

21ST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE I.O.D.E.

HALIFAX, N. S., May 28.—A meeting against the "insidious propaganda" of Communism, a declaration that the time had come for the British Empire to strengthen the common bond uniting them, were uttered by Mrs. C. E. Burden in her address as National President of the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire.

When the I. O. D. E. was founded in 1900, said Mrs. Burden, one aim was to hand together all the women of the Empire. "Never has there been greater need for that bond than there is today when so many different peoples are seeking to tear down that which we hold most dear, the preservation of the unity of the Empire."

Insidious Doctrine

"Communism is an insidious doctrine that strikes at the root of all fundamentals which we hold dear: it takes the sacred liberty for which the British race has struggled through the ages and makes it license a system tending to destroy the sanctity of marriage, of the home, a system of iron discipline of tyranny and intimidation that no Britisher can tolerate. . . ."



Genuine Gratitude Compels Tribute.

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"Contaminating publications" were undermining the morale and physique of Canadian youth and increasing the number of youthful criminals. The order was on record as favoring a stricter Governmental censorship of reading matter, said Mrs. Burden, but public opinion "should be aroused to the seriousness of this evil and pressure brought to bear on the proper authorities."

Best Antidote

Perhaps the best antidote for this "spreading poison" was the educational and child welfare work in outlying districts. Mrs. Burden urged the delegates to draw more young people into the Order and work for the Order first rather than the "hundred and one different organizations which send us their appeals."

Work done by the Order towards relieving the suffering caused by unemployment had been "most gratifying," reported the president.

"Now that our War Memorial Fund is on such a sound basis," she said, "We want to branch out and do more. This year we were able to give 15 bursaries instead of nine, and also to increase the amount of allowance for overseas scholarships. During the 11 years since the War Memorial was founded, 111 boys and girls have been awarded bursaries, and 57 overseas scholarships have been awarded to graduates of Canadian Universities. For posts in Canadian Universities more than a Canadian degree is necessary, hence the post-graduate scholarships were established as part of the War Memorial Fund." Five soldiers' children held both bursaries and scholarships last year.

Mother Is Centre

"We are told that wherever, in the outlying districts, the School Car travels, there is no Communism. But the Mother as the centre of the family must do her part in teaching her children British traditions and ideals," said Mrs. Burden. "Teach them the catechism, for if you do not there is someone waiting around the corner to teach them one that would make you shudder to hear it read."

Must Do More

In metaphorical vein Mrs. Burden compared the I. O. D. E. to the Canadian maple. "The roots are the ideals from which we grow. The trunk is the national chapter through which all the channels flow to the branches, which are the chapters spreading over every Province, as well as the Yukon, Newfoundland, Bermuda, the Bahamas and far off India, and we are affiliated with the Daughters of the British Empire in the United States, and the Victoria League in England. Through these latter affiliations we reach into every part of our far-flung Empire."

Has 20,000 Members

"The leaves of the tree are the 20,000 members through which we breathe and which sustain the life of the Order. The fruits are the records of the Order's achievements. Ladies, each one of us is a leaf or a link in this great chain. During the Great War, our husbands, sons and brothers fought and died to defend the Empire. Now, when it is once more threatened in a more insidious way, economically and politically, it is our duty to fight as only women can, to save the Empire for which our men gave their lives. Spread the work of the Order by securing new members, organizing more Chapters, and teaching new patriotism."

For Empire Products

The National President concluded her address with an appeal for the purchase of Empire products in development by the consumer of inter-empire trade. The Commonwealth had been built by workmen who crossed the seas as emigrants, to make new homes. In turn, the sister nations had given the homeland united support in war, peace, fraternal affection and in commercial relations. Trade problems were now engrossing the attention of all thinking citizens, she declared. . . .

This year is one when all who are able should help our country and by their purchases keep the wheels of industry turning in Canada and throughout the Empire. The surest way to end depression is to assist our industries."

Pays Tribute

Mrs. Burden paid tribute to the memory of those members who died during the past year, including two Vice-Presidents, Mrs. F. B. Fetherstonhaugh and Mrs. J. U. Power.

As part of its regular work, said the President, the Order would make its first public appeal on behalf of the veterans of the Royal North West Mounted Police. This movement, she said, was being sponsored by the Prince of Wales, the Prime Minister of Canada, the Lieutenant-Governors of all the Canadian Provinces and others.

Offers Welcome

Regretting the absence of Premier Harnington, who had originally been scheduled to speak at the first session, the Hon. W. L. Hall offered the

welcome of the Provincial Government of Nova Scotia.

The Attorney-General stated that it was no easy thing to launch new ideas in the way of social development. "Public opinion must always be created first," he said. "As a rule, in a new country like ours, the material things come first, and social welfare are left till the last. It is through the work of the I.O.D.E. that such conditions as existed before the erection of a home for feeble-minded girls in this Province were brought to the attention of the Government."

