

CHANGES IN ORGANIZATION OF TORONTO GENERAL HOSPITAL TO BE RECONSIDERED

Government Committee Brings in Eighteen Recommendations Affecting the Administration of the University of Toronto.

The special committee appointed by the Provincial Government to investigate the administration of the University of Toronto has completed its task. Its report contains eighteen recommendations as set forth in the summary below. Some of these recommendations have a direct bearing upon the welfare of Canadian citizens as a whole. Research work should have generous financial support. Splendid results have already been obtained from the efforts of scientists in the university. The method of liquifying helium, the development in the realm of anaesthesia, and the discovery of a cure for diabetes are recent instances.

The encouragement of extension work throughout the province is also strongly recommended. Many a man and woman deprived of early education has been helped by extramural courses. Highly trained university men visit numerous centres throughout Ontario; summer schools are held and correspondence courses bridge the gulf to higher education. This work, in the opinion of the committee, deserves the Government's generous aid.

It has long been the opinion of educationists that first-year university work should be undertaken by the high schools and collegiate institutes of the province. The advantages of this change are apparent to every one. Students would spend an extra year under the care of their parents and of the teachers who know them best. They would thus become more matured before entering upon the work of the university and therefore more capable of profiting by its advantages. A specialist course could be pursued with less effort on the part of the student and with better results at the end of his college term. Besides, the cost of an extra year in the collegiate would be less than that at the university, an important consideration to parents in these days of financial stress.

Of great interest to the university graduates—many of whom fought for alumni representation on the Board of Governors—the committee expresses itself as quite won over to the proposition, and recommends that the Federated Alumni Association of the University of Toronto be entitled to elect eight Governors out of the total of twenty-four by direct election.

Also of interest to all graduates is the fact that the Alumni Federation is to take the place of Convocation, which had become virtually obsolete as constituted under the Act.

It is recommended that the City of Toronto contribute to the support of the university in a measure commensurate with the benefits accruing to the city as the seat of the Empire's largest university. It is estimated that the sum of \$3,500,000 is expended in the city annually by the college and the students, and another \$500,000 saved to the city, without taking into consideration money expended for new buildings, which provide employment for Toronto workmen.

In regard to the re-organization of Toronto General Hospital the report

adds: "In connection with the release of certain doctors from the hospital staff, the committee considers that the Board of Governors and the trustees of the hospital, respectively, showed a regrettable lack of consideration for, and appreciation of the valuable and efficient services rendered to the university and the hospital for many years by those whose services were abruptly and irregularly terminated under the authority and with the approval of the President of the university." This matter is mentioned in section 16 of the summary of recommendations.

In dealing with the relation of the Eaton and Rockefeller gifts to the changes in organization, the committee finds that they did have a bearing on the reorganization and it recommends that in future private endowments should not be accepted unless given unconditionally.

The following is a summary of the recommendations:

1. That the relationship between the University of Toronto and the Federated Colleges, having proved at all times eminently satisfactory, be not disturbed.
2. That the present methods of financing the university be continued.
3. That (a) plans for the erection of new buildings and extensions, and substantial alterations on existing buildings; and (b) terms of gifts offered to the university, be subject to the approval of the Senate before acceptance by the board of governors.
7. That generous provision be made for the furtherance of the efforts of those engaged in scientific research.
8. That the composition of the council of the faculty of medicine be revised, so as to enable lecturers and instructors in the clinical departments to vote after serving as assessors for three years, and restricting the franchise in the primary (non-clinical) departments to full professors only.
9. That the status of the Ontario College of Education be continued as at present.
10. That the city of Toronto contribute towards the support of the university.
11. That the Minister of Education be not a member of the board of governors.
12. That "Convocation" consist of the Alumni Federation of the University of Toronto as at present constituted.
13. That the government consider future representation of the workers' educational association on the board of governors and the senate, on conditions set forth in the section of the report relating to the representation of labor.
14. That the Federated Alumni Association of the University of Toronto be entitled to elect eight representatives out of a total of twenty-four, by direct election, to the board of governors.
15. That the question of permitting representation in the legislature to the university be given earnest consideration by the government.
16. (a) That the reorganizations in

medicine, surgery and gynaecology (1919 and 1920) be referred back to the proper authorities for reconsideration.

(b) That the method of removal of certain doctors from the staff was unfortunate.

(c) That a new agreement regarding hospital appointments be entered into by the university and the hospital.

17. That hospitals receiving government aid guarantee against the practice of "fee-splitting" by doctors practicing therein.

18. That an effort be made to devise a means whereby doctors not on the university staff may have access to the public wards of the hospital.

Bricks Made of Sand.

The ancient Israelites were called upon by their Egyptian taskmasters to make bricks without straw. Today bricks are being made in the Holy Land of sand and chalk.

Palestine, like many other countries, is suffering from a house shortage, and this is a serious attempt to solve the problem. The factory where these sand bricks are made is located on the seashore at Tell Aviv, near Java.

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The crown is made partially of iron. Tradition declares that it was made from one of the nails used at the Crucifixion. This was beaten out into a thin rim of iron, which was set in gold and adorned with jewels.

Pope Gregory the Great bestowed it upon Queen Theodolinda, under whom the Lombards first changed their Arian faith for the Catholic. Charlemagne was crowned with it, and so were Henry of Luxemburg and succeeding Emperors.

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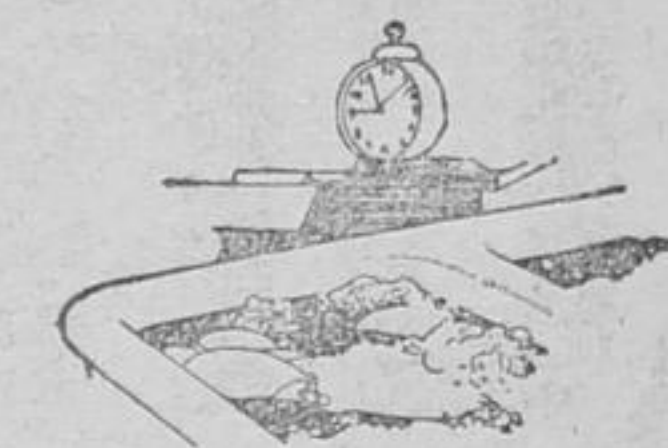
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Some little Belgian children who were playing outside a ruined village stopped on hearing the Angelus and drew near one of the wayside shrines. As they stood beneath it with heads bowed they began to recite the Lord's Prayer. On reaching "Forgive us our trespasses," the voices stopped. It was not long since the Germans had ruined their village; how could they pronounce the words "as we forgive those who—"

For several moments the children were silent. Then they heard a man's voice behind them: "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation—" Steadily the strong clear voice led the children through the prayer to the solemn amen.

And when they looked up there was a tall spectacled man in uniform surrounded by a small group of officers. He was their King, Albert the Good, who had proved himself their King indeed by insisting on their saying the greatest prayer of all—the prayer of forgiveness!

The other story is equally touching. Two English Tommies were standing at the corner of a street in a French town. "Have you ever seen King George?" asked one.

"Oh, yes," the other replied, "many times."

"Ah, but have you ever seen him cry? I have. The King once visited our hospital; he went round all the beds of our ward, talking to every man. At last he came to a poor chap who had lost both legs and one arm—a terrible plight for the poor fellow. The King stood looking at him for a moment and then said, 'My poor lad, how old are you?'"

"'Eighteen, sir,' was the chap's reply.

"'My God!' cried the King, and he burst into tears!"

During his reign King George has done many things that stand to his credit, but when all else is forgotten those tears will be remembered. They reveal the kingly soul.

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