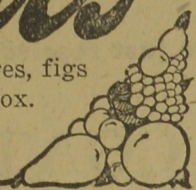


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Mysterious Blunt Leaves Odd Will

London, Feb. 26—Wilfrid Scawen Blunt, traveler, poet, diplomat, revolutionary and Arab horse breeder is as much a mystery in death as he was in life. There are few wills more peculiar than that of this man who participated in the Egyptian national movement in 1881 was imprisoned for his activities in Ireland in 1888 and yet died leaving a fortune of more than £78,000.

Among the various beneficiaries under the terms of his will are a Roman Catholic monastery a Mohammedan mosque and a Quaker burial ground. He left £200 for the upkeep of the Franciscan monastery at Crawley where his brother and sister are buried and £200 to a Cambridge University professor to give to any organization erecting a Mohammedan mosque in London.

Remembers the Friends.

But undoubtedly the most interesting is his bequest of an equal sum for the maintenance of a Quaker burial ground at Thakeham as a token of sympathy to the friends "in their faithful opposition to military service during the late war."

This burial ground surrounds the old Quaker meeting house known as the Blue Idol which stands at the end of a blind lane about three miles from Billingshurst in the heart of Sussex. This meeting house to-day looks almost as it did in 1690 when a band of Friends of whom William Penn founder of the Keystone State was the chief worshiped there Penn

then lived at Worminghurst at the other end of Thakeham parish.

Once it is said the big congregation gathered to hear Penn speak. The Quaker leader was so full of the message he was going to deliver that after waiting impatiently in the orchard while the farmer folk gathered he began the delivery of his sermon as he entered the door and went up the tiled aisle to the tiny "minister's gallery." Under the shade of the apple tree it is said one of Penn's sons lies buried in an unnamed grave.

Interest in the "Blue Idol."

The interior of the Blue Idol and its broad beams are disfigured by a coat of blue wash put on several generations ago. Wilfrid Blunt's attention was particularly drawn to the spot at the time the blue wash was being scraped off by a party of Quaker ex-prisoners in the summer of 1919 when the meeting house was being renovated. These folk the following year went to visit Blunt, taking with them the old caretaker years old who was born in the cottage part of the meeting house.

The globe trotter and the man who had never in his life been outside of his native parish became friends in the Blue Idol.

Of course the most mysterious thing about Blunt's will is the provision for keeping a box containing his manuscripts in the Fitzwilliam Museum at Cambridge University unopened until September 10, 1952—thirty years from the time of his death. The instructions as to his burial say that his body should be "laid in the ground wrapped in my Eastern travelling carpets and with out a coffin or casket of any kind at a spot in New Buildings Wood known to my executors without religious or other ceremony."

SOMETHING TO DODGE

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Argument of School Board Increased Accommodation For Schools of the City

Report of Special Committee Composed of Mrs. W. G. Clark and J. M. Lemont — Wish to Provide for Future—Increase in School Attendance to be Expected for Several Years Yet.

The report of the Special Committee of the School Board on school attendance, composed of Mrs. W. G. Clark, and J. M. Lemont, which was before the City Council Friday night is as follows:—

At the last regular meeting of the School board, Mrs. Clark and I were appointed a committee to secure data on school attendance, with a view to ascertain the cause for the need of greatly increased school accommodation and also with the view of forecasting our future needs.

At the present time the enrollment of the different schools together with the number of departments in each is as follows:

School	No. of Depts
218 Regent Street	5
192 Model	4
477 Smythe Street	10
449 Charlotte Street	9
105 Morrison	3
18 Doak	1
1459	32

There are also about 300 in High School, making a total of 1759.

The total school enrollment in recent years for the fall term, beginning with the year 1913 is as follows: 1300, 1375, 1415, 1490, 1543, 1622, 1661, 1648, 1696, 1769. This shows a fairly uniform and steady increase, the causes of which may be thus classified.

Normal Increase

1. The normal increase of population should be reflected in Grade I. I find however that Grade I. is smaller now than it was some years ago. The present enrollment being 209, while in 1913 (December) it was 234. The figures for succeeding years are as follows: 253, 257, 204. The birth statistics for the years 1920, 1921 and 1922 are respectively, 256, 244, and 265. Making allowance for the large mortality between birth and the age of 6 years, it would seem that the normal demand for school accommodation from this cause alone would remain about the same for the next six years as it is at present.

Newcomers

2. By far the largest part of the increase appears to be due to the influx of newcomers into the city. The figures for the last term are somewhat startling. A census was taken a few days ago of the number of children now attending school who have moved into the city since the spring term 1922. There are five in Regent Street, nine in Model, twenty-three in Smythe and thirty-six in Charlotte. Of this total of seventy-three, only six are in Grade I. There are also a few in the High School, and it will thus be seen that almost two new departments are required to take care of the newcomers. No figures are available for previous years, but doubtless the same thing has been going on for some years past.

