

**MISS MACPHAIL'S LETTER**

After ten days in the vile air of the crowded and badly ventilated Assembly Hall, we began our work on the Third Committee which meets in the Glass Room at the Secretariat. It is a beautiful room, jutting out at right angles from the main building; three sides are of glass. At first, gazing on the spreading green trees and the calm waters of the Lake of Geneva I was deceived into thinking we were breathing the pure air of out of doors. But a week of work in that room has convinced me that though one can see through glass one cannot breathe through it. People in glass houses should not throw stones in an adage familiar to us all, and that may be the reason why the gentlemen on the Committee take such pains to be excessively polite to each other. One has a feeling at times that a little plain speaking might clear the atmosphere.

The discussion has centred around radio control, all concede that in times of stress the League needs a broadcasting station, the problem of maintaining it through normal times might be taken care of by a private company or the Swiss Government. The feeling was that the League should be in control of the station all the time.

For many days we discussed the prevention of war by financial assistance, the plan to work out something like this: in case of dispute between two countries being carried to an open rupture, the Council by unanimous decision would say who was the aggressor. The nation attacked, under this plan, could at once borrow money backed first by that nation, second by all nations that had signed this agreement, and third by certain strong financial powers. It was finally referred to the standing committee on Security and Arbitration, and will come up next year. We are just beginning the debate on disarmament. Great Britain, France and Germany are quite clearly the leading powers on the committee.

Unfortunately Committees Three and Five, of which I am a member, meet at the same time; I only followed opium in Committee Five. Through the excellent book, "The Black Candle" written by Janey Canuck, and the help given me by Henry Moyle of Richmond Hill, I have become very interested in the opium question. For ten years the League has done nothing about prohibiting the manufacture of narcotic drugs, though an attempt to control the drugs passing from one country to another was made by various methods. The lack of success is clearly shown by the fact that the amount of drugs used has increased enormously. This year for the first time the nations have agreed that the manufacture must be curtailed. Spain and France have already limited their amount to be manufactured and have brought the manufacturing process under Government supervision. Experts who have followed the Committee for ten years are jubilant over the advance. Many resolutions were submitted, the most advanced by Great Britain. It looks at the moment as though it would be accepted Canada would have moved it had Great Britain not done so.

My dinner partner at the Indian dinner the other night was Prince Varnvaidya of Siam, and a handsome, charming prince he is. He said he attended Oxford with Vincent Massey and was very interested in hearing of his work in Washington. It was a small party, not more than twenty people, which made it seem pleasant and less confusing. The Indian and Siamese delegates speak perfect English, an that, in this Tower of Babel, is a great relief to me.

The Chinese dance was last night, and was a very enjoyable affair, in spite of the terribly oppressive heat. There were some lovely costumes, especially those of the Japanese ladies present.

This mountainous country of Switzerland is an appropriate place to hold the League of Nations; for long centuries it has been a free country, democratically governed by an alert and well-informed people. Yet it would have been still better for the nations to have purchased territory and on it built the new world city. This would have left the League of Nations absolutely free of interference from anyone in its domestic affairs. Such things as the bad ventilation of the Assembly Hall and the desire of the Swiss Government to own the broadcasting station illustrate the need of a separate commun-

ity. Members of Parliament in the many countries who have not been delegates to the Assembly will find it exceedingly difficult to understand why the expense of the delegation runs so high. In this Hotel de la Paix a very ordinary room without bath but with telephone and running water costs seven dollars a day without meals. Rooms with bath cost from ten to twenty-two dollars a day, with meals, telephone, service by the desk extra. In a world city a fair rate could have been set and would have had the tendency to interest nations and individuals in the League to a greater degree.

It is said that an American came to the office in Geneva the other day wanting admission to the League of Nations Assembly and in explanation said: "Now just understand I do not want to join the League of Nations, I only want a ticket for one performance."

The beautiful dahlias of Geneva are now in full bloom. I visited the other morning a little square in the old part of the town where executions used to take place in the olden days, and which is now the flower-market. The roses, asters, delphiniums with which we are familiar were there and also the exotic dahlias in so many beautiful colors, and great jars of flaming orange flowers that reminded me in shape and color of Japanese lanterns.

AGNES C. MACPHAIL.

**SCHOOL HONOR ROLLS FOR PAST MONTH**

**Durham Public School**

IV—Sadie McEachern, Verdun Macdonald, Arthur Koch, Frank Ritchie, Mary Pickering, John Greenwood, Eddie Hunt and Gordon McGirr equal, Harold Trafford, Elsie Hunter, George Glass.

—John A. Graham, Principal.

Sr. III—Jean Rowe, Clara Thompson, Ollida Hahn, Dorothy McDonald, Mary Firth, Vernon Collinson, Nora Baird, Ross Wilson, Essel McArthur, David Aljoe.

—Kathleen Firth, teacher.

Jr. III—Robert Milne, Clark Saunders, George Prew, Gordon Kennedy, Velma Hulme, Hertha Kelly, Laurine Campbell, Lynn Vollett, Kathleen McFadden, Edith Miles.

