

BOIES OF ITALIAN DISASTER VICTIMS ARE FOUND

CANADIAN CLUBS HAVE SCHEME FOR NOTED SPEAKERS

Decision of Victoria Conference Placed Before Local Clubs by Maple Leaf Editor.

WESTERN FILMS SHOWN

Outstanding features of the trans-Canada tour of Ontario Canadian club delegates in September and a summary of the important decisions of the national conference at Victoria were presented to members of the London men's and women's Canadian clubs at the Central League Saturday evening by S. K. Smith, editor of the Maple Leaf, official Canadian club paper. Mr. Smith's talk was illustrated by motion picture films, one of which showed the delegates in enjoyment of a day's outing at Brewster's Ranch, near Banff, where a beef was barbecued for their dinner and novel wild west stunts put on for their entertainment. Other films illustrated Banff, where the delegates were fellow guests with the Prince of Wales. Scenes in the Selkirk and the Fraser River Canyon. One film was devoted to the beauties of Victoria, the convention city, which were so greatly enjoyed by the delegates.

Mr. Smith advised the local clubs of the recommendation of the conference with reference to a national lecturership scheme, by which at least four speakers of the very highest calibre would be brought from Great Britain and rented across Canada, as was done by the National Educational Council with Sir Henry Newbolt, Sir Nicholas, and others. Major F. J. Ney, secretary of the council, is to be entrusted with the negotiations, and a fund is to be placed in the hands of the council of a contribution of 10 per cent of the membership of such clubs as may accept the recommendation of the conference. It had been suggested that in smaller cities, if the Canadian clubs were unable to contribute the required amount, that they might interest other organizations, in order that their country might not be deprived of the opportunity of hearing such able speakers.

The new national executive of Canadian clubs, according to Mr. Smith, is entrusted this year with the task of investigating thoroughly the possibility of having generally adopted a standardized and uniform version of "O Canada." The London Women's Club have been using Campbell's version, beginning:

"O Canada, beloved country thou," and this was read at the Victoria conference. There was strong support, however, for the Weir version, of which the refrain is:

"O Canada! O Canada!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee,
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee."

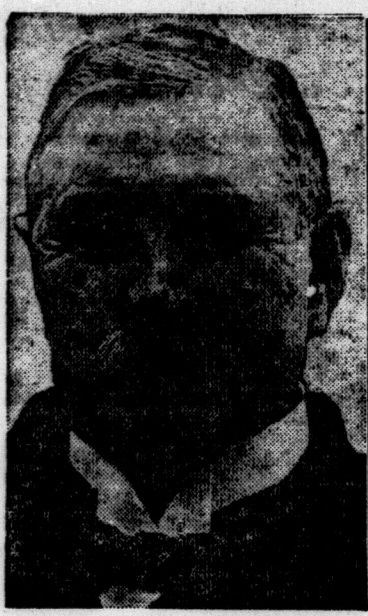
The Canadian Authors' Association has finally pronounced this the most acceptable version, and Mr. Smith said that the fact of this wording being used in the schools of several provinces would count very strongly for its final adoption, if there ever really was a standardized version.

In preliminary remarks, Mr. Smith sketched briefly the out-going trip of the Ontario party, by C. N. R. to the evidences of pioneering in New Ontario, impressions of Winnipeg, Saskatoon and Edmonton and of the most delightful day spent by the delegates at Jasper Park Lodge and environs in the famous game reserve, which was the property of the Canadian people. Here was a territory, 4,400 square miles in extent, almost as large as Wales, where wild animals looked upon man as a friend. Colonel Rogers, the efficient superintendent, had told the delegates that the park contained 10,000 Big Horn mountain sheep and 5,000 Rocky Mountain goats, while the bears were so numerous and so friendly as to become a nuisance to campers by pilfering their supplies. This was the country of which Sir Arthur Conan Doyle has written:

"But the last and best and sweetest is the ride by hill and dale, with the packer and the pack horse on the Athabasca trail. Ever more my heart is with you; ever more till life shall fall. I'll be out with pack and packer on the Athabasca trail."

