

U.F.O. OPPOSED TO APPEAL TO PEOPLE IN EVENT OF WAR

Convention at Toronto Declines To Adopt Resolution Favoring Plebiscite.

CRIPPLE PARLIAMENT Maintains Government Should Be Free To Act in Case of War.

Special to The Advertiser by Staff Reporter.

Toronto, Dec. 9.—By declining to adopt a resolution to petition the Federal government to take a referendum of the people before having the dominion participate in any foreign wars, the United Farmers of Ontario, assembled in annual convention at Massey Hall here this afternoon, registered strong disapproval of this type of plebiscite in such an all-important matter.

W. C. Good, ex-M.P., Brant county, warned the convention that it would be "difficult and unwise" to adopt the proposed resolution, in view of the fact that the relations between the different colonies in the British commonwealth still remain undefined. On motion of J. P. Wilcox, Toronto, director for South Simcoe county, the convention promptly decided to table the resolution.

Almost the entire time of the session was taken up with addresses by W. A. Amos, Palmerston, U. F. O. president; Mrs. J. S. Amos, Woodstock, U. F. O. president; Peter Porter, U. F. O. president; and reports of committees, including the committee on Cayuga, women's committee on legislation, peace and arbitration; Mrs. Harold Currie, Strathroy, women's committee on rural schools and agriculture; and Mr. A. J. Campbell, men's committee on education.

Defends the Plebiscite. Referring to the spirit and consciousness of independence among the farmers, U. F. O. branches during the past year, Mr. Amos pleaded eloquently for the organization to go forward and not to stand pat and rest on its laurels.

"It is sorely fitting," declared Mr. Amos with emphasis, "that an organization representative of an intelligent and virile rural people, which has pressed itself in an unflinching manner through provincial plebiscites, should stand idly by while a party in government, exulting in its strength, whose only backing is an extra 30,000 votes, sees fit to hearken to another voice and claims that plebiscites are no longer necessary. In responsible government, (Applause.) All the greater is our need to reiterate our remedial principles of the referendum and to promulgate further plans as will obviate emergencies as at present exists at Ottawa, (Applause.)"

The Tariff Question. "Judging by the terms of some of these resolutions, one would remark that our friends must be straightforward and try to engage the farmer without a trick card up their sleeve, such as trying to have an understanding at the outset that the tariff is to remain in statu quo. That means, in other words, that the farmer must leave his mind open to the possibility of consideration altogether. To have held firm throughout three years of unsettled years, continued."

"And then see the remarkable evidence of an enlarging membership, the U. F. O. should claim the fears of the faint-hearted. Signs are not lacking of our work being appreciated by our methods and using them, even under the cover of being U. F. O. to allure our members into an organization which is distinctly not for self-sustaining, and therefore vigilance, it would seem, is still the price at which we shall preserve our movement."

Mrs. Amos' Views. "Too long we have used our hands, legs and back instead of our heads," affirmed Mrs. Amos. "We are striving not only for a square deal for ourselves but for our children. Only a united front among the farmers and effective co-operation among the farmers in the main hope of saving the Canadian agriculture and of keeping a high class of intelligent people on the farms. We must stand up for our country's business and problems at all our club meetings, not as blind, partisan followers but with national pride. It has been pointed out repeatedly that a higher protective tariff will do for the farmer what it has done for the farmer. But I do not think so unless the farmer completely controls his output of products and the farmers can only begin to do that through co-operative marketing."

Hydro is one of our outstanding problems. "We must realize the place on the farm that hydro does in eliminating tireless drudgery in household tasks. It is amazing how generously farmers work under present adverse economic conditions, but our object, despite costs, is to have hydro, delectable power on every farm within the next few years."

Mr. Good spoke against a resolution condemning the proposal for township school boards, defending the enlargement of the united administration in connection with the plan for consolidated schools and the general improvement of rural administration. Another delegate observed that "more can be taught with molasses than vinegar," and thus the convention decided to table the resolution for the time being at least.

Officers Elected. It was announced that H. A. Gilroy, Alton, has been elected by the directors as president of the United Farmers' Co-operative Company for the ensuing year, succeeding J. A. Bowdler, Owen Sound, who has been president for the past two years, and who remains as a member of the executive committee together with James Ross, Woodbridge, who was re-elected as secretary-treasurer of the board, which includes also the following directors: Hon. E. C. Drury, Crown Hill, A. J. Factors, Toronto, Dec. 9.—The directors, J. G. Little, Shelburne, G. W. Buchanan, Carleton Place (new man), and Mrs. G. A. Hogg, Thamesford, first woman ever elected to the board.

