WOMEN'S INSTITUTE DELEGATES DISCUSS VITAL QUESTIONS

Three Hundred Attending Convention Here—Closer Relationship Between City and Country Theme of Addresses.

"Your influence in national life will be judged by your success in dealing with community problems," declared George A. Putman, superintendent of institutes for Ontario, speaking at the session of Western Ontario Institutes, assembled in convention at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, yesterday afternoon.

"You, as a people, have been chosen by public opinion as custodians of national importance, and not only by the people of rural districts, but by many of the broad-minded men of the cities and town as well, and in your hands lies the responsibility of giving a good government to the people."

Mr. Putman outlined the work of the institutes throughout Western Ontario, giving figures which showed that in all there were 184 branches, 21 districts, 5,818 members, 2,120 meetings with an attendance of 42,476. "Only one province in the Dominion has a larger membership than Western Ontario alone," he said.

"We believe that the women's institutes are now at a period of rapid expansion, unifying work and the undertaking of large plans for the whole people. During the war no organization was more active than the women's institutes, and since the war we have been letting you have a little rest, but now is the time to begin work again.

Existence Justified.

The existence of the Women's Institute is justified if it did nothing more than give an opportunity for all the women and girls in the community to meet on equal terms and discuss problems and have social intercourse. But it does far more than that, it looks out into the community and into the school to study the conditions there and strive to make improvements, and it makes itself a medium by which information may be spread through the province.

"I should suggest that there should be a provincial specialist in connection with the Women's Institutes to direct such problems as those relating to health, food, housing, girls' work, etc. You may think I am bold to make suggestions at this time of political upheaval in the province, but, although I may go, or the Government may go, the institutes will remain.

"Let me say, in answer to what has been heard a great deal in the press and on the public platform, to the effect that the institutes are Government controlled, that those most closely connected with the institutes have been working hardest to keep party politics away from the institutes. I do not mean to convey to you the idea that institute women should not discuss political questions apart from the institute, but you do not want to take these controversal issues into the institute, any more than you want to take them into the church or school, which are institutions for all the people."

Dr. Mary McKenzie-Smith, member of the medical school inspection staff, was another speaker of the afternoon, urging on the assembled delegates the supreme importance of medical inspection of schools in rural districts.

20,000 Children Examined.

"Already in Ontario we have examined 20,000 children, and of these 1,200 to 1,500 were operated on at clinics. And it has been the Women's Institutes that have paved the way for us, made everything comfortable for us while we were in a district and then followed up our work after we have gone.

"Since the time of the 'flu' I have found a very large percentage of defective hearts and lungs among the children, which would otherwise not have been discovered, the rural physicians being often too rushed at the time of the epidemic to make a thorough examination.

"At the time of enlistment for war 50 per cent of our men were found unfit for service, and the doctors who examined them say that this might have been prevented if they had been properly looked after in childhood.

The speaker referred to the appalling sanitary conditions in some of the schools, as well as improper desks for small children. At the close of her lecture a home nursing demonstration was conducted on the platform.

Address of Welcome.

The address of welcome was delivered by Miss Grace Blackburn, president of the Women's Canadian Club, who referred to the progress of women through the centuries. She pointed out the 17th century as the century of autocracy; the 18th century as the century which saw the declaration of the rights of man, and the 19th century as the one which saw humanity, and all men as brethren. "Will the 20th century see the great importance of life?" she declared.

Mrs. R. T. Phillips of Lucknow replied, comparing the unsettled conditions of the present time to a great housecleaning out of which the world would come sweet and new for all to enjoy.

At the evening session, instead of the moving pictures which were to be shown immediately after supper, a sing-song was held. Mrs. William Todd of Orillia introduced Dr. G. C. Creelman, president of the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph.

