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WANT RESIGNATION OF SUPERINTENDENT OF N. S. EDUCATION

Delegation of Orangemen Charge MacKay With Fostering Sectarian Education — Hon. Mr. MacGregor Reminds Halifax Pastor French Here Before English.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Halifax, March 28—The resignation of Dr. A. H. MacKay, superintendent of education in Nova Scotia, for "fostering and encouraging sectarian education" in the province, was asked by a delegation of Orangemen, headed by Rev. F. C. Ward-Whate, of Lunenburg, who waited on the provincial government here today. The delegation asked for the appointment of a royal commission to examine into the matter of sectarian and bilingual schools and for a minister of education responsible to the electorate.

The presentation of the delegation's demands resulted in heated debate.

Mr. Ward-Whate said that in certain Nova Scotia schools teaching was in French up to the end of the fourth grade. Premier George H. Murray said that in the case of a child who could not speak a word of English, it would seem better that he be given his earliest school teaching in a language he understood, allowing the change to English to be gradual.

In answer to further questions by Mr. Ward-Whate, the premier said he considered the present school system better than that advocated by the delegation, and also that he considered the superintendent, Dr. MacKay, the best qualified for his position of any person holding such an office in Canada. Mr. Murray added that the French people of the province were law-abiding and peaceful.

Other Addresses.

Rev. L. J. Donaldson, Trinity church, Halifax, spoke of the high respect given to the government of the United States by every school child, and said that the varied nationalities which entered that country were being welded into a united English-speaking race.

Hon. R. M. MacGregor, minister without portfolio, replying to Dr. Donaldson, said that, whereas the elements of the United States referred to were newly arrived from foreign lands, the French of Canada were the oldest inhabitants of the country.

Hon. E. H. Armstrong, minister of mines and public works, could not see why both English and French should not be learned.

W. B. M. Parker, Newport, said that the establishment of bi-lingual and sectarian schools was against the school laws of the province and a violation of the school laws should be dealt with the same as the violation of any other law.

Dr. A. H. MacKay, superintendent of education in Nova Scotia, explaining the school system of the province, today, said that there were no "separate" schools in Nova Scotia. Trustees, however, in the various districts were allowed to segregate the pupils either as to location or religion, if they wished. There was nothing in the school law to prevent this, he said. Every school in Nova Scotia is governed according to law, said Dr. MacKay, and if changes in the present system are sought they must be brought about through legislation. In schools attended by French pupils, French may be used in instruction up to the fourth grade, with provisions made for the learning of English during the period. The teachers, however, must pass examinations in English as well as French, and therefore have both languages at their command, added the superintendent.

HIS WIFE WAS ST. JOHN LADY

Death of Charles R. Rockwood in California.

He Made the Desert Blossom as the Rose by a Great Irrigation System—The Father of Imperial Valley.

The Los Angeles Sunday Times of March 5 publishes the following regarding the death of Mr. Charles R. Rockwood, in that city on March 4:—

"Charles R. Rockwood, 'Father of Imperial Valley,' died early yesterday morning at his home, 220 South El Centro avenue. Heart trouble was given as the cause.

"Mr. Rockwood was one of the best-known engineers in the southwest. Having been associated with irrigation projects in Southern California for the last thirty years, he visualized the arid Colorado desert as one of the richest garden spots, the transformation to be effected by harnessing the Colorado River. His part in making the dream come true furnished one of the most dramatic and interesting stories of modern pioneering. It inspired Harold Bell Wright, the author, to write 'The Winning of Barbara Worth,' the story of Imperial Valley irrigation. Mr. Rockwood was the original of the Seer, one of the important characters in the novel.

Pioneers Pay Tribute.

"Pioneers of Imperial Valley declared yesterday that the valley owes its being to Mr. Rockwood. They stated that almost every plan from the beginning of the history of the Imperial irrigation project was originated by him.

"He was born in Michigan in 1860 and attended the University of Michigan, which he was compelled to leave because of eye trouble. He left for Colorado, but after three years of active work in the engineering field he entered the engineering department of the Denver and Rio Grande Railway, remaining with the company for two years.