In concluding, Mr. Smith said that something of the heart and spirit of the Ontario Canadian Club members who had taken this trip would always respond to the call of the west. He had found in eastern cities either a very vague conception of the west, or a tendency on the part of business men to think of western cities only in terms of potential markets. "Times were good, or times were bad" in the west, and they let it go at that. Surely all Canadians had a common responsibility to study and to take their share in solving the problems of all parts of Canada. While the visitors were duly impressed with evidences of the great material progress and resources of the west, yet they had come back with a new and sweeter vision of what it meant to be Canadians. They had found this not so much in "the sentinel mountains and the sun-kissed prairies," but in the consecrated spirit of western men and women, who were with the Canadian clubs in all the larger cities of the west. Truly, as Sir George Foster had said at Winnipeg, they could now believe:

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"TAY PAY" O'CONNOR, dean of the British House of Commons, who has urged all Irish voters to record their votes on a purely British issue.

SAYS WATER HERE WOULD SUPPLY CITY OF 100,000

Engineer Curd Will Present Report at Utilities' Session On Thursday.

EAST IS FAVORED.

The report of Engineer C. A. Curd, ground water expert, who has been conducting a survey of water possibilities in the vicinity of London, will likely be presented at the meeting of the public utilities commission Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Curd finished his survey early last week, and the report, covering some 50 pages of typewritten paper, has been in course of preparation since that time. According to Mr. Curd, his report will show that the hopes of finding a sufficient supply of well water in London to last many years were well founded and that in his survey he located more than enough to supply a city of 100,000 persons.

As far as can be learned, the main supply is in the eastern section of the city, Pottersburg, and is good, clean water, such as the city is now using. Mr. Curd will be at the meeting to briefly outline his work.

The last regular meeting of the 1923 board of education will be held Thursday afternoon, and it is expected that all the work remaining undone will be finished in order that the special meeting held after Christmas will be merely a meeting of old and new trustees.

According to the chairman of the various committees there is not much to be done, as the board has kept well up with its work during the year. Certain recommendations may be made to the 1924 board on various matters, such as new secondary schools, salaries, etc., but it is unlikely that the new body will be committed to anything of a drastic nature by this year's board.

This will be the last meeting for Thomas Rowe, who for 10 years has been one of the most active members of the board, and who, on account of ill-health, refused to seek re-election. Edwin Smith will not be in attendance, he having resigned at the last meeting, while Ward Casselman and A. E. Silman will also make their final appearance.

R.C.R.'S PRESENT FLAG TO THE VICTORIA HOME

Women's Christian Association Now Makes Appeal for Flagpole.

Lieut.-Col. C. H. Hill and the men of the Royal Canadian Regiment have met a long-felt need by presenting to the Victoria Home for Incubables a large and handsome Union Jack. The members of the Women's Christian Association, under whose management the home is run, were delighted with the gift, and at the quick response to the call of the west. He had found in eastern cities either a very vague conception of the west, or a tendency on the part of business men to think of western cities only in terms of potential markets. "Times were good, or times were bad" in the west, and they let it go at that. Surely all Canadians had a common responsibility to study and to take their share in solving the problems of all parts of Canada. While the visitors were duly impressed with evidences of the great material progress and resources of the west, yet they had come back with a new and sweeter vision of what it meant to be Canadians. They had found this not so much in "the sentinel mountains and the sun-kissed prairies," but in the consecrated spirit of western men and women, who were with the Canadian clubs in all the larger cities of the west. Truly, as Sir George Foster had said at Winnipeg, they could now believe:

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SCHOOL CHILDREN VOTE, CONDUCT MODEL ELECTION

School children at Simcoe street school, following the example of their elders, held elections last week on the same plan as the regular municipal elections in progress today.

