Association. He knew there was a band of workers in the Victoria schools, but they would be helped by the visit of their friends from out of doors and would become better fitted for their several vocations from having had in their midst such earnest Sunday school workers.

Rev. Mr. Westman, on behalf of the visiting delegates, expressed the pleasure he felt at again meeting through friends. He was glad to acknowledge the hearty welcome the visitors had received on this occasion. He said they had come full of fire to set all on fire, and to be themselves stirred. A great many methods had been tried to save the world, but they had found that the only way was to save the boys and girls.

Mr. Williamson, the new secretary, was introduced by H. J. Knott, of Vancouver, but formerly of this city. In doing this Mr. Knott explained the growth of the schools here made it necessary to have a secretary for British Columbia. He felt sure Mr. Williamson would fill the position well and moved that this should be confirmed and approved. Mr. King seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. Williamson was surprised that he was called upon. He was glad to be there and the best thing he could say was that they should hand in their travelling certificates for signature. George Carter gave an interesting talk on the "Retrospect and Outlook for the District." Looking back over the work in this section, he said, the product of the work which had gone before was present in the air and the past had been bright but the future was brighter yet. Right here on these shores West met East. Men of steel backbone were needed. The number attending the Sunday school conference steadily advancing. The Adult Bible students numbered in this country 250,000, all above the age of 16 years. The work, however, must not be left to the other men or women. The outlook was bright but it might be brighter. In ten years from now the number of delegates should be too large for any hall in the city to accommodate.

Marion Lawrence, secretary of the World's Executive of Sunday Schools, said he was just an ordinary Sunday school worker, a layman of the latest kind. There was one word in the air and that word was "organize." Nine years before he had come to the city to

organize them. At that time there was no organization west of Winnipeg. A secretary was appointed three years ago for the three western provinces and now for the first time this province had a secretary for itself. Conventions were being held all over the country and four of the international workers were in Canada.

"The Sunday school army," said the speaker, "is the largest army in the world. The Sunday school work is in its best in the United States and Canada. The Sunday school syndicate is the greatest in the world. Its representatives meet once a year and set to work 22,000,000 people in different parts of the world. This is the International Sunday School committee. It does its work cheaply for none of the men are paid."

The speaker told of the progress of the work in Mexico. There the priest-ridden people are anxious to attend the schools. There they had a secretary working and giving all his time to it. There were 728 delegates at a big convention recently and some of them walked 60 miles to get there. Great advances were being made and British Columbia had a part in this work.

There were also organizations in Central America, South America, and the islands of the West Indies. The Sunday School Union of London included the British Isles and the continent of Europe. He was present there on one occasion when George Williams was chairman. At that time the Sunday schools there were only for working and to-day this had been changed and adults were now attending in great numbers.

Japan was organized three years ago. To-day there are three native secretaries and six teacher training books have been translated into Japanese. Korea, too, is turning to God. Twenty years ago there were only a handful of Christians but to-day there are 250,000 Christians in the country. They are feeling oppressed under the control of Japan and are turning to God. In Manchuria a similar condition exists. In China the work is growing as also in India. The speaker said, was a wonderful country. A great work was being done there. The Sunday school was the undermining of Paganism.

He gave a number of incidents of the work in India, where children had done missionary work. He told of the big conventions at Jerusalem and Rome. The whole world was a-tingle with Sunday school work. The material was there and the tools with which to work. The child end was the right end to begin the construction of the work.

At the conclusion of the address a nominating committee submitted the names of Noah Shakespeare and T. W. Fry, respectively, as president and secretary of the coming meetings. These were accepted.

The music for the evening was in charge of E. O. Excell, who took the choir in hand in a few and easy way with admirable results. At the close the visiting delegates registered and the billeting committee completed their work.

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This afternoon a paper is to be given by Dr. Ernest Hall, his subject being "Purity in the Sunday School." A banquet is being given for all Bible class students, teachers and delegates and there is a big programme for the evening, the features of that being addressed by Rev. J. S. Henderson and Marion Lawrence.

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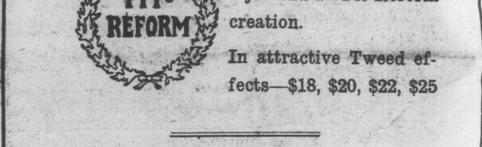
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YACHTING DEADLOCK REMAINS UNSETTLED

Settlement of Rating Rule May Spoil Next Season.

The recently adopted rating of racing yachts by the Northwest International Yachting Association at a meeting held at Seattle last month, has not yet been approved by the trustees of the Alexander cup, and it probably never will be from the stand the trustees have taken, as they still hold their meetings and refuse to acknowledge the action of the association.

If the deadlock continues it is certain there will be no further Alexander cup races, and the splendid trophy will become as interesting a relic as the historic mug of the New York Yacht Club, which is being so jealously guarded from Sir Thomas Lipton.

The Northwest International Yachting Association is the supreme body in the Pacific Northwest waters on yachting matters, and the cup trustees are supreme as to races for the trophy. While the two organizations are at loggerheads the yachtsmen are debarred from making next season's plans or from preparations for a racing boat to compete for the next Alexander cup race.

The new rating for one thing debars absolutely the building of a Victory boat, which is of the greatest importance to the local yachting community. With the deadlock existent the local yachtsmen are not going to the expense of building a boat which through the altering of the rules again later on would then be valueless. The old rules named the twenty-nine-foot class for the trophy and the association has raised the rating to 31 feet boats.

Winter will soon be over and the fitting out season will soon be here and those who are waiting to build want something definite to go on or the next season will be a failure.

The police on Tuesday afternoon arrested a Japanese on the Tango Maru on behalf of the Seattle police. The Japanese is alleged to have stolen \$100 in Seattle and tried to get away on the steamer. He is being held until advices arrive from the Sound city. The police picked him out of four hundred other Japanese on board and further identified him by a watch charm.

CANCER THE REASON

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