

EPISCOPAL CHURCH FACES REAL PROBLEM

Through Steady Decrease in Number of Recruits For the Ministry, Investigating Commission Reports Today

REPORT JUST MADE PUBLIC

Condition Worse Than in Other Denominations. — One Minister for Every 2,523 Communicants.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 23.—The Episcopal Church in the United States faces a real problem through the steady decrease in the number of recruits for the ministry, a commission appointed to investigate the subject declared in a report made public today.

LOCK CASHIER IN BANK VAULT, TAKE \$16,000 AND DRIVE AWAY

Bandits Pick Time When Office is Alone in Un-State Institution to Steal All in Sight.

Clearfield, Pa., Dec. 21.—Looking Cashier A. L. Shope in the vault of the Citizens State Bank at Clearfield, near here, today was robbed of \$16,000.

CHURCH FOUND GUILTY AND SENTENCED TO DEATH

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Harvey Church, charged with the murder of two automobile salesmen, was found guilty this morning and sentenced to death.

FINISHED RESTAURANT TO BE CLOSED

New York, Dec. 23.—Healy's for years one of the best known restaurants in New York, soon is to be closed, a victim of prohibition.

PREMIER TAKANASHI PRAISES NEW ENTENTE

Says Quadruple Agreement Will Be a Great Thing for Entire World. Paris, Dec. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—Premier Baron Takanashi of Japan is quoted by the Tokyo correspondent of the newspaper Excelsior, as declaring: "The quadruple entente which for Japan replaces the Anglo-Japanese alliance, is much wider in bearing and removes all changes of war."

WATSON'S BODY WAS PLACED IN VAULT TODAY

Next Spring It Will Be Taken to Louisville, Ky., to Be Given Final Resting Place.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 23.—"Marse Henry" Watson, content with the fullness of his life, rested today from his labors. With only the members of the immediate family present, and with the hour of the service unannounced, the body of the venerable Kentucky journalist who died here yesterday, was placed in a vault to remain until spring, when it will be taken home to be given a final resting place in Cave Hill cemetery at Louisville, beside his father and mother.

ITALIANS WANT ANOTHER CONFERENCE CALLED

Suggested Conference Would Deal Particularly With Submarine and Auxiliary Craft. Washington, Dec. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—Suggestions have been made by the Italian arms delegation to the naval committee of the conference that another international gathering of a broader scope be called soon after the adjournment of the present discussion, to deal particularly with submarines and auxiliary craft.

A BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS EPISODE AT THE KEAR BLANCHERY

Last night just as the operatives of the Kear Blanchery were going to their homes for the Christmas holidays, instead of going directly to their homes, the entire force, white and colored, assembled in the large room adjoining the main office and Messrs. W. R. Odell, A. G. Odell and Superintendent J. F. Yates were called for. Thereupon Rev. J. Frank Armstrong began speaking, but in a few moments he reached the heart of his subject, as he presented the Odells and Mr. Yates some very valuable and useful presents.

DEEPLY APPRECIATED

The owner of The Tribune acknowledges with grateful appreciation the receipt of a most beautiful gold fountain pen, and a gold pencil, a Christmas gift from the employees of the paper.

THREE NEGROES BURNED IN HOTEL

Waycross, Ga., Dec. 23.—Three negroes were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a negro hotel here today. The origin of the blaze is unknown.

Merry Christmas, Everybody



PREMIER BRIAND SENDS ACCEPTANCE OF RATIO

France, However, Maintains Her Position Regarding Submarine. Paris, Dec. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—Premier Briand has sent Ambassador Jusserand in Washington a final and definite acceptance of the capital ship ratio. France, however, it is stated, maintains her position regarding submarines and coast defense vessels, although she is willing to negotiate.

TWENTY ARRESTED FOR DISORDER IN OMAHA

Arrest Made by Packing House District Where Strike is in Progress. Omaha, Neb., Dec. 23.—Twenty men were arrested today in the packing house district, where a strike is in progress after the police charged into a crowd around a street car, the trolley of which had been pulled from its cable.

\$15 WILL SAVE A LIFE TILL HARVEST

Baptist Sunday Schools Asked to Take Special Offering Sunday for Starving People. Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 23.—Declaring that \$15 in gold will save a life until harvest, Dr. Everett Gill, the European representative of the Southern Baptist, now in Russia, has called Baptist headquarters here urging that the Baptist Sunday schools and Churches throughout the South take special Christmas offerings Sunday for the starving people of that country.