The new city hall and the dam at Springbank were the two questions on the former being defeated, while the dam proposition was carried, showing that the children look to the need of recreational space. The screens to be used in the city elections were held. Deputy returning officers, poll clerks and scrutineers were appointed from amongst the pupils, and a keen interest was shown.

CAR STOLEN.
W. R. Adams, 80 Oak street, reported to the police today that his Ford coupe, license number 181-157, was stolen from in front of the Talbot Street Baptist Church Sunday evening.

RECOVERED BODIES OF 137 VICTIMS OF DYKE CRASH

Italian Troops Recover 137 Bodies in Bergamo Valley Country.

RESTORATION PROCEEDS

Bergamo, Italy, Dec. 3.—One hundred and thirty-seven bodies have been recovered up to the mountain from the Bergamo valley country, six hundred of whose inhabitants are believed to have been drowned when the great dyke impounding the waters of Gleno Lake collapsed last Thursday.

Troops and civilian rescue parties worked throughout the night in the mud and water seeking out the victims of the deluge over an area of fifty square miles, and endeavoring to give aid and comfort to the thousands who have been made homeless by the disaster.

Hundreds of homes, including the entire villages of Dezzo, Corna and Bueggio, were wiped out by the ten million cubic yards of water that swept from the artificial glacial lake.

Stopped at Lake Isco. The course of the flood was stopped at Lake Isco, 15 miles away. The country in the vicinity of Darfo has become a vast lake, and as the water gradually subsides it leaves a waste of mud that has engulfed innumerable cattle.

The torrential rains of the last week, reaching serious proportions last Friday and Saturday, made the pressure against the Gleno dyke greater than the four-mile wall could withstand, and although the masonry was 35 yards thick, the dyke went out, and the water thundered down the valley, sweeping all before it.

Rescue work was immediately undertaken by relief parties from the district of Milan and Brescia, while the royal carabinieri relief corps, as soon as it reached the flooded area, began the construction of bridges so as to bring food to the populations of Schilpario and Villamaggiore.

The rescue and restoration work during the night was carried out under the glow of huge electric searchlights brought to the scene by the army. Special efforts are being made to reconstruct the swept-out bridges and build up the roads so as to make transportation easier to all parts of the stricken region.

All the relief workers are undergoing severe hardship facing the cold waves which have swept down from the Alps, and which in addition to the waste of mud left in the trail of the flood is rendering the work most arduous. In all, fifteen squadrons of the national cavalry, and several battalions of regular forces are likewise making every effort to relieve the situation.

URGES KEEN THOUGHT IN CASTING BALLOTS

Dr. William Beattie Stresses Importance of Voter's Position.

The responsibility of municipal citizenship was emphasized by Rev. Dr. William Beattie in a sermonette at the First Presbyterian Church last evening. Dr. Beattie urged the members of his congregation to analyze the issues of the election today and to vote conscientiously with a full appreciation of the responsibility they are called upon to assume.

It is of vital importance to everyone that we have in our council and on the board of education men who are above reproach," Dr. Beattie said. "It would be worse than folly to instruct the expenditure of sums aggregating \$2,300,000 to men who are without principle. I am not insinuating that such men are offering themselves for there are good, better and best candidates. The best candidates are the ones entitled to the confidence of this city."

Dr. Beattie added that every citizen should ask himself before voting whether the man he votes for is capable of giving his best efforts to the city; whether he is honest, industrious, and whether he represents the finest type of thought among the candidates.

Women, the speaker declared, must exercise their voting privilege to a much greater extent if the reforms and measures which they hope to become operative shall be made.

Among the problems on which the people must decide are two involving large expenditures of money. Each citizen should ask himself the question as to the necessity and wisdom of these expenditures.

"There is little doubt that the city employees deserve something better than the offices in which they now work," Dr. Beattie said, "but in my opinion the fact that no alternative is presented in the city hall bill is a mistake. A negative vote will postpone the building of offices which are badly needed, whereas I believe many citizens are prepared to vote for some accommodation, although not necessarily the particular site determined by the council."

