

UNITING CHURCHES HOLD LAST SEPARATE SERVICES

27 Pastors Discuss Renaissance
of Nonconformist
Churches.

HERALD NEW ERA

Vitality of Movement Attested
in Sermons—Antis Hold
Services.

Twenty-seven Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian churches in the city held their last separate services yesterday for the last time as separate denominations.

With the consummation of church union on Wednesday at Toronto the United church of Canada will come into being with 22 churches in London, five Presbyterian congregations having voted to remain out of the union.

The ministers who yesterday reviewed the past history of the three communions stressed the point that while the names of the denominations were being given up for that of the United church of Canada, no church need surrender or bury its traditions. In the context of the union, they unanimously felt that each denomination should carry with it into the new church all the best of its glorious traditions, and that the United church and rendering its great task the more easy of accomplishment.

Rev. (Colt) William Beattie, D.D., C.M.G., First Presbyterian church, spoke on "Great Traditions," going back to the days when Presbyterianism was brought to America shores by Huguenot Presbyterian in the days of King Henry IV. of France. Dr. Beattie outlined in picturesque terms the rivalries of Presbyterianism from Holland, Germany, Pennsylvania, Ireland, Scotland, and the United Empire Loyalists, which came to Canada between 1600 and 1814 to swell the numbers of the church and establish eight Presbyterian bodies, which were united in 1875 under the name, the "Presbyterian church in Canada."

Dr. Beattie asserted that the Presbyterian church has been a leader in the movement for church union since church union is thoroughly Presbyterian in both doctrine and policy.

Hope Lies in Energy.
"Our hope for the United church," concluded Dr. Beattie, "is that its energy will be such as to generate and carry the electric word of the Bible to every hamlet in Canadian soil, to every outlying district in the dominion. This is our ideal and this is the task which we have set our hand to." Congregationalist Rev. H. B. Storey, speaking in South-West Congregational church, already named the Pilgrim United church, "the logical first step in the New England Pilgrim Fathers." Mr. Storey went on to relate how the Pilgrims, he explained, differed from the Puritans, first came to Canada after a short stay in Holland, in 1620, landing at Plymouth Rock.

Mr. Storey asserted that the Congregational church stands for the evangelization of the world through the union of the churches, and that the Congregational church would carry into the United church the same "passion for the gospel, a love of liberty and a cultured evangelism."

New Renaissance.
The Methodist church movement, which began in the 18th century, was declared by Rev. John Holmes, superintendent minister, speaking in Ridout Street Methodist church, yesterday morning, to have been "the starting point of modern religious earnestness."

"Methodism originated neither in political commotion nor in ecclesiastical disruption," affirmed Mr. Holmes, "and it was not a mere revival but a reformation. It set itself not to alter the order of the churches, but to multiply the number of Christians. It was not a mere polemic, it sought rather to vitilify and diffuse truth than to explode error. It was an outburst of saving religion which gave birth to passion and heart-throb to dormant creeds."

Rev. C. S. Miller, B.D., pastor of First Congregational church, commented upon the glasses with which the Congregational church welcomed the church union movement showed that there was no sectarianism and dominationism, and that "is Christianity."

"The Methodist church has specialized in assailing evil forces rampant in the land," stated Rev. (Major) Bruce Hunter, B.D., M.C., First Methodist church, "and it has been criticized for that, but it has been in the interests of that righteousness which exalts a nation."

"As a church we Methodists are singularly evangelistic in life and method," concluded Mr. Hunter, "and while in going into union we lay aside the old form we will not lay aside the life. We enter union, not with a spirit of reluctance, but of joy, believing that we are following the divine will, and in that consciousness we shall prevail."

Of Great Import.
Church union is an event unparalleled in the Christian church in this land, said Rev. W. L. Hiles, pastor of Robinson Memorial church. Not since the reformation 300 years ago had anything happened which promised so well for the church in Canada across the seas.

The minister took his text from John 1, 50, last night, "Thou shalt see greater things than these." He said that it was a great hour for the church, and spoke of the wonderful progress of the church and the great things to be accomplished.

Rev. T. D. McCullough, M.A., speaking at Elmwood avenue Presbyterian church, emphasized the importance of the church failing to the Presbyterian continuing church. There was a great deal of missionary work to be done at home and abroad.