—Clara McCrae, teacher.

Sr. II A—Emily Cornwall, Kathleen McDonald, Margaret Sparling, Ruth Nichol, Eilene Tucker.

Sr. II B—Jean Murdock, Louise Falconer and Ross Lauder equal, Grace Vollett, Jean McGirr.

—Florence M. Kress, teacher.

Jr. II A—Jimmie Braithwaite, Isabel Fiddes, Willie Wells, Margaret Moore, Janet Robb and Catherine Rowland equal.

Jr. II B—Ross Kearney, George Ball, Arthur Allan, Eileen Whitmore, Leona Sibbald.

—Mary E. Morton, teacher.

I A—Allan Wilson, Philip Sparling, Reta Morris, Violet Dunsmoor, Helen Gerbe.

I B—Harry Schenk, Clara McDonald, John Collier, Phyllis Wilson, Catherine McMeeklen.

—Daisy Mather, teacher.

Sr. Pr. A—Florence Martin, Harworth Hughes, Ronald Watt, Nelson Dunsmoor, Irene Atkinson.

Sr. Pr. B—Agnes Atkinson, Sadie Osborne, Jack Caswell, Anna McLean and Vera Neaves equal, Bertha Glass.

—Elma L. Ball, teacher.

Jr. Pr. A—Bernice Tyndale, John McEachern, Wesley Vickers, Walter Bovingdon, Eileen Ball.

Jr. Pr. B—Evelyn Becker and David Rowland equal, Jean Town, Margaret Derby, Mary Noble, Vera Lauder.

Jr. Pr. C—Audrey Collier, Gordon Rimmer, Marie McDougall, Velma Vollett, George Burnett.

—Lizzie Schaefer, teacher.

**No. 2 Egremont**

IV—Sadie Davis, Norman Gordon, Douglas Johnson.

Sr. III—Jimmy Ferguson, Willie Campbell, Percy Gordon, Viola Pollock, Ivan Johnson.

Jr. II—Bert Marshall, Bobbie Webber.

Jr. I—Helen Lindsay, Lenore Davis and Clarence Gordon equal, George Webber, Clifford Gordon.

Sr. Pr. A—Bobbie Mighton.

Sr. Pr. B—Wanda Stephenson, Orrin

Pollock, Norma Lindsay.  
Jr. Pr. A—Minetta Webber, Vincent Campbell, Vernon Campbell.  
Jr. Pr.—Stuart Pollock, Kenneth Mighton.  
—R. L. Barbour, teacher.

**No. 12 Egremont**

Sr. IV—Clara Watson, Lewis Wells, Clarence Nelson, George Wilson.

Jr. IV—Clara Falkingham, Wallace Matthews, Fanny Hargrave.

Sr. III—Jean Brown, Ray Adams, Lloyd Brown, Colwin Nelson.

Jr. III—Reggie Wilson, Annie Andrews, Edgar Patterson, Robert Hunter, Verdon Watson, Frances Daly.

Sr. II—Gladys Young, Hazel Watson.

Jr. II—Norman Wells, Alice Daly, Kenneth Nelson, Roy Andrews, James Hargrave.

I—Elmo Scott, Raymond Brown, Robert Nelson, Harold Hunter, Keith Hunter, Orville Lee.

Pr.—Douglas Wilson, Arthur Matthews, George Wells, Dorothy Andrews, Bobbie Lee and Clarence Young equal, Jack Wells, Clarence Watson, Myrtle Daly, Joe Daly, Thomas Hargrave, Goldie Hargrave, Nellie Wells.

Average attendance 37.

V. M. Mervyn, teacher

**No. 11 Bentinck**

Sr. IV—Raymond Hopkins, James Armstrong.

Jr. IV—Wilhelmine Manto, Fred Roseborough, Irwin Hiscoc.

Sr. III—Sarah Dyer, Doris Dyer, Dawson Vollett, Freda Ritchie, Daniel Armstrong, Gordon Dyer.

Sr. II—Ella Vollett, Margaret Murdock, Smith Hopkins.

Jr. II—Elmer Noble, Milton Manto.

Jr. I—Catherine Dyer, Wilhelmine Hopkins, Ernest Murdock.

Sr. Pr.—Alvin Manto, John Murdock.

Jr. Pr.—Ross Roseborough, Jean Hopkins.

Marjorie C. Ritchie, teacher.

**No. 1, Normanby**

Sr. IV—Irene Petty, Susie Marshall, Tommy Watson, Elgin Petty and Wallace Marshall equal.

Sr. III—Wilfred Marshall, Allan Wat-



Earl Jellicoe Attends Grand Rally of British Legion. The above picture shows Earl Jellicoe handing over banners after the grand rally and memorial ser-

son, Jessie Marshall.  
Sr. Pr.—Clarence Caldwell, Florence Petty, Mabel Marshall.  
Jr. Pr.—Alex. Widmeyer, Kinross Marshall.  
—A. McAllister, teacher.

If you are patient the man who says he doesn't know anything worth telling will tell it.—Toledo Blade.

