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MEN'S WEAR

Rev. D. McVicar Laid To Rest

CAPE BAY Dec. 18.—With members of the Clergy from all over Cape Breton and hundreds of other mourners present, solemn funeral services for the late Rev. Daniel McVicar were held today in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church and the large edifice was filled when the services, which were under the auspices of Tyrian Youth Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Glace Bay and in charge of Rev. Dr. Cunningham, pastor of the North Sydney Presbyterian Church.

Previous to the services in the church, a brief service was held at the home of the deceased clergyman's mother, Mrs. Catherine McVicar on Brookside Street, members of the family and intimate friends being present. At the services at the home, St. Paul's Choir members led in singing and Mrs. Ben Ferguson and Mrs. A. H. MacDonnell, who were feeling and beautifully sang in duet, "Sleep On Beloved."

Rev. P. MacLennan, acting pastor of St. Paul's Church led in prayer and at the service in the church were Rev. Q. A. McDowell, of Sydney Mines, Rev. D. A. MacKinnon, of Pictou; Rev. Dr. McCulloch Thompson, of Sydney; and Rev. W. B. Bezanon, pastor of the Glace Bay Baptist Church. Rev. Dr. Cunningham, of North Sydney was in charge of the services. Rev. F. McLennan of Glace Bay and Rev. Q. A. McDowell, of Sydney Mines read from the Scriptures and Rev. D. A. MacKinnon of Pictou, representing the Pictou Presbytery, 1930, decrease of, \$844,508.

in a very eloquent manner paid tribute to the deceased, referring to his many sterling qualities. Rev. W. B. Bezanon led in prayer and funeral oration was delivered by Rev. Dr. McCulloch Thompson of Sydney.

Rev. Dr. Thompson spoke in most touching terms of the late clergyman whose loss was a heavy one to the Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Mr. McVicar's worth as a pastor and as Moderator was such as endeared him to all who had the pleasure of knowing the man.

During the service in the church the following hymns were sung: "The Lord Is My Shepard," "Asleep In Jesus," "How Bright The Glorious Spirits Shine," and Mrs. Robert MacDonald sang "Sleep On Beloved," accompanied by Mrs. E. Muggah, choir directress.

The funeral cortege then wended its way to Black Brook cemetery where the remains were interred. Rev. Dr. Cunningham and Rev. W. B. Bezanon officiating at the graveside.

The pall bearers, who were all Past Masters of the Masonic Order were Messrs. J. T. Martel, Daniel MacKelgan, John MacAskill, John MacRychie and Norman Carmichael, of Glace Bay and W. C. Mathewson of Port Morien.

England Reverts To Old Customs For Christmas

LONDON, Dec. 22.—To judge from the announcements which fall thickly upon us and around us in these days, Christmas this year is to be a very house proud one. The lack of money is keeping many within the borders of Britain who generally spend their Christmases in foreign parts, and do seem determined in the right spirit to make something more than the best of the situation. They are going to keep house festively.

Most, no doubt, will keep house at home. School children on holiday, the influx of relatives; Christmas-trees in closed rooms; Christmas presents in closed drawers; the reverberations of the wireless, the hammering and twining of decorations, the barking of excited dogs, and the tripping over frightened cats; the bundles of letters, the catching of posts, the stirring of puddings; the triumphant importations of turkeys by men of the household on the day when women of the household have received them from poulterers under long and secret agreements; the singing of carols, the ringing of bells, the hastening to church and the fresh hopes for the future—that through the 1st week to the Day itself will be the scene in many a dwelling.

IDEAL SETTINGS

But it looks this year as if for many without domestic ties or seeking a rest for a brief space from domestic fatigues, House with a capital H would be spent in hotels. All round the coast and everywhere inland hotels are turning themselves into homely houses for Christmas festivities.

You have but to read the papers to see "Jolly Christmas party"; "Christmas parties where you will meet thoroughly nice people"; "Program of Christmas festivities free on request"; "Attractive Christmas program"; "Special Christmas festivities"; "Program of Christmas Jollity"; "Tidelet setting for a real Jollity"; "Ideal setting for a real Christmas"; "Still a few rooms vacant for Christmas," and so on ad infinitum.