FREIGHTER SENDS S. O. S. Associated Press Despatch. Bordeaux, France, Dec. 9.—The Algerian freighter's freight steamer Antoine Schaffino is aground in a heavy sea in the Bay of Biscay. She sent out wireless messages for help this afternoon.

THE POST OFFICE EXCELLENCE DRAMA

Drama League Presents Difficult Play by Rabindranath Tagore.

AT WARNER RAIL Cast Enacts Difficult Hindu Play With Great Skill.

The first night of the London Drama League's presentation of "The Post Office," in Warner's hall, was greeted with a large audience of club members. Although the request for no applause was made, the intense interest with which this fanciful little three-act drama was followed, indicated that the play was being received with delight.

Here was Rabindranath Tagore in all his oriental mysticism, in all his poetic beauty, presented by an artistic group of actors. The atmosphere of the east was projected across the footlights in a manner which reflected credit on the cast, and the producers, Basil Morgan and Miss Lorna Rumball. Tagore, although of the east, is a master of modern poetry, is a Hindu, and he is difficult to interpret.

The whole play centers about Anand, a frail boy child who must keep indoors by doctor's orders. It is his desire to sit at his window and watch the procession of persons who come and go in the street below. Miss Miriam Eckert takes the role of Anand. As she plays it, the boy has a spiritual beauty which Tagore must have intended when he created Anand. Her part is a long and difficult one, which closes with a death-bed scene. Yet she sustains it well.

Warner As Madhav. Rev. J. Quinn Warner, as Madhav, foster-father of the boy, is excellently cast. His role is not a large one, yet he manages to draw out the sympathy of the audience. Madhav is sad to see the boy who is dying, and who witnesses the play, would weep with him.

Miss Lorna Rumball, as the flower girl, brings a bit of brightness into a rather sombre group. She passes gaily under the sick boy's window, and at the death of the boy, she is willing to make concessions in the cause of peace of his ward.

It is a story on good authority, the paper adds, that in such eventually Great Britain would be conciliatory and carefully consider any genuine Turkish proposition.

TEWFIK BEY LEAVES. Associated Press Despatch. Geneva, Dec. 9.—Turkish spokesmen are responsible for the assertion that Tewfik Bey, head of the Turkish mission, will probably leave Geneva tomorrow for Ankara, deeming the Mosul negotiations ended.

It is declared that the foreign minister will probably leave behind at least his assistants to treat with Turkish minorities matters.

Designs Costumes. Mrs. Arthur Brickenstein appears to be for a short time the closest of the royal physician. Yet for the brief period that she is there, she commands the stage. Mrs. Brickenstein's work, however, shines throughout the whole performance, for she, it was, who designed and made the costumes worn in the play. They are characterized by a feeling of color and are oriental in feeling and design, yet they are made simply and of the simplest materials.

The play, but another example of the very excellent work which the London Drama League is carrying on in connection with the presentation of its plays.

Vincent Perry as the watchman, Harry Dickinson as the dayman, J. W. Peart as the headman, Marvin Kenyon as the doctor, and Kenneth Greene, as the king's herald, all had difficult, although brief, roles, which they played effectively.

The small group of children who are introduced into the drama for a moment, were skilfully selected and handled. Ronald O'Neil, Jim Shuttleworth, Jack Edy and wee Nora Stevenson. Effectively incidental music was introduced by a small orchestra, including: Walter Rennie, violin; W. Haslett, flute; and Verne Sims, piano and tom-tom, the music being arranged by Mrs. A. D. Jordan.

The Post Office will be presented again tonight in Warner hall.

GIRL IS STRICKEN AT DANCE IN WINDSOR, PROBE STARTED

Special to The Advertiser by Staff Reporter.

Windsor, Dec. 9.—Miss Lillian O'Keefe, 17 years old, of Toronto, a guest at a dance held in the Masonic temple tonight, became suddenly ill, and was hurried to Hotel Dieu, but died before reaching there. Her death is being investigated by the coroner.

Friends think this heart disease is responsible for her sudden end, but Coroner Dr. H. A. Craswell will conduct an examination tomorrow. Miss O'Keefe died at the cause of death. Miss O'Keefe was here on a visit with an aunt, Mrs. John D. Hamilton, 522 Brant street.

ORDERS FASCIST SALUTE Familiar Modes of Greeting Abolished by Mussolini's Order.

By HIRAM K. MODERWELL. Special to The Advertiser and the Chicago Daily News. Copyright.