"In March, 1882, he came to California and entered the engineering service of the Southern Pacific Railway. In 1889 he accepted a position with the Geological Survey of the government. In 1890 he entered the employ of the Northern Pacific, Yakima and Kittitas Irrigation Company, which was organized by Paul Schultze, the land and political agent for the Northern Pacific, for the purpose of reclaiming the fertile lands of the Yakima Valley in the State of Washington. The following year the railroad withdrew its support from the project, owing to the stringency of the times, and two years later Mr. Schultze committed suicide.

Discovers Project.

"It was at this time that Mr. Rockwood was offered a position by John C. Beatty and accepted a commission to report on the feasibility of a plan to irrigate Northern Mexican lands. Mr. Rockwood reported unfavorably on this project, but while investigating it he caught the inspiration for the great agricultural development project now known as Imperial Valley. His ideas of utilizing the waters of the Colorado River met with approval, and the country is now known as one of the garden spots of the world.

"In December, 1914, he was appointed general manager and chief engineer of the Imperial Irrigation District, organized at that time to secure public ownership of the valley irrigation systems. For several years thereafter he passed through many turbulent periods, centering around his administration. He was asked to resign in 1916, but declined to do so. On December 24, 1916, he was notified that he no olonger was chief engineer of the irrigation system.

Valley Respects Memory.

"During April, 1921, Mr. Rockwood was stricken with pneumonia and this illness, it was stated by members of his family, superinduced the heart affliction which caused death. Though he had been gradually failing in health for several months, his death early yesterday morning had not been anticipated. Two brothers, E. E. Rockwood and Will Rockwood, and a nephew, Roy Rockwood, were in Imperial Valley when they received news of his death. Following the receipt of the tragic news by his business partner, Bayless Walker, business throughout Imperial Valley was suspended out of respect to the valley's foremost pioneer and father of its great development.

"Mr. Rockwood also leaves a widow."

The Calexico Chronicle of March 6 says:—

"C. R. Rockwood, father of Imperial Valley, was laid to rest this afternoon in Los Angeles at 1.30.

"The funeral was attended by a number of friends and admirers of the dead engineer, and on every hand were heard expressions of deep sorrow over the passing of this remarkable man.

"In accordance with a request sent to every chamber of commerce in Imperial Valley by President Hutchison of the Associated, flags in every city floated at half-mast during the funeral hour, while those in Calexico at the city building and high school were at half-mast since the death of Mr. Rockwood.

"On the streets, and wherever two or three were gathered, expressions of sorrow over the death of Mr. Rockwood were heard, and many high tributes were informally paid to his achievements as an engineer and to his admirable qualities as a man and citizen."

Mrs. C. R. Rockwood, who was formerly Miss Mildred James of St. John, is a sister of Mrs. C. L. Wood, 49 William street, Moncton.

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Bayonne Workman Dies as Result of Companion's Prank.

A joke played by a fellow workman caused the death of Michael Vasko, 32 years old, of Bayonne, N. J., in the Bayonne Hospital. Peter Leszynski, 28, was locked up on a technical charge of manslaughter.

Both men were employed in the barrel factory of the Tide Water Oil Company at Bayonne. As they finished work last Tuesday, Leszynski picked up a strong vacuum cleaner, it is charged, and held it against Vasko's spine, where it stuck for several minutes. Leszynski and other workmen laughed as Vasko tried to free himself. He finally succeeded and took it as a joke. When he arrived home, however, severe pains developed about his spine. He was taken to the hospital where it was found that his spine had been injured by the suction of the cleaner. Before lapsing into unconsciousness he exonerated his fellow workman.

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Mayor Schofield and The Hydro

Public Meeting in Imperial Next Tuesday Night.

Much popular interest is being taken in the meeting announced for next Tuesday evening in the Imperial Theatre at which His Worship Mayor Schofield will set forth his views on the hydro-electric question. At the recent meeting in the Pythian Hall the mayor was unable to speak at much length and as it is his earnest desire that every citizen should know positively his attitude on this important matter, the public meeting as announced has been arranged. His message should be heard by every taxpayer for it may be taken for granted that the solution offered by the mayor after much careful business-like study of the question will be what he concludes is in the best interests of the city and the great body of taxpayers, of which it may be said he is one of the largest. It may be safely said that it will not be a solution hastily arrived at, nor reached without studious deliberation for because His Worship has sought to apply to his administration at City Hall the same diligent attention as he has to his private business in which he has been most successful, those who have followed his career feel confident that the announcements which he will make will well repay all who attend.—Advt.