Mayor George E. Ritchie welcomed the visitors on behalf of the City of Halifax. "Your organization," he stated, "has been doing the most marvelous work. It is a work that has never been attempted by any other organization, and a work that can only be attempted by women of the very highest type."

"You have certainly drawn from the finest of Canadian womanhood in building up your organization," continued the Chief Magistrate. He spoke of the work being done by the Mary Gooderham Trust Fund in Northern Ontario as one example of the activity of the social welfare department of the Imperial Order. "I believe that the results of your deliberations will come up to your hopes, and know that Canada and Halifax are going to be the better for it."

Archbishop Worrell

His Grace Archbishop Worrell delivered a short and interesting address. He was delighted and honored to be present at the opening of the I. O. D. E. sessions, he said. It was a wonderful thing to see so many of the leaders of the women of Canada gathered together in one place. "The work which is being done by the women of the I.O.D.E. is doing much for Canada and the whole of the British Empire, and is a great work admirably attempted."

On a Large Scale

Mrs. R. A. Wood, Regent of the Municipal Chapter of Halifax, in her address of welcome to the delegates, reminded those present that the week of convention was not a time for "all play and no work" and urged every member to be present at all the business sessions throughout the week, as well as at the more social affairs.

"The I. O. D. E." said Mrs. Wood, "works on a very large scale. Some chapters, perhaps, have specialities, and in our City Child Welfare and the War Memorial Fund occupy our attention to a large degree."

In reply to the address of welcome by Mrs. Wood, the Quebec Provincial Regent, Mrs. W. C. Hodgson, spoke to the members on behalf of the visiting delegates and especially the delegates from French Canada.

"We are here today ready to plan new undertakings for our Order, to learn from each other and to co-operate with the one and only thought: the betterment of our Order, our Country, our Empire," said Mrs. Hodgson.

Always to Fore

The women of Canada, said Mrs. Hodgson, were certainly doing great work in any phase of activity they might undertake, but she hoped that the Daughters of the Empire, with their high ideals, would always be to the fore when an expression of patriotism or self-sacrifice was needed.

"Our many undertakings are growing so numerous and diverse, that sometimes I wonder," said the Quebec Regent, "if we realize that this Patriotic Society of ours, which is a nation-wide Society, was in the first place founded by a woman; is now entirely managed and controlled by women, and that all its new schemes, new undertakings, are the visions of Canadian women."

Committees Meet

Various committee meetings of national officers occupied the morning and afternoon sessions of the 31st Annual Meeting of the I. O. D. E. at Halifax.

During the afternoon, delegates who were not in attendance at committees were taken for drives about the city and later entertained at tea given by the John Stewart Chapter of Halifax. Each day a different Chapter of the Order entertains the delegates.

FARM NOTES

GRADES FOR STRAWBERRIES RECOMMENDED BY THE FRUIT BRANCH

The following are recommended grades for strawberries for 1931. Inspection will be made on the basis of the definitions provided in all instances where strawberries are referred for sale as of these grades.

No. 1 shall consist of strawberries with the cap (calyx) and a short stem attached, which are well formed, of good colour, firm but not over-ripe, free from surface moisture, bruises, bird pecks, mold and from damage caused by sand, disease or other means. The minimum diameter shall be five-eighths inch, measured from side to side.

In order to allow for variations incident to careful commercial grading and handling, five per cent by volume of the berries in any lot may be under the prescribed size and, in addition, five per cent by volume of the berries in such lot may be below the remaining requirements of this grade.

Definition of Grade Terms

"Diameter" means the greatest dimensions at right angles to a straight line running from the stem to the apex.

"Over-ripe" means dead ripe, becoming soft, a condition unfit for shipment and necessitating immediate consumption.

"Damage" means any injury from the causes mentioned which materially affects the appearance or edibility of the berries.