Rome, Dec. 9.—"How do you do?" handshaking, and hat tipping have been officially abolished throughout Italy. From this week on all public employees and all school children will be obliged to greet their superiors and each other with the "Fascist salute," an upraised right arm as was the practice in ancient Rome.

Premier Mussolini believes this will be visible evidence that all Italy is now Fascist, while the silence and brevity of the new greeting will be conducive to better work.

BUSINESS IMPROVES Ingersoll Factory Is Operating Over Time. New Orders Are Rushing In.

Special to The Advertiser.

Ingersoll, Dec. 9.—Evans Bros. Piano Co. is one local concern reporting a marked improvement in business conditions. For several weeks the factory has been running overtime. One day this week thirteen orders were received from one Western Ontario client, and a similar increase is reported from other parts of the Dominion.

STEAMER ARRIVALS. Windsor County at St. John, N.B., from Norfolk.

Verenia, at St. John, N.B., from London.

PAWNNIE BILL PACKS A PLEA FOR PARTNERS DOWN AND OUT

Notorious Gunman, Reformed, Talks About Old Days With James and Cody—Insists He Is the Original Pawnee Bill, Outlaw and Bandit.

"Pawnee" Bill, feared in the latter part of the last century as a "star" in Jesse James' outlaw band, and today pardoned and reformed, is in London this week, the guest of Evangelist "Billy" Mathewson at his home, 115 Clarence street.

Homeless and penniless after his wild west show "busted," Pawnee Bill landed in Hamilton a few weeks ago, happened in Mathewson's mission for the down-and-outs and was converted. Since that time, the once notorious gunman of the "covered wagon" days has devoted himself to evangelistic work. He plans to speak in the Capitol Theatre on Sunday next.

Small of stature, but with a frame as rugged as the Texas mesquite country he terrorized in days gone by, the appearance of the man belies the fact that he is 72 years of age. His flowing locks echo the times in the '70s and '80s when outlaws played their game face to face with their enemies, not from alleys of heavily-armed men.

A Real Westerner. A luxuriant moustache and a wavy goatee make him almost a member of the "Buffalo Bill" team. But, according to Pawnee's story, retrieved him from his life of crime.

Reluctantly he talks of the years when stakes were played with guns and not with brains, and when he does it is a reminiscence of a particular pal of a sheriff who befriended him or of Jack Hamilton of the Texas Rangers, who "was square from the word go."

"But how about the word 'Pawnee'?" The Advertiser reporter asked. "I thought the word was spelled 'Pawnee'."

"I have no connection with the Pawnee tribe," Bill explained. "When a babe I was kidnapped by the Crow Indians, and they named me Bill. Afterwards the Crow word 'Pawnee' became attached, and it stuck."

Resents Confusion. "I know some people confuse me with Major William Gordon Lillie, U.S. Indian agent for the Pawnee tribe. Lillie is known as 'Pawnee Bill' through his long connection with Pawnee. But he has always been a God-fearing man, and all his people were before him."

The original Pawnee Bill, the former outlaw, is the one who is "paled" with the James boys, partner, and was a member of the gang. It was I who was hunted as a member of the notorious outlaw outfit, and later as head of my own bunch. But that was long ago; today I am reformed. My interest now is in down and outs, in those without friends."

Canadian Press Despatch. Toronto, Dec. 9.—The culmination of a romance which began in Toronto will be the marriage in London, England, on Saturday of Miss Beatrice Josephine Sankey, of this city, and Prince Constantine Nakhidze. The ceremony will be performed in the Anglican Church of the Annunciation, to be followed by another ceremony in the Russian church.

Mrs. V. Sankey, mother of the bride-to-be, stated today that her daughter had been in the Old Country but a short time, and she had no further particulars except a brief cablegram announcing the betrothal.

Miss Sankey is well known in Toronto. Her father, Mr. J. H. Sankey, is a well-known musician, and she has been to London to continue her musical studies. She met Prince Constantine in Toronto last year, a close friendship resulting.

KERWOOD Special to The Advertiser. Kerwood, Dec. 9.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson, Lawrence Patterson and Mrs. Hugh Ball attended the funeral of Mr. Richards in Melbourne.

Mrs. Waite of Sarnia is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Seymour Langford. Miss Ethel and Miss (Gwen) Evelyn Annett of Alvinston spent the week-end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Langford.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan spent several days with her daughter in London. Miss Charlotte Allen of Marysville, Mo., and Mr. H. H. Morgan, president of the local chamber of commerce, are in town.

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HOLSTEIN SALE IS RECORD EVENT

Oxford Breeders Hold Most Successful Consignment Auction of the Fall.