RECOGNITION OF SOVIET POWER IS PREMIER'S PLANK

London Paper Says He Will Urge it at Genoa if Commons Backs Him—Churchill's Rooted Opposition to Conference with Russians May Give Trouble.

(Associated Press Cable)

London, March 26—Political recognition of Russia will be the main plank in the policy of Premier Lloyd George at the Genoa economic conference if a vote of confidence is given him by parliament, April 3, according to The News of the World, the newspaper of Lord Riddell, who was liasion officer of the British delegation to the Washington conference.

The newspaper says the premier also will urge a treaty between Russia and the Baltic States, Poland and Rumania.

CHURCHILL'S ATTITUDE.

(Special Cable to the N. Y. Times and Montreal Gazette)

London, March 25—"With something of his old power of resilience," says the political correspondent of the Sunday Times, "Mr. Lloyd George has made a quick recovery from his lassitude during the week and will come up to Downing street on Monday to make his preparations for Genoa.

"The debate resolution, on which a vote of confidence will be taken, will be so framed as to give the Prime Minister a plenary mandate for Genoa. That course has been rendered necessary by the effect which the persistent attacks upon him have created abroad, and he will only go to Genoa with the wholehearted support of his colleagues in his government and of the Coalitionists in general.

If there is any attempt to whittle down the force of the resolution it will probably develop in the cabinet next week. Mr. Churchill may give trouble. The Colonial Secretary, it is an open secret, regards the presence of Russian delegates at Genoa as regrettable. He remains unshaken in his belief that the Bolshevist government is tottering to its fall, and that only when it has disappeared can the regeneration of Russia begin. In the meantime he regards any sort of negotiations with the Moscow administration as the touching of pitch.

The probable order of events in Genoa is set forth tonight in Lloyd's Weekly by a specially well-informed correspondent. One of the first items on the programme of the conference, he says, will be a request that the nations present bind themselves to refrain from aggression against their neighbors. Then there will be detailed discussion of the various difficulties which are at present stopping trade. This is a highly technical matter, but expert committees have been at work for many weeks in this and in other countries, and the conference will have before it practical remedies.

Finally, the conference will be faced with the question whether, if Russia pledges herself to recognize her debts and to establish all those safeguards and securities for liberty and property which are common to civilized states, she shall once more be admitted into the comity of nations by formal recognition of the Soviet government. Over this question a great controversy, it is expected will arise, because Lloyd's informant says, it states the new issue in European politics an direct form: Which is to prevail the saving spirit of co-operation or the old, reactionary jealousies and international distrusts?

A London Canadian Press cable of Tuesday night says that the differences between Lloyd George and Churchill, respecting the rocognition politically of the Bolshevik government are reported to have been composed at a conference between them and at the cabinet council.

UNCONSCIOUS HUMORIST LIGHTENS THEIR LABORS

Windsor, March 29—This city has been forced to add to its expenditures during the winter by administering necessary relief to distressed families. In the meantime the aldermen have been struggling with the estimates in an attempt to cut down the expenditure to essentials only.

Their labors have been brightened, if not lightened, by a request received from one of the civic employes. She wants a new automobile. The one she is using at present is "old-fashioned," she complains in her application.

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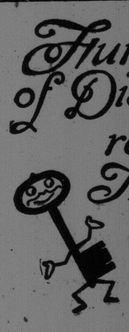

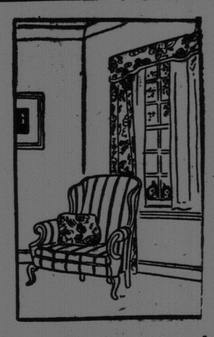

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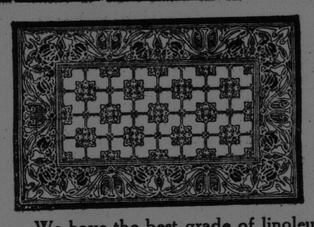

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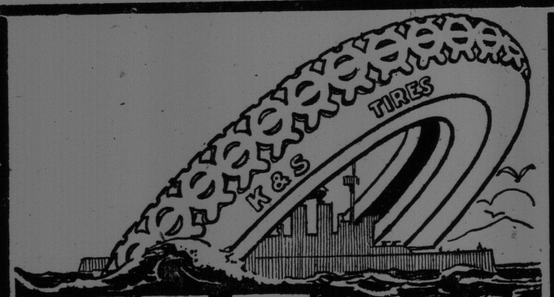

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FLIRTATION BADGE WORN BY "SHIFTERS"

Flapper Organization's Motto is "Get Something for Nothing."