Dr. Creelman caused much amusement among the delegates, telling of the various comments made on the many U.F.O. members elected, the farmers being referred to as "profiteers" and "bunches of hayseeds." "People in general have a poor opinion of farmers. They never pause to think what would happen if crops failed. To be a farmer these days a man requires a thorough general knowledge. He has to know how to mix seeds, obtain good breeds and get more bushels per acre than in the farming days of the past."

Some of the best educated men of the day are farmers, said Dr. Creelman. He said that in visiting fall fairs, he found that almost everything could be seen in fifteen minutes, and the rest of the time was spent in chatting with old friends. "What I would like to see is a great long building with demonstrations of the best way in which to do things, the best way to cook and the best way to laundry, representing the Women's Institutes of the district in which the fair was held.

Advocates More Athletics.

Dr. Creelman expressed the opinion that if a more social life with athletics, etc., were to be had in the country, so many of the farm lads would not be enticed to the city by bright lights. He also made reference to the manner in which the farmers carried on during the war with less labor and more handicaps.

Mrs. William Todd, who was presiding at the session, spoke upon the work of Mrs. Alfred Watt, M.A., O.B.E., who went to England during the war, where her two sons were being educated, and during the shortage of food, introduced the Women's Institute into England, which was taken up very enthusiastically, there now being 1,400 institutes in England. Mrs. Todd referred to the fact that the institutes which are so popular in England were founded by a purely Canadian woman, and was assisted by two other Canadian ladies, Mrs. T. Godman and Miss Guesy. It was the first women's movement of its kind ever taken up by the British Government, which, when Mrs. Watt originated a school to teach persons the work of organizing and instructing in women's insitute work, gave its support. Today the institutes thrive throughout Britain.

Great Work in England.

Mrs. Alfred Watt herself told very interestingly of the work done in England by the institutes, and of the wonderful exhibit held in London, which attracted over a 100,000 people in one week. Queen Mary, who is president of the Women's Institute in Sandringham, was an interested visitor at the exhibit. Songs, plays and poetry, have been written specially for the institutes, and Mrs. Watt has written a very interesting book on the work.

Mrs. Watt, who is a graduate of Toronto University, was tendered a reception at the Toronto University on Saturday last. After doing a great deal of work in England, she is returning to her home in Victoria, B. C.

During the evening Mrs. C. E. Wheeler gave several very nice vocal selections, accompanied by C. E. Wheeler.

The institutes continue in session today in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium.

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FIVE CITY FATHERS TO BE PRESENT AT HYDRO CONFERENCE

City Council Decides to Attend in Body.

MAYOR UNABLE TO GO

Hydro Chairmanship Likely To Be Brought Up.

The difficulty of appointing a delegate to the hydro conference in Toronto today was solved by the city council last night deciding to go in a body. It will be impossible for some members to leave the city, but Ald. W. A. Wilson, L. Seale Holmes, G. B. Drake, E. R. Seabrook and S. R. Manness will start for Toronto at 8 o'clock this morning. Ald. J. Colbert may attend also. Mayor C. R. Somerville will be unable to go.

This deputation is by no means authorized to shout itself hoarse in demanding that Sir Adam Beck remain chairman of the Hydro-Electric Commission. The members are merely to represent the city and see what action is proposed. The meeting is called by Mayor T. L. Church and T. J. Hannigan and the notice makes no reference to the chairmanship of the Hydro-Electric Commission. The needs of hydro must be clearly stated for presentation to whatever administration is formed, say those who are calling the meeting.

"If the only business of the meeting is to support the present chairman I see no reason why anyone should go," said Ald. S. R. Manness. Other members of the committee said there was no official indication that this matter would be discussed.

Ald. Keene pointed out that immediately after Sir Adam Beck's defeat Mayor Church had declared he would call a meeting at once to have the hydro municipalities support Sir Adam as chairman of the hydro commission. This meeting, although the aim was not stated, looked very much like the one Mr. Church proposed, he thought.

"We should have a representative there no matter what they do," said Ald. Moorhead.

