

LAYMEN REVIVE OCEAN GROVE CAMP

Methodists, Stirred by Bishop Berry, Plan Reorganization

DR. TOMKINS TO ASSIST

Reorganization plans for the old camp meeting grounds at Ocean Grove, N. J., which is to be made a sectional conference of Methodist religious teaching, were disclosed today by Bishop Berry at the meeting of the Laymen's Association in St. Andrew's church, Fifty-third and Chestnut streets.

The lay meeting was held concurrently with the Philadelphia Methodist conference in the afternoon at the Episcopal church, Fifty-fourth and Chestnut streets, and was attended by 2150 delegates representing 244 of the 450 churches in the conference.

Alien Propaganda Hit by Methodists

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The speaker urged all clergymen to "come to life" and face the present crisis. He twitted the members of the cloth, saying, "Many have died at thirty-five and are walking around to save funeral expenses."

Criticism had been made of the tone of church periodicals, he continued, some readers wanting the publications "spiced up" with more readable material.

"There is a critical situation in regard to the supply of ministers in America," he said.

"We have come to the time when we must face not only the need for more ministers, but also more ministering and effective purpose."

"There is much working around the circumference of spiritual things without a clear conception of the center of them. The work is inclined to be too fragmentary. The Methodist Episcopal church in America needs from 1000 to 1500 men every year in conference relations."

The bishop said that sections in the East, South and Central West of this country have been depleted of ministerial material because of the migration of clergy to points west of Chicago.

The six conferences showing the biggest gain of men in the last ten years, he said, are the conferences of Southern California, Dakota, West Virginia, Idaho, North Indiana and Oregon. The six conferences showing the smallest gains in the same period, he added, are Maine, Michigan, New Carolina, Detroit and north and south St. Louis.

"The Philadelphia conference would have lost more than eleven men," he said, "if it had gained nine men in the conference."

Methodist Conference Program for This Afternoon

1:45 p. m.—Laymen's Association business session at St. Matthew's church.

2 p. m.—Anniversary of Women's Foreign Missionary Society at Conference Church.

2:30 p. m.—Admission of class of ministerial candidates to full membership at executive session in Bethlehem Temple Presbyterian Sunday School, Fifty-fourth and Spruce streets.

4 p. m.—Pentecostal service in charge of Dr. Charles M. Boswell.

8 p. m.—Anniversary of Laymen's Association in Conference Church.

He quoted figures indicating how few families of ministries give sons or daughters for church work.

"The weak point is in the 'teen,' he continued, "in the old days the normal time for a boy or girl to decide upon his or her life work was in college. Now it is in high school."

"The high school boys and girls are the ones who are absent from the Bible schools and churches. It is with the high school boys and girls that we should concentrate our efforts."

Discussing students who enter college with the ministry in mind, the bishop declared 50 per cent of them change from that idea before graduation.

"How many Methodist students are at the University of Pennsylvania?" he asked. Informing the number was about 500, the bishop said the question of entering the ministry should be placed before them.

"In the next twenty-four months," he concluded, "how many young men have you set down with and presented the claims of ministry?"

New Hospital in Sight. The conference, which opened yesterday and continues until Tuesday next, started at 10 o'clock this morning with prayer by the Rev. E. D. Decker, of the Springfield Avenue church, and the Rev. A. P. Hodgson, of the Cheltenham Avenue church.

The annual report of the Methodist Episcopal church was read by the Rev. C. M. Boswell, corresponding secretary of the hospital's board of trustees, who later was re-elected to that position.

Dr. Boswell intimated that a new hospital building will be built in the next few years. One man, he said, has pledged \$50,000 by April, 1922, and another, hearing of the first offer, immediately matched it.

A new building is greatly needed, Dr. Boswell said, because at present every bed in the institution is filled. Last year, he said, was the most successful year the hospital ever had.

Hospital Report Entered. Receipts from collections and contributions in 1920, he reported, totaled \$41,935 compared with \$41,733 in 1919. While the total income last year was \$41,935 compared with \$42,906 the year before.

Other figures presented for the hospital were: Expenses on property, 1920, \$229,719; 1919, \$201,072; patients admitted, 1920, 4024; 1919, 3662; patients receiving one day's treatment, 1920, 51,700; 1919, 47,708; operations, 1920, 3285; 1919, 2963.

WOMEN IN POLITICS WARNED OF GREED

Voters' League Members Told They Need Not Rush In, as Franchise Lasts

STUDY OF SYSTEM URGED

That women in politics are as yet untrained, unadvised and like greedy voters, rushed into the voting booth at once, seemed to be the consensus of opinion at the opening session of the inter-county conference of the League of Women Voters.

The conference is at Emergency Aid headquarters, 218 South Eighteenth street, with Mrs. Lewis Smith, vice chairman of the state League of Women Voters, presiding. Fifteen counties are represented.

Most of the discussion showed the women ready to see an extensive program would be suitable for them politically, but that controversy among them is deadly.