Business Depression

3. The Compulsory Attendance law is better enforced than formerly.

4. During the latter years of the war, and the two years succeeding the war, there was a great demand for the labor of boys. This no doubt decreased the attendance in the upper grades. With the coming of hard times, boys have not been able to find lucrative jobs, and their parents have kept them at school. This accounts in some measure, for the greatly increased enrollment in the higher grades during the last two years.

More in High School

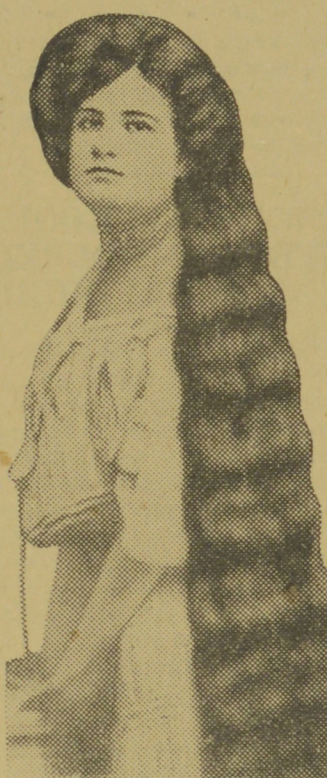
5. The attention which the Board has devoted towards making the High School course more attractive accounts in no small degree for the increase there. There has been greater freedom in the selection of subjects, and Greek and Latin have ceased to be compulsory. The new commercial course, when fully established on a three year basis means a greatly enlarged enrollment. Doubtless the improved facilities in the Household Science department and the Sloyd Department have also assisted in holding pupils in school for a longer period.

6. To the above causes may be added the general recognition of the importance of education being felt more and more by the ordinary citizen with

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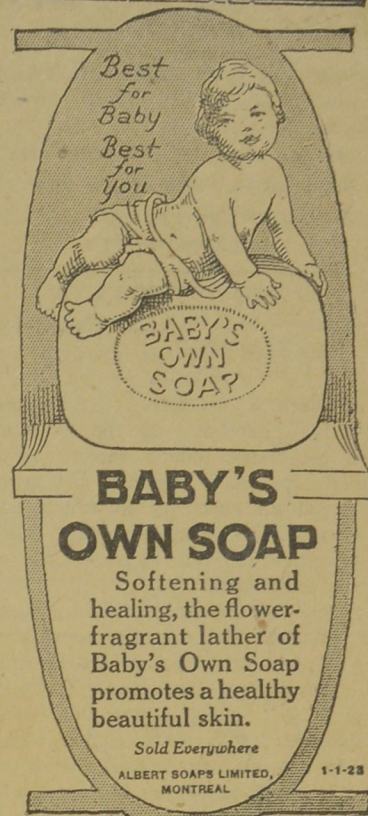
Additional Rooms

We turn now to our need for additional rooms. One additional department has been opened at Morrison's Mill during the past year, and this may be expected to provide all the necessary accommodation in that direction for some years to come. Eliminating this school and the Doak School, and also the Model School and the Regent St. School, each of which forms a separate entity, and confining our attention to Charlotte St. and Smythe St. we find that the total enrollment of these two schools is at present 926, contained in 19 departments. This makes an average of nearly 49, being 50 for Charlotte and 47.7 for Smythe. If the average for these two schools were reduced to 42, (which is necessary if we are never to exceed 48 in one department) three new departments must be opened at once. Even if we are to continue some of the present overcrowding, two new departments ought to be opened. Adding one new department for the newcomers, which may reasonably be expected, we should be prepared to open three new rooms for the Grades below High School. Two departments are already housed in Assembly rooms. This makes a minimum of five departments, for which rooms should be available next fall, if we are not to let our standards drop.

At the High School

In the High School a new classroom must be opened for first year pupils in the Commercial course. We also need a larger room with an additional supply of machines for the typewriting department. Looking at the number of pupils now attending Grade VIII in the common schools, namely 120, we may reasonably expect a large class to enter the High School next fall. This class will have

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Paris, March 1—"To live long read Montaigne," is the advice given in a paper presented to the French Academy of Medicine by Dr. Armain gaud, who supports his thesis by the fact that he himself is over 80 years of age.

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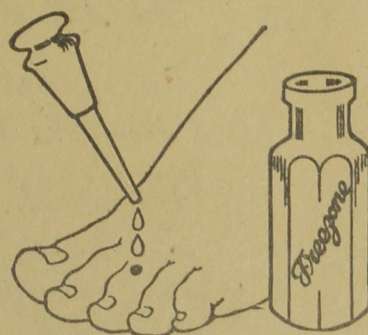
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