Special to The Advertiser. Woodstock, Dec. 9.—The most successful consignment sale held in Ontario this fall was that conducted here today by the Oxford Holstein Breeders' association.

It was the 25th sale conducted by the association, and the prices averaged higher than the spring sale. Fifty-five head were disposed of, and prices averaged over \$150 each. The attendance at the sale was very large and included buyers from all parts of Ontario and Quebec. A feature of the sale was the presence of a number of dairymen who are just breaking into the Holstein line, and who purchased foundation stock today.

Vernon Parker of Owen Sound bought five head for which he paid \$315, while James H. Waters of Strathroy purchased three. In the consignment of Springfield, was Woodman Colanthe Bell, aged three years, third-prize winner at the National Dairy Show at Indianapolis, this year. He was just under a seven-year record of almost 22 pounds of butter, average test being more than four per cent. Fat, Don and Jack of Newton, Ont., was the purchaser of this cow at the highest price of the day, \$335. George Henderson, of Norwich, purchased Sir Banastre Pouch, a yearling bull that was third at the C. N. E. this year. He was consigned by Fred Rowe of Curries, and brought \$255. Biggar Brothers of Oakville, purchased a yearling bull, Sir Pouch, consigned by R. N. McEwen of Beuchville.

Many representations have been made to the department from different sources, especially from municipal bodies and soldiers' organizations, throughout the country regarding this departmental regulation issued some weeks ago. After consultation with the officials of the department, Hon. H. S. Island, minister of soldiers' civil re-establishment, has directed that in addition to the revised regulation, instructions will be sent out providing that any pensioner who, after investigation, is found to be unable to engage in employment because of his pensionable disability, will be granted unemployment relief. This, it is hoped, will relieve all cases of hardship. In addition to this, the minister has directed that all returned men entitled to pay allowances shall receive the same on December 22 instead of January 1. This is done with a view to affording pecuniary assistance before the holidays.

At a meeting of the hotel committee held in the chamber of commerce last night, an enthusiastic response was given to the proposal to hold a series of dances in the chamber of commerce. Although no definite plans were announced, the wisdom of the venture is becoming still more apparent, according to the chairman, Mr. J. H. Eastbrooke. Other members who were in attendance included Arthur Little, Mayor-Elect J. M. Moore, Major Gordon Ingram, J. S. Moore and R. H. Watson, president of the local chamber of commerce.

Ontario License Board CHAIRMAN IS RECOVERING

Special to The Advertiser.

Toronto, Dec. 9.—Chairman J. H. Hales of the Ontario license board, although he is making satisfactory recovery from illness, will not be able to return to his duties until after the holidays. He was operated on for hernia, and subsequent illness retarded his recovery. He expects to leave hospital this week.

\$5,000 Fire In Forest Store

One of Lambton's Largest Store Buildings Threatened, But Blaze Is Checked.

Special to The Advertiser.

Forest, Dec. 9.—A fire of unknown origin broke out on the main floor of the Maylor Store, Block here this afternoon, and threatened one of Lambton county's largest store buildings. Prompt work by the fire department checked the blaze. The newly-purchased smoke masks received a hard trial by the firemen, and proved successful. No water was used, but the damage will be about \$5,000, principally stock damage from fire, chemicals and smoke.

CHECKERS LAGGARD DIES

Associated Press Despatch.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 9.—Inability to defeat his wife at checkers caused the death of William Kahler, according to reports to the coroner. After losing a number of games to his wife last night, Kahler threw the checkerboard on the floor and ran to another room and hanged himself.

SOLDIERS FROM AYLMER PAID HIGH COMPLIMENT

Special to The Advertiser.

Aylmer, Dec. 9.—The Aylmer company, of D company of the Elgin regiment, was in St. Thomas on Tuesday evening for general inspection of the regiment, which was made by Brigadier-General W. B. M. King, C.M.G., C.O. of military district No. 1, London. The Aylmer company went up 25 strong, and his remarks were general compliments Mayor Williams on the splendid showing, and the general smartness at drill. The Aylmer company was organized only this fall, and the general expressed his surprise at the progress made.

JOINT PASTOR CALLED. Special to The Advertiser.

Chatham, Dec. 9.—The presbytery of Chatham today approved of a plan for the congregations at Valerita and Newburg to call a joint pastor. It was agreed to set a stipend at \$2,000 a year, \$1,000 to be paid by Valerita and \$1,000 by Newburg. Delegates from both congregations approved the plan. Rev. Capt. Marshall presided at the meeting and Mr. Farquharson of Valerita acted as secretary.

NORRIS GETS SEAT BACK. Canadian Press Despatch.