"Some of us act as though we had the vote only this year," said Mrs. J. O. Miller, of Pittsburgh, president of the state League of Women Voters. "We have the vote until this nation goes to the state and everything at once, no rush into things headlong. Because you don't take up a question or a bill this year does not mean you don't have it for the rest of your life. It is other legislation that is more important."

Legislator Advises Conference. Mrs. Jennie C. Van Ness, member of the New Jersey Assembly, echoed this sentiment when she said, "Women should be wise when legislation is concerned. They must take into consideration the legislator's standpoint. When they see a bill, they should see if it is for the benefit of the state or if it is for the benefit of a few individuals."

Political education for women is the point to be most stressed by the league in the future, the feeling of this sentiment was expressed. "When our state as well as conscientious women may take their place in governmental duties, we will kill our organization," said Mrs. J. O. Miller. "If we take up too broad a program, sponsor too many bills that are controversial. When our state organization made up its legislative program we included many things which we do not now expect to sponsor or push at this time."

"We have learned that some of these things are not wise at present. The first thing on our program was the mandatory law providing for a school year. Now that we have the vote we feel that we haven't judgment enough to get women appointed without such a law."

Closed Mouth Is Urged. "Another thing on our program was a state budget system. Now we don't think we will push that. We believe that it will be better worked for by a constitutional convention. I don't think we should back too much legislation that calls for money. That's all we have the time to study it."

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Other speakers stressed the fact that women should walk most carefully along legislative paths until they know exactly where they are going. One representative said, "Women should learn to keep their mouths closed until they can intelligently open them."

British Mission Coming to America

Continued from Page One. To abandon it and set up a new organization or so to remodel the present league that this country will be ready to enter it.

England and France, on the other hand, are much in the same position with respect to Germany as they were at Paris. They have their Peace Treaty, but they want this country to stand with them in the enforcement of it.

Just as two years ago they were willing to trade President Wilson the League of Nations for the kind of peace treaty they wanted, so they are willing to trade Mr. Harding a new association of nations for the sympathy and support of the United States in their attitude toward Germany.

The situation makes it probable that Mr. Harding's success in obtaining the kind of association of nations he desires, there are real difficulties because of the war President Wilson and the Versailles Treaty and the European Allies are unwilling to see anything done which will impair the Versailles Treaty.

Mr. Harding may be forced to accept that treaty, modified and amended as a preliminary to obtaining this association of nations. No doubt French diplomacy, backed by English diplomacy, is moving in that direction.

JURY OF FINANCIERS GIVES \$100 PRIZE TO GERMANTOWN WOMAN

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Cut Out and Mail TO THE LIMERICK CONTEST. P. O. Box 1523, Philadelphia. LIMERICK NO. 82. An engineer said, "Well, let's go; It's time and this old train is slow. We won't get to the shore For two hours or more—"

Today's winner was selected by a jury of officers and directors of the Philadelphia Financial Building and Loan Association at a dinner in the Arcadia Cafe. Photograph on back page.

Tomorrow's winner was selected by exchange heads of the Philadelphia architects and engineers, 325 South Broad street.

All it depends on the kind of jury you get. Many a safe-cracker has been consoled with that phrase, and many a limericker collects a cool hundred because it is pretty nearly true.

Today's winner, a charming Baltimorean, who has whiled away her lonely evenings writing for this contest, must have had in mind "a line of beauty" when she submitted her coupon. She didn't let her daughter's twitting influence her—just kept on.

The tone was a photograph, his model said, "Petal's Arc O. K., but neither Would make 'venus de Milo scant clothes'."

VETERAN'S MEMORY GONE. Unidentified Man in Abington Hospital Thought Shell-Shock Victim.

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SCHOOL HAS BIRTHDAY. Ambler Institution Has Instructed in Horticulture Ten Years.

A birthday party at the Ritz-Carlton today, in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the founding of the School of Horticulture for Women at Ambler, gathered together a group of women interested not only in horticulture, but in various other activities in different sections of the state.

In addition to formal addresses by Mrs. John MacFarlane, of the University of Pennsylvania, Mrs. George V. Crocker, vice president of the Women's National Garden Association; Miss Anna E. F. and John L. Dean, dean of the faculty at the Ambler school, a few words were said by Miss Elizabeth Leighton Lee, director of the School of Horticulture, and Miss Marvin Reilly, former dean of Bryn Mawr College.

ANGELIC PLAY KILLS BOY. Abraham Holman, thirteen years old, 1213 Wharton street, died in the Poly-clinic hospital today from injuries received when he fell from a railroad bridge at Thirty-fifth and Wharton streets last night. According to the police the boy was taking on the rail of the bridge when he lost his balance, landing on the tracks twenty-five feet below.