"The main thing I desire to stress, however, is the prime necessity of men and women voting conscientiously and with a full knowledge of the issues. On election day the responsibility of citizenship resolves its practical application, and those who evade it are not contributing to the welfare of the city as they should."

CASE DISMISSED.
George Grant and Cecil Mariatt, the two motorists whose cars clashed at Piccadilly and streets on Dec. 18, stated through counsel in police court today that they had paid for damages to a bicycle owned by one of the Protestant Orphan Asylum boys, whose bicycle was damaged in the accident and the case against them for reckless driving was dismissed by the magistrate.

Beautiful Tribute Unveiled To Memory of Employees Who Paid Supreme Sacrifice

Impressive Ceremony Marks Annual Meeting of Bank of Montreal.

PRESIDENT OFFICIATES

Striking Memorial Designed by James Earl Fraser, Competition Winner.

Montreal, Dec. 3.—The annual meeting of the Bank of Montreal, held at noon today, was followed by the unveiling in the head office of the bank of a monument to the memory of the 230 members of the staff who fell in the Great War. This is to be followed shortly by the unveiling of another monument, now in the course of erection, at the office of the bank in Winnipeg.

The memorial at the headquarters in Montreal is in the center of the entrance hall, facing the doorway, and will consist of a bronze figure in white marble, symbolizing victory. The monument in Winnipeg is to be situated outside the portals of the main office, and will consist of a bronze figure of a soldier in full military equipment.

The ceremony of unveiling in Montreal was performed by the president, Sir Vincent Meredith, baronet, in the presence of the directors and a large gathering of shareholders, members of the staff and relatives of the fallen. The speeches were brief and to the point.

"I am privileged," said Sir Vincent Meredith, "to unveil this monument to our gallant men who fell in the Great War."

"We have met here today with mingled feelings of sadness and of pride. Of sadness, because 230 of the bravest and best of our staff, those to whom we looked to fill the highest positions in the service, will not return to us. Of pride, because they went forward at the call of their king and country to save the British Empire from the ruthless domination of a foreign foe. This beautiful monument will for all time remain a memorial to their valor and self-sacrifice, and their memory to all of us will be a happy and enduring one."

Sad, Yet Proud.

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, general manager of the bank, said particularly for the staff, said: "The unveiling of this memorial to our gallant dead in the Great War marks the saddest day in the history of this bank, in whose welfare we all take such an intense pride. As I look down this roll of names, which are on the ground to me of those whom I personally saw starting forth in life as juniors in our service. They grew to manhood and rose to positions of promise and responsibility under my own eye. Then came the call of our motherland in the hour of deadly peril; and answering with a hand-grasp within these walls, they went forth purposefully, firm of step and of head, to defend with their lives the honor of the empire they loved so well."

cannot recall such names as J. J. Barker, Geoffrey Sheffield, Archibald Fraser and John Vessey without a lump in my throat. I mention these four only because I knew them from their boyhood."

When it was first decided to erect a memorial in the head office of the bank, an international competition was instituted, the designs being invited to submit designs. The terms of the competition called for the figure of a soldier typifying all who had fallen, and a figure, designed for enlargement in bronze, was produced by the winning sculptor, James Earl Fraser, and is the figure which is to be unveiled in Winnipeg.

In addition to the figure of a soldier in bronze, Mr. Fraser conceived a figure in pure white marble—a figure emblematic of death, but of victory. So splendidly appropriate was the design of this figure that the committee unanimously accepted it.

The figure of Victory is nine feet in height, sculptured in white Sienese marble, and it stands upon a pedestal of Botticino marble eight feet high, so that the total height is seventeen feet.

EIGHT APPLY FOR VACANCY ON TECH. SCHOOL STAFF

H. B. Beal, principal of the Technical School, is seeking a new head for the wood-working department at that institute, following the resignation of J. C. Anderson, who is leaving to accept a more lucrative position. So far, eight applications have been received by Secretary W. A. Tanner, and the matter will be taken up at tonight's meeting of the vocational advisory committee.

