Miss Gebbie, house secretary of

the Palmerston North branch of the

Y.W.C.A., has resigned her position owing to ill-health. The resignation

was received at a meeting of the board of directors with expressions

of regret, and as a mark of apprecia-

tion a presentation of a grey suede handbag was made to Miss Gebbie

by the president (Mrs. L. A. Abraham) on behalf of the board. The

position will be filled temporarily by

According to the Australian cor-respondent of "The Post," the Prince of Wales had a very unpleasant ex-

perience at the Melbourne Town Hall.

There was a Hospital Funds ball

there, and all and sundry had been allowed to buy tickets. Too many

people were present-many of them

with no conception of good manners.

The floor was so crowded with would-be dancers that practically no

dancing could take place. Members

of the committee tried to clear the

floor a little. Then the Prince and

a big official party arrived, and con-

fusion became worse confounded.

The dancers made a little space and the Prince led the Lady Mayoress out to dance. The people crowded around to that extent, staring and

jostling, that the Prince and his partner were forced to stop. The

crowd moved back somewhat, and

again the Prince tried to dance. Again the unmannered men and women crushed forward, and the Prince with every evidence of annoy-

ance, led his partner from the floor.

After a discussion, the official party moved towards the supper-room. Even then, they got through the jostling mass with the supper-room.

jostling mass with the utmost dif-

flculty. While they were at supper,

the crowd was appealed to to make

room, and the committee was anxious

to rope off a space, but the Prince would not allow that. The people,

he was sure, would make room. He re-entered the ballroom with a young

lady, and tried to dance. Again the

people pressed on to the floor, and he had to stop. Sir Lionel Halsey

mounted a dais and asked the gentle-

men present to clear the floor—the dancers to dance and the onlookers

to get back to the sides of the room.

An attempt was made to do this.

But only a few measures were danced

before the implacable pressure from

behind forced those in front out on

to the floor again, and the Prince found himself and his partner hem-

med in by the crowd, and stared at

as if he were a zoological specimen.

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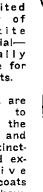
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