FROSTY SUNSETS

The marked features of the moment is the number of country seats and manors which, having become hotels, now can offer (and certainly do offer) the most traditional oldest English setting of all to those who resort to them for Christmastide. The sparkling lawns, the walks in sheltered corners of the great garden, the frosty sunsets at the end of long avenues, all these and other delights and privileges of the squire, of his family, and of his guests, are now offered to everybody at terms suited to the times.

It will be in keeping with the national temperament that out of public misfortune a reversion of mind towards the simpler and older pursuits of Christmastide may come to numbers this year. Formerly they celebrated Christmas by fleeing from it, they will face it under the mistletoe. A very English way, after all.

Conference On Wage Reduction

MONTREAL, Que., Dec. 22.—(By The Canadian Press)—The general conference of railway chairmen yesterday received from the committee of the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways executives intimation that this committee was ready to meet the conference today.

At the resumed session, which began on Saturday last, it is understood that the whole matter of the proposed ten per cent cut in wages of the running trades employees and its retroactive aspect will be discussed. Some agreement may be reached which will indicate definitely the intentions of the two parties towards the entire situation.

Ross Robinson Will Not Compete

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 22.—(By The Canadian Press)—Ross Robinson, holder of the Canadian Eastern States and North American speed skating championships has officially announced that he will not compete in the speed skating events of the coming season, including the Olympic and the World's Championships.

Robinson finds it impossible to work in the necessary training time with his business activities and feels further than Canada will be able to represent in the competitions by Alex Hurd of Hamilton and Frank Stack of Winnipeg.

There seems to be no ocean left for some flyer to cross the first time.

Domestic Bond Issue For Ontario

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 22.—(By The Canadian Press)—Commenting upon the steps taken to control Canadian purchases of foreign securities, Hon. George S. Henry, Prime Minister of Ontario, last night disclosed that the next loan sought by the Province of Ontario will be in the form of a domestic bond issue.

"The people of Ontario have confidence in the soundness of this province," declared the Premier. "The next bond issue will be floated here and not in New York or any other foreign market."

Mr. Henry expressed pleasure at the decision of the Bankers' Association to cooperate with the Federal government in controlling the purchase of securities abroad and thus restricting the export of capital.

Hunter River and Vicinity

Continual stormy weather has been the rule in this vicinity for the past week, the roads are filled in continually, making travelling heavy. Few of the farmers have their winter wood supply in, and are waiting for the roads to clear.

Mr. T. D. Ling who has charge of the rebuilding of the Oyster Bed Bridge is spending a few days in Charlottetown, as the weather makes working on the bridge impossible.

A fall of eight cents in the best grade of chickens, has taken place during the last week. Only eighteen cents are being paid now for Grade A, chickens six pounds and over. Ling Brothers in Wheatley River bought a ton of poultry in one day. Hunter River buyers are doing a rushing business as the lowering prices are causing a deluge of poultry to be shipped.

Ebenezer has lost the presence of a much respected farmer recently in the death of Mr. Alfred McDonald. Although only thirty-eight years of age Mr. McDonald had been in poor health for some time. He gradually grew worse and last week passed away to his Eternal reward. He was a model character much liked and respected by his friends and neighbors. He leaves to mourn three sisters namely Mrs. Nelson Stead, Hunter River, Mrs. George Matheson, Ebenezer, and Mrs. George Wares, Alberta. One brother John lives at home, and a younger brother Chester was killed in an accident about four years ago. The sympathy of the community go out to the sisters and brothers in the loss of a loved brother.

The Wheatley River Hockey player met at the hall Saturday evening to decide and discuss plans for the coming hockey season. The main reason for the meeting was however to select some of those having an interest in the rink to care for and keep the ice clean during the winter.

Mr. Alfred Carew, Greenvale, has recently purchased a nice pair of fitch from Mr. John E. Murray, Cur buyer of Summerside. A visitor who saw these little animals described them as very small but very beautiful, and can be picked up and handled with out fear of being bitten, as is the case with foxes.—L.