One of the first duties of the church

MOSHER ADVISES SPIRIT OF AMITY

Head of C. B. R. E. Addresses
C. N. R. Men At
Hyman Hall.

Co-operative organization was offered as the solution to the present difficult railway situation by members of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees who met in Hyman hall yesterday afternoon. More than 800 C. N. R. men were present, many of whom came from outside points of this district including Toronto, Niagara Falls and Windsor.

A. R. Mosher, president of the grand council of the brotherhood spoke on problems which confronted brotherhood members at the present time. He advocated a get-together spirit through which amicable and satisfactory agreements could be reached.

Rather than accept without argument theories which attempt to explain present unemployment difficulties, Mr. Mosher advocated organized societies to seek out for themselves the cause of distress and starvation in a world of plenty.

"Railroad employees are in a peculiar position," he said. "First we must get wages to live and get out of the railroad corporation. Before we get those wages we must pay tribute to those who are not devoting any of their time to railroad work. We have to meet conditions as they are and at the same time endeavor to propagate ideas that will bring about the change in economic conditions until the getting of a living will be the least of our worries."

A similar address stressing the necessity for co-operation to bring about railroad efficiency, was given by J. W. White, Toronto vice-president of the Central Regions C. B. R. E. The source of trouble which prevented the utmost efficiency are "the go-betweens" who separate the superintendent and employee. He urged the brotherhood to hold to their position until they prevent a recurrence of the 17 and 18 hour a day labor.

Gift for Vice-President.
Vice-president W. W. W. was presented by the chairman, Thomas Cribben, president of the local No. 96 branch of the C. B. R. E., with a leather correspondence bag and pen, the gift of his fellow employees of the Toronto Union station.

Superintendent Charles Forrester of the London division in appreciation of the spirit which had been shown throughout the meeting.

A successful program of singing and comedy included solo numbers by C. Mapleton of London and Messrs. Armstrong and Irons of Toronto.

Old Scholars.
John Watson, who was the first recording steward 50 years ago, and who holds office at present, attended, and did Joseph Houldy, and to the first batch school scholars, and John Wallace, the present Sunday school superintendent.

Mr. Watson, who occupied the pulpit of Chalmers church at both services yesterday, did not speak on church union, nor did Rev. James MacKay, pastor of New St. James'. Mr. MacKay took for his subject "Along with God," in the morning.

At night, he preached on the "Influence of Christ Upon Philip." The churches have tended to lose and everything to gain in the union was the gist of the remarks on the subject made by Rev. R. McCormick, pastor of Hyatt Avenue church. He said that every church had a special pride and a special genius that it carried along in the new movement.

A London old boy, Rev. Andrew Coldwell, former member of Hyatt, preached on the "Influence of Christ Upon Philip." He is now a minister in a Presbyterian church in Spokane, Washington. He came east to attend the general assembly at Toronto.

His opinion was that the union church movement was the most wonderful thing in the world; a splendid example for the world.

At Central Church.
Rev. A. C. McNair, B.D., spoke at Centennial Methodist church on "A Spiritual House," declaring that regenerated men and women, not bricks and mortar, constitute a church. The church is not a building, but a living organism.

Rev. W. R. McIntosh, D.D., officiated at the service, the first of its kind during the past four years. The election of such a large number to the session was rendered necessary by the loss of members by death, by removal from the city and by the loss of two members, John McCrae and R. S. Morrison, who, as anti-unionists, left the church.

Rev. J. F. Chapman, pastor of Empress avenue Methodist church, pointed out that the Methodist church has always held religion to be life, rather than a set of beliefs, and that these Methodists could meet a Christian church, and that the union church would be a brother, Methodist, according to Mr. Chapman, stands for the reaffirmation of the fact of the knowledge of sin forgiven.

At the evening service in Empress church representatives of different organizations in the congregation spoke on "Our Past" and "Our Ideal." The speakers included Rev. R. G. Bowles, young people; F. C. Fuller, missionary department; Wm. Gibson, members; and Rev. J. H. Kirkland, period of time; Rev. J. H. Kirkland and Rev. A. Lucas.

"Farewell to Methodism."
Rev. J. E. J. Millard, Askin street Methodist church, already renamed the Wesley United church, spoke "Farewell to Methodism," and called upon the members of the congregation to lend their heartiest support to the United church.