HARDING APPROVES IRISH PARADE BAN

President, After Conference With Hughes, Refuses to Interfere in Military Orders SENDS REPLY TO PROTEST

By the Associated Press. Washington, March 17.—Action of army and navy officers in refusing to permit American troops to participate in an Evacuation Day parade, at Boston, of which Irish freedom advocates are in charge, was formally approved today by President Harding after a conference with Secretary Hughes, of the State Department, and Secretary Weeks, of the War Department.

The question of using federal troops in the parade came to the President's attention through a telegram from F. Harrigan, of Boston, state president of the American Association for Recognition of the Irish Republic, who asked whether "autocratic" ratings by the army and navy officers in command of the troops were to be backed up by the White House. In reply George H. Chittan, Jr., the President's secretary, sent Mr. Harrigan the following telegram:

Your telegram has been called to the attention of the President and he directs me to say in reply that army and navy commanders have authority to direct the forces under their command. The government and military forces of this nation can have no part in any demonstration which may be construed as influencing the foreign relations of the republic.

The message was sent after Secretary Hughes had been in conference with Mr. Harding for an hour. During the discussion Secretary Weeks also was called in and the reports of military and naval officers in direct charge of the troops at Boston are understood to have been reviewed in detail before a decision was reached.

In his telegram to the President Mr. Harrigan declared the celebration was "a local demonstration of loyalty and patriotism that no devotee of Toryism, no matter how exalted his position, can stop."

Referring to the adverse orders issued by Brigadier General Ruckman and Rear Admiral Dunn, in command of the military and naval forces at Boston, the message continued:

"Are these officials Americans or anti-Americans? Are they patriots or are they traitors? They say no authority can revoke this decree. It is for Washington any whether they are supreme. We demand action in the name of 125,000 citizens of our state and the recognition of orders from Ruckman and Dunn."

BOSTON IRISH PARADE WITHOUT U. S. TROOPS. Boston, March 17.—(By A. P.)—The celebration of the evacuation of Boston by the British had its usual fringe of green today, due to absence at the same time of St. Patrick's Day, but it lacked the customary presence of troops of the regular army and navy.

Because Irish societies identified with the movement to make permanent the provisional republic in Ireland were given a place in the parade, army and navy commanders refused to allow regular forces to take part. Service uniforms were not lacking, however, men of the American Legion and of the So-

ciety of Foreign Wars marching in ranks with their several posts. Department of Justice agents were posted along the line of march to report violations of the law regarding the wearing of regulation uniforms.

New York, March 17.—(By A. P.)—Thousands of New York's Irish laid aside their workday pursuits today and gave their time wholly to celebrating the annual feast of St. Patrick, the patron saint of Erin. City employees were given a half-holiday by Mayor Hylan, whose first act on reaching his office was to sign a resolution granting this freedom from work.

Members of the Sixty-ninth Guard Regiment, New York's famous "Fighting Irish" unit, whooped at high pitch in the morning at St. Patrick's Cathedral and later attended a St. Patrick's Day luncheon.

Shortly before midday scores of Irish societies began mobilizing for a parade up Fifth avenue in which thousands were expected to march. Honor seats in the reviewing stand in front of the Metropolitan Museum of Arts were reserved for Archbishop Patrick J. Hayes, former Governor Smith, Mayor Hylan and other public and ecclesiastic notables.

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Quits British Cabinet MINGO PROSECUTOR ASKS GUILT VERDICT

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A COAL TAX TO PAY TEACHERS. Odell Hauser, in a special dispatch to the Public Ledger this morning, explained Governor Sproul's latest plan to raise revenue to pay teachers and provide for other necessary state expenditures by taxing anthracite coal and not bituminous, a proceeding that was thought impossible. The "inside" politics of this latest move was explained fully— In This Morning's PUBLIC LEDGER.

Condition of Highways Throughout State Today. Lincoln highway (Trenton to Chambersburg)—Fair in Bucks, Lancaster and the eastern part of Franklin county; elsewhere good. William Penn highway (Easton to Chambersburg)—Good except one mile of road under construction in Lehigh county near Allentown, which is now impassable. Baltimore pike (Philadelphia, Media, Kennett Square and Oxford)—Good. Philadelphia and Reading pike—Good. Lancaster and Harrisburg pike—Fair in Lancaster county, good in Dauphin.

EASTERN SUNDAY EXCURSION. 12:10 Ashbur Park, Long Branch, Sea Girl, 11:30 Pine Beach, Seaside Park, Bay Head and Intermediate Stations. Leave Market St. Wharf 7:30 A. M. Penna. System.

DEATHS. KINNEY.—On March 16, WILLARD HELL KINNEY, Jr., son of Dr. Willard H. and Mrs. Mary Kinney, aged 23 years, 24 months. Relatives and friends are invited to the service on Saturday, at 2 p. m., at his parents' residence, 315 South 17th St. Interment in the cemetery.

MEMORIAL SERVICE. In the afternoon the anniversary meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society was held in the Wharton Memorial Church. Miss Wealthy Honisger, of China, was the principal speaker. This was followed by the daily Pentecostal service, in charge of the Rev. C. M. Boswell.