(New York Times.)

Gertrude Robinson-Smith, acting for the Vacation Association, of which she is president, said yesterday that her investigations of what she called "the ways and wiles of the Society of Shifters," had shown the organization to be even more reprehensible than had been at first supposed.

"The prospective member of the Shifters is made to believe that she is asked to join a universal secret society to promote cordiality, particularly between the sexes," said Miss Robinson-Smith. "The society badge serves as an invitation to flirtation and to intimacies that self-respecting girls would ordinarily resent. We have learned that among high school students 'pelting parties' have been the general result of Shifter initiations. There is a Shifter dress, we have learned, a black and white creation; a Shifter insignia, which is a turned back coat lapel, and a peculiar shuffling gait, which calls itself the Shifter Walk. To wear a Shifter dress is to invite the attentions of male Shifters."

Shifters headquarters are at 303 Fifth avenue, where also is located the Official Shifter's Emblem Company. The Emblem Company publishes the by-laws of the organization in the following form:—

The Shifters Are an Organization of Brotherly and Sisterly Love.

Constitution and by-laws. To become a member:—

1.—Make he or she put their right hand over their head and left hand over their heart.

2.—He or she must promise to be a good fellow or sister and to help other shifters at all times.

3.—He or she must promise to pay whatever amount you think he is able to pay either in money, merchandise, tobacco or food.

4.—After filling these requirements, the password, handshake and other signs are then given them, which are as follows:

Password—"I have paid my checks."

Handshake—Pass the palms of the hands together, but not closing the hand; then put hand in the coat and say, "Be a good fellow, get something for nothing."

5.—As this is a secret order, all persons joining must promise not to divulge the foregoing signs, &c., of The Shifters.

P. S.—Get wholesale prices on emblems and by-laws at once.

Are you a shifter? If not, why not be wise. Do not show any one these by-laws.

A paper clip has been the insignia of the Shifters, but this has been changed now to a small square enameled pin with a hand, the palm out, upon it. A pretty girl who was out on the street wearing a Shifter pin yesterday said she was not a Shifter, but she was anxious to see what would happen to her if she wore the pin. Nothing had happened at last accounts.

"Since the Shifter Society has passed from the harmless stage to that of a dangerous craze," said Miss Robinson-Smith, speaking for the Vacation Association, "we seriously urge all self-respecting men, women, boys and girls to recognize that this new organization belongs in the category of senseless, useless and harmful pastimes." Instructions were issued last night to the Vacation Association local secretaries, in charge of collecting girls' savings, putting them on guard against the Shifter. Among the women interested in the Vacation Association to end the Shifter craze are Mrs. Newcomb Carlton, Mrs. Daniel Guggenheim, Mrs. Prescott Slade and Mrs. Ponsonby Ogle.

SCOUTS' CONCERT.

An enjoyable programme was presented by the Coburg street Christian church Boy Scout Troop, No. 13, last evening, before a good-size audience. At the close of the programme, assistant scoutmaster was given a fountain pen by Scoutmaster W. Dunlop, on behalf of the troop. Refreshments were served at the close. The programme was as follows: Song, by the troop; recitation, W. Thorne; solo, R. Clark; recitation, R. Boyne; playlet, by four scouts; jokes, Scouts H. Scott and E. Goldsworthy; reading, L. Tapper; cornet and piano selection, Miss Leonard and Mr. Bridgen; jokes, R. McKenzie and E. Kirkpatrick; address, R. Clark; cornet solo, Miss A. Hughes and H. Hughes; reading, W. Daley; recitation, R. Clark; playlet, three scouts; drum solo, by Messrs. Bridgen; piano solo, Miss A. Hughes.

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