The evening service at Ridout street Methodist church was addressed by Rev. W. H. Cooper on "Our Strength," and by Rev. Richard Haskins on "The New Outlook." Mr. Cooper declared that the Methodist church has created a conscience against intolerance, while Mr. Haskins averred that what is needed today is not greater learning or newer doctrines, but a deeper experience of God.

Speaking in Knox Presbyterian church last night, Rev. W. R. McIntosh, D.D., pastor of St. Michael's Presbyterian church, and moderator of the Presbyterian synod of Hamilton and London, pleaded for the church to give leadership by following Christ's love in overcoming all barriers, including those of religious prejudices. The task of the church, and particularly the United church, Mr. McIntosh urged, is to bring the antagonisms rampant in the world, and creating a great human brotherhood.

In the Dundas center Methodist church, the pastor, Rev. John Garbutt, delivered a sermon on "The Valuedness of Methodism," in the course of which he reviewed the history of the Methodist church since its first beginnings under John Wesley. Mr. Garbutt painted a glowing picture of the future of the United church in this dominion.

In addition to appropriate sermons the London conference message from Rev. A. E. M. Thomson, president, and Rev. G. C. Copeland, Kingston secretary, was read in all the Methodist churches of the city.

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The inspector's car, which has proved the downfall of more than one bootlegger, flared on to the dirt strip beside the concrete and pulled up beside the car on the hill just west of the Wharfedale road.

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Constable Mennie was the next to put in an appearance. The youth queried the officer.

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"I'm guilty. How much is the fine?"
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SEPARATE SCHOOL PICNIC THURSDAY

Between 1,200 and 1,300
Pupils To Join in
Outing.

Arrangement are being completed for the annual separate school picnic to be held at Springbank park Thursday of this week.

Between 1,200 and 1,300 pupils and teachers of the seven primary and two high schools in the separate school system will participate in the outing.

As usual races will feature the day's doings, in addition to softball games and other sports. The mothers' clubs of the different schools will co-operate in supplying the refreshments, with the exception of ice cream, which will be supplied by the separate school board.

Four boys' teams from St. Peter's school will stage a softball tournament at 9 a.m. Thursday. In the afternoon the girls of St. Mary's and Sacred Heart schools will match forces, the winner to meet the St. James' college girls.

Special transportation will be provided by the London Street Railway to carry the happy picnickers to the park at 9 a.m. Thursday morning, bringing them back to the city early in the evening.

Harry Rannahan, member of the separate school board, is chairman of the picnic committee, and as such is arranging the affair, which will be participated in by the pupils attending St. Peter's high school, St. Angela's college, and the following primary schools: St. Peter's, St. Mary's, Sacred Heart, St. Michael's, St. John's, St. Martin's and St. Joseph's.

BECHER'S ISLAND POOL OFFICIALLY OPENED

Lifeguards and Ropes On Job
—Thames Pool Still
Closed.

Becher's Island swimming pool in the Thames river was officially opened by the public utilities commission today.

Safety ropes were placed, and lifeguards stationed at the pool to make it safe for children bathing there. Supervisors for instruction in swimming will not be placed at the pool, however, until after the schools close the latter part of the month.

The commission will endeavor to provide dressing-room accommodation at Birket's flats as soon as possible, in order that that pool also may be opened in the river.

Nothing further has been heard regarding special permission to open the full equipment necessary to operate the pool in accordance with recent provincial legislation.

**DISTRICT AGRICULTURISTS
STUDYING U. S. METHODS**
Five district representatives of the Ontario department of agriculture left London Saturday night to investigate methods used by their American brothers in the same line of work in the states of Indiana and Illinois.

The Ontario men will spend two weeks across the border and will give a report of their trip at a convention of Ontario district representatives being held at Kempsville, June 22.

Agricultural experts who are making the trip are S. S. Duncan, director of agricultural representatives, S. B. Strothers, Huron; F. C. Patterson, Fred Forsythe and W. Crookery.

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CHURCH MAY PAY \$3,000 STIPEND

St. James Anglican Receives
Authority To Raise
Salary.

St. James' Anglican church, south London, is willing to pay \$3,000 stipend, if necessary, to secure the rector they desire in succession to Rev. W. Leslie Armitage, M.A., who resigned recently.