PRESIDENT SIGNS RUSSIAN RELIEF BILL

Washington, Dec. 23.—President Harding has signed the Russian relief bill which carries appropriations of \$20,000,000 to be expended under the supervision of the American Relief Administration. The funds become immediately available.

NOTORIOUS BANDIT IS CAUGHT IN CHICAGO

Confesses That He and a Companion Were Responsible for Several Hold-ups. Chicago, Dec. 23.—Clyde Timmons, whose companion Earl Timmons was shot and killed last night, today confessed to the police that he and his partner had participated in several holdups including a train robbery last August.

NO CHRISTMAS SNOW

Warner Weather With Rain. Predicted For Eastern Half of Country. Washington, Dec. 23.—Warner weather, with rain, was promised today, to destroy hopes of snow for Christmas over all of the eastern half of the country, except in the extreme northern states.

BRITISH WARSHIPS ORDERED TO EGYPT

Twelve Units of Mediterranean Fleet Also Under Orders to Leave. Malta, Dec. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—Two British warships have received orders to proceed to Egypt immediately. Further units of the British Mediterranean fleet are under orders to leave on the shortest notice.

MISS ROSE WILFORD WILL LEAVE THIS AFTERNOON FOR CHARLOTTE

Miss Rose Wilford will leave this afternoon for Charlotte, where she will spend the night with her sister, Mrs. W. D. Shoemaker. Tomorrow Miss Wilford and Mrs. Shoemaker will go to Asheville to spend the holidays with their sisters, Mrs. L. D. Whitehead and Mrs. Mollie Elliott.

MISS ELEANOR WATSON, OF SALISBURY, IS VISITING HER SISTER, MRS. J. E. SMOOT.

Miss Eleanor Watson, of Salisbury, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. E. Smoot.

CONFESSION OF SON FREES FATHER IN JAIL

Man Convicted of Operating a Still Freed When Son Assumes Responsibility for the Still. Winston-Salem, Dec. 23.—During a special term of Forsyth superior court last June, S. W. Crouse, 60 years old, farmer of Kernersville, was convicted and given 12 months on the county roads charged with manufacturing liquor, a plant having been found on his place. The defendant appealed to the supreme court, which confirmed the decision of the lower court.

DEATH OF THE DEAN OF MEREDITH COLLEGE

Miss Evelyn M. Campbell Died This Morning of Pneumonia. Raleigh, Dec. 23.—Miss Evelyn M. Campbell, 42, formerly of McGee, Georgia, dean of Meredith College for Women here, died this morning following an illness of two weeks with pneumonia. Miss Campbell had at various times been lady principal of Hattie Tift College at Forsyth, Georgia, and Baylor College, at Belton, Texas, and for a number of years was Secretary-Treasurer of Missionary Union of Georgia. The body will be shipped to McGee for burial.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Firm Today at an Advance of 4 to 17 Points. New York, Dec. 23.—The cotton market opened firm today at an advance of 4 to 17 points. January futures were reported up, but that month was relatively firm on covering by shorts.

TRINITY COACH GOES TO LEHIGH

Bethlehem, Pa., Dec. 23.—James Baldwin has been selected as resident coach of football and baseball at Lehigh University for a period of three years, according to announcement made at the University today. He is now Professor of Physical Education and coach at Trinity College, Durham, N. C.

METROPOLITAN OPERA IS ENJOYING GREATEST YEAR

Death of Caruso Not Interfering With the Opera's Hopes and Ambitions. (By the Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 23.—Its light undimmed by the passing of its greatest luminary of recent years—Enrico Caruso—the Metropolitan Opera has reached the height of what its social and professional sponsors acclaim as the most successful season since the world's eyes were focused on New York as the hub of the operatic universe.

Not officials of the opera said today that a great gap has not been left in the ranks of the artists who have made it so famous, Caruso's place, they declared, cannot be filled in a few months, or even in a few years. But his death has served to deflect the interest of opera goers from the brilliancy of the individual singer and to widen it to embrace the opera itself and the great, though less well known stars, who nightly are drawing multitudes to the historic Broadway auditorium.

