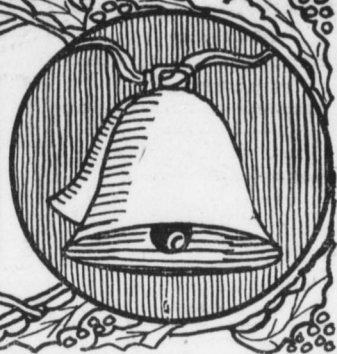


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REPORT REVEALS BALTIMORE VICE

Names of Trapped Immorals Suppressed or Social Fabric Would Be Rent

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 22.—The existence of startling conditions in Baltimore city is revealed in the report of the vice commission appointed by Governor Goldsborough.

Undoubted evidence, covering hundreds of individual cases, with names, dates and most minute facts, are in possession of the commission to show a spread of the social cancer of amazing extent, even to those who had thought themselves well posted on the ramifications of vice. Trapped male and female workers of the commission have for months worked in the shops, stores and factories of the city; have labored as employees in office buildings in capacities ranging from scrub-women and janitors to stenographers and clerks; have haunted the now extinct recognized houses of vice and the hundreds of questionable furnished room houses; have rented apartments for announced questionable purposes in many small and a number of large apartment houses of the city; have tested the integrity of the police and other authorities of the city and counties; have tempted with criminal and moral offense leading ministers, social workers, doctors, midwives and other persons in the city who have public or semipublic duties, and have in a hard year found their way and reported on facts that are of vital interest to the community.

Rockefeller Cash Aided

For the purposes of the investigation the legislature appropriated \$5,000, which amount has been supplemented by collections of \$6,500 made by Dr. George Walker, chairman, and others of the commission, making a total of \$11,500 spent in making the investigation. Even this amount would have been totally insufficient for the work if it had not been for the assistance of the Rockefeller Foundation, a famous social and charitable agency of the city and a large number of physicians, including those in charge of inmates at State institutions. The report, comprising 3,200 typewritten pages, covers the work of three years' investigation.

The report comprises sections on commercialized vice, immorality in Baltimore county, Anne Arundel county and the cities of Hagerstown, Frederick and Cumberland, and the traffic in babies.

Probably the most sensational of the features dealt with in the voluminous report is the traffic in babies. It is asserted that investigators found there are institutions in Baltimore to which the mother of an illegitimate child may consign her offspring upon the payment of an agreed sum and forever rid herself of legal responsibility for it. Of the hundreds of children so taken in charge by the institutions, the commission avers that a remarkably large percentage die and are buried in heaps in small plots of ground, one such plot approximately 55 feet square having been the tomb of 5,000 babies since 1886.

Highest in Community Tested

The exposure is the most far-reaching, pitiless and free from "protection"—social, political and wealth—in any large city in the world since the startling revelations by the Pall Mall Gazette, in London, in 1907.

No names are mentioned, though men in all walks of life—ministers, lawyers, bankers and businessmen—who inferentially stand high in the community, are implicated. The names, so vow members of the commission, shall remain a sacred secret forever. If revealed there would appear to be a shaking in the family closets and the divorce courts would be clogged with business.

A succession of remarkable cases are given of facts learned by investigators. Some of the leaders of Baltimore's business, professional and industrial life are linked up with women in direct and circumstantial manner, places and times of being given, along with facts concerning ages, family and business connections. Wide publication of the facts possessed by the commission in this relation would cause a social revolution here. Many of the men connected with repeated acts of immorality are leading figures in the church life of the city.

Charges that political graft and protection of professional houses of vice by political leaders of Baltimore and Anne Arundel counties are freely made in separate sections of the commission's report.

The commission elaborately discusses interviews with representative men of Baltimore on the vice traffic and the segregation question. To ascertain the opinions of these people special sets of questions were sent to physicians, lawyers and businessmen. The first query sought the individual's views of dealing with the houses of vice in Baltimore, whether they should be left as they were at that time; whether they should be restricted to a special district; whether they should be suppressed, and what restrictions should be imposed as to medical examinations, treatment of those infected, sale of alcohol, etc. Summarizing, the commission says that 122 out of 141 doctors who answered this question favored segregation or some form of tolerance of the houses, 33 believed in suppression, 81 favored medical inspection, 3 said it was useless.

The majority of the lawyers queried answered in favor of segregation. The municipality's duty is sharply pointed out; that it should see that popular amusements are not detrimental to the moral welfare of its immature citizens; to strictly supervise the shore parks and to censor theaters and moving pictures where the appeal to sex is present.