Permissive authority to raise the stipend from \$2,500 was given the church wardens and parochial committee at a vestry meeting held recently. While it is not likely any appointment will be made for several weeks, officials of the church will be in constant touch with Rt. Rev. David Williams, D.D., bishop of Huron, concerning the position.

Meanwhile, Rev. (Capt.) T. G. Wallace, rector of St. Stephen's Anglican church, Toronto, will serve St. James' parish here for an indefinite period of from two to three months. Mr. Wallace conducted the services yesterday for the first time and preached to large congregations.

Mr. Wallace's work at St. Stephen's church is being taken by Mr. Armitage, formerly rector of St. James' church here.

FUNERAL OF MRS. BURNS HELD TO MOUNT PLEASANT

The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Burns, a former resident of London, who died in Ottawa on Friday, was held yesterday afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m. at the funeral home of Mrs. Burns, who was the widow of James Burns who predeceased her by four years.

Before going to Ottawa Mr. and Mrs. Burns were prominently connected with Askin street Methodist church. The services were conducted by the Rev. J. E. J. Millard of Askin street church, who was made in Mount Pleasant cemetery.

The pallbearers were Thomas Gerry, William West, Dr. S. P. Reynolds, William and Thomas Copp and D. C. Wilson.

COMING OF MESSIAH DECLARED IMMINENT

That the coming of the Messiah is imminent was the declaration made last night by S. Morton, of Stratford, speaking before a gathering of International Bible Students in Hyman hall.

It is admitted on every hand that changes are coming," Mr. Morton asserted. "That something is the Messiah's kingdom. The flood of truth now flowing over the world will ultimately bring the richest blessings of everlasting life."

MAN ATTACKED BY BULL SHOWS SOME IMPROVEMENT

William T. Moore of Belmont, injured on his farm yesterday when attacked by a maddened bull, shows slight improvement today, according to Victoria hospital authorities. He suffers from a fractured hip. His condition is not considered serious.

Tour of Ontario's Hydro Zone Confirms Senator's Public Ownership Views

Norris of Nebraska Winds Up
Survey of Niagara Sys-
tem Here.

EXAMPLE FOR U. S.
Believes Muscle Shoals Develop-
ment Should Be On
Same Lines.

Senator G. W. Norris of Nebraska, chairman of the United States senate committee on agriculture and forestry, was a visitor to London Saturday in the course of a trip through Ontario, during which he is endeavoring to obtain full details as to the manner in which the hydro-electric power commission operates, with a view to adapting some of its features to the operation of the Muscle Shoals plant in his own country.

The senator, who was accompanied on his tour of this province by J. W. Purcell, an engineer of the Ontario hydro commission, was a guest at the home of Sir Adam Beck Saturday morning and spent some time interviewing the chairman of the hydro commission. He expressed himself as being tremendously impressed with what Ontario has accomplished in the upbuilding of its hydro system.

Senator Norris stated, to the effect, that he is hopeful that something comparable to Ontario's achievement may be forthcoming in the case of the famous Muscle Shoals development.

Shoals Plant Ready.
This plant, on which the United States government has spent \$150,000,000, is nearing completion. In fact, the huge dam constructed at a cost of \$50,000,000 will be ready for use July 1. There is a movement, Senator Norris stated, to place the plant to private interests, but after seeing Ontario's hydro system in operation he is more than ever convinced that a similar scheme in the United States is what is needed in his native state. It was extremely difficult to convince the people there, he remarked, of what has been accomplished in Ontario, but he was certain that if they could see for themselves what he has seen during his trip there would be no further difficulty.

See Whole System.
The present tour of the American senator began when he crossed into Ontario from New York state, and he has visited Galt, Kitchener, Waterloo, Woodstock, London and Sarnia, from which point he passed into Michigan en route to his home.

Various Chinese commercial and student bodies met at the chamber of commerce yesterday evening and adopted seventeen resolutions, including demands that the proclamation of a state of emergency in Shanghai be cancelled, foreign marines withdrawn, that Chinese who have been arrested be released, and schools that have closed be opened before official negotiations to end the trouble be commenced.