**THE VOICE OF EXPERIENCE**

Those who have had experience with a certain type of "Good Samaritan" will appreciate this colored preacher's version of the well-known parable: "There was a traveller on a lonely road, robbed an' left wounded an' helpless by de roadside. As he laid dere, various

offered him any 'sistance. By an' by, puasons passed him, but none ob dem howsomever, a pore Samaritan came along, an' taking pity on de wounded man, helped him on his mule an' took him to a tavern, where he ordered food an' raiment fo' de man, an' tells de tavern keeper to send de bill to him. Now, breddern an' sistahs, dis am a true story," concluded the preacher. "fo' de tavern am standin' in de skeleton ob de tavern keeper, waitin' fo' de good samaritan to come back an' pay de bill."

**Or Parr**

Motorist: "I have killed your cat, but have come to replace it."  
Old Lady: "Thank you very much, but I am afraid that that you cannot catch mice."—Buen Humor, Madrid.

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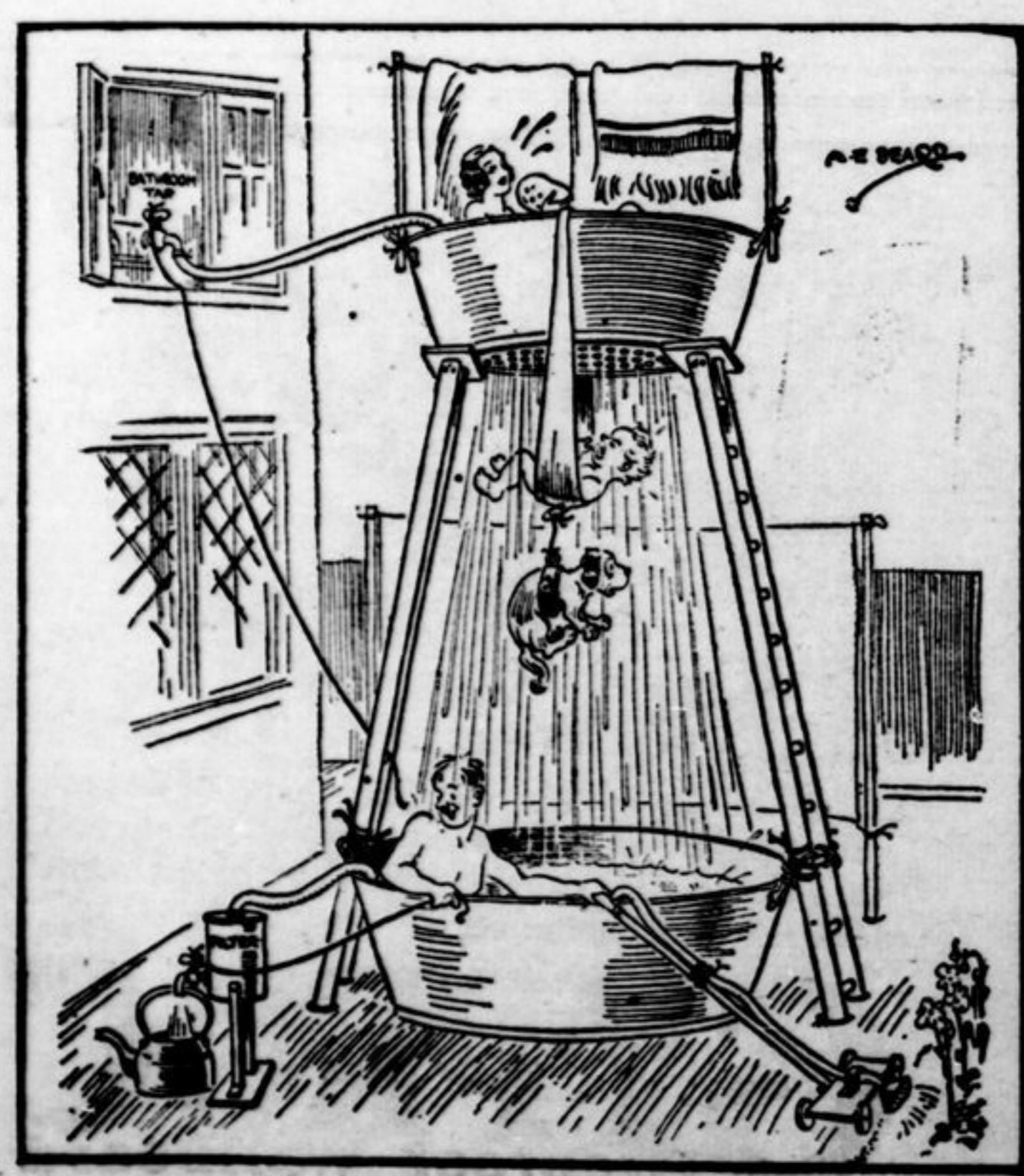
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An ingenious scheme for saving water, devised by a public-spirited citizen, in the Old Country, in the event of another drought. The drought in the British Isle swas so serious during the past summer that the authorities requested the public not to water lawns, or use any more water than was absolutely necessary.—The Humorist, London.

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