Further advice is given to the municipality to fight the evil through the substitution of healthful recreation and amusement. The substitute urged is the creation of more municipal dance halls efficiently supervised, the throwing open of the parks and playgrounds and the encouragement of play and athletics in every way possible, municipal moving pictures run by the city and the opening of school buildings and churches in the evening for entertainments.

"All young people," says the commission, "demand recreation and amusement. When proper recreation is provided many boys and girls will be diverted from wrong courses. All recreation, therefore, that the city can offer in the way of entertaining the public is of great value."

PRIZE WINNERS IN QUOTATION CONTEST



The winners of the five prizes offered by the Telegraph in its recent literary quotation contest, aptly designated as the "Who Wrote That?" contest, are here given. In the center is Miss Miriam Stevens, who took first place, having guessed correctly every one of the sources of the fifty-five quotations which were given in the columns of the Telegraph over a period of four weeks. In the upper left hand corner is Miss Margaret Myers, winner of fourth place, and opposite her J. C. Higsopple, who took fifth prize. The two Fager boys, Valentine H. Jr., and Robert M., sons of Dr. V. Hummel Fager, of this city, who won second and third places, respectively, are in the lower left and right hand corners.

Baltimore Not Vicious City Officials Protest

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 22.—Mayor James H. Preston and the Board of Estimate, the governing board of the city, at their meeting yesterday protested against the report of the Vice Commission, alleging bad moral conditions in Baltimore, made public Monday.

"No such conditions exist," said the Mayor. "As a general picture of Baltimore life and as a picture of the moral conditions in Baltimore the report is scandalous and untrue."

OUR RATIO SERVICE

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signed to duty on either a ship or a land station, and arrangements are made so that he returns to the school for a short term every year as long as he remains in the service. In this way he keeps in touch with every new development and has every opportunity to become an all-around wireless man.

Germany Has Standard

Germany has completely standardized her military radio equipment so that only one type of instrument is used. England has a partially standardized equipment, but has introduced a number of innovations since the beginning of the war, including three devices for submarine control patented by the American inventor, John Hays Hammond, Jr.

The United States has absolutely no standards except of quality. Six commercial types of instruments, several European devices, and a number designed by the experts of our own service are in use in this country, and the American operator learns how to use them all.

Our naval radio service now includes forty-seven land stations scattered all over the world. Two of these are high-power stations having a generating apparatus of 100 kilowatts or more. They are located at Darien on the Canal Zone and at Arlington, Va. A third station of the high-power type will be completed at San Diego within the next six months, while contracts

have been let for two others—one in the Hawaiian Island and one in the Philippines. These new stations are being constructed along the most modern lines. It is believed that they will have a much wider power of communication than any others in the world and their completion will put the United States distinctly ahead of any other nation in radio equipment.

The big wireless station at Arlington, across the Potomac from Washington, is the administration center of the United States radio service. Here are the offices from which are controlled all the ships of the United States navy. The little town of Radio, Va., has been built up about the big radio administration buildings almost entirely by the people that worked there.

From this station, too, the daily time signals from the naval observatory are flashed all over the country. This station has one of the most complete wireless equipments in the world and its advantages are placed at the disposal of all scientists doing serious work in that line. As soon as



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Dr. J. S. Stahr, Former College Head, Is Dead

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 22.—The Rev. John S. Stahr, president emeritus of Franklin and Marshall College, died at his home in this city last night, after a general decline due to age. Recently uraemic poisoning developed.

Doctor Stahr, who was one of the leaders in the Reformed Church of the United States, was active head of the college until about three years ago, when he was succeeded by Dr. Henry Harbaugh Apple. Doctor Stahr remained a member of the faculty until recently.

Dr. Stahr was born in Bucks county, near Quakertown. In 1867 he was graduated from Franklin and Marshall College. He joined the faculty almost immediately. In 1899 he was elected to the presidency. He was admitted to the ministry in 1872. For some time he filled a pastorate at Reading.

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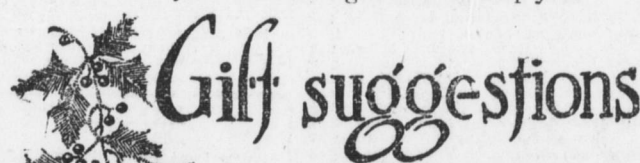
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