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**Half of Children Here Are Illegitimate.** Klagenfurt, Austria, Aug. 6.—(AP) Statistics issued by the Provincial Government show that sixty per cent of all children born in the Klagenfurt district during the last year were illegitimate.

This is ascribed to loose legislation affecting the marriage relation. In Vienna, owing to the liberal laws enacted by the Social Democrats, children born out of wedlock may be legitimized by the father securing a divorce from his former wife and marrying the mother of the illegitimate baby. But in Klagenfurt where the Church is still all powerful, it is virtually impossible for a man to obtain a divorce from his wife if the marriage was contracted under canonical law.

"A good rule of conduct during an earthquake is to crawl under your desk and count to sixty," declares Professor Bailey Willys, of Leland Stanford, Jr., University, noted seismologist. A tall, well-built skyscraper is the safest place to be.

IN AND ABOUT THE CITY

LEGION "HOUSE WARMING" EVENT OF MUCH INTEREST

More Than a Hundred Persons Guests of Legionnaires at Meeting and Reception.

Members of the Fred Y. McConnell post of the American Legion formally opened their new club rooms Friday night, being assisted by scores of friends who had been invited to share the pleasures of the occasion with them.

Legionnaires and their guests gathered first at the club rooms in the city hall annex where a short meeting of the post was held. Commander J. C. P. McDonald presided.

The meeting opened with a prayer by D. B. Coltrane, an invited guest by reason of his untiring efforts in behalf of Legion affairs. All regular business that could be dispensed with after Commander McDonald read the creed of the Legion. The one matter acted upon was passage of the house rules for the new quarters, these rules in a nutshell making it compulsory for members and visitors to act as gentlemen when in the quarters.

By a rising vote members of the post expressed their appreciation to the aldermen, county commissioners, officials of the Concord Telephone Co., members of the water and light board and others who have made possible their handsome new home.

The club room was minutely inspected by those present, many of whom did not attempt to conceal their pleasure and surprise that a former "loft" could be so attractively fitted up for club rooms. The handsome furniture also was generously admired.

More than a hundred persons were present, many of them being War Mothers and members of the Legion Auxiliary. The number was increased when the reception was held at the Hotel Concord.

Then Commander McDonald again presided but there was nothing formal about the affair. Refreshments were served by the hotel consisting of punch and sandwiches, cakes and ice cream.

Several musical numbers were rendered for the pleasure of those present. S. Kay Patterson began this program with a flute solo, with piano accompaniment by Mrs. Leslie Correll. Lighted her harp with two solos which were followed by some negro spirituals charmingly rendered by Miss Helen Patterson. Mrs. Correll played three accompaniments for both Mrs. Womble and Miss Patterson.

At the invitation of Commander McDonald several short talks were made. No one was called on, the speeches being impromptu affairs by those persons who desired to express appreciation for themselves or organizations they represented.

Mayor Bartrier spoke first, congratulating the Legion upon the completion of its new home and assuring its members that the city was glad to do its part in equipping the quarters. Mr. Bartrier devoted the greater part of his talk, however, to a plea for support for the War Mothers in their efforts to secure funds for a set of memorial chimneys.

"Concord should be ashamed," he said, "that the money for these chimneys has not already been secured." He asked that the next organized drive here be for the Mothers and their long dreamed of chimneys.

Miss Maude Brown, president of the Legion Auxiliary, told the Legionnaires they should be proud of their quarters. "I am certain the handsome quarters are a pleasure to you and I am also certain your sister organization also will derive much pleasure from meetings there." On behalf of the Auxiliary Miss Brown expressed thanks for the reception courtesies.

Mrs. B. E. Ridenhour, chairman of the Chimes Committee of the War Mothers, spoke next, thanking Mr. Bartrier for his spirited talk about the chimneys and asking the support of the Legion and Auxiliary. "We are going to put the thing over," she said, "but the task will be easier if we have your support."

Mrs. W. D. Pemberton, State War Mother, said she rejoiced at the progress of the local Legion post. "I started out as it were, with this post," she said "and I am delighted that it has at last realized one of its dreams—handsome quarters. You are to be congratulated and the success of this undertaking should inspire you to even greater things."

"May God bless you and may you always be as loyal to your State and nation as you were in the last crisis," was the message brought by Mrs. John K. Patterson, one of the first organizers of the War Mothers of the State and first State War Mother. "You showed your loyalty and patriotism and are due thanks and commendation. May God bless you and may you never have to face such trials again."

J. M. Hartsell, of No. 10 township, spoke as a representative of the county commissioners, saying the money spent for the new quarters of the Legion was money well spent. "You deserved this and more," he said. Mr. Hartsell said he was aware that "For God and Country" is the watchword of the Legion and he urged his hearers to live up to that.

