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Resignation of Dr. Howie As Bhils Missionary

PRESBYTERIAN MISSION BOARD REPORTS CERTAIN IMPORTANT CHANGES

MONTREAL, Sept. 22—Japanese nationalism has forced the Presbyterian Church in Canada to abandon, in favor of the Japanese Government, the mission schools in Formosa, oldest foreign mission field of the church. Rev. Allen Reid D. D., secretary of the Montreal and Ottawa Synod, declared yesterday. Dr. Reid had just returned from the meetings of the executive of the Mission Board of the General Assembly, held in Toronto this week, and explained that this policy of the church just adopted was the result of the demands made by the Japanese who have possessed the island of Formosa ever since 1874. Rev. A. M. Hill, D. D., of First Presbyterian Church, Verdun, presided at the meetings.

The Church will be able to carry on their purely spiritual work but will now leave the matter of secular education for the nationally governed schools in this mission field. The Japanese authorities said that nationalism must be taught in the schools and given a large place there, and also that all teaching must be done in the Japanese language. Mission school teachers undertook to make themselves proficient in Japanese but the additional element of nationalism in the curriculum brought about a situation which meant that only Japanese appointed teachers could possibly carry out the instructions properly.

There has been no hint of interference of the religious work of the Presbyterian mission, however, and in the opinion of Dr. Reid it was probably a good change for now the representatives of the church in Formosa could devote their attention entirely to the work for which they were primarily sent to that field.

Missionary Resigns

Rev. John Buchanan, D. D., who for about fifty years has been a missionary among the Bhils of India has applied for his furlough in 1937 with permanent retirement to follow the furlough. Dr. Buchanan went to India first in 1888 and the Foreign Mission Board this week in Toronto granted his request at once. The veteran missionary is a graduate of Queen's University Kingston, both in the department of Medicine and Divinity. He was appointed Moderator of the Presbyterian Church's Assembly when he was on his last furlough in this country in 1928, according to information given by Dr. Reid, who is chairman of the committee on grants to missionaries and the location of clergy and students for winter months.

Another change in the mission field reported by Dr. Reid was the resignation of Rev. John Howie M. D., also a missionary among the Bhil tribes of India and now on furlough in Canada. The resignation was accepted by the Mission Board executive. Dr. Howie went to India in 1930.

Changes in the policy of the Presbyterian Church in Canada include the discontinuance of the office of "missionary-at large" in New Brunswick from the end of the present month. Dr. Reid has been appointed to make a missionary survey of the Maritime Provinces and report at the meeting of the Mission Board in Toronto next March. For the purpose of carrying out a similar survey in British Columbia the Rev. W. D. Grant Hollingworth, of Prince Rupert, B. C., was appointed by the Mission Board's executive this week. He was formerly of Montreal and is a graduate of the Presbyterian College here. Arrangements were also made for a missionary survey in other western provinces and northern Ontario.

Among other executive acts reported by Dr. Reid was the decision to establish a mission at Kirkland Lake, Ontario, and it was left to a sub-executive committee to

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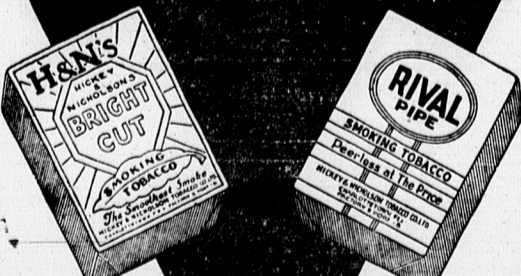
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But the cure has not been a lasting one. When I saw Dr. Munthe recently he told me his insomnia was as bad as ever.

CHICAGO, Sept. 21 — (A.P.)—

Patrick "Packey" McFarland, member of the Illinois State Athletic Commission and one of the greatest lightweight boxers of all time, tonight was fighting his toughest battle.

Stricken two months ago by a baffling illness, McFarland was in grave condition at his home in

Joliet, Ill. with two heart specialists in attendance since he lapsed into delirium last night. They hold out only slight hope for recovery. A streptococcal infection has settled near his heart, they believe. He has lost 50 pounds in weight.

McFarland is 48 years old and the father of three children.

BRINGING UP FATHER



—By George McManus

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