Brandon, Man., Dec. 9.—Hon. C. G. Morris was today elected as a member of Lansdowne provincial constituency.

Mr. Norris has represented Lansdowne for twenty-five years, and resigned the seat to contest Winnipeg South against Hon. Robert Rogers in the federal election.

BEWARE THE COUGH OR COLD THAT HANGS ON

Chronic coughs and persistent colds lead to serious trouble. You can stop them now with Creomulsion, an emulsified creosote that is pleasant to take. Creomulsion is a new medical discovery with two-fold action: it soothes and heals the inflamed membranes and kills the germ.

Of all known drugs, creosote is recognized by medical authorities as one of the greatest healing agencies for persistent coughs and colds and other forms of throat troubles. Creomulsion contains, in addition to creosote, other healing elements which soothe and heal the inflamed membranes and stop the irritation and inflammation, while the creosote goes on to the stomach, is absorbed into the blood, attacks the seat of the trouble and destroys the germs that lead to consumption.

Creomulsion is guaranteed satisfactory in the treatment of chronic coughs and colds, bronchitis, asthma, catarrhal bronchitis and other forms of throat and respiratory diseases, and is excellent for building up the system after a cold or flu. It is a relief if any cough or cold is not relieved after taking according to directions. Ask your druggist, Creomulsion Company, Limited, Toronto, Ont.—Advt.

Married Woman Eats Only Bread and Milk

"I could eat only bread and milk, everything else soured and formed gas. Since taking Adierka I can eat anything without causing gas. I am now eating Adierka removes GAS and often brings astonishing relief to the stomach. Stops that full bloated feeling. Excellent for indigestion, constipation, often removing surprising amounts of old waste matter you never thought was in your system. The Standard Drug Ltd., Adt."

QUEBEC WILL REFUSE TO DROP POWER TAX

Ontario Will Not Get Electricity Tax-Free As Reported.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Quebec, Dec. 9.—There will be no order-in-council to abolish the tax of 50 cents per horsepower on the electric energy exported from this province, according to a statement made by Premier Taschereau this morning.

"The cabinet has no intention of proposing or adopting any such order-in-council," the premier minister declared. "The matter will certainly not be discussed at the meeting of the cabinet which is scheduled for tomorrow. When we take any of these matters into consideration, when we have not been approached by anybody with a resolution to abolish the tax."

The premier's statement was made in response to queries arising out of the publication of an interview with Sir Herbert Holt in a Toronto newspaper in reference to the export of power from Quebec to Ontario and a despatch in the Montreal Gazette from Quebec, in which it was claimed Ontario would get power from Quebec without having to pay the premium of 50 cents per horsepower. It was reported in the Gazette that the cabinet had decided to deal with this would be passed by the cabinet.

Man Hangs Self In Kitchener Jail

Centerville Hotel Owner Was Arrested On O. T. A. Charge.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Kitchener, Dec. 9.—Thirty-five minutes after he had been placed in the local police cells by the provincial police on a charge of violating the O.T.A., the body of Richard Berger, 55, proprietor of the Grand River Hotel, Centerville, was found hanging from the ceiling of the cells, suspended by a pair of braces.

Berger two weeks ago was released from the county jail after serving a sentence for B.O.T.A. His wife had also served a jail term for an O. T. A. breach. There will be no inquest.

Shave In Comfort With Cuticura Shaving Stick

This delicately medicated antiseptic shaving cream, containing a powerful skin softener, enables tender-faced men to shave without any irritation, even twice daily. It leaves the skin smooth and fresh and makes shaving a pleasure. Cuticura Shaving Stick 25c.

DR THOMAS' ELECTRIC OIL

A SURE, SAFE AND SIMPLE REMEDY FOR ALL THE COMMON AILMENTS OF THE BODY. IT SHOULD ALWAYS BE KEPT ON HAND FOR EMERGENCY USE. IT CANNOT BE OVERSTATED HOW USEFUL IT IS IN THE HOME. IT WILL NEED IT.

MISS E. WILCOX DIES. Hamilton, Dec. 9.—Eliza H. Wilcox, for many years prominent for her philanthropic work, died suddenly at her home here last night. Miss Wilcox was born in Painesville, Ohio, 58 years ago, and had lived in Hamilton for 20 years. C. S. Wilcox, director of the Steel Company of Canada, is a brother, and Mrs. Charles Doolittle, Hamilton, a sister. The body will be taken to Painesville for burial.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS

ALL KIDNEY DISEASES. BRIGHT'S DISEASE. GRAVEL. DIABETES. BACKACHE.

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