"If you can give your children the right sort of home influences, keeping their faces always to the right and their hearts true with God you need never send them to war," he said.

Dick Chasline, manager of the Concord Theatre, through Commander McDonald extended an invitation to all present to attend his theatre after the reception.

"Look here, Jones, this is the fifth time I've had to ask you for that \$3 I lent you?"

"But, my dear fellow, think how many times I had to ask you before you let me have it."

Because of his age, Anton Lang will not again play the role of "Christus."

KIWANIS MEETING

Committee on Highway to Charlotte Makes Report.—The Misses Prout Heard With Interest.

The program offered at the weekly meeting of the Concord Kiwanis Club at Hotel Concord Friday was a most enjoyable one. J. P. Cook and Howard L. Collier were in charge of the program.

Miss Mary Prout delighted the club members with two readings and Miss Grace Prout charmingly rendered two solos.

Dr. T. N. Spencer, chairman of the committee on public affairs, reported that this committee met with the county highway commission relative to the proposed new highway from Concord to Charlotte.

Dr. Spencer also reported that the highway commission went to Charlotte Friday to confer with Commissioner Wilkinson, of the State commission, relative to the road.

The attendance prize was drawn by Brevard Harris.

The program at the meeting next Friday will be arranged by B. E. Harris and L. T. Hartagill, Jr.

REV. N. R. RICHARDSON IS KILLED BY TRUCK

Had Just Left Church at Piney Wood Where He Had Been Helping Conduct Revival.

Members of the Mt. Pleasant, retired minister of the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference and one of the best known men in the conference, was killed Friday afternoon when struck by a truck driven by a negro. The accident occurred near the Piney Wood Church, in eastern Rowan county.

Mr. Richardson had been assisting Rev. F. J. Stowe in a series of meetings at his church this week and Friday afternoon after preaching he was going home with one of the members. A lady driving the car stopped for some reason just after leaving the church and Mr. Richardson got out of the car to look about, as was his custom. It is said he saw a truck approaching and started across the road to get out of its path, then apparently changing his mind he retraced his steps in time to be struck by the truck, which was driven by a negro.

An ambulance was summoned from Salisbury but Mr. Richardson died on the way to a hospital in that city. He had suffered a cut in one limb but was apparently fatally injured internally. It is understood no blame attached to the driver of the truck.

The body was taken to Mt. Pleasant this morning and the funeral will be conducted from the Methodist Church at that place Sunday afternoon. The interment taking place at Albemarle.

Surviving are the widow and four children, the children being Miss Merrie, a teacher in the Salisbury schools; Prof. F. R., superintendent of the Spencer schools; Mrs. H. B. Stack, of Spartanburg, and R. McCreary Richardson, of Rocky Mount.

Mr. Richardson was 72 years old and was a superannuated minister of the Western North Carolina Conference. He had been a minister for thirty-five years, serving a number of churches in the state.

Before entering the ministry he was a lawyer and had practiced at Raleigh. His last regular pastorate was First Street Church, at Albemarle. Since retiring he had lived at Mt. Pleasant, where he owned a home.

News of Mr. Richardson's death reached Concord about 7 o'clock Friday night in a message sent to relatives. The news spread quickly and came as a shock to the many friends here of the deceased.

Mr. Richard preached in Central Methodist Church here two weeks ago in the absence of the pastor, Rev. R. M. Courtney. He had been heard here on numerous occasions and always with interest and benefit.

W. F. CANNON HURT IN ACCIDENT

W. F. Cannon, prominent farmer of N. 2 township, was painfully injured Thursday while operating a mower on his farm. He suffered one ugly wound on his leg and minor bruises.

Mr. Cannon stepped from the mower to fix a life on his team. Just as he reached the horses they started to walk off, throwing him in the path of the machine. It is believed his leg was cut by part of the machinery.

While the injuries have proved very painful it is believed Mr. Cannon is not seriously hurt.

CIRCLE TO MEET

The circles of the Woman's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian Church will meet Monday as follows:

Circle No. One—Miss Rose Harris.

Circle No. Two—Mrs. J. F. Goodson.

Circle No. Three—Miss Clara Harris.

Circle No. Four—Mrs. E. L. Morrison.

Circle No. Five—Mrs. Howard Caldwell.

Circle No. Six—Mrs. P. B. MacFarland.

Circle No. Seven—No meeting.

Circle No. Eight—Mrs. C. O. Gillen.

Circle No. Nine—Mary Flowe.

Circle No. Ten—Miss Julia McConnell.

Circle No. Eleven—Miss Rosa Caldwell.

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