LADY DIANA COOPER ARRIVES.
Associated Press Despatch.
New York, Dec. 3.—Lady Diana Duff Cooper, who has been engaged to play the Madonna in Max Reinhardt's production of "The Miracle," arrived yesterday on the Aquitania.

REV. D. L. M'CRAE

"Permit me, as one of the oldest newspaper men in Canada, to offer my congratulations to The London Advertiser on the attainment of its diamond jubilee."

"Your fine anniversary number stirred precious memories of the past. John Cameron, the founder of The Advertiser, was a close friend for nearly 40 years. After coming to London I did a good deal of writing in one way and another for The Advertiser for many years, and all the editors and members of the staff were known to me and dear friends."

"Great changes have taken place in London and Western Ontario during the past 25 years, but The Advertiser holds on its way and adds splendid new equipment for its future work. Accept all good wishes."

"D. L. M'CRAE."

Christabel Takes Pessimistic View

Associated Press Despatch.
Chicago, Dec. 3.—Great Britain and the United States are in the greatest of moral danger and "deeper in the mire than the people of ancient Rome," Christabel Pankhurst, former militant suffragist, who forsook her militant ways to preach the gospel, declared yesterday before 5,000 persons assembled at Moody Tabernacle.

"The darkest chapter of human history is open," she said. "The sky never again will be lighted up by the stars of illusion. That was a happy, foolish phrase, 'A war to end wars.' The sun has never shone since that war."

CITY SALARIES TO BE DISCUSSED TOMORROW NIGHT

Cases of Employers Formerly Overlooked Will Now Be Taken Up.

MAY AMEND BYLAW

A further attempt will be made to amend the city salary bylaw at a regular session of the city council tomorrow night, the Advertiser was informed today.

An effort will be made to include at least two more city hall employees in the list for increases—two who were overlooked but either overlooked or ignored, city officials state.

It is claimed that this further amendment could be accomplished without formally "reopening" a salary question, necessitating a two-thirds vote of the council. The fear is expressed in certain quarters, however, that the latter plan will be vigorously attempted with the hope that the situation would become so involved that a majority of the councillors would reconsider former acts and refer the entire bundle of proposals on to 1924.

The further belief is expressed that some of the members of the council would be inclined to change their attitude should they encounter defeat at the polls today. Certain members give the frank assurance, however, that they will not depart from their original vote when the salary bylaw was passed and in fact they assert that they will not even vote to reopen the discussion.

It is pointed out that the present bylaw can be further amended in order to add the names in question. As it is now, an amendment was moved at the last session to change the date from January 1 to April 1. The third reading must be taken tomorrow night. And what the outcome will be is difficult for the city hall observers to determine offhand.

O'REILLY TOOK WRONG WAY TO LOCATE JOB

Poolroom Loafer Charged With Vagrancy Fails to Impress Court.

Stanley O'Reilly, a vagrant of 18, told Magistrate Graydon today that he had left from Sarnia, Marie and had relatives there. He was remanded to jail for a week and Chief Birrell will get in touch with the young man's family.

O'Reilly stated he went from the Soo to Sarnia by boat, and took a train to London, arriving here on Thursday to look for work.

"He's been looking around the poolroom," volunteered Chief Birrell.

"That's no place to find work," opined the court. "I'll remand you for a week."

BUY STAMPS FROM CARRIERS.
Postmaster T. C. Duncan is of the opinion that few people realize postage stamps can be bought from the letter carriers as they go their rounds each morning and afternoon. Late Mr. Duncan has been asked by citizens to endeavor to have built more sub-postoffices throughout the city. The letter carriers carrying with them small books of one, two, three and ten-cent postage stamps, Mr. Duncan says.

FINAL PARTY OF IMMIGRANTS ARRIVES IN CITY

Salvation Army Officials Well Satisfied With Season's Work.