Shanghai, June 8.—There have been no further disturbances here following the recent rioting, but the strike situation in protest against the activities of the foreign powers is unchanged. The defense measures of the foreign colonies are continuing, but the arrival of further naval contingents has enabled the authorities to lighten the duties of the volunteers.

Two hundred marines from the Japanese ship Tatsuta were landed this morning. Two Japanese gunboats and two Japanese destroyers proceeded up the Yangtze to protect the foreigners at upper ports of that river. Two other Japanese destroyers arrived and will remain at Shanghai.

Precautionary measures taken by the Chinese civil authorities at Foo Chow prevented a students' demonstration there from reaching serious proportions.

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TELLS AMAZING STORY OF MURDER OF NURSE

Vancouver Woman Sends 60-
Page Statement On Janet
Smith's Death.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Vancouver, B. C., June 8.—A sixty-page statement from a Vancouver woman, who claims to have witnessed the events surrounding the actual killing of Janet Smith, Scottish nursemaid in Vancouver last July, was received by Hon. A. M. Manson, attorney-general, Saturday, from officers of the provincial police.

In a statement he issued, Mr. Manson declared that the woman's amazing statement, which was not an affidavit and not made under oath, would be investigated immediately by the police, but he added that in the meantime it would be unwise to reveal the precise contents of the document.

It is understood, however, that the woman, whose name Mr. Manson withheld, also asserts that while she did not actually witness the killing of the Scottish girl, she witnessed events which led up to it and also saw what followed.

NO POSTOFFICE KNOWN AS STRATHCONA, ONTARIO

There is no postoffice known as Strathcona in Ontario or British Columbia, says a postal despatch from Ottawa this morning.

The advice states that considerable mail matter addressed to Strathcona, Ontario, goes to Montreal, and has to be returned, because it is not so recent for that point.

There are several Strathconas in different parts of Canada, but they are small places without postoffices. The postal department at Ottawa is returning all such mail to the senders.

HEAVY HOG SHIPMENTS.

The Ontario department of agriculture report received at the Middlesex branch today states that \$34 hogs were shipped from Middlesex county during the week ending June 4. The largest shipment of hogs, 161, was made from Komoka.

Happy Feet in Summer Need Good-Natured Shoes

Everybody is buying footwear these balmy days—especially those who place due emphasis on the matter of correct dress.

The current fashions in shoes leave nothing to be desired in beauty, grace and comfort. Equally satisfying are the stocks which London's shoe and shoe departments are now showing.

Every glad occasion of summer requires its own particular style of shoes—golf, tennis, riding, dancing, tramping, motoring.

No wardrobe will be complete which does not take into account each separate need; and the new fashions in store and shop are so attractive that every pair of shoes added to your wardrobe will assure you so much more satisfaction and pleasure to you. A timely suggestion and one that will help you to shop with both comfort and economy is this: Read the Shoe advertising which appears from day to day in The Advertiser. It faithfully reflects the desired styles and records the price advantages to be enjoyed.

Theatre Guide

LOEWS.
Boys' Daniels in "The Crowded Hour," and three acts of vaudeville.

THE CAPITOL.
"The Sporting Venus," with Ronald Coleman and Blanche Sweet.

NEW TRIAL ORDERED IN THE JOHN SHERITT CASE

The executors of the late John Sheritt, ex-M.P., Crediton, have been granted their appeal to the appellate court of the supreme court. The executors, and J. M. Pike, K.C., Chatham, for the plaintiff, Mrs. Robertson.

A high tribute to the Canadian church union movement was contained in the Sunday morning sermon of Rev. Griffith Lloyd Evans of Dedham, Colchester, England, at the First Congregational church here. Mr. Evans, who has been transferred to Canada, is attending the annual meetings of the United church in Toronto on June 8, 9 and 10.

Mr. Evans predicted that the union movement would bring a new era of religious interest to the dominion and his closing message was an appeal to the congregation to give the United church an unfailing support.

A greeting from the west was brought to city Congregationalists by Rev. D. S. Hamilton of Winnipeg, an outstanding figure of the prairie provinces. Mr. Hamilton delivered a short address at the morning service.

LOOKING OVER HOLSTEINS.
Col. Robert McEwen of Byron, and R. A. Finn of the department of agriculture are visiting Oxford county farms today looking over Holstein cattle that may eventually be purchased for Middlesex dairymen.