Marking Containers and Packing

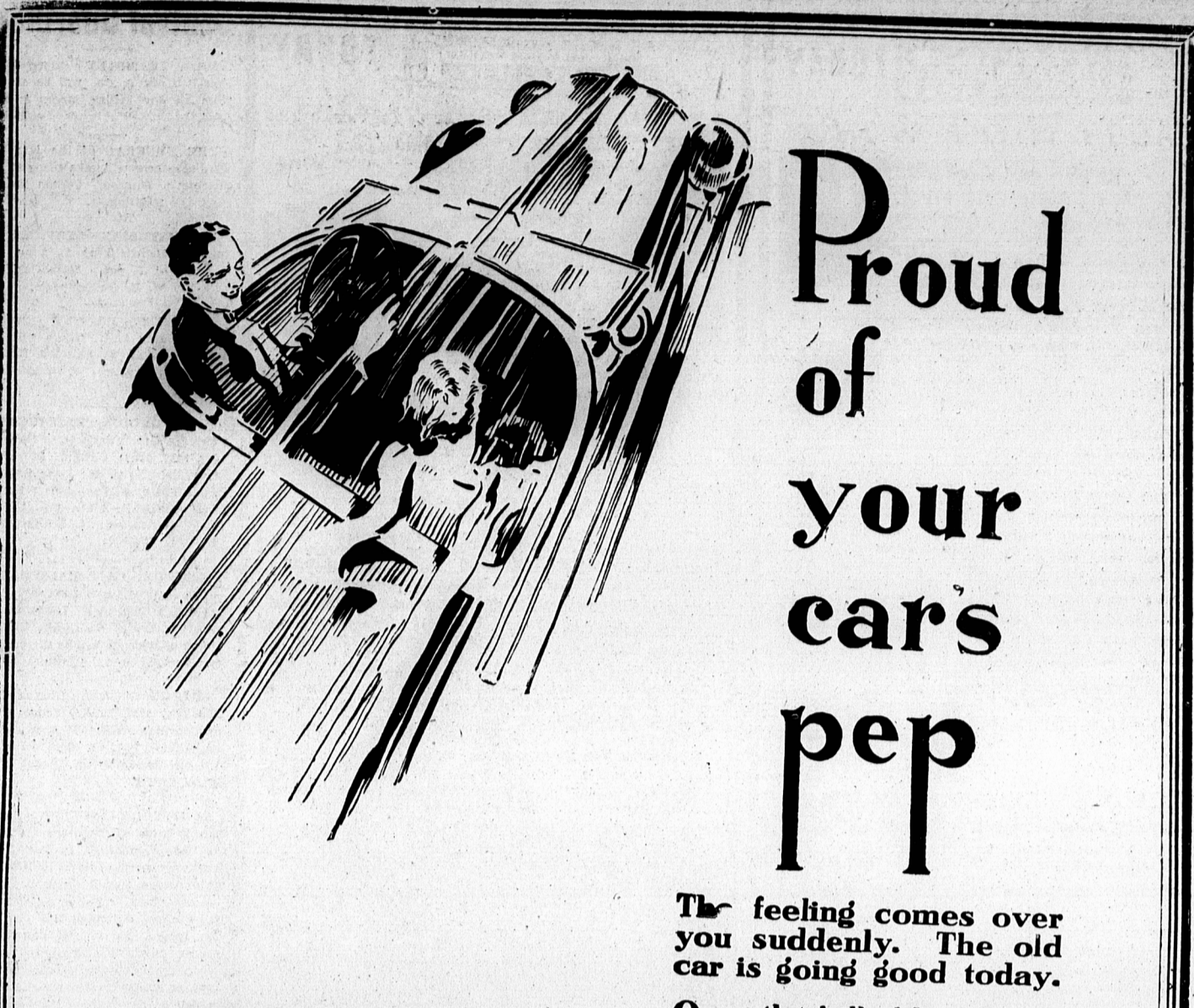
When packed and shipped in crates, the crates shall be plainly marked on the end of each crate with the grade and the packer's name and address. At the time of packing and shipping in crates the boxes shall be well filled, not less than three-eighths of an inch and not more than one-half inch above the rim of the box, reasonably level on top.

CANNING STRAWBERRIES

No. 1 shall consist of field run strawberries, clean, sound, ripe, firm and of uniform size; of good colour and free from malformed or monkey-faced berries.

Jam Strawberries

No. 1 shall consist of field run strawberries, clean, ripe and of good colour; free from malformed or monkey-faced berries.



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Miss Eva F. Carrier, Mt. Herbert, spent the past few days at her home here.

Miss Mabel Docherty, Cherry Valley, was a recent visitor to Lake Verde, the guest of Miss Hilda Weatherbie.

Miss Lettie Carrier, Cherry Valley was a recent visitor to the City.

Miss Ethel McInnis, Village Green, was a recent visitor to her home in Cherry Valley.

Messrs. Vincent Grant and Walter Crane have the contract of repairing Mr. Harold Huggan's house.

Miss Mary Henry, student at P. W. C. has returned to her home in Vernon to spend the summer holidays.

Friends of Miss Laura Young, Earncliffe, are glad to see her out again, after her recent indisposition.

Farmers in this vicinity are busy these past few days hauling their fertilizer.

Mrs. James P. Irving and Miss Vera Irving, Cherry Valley, were recent visitors to Waterside.

Friends of Miss Hazel Ings are sorry to report she is confined to her home with a severe cold.

Service was held in Christ's Church, Cherry Valley, on Sunday afternoon, May 24th, with quite a large congregation. Service was conducted by Capt. F. M. Belt, C.A.

Mr. Hayden Crane, Pownal, is present at the home of Mr. Lloyd Ings, China Point.

NEW 100 YARD RECORD SET

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 27. (U.P.)—Harry Tompkins, Phoenix high school track star, closed his prep school career this year by establishing a new southwestern record of 9.8 seconds for the 100 yard dash. Tompkins has won every event in which he has been entered which in itself, is a record