PLACE 275 GIRLS

The last party of Scotch immigrants to come to London this season under Salvation Army auspices arrived in the city last night. They were met at the C. P. R. depot by Adjutant and Mrs. Smith, and were taken to Millfield Lodge, where they will remain until positions are found for them. Several are already placed, and according to Mrs. Smith the others will receive positions as domestics by the end of the week.

More immigrants have been brought over from England and Scotland this season by the Salvation Army than during any previous year. According to Adjutant Smith it has been by far the most successful year in the history of the Salvation Army. Thirty-one boys have been placed on farms in this district, and more than 275 girls have received positions as domestics in Western Ontario. The majority have been placed in London.

The immigration system of the Salvation Army has worked out so successfully in the past few years, said Adjutant Smith this morning, that next year will be bigger than ever. Scotch girls are so desirous of leaving their country and emigrating to Canada that every boat coming across has a party on board, Adjutant Smith declared.

Under the Salvation Army system every immigrant under its care is constantly in touch with the army. When they are out of work they can always receive a temporary home at the Salvation Army.

SEARCH ENDS AS SKELETON OF BOY IS DISCOVERED

Associated Press Despatch.
Scranton, Pa., Dec. 3.—Search of two continents, North and South America, for Jimmie Glass, 4-year-old son of Charles Glass, a Jersey City, N. J., newspaperman, who disappeared from the summer home of his parents in Greely, Pike county, Penna., eight years ago, ended yesterday when the parents positively identified a skeleton, which was found a short distance from the place where they had lived as that of their child.

Making their initial appearance were Mrs. Frederick Schofield, soprano soloist; Miss Jessie Sinclair, contralto; and Lloyd Bullen, probably the youngest baritone singer in London today. All three come from across the Atlantic, the women from Scotland, while Mr. Bullen's home is in Cornwall, England.



POLISH GENERAL ON VISIT.

General Joseph Haller, Polish military commander, sent to the United States by the Polish government, and who has officiated at ceremonies at Pittsburgh, Buffalo and other American cities and also visited Niagara-on-the-Lake in Canada and decorated the Polish standard in the presence of Polish war veterans with the Vir Tull Military General Haller commanded the Poles in France and afterwards took them into Poland and beat back the Bolshevik invasion, defeating the soviet army at Warsaw.

METHODISTS GREET THREE NEW SINGERS

Dundas Center Musical Committee Secures Vocal Artists From Old Country.

Looking back to the days of Mr. Birks and W. H. Hewlett, the choir of Dundas Center Methodist Church had a high reputation in musical circles in London. Today Dundas Center is still in the limelight and holds an enviable position in church choirs.

Coming fresh from successful achievements in the world of music, the Center Musical committee has been fortunate in securing the services of three well known soloists. At the morning service yesterday, the pastor, Rev. John Garbutt, publicly extended a greeting to them and hoped they would enjoy their lot with the church choir.

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PRESBYTERIANS AND CHURCH UNION

IN connection with this vital issue, there are some facts which you should know and think about before you allow your church to be legislated out of existence.

DO YOU KNOW

1. There are 100,000 members of the Presbyterian Church who have never had a chance to vote on this question of union?
2. There are thousands of our men who were overseas when the last vote was taken—the soldiers?
3. The people—who are the church—have never had a single chance to vote on the proposed bills?

DO YOU KNOW

1. That it is now eight years since the people had a chance to vote on the question of union?
2. That during that time—
(a) The great war ended and peace was declared?
(b) Colossal changes have taken place in commerce, industry and society?
(c) Uncertainty and unrest are distracting the minds of men?
3. That the people have never had a chance to vote on the proposed legislation?

Considering these facts:

IS IT RIGHT

1. To force union on the church now?
2. To ignore the new members and soldiers?
3. To pass these bills without a vote?
4. To disrupt our ancient and beloved church?

"Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem, They shall prosper that love thee."

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