Young Advisory Committee Continue In Session

BASEL, Switzerland, Dec. 22.—(AP)—A final report, avoiding concrete recommendations will be made this week by the Young plan advisory committee called here two weeks ago to hear Germany's plea that she was unable to continue reparations payments, it is understood.

Sir Walter Layton of Great Britain announced at the close of a short afternoon session that the experts had decided against adjourning until after Christmas before completing their report.

The decision to report without further delay was interpreted as an indication that the economist and bankers on the committee had decided to let the forthcoming European political conference handle the entire reparations question.

At noon it had been said semi-officially that it would be impossible to finish before Christmas if the chapter containing conclusions were included in the final document.

BONSHAW WOMEN INSTITUTE

The monthly meeting of the Bonshaw W. I. met at the home of Miss Jean Crosby, Dec. 16, 1931,

with an attendance of 16 members and 3 visitors. Meeting opened by singing the Ode, followed by reciting the Creed. Roll call was answered by each member paying five cents, funds which are to be used for the buying of fruit for any who may be sick in the community. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. It was moved and seconded that a bill for coal, amounting to \$5.00 be paid. The sick and school committees brought in no report. There was no program, as one of the committee was absent. It was moved and seconded that the Misses Myrtle Crosby and Myra MacLeod be on the entertainment committee. A paper relating to Red Cross work was read by Mrs. L. T. Beaton. One concerning the Patriot by Mrs. J. W. Boyce and another for Home and Country by Mrs. Sterling MacLeod. It was moved and seconded that cocoa and sugar be supplied for the school children. Some discussion took place regarding the purchasing of storm windows for the school. Two were appointed to find out the cost of them and bring in a report at a special meeting which is to be held. It was moved and seconded that our meetings begin at 7.30 P. M. Mrs. J. W. MacDonald invited the members to meet at her home for the next meeting. Roll call answer to be a New Year's Resolution. Meeting closed by singing O Canada, after which lunch was served.

Joyfully, (Thayer); (b) Away in a Manger.

7. Dialogue—Christmas Dolls—Miss Bennett's class.

8. Song—A Christmas Lullaby—Miss Douglas's class.

9. Chorus—In the Stable (Rowley)—Seniors and Intermediates.

10. Dialogue—A Christmas Tree—Miss Macdonald's class.

11. Trio—O Little Town of Bethlehem—Marguerite Cudmore, Helen Callbeck, Margaret MacEachern.

12. Reading—Making People Merry—Jean Macdonald.

13. Primary Chorus—When Good Old Kris Comes Round.

14. Dialogue—Christmas Stockings—Miss Fraser's class.

15. Highland Fling—Doris Macdonald.

16. Dialogue—A Real Santa Claus—Miss Stewart's class.

17. Chorus—Derry Vale (London-derry Air arranged by Geoffrey Shaw)—Seniors and Intermediates.

18. Dialogue—A Game of Letters—Miss Douglas's class.

19. Chorus—Old Christmas (Mar-

tin Shaw)—Seniors and Intermediates.

National Anthem.

Culbertson Leads

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 22.—(By The Canadian Press)—Ely Culbertson and Wildemar Von Zedtwitz won three of the first four rubbers last night and the lead of Culbertson's side in a contract bridge match increased to 10,465 over Sidney S. Lenz and Oswald Jacoby. On the last two hands of the fourth rubber of the session Culbertson's side took six tricks over book, but did not regard slams as biddable. The rubber standing became 37 for Culbertson to 30 for Lenz.

PRINCE STREET SCHOOL

Following is the Honor Roll for month of December:—

Grade X (over 75%)—1, Marion Storey; 2, Joan Brady; 3, Doris MacDougall; 4, Esther MacLean; 5, Margaret McEachern; 6, Leslie White and Olla Partridge; 7, Mary

Owen; 8, Margaret Webster and Annie Gill; 9, Irene MacDonald; 10, Margaret McKee; 11, Marie Walker; 12, Annie Weir.