The council meeting was really a joint conference between Nos. 1 and 2 committees, as there will be no regular meeting in time to make the necessary appointments. The board of works' regular session followed the joint meeting.

Repair Ridout Street Bridge.

Ridout street bridge will be made safe for traffic of less than four tons by repairs to cost $2,500. The original estimate was $3,000, but this higher price was due to an error in calculation. The money will be taken from the streets general account.

A bylaw will be prepared forbidding traffic heavier than four tons to cross the bridge.

James Young, lately appointed plumbing inspector, has prepared a bylaw relating to his work based on the London and the Toronto building bylaws. This will be printed and considered in detail.

Municipal Depot Suggested.

Authority to build a municipal depot for the city's street equipment may be asked of the people in January. A preliminary estimate by City Engineer Brazier to the board of works last night placed the cost at $85,000. Such a depot would be situated on Bathurst street east of Adelaide. It would comprise stables, garages, buildings for city wagons and trucks, blacksmith shops, repair shops and similar buildings. A special committee will go into the matter.

A special committee will also consider the purchase of another street flusher. Several tenders were submitted last night.

The sidewalk in the vicinity of the Greene-Swift Building and on William street between Princess and Central avenues will be raised to higher levels. A new sidewalk will be laid on Baker street.

Building Bylaw Amended.

The building bylaw will likely be amended so that asbestos paper under roofing will be required only in the first fire district. It is required under all roofing at the present time. The Builders' Exchange asked that this requirement be eliminated entirely. Building Inspector A. M. Piper said Toronto had abolished it in all but its central fire district and advised the same plan here.

AS WORLD HAS CHANGED, SO MUST CHURCH'S CUSTOMS

Rev. Dr. Dickie Tells Audience Church Must Be Readjusted.

"We have come through the war to a new day and the church must be readjusted," declared Rev. Dr. H. Dickie, D.D., of Chatham, in the First Presbyterian Church last evening in the course of an address, upon the Forward Movement. "Ancient history, as it may be called, ended on August 4, 1914, and as the world has changed in the past few years, so must the church change its customs to be abreast of the times. While it is true that the old church accomplished a great amount of good in the past, it cannot live on that record, no matter how splendid it may be."

Dr. Dickie explained his belief that there is an absence of Christian fundamentals in the world at the present time, and he defined them under three main subjects. The first was the absence of prayer, especially in the homes. The heads of many households, after professing Christianity, live and conduct their homes as if there is no God, he said, and it is a mere camouflage. The second point was the absence of Christian fellowship; the close social and spiritual fellowship which was embraced by the old church is an unknown factor now. Then the speaker outlined the third point as the absence of Christian efficiency. Although the world contains many skilled artisans and professional men, there is an exceedingly small number of efficient church workers, and during the present unsettled condition of the world, the problem of christianizing the people is the largest and most difficult task.

The speaker did not suggest the reestablishment of the old church forms, but stated that they should be replaced by new, adequate forms. "This must be a time of reconstruction," he said, "and there is an urgent need for the Forward Movement."

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ARMY AND NAVY VETS HONOR LATE CHAPLAIN

Immediately following the calling to order of the meeting of the Army and Navy Veterans on Tuesday evening, all members were called to attention and remained that way for some minutes in honor to the late post chaplain, Col. W. H. Elmsley, who died recently. Col. Elmsley was one of the first members of the local post, and his death caused general regret among the members.

The last post committee reported that a plot had been purchased in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, and 10 graves had also been secured for the post in St. Peter's Cemetery. These plots have been secured for the purpose of having last resting places for any war veterans, who may die in London, and whose homes may not be located near here.

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Speaking on "The Soldier Dead," L. W. Rogers, at the Theosophical Hall, 212 Dundas street, this evening will present evidence upon which some eminent scientists base the belief that the human being lives after losing the physical body.

He will describe what are said to be the experiences of the soldier when he passes from the battlefield to the life beyond.