Great changes have taken place in the opera as a social institution, they declare. The social side of the gatherings there season by season, has again taken on the aspect it wore a generation ago. Once more it is the brilliant show place it was in the 80's and 90's. Slightly regardless of the name of the tenor or the soprano who is to sing, boxes, stalls and chairs, from orchestra pit to "peanut gallery" are at a premium, and every foot of standing room in the shadowy horseshoe about the walls is solid with the mass of music lovers who would rather stand three and a half hours than miss the performance.

In a widespread reaction from the fashions of years before and during the war, the gentleman opera goer appears in evening dress, whether he sits in a box or any other part of the house below the gallery. And many who stand through the succession of acts parade the lobbies and doff the shinties of silk hats to acquaintances or when they go to exchange visits among the boxes filled with richly-gowned and jeweled women.

A few nights later the same imposing daughter of the former enemy country tore and shook into dishevelment her coronet of shimmering golden hair through the passionate scenes of "La Tosca"—a rite long regarded as the exclusive property of the American idol, Geraldine Farrar—while an American audience dissolved into tears and interrupted the scene with an outburst of applause and "bravos" such as seldom mark the serenity of New York's blasé first nighters.

As to the much heralded successor of Caruso—the operatic maestro declares they are seeking none and hope to find none. After touring Europe most of last summer, General Manager Giulio Gatti-Casazza returned with many new singers added to his company and several new operas for his repertoire. But he announced that while Caruso's place in the hearts of his admirers must remain unfilled, the roles he made famous would be sung by the great tenor's former colleagues, Andriano Bada, Crini, Martinielli and a half dozen others, with Pertille, a new comer from overseas.

"Time only," he declared, "and the judgment of a fickle public can determine who the eventual idol of the American opera will be."

Triumphs in past years, are among the new comers of the Metropolitan company.

NO ACTION ON IRISH TREATY THIS MONTH

Dail Eireann Votes to Discontinue All Discussions of Anglo-Irish Treaty Until January 3rd.

TREATY ADVOCATES STILL HOPEFUL

Believe That Irish People Will Hold Meetings to Arouse Enthusiasm for the Proposed Treaty.

London, Dec. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Dail Eireann's adjournment of further debate on the Irish peace treaty until January 3rd, although coming as a surprise here, was considered as favorable to the chances for ratification. By agreement between the contending factions, the Dail members will deliver no speeches touching on the treaty during the period of adjournment nor participate in public meetings at which the treaty is discussed, but it is believed the Irish people will get together and agitate for ratification.

Various agricultural and business associations and civic bodies in Ireland are said to be planning meetings to pass resolutions favoring treaty, and although it is recognized that there will be some declamations against acceptance, it is believed the large majority will support the stand of Arthur Griffith, Michael Collins, and their treaty advocates. The adjournment period will thus be nearly equivalent to a popular referendum.

FRENCH DELEGATES DO NOT GET INFORMATION

And Arms Conference Devoted Attention to Further Discussion of Submarine.

Washington, Dec. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—Failure of the French delegates to receive expected additional instructions "as to auxiliary naval craft from his home government prompted a tentative discussion today of the submarine question by the Washington conference in the single meeting likely to break a pre-Christmas lull.

The French delegates had not been received up to noon and it appeared improbable to delegation members that they would come through in time to be of use at the meeting of the full naval committee set for 3 o'clock. Under a tentative understanding the submarine discussions opened yesterday with a plea from the British delegation for the abolition of submarine-licensing automatically as resumed in the event of announcement by the French that they had nothing to present.

OXFORD TOBACCO MARKET HAS SOFT 6,547,097 POUNDS

Oxford, Dec. 23.—The official figures of the Oxford tobacco market show that for the present season which closed on Friday, December 16, 6,547,097 pounds had been sold at \$1,620,448.22, the general average being \$24.75. It is the consensus of opinion that there remains 2,000,000 pounds of tobacco in Granville county yet to be sold and that there is at least 2,000,000 pounds outside of the county that will be sold on the Oxford market.

MAN SHOT IN PACKING HOUSE DISTRICT

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 23.—An unidentified man was shot and killed last night in the packing house district. It was believed by the police that he was employed in one of the packing plants where a strike has been in effect. No trace of his assailant has been found.

WOMEN CLERKS ARE MORE CONSCIENTIOUS THAN THEIR MALE COLLEAGUES

is the verdict of the head of one large New York firm

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