Grade IX—1, Marjorie Campbell; 2, Mary O'Neill; 3, Frances Auld.

Grade VIII—1, Ruth Aorn; 2, Katherine Bagnall; 3, Constance Colwill.

Grade VII—1, Jean Enman; 2, Thelma Dingwell and Jean Macdonald; 3, Janet Stewart.

Grade VI—1, Janet MacLaren; 2, Irene Larter; 3, Dorothy Lowther.

Grade V—1, Jean McEwen; 2, Grace Diamond; 3, Constance McCure.

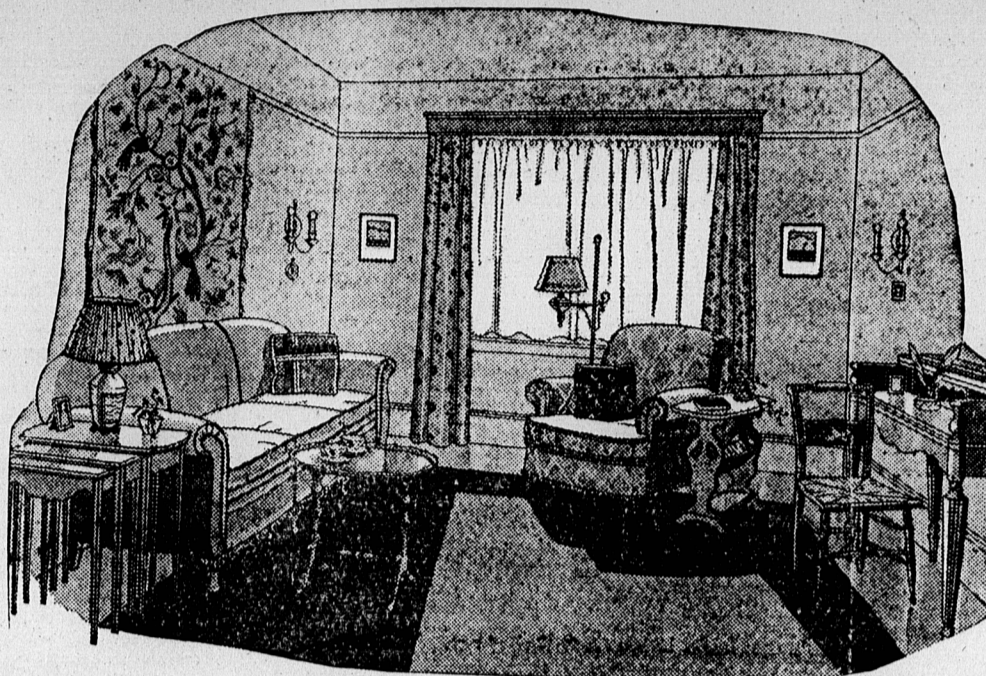
Grade IV, Miss Weeks—1, Josephine Pickard; 2, Joan Miller; 3, Frederick Seaman.

Grade IV Miss Matheson—1, Emeline Larter; 2, Douglas MacLennan; 3, Ira Jay.

Grade III, Miss Stewart—1, Belle McEachern; 2, Keith Johnson; 3, Gordon Cameron.

Grade III, Miss MacDonald—1, Eleanor Mary Duffy and Donald MacDougall; 2, Cynthia Kendall; 3, Geraldine Hillion and Marjorie McEachern.

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If you want to be original this Christmas, without being trivial, give Furniture. Our Store abounds with charming suggestions for every person, and every home on your gift list. We list below a number of items illustrated above, any one of which would make an Ideal Christmas Gift.

Deep comfortable Chesterfield, upholstered in beautiful mohair with loose spring filled cushion in contrasting colors of moquette . . . \$65.00

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The Desk Chair illustrated is a perfect companion for the desk but very convenient for bridge . . . \$13.75

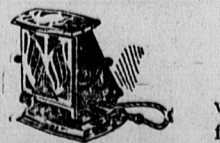
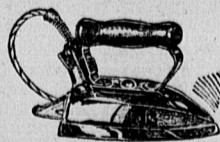
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