Heavy loss of life in the war has stimulated the investigation of the mystery of death, with renewed interest in psychic research. According to members of the Theosophical Society here, the public has never before been so eager for information on the subject, and the society has arranged for ject, and the society has arranged for organization, to give addresses in this city.

Four lectures on occult subjects, dealing largely with life after death, the essential nature of the soul, reincarnation and dreams, with other psychic themes, will be discussed, starting this evening.

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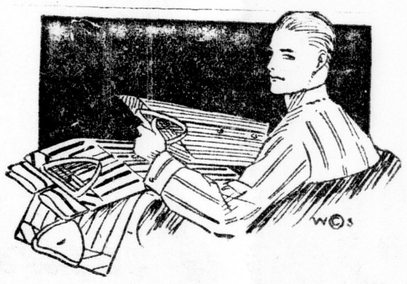

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Returned soldier-members of St. George's Chapter, R. A. M., were the guests of the chapter at a delightful reception and banquet tendered in the Masonic Hall on Tuesday night, and to say that guests and hosts enjoyed themselves is putting it very mildly.

Until 10 o'clock progressive euchre was the main form of entertainment, the first prize, a leather billfold, going to W. D. Davies, and the booby prize, a climbing monkey, to Ed. Sutherland.

After cards the scene changed to the banquet hall, where a delicious supper was served, the Harmonic Quartet providing the musical accompaniment.

Addresses were given by Lieut.-Col. C. H. Reason, Lieut.-Col. C. M. R. Graham and John S. Barnard.

Col. Reason devoted his remarks largely to the work of the hospitals overseas, paying glowing tribute to the nursing sisters, and to the heroic patients, many of the latter having displayed the utmost self-sacrifice and readiness to endure anything.

Col. Graham spoke of the veterans and the country's duty towards them. He urged employers to show more patience and sympathy with those who returned, and were not able immediately to take up their work where they left off and continue as efficiently as formerly. They need time, he said, to get back and to accustom themselves to civilian conditions. Touching on the gratuity question, he said veterans did not want $2,000; they were more intensely interested in having the widows and children of dead comrades well provided for by the nation.

Mr. Barnard commented briefly on the two foregoing addresses, and warmly welcomed back those who had been away fighting for humanity.

Lieut. M. Percival expressed thanks on behalf of the veterans for the great reception given them and for the good will shown.

The committee in charge of the evening was composed of Frank S. Campbell, first principal of the chapter; Geo E. Logan, Edwin Smith, Harry Abell and T. Cousins.

Ma says there ain't much work to breakfast—all of us want
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—right from the package
—Bobby

Berlin Swindler Bleeds Girl Victim

Berlin, Oct. 28.—The latest Berlin swindle is said to be unprecedented in criminal annals. A man about 30 years old, calling himself a legal assessor and representing himself as instructed by the police president, visited a young woman in Schoeneberg, a Berlin suburb, stating that he was obliged to search her house for meat. After doing so he made her produce her ready money, amounting to 1,100 marks, of which he confiscated 160 marks.

He then declared he must submit specimens of blood of every member of the family to a public analyst whose duty it was to ascertain by analysis whether more meat had been eaten than was legally allowed each person. The woman declared her readiness to allow the specimen of blood to be taken from her arm. The assessor, however, declared it must be taken from the upper part of the thigh. The woman even allowed this done, since the assessor asserted he positively must insist upon it under all circumstances.

So far the swindler has not been arrested.

EDUCATIONAL WORK IS FULLY DISCUSSED AT BAPTIST CONVENTION

Ottawa, Oct. 29.—College work and religious education was discussed at length last night by the Baptist convention of Ontario and Quebec. Rev. John McNeil, Toronto; D. E. Thomson, K.C., Toronto; Albert Mathews, Toronto; R. D. Warren, Toronto, and G. S. Mathews, Brantford, were elected to fill vacancies on the board of governors of McMaster University.

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